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SCHOOL BREAK
George Mitchell ’54 speaks on Ireland peace process

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The honorable George J. Mitchell ’54 came to Bowdoin last month as an emeritus professor at Harvard University to speak on "The Statesman's Role in a Divided Ireland and Northern Ireland." Mitchell’s lecture on the history and politics of Northern Ireland covered the period from the 1798 Rebellion to the present day.

Mitchell mentioned the 1493 mid-winter massacre in which the English burned 100,000 Irish. He also noted that in the early 19th century, the Irish were known as a lazy, idle people.

George Mitchell ’54, Nobel Peace Prize nominee and broker of the peace agreement between northern and southern Ireland, denied rumors that he was considering a position in the White House. (Lindsay Szramek/Bowdoin Orient)

The State of the Nation debate will continue indefinitely without any progress if a deadline was not established. He described the importance of linking such deadlines to external events, such as the April 9th deadline for the Middle East peace talks.

The speech was well-received by the audience, which included students, faculty, and alumni. Many attendees commented on the relevance of the topic and the importance of Mitchell's insights on the current state of Northern Ireland.

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“I am very concerned about the safety of Bowdoin students. If anyone thinks that Bowdoin isn’t concerned about the safety of its students, make sure that you know who to contact. It’s not a safe environment for students, and we need to work together to make it better,” said O’Connor.

The College recently formed a committee that will be laying the foundations for the new program this fall. Committee members hope to begin exploring new programs to improve learning and teaching in the spring.

Baldwin, currently resides in California and is president of Brownie Enterprises, an investment firm she founded, as well as Precision Publishing, a desktop publishing business. Baldwin was among the first students to graduate from Bowdoin after transferring from Wheaton College in 1971. She majored in mathematics and government, graduating magna cum laude.

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and that no mixers were being served. One of the officers told a student checked for identification that they had come to Brunswick because of pressure from around the community and the state to enforce Maine state alcohol laws more stringently, both at colleges around the state in general, and at Bowdoin in particular.

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Reorganization of Student Affairs leads to new dean

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The Student Affairs Office has undergone a number of changes this year, including the reorganization of several of the dean positions as well as the addition of one dean and the departure of another.

Mya Mangawang has joined the department this year as dean of upperclass students with last names beginning with L to Z and as an advisor to the Judicial Board.

Mangawang comes to Bowdoin from a graduate program in higher education at the University of Vermont, having done her undergraduate work at Dartmouth in classics and art. While at Vermont, she worked at nearby St. Michael’s College in their admissions, alumni relations, and deans’ offices.

She said she considers herself an educator whose main job lies outside the classroom and includes all aspects of campus life. Students can come to Mangawang when they have questions, concerns, or problems, or when they are having social concerns such as not finding their niche at Bowdoin. She would then try to point students in the direction of advantageous resources.

In her role as advisor to the J-Board, Mangawang said she tries to take “a philosophical approach.” The board has recently examined their own ethics and were tested in much the same way, where Mangawang acted as a “galley,” raising questions and forcing them to take a stand on important issues.

“It has been interesting to watch the development of the board,” said Mangawang, adding that the importance of her position cannot be understated, as the J-Board’s decisions can “shape or determine the importance of the honor code, and help define what it means to live by that code.”

Mangawang said she came to Bowdoin because she sees it as a learning community “where academics take priority hands-down. It is a certain brand unto it, much like Dartmouth or another small IY.”

While Mangawang said she thinks her relatively recent undergraduate education will be an advantage in her position, she said she thinks the most important quality for a good dean is passion about the role of education in students’ lives.

Betsy Maier, former assistant dean of student affairs, accepted a position this summer in California at the University of the Pacific. Maier will continue to work part time for Bowdoin this year as the health professions advisor, communicating with students by phone, e-mail and fax. Sue Livesay will become the director of health professions admissions in the fall of 1999.

Other changes in Student Affairs include Tim Foster’s move from dean of first-year students to associate dean, where he will oversee the daily happenings of the Dean’s Office and work closely with department heads. Margaret Hazlett has become the new dean of first-year students.

Karen Tillof is the dean of upperclass students whose last names begin with A to F, and will also be working closely with students with special needs. Sharon Turner has become the dean of upperclass students whose last names begin with F to L and is in charge of fellowship and grant information.

Bowdoin rises in U.S. News rankings

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Bowdoin was ranked seventh among national liberal arts colleges in the 1999 edition of "U.S. News and World Report’s "America’s Best Colleges" issue, up from last year’s eighth place ranking. Last year, Bowdoin tied for eighth with five other schools; this year, Bowdoin is tied with Middlebury College.

"Bowdoin has an academic reputation in New England and in the mid-Atlantic states that has been established over the past two centuries, but the school is not nearly as well known outside of these regions, so rankings help from that standpoint," said Dean of Admissions Richard Steele, "but the school is not nearly as well known outside of these regions, so rankings help from that standpoint."

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The Office of the Dean of Student Affairs wishes to remind students of the change that has been made in this year’s Academic Honor Code, therefore altering the responsibilities expected of ALL Bowdoin students, new and old. While students are asked to review the Student Handbook every year, this change warrants specific mention.

In past years, Bowdoin has stated that its Academic Honor Code “[i]t is the obligation of students to read Sources: Their Use and Acknowledgment.” Sources, however, is no longer in publication. So, in place of the Student Handbook section referring to Sources, this year’s Academic Honor Code (Section IV.3, page 50) reads as follows:

"It is the obligation of students to be thoroughly familiar with proper citation of sources and to consult and refer to authoritative style guides for research papers. The Bowdoin College Library Web site provides links to style guides at http://www.bowdoin.edu/dept/library/eref/write.html. Students are particularly encouraged to consult the MLA Style Guides and Bibliographic Formats for Citing Electronic Information. Plagiarism is possible with any work performed in any medium and any scholarly discipline. Plagiarism involves the use, by paraphrase or direct quotation, of the published or unpublished work of another person without attribution and clear acknowledgment of all such scholarly work as essays, examinations, oral or written reports, homework assignments, laboratory reports, computer programs, music scores, choreography, graphic, and visual representations. Plagiarism also includes the unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person as a study aid and the selling of term papers or other academic materials.”

At the aforementioned web site, under the heading of STYLE GUIDES, you will not only find the MLA Guide, but numerous other references for properly citing sources. The individual instructors may have their specific style of citation, therefore, it is good practice to discuss the preferred method for citing sources at the beginning of each course.

Alcohol usage under scrutiny

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The Student Handbook also contains a large passage found in last year’s Handbook about the importance of helping other students “involved in dangerous drinking” and promising that “Health and Counseling Service personnel will maintain the confidentiality of any student seeking help for an alcohol or drug problem.”

Director of Residential Life Bob Graves confirmed that the College believes that the safety and welfare of students is of paramount importance, and that students should take responsibility for themselves.

“We are trying to educate, not stand in the way,” said Graves. “But Bowdoin is concerned about safety. If a friend has had too much [to drink], don’t be afraid to get help.”

The presence of the liquor enforcement officials in Brunswick has led many business that have liquor licenses to increase their vigilance on checking for identification, including requiring two forms of identification and/or requiring a Maine state identification for alcohol purchases. Even Jack Maggie’s Pub requires that everyone entering be over 21 years of age and possess two forms of identification for Senior Pub night.

The liquor enforcement officials were unavailable for comment.

Additional information for this article was gathered by Adam Zimmerman.
Town residents express concerns over fraternity houses

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Bowdoin's decision in 1997 to ban fraternities led the College to try to purchase the fraternity houses for college use. Even if the houses are sold, however, Brunswick zoning laws may not permit use of the buildings.

Currently, the College owns the former Delta Sigma house and is leasing the Beta Sigma and Chi Psi houses. The Delta Sigma house is undergoing construction, the Chi Psi house has been adopted under the College House system as Boody Street, and the Beta house is currently unoccupied but may eventually contain offices and a day-care center. The remainder of the fraternity houses are still owned, however, by their respective corporations. The College is in the process of negotiating with these corporations to acquire the houses.

However, most of these fraternity buildings on Maines, McKean and Boody Streets are located in what is known as the TRS zone. Residents located in this zone are, according to Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley, required to use single family housing only. While the fraternity buildings may, for the time being, continue to serve as student residences, the College does not have the legal authority to force the transfer of the alumni associations' corporations, their transfer to the College would remove the grandfather clause. The usual college trustees, and members of the alumni bodies, and office space would require either an amendment

Sever Brunswick residents have expressed concerns about the use of these houses for College use. The Times Record has reported that at a Brunswick Planning Board meeting on September 1, neighbors of the houses complained about the current noise, drinking, and misbehavior they ascribe to the fraternities. In addition, residents they said they fear the effects of proposed parking areas in several of the lots around the houses. While the Planning Board has not opted for a public hearing on the matter, several board members expressed their desire to have residents' concerns taken into account before any decisions are made.

Bradley said the College "will be meeting with neighbors over the course of the next couple of weeks to discuss their concerns and to explain how the College Houses are part of the College and accountable to the College, as well as other issues such as parking limitations and management, handling noise complaints, and the maintenance of the buildings."

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Campus Crosstalk

Peter Lehman, a former University of Southern Maine sociology professor, was sentenced last Wednesday to six years in prison. Lehman pleaded guilty to sexaully explicit photographs of four girls ranging in age from 12 to 15 as well as having sex with a 15-year-old he met at Lehman's office. Lehman is serving time at the Franklin County Correctional Facility.

In response to the death of first-year student Scott Krueger last fall, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology instiuted several drastic changes, including alcohol and housing policies this month. All fraternities, sororities, and other independent living groups are required to elect a "green officer" and get "green training." Alcoholic beverages are banned at all fraternities through September 12, after which date fraternities can take alcohol education courses and apply for recertification. Penalties on alcohol policy violations have been increased; an aggregated case can lead to fines up to $1,500 and expulsion. Next fall, all fraternities will be required to live on campus.

Benjamin Carter, a Louisiana State University student, was shot and killed early Saturday morning as he was leaving a party. Lasar Riley, charged with murder, was asked to leave the party earlier and allegedly returned thirty minutes later armed with a semi-automatic pistol, police said.

Two campuses in the University of Maine system will receive $4 million in state funding for research this year. A 200 percent jump over last year. University of Maine in Orono will receive $3.2 million, and University of Southern Maine will get $800,000. The UMaine system is known nationally to be one of the worst-funded systems in the nation. In a study done by South Dakota, ranked lowest in federal money received for research and development.

Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble

Compiled by Greig Arendt

Independent counsel Kenneth Starr re- 
leased his report detailing the results of his eight-month investigation of President Clinto- 
ton on Wednesday, despite Clinton's lawyer's 
plea to allow the president at least one week to review the report in advance of its submis- 
sion to Congress. House Speaker Newt 
Gingrich has said that large portions of the 
report will be released on the Internet be- 
tween 2 and 4 p.m. today. The House of 
Representatives must first determine how 
to handle the report before any proceedings 
can begin, and hearings are not expected until after the November elections.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin nominated 
Yegory Primakov for Prime Minister, 
scraping his prior candidate, Viktor 
Chernomyrdin, who the Duma had twice 
refused to back. The Communists and others 
have proclaimed their support for Primakov, who is expected to be confirmed by the lower house of parliament today.

A new class-action lawsuit was filed in the United States by former slave laborers during 
the Nazi regime. The lawsuit charges German companies with labor exploitation. The defendants include industrial giants BMW, Daimler-Benz, Krupp-Hoesch, MAN, Siemens and Volkswagen.

North Korea test fired an unannounced missile this week which flew through Japa- 
nese airspace before it splashed into the Pa- 
cific. This is the first test firing of a North Korean missile in five years. The missile, the Despodok, has a maximum range of 1,240 miles, twice the range of earlier North Ko- rean missiles. Displeased, Japan will look for a long-term agreement to help finance two reactors to provide nuclear energy for North Korea.

Myanmar's military government arrested 100 members of the opposition political party led by Daw Aung San Su Kyi. The arrest fol- 
lowed the rejection by the Parliament of decis- 
sions to oust堡垒, which were elected in 1988. The opposition party won 82 percent of the seats 
in the 1990 election, but the military government 
refused to recognize the winners as valid. Su Kyi was arrested as the same president who accepted British aid last 
year to restore power in the counter-coup.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair inter- 
viewed to save the lives of sixteen people sentenced to death in Sierra Leone for their part in the military coup last year. The con- 
 demnations include a woman whose execu- 
tagion was ordered by the BBC Radio's Africa Service who gave birth in prison a month ago. Blair will appeal to Sierra Leone's President to commute the same president who accepted British aid last 
year to restore power in the counter-coup.

High levels of the microscopic parasites giardia and cryptosporidium caused the New South Wales health department to warn in- 
habitants of Sydney, Australia that their tap 
water is unfit to drink. The parasites, which 
can be destroyed by boiling the water, re- 
turned after the last outbreak, which only one 
year ago. Sydney is scheduled to host the 
Summer Olympics in the year 2000.
Mitchell 54 discusses Ireland peace agreement

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Northern Ireland as attempted distractions to the United States, and I added that I felt we had to face the reality of the situation in failing to say, "The way to respond to violence is to swiftly respond and go forward with peace." I had also spoke of our nation's ideals as its basis for power, explaining that "the United States was a great nation long before it was a great military power." He drew an ovation from the crowd with his declaration that, "We don't need to spend a trillion dollars or drop a bomb everywhere there's a problem in this world.

Mitchell also spoke of his positive Bowdoin experience, referring frequently to all those who helped him during this time. The son of a Colby College junior and a Lebanon, Maine, native, he got several jobs to pay his tuition, ranging from truck driver to dorm proctor, on top of starting as a guard on the basketball team during his junior and senior years.

When asked what message he might offer to Bowdoin students as they prepare to find their places in the world, he stressed the value of public service. His own most recent personal goal, he said, beyond intercollegiate and family significance, he defined as the day he emerged with the peace agreement.

This lecture was Mitchell's most recent in a long series of visits to Bowdoin. He came three years ago when he was honored as the recipient of the Bowdoin Prize, given once every five years "to the graduate or member of the College, or member of the faculty at the time of the award, who shall have made during the period the most distinctive contribution in any field or endeavor."

He came this time sponsored by the John C. Donovan Lecture Fund. Both Mitchell and Donovan, a former government professor at Bowdoin, worked under Senator Ed Muskie at different times. During his opening remarks, Mitchell recalled Donovan, whose honorary lecture fund was established at the time of his death in 1984, as "a close personal friend in the Democratic Party and one of my mentors in politics."

Bowdoin in Brief

Todd Judson '88 passed away Wednes-
day, August 5. Judson, who had Hodgkin's lymphoma and was away from school most of last year undergoing treat-
ment, died after receiving a bone marrow transplant.

College officials met with the Brunswick Planning Board Tuesday to discuss development of a 100,000-square-foot site at the Maine State Street on the corner of Noble and Union Streets. Bowdoin officials are hoping to purchase the site from the town and build a 32,000-square-foot office building.

Several Brunswick residents expressed their views on the proposal, including desires for public input. One recently had a more comprehensive approach to planning the development.

Rebecca Dawson '02 and Erika Leach '02 are the College's first-ever Other Scholars. The Bernard Osher Foundation established the scholarships last winter to provide edu-
cation opportunities for Maine native residents attending Bowdoin, Bates, and Colby College and the University of Maine system. Dawson and Leach are both graduates of Noble High School in Berwick.

Excerpts from Mitchell's speech

"It's really a great pleasure for me to be back at Bowdoin again. I owe much to this institution. I was 16 years old when I graduated from Waterville High School. To say I was naive would be the understatement of the century. I had no plan and no clear conception of my future. And thanks to a lot of wonderful people at Bowdoin, I was able to come here and get more than an education. I really got a lesson in life...

"As the bombings and the riots hurt the economy, unemployment rose along with violence in a deadly cycle of escalating misery. Finally, early in this decade, after many years of effort, the British and Irish governments were able to get peace negotiations underway in June of 1994. At the invitation of the two governments, I agreed to serve as chairman. I was assured by the prime ministers that it would take a few months. Twenty-two it turned out to be..." more than a few. It was in fact the longest, most difficult negotiation I've ever been involved in. Often, indeed for most of the twenty-two months, no progress occurred and none seemed possible. But somehow we kept it going. There was an especially bleak and dangerous time in the Christmas season of 1997 and the early months of this year. There was a sharp increase in sectarian killings. Murders were occurring daily almost in an effort of men on violence on both sides to destroy the peace process. At the height of that violence, we were working on the situation of 1,000,000 people in the situation occurring. I concluded that a deadline was necessary if there was to be any chance of success. I served as majority leader for six years and there I learned that often there had to be a deadline set to some external event to bring a process to conclusion.

"I think the real heroes were the political leaders of Northern Ireland. They were men and women who courageously went out and said, 'We will not go on living like this.' Several have been assassinated. Several have been imprisoned. Several have been tried for acts of violence. Several have been tried for acts of violence in their own during which they demonstrated the capacity for personal redemption that exists in all of us, irrespective of their political background. I was an advocate for peace. They confronted an extremely difficult situation...

"A few years ago I was in Bosnia, along the Bosnia-Croatia border and I toured a small town that had been the scene of violent conflict early in that bitter war. As I walked through the village, the mayor—a young man—described to me that the town had been captured by Serbs and Croats. When the war broke out, the Serbs gained control and burned down every building in the town owned by a Croat. When the fortunes of war changed, the Croats took over and in retaliation burned down every building owned by a Serb. The result was that a single building in the town had been destroyed. I asked the mayor, 'How long will it be before people here can live side by side in peace?' He thought for a while and he said, 'We will report out of here long before we repair our souls.' Changing what is in people's hearts and minds is the most important and yet the most difficult task in the attainment of peace..."..."
Welcome to your world

We have come to our small college in Maine, some for the first time, most after only a brief summer respite, and still others after entire semesters in distant corners of the world. The diversity of our experiences has been renewed, and our capacity to educate enhanced. We now must answer the question of where to apply our newly acquired knowledge.

One option is to immerse oneself in study, the principal duty of any student, but one which often gains unnatural importance at this prestigious institution, and often for ignominious reasons. Studying, after all, leads to good grades, which leads to a better life by most conventional wisdom. Too many of us, though, focus on that most practical of ends rather than our own enrichment, sacrificing our time in tremendous quantities to the tired quest for success.

Bowdoin classes are exceptional, and certainly deserve our full attention to realize their potential, but they cannot do so without a complementing host of extra-curricular endeavors. These too take on a highly utilitarian tinge as students inevitably ask themselves how current experiences will translate into future successes, but their intrinsic value as components of a residential college cannot be overstated.

This environment sanctions us to bring our interests to life with complete support and security. It temporarily shields us from the outside world to help us find our eventual places within it. Nowhere else can we answer the question of what we ‘do’ with such an authentic variety of responses. Our engagement with the College, beyond allowing us to practice what might otherwise remain as theory, provides us with a more comfortable knowledge of ourselves.

And while not all activities appeal to all students, the same diversity we discover within ourselves will certainly overlap somehow with that of another student. Common interests associate, and the same things are seen and discussed from several perspectives. This is the advantage of a small, active residential college. Not every student will run for student government, but that does not mean they are apathetic. Students have interests on several levels at Bowdoin and beyond; they become apathetic only when they fail to illustrate them for their community.

The message offered here, however, is simply one more in a continuous line of assaults against every Bowdoin student’s attempt at a self-determined experience. The diverse realms of this college certainly facilitate experiment, but their constant conflict makes it difficult for us to be at ease with any one formula. Voices, for example, implore us to work harder while others remind us to relax and enjoy our short time here. The sources of these voices vary as widely as the student interests they represent, but as they meet in the mind of the student, their awesome conflict expands vision. We should revel in the chaos these voices bring to us, and be always certain that the loudest one is uniquely our own.

New attention upon the Bowdoin bottle

The recent transfer of three Liquor Enforcement Officers to Brunswick (out of six in the entire state of Maine) should be a cause for concern among us, the students of Bowdoin who, coincidentally, reside in Brunswick. They have targeted us, and will endeavor to remind us that the legal drinking age in Maine is 21.

They will also remind us that everybody is prohibited from drinking alcohol in public places, and that under- age purchase, possession, consumption, and transport of alcohol are all punishable with a hefty fine if not a night in jail.

More disturbing than such a notion, though, is the image of ourselves which we have projected to illicit not only the attention of added law enforcement, but the frustration of the town as they try to prevent the integration of former fraternity houses into the new college house system.

We have attracted to ourselves an aura of irresponsibility, and the consequences, though potentially annoying, may prove productive. The new scrutiny under which we will have to plan our social events will hopefully lead to more appropriate levels of concern among students and serve to remind us of the dangers inherent in drinking.

We had previously lived our social lives under the auspices of the College with only temporary intrusions by state law enforcement. Unlike Bates and Colby, where all alcohol must be catered by dining services, Bowdoin’s administration trusts its students to handle their own social affairs responsibly within reasonable limits. The presence of the liquor enforcement officers on campus should serve to remind us that this trust needs to be earned. Students must take responsibility for their actions and not overstep the boundaries of safety and good taste.

Perhaps some of these problems would cease to exist if the drinking age were 18, when we are considered adults in every other respect. There is something to be said of the effect of the “forbidden fruit” where young adults are not able to learn to drink responsibly without breaking the law. But the Maine state legislature seems unlikely to amend its laws any time soon. In the meantime, students need to remember that we represent the College every time we come into contact with the community.

Let’s try this year to give a better impression to our neighbors.
Let's take responsibility for our social life

By Rahul Bajaj

That George Mitchell is a Bowdoin graduate, a man of public service, a believer in the values embodied in the American Constitution, and a patron of the College instinctively entrusts him to my respect. For his personal integrity and record is unblemished. Having made that clear at the outset, I wish to point out the glaring contradictions in his remarks during his speech and question-answer session at Morrill Gym, last night.

During his speech, Mitchell emphasized the values embodied in the American Constitution, most notably, the notion of justice. Indeed, justice is a splendid notion, one of the founding pillars of an idealized democracy. Mitchell emphasized the importance of preserving justice for the future of American society. That a son of a non-English speaking immigrant mother, and an orphaned father who was a junior at Colby College, could one day be among the handful of individuals to lead the most powerful nation on earth, is the greatest testimony to the justice prevalent in American society. Indeed, Mitchell did make a very strong case for the continuation and preservation of justice in American society. But he did more than that. He claimed justice to be a universal value—to be adopted, guarded and proliferated in all lands where humans live. But justice comes through the rule of law when laws exist. The world will live in, laws do exist. The American Constitution, praised to the hilt by Mitchell, is also a book of laws. So are the laws of society. Mitchell urges us to live by the law, in order to ensure justice in society. So far, the argument is sound.

Now the contradictions begin. Responding to a student question, Mitchell said that he supported the U.S. military strikes against Afghanistan and Sudan. The U.S. has the right to defend its interests, to paraphrase Mitchell, and Americans still believe that the American Revolution was a violent way to establish the United States of America, later to become a model of just society. The ends justify the means, he was saying. A little bit of violence is okay if it establishes the right principle of a just society is what he implied. But in attacking Afghanistan and Sudan, the United States was acting illegally. Without being at war with the two countries, it violated their territorial sovereignty—just as Iraq did when it invaded Kuwait.

Was the U.S. acting illegally, yet in a just matter? I don’t think so. Laws must be applied consistently, or else the establishment of law and order will break down. One may not pick and choose. The ends do not justify the means here. Say it was possible—would you then act in a manner such that it violated the U.S. Constitution (being here in the U.S.), and that my action led to “justice,” as I saw it—say this was possible—would my action then be justified? No, what the law says, I cannot violate the law to seek justice; that is debarred. How it it that in acting beyond the U.S., the law can be completely ignored? Not only ignored, but violated. I am talking about two different laws here, I concede. Military raids on a sovereign country by another sovereign country without the two being at war is a violation of International Law. So, can International Law be violated and the actions still be just? To be consistent, no! Or, when Mitchell commanded us to obey the laws, he was urging us to uphold only American Law, and not International Law? Why this inconsistency? U.S. Law must be respected, but International Law can be raped—as it was when Afghanistan and Sudan were hit. This is where the ambiguities come and are a bit diminisher on Thursday night. If justice is a universal value, then it must be respected universally, not only within the U.S. borders. Breaking the law cannot lead to justice—this is as true in the international realm as it is in America. Terrorism must not be met with terrorism; that is not justice. I think 22 months in Northern Ireland should have made that clear.

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STUDENT SPEAK

What will you be saying to your roommates after the “Screw Your Roommate” Dance?

CAITLYN MacDONALD ‘01
Lowell, MA

“I don’t think were going yet, but I did set Gary up with some hot freshman.”

MARIKA McNAMARA ‘02
Arlington, MA

“She better thank me afterwards.”

ED BUTLER ’02
Waterville, ME

“What were you thinking?”

JANETTA LIEN ‘00
Singapore

“Let’s put up the gates and keep the men away”

VICTOR JOHNSON ’01
Twin Cities, MN

“My bad Miguel, my bad.”

ZEKE YUHASH ‘02
Lexington, MA

“My girlfriend is going to be so mad. Vote ZEKE ‘98!”

WINTHROP 4TH FLOOR

“It’s all about chemistry.”

ANDREW ZWERNER ‘02
Los Angeles, CA

“I’m not going to the dance! My computer is broken and that is priority number one!”

Compiled by Jared Liu & Krista Friedrich

Happy at Bowdoin

By Melyssa Braveman

Tonight in Morrill Gym, former Senator George Mitchell spoke to students, faculty, Administration and the Bowdoin College community as a whole. I had the opportunity to attend reception and dinner preceding his lecture.

As other students and I (along with more socially weathered faculty, administration, and Bowdoin affiliates) bided the time until the Senator’s arrival, we commented on how nicely we “dressed up.” On more than one occasion, “I’m not goed at schmoozing” was heard from someone in the current circle of conversation. Upon the Senator’s arrival, we all gathered eagerly, following Professor Corbett’s lead, to shake the Senator’s hand.

The time we spent trying to make sense of an unnatural gathering (not to mention trying to discern why we, in particular, had been invited) sharpened my reflection. Bowdoin has at times been a hard place to be for me, which is why I am taking this opportunity to talk about the changes I have experienced in my attitude toward the school. This, combined with the likelihood that my optimism and warmth might evaporate without notice. I figure anyone who knows me will appreciate what a radical statement I am making about Bowdoin when I am able to pardon it and thank it and embrace it.

As a reminder, I was that columnist who covered such difficult (yet funny) topics as suicide, consumer hoaxes, and the quirksiness of Bowdoin information desk callers. I hated the people at Bowdoin women and men alike. The women were insecure, weak and phony people who had nothing to offer in the way of friendship. The men were likewise insecure, pompous and brutish. I was disheartened by those professors who felt that my tuition was intended solely to be compensation for their lack of interest in the topics they had chosen to pursue. Even the bag lunch cookie recipe changed, undoubtedly because someone caught on that I liked it in the first place.

Oh right, the redeeming optimism and warmth sentiment in which I now revel (almost forget, old habits die hard). When I was in high school, I used to attend athletic and booster banquet fairly regularly (as witnessed by my mom, who cooked more than the track team than she ever did for me, by marks of these potluck banquets). About fifteen minutes into these, I'd be struck with the most irresistible urge to spring from my table and out the door. Without fail, the words of my industrious classmates so successfully motivated me that I almost could not bear to stagnate for another two hours. Instead, I wanted to go change the world that minute.

Bowdoin is obviously not exactly the same, but I have the feeling that the hope of change, the expectation of being involved, the thrill of newness, make it comparable. Bowdoin, with its small size, is of course different. And success at Bowdoin, of course, is impossible. But the reality that I was following sometime ago is that Bowdoin is a small school, and that for the first two years I was at Bowdoin, the first years, I have experienced a feeling of freedom I have never felt before in my life.

For me, the change has been most obvious in the past year. For example, I have never had a boyfriend. But this year, I have... It was difficult. But I think I made a change. I’ve always had a thing for those boys who “aren’t good enough for me.” Now I’ve had a boyfriend, and I’m not sure why.

Eventually, I have to think of Bowdoin as a place where I don’t have to worry about doing as well as I can. In other words, it’s a place where I don’t have to worry about the future. My attitudes towards school and friends and the people I knew at Bowdoin were so different than they are now. And the change has been for the better.

I don’t think I have ever felt so free. And I have a feeling that I will never go back to a day when I felt so constrained by society. And I think that is why I have a feeling that Bowdoin will never leave me. And I think that is why I have a feeling that Bowdoin will never leave me. And I think that is why I have a feeling that Bowdoin will never leave me.

Together, Bowdoin and all its progeny, are the industrious student.

I thought for three years that Bowdoin failed me because there was not enough for me here. I envied and despised, at once, my graduated friends who were nostalgic already, and in the face of my discontentment for their years here and would relive them if they could. But now I’m beginning to think that the best thing Bowdoin has done for me is to make me want to go forth into the world.

I wouldn’t stay here for the life of me for one more year, because I’m sitting at the proverbial table, thinking of the other, more meaningful things I could be doing. And hoping, as Senator Mitchell encouraged, some of them will be things done for other people.

Unfortunately for academic work ethic, individual careers seem to be less important now. The happiest things that have happened at Bowdoin have been the event of discovering all the things I want to do outside of Bowdoin. I therefore have some recommendations for first-years, ever-confident though you do see (this year in particular... even the confidant in fact, easy on the confidence).

First, become involved in a zillion and one activities right away. Employers and grad schools like that and more importantly, it is easier to be happy here when you do not depend on Bowdoin for your identity. Discover your interests early. And regrets stink.

Second, try to make things easier for other people whenever possible. There’ll never be a time when you might not conceivably need a favor. And in trying to make others more comfortable, you’ll naturally assume the role of the comfortable one.

Third, don’t settle for one goal when you can make a list. A goal is pretty useless if you don’t actually believe it can be accomplished, eventually—at which point will it be handy to have that list ready.

I’ve enough wisdom for a whole Orient, but you’ll just have to take my word for it. Since I think there is a race number for lists. For those of you who miss the funny, I remand you, even I don’t have a bottomless pit of complaints elsewhere, in my columns. Every once in a while I think happy thoughts too.

Melissa Braveman’s column is usually funny but funny takes more effort than dull and she is feeling under the weather this week.

Surprisingly, Modular-Adams has not been a focal point of Admissions tours this year.

(Adam Zimmerman/Bowdoin Orient)
Belizbeha is coming! What? Belizbeha! On Thursday, September 17th, the jazz funk band Belizbeha is returning to the Bowdoin campus to demonstrate how one stellar band can successfully combine funk, soul, jazz and reggae beats.

The young, seven-member band hails from Burlington, Vermont and consists of vocalists, Antonio and Katarina Babić, rappers, Kei Thompson, bassist Shawn Williams, Mark Bebohm on the drums, Jeremy Skiller on the keys, and Rob Dunham playing the sax. Although the group started out as an underground local band, they have already hit the charts on SoundScan, gone on a successful twenty-five city summer tour, and performed at the International Montreal Jazz Festival '96. Belizbeha has also opened for big name groups such as the Tribe, and the Gang, Morris Day and the Time, a Tribe Called Quest, The Whispers and many others.

Since their performance at Bowdoin last year, the group released their album "Charlize's Dream," which has already sold roughly 25,000 copies strictly through independent means. Their other album, "Void Where Inhibited," produced by Rob Stevens, has also produced albums by John Lennon, Yoko Ono and The Red Hot Chili Peppers, was another internet CD which demonstrated the band's ability to mix instruments and poetry.

And so, exactly what kind of music do they play? Their music is as diverse and unusual as their band name. As the Virginia Beach magazine, OnROADS accurately commented, "Remember how journalists once had a hard time trying to describe the style of Dave Matthews Band ... it's the same kind of challenge with Belizbeha, a Vermont group that combines jazz, hip-hop, funk and rock. Their songs range from soulful jazz to mellow classics, to upbeat hip-hop tunes, while the vocals are confidently rich and commanding. While their CDs communicate the band's down to earth groove, their live shows are twice as much fun. The band knows how to perform, and does so with a contagious energy and life. For more information about the band, check out their web site: xowxv.belizbeha.com. Or stop by the Pub at 9:30 p.m. for a night of soulful, thought-provoking music.

Zydeco to Marcy Playground: The Campus Activities Board

"There's something funky going on in New England..."
—The Oregonian

Don't forget to buy Marcy Playground tickets!!
Get Out!
Journals of the BOC

After months of effort and years of expected interest, the Ecology and Service Club in the BOC has finally been born. Elizabeth Meyers '00, Henry Bangert '01, Anna Myers '00, Matt Gallon '01 and Rebecca Clark '01 have helped to found this new branch of the Outing Club. Rebecca's experience with the BOC and the Bowdoin Greens through her first year at Bowdoin was incredibly rewarding and memorable.

Activism and ecological learning are naturally and often inevitably a part of nature outings, but opportunities for such a holistic fusion are rarely realized in any of Bowdoin's offerings. Environmental activities, overloaded with paperwork and phone calls, often forget to take time to play among the natural treasures they fight so passionately to preserve.

The Ecology and Service club seeks to fill a gap and pursue outdoor experiences enhanced by a more conscious and active interaction with our natural surroundings.

Groups like Island Ecology, Maine Audubon Society and the Quoddy Land Trust have participated in giving ideas and providing resources for the club. The BOC faculty and community members are invited to share with us both their ecological and conservation knowledge and their passion for outdoor adventures.

Trips will focus on the local area as much as possible. The White Mountains and the North Woods are spectacular and worthy BOC destinations. It is important for Bowdoin students to ground themselves with a sense of place by exploring the natural treats that are closer to home, such as the Coastal Studies Center, Wolf's Neck in Freeport and other nearby treasures. Busting the Bowdoin Bubble does not necessarily entail a three-hour car ride.

The product of ideas and discussion with the Woods, the Bowdoin faculty and students, and others is the following.

Sept. 12: Day hike at Mel's/est sustainably harvested woodlot in Atkinson, ME. An export tour of his land and a hike clean up of the snowmobile's trails on the property.

Sept. 18-20: Overnight at waterfront cabin on Downeast Maine's Crooksbay Bay to explore the coast on foot with a local conservationist.

Oct. 1: Sea kayaking trip in Casco Bay to Yarmouth Island with Tulie Fraser of the Biology Department and Dick Pulsifer to discuss the ecology of intertidal zones and learn about the islands.

Also look for some spontaneous trips to Wolf's Neck, Giant Steps, Morse Mountain, and Wooden Roads. Take your calendars and lace your boots! If you have any suggestions please let Rebecca know (Rebecca Clark, x598, clarka).

This weekend in the BOC...

Sept. 12-13: River Boarding with Weems
Sept. 12: Gun Point Sea Kayak, Umbagog Canoe Overnight, Sustainable Woodlot Trip
Sept. 13: Gulf Hagas Hike, Pleasant Mt. mountain biking

THEATRE AUDITIONS taking place for fall production

Internationally known theater director Shauna Kanter arrives on campus Tuesday, September 22nd to audition students for a production at the Theater Project in Brunswick on November 18-20. As Director-in-Residence of the Department of Theater and Dance, Ms. Kanter will work with Bowdoin student artists and musicians to create an original piece based on ideas and stories about mothers and daughters and the land and sea.

Directors of the London-based VOICE! Theatrica, Ms. Kanter is known for writing and directing powerful youth-based works, as well as for her work with Arab and Israeli artists in Tel Aviv and the West Bank. She also, "Pushing Through" received three national U.S. tours, a Scottish tour, and was performed on the campus in the Home of Contemporary Theater & Art.

Ms. Kanter's most recent piece, "Legacy," was produced in London at the Cockpit Theatre in 1998 after her production of seminal works in France in 1997.

The theater has invited New England drama programs such as Yale and Mass to submit their materials for consideration. Applications should be sent to Ms. Kanter in her office, psarvis@bowdoin.edu, or by email.

Movie Review

The Hoyt:
by Ryan C. Johnson

Now that the semester is fully upon us, let me remind those first years that in case they haven't noticed yet, the days are getting shorter, the leaves are beginning to fade and the carousel in Westport Mall is upsetting your gastronomic tract. For those of you upperclassmen, we know how to escape.

We know where Hoyt's is. All the way one past the bars, then past the oranges and the kids with their Macs. Turn out but he's survived nearly 22 years of blood sucking mosquitos and roosters but still hasn't figured out the difference between a green light and a green TURNSIGNAL light. Well enough of that. I feel I am digressing too much, as does my editor whom I am entertaining at this very moment via the infamous aristo banner command.

But because $7.50 and some free time after 9:30 p.m. you can catch a showing of "Return to Paradise" at Hoyt's Cinemas in Cook's Corner. The film was recently released in Maine, but has been playing in theaters nationwide for three months. After six pounds of Sour Patch Kids, a small Sprite, and a $4.50 hot dog grilled on same Hibachi nailed by Mark McGwire's 57th home run, you can get settled into your seat without missing a minute of the previews because now, thanks to 21st century technology, advertisements have somehow found their way to the big screen.

Of course only the big-name corporations like Coca-Cola and Coca-Cola, and sometimes maybe the Coca-Cola ads. But they are still pleasurable.

"Return to Paradise" stars Vince Vaughn, D. W. Daniel, Joaquin Phoenix, Adrian Heche, and is the story of these men smoking lots of hash-shees in Malaysia (Anne just smokes cigarettes). When two of the guys return to New York, the third one, Lewis, finds himself in a little trouble with the law because of all the green grass growing all over his bungalow. He's thrown in jail, given a two year sentence, and then scheduled for execution. Vaughn and Conrad, the two who returned to New York, can spare their friend's life if they are willing to return to Malaysia and do some time in the slammer. But not every ordinary New York slammer though— the crumbling stone wall Malaysian prison is dirty, dank and awfully dirty. Probably pretty smelly too, but all I could smell at the theatre was my buddy's stinky socks.

The first hour or so of the film dragged on as Vaughn kept reminding me of a wannabe "Reservoir Dog". But it was a good guy. He ever killed anyone of cut any hair, just pulled a few too many fat hogs in the jungle.

One of the critics I was with, Peter, kept muttering obscenities as the Malaysian police dragged Lewis off to his death and cut short an important moment between Vaughn and Heche. But this critic had a big bias, although I'm being biased since I didn't actually see the film. But instead, I recalled what he said from the popcorn genre script: I secretly encrypted onto my small spice cup. Something about pigs and bacon and lots of stuff I couldn't print here. He's bitter because he got pulled over on route 2 in Massachusetts for speeding and now has his face plastered on Most Wanted (in the Buff) Poster in every station from South Boston to Framingham to Newton to the Cape. Peter has guts though and he sticks through a public showing.

The second half of the film shows Lewis' malnourished body ja splashed with lime scenes between Lewis' attorney (a skid blood relative) Heche, and Vaughn. It's really an interesting editing job, but you can't help but feel for poor Lewis. You almost want to slap Vaughn to tell him to quit fooling around with Lewis' sister and go be a big boy and serve some time in Malaysia where the water is warm, bikes are cheap, and some species of elephant or rhinoceros is dying. Okay I'm sorry if I angered some readers because I just threw away one of the biggest surprises of the movie. Not the biggest, but definitely the most surprising. The third critic, Pumpkin Eater, knew his movie stuff well when he announced at that particular surprise scene in the movie: "Would the Prime Minister of Britain please stand up?! If you aren't crying with laughter now, you will be when that scene comes on.

"Return to Paradise" is probably the best film out right now. There's really not much to choose from, and this is apparent from Tom Cruise's decision to pull back the release date of the sure-to-be-a-mega-blockbuster about Steve Prefontaine, "Without Limits," until late September. To hell, still, and think about visiting Malaysia in the future. There are plenty of brochures at OCS to help you out.
FRI  
Sept. 11

Concert (early show)  
From Good Homes, who appeared at Bowdoin during Bear AIDS, perform with Smokin' Grass at The Stone Coast Brewing Company, 14 York Street, Portland. 773-BEEER. 21+.  

Wish Shaun Golding a Happy Birthday!  
Although I don't know Shaun well, my roommate claims he's a nice guy, so, if you know Shaun, or even if you don't, wish him a good one.

Video Dance (9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.)  
The dance formerly known as "Screw your Roommate," now adapted to be more politically correct, is not only for first year students. So, grab (or ask) that special someone you've been eyeing and have a wild night. Sargent Gymnasium.

Buy your BNI Tickets (10:00 a.m.)  
Ticketmaster or Bull Moose. The concert is October 6th at 7:30 p.m.

SAT  
Sept. 12

Harvard Pilgrim Women's SK  
8:30 a.m.  
If you girls aren't too tired after the video dance, skip the fitness center and head outdoors to join in this race. Congaree Square, Portland.

Listen to Donovan Day  
Appreciate mellow, swanky, and always melodious tunes by the artist who gave you such hits as "Epistle to Diptych" and "Sunshine Superman."  

Class (4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.)  
"An Introduction to the World Wide Web." Electronic Classroom, H & L.

Meeting (10:00 a.m.)  
The Asian Students Association hosts their first meeting of the year. Johnson House.

SUN  
Sept. 13

Religious Service (4:30 p.m.)  
If you're Catholic and your soul needs a little redemption, or you just need a dose of good old Catholic guilt, take a study break and partake of this experience. Chapel.

Celebrate the Sabbath with Clops  
Show your devotion by wearing rubber, preferably blue, clops. Nice. Avoid the temptation to hop, skip, or otherwise be too jovial and annoy peers with your clops.

Nap, Nap, Nap (all day)  
So maybe it's only Monday, but everyoned should start off the week refreshed. Maybe I'm just thinking this because it's 5:30 a.m. and I'm still at the Orient with a Spanish pa in 35 hours and class until 5:00 p.m. I would like a nap, but no, I'm here making this calendar for you. Remember that, this whole newspaper is all for you. Appreciate your sleeping hours.

Bowdoin Business Breakfast  

CON  
Sept. 14

Film (1:45 p.m.)  
Starters: This film, produced in 1932, is based on the life of Al Capone. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Call Home Today (anytime)  
We've been at Bowdoin now for two weeks, don't you think it's time you checked in at home?

The  
Sept. 15

Concert (7:30 p.m.)  
Cowboy Junkies: Having released their latest album, "Miles From Home," they once again are on the road. The Cowboy Junkies have been around for 11 years, and in that time, have amassed a critically acclaimed album. Merrill Auditorium, 20 Myrtle Street, Portland. 842-0800. $18.50

Lecture (4:00 p.m.)  
Susan E. Weggow, Associate Professor of Art, presents the lecture, "Penelope, Helen, and Athena: A Homeric Triad of Women." Walker Art Building.

Class (4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.)  
"Finding it on the Web: Understanding Search Engines." Call the Reference Desk at X222 to register. Electronic Classroom, H&L.

Concert (8:00 p.m.)  
Roomful of Blues. Although I know nothing about this band, I assume, given their name, they are a blues band. So, if blues is your thing, check it out. The Asylum, 121 Center Street, Portland. 512. 21+

Get your ice skates sharpened for free (all day)  
Play It Again Sports. 315 Marginal Way. Portland. If your blades are dull, give them a visit.

SUN  
Sept. 16

Panel Discussions  
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Democracy in Korea. Panelists Peter Beck, from the Korean Economic Institute and other, TRA, join in this discussion. Krege Auditorium, Visual Arts Center.

Send a Pizza to the Orient  
Although I don't care for pizza, Jenny Stephens and I send a pizza to the Orient. Without the cheese though, of course.

WED  
Sept. 17

Dinner (6:30 p.m)  

Microbrew Showcase  
6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  
If you're over 21 and you're a beer connoisseur, round up a designated driver and head to Portland to taste the goods. The Great Lost Bear, 540 Forest Avenue, Portland. 772-0300.

THU  
Sept. 18

Panel Discussion  
4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Comments from the Peanut Earsery

by Justin DeGeorge

Sorry Steve Trachsel. You are forever etched in baseball history, doomed to live the rest of your life as an answer to a trivia question. Sure, you're only in your sixth big league season, a 27-year-old pitcher barely in the twilight of his career. True, you were even a member of the 1996 National League All-Star Team. All of that no longer matters. You are now simply: The Guy That Gave Up Mark McGwire's 62nd Homerun. It's not all your faults; you had nothing to do with the previous sixty-one. It just happened to be your turn in the rotation on a day the Baseball Gods predestined to be historic. It could have happened to anyone else. Unfortunately, Steve, it didn't, and each time the highlight of that unforgettable homerun is shown you'll be there, spinning around, watching Big Mac's line drive rocket just clear the left field fence.

At least it won't be the first time you've held an infamous home run. Last year you served up the most homeruns in the National League with a hefty thirty-two. But that's more representative of the evolution of baseball rather than your pitching ability, right? Baseball is changing, correct that, baseball has changed. Whatever the reason may be, baseball are flying out of the yard like never before. Juiced balls, smaller ballparks, bigger and stronger hitters, no matter what your excuse may be, it all comes down to one simple fact: more homeruns are being hit because there are too many guys like you in the league. The pitching talent across the league just isn't deep enough, and four new teams in the past six years have watered the point to the point of absurdity. There are way too many Steve Trachsels out there and not enough Pedro Martinezes and Greg Madduxes. Don't take it personally, Steve, but something must be done to improve the pitching, otherwise in a few years we'll hardly even be able to recognize the game we once considered the national pastime. Don't believe me? Take a look at the numbers.

Throughout baseball's lengthy history, only twice had two players smacked fifty home runs in the same season before 1996. It's been done every year since, in '96, '97, and now '98. A record three players (McGwire, Sosa, Sammy Sosa, Ken Griffey Jr.) have already reached that mark during the current campaign, two more are quickly closing (Greg Vaughn, 47; Albert Belle, 43) and as many as five others are within reach with at least 41. Ten years ago Joe Carter led the majors with 42, this year that may be just good enough to finish tenth. Should this be cause for alarm?

I'm not going to argue with the importance of this year's homerun chase; McGwire and Sosa have both been baseball's popularity back to where it was before the 1994 strike. That's great for them. But that still doesn't change the fact that in the last three or four years, baseball's taken on the shape of a 162 game homerun derby. Sure, McGwire's 62 drew thousands of more fans to the ballpark, and kept millions of others glued to their TV's. But can anyone really argue that 60singers today is the same as 60 in 1927 or 1961, when Ruth and Maris hit 60 and 61 respectively? Big Mac still has seventeen games left. He could very well end the year at or above the 70 mark. Sosa, a guy whose previous career high for homers is 40, will almost certainly smash 60, becoming the fourth player ever (second this year) to do so. Earlier this year I heard a baseball analyst say he believed all three sluggers (McGwire, Sosa, and Griffey) cracked 60, claiming it would be great for baseball. How can rendering all of baseball's hallowed records meaningless and obsolete be good for the game? Sure, fans come to the stadium to see homeruns, but enough is enough.

Now, Steve, you may have been a little unfair. Take a look at a terrible pitcher. You're even considered more to be above average, which in itself should speak volumes about the low level of pitching talent. But before long things are going to get out of hand. Major League Baseball now has to step up to the plate and make changes to give pitchers some kind of chance. Otherwise they may as well start using BP pitchers, or better yet, just hit off their starting. Come to think of it, Steve, don't even bother worrying about your role in baseball history. The way things are going, come time next year, there'll be another Steve Trachsel.

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Water Polo

ROGER PAI

CONTRIBUTOR

On the 18th of September, we will be sending our waterpolo squad to Colby to tackle the mules in a match of speed, physical endurance, and power. Club Waterpolo is hoping to improve on their 5th place finish last season in New England with the new talent from the Freshman class.

The God team has always been respectable in the New England area by placing in several tournaments and defeating Colby on a regular basis.

Captains of the waterpolo team: "J" Jane Roberts, Tim "Jag" Hayes, and Scott "Sensation" Fujimoto will work with the new and returning players to prepare them for the challenging season ahead.

Key returning players: Naimen Lee, Cari Wilder, and Joe Family will also contribute to the starting lineup making for a formidable team.

The team's new stars, such as freshmen David Finn and goalie Nathan Kebdow, promise to be real contributions to the already strong team.

Captain and star goalie Tim Hayes will shortly join the team in the water and participate in the action. Tim Hayes is currently prevented from practicing with the team due to recent surgery.

The waterpolo team participates mainly in tournaments, often playing two or more times a day. The matches between the teams are intense and fierce in action. With the close scoring games, spectators are always kept at the edge of their seat.

People are more than welcome to come to the pool during tournaments to watch as waterpolo dominates the other competition this season.

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Write Sports!

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Football returns to tackle tradition

Head Coach Howard Vandersea starts the season with a session of Q&A.

**Monica Almendraez**

**Q.** What do you want the student body to know about this year's team?

**A.** This year we've got an exciting team with some exciting players coming in, as well as new players with real potential. We've played some of the teams, and it looks like we have a bunch of players coming back to play. We're ready to take on this season with enthusiasm.

**Q.** As a graduate of Bates, I don't see you sporting those popular "Bates Sucks" shirts... What are your thoughts on the CB‑B rivalry?

**A.** The CB‑B rivalry has been a long time coming, and it's something we're excited to be part of. We've got a great team, and we're ready to take on the challenge of the rivalry.

**Q.** What's different about Bowdoin football?

**A.** Bowdoin allows athletes to excel in both academics and sports. The philosophy of the coaching staff is to ensure that athletes have the opportunity to excel in both areas.

**Q.** What is the player composition for this season?

**A.** The squad consists of thirty players. We've got a mix of seniors and freshmen, and we're looking forward to seeing how they perform this season.

**Q.** And finally, when's your first game so that we can see these guys in action?

**A.** Our first game is at Williams on the 26th. Our home game is against Amherst on October 3rd. We hope you can come out to support the team.

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Field Hockey rolls

**Erika Kahill**

**Polar Bear Field Hockey fans can look forward to an exciting new season. Last year, the players demonstrated their determination and strength as they worked together to build an extremely successful season. The team made it all the way to NCAA's, and coach Nicky Pearson feels that this year's team, like last year's, has the potential to do very well.**

These Polar Bear women have already started to rebuild that winning momentum. The team has played seven scrimmages, five of which they won; the other two, they tied. Led by captains Dana Knauger, and Gretchen Schaefer, the team is adapting well to the loss of last year's seniors & key players Katherine Bruce (forward), Ashley Fantasia (full back), and Sarah Mazar (half back). Although the outcome of these scrimmages suggests a possible repeat of last year's success, the team's strength must come not from a fixation on last year's talents, but on the player's ability to adapt to new dynamics.

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Women's Soccer takes off running

**Sarah Jenness**

**Though women's soccer team last seven, the team is determined to stay focused on their goals for this season. "Every year is a new chapter," said: a woman who has experienced game action with the Polar Bears in the past. Only a week and a half into the season, the team is already making progress.**

**Q.** What is the secret to the team's success?

**A.** The team's success is due to the players' determination and hard work. They are focused on improving their skills and working together to achieve their goals.

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The Weekend in Sports

**Saturday**

- Women's Soccer at Bridgewater State: 2:00
- Women's Tennis at Wheaton: 1:00
- Volleyball at ME-Machias: 11:00

**Sunday**

- Field Hockey at Wheaton: 1:00

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Illegal parking leads to overcrowding

Security has begun to strictly enforce its “warning-ticket-tow” policy to remove illegally parked vehicles.

**KATRINA MITCHELL**

STAFF WRITER

Despite student complaints of overcrowded parking conditions in the Coffin Street lot, Security and Facilities Management insist that the problem is only temporary.

Assistant Director of Security Louann Dustin-Hunter said that Coffin Street is not over-assigned. Coffin, which is supposed to hold vehicles with yellow decals only, has recently experienced an influx of orange and purple-decal vehicles which are supposed to park in other lots.

“We usually encounter this situation at the beginning of each year,” said Dustin-Hunter. “It calms down after the first few weeks, when students become accustomed to the place where they are supposed to park.”

In order to reprimand students who illegally park at Coffin Street, security began strictly enforcing its “warning-ticket-tow” policy on September 14. On Monday alone, six illegally parked cars were towed from blue decal lots.

Dustin-Hunter said she expects this policy to quickly alleviate the problem at Coffin Street.

If students are ever unable to find a spot in their assigned lot, Dustin-Hunter says they should call security and ask where to park.

College cancels concert, cites breach of contract

**CHRISTIANE CONNORS**

CONTRIBUTOR

Since the start of the school year, posters, radio broadcasts and local newspapers have heralded the Marcy Playground concert in Portland on the same day they were supposed to play at Bowdoin.

“**Our real interest is protecting the money entrusted to the SAFC. If we lost a few thousand dollars and 1,200 kids had a great time, that would have been fine. But to lose $10,000 with 600 kids ... We could not in good conscience make that decision.**”

—Burgie Howard

Director of Student Activities

brought the price tag to nearly $20,000. According to Howard, “Our real interest is protecting the money entrusted to the SAFC. If we lost a few thousand dollars and 1,200 kids had a great time, that would’ve been fine. But to lose $10,000 with 600 kids ... we could not in good conscience make that decision.”

The sticking point of the negotiations was the band’s refusal to name a reasonable figure as their adjusted asking price. Howard insisted that the band make the offer. “You have to say I love you first, and I’ll say I love you back,” said Howard. “They wouldn’t come down low enough.”

Both Blackburn and Howard agreed that this decision will be the best in the long run. Colleges, explained Howard, are sometimes seen as cash cows for bands, but “you have to be ready to walk away, just like when you’re buying a car.”

“The fact that we came off band will work to our advantage,” said Blackburn, who’s already looking at a list of big name bands with their price tags, considering where they might spend the money that they saved this weekend.

Some students will certainly be disappointed, but die-hard Marcy Playground fans will still have a chance to see them in Portland. To ensure that they would make at least some profit this weekend, the band will play at Portland’s Asylum Club Saturday night. Tickets for the general public will cost $12, but Bowdoin student ID holders can buy tickets for $10 at Bull Moose or Strawberries.
Committee considers restrictive course load, honors policies

Among the policies the Recording Committee is considering abolishing are the Dean's List and the ability to take a reduced course load in the last four semesters.

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The Recording Committee is examining many issues relating to students' academic course loads and honors this year, including addressing the abolition of Dean's List, Latin Honors, AP credits, and the ability to have one three-course semester.

- The Recording Committee formed two subcommittees on these issues. The Subcommittee on Academic Honors will examine the possibility of abolishing or changing the standards for the Dean's List and Latin Honors. The Subcommittee on Credits and Course Load is considering requiring all students to take four courses every semester and making credit on summer and pre-matriculation credits more restrictive.

- William Barker, a mathematics professor and chair of the committee, said that faculty members have questioned whether students who garner enough credits to graduate early or take a reduced course load are getting the most out of their college education. "I think it would lessen the Dean's List," he said.

- Barker said many faculty were also concerned about the large number of students who receive honors in the form of Dean's List or Latin Honors. "Over half the college is on Dean's List," he said. "Latin Honors is quite large too."

- One of the major concerns about Latin Honors that has led some professors to call for its abolition was the discovery last year, when changes to the LatinHonors policy were enacted and then repealed, that students had in some cases chosen courses exclusively to make them eligible for Latin Honors. In fact, the Recording Committee has heard reports of students who, before deciding upon a course schedule, went through Student Records and asked what courses and grades they need in order to receive honors.

- Barker said, "Are these honors skewing what students take in an unhealthy way?"

- William Barker
- Chair of the Recording Committee

"The real concern on these issues is that the existence of these honors affects what students take for courses... Are these honors skewing what students take in an unhealthy way?"

- "Students were always complaining that it was a commuter campus because everybody left on weekends since it was so strict," he said.

- "If students came in under certain policies, they should be allowed to continue under them."

Security director focuses on community relations

Recently hired Security Director Scott Kipp said one of his goals for the department is to become more community-oriented and project more of a customer service image.

The goal of Security, according to Kipp, is to become more community-oriented and to have more of a customer service image.

- This year, Security has taken steps toward such an image by assigning each first-year dorm a security officer. The officers attend half meetings and help to run programs in an effort to allow the students to get to know Security better.

- "I hope to have more officers involved in the future and have every officer assigned to different areas," he said.

- In addition to promoting the service-oriented image, Kipp said he finds the relations with the town "very, very friendly."

- "I have feeling in order reach an understanding between students and the town regarding the actions of students on the weekends, there will have to be a little sacrifice on both sides."

- "Students have to know they can't do some of the stuff they've done in the past, because it's straining relations with the town," he said.

- "I've seen officers becoming more mobile on bikes, Kipp said he feels the situation is already improving. 7 Bowdoin Street paid to have an extra officer at their campus-wide last Friday, and all but one of the six officers on duty that night were on bikes. Kipp said he himself has spent a few weekend nights out on the campus.

- "Our presence alone helps a lot, and we can tell people to quiet down," he said.

- Aside from community relations, theft has become a major issue on campus, and Security has posted flyers warning students to take care. Kipp said the number of thefts is common for this time of year, however, and that the flyers were posted as a reminder.

- "Students are getting back in the swing of things. You just need to remember you're not at home anymore," he said. "Lock your doors, and don't leave stuff lying around."

- Kipp is used to dealing with complaints about alcohol policies from his time at Albion.

Scott Kipp, the new Director of Security, said he wants to improve relations between Security and students, and between the students and the Brunswick community. (Lindsey Szermack/Bowdoin Orient)

- "I'm going to have to take an easy class and get an A... That's so nit-picky and brown-nosing and irritating."

- A large number of non-Bowdoin credits are being applied by Bowdoin students for their degrees, and the Recording Committee is looking at making these more restrictive. In particular, many faculty members have objected to the discrepancy between how credit is awarded for summer courses and how it is awarded for courses taken elsewhere during the academic year. According to Barker, students are transferring courses taken at summer institutions that are not comparable in difficulty to Bowdoin courses. "There are some faculty who are concerned with some of the summer courses that are granted full credit," Barker said.

- Barker stressed that all of these topics are still being discussed by the subcommittees, and no final changes will be made for some time. In addition, changes would not apply to any current students at Bowdoin, avoiding the Latin Honors controversy that erupted last year when current classes were not grandfathered under the old system. "I'm sort of surprised people didn't do these things [grandfathering] last year," Barker said. "If students came in under certain policies, they should be allowed to continue under them."

"Abandon hope all ye who enter here."
- Dante, The Divine Comedy

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E-mail and REACH problems cause headaches

- Many first years have been unable to access their e-mail due to a password malfunction.

AFFEEN FAMILY CONTRIBUTOR

Recent problems associated with changes in Bowdoin's e-mail system have led many students to question the efficiency of Bowdoin's Computing and Information Services.

Three years ago, all dorms were wired for Ethernet networking, and since then the demand for computing help has risen substantially. With the increase in demand for help, glitches in the support systems have also increased. This year, in particular, has not been a good year for computing support—run by the student-staffed REACH desk—because of changes in the e-mail system and problems assigning passwords to first-year students.

One of the most visible problems this year has only affected first-year students. Under the new e-mail system, designed to allow all students to eventually use the same graphical interface for e-mail, students' passwords for Aerie services and e-mail accounts are different.

According to Ted Macy, manager of systems and communications for the CBS, "The program used to assign passwords for all new accounts failed in some way when assigning passwords for first-year students. It is a fairly common malfunction in all cases—and we don't know how many first-years are affected—but for some students, the password which they were given does not work for their e-mail account, and needs to be reset."

This problem is not, however, the only problem of which students have had to deal with using e-mail at Bowdoin. Many students have complained about the difficulty in connecting to the REACH system. "The problem is not as prevalent as people make it out to be," said Rob Ford, '00, the student head of REACH, "but there have been problems with REACH. This year we have [the new e-mail system] to deal with, and things are always hectic at the start of the school year. Furthermore, it is an entirely student-run helpdesk, and there is a limit of how much time we can help everyone. People need to be a little patient, as we try to get the bugs out of the system."

"There is only room for twenty messages in the REACH voice mailbox," said Matt Jacobson-Carroll, academic computing specialist for REACH. "Every one of those messages has to be replied to the next day, and we can only reply to so many messages in a given time."

"REACH wants to stress that everyone read the PolarNet installation manual, because most problems with connecting to the network are answered in the manual," said Ford, "but we are here to help everyone who has problems after reading the documentation."

Another frequent complaint about the REACH service is how long it takes for student workers to respond to problems. "I don't think people's expectations [about how long it will take for us to help them] were unreasonable," said Jacobson-Carroll, "but I don't think we clearly set people's expectations [for how long it will take]. Did we make some mistakes? Yes. Could we have been better prepared? Sure. Do we feel bad that we can't help everyone right that second? Of course. We want to provide better service, and we're trying hard to improve what we do."

Through better communication, REACH hopes to be able to better serve students this year, and is already preparing for next year's rush of first-years. They also encourage anyone with a problem to feel free to stop by or call them anytime from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Bowdoin in Brief

For those who missed George Mitchell's last lecture, the 90-minute speech and 40-minute question-and-answer session are available in RealAudio format online at the Bowdoin web site at http://www.bowdoin.edu. Mitchell chose a press conference at Bowdoin as the venue to publicly dispel days of rumors that he was considering a job at the White House. The Mitchell Archives are also accessible on the Web at http://www.bowdoin.edu/dept/library/arch/mitchell/index.html.

The Bowdoin Visitor's Directory, an externally maintained directory that is now accessible viaBowdoin's Web page at http://www.bowdoin.edu/cwis/people/dr_boknap.html. In addition to the Visitors' Directory, the internal, online version of the College Directory is available to Bowdoin College students only with much of the same information as will be available in the printed directory. The internal online directory is available through the Bowdoin Web site, but is restricted to College users. If off campus or public machines (computers in the labs, for example), only the Visitors' Directory is accessible.

Louisa Sliwczarz has been named a full professor and chairman of the history department. Sliwczarz was formerly an associate professor of psychology at the State University of New York at Albany. She has developed and taught courses on cognitive psychology, cognitive science, psychology of language, and psycholinguistic perception. Her research interests are psycholinguistics, world recognition and lexical access. She has taught at the University of Massachusetts, Loyola University of Chicago, and the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics in the Netherlands.

Alexander Lee '80, a San Francisco high school teacher, has won the 1998 Distin-
guished Bowdoin Educator Award from the Bowdoin College Alumni Association. Lee is a senior class dean and a history teacher at Lick-Wilmerding High School in San Francisco. He is also the founder and executive director of Aim High, an academic enrich-
ment summer school for at-risk middle school students in the Bay area. Founded in 1985, Aim High is located on six campuses and serves 400 students and is a model for similar programs across the country. The award, which Lee has called "the best acknowledge-
ing achievement in the field of education" by alumni of the College, is given annually and recognizes "individuals who have had an outstanding impact on students' academic, social, personal and professional development."

Kate Kline has been named director of the Museum of Art, Kline is director of the List Visual Arts Center at the Massachu-
setts Institute of Technology since 1986. At Bowdoin, Kline will oversee the College's 14,000-object collection and manage the museum's staff, programs and budget. She will be responsible for the museum's exhibition program and publications, its educa-
tional activities within and beyond the Col-
lege, and the development of its collec-
tion.

Gail Lowe has been named assistant to the president, effective next week. Lowe is a career college administrator and former director of the Review for which she has written stories on a broad range of issues and legal matters. In her new position, Lowe will assist in the operations of the President's Office at Bowdoin, including correspondence and special projects for President Robert E. Bessey. She will also assist the president with communication within the College, with the Town of Brunswick, and with other constituencies.

Kevin Wesley '89, a former Orient editor, has been named director of alumni relations. Wesley joined the Bowdoin staff last August as assistant director of public affairs. As di-
rector of alumni relations, Wesley is respon-
sible for the organization of programs de-
signed to meet the mutual needs of the Col-
lege and its alumni body of more than 15,000. He also serves as the chair of the Bowdoin College and the Bowdoin Alumni Council and is responsible for the planning, execu-
tion, and supervision of such annual events as Homecoming Weekend, Reunion Week-
end, and alumni activities at Commence-
tment. He also supervises regular meetings of Bowdoin alumni clubs and works with the director of annual giving to coordinate Alumni Council / volunteer workshops.

Lisa Mercedes Wesel has been named as-
istant director of public affairs. Wesel, whose "I. M. Mercedes Wesel" byline has appeared in The Portland Press Herald since 1991, will as-
sume the position vacated by Kevin Wesley '89. As assistant director of public affairs, Lisa will write and coordinate the publication of the Bowdoin Bulletin and oversee the publica-
tion of Providence, Bowdoin's monthly employee newsletter. Additional responsi-
bilities will include writing periodic news releases regarding College events, news and announcements; assisting with ongoing me-
dia, government and community relations projects; and with speechwriting assignments; contributing written material to the College's site on the World Wide Web; and occasional writing and research for Bowdoin magazine. Wesel will also serve as one of two College spokespeople.

Bridget Mullen has been named director of the Bowdoin College Upward Bound pro-
gram. Upward Bound is a national program funded by the U.S. Department of Education and is designed to provide low-income, first-
generation students with academic support necessary for success in higher education. Upward Bound includes a six-week academic and residential summer program on the Bowdoin campus, and academic support as well as college and financial aid counseling during the academic year. As director, Mullen is responsible for program and curriculum development; hiring, training and supervision of year-round and summer staff; budget management; grant-writing; and compliance with federal regulations. Mullen began her work at Upward Bound in 1992, serving as an academic counselor and coordinator of program services. She has been acting director since February.

Richard Mersereau '69 has been named secretary of the College. Mersereau has served as executive assistant to the president and the trustees since 1991. As secretary of the College, Mersereau will continue to provide staff support for the Board of Trustees, over-
see planning for various College events, serve on various Trustee and College committees, assist in marketing, institutional planning and stewardship activities, and coordinate the Young Alumni Leadership Program.

Scott Moskoph has been named associate

vice president for development and alumni relations. Moskoph has been a mem-
ber of the Bowdoin Office of Development since 1997 as a senior capital support officer, playing an active role in Bowdoin's $125 million New Century Campaign. In his new role, he will have overall responsibility for the offices of annual giving, alumni relations and donor relations and for Bowdoin magazine. He will also assist in institutional plan-
ning.
Dining Services changes lunch procedures

- First years are no longer allowed to eat lunches in Moulton Union, and a second Express lunch line has been established at Chi Delta Phi.

**Laura Hiburn**
**Contributor**

With the start of this school year, two major changes have occurred in the lunch system on campus. Whereas first-years could previously choose to eat their lunch at any dining facility, they are now required to use either the Express Line or the Wentworth dining hall. Additionally, a new Express service has been opened at the Chi Delta Phi house, available to all Bowdoin students.

The Wentworth dining room now holds just under 300 students. After the current renovation, it will have the capacity to serve approximately 600. Because of this and the fact that many students feel that Wentworth is less convenient at lunch time, the number of students choosing to eat their lunch at Moulton Union has been beyond the capacity of the dining hall. The decision to require first-years to eat at Wentworth was made to ease this problem. Dining Services estimates that because of this decision, approximately 200 fewer students are eating lunches at the Moulton dining room each day. This solution has helped to reduce the problems of crowds during lunch, and has made Wentworth more cost-effective. In addition, the administration felt that eating together would provide the first-year class with another chance to come together and connect as a community.

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Mike Bouyea '99 dips soup up some soup at the new Chi Delta Phi bag lunch line. (Kate Macelli/Bowdoin Orient)

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In addition to restricting first-years' lunch options, Dining Services has also created a new lunch opportunity at the Chi Delta Phi fraternity house. In past years, between 200 and 400 students chose to purchase the Polar Express lunch offered at Moulton Union each day. Last Thursday, Chi Delta opened a second lunch service, located in the lobby of their house on College Street.

Kennedy approached Randy Bowdren, chef for the fraternity, to see if he was interested in an altered attempt to deal with the crowding issues at both Moulton dining room and the Polar Express. While quite similar in set-up to the Moulton service, Chi Delta additionally features three types of soup, including a vegetarian option, a salad bar, homemade bread, and desserts, all baked daily.

"This is a great opportunity for the College and for me," said Bowdren. "There are more Express options, because we have a make-your-own-salad bar, which you can't do at Moulton. It's really nice for me to serve thirty people a day, which means short lines and fresher food. ’I have the best food on campus, I think," said Bowdren. "This is service with a smile."

With only two classes involved in the fraternity system on campus, the meal counts at each house have decreased dramatically. Dining Services believes that this new option and also helps to fund the Chi Delta house. "While Dining Services may not necessarily make a profit on this," said Kennedy, "it will certainly help the fraternity and ease the pressure on the other facilities."

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Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble compiled by Greig Arendt

In the face of Russia’s economic cataclysm and its accompanying despair, suicides related directly to financial hardship have begun to crop up. For reasons ranging from long unpaid wages to insurmountable debts and the inability to care for one’s self any longer, Russians are beginning to take an alarming step to die by their own hands. The Russian Army, however, soldiers on, sustaining its troops on canned dog food.

- Thousands of Bangladeshi troops and civilians worked together to save Dhaka, the capital, from flood waters by reinforcing the ten-mile embankment which protects one million of the city’s nine million inhabitants. Two months of unrelenting rain have submerged two-thirds of the country and have left millions homeless. There have been only 800 reported deaths, which is a modest toll compared to some of the disasters of recent years. Recent forecasts predict that the rain will last at least another month.

- A Serbian artillery attack on forty villages in western Kosovo has caused 25,000 ethnic Albanians to flee from their homes. A column of refugees in auto-mobiles and farm vehicles eight miles long was trapped between Krujevac and Kojil, until the shielding stopped. The European Union has banned all Yugoslav flights and NATO has completed contingency plans should it be asked to intervene.

- A Pakistan court has sentenced a Shia Muslim to death on charges of blasphemying the Prophet Mohammed. Ghulam Akbar, 25, who alleged that Islamism was responsible for the death by their own hands. The Russian Army, however, soldiers on, sustaining its troops on canned dog food.

- The Zimbabwean government launched an international appeal for $1.2 million from Western donors to help resettle blacks on formerly white-owned farms, but was dismissed by the EU as too ambitious. President Mugabe said that delay in relieving pressure on overcrowded tribal areas would lead to anarchy. Meanwhile, in Zimbabwe, the president of the five countries actively involved in Congo’s civil war met to pursue a cease-fire. No arrangement agreeable to all parties was settled upon.

- Arab foreign ministers called Thursday for international pressure on Israel to abide by peace accords with Palestinians and for assurances of security for two Libyans wanted for trial in the 1998 Lockerbie bombing. Ending a two-day meeting, the ministers also urged Turkey to reconsider its ties with Israe-l. The ministers backed Libya’s demands for guarantees before Tripoli handed over two Libyans wanted by the United States and Britain in connection with the bombing of a PanAm airline in 1988 over Lockerbie, Scotland.

- A deeply divided House Judiciary Committee met in closed session Thursday to decide whether to release a potentially dam-aging videotape of President Clinton’s grand jury testimony about Monica Lewinsky. Clinton insisted Wednesday it was “the right thing for our country” for him to stay in his job despite the White House’s and-perjury scandal and was resigned to the probable release of the videotape. The judiciary panel, facing its first possible presidential impeachment hearings since those involving Richard Nixon in 1974, met to vote on how much of the additional material provided by inde-pendent counsel Kenneth Starr with his report to Congress should be released.

- Speaker Newt Gingrich will not need to borrow money from former Senator Bob Dole to pay the $300,000 fine levied upon him by the House for unethical behavior. Dole will pay the fine in two instalments, one in November and one in January, presumably from the book royalties. Dole, who joined the Washington law firm Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard & McPherson after losing the 1996 presidential election would have been re-stricted from speaking to Gingrich on behalf of his firm. Dole’s firm represents big to-bacco, one of Gingrich’s largest financial sup-porters.

- U.S. tobacco companies agreed Thurs-day to pay $1.7 billion more to Florida and accept new advertising restrictions as part of a renegotiated settlement of the state’s landmark anti-smoking law-suit. Florida’s settlement would now total $13 billion and the new deal con-tains arbitration procedures to resolve contumacious disputes over hundreds of millions in fees claimed by Florida’s hired lawyers, Florida Governor Lawton Chiles said at a news conference.

- A U.S. Marine Corps helicopter crashed into the sea off the California coast with four Marines aboard Wednes-day night, a spokesman for the corps said Thursday. Two warboxes, the Boxer and the Rushmore, are looking for any survivors about 12 miles out to sea near Camp Pendleton, a Marine Corps camp 45 miles north of San Diego, Staff Ser-geant Lesli Coakley said from the camp.

- A boat showing whales to hundreds of tourists struck and killed one of the animals. The whale-watch boat, returning to Barnstable Harbor, collided with a 20-foot minke whale on Saturday. Minke whales are not a protected spe-cies. Whale researchers suspect that choppy water makes it more difficult for whales to detect oncoming boats.
E9 begins year with discussion of its own effectiveness

One of the main goals of this year's Executive Board is to avoid the disorganization that characterized last year's board.

Anne Warren

Contribution

Bowdoin's Student Executive Board met last Sunday to discuss this year's agenda, as well as how to improve their handling of the effectiveness of the board in the future.

The Executive Board, or the E9 as it is known informally, is comprised of nine students elected in the spring of each year. They are elected without regard to class and serve as the central student governing body at Bowdoin.

The E9's work in conjunction with the Student Assembly. Established last year, the assembly is made up of thirty-one student leaders, including class presidents and members of the College House system. The Executive Board leads and organizes the assembly, and, together, the groups tackle important issues of the college.

Because last year was the first year of the assembly's existence, disorganization prevented progress. According to Lee and Liu, many of the goals set at the beginning of the year remained unmet by the end. In an attempt to improve upon last year, the E9 has created six task forces which will work on specific issues in the community. Each task force will be headed by an E9 member and will be comprised of students in the assembly. The task forces include Administrative Oversight (dining, parking, healthcare), Student Rights and Alcohol, Intellectual Life, Gender, and In House Issues, and Out of House Issues.

The board has tentatively scheduled the first assembly meeting for September 30. The assembly meets once every two weeks, while the Executive Board meets every week to attempt to continue the improvement of student-faculty relations, the E9 hopes to have the Student Assembly on track by the end of the fall semester.

Jeff Ward and Security Director Scott Kipp at a number of meetings. For their part, board members will attend as many faculty meetings as possible.

Above all, the goal of the Executive Board is to reach the greatest number of students. In the past, they've felt the community at large has been too far away, and without the connection removed from the workings of student government. Through the posting of pictures, agendas, and minutes from meetings in Smith Union, as well as closer contact with students on a daily basis, the E9 hopes to expand the scope of student government at Bowdoin.

"One of our goals this year is to become more pragmatic, more practical, and to work on a student level."—Steve Lee '99

Chairman of the Executive Board

Campus Crosstalk

Greeks organizations at the University of Southern Maine face loss of recognition by the administration. All of USM's fraternities and sororities missed a Tuesday deadline to sign a letter of intent that sets a new code of conduct of organization. Over 500 students, including executives of the various Greek organizations, attended the meeting. Among other proposals, the plan calls for collective grade point average equals or greater than 2.5 GPA for the entire chapter. It also includes fraternities and sororities to only pledge new members with at least a 2.5 GPA.

Also in the news at USM, Japanese exchange student Kenichi Iwakawa was interrogated for eight hours and accused of rape by a fellow student. Iwakawa, who spoke only broken English, was twice denied a translator by a Portland police sergeant. Iwakawa returned to Japan last week, soon after a judge dismissed the rape charge and convicted him of simple assault. He was sentenced to "time served," the twelve days he spent in jail trying to get bail set.

Suffolk County, Massachusetts, prosecutors are looking into a report that a third-floor window was broken to bring a manslaughter charge against the Boston fraternity where Massachusetts Institute of Technology freshman Scott Krueger ingested a fatal amount of alcohol at a party last September. The grand jury, which has been meeting since late October, was expected to charge only the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and not pursue criminal charges against the fraternity's officers, other individuals at the party, or MIT.

Harvard University announced Wednesday the most sweeping restructuring of its scholarship program in decades, bolstering undergraduate assistance by 20 percent. Tim Tyson, 5, Jocic, 20, who also works for UMF Campus Card Services. Police recovered about $20,000 from the front seat of the suspects' vehicle.

A Tuesday afternoon bank robbery ended Wednesday morning for a student at a University of Southern Maine student, in police custody. Police identified the student as sophomore Tim Tyson, 5, Jocic, 20, who also works for UMF Campus Card Services. Police recovered about $20,000 from the front seat of the suspects' vehicle. The University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown has not responded to a gender- and sex-discrimination suit filed by the 90 women of the Pennsylvania State University, its president, Albert L. Ettinger, said. He told Pittsburgh Post-Gazette that the university had been served with a complaint in U.S. District Court in July. The complaint claims that Ettinger, since he took the presidency in 1990, has tried to "behave dialogue with [Hollins' of her constitutional rights, butler belle her, demen her, and drive her from her employment," because she was black and a woman.

Two East Lansing, Michigan housing commissions are suing the city of East Lansing and the city's housing director after months of conflict over controversial decision reviving a Michigan State University fraternity. The lawsuit, which is being brought by commissioners Bill Ramirez Roberts and Marilyn Fine, stems from the city's decision not to forward a case to the Commission on Housing that involved the Phi Delta Theta fraternity house's possible violations to city restrictions. The commissioners petitioned the city in a court order that would allow the commission to act on the case.

When University of California-Davis students learned last week that senior Sean Michael Patrick had been charged with five counts of rape in September 1997—just two months prior to landing a job as a Cal Aggie Host for the UCD Police Department—their questions about sex offenders and their employment rights took police by surprise. According to UCD Police Captain Michael Cokery, who said he has never fielded so many calls in a single day about a single problem, most students were uninformed about their rights to information about sex offenders.

On Thursday, the Colorado University Board of Regents voted to support the Boleman Stadium ban on beer sales, but to still allow alcohol in the Flatirons Club, a clubhouse in the stadium that seats about 900 people. Anyone who can afford a $1,250 donation to athletic scholarships at CU can become a member of the Flatirons Club. Many students and alumni were upset at what they perceived to be the elitist exception to the alcohol ban.

The University System of New Hampshire—consisting of the University of New Hampshire, Dartmouth College, and the College for Lifelong Learning—is running into serious funding issues this year. The university system is facing the increased costs of increasing, and programs are being cut. Despite recent fund-raising efforts, UNH officials are struggling to close a $4.5 million budget gap for fiscal year 2000. New Hampshire ranks last in the nation in per capita contributions to higher education.

The University of Maine in Farmington is experiencing a surge of interest due to a U.S. News and World Report ranking listing UMF as the best public liberal arts college north of Maryland. Thousands of people are calling for information brochures, and out-of-state enrollments are increasing. This is the second year in a row that UMF has received a high ranking in the magazine.

The Massachusetts Board of Higher Education on Wednesday approved a series of new handbooks which students will pass on to, attend, and graduate from state colleges and the University of Massachusetts. Beginning in fall 1999, all entering students will have to pass a test of math, reading, and writing skills to start class. Those who do not pass will have to take remedial classes at a community college. Before graduating, all students will have to pass yet another test of literacy and "critical thinking." The test requirements will make Massachusetts only the third state in the nation, besides Oklahoma and Florida, to require entrance and exit exams.
Naculich wraps research around super-string theory

This is the first in a semester-long series focusing on Bowdoin professors and their individual research endeavors.

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When we hear words and phrases such as graviton, gluon, quantum gravitation, quantum chromodynamics, we immediately think of one of two things: Star Trek or a Far Side Cover. For Professor Stephen Naculich in the physics department; however, these science fiction words and expressions represent years of hard work and study. Naculich is a theoretical physicist with a focus on the study of super-string theory. To understand what this entails, a little background information follows.

In modern physics there are believed to be four forces: electromagnetic, gravitational, strong nuclear and weak nuclear. The best understood of the four is the electromagnetic force, followed by weak nuclear force, strong nuclear force, and gravity.

We know that atoms are made up of electrons, protons and neutrons, and we can determine the mass of an atom in terms of its parts. Similarly, we know that protons are made up of quarks, but as of yet we are unable to calculate the properties of a proton in terms of the composition of its quarks. It is interesting that we know the least about gravity given that it was the first to be discovered.

To clarify, knowing more about one force over another has to do with understanding the quantum properties. An example of this is our understanding that the electromagnetic force is created by the propagation of electromagnetic fields.

Gravity, however, has remained a mystery, except in the highly specialized field of string theory. "If anything specifically dealing with the smallest constituents of matter and the forces between them," said Naculich.

String theory is highly complicated both mathematically and conceptually. It was first developed in the late 1960's and early 1970's. The central idea of string theory is that matter is made up of "strings" rather than particles. To complicate things further, each string can represent numerous particles. Originally, string theory was intended to help understand the strong nuclear force, but ultimately it failed at this attempt. It was not until around 1975 that it was realized that there might be a possibility to use string theory to describe gravity. Then in 1984 there were major breakthroughs that led to the development of super-string theory. Super-string theory involves the idea of "super-symmetry." Super-symmetry postulates that for every "boson" there is a corresponding "fermion." (Bosons are "axial" particles, such as the photon, that tend to group together easily. Fermions are anti-scalar particles, such as electrons, that have restrictions on how they group together.) Super-string theory is currently the only quantum theory of gravity, and thus is heavily researched.

Naculich works with the tools of super-string theory to better understand the properties of the four forces. Since the theory is relatively new, its properties are still being uncovered. This in many ways resembles the search for quantum mechanics in the early part of this century. Naculich is a theoretical physicist and does not perform any experiments. The last physicist to do both well was Enrico Fermi, a key member of the team that developed the atomic bomb during World War II. "Nowadays," said Naculich, "it would be impossible for even Fermi to do both well. The fields have gotten too broad, and there is just too much to know." For those of you who are interested in learning more, Naculich is always excited to talk, and don't forget to ask him about "re-theory."

Work begins on Memorial Hall and Pickard Theater complex

- The $9.5 million project, which includes an experimental theater and a three-story glass tower, should be completed by January 2000.

Renovation of historic Memorial Hall, home to Pickard Theater, and the construction of a new, adjacent experimental theater began earlier this month. Bowdoin hopes to occupy the renovated and expanded space by January 2001. The Brunswick Planning Board gave final approval to the project at its June 23 meeting.

The $9.5 million project will renovate the 116-year-old, 18,000-square-foot Memorial Hall building, improving the theatergoing experience for the Bowdoin and Brunswick communities and providing modern facilities for Bowdoin College theater and dance students and faculty. The 18,000-square-foot new experimental theater and tower will remind theatergoers of a "pavilion in the park," with walkways, an automobile drop-off zone, and a multipurpose lobby area.

The new theater portion of the project will include a single-story building inserted in the northwest corner of the new building, near the Bath Road/Park Row intersection, that will contain translucent glass walls with space for professional material for productions in both theaters, and provide a second means of egress from the experimental theater. A new stair tower on the east side of Memorial Hall will allow access to the lower, main and balcony levels of that building. Construction will also add a three-car-length drop-off zone on Bath Road and walkways leading to the theater entrances.

The renovations to Memorial Hall itself will provide upgraded facilities in all areas of theater production. The ground floor, which will be accessible from both Pickard and the experimental theater, will house a new theater rehearsal space, two dressing rooms, renovated bathrooms, and a scene shop, the latter of which will be used primarily by Bowdoin College students and faculty.

The third floor of Memorial Hall will be converted from a scene shop into offices and a dance rehearsal space. Air conditioning is proposed to be provided throughout the building. In addition to the back balcony doors, seating capacity will be increased by 40 seats on the two side balcony sections. The new stair tower will be constructed. Total seating in the renovated Pickard Theater is expected to be about 600.

Pickard Theater is used by Bowdoin for theatrical classes and productions, music performances and lectures. The theater is also the home of the Maine State Music Theatre, which each summer stages a popular series of musicals there, attracting thousands of visitors to Brunswick and the region.

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-Stephen Naculich
Professor of Physics

Memorial Hall was constructed during 17 years from 1866 to 1882. In 1889 U.S. Army General Thomas Hubbard, of the Class of 1857, donated several large bronze plaques that now hang in the building's ground-floor lobby in honor of those from Bowdoin who served in the Civil War, including Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain (Class of 1852) and Oliver Otis Howard (Class of 1850).

Barry and Oblo Wish of Palm Beach, Florida, have contributed a lead gift of $5.2 million to Bowdoin to support the renovation and expansion. Barry Wish is a member of Bowdoin's Board of Trustees and its Class of 1963. Additional fund-raising for the $9.5 million Memorial Hall/Pickard Theater project is currently under way.

During construction, the theater will not be used by either Bowdoin College or Maine State Music Theatre personnel. Project Architects are Gifford Wright & O'Hatrick Inc. of Baltimore.
Pondering academic policies...

The The Recording Committee decided last Wednesday to examine an astonishingly large number of academic issues at once: Dean's List, Latin Honors, acceptance of AP exams, awarding of summer school credit, and the one semester of reduced course load allowed to upperclassmen by the College. While many topics were given serious debate in recent memory, such as the amendments to the process of awarding Latin Honors last year and the subsequent revocation of the same amendments, it is extremely significant for the Committee to consider so many renovations simultaneously.

The Committee has promised to examine the policies of other colleges before making any final decisions, but the questions being asked by the relevant subcommittees- "Do we wish to abolish Latin Honors?" instead of "How can we amend the current Latin Honors policy to make it more selective?" imply a predisposition to radical changes over gradual ones. We urge the Recording Committee to thoroughly weigh the consequences of any extreme changes to current academic policy before removing the honors and privileges enjoyed by our predecessors. To look at each of the proposals individually:

Dean's List: The complaints about the Dean's List centered around the sorting by seniors, and many doubted this issue was fair. The prevalent response from the student body, in fact, caused the faculty to reverse their earlier decision and reinstate the less stringent honors scheme. Most of the students' objections, however, stemmed from the lack of grandfathering for students who had been aspiring to Latin Honors under the original scheme. There is no reason why a more selective honors scheme cannot be instituted for later Bowdoin classes, ensuring that Latin Honors will eventually regain their original prestige.

Non-Bowdoin course credits (summer school and Advanced Placement): The regulations currently in place concerning the transfer of non-Bowdoin credits to a Bowdoin degree are already adequately stringent. The majority of departments do not grant AP credit until a student takes an advanced course in the department to show they are truly capable of college-level work. This is a fair and reasonable standard in determining if a student has really had the equivalent of an introductory course at Bowdoin. If students are transferring a higher number of AP credits than in the past, wouldn't this indicate that Bowdoin is attracting a higher caliber of student?

For the guidelines for summer school credit are even more strict: two-year college credits are highly discouraged; student must apply for approval before beginning summer sessions; supporting documents such as syllabi and exams may be required, and the chair of the department must determine if the course satisfies Bowdoin academic standards. These regulations seem more than adequate to determine if a student's summer courses are worthy of being applied towards their Bowdoin degree. If the argument about the transfer of the non-campus credits for fear of an early graduation and a lessened education seems paternalistic. TheBowdoin experience is unique to every student and unlikely to be enhanced by a forced extra semester.

Reduced course load: If a student has taken a sufficient number of courses and wishes to reduce their load to three during only one semester in their career, the College should not interfere. There are logical reasons why upperclassmen, especially seniors, could benefit from one semester of a reduced course load as they wade through honors projects, job searches, and graduate school applications. In addition, having a little bit of extra free time in one's final days at Bowdoin might enable one to create some truly lasting memories of our alma mater that do not involve extended hours in the library.

Pondering Academic Policies...

The limited amount of parking within the immediate confines of the campus has long been a source of frustration for both students and faculty. The current College parking plan, which seriously limits the number of spaces available to students, is the Coffin Street parking lot. The campus' spaces into tidy blocks of blue, yellow, orange and magenta, and ensures that we'll stay within the lines by strictly enforcing the consequences if we didn't.

The current parking crunch can be partially attributed to the inevitable adjustment period at the beginning of the year, but students' confusion is also explained by the skewed hierarchy through which the spots are assigned. After taking away all the most central spots for faculty and staff parking, the closest lot available to students, aside from those living in nearby apartments, is the Coffin Street parking lot. For the 128 spots in that lot, 227 yellow stickers have been given out.

With 90 more spaces available at the Farley Field House and more than 350 spaces at the apartments and fraternities, there is parking for all 455 registered student drivers, and Security has been as accommodating as possible within the existing policy. The convenience of the yellow Coffin Street sticker, however, must be rationed more discriminately. Security issues so many yellow stickers because Coffin St. is more of a transient lot (compared to the Farley Field House lot, where firms leave during the summer), but nearly every one of those 227 students try to cram themselves into the lot from Monday to Friday.

Security's switch last Monday from warming to ticketing and towing has endurance students to stay out of faculty spots and magenta-labeled apartment dwellers to stay out of the yellow-labeled Coffin lot, but the inconvenience remains for commuting students. If Bowdoin needs to find more on-campus spots before class.

To regulate this crunch, a new hierarchy should be established, based not on seniority, but rather proximity of the student to campus. A student living in Howard Hall and parking at Coffin Street should not take the preferred parking spot of a student living in campus commuting, daily, particularly during business hours Monday to Friday.

As long as Bowdoin allows a significant portion of students to live off campus, it should ensure those students' ease in finding a parking spot reasonably close to campus. As the College embarks upon its newest string of construction, however, the creation of parking spots should not be a priority. The potential development of a lot by Shop 'n Save would provide welcome relief for a wornen faculty and student parking crunch on a convenient side of campus. Any more lots on campus, however, with availability to faculty and students, would only encourage a bad habit.

It is our tendency as a college, as well as a nation, to assume the automobile as the most natural mode of transportation between any two points. We all know we ought to walk the short distances which comprise our daily lives. We can afford on-campus residential college, but the lure of a car and its convenience often prove irresistible. We sometimes need added encouragements to remember our legs, but we can't punish those who need their wheels.

Parking puzzles
Pre-Orientation is for Sissies: An Objective Look at the Merits of the Pre-Orientation System at Bowdoin

By Scott Hickey

There is something intrinsically weird about the concept of Pre-Orientation. I just don’t believe that God foreordained everything that would happen, lifting certain souls to salvation and condemning others to eternal damnation. Maybe I am thinking of predestination. Ah well, there’s something about that too, and I do not propose that we start making first years do that either. It would totally ruin intramural soccer.

But back to my eloquent, exposing elucidation exorbitantly and excessively about why we done don’t need Pre-Orientation. The first phase of American higher education, Harvard Polytechnic Institute, felt no need for the superficial addition of Pre-Orientation. Its first class, unlike Bowdoin students, had to brave the frontier American wilderness to arrive on the doorstep of educational promise. Yet all they received, and all they needed, for their orientation was dart poison antidote and an NCRA recruiting investigation.

Pre-Orientation is not needed, because we have orientation. Orientation is designed to be a time for first years to come to campus, when few intimidating upperclassmen are around, and familiarize themselves with their surroundings and the most easily persuaded local liquor salesman. Orientation is itself pre-seemester-group-building activity where freshmen can interact at the cocktail and class placement exams, bonding over their common fears and anxieties, while still finding the time to not spend the 300 dollars they end up shelling out for Pre-Orientation trips. Some would say that orientation does not perform its desired role of welcoming and acclimating new students. But those are just the kind of implacable party blankets who will say in even Pre-Orientation’s most agreeable circumstances and start a pre-Pre-O program with more campus funding than dining services and corny sidewalk chalkings with misspelled words and fluorescent pink, lollipop trees. Taken to the logical extreme, soon they’ll be advocating improving group dynamics between a mother and her college-bound unborn fetus by acting out trust falls or the “you don’t kick me, I don’t drink 8% octane” game. Oh, where will the madness end? (Hint: not in this column. I can tell you that.)

You must understand as Irish Pre-O trips that hard or little built-in resentment, dating back to my preschoolman experience of rainy weather, Maine frozen river swimming, and chapped lips which made it look like a sea slug was sucking my face off. When really it was a freshwater leech and I was sucking his face off. Stereotypes. I had chosen a less strenuous camping experience wherein we would all do a little day hiking, but mostly we would do group challenges to improve our skills of patience and cooperation. I was not a part of this pleasant and cooperative, but screaming, in their faces to make them do what I said surprisingly did not solve every group obstacle. I guess I could have coped without stealing our guide’s snaxas if someone had warned me that apparently all Pre-O trips are required by law to have: two really cool guys who immediately start talking about cars and become elusive best friends before you’ve even found the field house; one person from NYC who takes 4 showers a day back home; and another guy who completes all of the group challenges by himself, enthusiastically; and, no, making you not only look like a chump, but a chump with a bad attitude.

When I was told that this week’s opinion section topic of debate was Pre-Orientation trips, I agreed to write about them because I am spineless and easily malleable. (We nematodes have it rough.) But as a senior, the most pressing issue that consumes most of my brain’s energy after I finish watching Party of Five reruns in the morning is what I’m going to do with myself after graduation. That’s when the connection hit me, knocking out two teeth and bruising my sternum. Post-orientation trips. Now I’m not saying Post-Commencement trips should take the place of Pre-O trips. I must say we should do them instead. Wait, I guess I am saying they should take the place of Pre-O trips. What a bummer, now I’m going to have to go back and change the title and everything. When I signed up, two comet movies ago, to go on a Pre-O trip, I had a choice between less strenuous, moderately strenuous, and Marine boot camp. With post-commencement trips, they would all be less strenuous, because let’s face it, seniors, we’re not the talk, glinting, optimum performance teen machines who once pulled three consecutive all-nighters because someone told us we’d see traces. Lately, afternoon naps have replaced athletic practice and running is only something I do if I am being chased. But the relaxing pace of the Post-O trips is not their only advantage over Pre-O trips. Others include:

1) You’d already know the people so you wouldn’t be nervous that everybody will hate you. You’re already pretty sure they do.

2) Post-O trip leaders are all hot, available freshmen.

3) You don’t have to pay for it like Pre-O trips. You go on a senior Chuck E Cheese field trip, play Skee-Ball, and cash in the tickets for seasoey camping equipment. Added bonus: leftover tickets can be used to get the class trucks loaded of bounce balls.

4) While I’m making stuff up, there’s no reason Post-O trips couldn’t also involve speedboat races, coconut oil massages, and/or Super Golden Crisp.

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Candidates for Class Office
Brought to you by Bowdoin Student Government

Thomas Garrett Gibbon
President of the Senior Class

This campus is marked by apathy, backbone, and ignorance, by our own governing machinery. This has created a situation that reproduces itself every year. Students are unaware of the issues and what they mean as well as the officers and what they do. Each year at election time the reminders to vote stir this ignorance into a frustration which manifests itself as apathy and non-participation. This ignorance is not the fault of the student body but rather their “leaders,” their “representatives.” These parasites exploit the well-meaning but powerless student body for their own resume padding. It is time someone from outside the obscure and backfiring clique of “student government types” was elected as a class leader. Someone who knows what it is like to be a Bowdoin student. I believe that is someone.

Justin Kennedy
President of the Senior Class

Thrilling, electrifying, breathtaking and dazzling are the words that I hope will describe our senior year. I want this year to be an all around unforgettable good time. This is why I am running for Senior Class President. This year has the potential to quickly pass us by. I am serious about not letting that happen. I am dedicated to making this year unforgettable. We are seniors and it is our duty to have fun. Elect Kennedy for President and you won’t be let down.

Chewon Lee
President of the Senior Class

While walking around campus I see signatures for my petition, there were so many people who said, “Hey... I don’t believe that you stopped and talked to me,” or, “I knew you needed to ask me for a favor.”

From the blatant indication that I’ve slipped up a bit at keeping in touch with people, it also reminded me of how routine and superficial our lives have become as seniors. Over the years, we’ve naturally fallen into our individual routines, have found comfort in our respectful social niches, and have become obsessed with finding a justifiable end of our $12,000 education. But this is it, ‘our last year in college’ and I want to do as much as I can to make it a great one. Tally your medium for things you want to accomplish in the last year and you’d be amazed. I’ll do my best to keep up and improve senior Class activities such as the Junior/Senior Ball, Senior Pub Crawl, Senior Week events and graduation. But more importantly than events, let’s not make regrets. To include myself, have become apathetic to things, from neglecting little things to a “hi” in passing, to skipping out on a Pub Night under the pretext of “too much work.” It’s our last year together—let’s make it the very best. So when you pass by that “acquaintance,” don’t walk a way with a simple “hello,” stop and talk to them, get to know them better. It’s my hope that, come graduation, each one of us leaves each other with no regrets, no “if only’s” or “I wish I could have.” So help me make this happen, elect me as your president.

Abigail Houston Davis
Vice President of the Senior Class

After my sophomore year I was looking forward to leaving a college that had fallen short of my expectations. Fortunately, the Bowdoin I am returning to for my senior year appears to be more promising in all areas. I have entered my senior year at Bowdoin with a fresh perspective on the opportunities available at the college, eager to engage in the positively changing community. Like many seniors, I am anticipating a year of reconceptualizing with our class and ensuring that our final year at Bowdoin is the most memorable. As a unit, our class has experienced radical changes in the social and residential programs at Bowdoin. These changes, while unsettling, have made us a stronger and more mature class. As the senior class vice-president, I hope to celebrate and create this environment at this school where the seniors are the true leaders, both academically and socially.

Denise Githsam
Vice President of the Senior Class

"Get ready to party like it's nineteen-ninety-nine, kids!"

As your vice-president, I will be single focused on maintaining a positive environment, making sure OUR senior year will be the ONLY ONE you’ll want to remember. I KNOW THE ROPESS.

Jen Malia
Secretary of the Senior Class

What do you look for in a class officer? Probably experience and motivation and maybe—well, you fill in the blank. Let me just tell you a little about myself in case you don’t know me. I was your Class Secretary last year. Did you think it was a good year? We organized the junior/senior Ball and helped out with the Spring Gala. We even set a date for a pub crawl early on this semester. So what about this year you might ask. Well, hopefully two more awesome swing dances, a lot of good times at senior pub night, a few pub crawls in Portland, definitely a crazy senior week, and anything you might have in mind. Who do you want to be in charge of planning senior class events? It’s your choice. Make sure you take an active part in deciding by putting in your vote.

Nathan Chandrasekaran
Treasurer of the Senior Class

Hello fellow classmates, I am running again to be the class treasurer. Last year was a great year for the junior class officers—we accomplished many social and academic functions, and I was proud to be a part of that. I want to thank all of you for helping us make these projects successful. The winter and spring gala were awesome, and I hope to help coordinate such fun projects again this year. We have a budget of over 25,000 dollars this year and we hope to organize many large events, such as the gala and the Senior Pub Crawl. This is our last year and I want to help make it a fun year for everyone.

As for my previous experience, I was junior class treasurer, sophomore class secretary, a member of SARC and involved with the student executive board and assembly. I know that my experiences in these previous roles will prove quite useful if I am elected as the senior class treasurer. Again, thank you for all your help in the previous years and I look forward to working for you again this year as one of your officers.

There are no candidates for junior class officers
If the sophomore class elects me as their president, I would work closely with many existing services and provide various new ones. An issue screaming for attention is that of transportation.

Providing more shuttles during heavy traffic hours, days with especially heavy traffic, or a dedicated subway service to the dorms would greatly facilitate the lives of many sophomores who live in housing far away from the main campus. I believe that this would allow many students to transfer their transportation to more distant locations such as Wal-Mart or Portland on weekends, and before and after vacations such as Spring break and winter recess. Access to ski resorts on weekends, or concerts would also be advantageous.

The sophomore class also needs more off-campus activities like camp-outs, ski trips, and trips abroad to Canada. More on-campus activities like breakfast parties with DJ’s after campus-wide activities, or school-wide soccer and water games would also be fun. Finally, my qualifications include experience in management during my high school job, and various officer positions in clubs in high school.

Zachary E. Frost
President of the Sophomore Class

Arguably, Sophomore Year will be the most important year of our Bowdoin career. Not only do we have to make the right decision in electing a president, but we must stand up for the students who have the right to enjoy all of the privileges that come with being a sophomore.

At this juncture, I believe that my experience in student government, my personal energy, and my desire to be a proactive leader will make me the best choice for president.

I have been a member of the class of 2001 since my freshmen year and have been involved in many activities, both on and off campus. I have been a leader both on the basketball team and the wilderness. I have also been a member of the Sophomore Class Council and have served as the class president.

I believe that my experience in student government, my personal energy, and my desire to be a proactive leader will make me the best choice for president. My priorities are focused on the needs of the students and the faculty, and I am committed to working towards the betterment of the college community.

Peter P. Holman
President of Sophomore Class

Bharat Reddy
Vice President of the Sophomore Class

Nick Krol
President of the Sophomore Class

I’ve got quite a bit to offer. Main goal to maintain and strengthen the classes bond. I’ll aim towards creating a healthy environment where we can make various productive activities. The question’s not what we can do. Instead, it should be what can’t we do then, we’ve Exhaust all possibilities.

I’ll set up mandatory meetings for the class officers during the first week of each month. Students would be welcome and encouraged to attend. You’d have the opportunity to give feedback on the previous month and state what you’d like to see accomplished next. Nobody’s excluded, everyone has the chance to play an active role in the student government. If your desires are practical, I’m more than willing to work with you. Class trips, educational, fun. When I learn the major’s desire, we’ll start planning. I win, you win. If you want me, you know where I’ll be.

Brennae DuGay Candal
Secretary of the Sophomore Class

Running for re-election was an obvious decision for me. Serving as secretary in our first year at Bowdoin has been a very rewarding experience. I met a majority of our class and enjoyed planning events with my fellow officers. Whether simply hot cocoa on the quad on a cold morning or an elaborate trip to Quebec (which we hope to do again), the class officers had called the appropriate people and orchestrated the event. This planning experience is an essential quality for your elected class officer.

I feel very confident that my previous experience will prove valuable to the officers elected. I hope to continue working on some of the projects that we had discussed last year, and also to suggest new ideas for planning for the class. I would like to plan trips to sporting events in Boston and David Letterman tapings in New York. On campus, I would like to continue with our efforts to bring the Sophomore class together on certain events, whether at a class picnic or in another round of Assassin. The possibilities are endless and I would like to suggest another chance to serve the class the best that I can.

O. Eliot Pope Jr.
Vice President of the Sophomore Class

"Leadership is a serving relationship that has the effect of facilitating human development." - William Arthur Ward

Determination, responsibility and a willingness to listen to others are characteristic that are essential to effective leadership. As a candidate for Vice President of the Sophomore Class, I believe that I am capable of executing these qualities. One of my goals if elected would include enhancing the relations between Bowdoin, Bates, and Colby. I would like to plan a Bowdoin, Colby and Bates ski trip at Sugarloaf or Sunday River and look forward to the prospect of working with the students to create three college to plan other events. Other activities that I would like to implement include trips to New York and Boston, group discussions on current events in America and abroad with various professors, and planning trips to Smith Union during finals, and trips to Celtic basketball and New England Patriots football games.

I encourage all of you to carefully consider the candidates and the potential of each prospective officer. Make the right choice! Vote for O. Eliot Pope Jr. for Vice President. Thank You.

Kirsten Partenheimer
Secretary of the Sophomore Class

I am running for sophomore class secretary because I believe that I can continue the successful work our officers started last year. Although I was only a member of Class 2001, I played a valuable role in the class spirit and activities. I've had the opportunity to work as a student leader, as a junior and senior year, and I know just how to make this year a success.

Our class this year has a wealth of talent and ideas to make this year even better than last. As class secretary, I would like to work with you to make this year the best yet. I am willing to do whatever it takes to make this year a success.

Aurelie Gabrielle Dauphin
Treasurer of the Sophomore Class

Why the motto "Who else but Aurelie Dauphin?" I am the only member of Bowdoin who feels that possesses a comprehensive understanding of the governing sector of the Sophomore Class. This unique background will allow me to justify giving back to my class. Part of being at this school is taking part in activities with others. Last year the treasurer helped to finance a trip to Quebec as well as other unforgettable events where the class as a whole had the time to create lasting friendships. After a year of being on this campus I have had the privilege of getting to know a good majority of you, and I feel that I am approachable, enabling you to trust me to be an integral part of sophomore class activities.

Being on a governing committee has been an essential part of my life. In high school I was engaged in many activities. I played and managed Varsity sports, was elected to managing positions within the student government and became the student representative on the finances and restructuring committee. All of these activities have given me ample experience and ambition. Hence, "WHO ELSE BUT AURELIE DAUPHIN?"

Skye L. MacDonald
Treasurer of the Sophomore Class

Hi, my name is Skye MacDonald and I am running for class of 2003 treasurer. I come from a small high school in which I was very involved in the planning and execution of many activities. I am very excited about having the opportunity to be an officer for the class of 2001. I believe that I have many ideas about how to make our sophomore year at Bowdoin an exciting and memorable one. First, I think that many activities should be organized as a class, comparable to the barbeque last year, so as to pro-
Corona Benson
President of the First Year Class
Orientation was a great time for all of us first year students. We were able to meet new people, get to know each other, and begin to get to know our class and the college. I believe that we need a heavy emphasis on activities that bring our class together and keep the excitement of college alive.

David "Ed" Butler
President of the First Year Class
You may have seen me: I’m that guy with two names. Some people think, "Why should he be president?" With my limited space, I’ll try explaining.

I have a uniquely anti-platform platform, because my goals will be to take as many of our class’s goals and become a part of it. I know that I will be here to help you make the decisions. I will have an open ear to all comments and suggestions. So remember to vote Cassie Flynn and empower the Class of 2002!

Leroy Gañés
President of the First Year Class
The first year is always a tough time for the student government. I know, because I was president of the first-year class four years ago. It is a time of new beginnings, and we can start our year at Bowdoin right with me as your president. It’s going to take a lot of hard work, but I know for a fact that I am prepared for these future goals. Through the rest of my high school years, I sat on an executive committee, where I was a representative of our student body. I was able to gain experience in student government, both serious and recreational. My year as the captain of the varsity football and track teams taught me camaraderie as well as the value of knowing and understanding people. I don’t want any social barriers in the future: I want the class of 2002 to come together as one. This is the moment to decide who would best represent the first-year class. I, Leroy Gañés, am the best person for the job, and I hope you will support my candidacy for president. Thank you.

Hugh Hill
President of the First Year Class
For those of you who haven’t had the pleasure of meeting me, I am Margaret Hazlett Hill, and I’d like to thank you all for coming tonight. Tonight, I’d like to talk about the class and some of the major issues that have come up during the first four weeks of school. I hope that you will find these issues interesting and that you will support the class in its efforts to improve the college experience.

David Charles Rush
President of the First Year Class
You know what? I could sit here and try to sound smart right off the bat with all these glib words that I don’t even know the meaning of. But I won’t. I am going to talk about something that everyone is waiting to hear, what are you?

RoKING a T Patton: Let me tell you: you are looking at the essay of the future. I don’t even know the meaning of essay. How the hell am I going to get your attention and then convince you that I am the one, the only, the best person for the job? First, I should tell you that I am not the arrogant ass that you already think I am. I am sorry, but you know what? I don’t want to be a good President nor do I want to be a bad one. I want to be the best one ever. And you think I am messing with you. I am sure you know the things I am capable of. It is unbelievable.

I will not dwell on achievements as many do. If you really need the qualifications ev’rybody boasts about, I’ll send you a (my-mail is drubs). I’m talking about our future here at Bowdoin. Margaret Hazlett and I discussed my ideas for making Bowdoin a better place. Everyone has these ideas as well, but I’ve got the special sauce.

Brian Harley
Vice President of the First Year Class
Presently, on the campus of Bowdoin College, we have approximately 440 first-year students just beginning their journeys through life. Diversity is commonplace, and every day, a new person is met that has come from a different state, a different country, a different culture, or a different class. You’re view of home from the picture and what remains is a melting pot of individuals, striving to find their place in a new world. This group of individuals, over the next four years, will be transformed into a cohesive, productive society, strong together by wonderful friendships, great memories, and enduring classroom experiences. These first-year students are de-veloping this Class of 2002 into an active group of dynamic personalities and remark-able scholasticism has encouraged me to run for the office of Vice-president of the Class of 2002.

P.J. Prest
Vice President of the First Year Class
I would like to take this time to fully introduce myself to those of you that have not met me. I come from the Washington, D.C. area. I graduated from the University of Pennsylvania a year ago and was a member of the swim team while at school. I served for four years on the school’s swimming, the ethers, the tradition, and working with the mandatory chapel services held twice a week. I also served my class as vice-president of housing, which is a great responsibility, and as floor representative for the Pennsylvania Student Government. In addition, I sang in the school’s choir, wrote for the newspaper, and played varsity lacrosse and ice hockey. I would not be here today if it were not for my experiences and awards from my high school in both the academic and social functions, I will be able to bring a unique and diversified perspective to our school. I have had the great opportunity to work closely with the 439 members of my class as we create, in our own way, a strong, fun-loving, academically challenging, and most generously enthusiastic best four years of our lives.

The BOWDOIN ORIENT CLASS ELECTIONS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1998
Lauren Roda  
Vice President of the First Year Class

I served as Vice President of my high school for four years, where I had the opportunity to work with classmates and faculty to improve communication, overcome obstacles, and bring new and diverse ideas to our school.

I have a vested interest in becoming the Vice President of the class of 2002. I believe we all have a voice, and that voice should be heard and expected. I will listen and represent your ideas, concerns, and suggestions. I feel that it is important to build class unity by supporting the community and working together towards a common goal. I am eager to take on challenges and work closely with my classmates to improve all aspects of campus life.

Please remember to vote Lauren Roda for Vice President from Sept. 18-21*

David ZEKE Yusah  
Vice President of the First Year Class

Behind political figures are the forces of another's wisdom. Let me be that wisdom. I plan to help the future Class President with the experience I gained through six years of Student Government. During my years as a Class Council officer and member, the Student Government of Lehigh High School increased the class treasury 600% within two years. When I was President of the Asian Club, the members ran a variety of activities that raised more funds than those of the previous two years combined. My knowledge for raising money has aged like wine. I promise a lot of fun for the Bowdoin first-years. In addition to my get rich quick skills, I've learned to represent my class during three years in the School Senate. I've fought for the rights of these students, and I vow to do the same for you. I, Zeke, will help our class reach its peak.

Lindsay Pettingill  
Secretary of the First Year Class

Hey. My name is Lindsay Pettingill, but call me "P" for short. I'm not gonna give you thespiel about what kinds ofcool things I did in high school, because they really don't matter anymore. Instead, I'll tell you what I can do for you now, at BOWDOIN. As secretary, not only will I take lots of cool-as notes at meetings, but tradition goes, I'll serve as a liaison between you guys and the Administration. My goal this year is simple. To bring the Class of 2002 together. This means bringing united as a class rather than simply in streets and dorms. When we accomplish this, we can plan effective class activities for all members to enjoy.

Listen.
I know that some of you have not met me yet. I'm a Determined leader who will show Bowdoin's class of 2002 what is up. So, when you're asked who will represent, the answer is P. Lindsay P works for You. 
Lpettingill@bowdoin.edu

David Yul Kim  
Treasurer of the First Year Class

I know that I haven't had the privilege of meeting everyone, so to start off, my name is David. I came from Seattle, not knowing what Bowdoin would be like. I was convinced that our class will be the coolest class to pass through Bowdoin. We will not simply attend classes here; we will leave tracks for many years to come. I want to be part of this process to assist and guide. If elected as treasurer, I will work hard for you. If it means going to a meeting after a whole day of classes and rugby practice without a shower and dinner, that's what I'll do for our class. My goals are to bring fun to the class of 2002, to serve, and to be friends with each and every one of you.

Katherine Elise Donovan  
Treasurer of the First Year Class

Progress in the real world is achieved through money... We have no money, but, with the force of the upcoming officers generating ridiculous amounts of cash, our class needs the focus of one person on our financial status. Allow me to attack this formidable task. As the vice president of NHS and captain of various sports teams, I gained the leadership experience I need to represent our class. Yet, more importantly, I have the determination this position requires. Not only do I plan to attend the mandatory meetings of the SADC (Student Activities Fee Committee), I want to use all my power to extend the money of our class as far as it will reach. This year, there will be a chaotic explosion of our funds, let me control that chaos, and bring order to our future.

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To Vote for Class Officers:  
Type VOTE at the ARCTOS prompt.  
Example: arctos>vote

Upperclass students can vote from any email terminal. First-year students must get on arctos. To do this, go to the terminals in Smith Union, Moulton Union, or the libraries, and follow these instructions:

1) Local >c arctos
2) Enter login name
3) Enter password
4) arctos>vote

This “Candidates for Class Office” insert was brought to you by the Student Executive Committee and The Bowdoin Orient.

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Marshall Miller ’00  
Scott Roman ’00  
Adam Zimmer ’00

Michael Melia, Editor in Chief  
(Sorry, Mike, for crashing your car.)
The topic of this week's Orient Forum is first-year Pre-Orientation trips. Some schools, like Columbia, assign incoming first-year students to participate, and Bowdoin has considered this policy as well. Should Pre-O Trips be Required? Are they beneficial to the transition to college life? Can Bowdoin ask students to pay for these trips and who pays the last few days of summer vacation or employment?

I am a first-year. I participated in a Pre-O trip and had a great time. I don’t, however, think they should be mandatory. I was in a group which was a terrific group, and we all got along really well. Some other first-year students that I’ve talked with, however, did not enjoy their experience. Although these other students enjoyed their trips, they didn’t really “hit it off” with their group, and it took about a week to get to know each other. I don’t think the trips should be mandatory. That could ruin the karma of a group if some of the students were therefore excluded because it was required, not because they wanted to be included.

Hesper Schleidner-Hardy ’02

Since when did college turn into a summer camp? Let the students have the choice.

Mathew Stanton ’02

Some students, like myself, need that extra week of work during the summer to pay for their Bowdoin education. And yes, one week does make a difference; during the week of Pre-O trips that took place during my first-year, I made $320. Sure, I could have been having a fun time in the wilderness, but not going on a Pre-O trip that year did not make me feel that I was left out of the social circles here or that I missed something. Make no mistake, the Pre-O trips are for all incoming first-year students, whether or not they are funding their Bowdoin education. I see nothing wrong with the trips. I think that they are mandatory, but I think the whole point of the college, its main goal, is to educate students, not to fund raising. I believe that the cost of the trip is fair, but there are more options available that even with the athletic student experience, students could probably find a cheaper option. The trips are not mandatory, and if they want to go, they should be able to go.

Dan Farnbach ’01, Pre-O leader

Considering that the trips are costly, requiring extra sacrifice, I would recommend that every first-year student choose to participate. It’s a great chance to connect with incoming students and build the Bowdoin family. You never know when you’ll need some advice or a favor.

Craig Giannacone ’02

I think that Pre-O trips are a great way to get to know incoming students at Bowdoin, but I don’t think that you can make them a requirement. Those who want to go will send in their application form.

Scott Jamison ’02

I think the Pre-O trip was by far the best part of my orientation experience. I felt that as I got thrown into the sea of orientation, I still had friends that were in my mind, and that was reassuring. I already feel a certain comfort level. I think that this was the best introduction to college life. I don’t think you can say that about any other type of trip.

Corona Benson ’02

Pre-Orientation trips are definitely a valuable experience, but should not be mandatory, and if they are, it should not be expected that students pay for them.

Matt Offit ’02

You can lead a horse to water, but can you make him drink? I’ve been and led Pre-O trips. I have also worked at Kieve, a boys summer camp, whose intent is to introduce children between 8 and 16 to the wilderness. From my experiences, I have observed one thing. These trips do not include the fun of the outing itself. If also, because I decided not to go, I was able to spend more time at work, as well as hanging out with my friends and not feeling like I only had a limited amount of time to say goodbye to my family. On my trip alone, one girl fell off her bike and had to be rushed to the emergency room. On another trip, a girl broke her nose, had to put back into place by her leader, and was then rushed to the emergency room in a state of shock. These incidents didn’t exactly strike me as fun.

Grant, a lot of people had a great time. I may have, too, if I had gotten the trip. I want to say that, very sincerely. I’m asking my question: how does Bowdoin plan to require these trips when people are getting their fifth choice? Doesn’t that take at least a little of the fun out of it? Also, because I decided not to go, I was able to spend more time at work, as well as hanging out with my friends. And one other thing: I came—two things I was extremely grateful for. And what about the parents who can’t afford the money and time to bring their child up, drop them off, and then come back to make sure their child was having a fun experience? What can the kids who got back after 4 o’clock? Their parents still had to leave by 7. It seems to me that two things need to be thought about: one, mandating a few more days getting ready to adjust to the biggest change in their lives thus far should be able to choose to do so. And, say I had gone on the trip. I would have met, what? Ten more people sooner than I did coming here on August 30? I know I was one of the people on the trips who had to go hard time remembering people’s names and who they have or haven’t met.

Janelle Covu ’02

Pre-O trips are definitely beneficial for many incoming students. The reasons are obvious: trips provide a setting for making friends easily and opens up the woods of Maine to kids from all over, I believe that everyone can benefit from seeing outsiders for a few days, living very simply. However, Bowdoin’s Pre-O trips function well because ALL of the students on them chose to do the trip. Each individual’s excitement is heightened by those around them, not capped by freshmen who would rather be at home for the last few days of summer. Furthermore, if all incoming students went on a trip, more leaders would be needed, many of which would also rather be doing something else. Requiring trips would bring down the general quality of the leader pool and make it a less enjoyable experience. Plenty of students choose to go on Pre-Otrips for many different reasons. I think that if students who have expressed interest in Pre-Otrips to New York City. Let’s not turn this into a duty by requiring participation.

Dan Farnbach ’01, Pre-O leader

Every year, there are some freshmen who cannot do a Pre-O trip, because there are not enough. This year, about sixty-six people were required to be in 4 days time:
- Assemble food for 16 trips,
- Assemble trip group gear for that many trips
- Review the 293 medical files each participant to ensure their personal well being on the trips.
- Learn group dynamics to ensure all on the trips have a good time.
- Learn about wilderness survival to save a trip in a case of an emergency, or disaster.
- Take 24 students on a trip in Wilderness First Aid. (Which gave us 2 days to do the above mentioned list)
- During this time, Mike, Lucretia, and Emily, (the coordinators of this whole project) were very stressed. I often would talk to them about the logistical feasibility of sending Bowdoin’s incoming class out into the woods.
- Finally, this does not put Bowdoin in as benevolent a light for the freshmen. The Administration would look autocratic and even overbearing to incoming students who enforced such a policy. That would be a shame, since we all know that hardly the case.

The bottomline, Pre-Otrips are an excellent way to begin college for people who want to begin college that way. But, simply wanting to go camping will not be the only factor that should decide whether or not they should go. There are many students who were not able to go on a pre-orientation trip because of space. Not was included in this unfortunate group, and I have felt like those who were able to go on a trip had a head start. Some of their closest friends are from those trips. I think that Bowdoin should not require, but should make Pre-Otrips more available.

Anne Torregrossa ’02

I felt that my Pre-O trip was very helpful in my transition to Bowdoin. However, I do feel that all students should $500 to participate would be fair. This experience isn’t so crucial to the Bowdoin experience as to be required.

Sara Ede ’02

Pre-O trips shouldn’t be mandatory (consider the more sedentary types), but they are definitely the best way to be introduced to college life and meet new people. If everyone went on a Pre-O trip, there would be nothing to gain from a Pre-O trip. It would be much less inclusively inclined in fun, and many first year students would feel that they had missed out. I think that this is not a problem, but many students would have difficulty doing an activity which they were not confident in their abilities. I believe that although Pre-O trips can be extremely beneficial, they should not be required.

Jesse Poulin ’02

Pre-Otrips shouldn’t be required. I didn’t go on one, and the “transition” has proved to be fine even without it. If students want to participate in a trip, they can opt to pay and go, realizing the trade-offs (less vacation/ employment). I think the program should continue as is—they’re there for the students that want to participate; for those that don’t want to, they don’t have to.

StephenChan ’02

The Pre-O trip can be the best way for a student to ease into the Bowdoin community, and participants who go into the trips with an open mind usually get the most benefits from these trips. However, by requiring incoming freshmen to go on a Pre-O trip, there will definitely be members of the class who do not want to go, and who will bring in a negative attitude to the trip, therefore ruining it for themselves, as well as others.

CatherineWilliams ’01

I don’t think that Pre-O trips should be required, however, I do think that they are a great way to introduce the newest incoming freshmen to a small group of people who may later develop into close friends. I therefore think that the opportunity should be available to everyone. There are many students who were not able to go on a pre-orientation trip because of space. I was included in this unfortunate group, and I have felt like those were able to go on a trip had a head start. Some of their closest friends are from those trips. I think that Bowdoin should not require, but should make Pre-Otrips more available.

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Hugh Hills ’02

Even if you make them mandatory, people will still find a way out if they need to. It is better to keep them an optional part of orientation.

Alexander Koppell ’02
Breaking the bubble is essential for our educations

By Seth Jaffe

Attention loyal Melissa Braveman Fans (this should be an all-inclusive greeting). Melissa has subcontracted her column space to Seth Jaffe, who will be serving as her foreign correspondent (and remote slaver) for the 1998-1999 academic year. A bright young man, Seth aspires to achieve the journalistic heights for which Melissa has been known. In her effort to groom an upcoming columnist to fill (or at least occupy) her column space after she has graduated, Melissa will be writing every other week, in order to allow Seth his (much craved) moments of glory.

At this point, introductions are in order. My name is Seth Jaffe, and I am a junior abroad in Israel, adrift—Bowdoin-less, Bubble-less, and most disturbingly, Bear-less. I double dare anyone to wear a fleece in Jerusalem in the summer. I am metaphorical, and substance free, and for those of you who thought that you had gotten rid of me for the year, allow a moment for me. HAHAHAHAHAAAAAAA... OK, with that personal business aside, I think it becomes necessary for me to move into the reasoning behind why I should be allowed to write a column. What do I offer the Bowdoin community? The answer is, not much probably, but I sure won’t let that stop me.

The topic of this column, my first ever, is perspective outside of America, outside of Bowdoin in specific. What does that mean exactly? I regularly see Americans studying here who haven’t left America. Their location is different but their mindset is unchanged. These people hang out with all overseas students (North Americans) and engage Jerusalem, its heritage and culture, as if it were a slide show, something present for their enjoyment. Perspective is gained by engaging a reality distinct from one’s own. Location is irrelevant.

An example of the American mindset: Note, the author will be writing as if trapped in his comfortable Bowdoin mentality. In Israel, my home for the year, the hundreds of subtle things that make me uncomfortable in America, and Bowdoin, are gone. This situation produces a painful culture shock. For instance the people at Bowdoin’s in Jerusalem can’t pronounce my name (“th” is hard for Israelis). I experienced a moment of shocked silence, that no one else seemed to share, when a “house” version of “Wind Beneath My Wings” broke the monotony of Wham’s greatest hits”. And perhaps even a more horrifying realization: real falafels are fried little balls of chicken and not mush patties—my apologies to the otherwise excellent Bowdoin Dining Service.

Bowdoin is a very spoiled place, something that is obvious to the bulk of people reading this piece, but what isn’t obvious is that the reality of reality is far more disturbing that one might imagine. I’ve been here a little over two months, and in my first month there was a bombing, a semi-bottched attempt, in one of the major streets of New Jerusalem, Ben Yehuda. I had been at the very place of the explosion the previous evening. Such an experience is somewhat sobering and brings into sharp focus the shift in my reality from Bowdoin to Israel. As many of you know, bombs are rarely set off in Bowdoin. The kind of event that the bulk of Americans watch on their televisions, shrap, and promptly change the channel to Ricki Lake’s special on the trials and tribulations of sentient pets in a discriminatory world.

Bowdoin has been described as a bubble, and I have perpetrated that crime in this piece, but Americans, far more than other peoples, exist in bubbles. Rarely do events pop the fragile reality in which we live. TV is not real to us—TV is fiction. Accordingly, things that seem distant and have no tangible impact aren’t real to us. Since we have no stake in such things, we know very little and care very little. It is easy for us to make sweeping political statements about the Arab-Israeli conflict, for instance—a situation of enormous complexity, when it has no effect on us. America and Americans arrogantly proclaim, if they even bother to think about it, that this country or that mindset should do this or that while completely overlooking the human effect resulting from any actions taken.

How does one combat this sentiment, or create real perspective? There are a few ways, and they all involve creating some sort of relationship to a place, something that makes that place real. For me, living in another country is helping to broaden my worldview. For others, a potential way of extending perspective is to relate to friends abroad. For instance, when there are killings of Hamas leaders in Hebron, and the West Bank is subsequently shut down for fear of terrorist retaliation, as has just occurred as I write this, the situation is far more real if you, the Bowdoin community, realize that a Bowdoin student is here. No longer is the corresponding news cast a work of fiction, but rather an extension of your reality. Someone may have even said “hello” to you in the Union in now a short car ride from the West Bank. A few hundred Bowdoin students are abroad this year—as is the case every year—living in a variety of different countries and cultures. Most of them, like myself, aren’t relatively little danger, but they provide Bowdoin with an opportunity to connect to something fundamentally outside of Bowdoin—something that, in my opinion, is at least as important for a liberal arts student as having read a bit of Shakespeare.

“Note, the reference to Wham’s greatest hits foreshadows a future column title, this preliminary point, “Musical Darwinism, an American-centric Look at the Necessity of Musical Evolution” (The Israeli abuse of Wham will be discussed in detail).
Historic Memories: Feminism in Art

Culture at Bowdoin?!
The Performing Arts Series

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Associate Professor Susan E. Wegner delivers talk. (Sherri Kins/Bowdoin Orient)

Monsters, Gods and Mortals: Artists Interpret the Odyssey across 25 Centuries. On Wednesday, September 16 Professor Susan E. Wegner delivered a Gallery Talk on "Penelope, Helen, and Athena: A Homeric Triad of Women." The lecture was part of a series of galleries talks related to Homer's epic poem The Odyssey which is organized by Professor James Higginbotham, Assistant Professor of Classics, Professor Susan Wegner, Director of Women's Studies and Associate Professor of Art History, Alison Ferris, Curator, Bowdoin College Museum of Art. The exhibition features works by potters, painters, printmakers and sculptors that interpret the classic work. The John H. Halford Gallery and Twentieth Century Gallery are home to the exhibition. August 25-October 18.

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The Hoyter Returns...

One of the reasons I love being a columnist is that it is so easy to lie. Not as in lie, but as in stretch the truth. The truth is kind of like silly putty, it can be stretched, pulled apart, taken different ways (ask my roommate about that one) and so on. For example in this week's review, I did not actually watch a movie but I might as well have, since this review is due in five minutes and I'm desperately searching for my "Quick Capsules of Long, Titled Movies Nobody's Ever Heard Of But Which Make Great Reviews" by my main left hand editor. Nick. OK. OK, I'll get on with the review.

This week's review is quite a challenge. Not for me, but for you the reader. In order to finish, you must be able to correctly answer all of the multiple choice questions and navigate yourself through a maze of digressions, tangents, and vector's I have cleverly inserted into this article and undoubtedly will turn more Coast readers away rather than attract them.

"The Man Without A Face" presents this column's first challenge. A lot of people don't know this, but the drama starring and directed by Mel Gibson was shot on location around the Bowdoin College Campus (Hint: see question #1). I've actually never seen the 1-liner, I've read and discussed much of the literature written by 20th century critics regarding the film, and I feel I have a good grasp on the general plot and set construction. So there is a question: 1.

Where were portions of "The Man Without A Face" shot?
A. Bowdoin College
B. Whittier Field
C. Hubbard Hall
D. Maine
E. None of the Above.
If you answered "all of the above" skip the next paragraph and go on to the sentence which starts with the word "But...". For those of you who answered A, B, or C, do not pass go and move on. If you choose E, go to the info desk and start over.

Multiple choice is definitely difficult but most people with a clue would know the film must have been shot in Maine if it involved some kind of coastal village and lobster was in season. In which case, Bowdoin College probably persuaded Mel Gibson to stop at the campus after Facilities Management pruned all the shrubs and maples and took like the busts of Benjamin Franklin - who coincidentally is on the old and new $100 bill.

Bubb is definitely an interesting name. OK, for all those people who are 3-0, try this next question:

What movie had a sneak preview showing at the Tonstep Mall six months before its nationwide release?
A) "Fully Jacked"
B) "Timp"
C) "Goo"
D) "Without Limits"
E) "Yeaahhhhhhh Dogg"
If you chose all of the above, give yourself a nice pat on the back. You either were at the Tonstep Mall that day, or have Miracle Ear box #3-000 Receivers planted at the field house. For those of you who are frustrated that there were five movies playing at once, let me reassure you, only one film's reels were spinning. The rest of the "titles" listed above were sound bytes ad-libbed into the movie by a large contingent of Bowdoin students attending the sneak preview. Rube even sh'd a tear, but the MPAA cut that scene out.

BONUS QUESTION: I know this column is about the first film but I couldn't help and add a special question for those readers determined to finish this column and get started on their Friday night Organic chemistry. Good Luck.

"Real Movie or Not????!!! (Pick the one over here)
A) "I Streaked Route 2 in Montana and I Got Busted. Sorry Mom. Love, Paul."
B) "The Six-Headed Turtle from the Androsovement River"
C) "The Incredibly Strange Creatures Who Stopped Living and Became Mixed-Up Zombies"
D) "Invasion of the Headless Eyes from Mars"
E) "Hi! Jen. Hi. Avaim. How are you?"

Email me (jenna@jenna) your answer (Hint: all of the above is not an option this time) and if you win, you might be able to featured in a movie I review next week. Otherwise I'll tell me to shut up and start reviewing films.

Wilbur: A Tale of Love

Wilbur led an undisturbed life for his first five years. Named after the pig in Charlotte's Web, he similarly had no premonition of his fate. and so chased balls, frolicked and gam-olated obliviously. A bumper sticker I saw about town reads, How can I be humble when I own a Norfolk Terrier, and likewise my family was quite proud of our dog.

Neopor? Yes.

A slight proclivity towards see in price-less carpet?

Undoubtedly.

However, we figured that this was just Wilbur's reaction to not being able to chase the rats that had so inspired his English an-cestors. Depressed of the more competitive sports, Wilbur was reduced to chasing and yapping at a toy dog that clacked as my father pulled its leash by his toe. Wilbur quickly chewed off the ears of the nasty basset hound's ears, and, like the father who sosepublicly proud that his son is the enforcer on the hockey team, we looked on his quick dissemp-lement of the toy with an amused eye.

Wilbur, lam ashamed to admit, was mainly a city dog at that time, and so only enjoyed open spaces and woodchuck smells two days of the week when he would pinus in upstate New York. Immediately upon release from the car, he would run over to bang walls and patrol the lawn, further proof, we thought, that his general manliness and up-right moral character.

Then the chickens arrived.

For his birthday, my father, a musician, gifted two chickens to contribute to his self-imprinted image of gentle farmer. Released from the barnyard, the chickens immediately began to take control.

A male and a female, we named them The Colonel and Henrietta. Their quarters were an adored shed attached to the barn. Though small, dank, dark and miserable, the shed was attached to the main barn.

We installed a water bowl and a feeder and then retired to let them rest. It was July, and for the first two months the chickens and Wilbur were all happy. After initial mistrust, dog and birds decided to leave each other alone. Wilbur controlled the lawn and house; the chickens patrolled the barnyard.

This, of course, on the week-ends. During the week, as might be expected, the chickens fostered in their close quarters. (This all seems uneventfully cruel, but don't worry, it gets worse.)

September arrived, and the nights became a little chill. The Colonel started to wear. Like a decayed Southern gentleman taken to the moon, he began to stumble a little and a bit unsteady. His feathers drooped, and the comb he had so proudly strutted in his first few weeks on the farm dropped off. The rooster without its comb is indeed a horrid sight, and his hearty cock-a-doodle-doo dropped off to an aggrieved shriek. By the time we found him on our back in the shed, he had lost all his feathers. Though my family was so sad, it was perhaps more due to guilt than actual sadness. Henrietta was un- perturbed. She clucked a little at first, but then pecked around, checking to see if the Colonel had secreted away any corn in his last few days.

Henrietta's lack of pathos needs an expla-nation, besides the fact she was a heartless chicken. I see it this way: The Colonel waned, Henrietta waxed. The more the Colonel shuffled, the more Henrietta's breast swelled with vigor. Henrietta was so strong by this time that she could easily peck through the ice to fill her own water trough in late September. So, by the time The Colonel met his end, victim of cold, hunger and thirst, Henrietta no longer had any interest in the sick and weak.

So what does this have to do with Wilbur, the dog who still patrolled the yard with a cowed snout? Well, leaned from her partner, Henrietta got bold and bolster, ignoring the truce with Wilbur, and approaching as far as the demilitarized zone of the driveway that separated the lawn, Wilbur's territory, from the barnyard, Henrietta's domain. Per-
haps she sought the heat emanating from our house. I cannot say.

What it actually happened, the meeting was surprisingly free of fireworks. Disap-provingly so, I might add. Henrietta clucked and bellowed up to Wilbur, Wilbur took flight and so shattered some of our illusions. How-
ever, he recovered in good form and cau-tiously stepped up to him. Wilbur did what any self-respecting dog would do, and sniffed her behind. Henrietta lunged at him, and so began a month-long dance of fronts and par-
ries, lingers and counterattacks.

What Wilbur didn't realize, however, was that all the while that he was absorbed in this power struggle, he was perceptibly losing ground. Henrietta was slowly assuming all his usual functions. From barking at frenzied an-
chers to chasing (smaller) birds, Henrietta did it all.

The final straw for Wilbur was when Henrietta abscinded with that most elemen-
tal of dog privileges: ball-chasing. Wilbur, with the况且 of a cooked dog, could certainly hold his own in a good ball chase. He would follow the ball while it was in your hand, fall for your fake throws, and then bound merrily after it, retrieving it as proudly as the blackest of Labs. However, one day, I threw a tennis ball, Henrietta chased it. Bub-
ing as she went, she reached the ball before Wilbur and protected it. Of course, she couldn't pick it up, but she pushed it mely, and the look on Wilbur's face was pure an-
guish. Emasculation was complete. Finally, Wilbur took to the porch, heaving sighs, dispirited by a chicken.

Five years later, Wilbur has finally recov-
ered. Although we perhaps should mention his hair is gray, he is certainly not as braw-
ery and fortunate less, we also look on him more affectionately, knowing he is human. One long hair like.

As for Henrietta, as December moved into January, and record cold spells hit, we de-

cided it was too cruel to keep a chicken without a companion. So, we gave her back to the friend who had given her to us. She now lives with a small herd of chickens in a heated, lit and warm shed. Or, she was converted into chicken grillas a long time ago.

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**ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

**Friday, September 18, 1998**

**Sept. 18**

**F R I**

**Ballroom Dancing** (8:00 - 10:00 p.m.)

Bendix Ballroom at 10:00 p.m. We will be offering a ballroom dance class at Bowdoin, join Michelle Officer and Ed Simon for a seminar for beginner and intermediate dancers.

Maine Ballroom Dance Studio, 614A Congress Street, Portland. 773-0002. 811 hour.

**F I L M S**

Films (7:30 & 9:30 p.m.)

*Crimes and Glory.* The Bowdoin Film and Video Society will present their Denzel Washington Weekend with two films, one an action and the latter, a drama. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

*Eroticon* (8:00 p.m.)

One december and Danvean fan, one ranting Republican, one somnolent asbestos, one 'rockin' good time.'

**Mon. 20**

**S A T**

**Erotic Radio on WBOR (8:00 am)**

One desperate and Danvean fan, one ranting Republican, one somnolent asbestos, one "rockin' good time."

**Sept. 19**

**F R I**

**Hockey** (6:00 p.m.)


**S A T**

**Mass** (6:30 p.m.)

If you Catholics wish to be cleansed of your Saturday night sins, join Father Christopher Larrowe in prayer. The Chapel.

**Sept. 20**

**S A T**

**Lecture** (4:00 p.m.)

Pathway Makers: An Exploration of History and Culture. Marco I. Dorfman, visiting assistant professor of Romance languages presents. Visual Arts Center, Beam Classroom.

**W F R**

**Meeting** (8:00 p.m.)

WARRIORS, the student-run eating disorders awareness group hosts their first meeting of the year. Women's Resource Center, 2nd floor.

**Sept. 21**

**F R I**

**Film** (6:00 p.m.)

The Eggo Monopoly of Madade. . . The Film Studies Screening. This 1953 film, directed by Max Ophuls, stars Charles B. Griffith and Vittorio De Sica. In French with English subtitles. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**S A T**

**Meeting** (7:00 p.m.)


**Sept. 22**

**W E D**

**Seminar** (12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.)

Faculty Seminar Series. "Thrace's Legacy: Tourism and Maine's Future." Presented by David Vail, Adams-Catin Professor of Economics and program director for Environmental Studies. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

**F R I**

**Red Cross Blood Drive** (3:00-8:00 p.m.)

Morrell Gym, Colby Room.

**Sept. 23**

**S A T**

**Lecture** (7:30 p.m.)

Valuing Nature Series. "What Is It That We Are Trying to Value?" Edward Gilfillan, adjunct professor of chemistry and lecturer in environmental studies presents.

**W E D**

**Film** (8:00 p.m.)

The Earrings of Madame de . . . If you missed it the first time, the Bowdoin Film Studio presents this 1953 film once again.

Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Sept. 24**

**T H U**

**Reception** (8:00-10:00 p.m.)


**D R I N K I N G** (5:00-9:00 p.m.)

Octoberfest. What better way to welcome the new month than to become inebriated. Forget fall foliage. The Great Last Bear, 540 Forest Avenue, Portland. 772-0300.

**T H U**

**Film** (8:00 p.m.)

Actor With Dirty Face. The Bowdoin Film Studies Program once again presents this 1958 film starring James Cagney and Humphrey Bogart. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**2 P M**

**Art Exhibit (ongoing)**

Student works: "Visions in the Past." Also, Bowdoin Portraits and photographs from spring semester. VAC, Kegele Auditorium.

**T H U**

**Send Pizza to the Orient (Anytime)**

You've disappointed us once, pizza. Don't do it again. As I've stated, I don't care for pizza, but Jenny does, and she would really appreciate some energy to fuel her body so she may continue to deliver high quality entertainment news to the Bowdoin community.
Athlete Profile: Kevin Saxton: Teddy bear

From football to Boy Scouts, this Bowdoin bear does it all.

KATLIN EVARD
SPORTS EDITOR

The captain of the Bowdoin College football team is a Math - Computer Science double major, with a minor in Psychology. But there is much more to this tall, cheerful, red-head than football: Kevin is also in the Outing Club and participates in volunteer programs around Brunswick. As a California native, he heads Maine different, to say the least, but he does get credit for attempting to understand the Maine accent. His list of achievements and awards in football are numerous, and he feels an appreciation for the outdoors is impressive, and his attitude toward life is refreshing.

Kevin has been interested in football for most of his life, starting as a child playing games with his little brother and on the playground. Officially, he has been playing football for eight years now. Football has enabled him to learn about himself and what he is capable of accomplishing. From all of this, he has emerged as the captain for this season, not to mention that he is a preseason All-American for 1998. His greatest achievement has been being elected captain by his peers because of the confidence that they have in him. In his excitement for the upcoming season, Kevin thinks "this is the best Bowdoin football team for a while and we can go further this year [than last year]."

Being on the football team has helped him learn to set goals and go for them, enhancing his passion and enthusiasm for life in general.

One of his passions in life is backpacking. Kevin notices great similarities between football and backpacking, because they both require "seeing what you need to do and then doing it by setting goals and accomplishing them." Kevin is a leader for the Bowdoin Outing Club, which has led him to explore the beauty of Maine. His most recent trip was to Northern Maine leading a Pre-Orientation backpacking trip in Baxter State Park. Among the things that he conveyed to the students was a respect for nature while still having fun. As the Katahdin C group will remember, Kevin added some extra 'spices' or crunch to the second pot of dinner one night. The result was that the students came away with an understanding of taking out what you bring in to the woods.

Being a leader of the Outing Club requires a time commitment devoted to helping other people. Volunteering his time is valuable and important for Kevin.

Kevin is involved in many different volunteer programs helping kids. It all started when he was a Boy Scout in California. Early in his Boy Scout career, he volunteered at the Bath-Brundick preschool for a class. Now, he is getting involved with the Harpswell School Volunteer Program tutoring students in Math. Kevin also spends time helping Bowdoin students with Math and Computer Science. He is the Student Representative of the Math department. Kevin has been inspired by his time spent here at Bowdoin and seems eager to share his knowledge with others wherever and whenever he can help.

Kevin believes strongly that being willing to learn new things is a large part of life, and you can't learn if you aren't prepared. These are principles that he learned from his eight years spent in the Boy Scouts where he learned independence, flexibility, and how to work with others. For his Eagle Scout Badge, Kevin built a small-animal housing shelter for a local animal shelter. Through this project he gained a better understanding of how to accomplish a goal, from starting with an idea to finishing with the completed project.

One of Kevin's favorite and most memorable teachers was a motivated and passionate Boy Scout leader who taught him to succeed, gain confidence, and have fun.

A trip of success and fun that Kevin has recently returned from was studying away in England. He spent second semester last year (his Junior year) studying in London. He chose London because it was a change in pace from Bowdoin life. Bowdoin is a small school with a small town experience whereas London is a big city. The opportunities available there to learn culturally and socially are much more diverse than they are here at Bowdoin. He also was able to travel around Europe and see many different ways of life. Studying away, for Kevin, was a reality check. "We get so caught up in the Bowdoin Bubble and don't know what is outside of this town or even this school. Studying away was a chance to see what is out there and what I want from life." Kevin recommends that every student study away "to gain the awareness of life outside of our small school, to learn about yourself and the world."

For next year, Kevin wants to "take the time to do the things I am excited about while I can still do them." This includes backpacking possibly in Maine, but ultimately he would like to end up working and living back in the 'Bay Area' that he calls home. This is not to say that he has not fully appreciated Maine during his time at Bowdoin, much to the contrary, he is thrilled to be in Maine. The problem comes in having to trade off "the beautiful fall weather here for the year-round weather in California." During his time in Maine, Kevin has experienced it rather fully, including several visits to Dysart's Truck Stop in Bangor, Maine (known across the country for the strawberry shortcake), attempting to say at least one phrase with an accent (ain't that wicked good de'ah), eating his share of lobster (but not the body), and trips to L.L. Bean's (for more camping gear of course). He is eventually looking to get a Masters in Computer Science and go back to California where there is more opportunity to find a job in his field.

Kevin's advice to everybody is to have fun, work hard, and accomplish your goals. His advice is similar to his motto - to be prepared, his excitement - to try new things, and his self motivation. Looking toward his Senior year, Kevin does not seem to worry about next year when the class of 1999 graduates, because he is prepared and excited to learn and do new things while he can.

The passions he is likely to follow in the coming years are backpacking and coaching so that he can enjoy life and help others at the same time - "having fun, working hard, and setting and accomplishing goals."
In 1995, the inaugural year of baseball's wild card system, Bob Costas, a self-proclaimed baseball purist, repeatedly criticized the game's newly expanded postseason, saying it completely eliminated the feel of a pennant race. Costas, the same man who every year causes millions of TV viewers across America to simultaneously change the channel during his painfully melodramatic commentary, went as far as to say: "It's just not flawed, it's insane." What kind of drama, homerun history aside, would the stretch run of this season have if it weren't for the wild card? At least twelve games separate the first and second teams in every division, with the AL West being the lone exception. I would love to see Costas try and explain to fans in Boston, Toronto, New York, Chicago, and San Francisco how the wild card destroys that pennant race feel. Good luck Bob.

With less than half a month left in the season, five cities are gripped by playoff race fever rather than only two. Now, there will always be those few, like Costas, who whine that the wild card rewards mediocrity, but without it, a team such as the Red Sox, owners of the fifth best record in baseball, would be finished for the year. Why should a team like Cleveland, Anaheim, or Texas make it just because they play in a worse division? The wild card makes sure that the best teams in baseball go to the playoffs, even if they're unfortunate enough to be in the same division as the Yankees, Astros, Braves, or Padres, all of whom have or will reach 100 wins. Does this in any way cheapen or lower the game? Not at all. What it does, is attempt to level the playing field for all 30 teams, giving everyone a realistic shot at postseason play.

It's easy to see that the wild card has been one of the few bright spots in Major League Baseball after the debacle that was the 1994 strike. Now the only question remains, who will win it this year? With about a dozen games to go, it is up in the air in both leagues. In the National League, the race is tighter, with the Cubs and Mets neck and neck, separated by only a half a game, and the Giants at four and a half back. When the smoke clears, the Cubs will have prevailed, assuming one key player on their club can stay healthy and keep contributing. No, not NL MVP Sammy Sosa (is there really any question anymore, regardless of whether or not McGwire wins the homerun derby?),

but NL Rookie of the Year, Kerry Wood, who has been on the shelf recently. If Wood can't make it back in time, then the Mets could very well end up in the postseason.

This brings us to the American League. Reports of the Red Sox' death have been greatly exaggerated. Sure, in typical Red Sox fashion they have caused heart problems across New England by letting the Blue Jays crawl back into the hunt at the last minute, but still its no time to panic. Boston will win the wild card. The fact that they lead the Blue Jays by a dozen games two weeks ago, to as little as three games (now back up to four after Tuesday's dismantling of the Yankees) is notable, but nothing to get too worried about. The magic number at press time is now nine, and even with the Blue Jays off to the AL's worst in Detroit, the Sox are still in control. Fear not Red Sox faithful, Jimmy Williams will guide our beloved team into October.

So how far will this team, 0-12 in the postseason since the '86 Buckner Incident, go this year, if-make that when-they reach the playoffs? Let's take it step by step. The wild card team cannot play its division winner in the first round, so the Yankees are out. The most likely opponent is Cleveland, a team the Sox have proved throughout the year that they can handle. Give the Sox that series, 3-1. Next up in the ALCS, the Bronx Bombers. No one can deny that they've put together a remarkable season; they will go down as one of the greatest regular-season teams of all-time. But they won't win it all. Recently they've slowed down, posting a 12-15 record since August 19th to show the rest of the baseball world that they are not invincible. The prediction: the Sox start turn in a quality performance, and in game seven, behind Pedro's third complete game of the series, Mo diet Cummings hits a pinch hit homer in the ninth to win it. Of course they will then go on to beat the Braves in six to capture their first world championship in 80 years.

Is it wishful thinking? Probably. Could it be the delusional hopes of a frustrated Sox fan? Maybe. But anyone who has watched this team play throughout the season knows that there is just something about them that makes this bunch from the ghost town of Red Sox past. When it truly matters, they find a way to win. It will be great watching them finally break "The Curse", even if it means having to listen to Bob Costas for an extended period of time.

Lions and drove the ball smoothly into the cage for what proved to be the winning goal. Bowdoin was able to defend their lead for the remaining 26 minutes left in the game, although Wheaton gave them many threatening close calls.

After the first game, Coach Nicky Pearson was pleased with the women's performance. She felt that the team was particularly strong with passes and transitions. On the other hand, none of the game's nine penalty corners harvested a goal, and Pearson saw the execution of a focal point for the team's improvement.

The Polar Bears played their second game on Wednesday, September 16th. The Polar Bears were thirsty for more when they dared the Bobcats to enter their turf. Bowdoin started out timidly at first, allowing Bates to match their strength, stick-for-stick. Then, after beneficial time out in the first half, Allison Scaduto came in and scored, and the Bears pulled ahead. Scaduto's goal was rapid, assisted by an immaculate pass from Babb on the wing.

In the second half of the game, "Yo-Yo- Power-Sticks" was back, scoring 2 goals within the first 7 minutes of the half. The first of her power-raging goals was assisted by Sarah Roop, a junior, and the second by Marian Curtis, a senior.

With captain Dana Kruger in the goal, the Polar Bears were able to wind off the Bobcats for the entire game. Kruger had 8 crucial saves, including Bates' threatening frehit in the second half. She lead the team to a 3-0 victory.

Paw-for-paw, the Bowdoin Polar Bears turned both cats (Wheaton Lions and Bates Bobcats) into kittens. The victorious games against these two teams were played here at Bowdoin. We'll see what happen when these Polar Bears venture into the wild unknown when they play Middlebury this Saturday, September 26th.
Bears back up top N.E. billing

By JENESS

Tennis tears up the court

By ALMENDAREZ

Women's Soccer

Both Bridgewater State and UNE were unsuccessful in their attempts to trip up the Bears. (Shelley Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

As the new head coach, it's always nice to see your team take care of business as efficiently as they did.

-Coach Jane Patterson

There are a lot of headaches that go into picking the starting line-up. The players on the team are good enough to start in any game... With so many good players it is hard to figure out who will be the best players for each match. She added to this, saying "I am not complaining—it's a nice problem to have."

-Coach Jane Patterson

Sticklers win two

By KAHIL

The sensational Polar Bear women have started off their season undefeated after two games. These Bowdoin Bears hunted the Wheaton Lions and the Bates Bobcats - two teams which put up a good fight, but in the end were conquered by the hungry Polar Bears.

The team played their season opener against Wheaton last Sunday, September 13th. Bowdoin started out strong with an early goal. Sophomore Lisa DiPietro had her stick down and was ready when the ball rebounded off the enemy goalie; at only 5 minutes into the game, DiPietro swiftly shoved the ball into the corner of the goal.

Bowdoin was able to hold this lead for another 15 minutes into the game. The action gravitated toward the Bear's side of the field, with a forward line made up of the "terrible trio" - aggressive Heather Hawes, unstoppable Valerie Gianatti, and merciless Johanna Babba (all Juniors). Then, with just 10 minutes left, the Wheaton's Leah Ferraro tied up the game.

Early in the second half, Johanna "Yo-Yo-Sheee" Babba won her superior skills when she cleanly broke free from the
Kappa Delta Theta has been placed on social probation because of an alleged soccer hazing event on September 12th which sent a first-year student to the hospital for over-consumption of alcohol.

Security's report indicates that the student drank "11 keg cups of beer in forty minutes" during what the student described as a "soccer initiation." His proton called Security and an ambulance took him to Parkview Hospital where registered nurse Cindy Haynes attended to him. According to Haynes, "I asked him, 'Did you feel you had to drink all this or did you do it on your own,' and he said, 'A little of each.'"

The student's "initiation" raised the ongoing concern of Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley. Those involved with the soccer team, however, feel it has been the source of a misunderstanding.

"It was terminology he used for whatever reason," said Head Coach Tim Gilbride, "nothing was forced on anybody... unfortunately, some people drank to excess." Gilbride further expressed confidence that his team would never allow a situation where someone was forced to drink. "I think there's enough people here with common sense that that shouldn't happen," he said.

The accounts of all players contacted by the dean and described a casual gathering during which they hung out and discussed the season. "It's a social event which we have every year, but drunk too much and someone got sick, but there was no coercion," said Co-captain Dave DeCew '99.

"It was little gathering," said player David Bolow '02, "it wasn't at all about hazing freshmen. You have to respect a person's willingness not to do anything"

According to Co-captain Peter Ingram '98, "It was a few drunk people making bad decisions. Some people hadn't experienced side of college life, and none of us were guardians. [He] hadn't drunk much before, but we didn't know that until after the fact." Ingram added that "we as a team are going to be looking out for each other maybe a little bit more."

When initially reached for comment, the first-year in question asked to first speak with a member of the soccer team and later called, declining to discuss the matter.

Assistant Soccer and Swimming Coach Charlie Butt explained, "In the past I think there's been pressure to drink, but over the past two years it hasn't been any kind of criterion to join the team. These kids work so hard and there's so many days to make the team... every couple of them can get out of hand. I think sometimes kids feel pressure themselves, but a couple kids say 'no' every year so there couldn't have been any pressure."

Though apparently not a central party in the incident, Kappa Delta Theta did not register any alcohol for that Saturday night and has been placed under probation while the Administration awaits further explanations. The abuse of alcohol within the context of a college sponsored activity and the possibility of hazing, however, have elicited strong reactions from several officials.

"We like to see a healthy athletic environment in the best, healthiest, most competitive sense," said Bradley, "[hazing] has nothing to do with it, it has no place here. Alcohol has nothing to do with it. The best, most competitive teams have made a serious commitment about not using alcohol or any chemical substances during the season."

Chair of the E9 Steve Lee '99 called for severe punishments in the wake of any hazing incident, regardless of where it occurred. "If need be, games must be forfeited, houses or fraternities must be reprimanded, and responsible students must be severely disciplined. Bowdoin cannot condone any behavior that threatens the the physical well-being of any of its students," he said.

According to Athletic Director Jeff Ward, "Every new group of college students will make mistakes and they need to be constantly reminded that those kinds of mistakes are unacceptable. It's inexcusable for me to comment on an issue with individuals or teams because, to some degree, I think those are private matters. But you can be comfortable knowing that when teams act irresponsibly there will be consequences. When that happens, and people really learn, I'm proud of them."

"These issues are not unique to Bowdoin. The key is student leadership. That determines the personality of any school," said Ward, who agreed with Bradley in saying that "athletes who are consistently successful are in control of all aspects of their life."

Ward, who began his new role as Athletic Director over the summer, declined to speculate on the proper definition for what happened at Theta on the 12th but made clear his position on anything discovered to be hazing. "In the past, there have been social situations that teams have been involved with that are not compatible with my image of what teams should be. Initiations or hazing are not things that I will tolerate," he said.

Though Ward feels that hazing type activities "are certainly not rampant," he concedes that he can never be sure that "750 students are making prudent decisions." He recognizes his position's dilemma of dealing with groups comprised of diverse individuals by focusing on the big picture. "If we're going to..."
Junior class lacks officer candidates

Without any officers, the Class of 2020 will be unable to plan social events including the traditional Spring Gala and Junior/Senior Ball.

LAURA HILBURN CONTRIBUTOR

The historic apathy of the junior class has been continued this year, as not one member of the Class of 2020 ran for class office.

If a student were to fill the positions, the junior class would be left without only representation but also without class social events for the spring.

At their meeting on September 21, the Student Executive Board discussed this problem and possible solutions. As a result, a special meeting was sent to the junior class announcing a second set of elections. If two to three candidates agree to run per office, a second election will be held. "So far, there has been some response," said Steve Lee ’99, President of the Executive Board. "But not the critical masses we were hoping for."

One potential reason for the lack of interest on the part of the class is the fact that so many choose to go abroad or to another American university for one or both semesters, thereby making them ineligible for the position. "The effects of off campus study are particularly acute at a relatively small institution such as Bowdoin," said Professor of History Stephen Bond ’96, who is director of Off Campus Programs. He said that little over half of the junior class does now study abroad or at approved U.S. institutions at some point before graduation. Each year, over 200 students study off-campus.

When student government elections took place last year, Sarah Bond ’99 said that she was the only member of the junior class running for any of the positions. She was elected president, and a second set of elections were organized in order to fill the rest of the board, which involved much recruitment and interest from the rest of the Student Government.

"It was really disheartening for me," said Bond, now a senior. "This was something that I really wanted to be a part of, and to be the only one was really disappointing."

The junior class has a large role in planning events for the junior class, such as the Spring Gala and the Junior/Senior Ball. The board is responsible for large tasks, such as planning and executing the prom, reserving the room and filling out work orders. Each board member must be closely involved, and according to Bond, for this event to run smoothly.

"People are hesitant to get involved because many are just apathetic, and think someone else will do it," Stev Lee said. "Others are over-committed and don't have the time. But this is such a rewarding experience, I really encourage people to get involved."

"The downside for me is that I wound either be rolled over to a senior year fund, or have no representation in the Student Government. In this case, the funds designated for the junior class would either be rolled over to a senior year fund, or have no representation in the Student Government." According to Lee, however, "no decisions will be made for at least another week."

The annual problem of student representation in Student Government seems to surprise none who is already involved. "This is something that's going to happen every year," said Lee, "when a class is missing such a significant number of members. It's hard to find people willing to run. This year, we did our best job publicizing the elections, but there was still a huge loss of candidates."

"People just have to be willing to put in the time," said Bond. "It's so rewarding because your decisions directly affect your whole class. It's like being the 'prud' parent.' I've gotten so many new opportunities because of my work last year. So I really encourage everybody to get involved."

The Brunswick Town Council on Monday approved the sale of a 2.2-acre corner lot of the town's Main Street Station property to Bowdoin. Bowdoin plans to erect a three-story, 36,000-square-foot brick building that would house offices and art studios, as well as somewhere between 96 and 125 parking spaces. Bowdoin has agreed to pay a $50,000 down payment, and the final total will be between $212,500 and $275,500.

Stephen Joyce has been named director of student aid effective January 1, 1999. Joyce has served as assistant director of student aid from 1991-1994, and as associate director of student aid since 1994. He also served for a brief time as an admissions officer at Bowdoin and has served on the Finance Authority of Maine and the Maine Association of Financial Aid.

Bowdoin has found a way to save money and help out two Maine theater companies in donating 150 of the seats in Pickard Theater to the Mad Horse Theater in Portland, and 350 seats to a summer theater in Litchfield. The deal was arranged last year after Tom Waugh '02 was formally charged with "disturbance of a school assembly" in court. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail for violating a restraining order.

A Western Virginia University student pleaded guilty and apologized to petitioners and the jury at a hearing Tuesday for throwing golf balls onto Mountain- View cemetery Saturday at the West Virginia University College of Law. The jury found Michael W. Waugh guilty and assessed $500 in court fees, assigned 24 hours of community service and six months probation. He could also be unable to travel abroad. All of the materials would have to be prepared before they could be disposed of, and that is labor intensive and expensive. This way the College saves a few thousand dollars.

Sarah Bond ’99 was the only member of last year's junior class to run for class officer. (Krista Friedrich/Bowdoin Orient)

Family members have donated a televised journal belonging to nature writer Rutherford Platt to the Peavy-Macmillan Arctic Museum. Platt's journal recounts his participation in the 1947 expedition to Labrador, Greenland and Baffin Island with explorer Donald MacMillan, of Class of 1898. The handwritten journal was discovered among Platt's possessions. It was donated to Bowdoin by Platt's son, Alexander Platt '66, and grandson, also named Rutherford Platt '96. The transcribed journal will be used to document further both the Platt photographs and the 1947 expedition. Scholars will also be allowed to use the journal for scientific research, particularly in Arctic history and botany.
Judicial Board decisions come under fire

Mathematics Professor William Barker expressed his displeasure with the Board at this month’s faculty meeting.

**KELLY RICCIARDI STAFF WRITER**

Recent questions have been raised about the Judicial Board’s leniency, consistency, and standards in fulfilling their charge of upholding Bowdoin’s Academic Honor and Social Codes. All students are informed upon matriculation that they are subject to these Codes, and any violations will be brought before the J-Board. The J-Board consists of students to ensure a group of peers who are joined by faculty members on academic cases.

Mya Mangawang, a dean of upperclass students and the advisor to the J-Board, said that “these people are charged with upholding the respect of the institution” and occupy a position that has huge ramifications on the Bowdoin community.

Rob Najarian ’99, the vice-chair of the J-Board, said, “It is hugely important to have students on the J-Board and to say that your peers won’t tolerate certain behaviors while we’re here.

“It is crucial to have student influence on the board”, said Beth Hustted ’99, the chairperson of the J-Board. “It is a powerful statement that students uphold the standards” of the College.

Professor William Barker of the mathematic- 

department, however, raised questions about the effectiveness of the J-Board at this month’s faculty meeting, based on a recent decision concerning the academic honesty of one of his former students, who was pun- 

ished by having his final course grade lowered by one letter.

Barker said that by this punishment, which he calls a “slap on the wrist and an insult to those who are honest,” a student who had been "running an A in the course could now be dropped to a B, while a student who has been working honestly within the system but who is just having a problem with the material could get a C.”

"In the past, a serious case of academic dishonesty almost always brought a failing grade in the course and a suspension,” said Barker. “Written or unwritten, it was what happened.”

"Now, he said, the process seems completely different, and the punishments are far more lenient.”

Professor Barker said that he has been before the J-Board numerous times, and he has never had a complaint until now. "This is not a personal gripe about anyone on the J-Board. As individuals, he said, the J-Board is "trying to do the right thing. The policies, however, have drifted in a homogeneously bad direction. They have degenerated to hurt the enforcement of academic principles, and we are all diminished by that.”

He said he has "seen a lot of students who have made mistakes and been punished, and it seems to have become a good turning-point for their careers. They have learned something exceedingly valuable. Now, I am afraid that the lesson learned by some students who beat the system, and that is not a good les- 

son.”

Barker offered some specific suggestions for the Board, such as making the decisions in academic cases recommendations to the administration, as they are in social cases, rather than binding decisions to avoid incon- 
sistencies. “The Dean of Students can have a seat, while J-Boards come and go,” Barker said.

Barker said he also resents the practice of assigning faculty members to leave after mak- 

ing an initial presentation of their evidence of an academic infraction. This faculty member, then, according to Professor Barker, "hears nothing else of what happens in that room and is not there to rebuke any statements that might be made. This is a gross perversion of the system and an embarrassment and outrage to the faculty. In the past, everyone involved in the case has been present until deliberations.”

The members of the J-Board say they are quite proud of the process by which they judge cases that come before them. "I think the J-Board is really a useful thing,” says Rob Najarian. "It is a service to the college and to my fellow students, and I think that at each case I hear. We are very thorough in our cases, and we consider everything we can, including the feelings of both parties and the repercussions of our decision. It is the best way that we know to be fair. We don’t want to throw the bloody book of justice at some- 

one for one mistake, but we do have to ask ourselves if this person is still a beneficial member of the community.”

"From my observations of the J-Board, they are an extremely fair-minded body,” said Professor of Philosophy Denis Corcoran, a faculty member on the J-Board. “The stu- 

dents do tremendous work which they take very seriously. Cases are often discussed for hours at a time.”

However, the members of the Board say they are cognizant of possible problems with the procedure and with inconsistencies. "Some things about the J-Board should be changed,” acknowledged Mangawang, "and it will be assessed for both its strengths and its weaknesses. The system can always be improved, and the process of scrutinizing it is underway.

—Mya Mangawang

Dean of Upperclass Students

“Some things about the J-Board should be changed,” acknowledged Mangawang, “and it will be assessed for both its strengths and its weaknesses. The system can always be improved, and the process of scrutinizing it is underway. We want to be very thoughtful about the process, while always keeping in mind the notions of consistency and fairness. We want this to work, and work well. Our college has a high standard. If we get the board don’t uphold these standards, who will? The integrity of the institution is at stake.”

“Then I think that Professor Barker and all con- 

cerned faculty members have valid opin- 

ions, and the J-Board has just recently under- 

gone an evaluation of precedent, what kind of 

standards have been set, and whether or not we are consistent to these standards,” said Hustted. "We want to be as fair as possible while still adhering strictly to Bowdoin’s codes. Academic and social violations are unacceptable.”

Professor Barker quoted a former Dean of Students, Ken Llewellyn to sum up his be- 

iefs on the importance of the J-Board and of upholding certain standards: “At a college like Bowdoin, academic honesty is the coin of the realm. If you lose that, the college is a far weakened institution.”

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College receives $125K for Pluralism and Unity Program

The Hewlett Foundation grant will be used to support faculty workshops, summer development courses, and a first-year advisory program.

**Kathleen Parker**

CONTRIBUTOR

Bowdoin College recently received a grant from the Hewlett Foundation of $125,000 to be distributed over the next three years in order to support a new Pluralism and Unity program. Bowdoin will match the grant with $75,600 of its own funds. According to Director of Career Planning and Student Development Lisa Tessler, "The money is to invest in college resources ... to build a more inclusive community."

The Pluralism and Unity Program has three components. The first is faculty workshops which together with Bowdoin's annual conference are aimed at exploring different institutional strategies to encourage the participation of students who, according to Tessler, "otherwise feel marginalized." This includes female students, students of color, and students of different sexual orientations. The workshops are also designed to develop knowledge within the faculty on the different learning styles of a more diverse student body.

The second component of the program includes a series of summer faculty development courses that will take place in 1999 and 2000. These courses are designed "to enable faculty to relearn their knowledge of African Studies and Women's Studies," said Tessler.

The third component of the program involves further implementing an existing ad-

visory program for first-year students. Communication at Bowdoin and Beyond (CABB), a pilot program, conducted a self-selected first-year students, is a curriculum designed to provide students from diverse backgrounds to honed communication skills in the classroom and with their peers. "I think that written skills and quantitative skills can be developed throughout the career, while verbal skills tend to be neglected," said Workshop Coordinator Kerry McDonald '99. The students are divided into five smaller groups, each facilitated by a faculty member, a staff member, and an upper-class student. According to McDonald these small groups provide "small-group communication skills" in first year students, and program coordinators "look to the future of the students" for the continual orientation program.

The program developed as a result of an increasingly diverse Bowdoin community.

Fish and jewelry: Higginbotham explores ancient Southern Italy

**Adam Zimnan**

PHOTO EDITOR

Have you always wanted to have exotic fish for pets, to dress them in expensive jewelry, or maybe just swim with them from time to time? Based on recent research by Jim Higginbotham, professor of archaeology this was a fad for a period of time in Roman culture.

Higginbotham has spent many summers of his life piecing together the fallen civilizations that once inhabited Southern Italy. He is just finishing publication about site near Selinunte, Sicily, which was an important place in the Mediterranean in the 6th-5th century BC.

The Greeks moved into this area after 600 BC and imposed their culture upon the inhabitants of the city. This caused the inhabitants to practice their religious beliefs outside the city limits. These religions outside the city walls were the focus of the research.

In this particular city, Higginbotham discovered a cult exclusive to women, which was unique for this time period when it was mostly men that played the leading roles in religion. Moving forward in time, the Romans moved in around 3rd century BC, and changed the name of the city to Pastum.

The Romans brought other interesting practice to the site. In one particular sanctuary, Higginbotham and his team found a large fish pond, used to raise eels. Upon further investigation and study, almost a 600 of these man-made fish ponds were found. One such pond was the size of two football fields, totaling about 3 acres.

Higginbotham has published a book on this topic, explaining that there was a Roman fish pond in almost every city, but it was not unusual for the owners of these fish to adorn them with jewelry, or even swimming in a manner similar to today's fad when the emperors came along and nobody wanted to compete with them. More recently, Higginbotham was the director of a site discovered from an aerial photograph taken by a friend with no intentions of archaeology in mind. As it turned out, in the background of the picture there was an outline of a structure in a wheat field. The structure was buried nearly a foot underground. As a result, the root of the wheat directly above the walls could not grow and this caused the walls to fall into the ground. Shallots plants to die before the other wheat with healthier roots. This phenomenon prevented them from a two to three week window during which it could be seen; luckily, the picture was taken at just the right time.

The building itself appears to have been a temple, its size was 110' x 70' and was dedicated to "Hera, the wife of Zeus." A preliminary conclusion that Higginbotham and his team have reached, will be useful for future archaeologists discovered. Higginbotham has been working on this site since 1995 and hopes to publish substantial findings in a few years.

To help speed the cataloging of artifacts, Higginbotham has many people helping out, including four Bowdoin students who accompanied him to Italy this past summer.

Higginbotham enjoys involving his students in the hands-on aspect of his work. "I what you call a dirt archaeologist," Higginbotham said enthusiastically. He said that his favorite part of the dig might also be most enjoyable for the students. Also, by having students with him at the site, Higginbotham's group becomes more capable of cataloging the findings. Higginbotham stressed the importance of such individuals: "I could not do my job without them."

Higginbotham applies his experience from his research sites to his classes. Doing the research in the field allows him to have a developed understanding of the context in which he places his classes. Higginbotham said he enjoys coming back to the classroom each fall to interpret and to educate his students about the cultures that he spends his summers researching.

Possible hazing incident explored

**Peter Hirst**

Executive Editor

A hazing incident involving the Men's Soccer team was reported on September 25.

"He said. Regarding the incident with the Men's Soccer team, Cullen stated that "maybe some things happened that shouldn't have, but it's very difficult to control social and private lives of players off the field." Working with Coach Howard Vanderveer echoed this sentiment, stating that "he didn't hear of any hazing incidents in his 15 seasons at Bowdoin, but adding that "We don't intrude on people's lives. We care about these players, but they're trying to be adults. They're not getting an education if we're constantly interrupting. That's part of going to a school like this."

Any knowledge about athletic hazing, though, remains within the realm of rumor and speculation. In discussing the issue, many strive to draw a careful line between light-hearted rites of passage and the more conventional, darker definitions of hazing. According to Dave Lopez '00, member of the track team and the ES, "We've all seen the haircuts and heard the rumors. It's fun until things get stupid and dangerous - when lines are crossed - and then it's an issue that needs to be addressed."

"I'm not against it, I think it's all in the spirit of good fun. But it's the responsibility of the team and the captains to make sure nothing bad happens. If they really care, they can think of other ways to get the team united without being stupid," said Lopez.

Gibbide and Butt described some of the things all first-years on the team go through, such as picking up balls after practice and telling embarrassing stories about themselves on the first road trip. "I guess it's a form," said Butt, "but I think it's OK so long as nobody's feelings get hurt."

The first-years on Cullen's team are responsible for organizing equipment, but as he explains, "somebody's got to do it."

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Curriculum examined for potential changes

Jen Kirby CONTRIBUTOR

The first review in a decade of Bowdoin's curriculum continues this fall with an examination of such issues as distribution requirements and interdisciplinary subjects.

The Curriculum and Education Policy Committee (CEP) was formed in the spring of 1997 to review and improve the current curriculum. Now in its second year, the CEP consists of six faculty, two students, the president, the Dean of Academic Affairs and the Dean of Student Affairs.

The decision to review the curriculum was prompted by the exhaustion of incremental changes, Charles Beitz, Dean of Academic Affairs and chair of the CEP said.

"Every time we thought about one or two items in the curriculum, we in turn thought about the structure of the curriculum as a whole," Beitz said. "We wanted to take a comprehensive look at the state of the curriculum."

This year, the CEP, an adviser general assembles with faculty and students, small group meetings with departments, and talks with visitors from other institutions. From the information they acquired, the committee developed questions in four major areas for examination, including distribution requirements, majors, skills development and interdisciplinary and international subjects.

"We asked questions like what are we doing well and how could it be done better," Beitz said.

The question of the distribution requirements arose from the concern of whether the requirements were encouraging exposure to a range of subjects satisfactorily. The demands of the courses taken by the 1997 graduating class went to the general feeling that students were not challenging themselves in areas outside of their major and interests.

Beitz offered the science requirements as an example, stating that the majority of students from the class of 1997 took only two courses in the science or math distribution area did not take a course with a "hands-on component.

"There's a concern about whether the requirements are giving students meaningful experience in scientific inquiry," Beitz offered as an example. "Are they achieving their goals? Are there ways to refine them that would allow students to broaden their area of study?"

The structure of the major is also being examined by the committee in terms of ensuring that all students are able to do advanced work in their majors and also whether major departments encourage enough faculty/student interaction outside of teaching. "We know the best majors [encourage] students and faculty to engage as scholars of an area outside of the walls of the classroom," Beitz said.

In addition, ways to effectively integrate the major with study away opportunities are also being examined.

The third area under focus by the committee is that of the development of skills, specifically quantitative and writing.

"The Writing Program and the Quantitative Skills Program are successful, but some students never benefit because they don't take the participating classes," Beitz said.

"The CEP is looking for ways to be sure all students have the opportunity to develop good writing skills and are quantitatively literate, at least to have a critical understanding of the kind in a newspaper," Beitz also mentioned the explosion of information skills in digital form, and the committee attempts to ensure that the college is doing the best job to teach the skills needed. Finally, the CEP plans to find ways to incorporate more interdisciplinary curriculum by using more team teaching by professors from different academic areas. The international dimension of the curriculum will also be enhanced and expanded.

The committee met Monday and will continue to meet throughout the year with a goal of drafting recommendations by the middle of the year and presenting the draft to faculty and students. The CEP will re-evaluate the recommendations and produce a final report ideally by early spring, Beitz said.

As the faculty votes to decide degree requirements, they will vote on any aspect of the recommendations that affect the degree. As the recommendations are not yet formed, it is uncertain how many final alterations will be made. Beitz said he is optimistic for the opportunity of change the committee is creating.

"It's difficult to get support for change, because change destabilizes people's expectations," he said. "However, the faculty supports good ideas when they understand them."

The CEP has worked hard to fully incorporate student and faculty opinion. Beitz said not only by including two student representatives, but by figuring out ways to talk to students in general.

"The best kind of student input is not yes or no, but did you think about this?" Beitz said. "You need reasonably small groups to have good conversations."

Christian Nitsch '00, a member of the committee, emphasized the need for continual student input. "Student feedback isn't over yet," he said. "It won't be over when I'm on the committee. It would be ludicrous to think that one meeting with a general assembly is enough to get a consensus on student opinion.

Once the report is made, the committee intends to approach the students for further advice. One current proposal is to split small groups through the College Houses. Nitsch said his role on the committee is not to be the spokesperson for all students, and he said he feels many students are not at all knowledgeable about the committee.

"I act more as a mediator," he said. "I don't presuppose to voice for all students, (and) I'm careful not to make assumptions."

Any changes in curriculum made by the review would not be seen earlier than the next academic year and changes in requirements for degrees would only take effect with the next incoming freshman class.

"The Curriculum Review has accomplished a lot, but there is always room for work to be done," Nitsch said.
Editorials

Searching for answers

As has been said by every administrator, coach, and conscientious student upset by recent rumors, hazing has no place at Bowdoin. The concept of one team member coercing another to drink excessive amounts of alcohol for the sake of team unity is appalling. Allegations have been flared into assumptions by the anger surrounding the possibility of such an incident and the difficulty in finding explanations.

Exactly what happened at Theta that night might not ever be known. In any event, poor decisions were made by some of the involved individuals, and because those mistakes were made while the group gathered as a team, they reflect upon everyone involved, and raise questions for the College which sponsors them. This brings scrutiny which might not have been if education were, for example, a spring sport and these events didn’t coincide with the initiation of their season; but the connection between alcohol abuse and athletics, however tenuous, must be examined.

In the Athletic Department, as in other significant realms, these are times of transition at Bowdoin. The Commission on Residential Life abolished fraternities in the spring of 1997, citing their exclusive and virtually untouchable behavior as primary reasons. Fraternities were replaced by College Houses whose primary difference is that they’re responsible to the College, as athletics have always been. The College has an obligation to follow through on its intent to eradicate the ‘old Bowdoin’ and all activities that compromise an individual.

The incident at hand may or may not call for such severity, but the issue of hazing needs to be addressed as one which should not exist. Including club sports, more than half of our Bowdoin population participates in at least one of several sports. Incredible rumors from a handful of them over the years have challenged one’s ability to believe what another could tolerate to purportedly be included in a group. Aside from being illegal, such activities contradict everything which a liberal arts college should represent.

If such cases are found to exist, the College should be prepared to decree forfeitures of games if not entire seasons. Their role, however, is limited to a reactive one. The true responsibility to prevent such incidents lies with the students on the team.

Students entering into a group with the collaborative dynamic of a team will often experience rites of passage. These can inspire a sense of appreciation for one’s newfound spot and encourage an overall sense of team cohesion, but the intensity of the comradery forged on the athletic field need not find expression in harmful activities.

Some timely tinkering

In its attempt to accommodate for the changing world in which we learn, the Curriculum and Education Policy Committee has recently begun the second year of its timely examination of what we learn as well the ways we learn. The questions they’re asking themselves within the four major areas have the potential to improve the scope of a Bowdoin education while strengthening each student’s relationship with his or her primary field of study.

In looking at distribution requirements, they have addressed the current policy’s failings in exposing students to the necessary range of ways of looking at the world. Currently, too many students graduate without any experience in foreign languages, art, or sufficient hands-on scientific learning. A liberal arts education should offer knowledge in several overlapping fields.

They have also discussed the value of the major within the collegiate experience, rightfully viewing it as the strongest element of the academic experience. They’re exploring various ways to strengthen it by ensuring that all do as much advanced work as possible within their major. Another element to be strengthened is the connection between work done at Bowdoin and work done while abroad.

The discussion of these aspects will hopefully lead towards a reduction in the amount of double majors. A good precedent for compromise can be found in the History department, where majors must take two courses in another discipline related to their concentration.

A third area which the CEP will discuss soon involves the assorted skill programs on campus and their need to reach more people. Programs like the Writing Project and the Quantitative Skills project have been successful, but their benefits could be extended to more students. A better spread of these resources would allow students a more functional knowledge of the disciplines outside of their major.

In the fourth category, they will explore interdisciplinary and international subjects, hoping to find ways to internationalize the curriculum in a world that’s much smaller than it was a decade ago when the curriculum was last reviewed.

The Committee, which should have tentative proposals out for student and faculty discussion by early spring, has six professors and two students along with the administrators. It is properly skewed towards those best prepared to deal with these issues of academia, while the student representatives can act as mediators and help the Committee understand the concerns of students at the College.
Judicial Board clarifies policy

To the Members of the Bowdoin Community:

In the interest of consistency and fairness, the Judicial Board, which is entrusted with the responsibility of upholding and enforcing the standards of Bowdoin College, has recently undergone an evaluation of our process and system. We write to reaffirm our commitment to preserving this community and its fundamental principles of honesty and respect which are the basis for both the Academic Honor and Social Codes. Any violation of either Code must be treated as a threat to Bowdoin’s intellectual and social integrity.

In the interest of reminding the community, we think it is appropriate to present our general disciplinary guidelines. For Academic Honor Code violations:

- For cases of dishonesty, including the deliberate, dishonest submission of work not one’s own, cheating, or plagiarism, suspension is likely.
- For deliberately and knowingly providing work or answers to others, suspension is likely.

For all cases involving academic dishonesty, sanctions may include, but are not limited to: permanent or indefinite dismissal, suspension, course failure, loss of College privileges, lowering a grade, revisions of assignments, or issuance of a warning.

For Social Code violations:

- For cases involving assault, harassment, or abuse that infringes upon or threatens the rights or dignity of others, suspension is likely.
- For all cases involving Social Code violations, sanctions may include, but are not limited to: permanent or indefinite dismissal, suspension, loss of College privileges, social probation, restitution, fines, or issuance of a warning.

All case proceedings remain confidential in accordance with College practices and state statutes and will be given fair and thorough consideration. In accepting our role as Board members, we have assumed the responsibility for making judgments and determining sanctions which will safeguard and protect the academic community in which we have chosen to live and work.

Elizabeth Hustedd ’99, Chair, Michael Bouvey ’99, Raegan LaRoche’00, Crispin Muirra ’99, Robert Najarian ’99, Howard Spector ’99, Shana Stump ’01, Denis Corish, Professor of Philosophy, Steve Fisk, Professor of Mathematics, Colleen Goodridge, Professor of English, James Turner, Professor of Physics (for cases of suspected Academic Honor Code violations, faculty members will serve on the Judicial Board.)

We are all honored

By Scott Hickey

Graduating senior Mari Worth’s commitment to keeping the graduating seniors and explaining the character strengths that made her Summa Cum Laude achievement possible.

I came to this school, like so many of you, a New Englander all of my life, proud and loyal to this culturally and historic rich area. I learned a lot growing up in Schenectady, but it was here at Bowdoin that I academically matured. Mostly I just think that I could be here, so close to home, for this crowning achievement.

First of all, I would like to thank the entire country of Latin for honoring me here today. Of course, I would have preferred to have reached even higher, to Magna, but I still consider it an honor to be honored as one of only fifty-three students whose marks qualified them for Summa Cum Laude. Today, for me just like for every student out there in the audience, is the result of many long nights spent in Hawthorne Littlefellow library, completing problem sets, reading novels, wandering for classes, to come back on so I could see what I was reading.

But we should not spend too much time resting on our laurels and basking in the limelight of our achievement. We should start preparing for our future now, because every achievement is the key to unlocking future success. I was writing this speech earlier this morning, I wondered what lessons I had learned, and just came back the roads of good old Cum Laude, that I could impart to you today that will help you in your future journey. I want knowledge of my past mistakes to keep you making the same ones in the future.

Because if I have learned anything, it is that we look to our past to help us in our future. This is why a knowledge of history is so crucial (as for wild screaming and yelling from History majors).

My first bit of advice is to take the initiative and be proactive in aspiring to your goals, no matter who tells you that you can’t achieve them. When I came to Bowdoin, I said to myself that I was going to earn Latin Honors. I created my own interdisciplinary first year seminar program, even though the Committee on Academic Affairs told me it was impossible. I did not let wishful thinking lead to their negative thinking and muffo tactics.

Secondly, never be afraid to use all of your available resources. Many of you here today know what I’m talking about. If you don’t have enough time to write an essay for class, there are a million essays on the internet that have already been written on that topic for you.

You’d be just plain foolish not to take advantage of such a valuable tool. It never ceases to amaze how many people try to do things themselves when they don’t have the capacity to do it. It’s kind of like meeting new headness. I feel because of my ingenuity I have earned the honor of Summa Cum Laude for myself.

Lastly, never forget the people who have helped you along the way. (Note to self: Put something in here about Mom and Dad if you get around to it.)

As my academic and literary inspiration Cliff Hillinger has taught me, it’s important to be able to summarize. I’ve said a lot here today, but I’ll try my best. It was a long, hard bowl fellow students, but I would like to remind each of you that we are very fortunate to live here, as Abraham Lincoln, the father of our country, so gloriously stated, we are free to the inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Think about just how difficult life must have been for our forefathers and foremothers who had to traverse the Atlantic Ocean to escape religious intolerance and persecution. We are now free to reap from the land the seeds they sowed, although it can be hard since the environment is in such shambles, from industrialization. I love the environment. It’s so pretty. Thank you for your rapt attention.

Scott Hickey will not get Latin Honors under any system.

An economic analysis of love

By Rahul Bajaj

Bigger stalwarts have written with more profound frustration on the subject of love that you can ever muster. Pain, joy, ecstasy, beat, jump, sorrow, color, fragrance, light and darkness—is it possible to know more about love than you thought that god? If you didn’t, re-read this article. At the same time, you will find that all love is not the same kind of love. It’s an impossible task for us to make love decisions all the time, and optimize all the time. Yes you do, but under constraints.

As an example, you decided to attend Bowdoin, that was a choice (I hope optimal), that you probably made given a lot of other parameters. You were optimizing under constraints! That we don’t know what the meaning of life is, makes big life decisions difficult to make; since we don’t know what to optimize against, we never know where the optimum is. That is where "love" kicks in, I think, and finds a definition. Think of love as an optimality condition—when you hit an optimum, you feel love. Think of all those decisions and events when you have felt love, and think back as to whether they were optimal decisions. I have a hunch they were. Love is nature’s optimality metric in-built in us. Whenever it rings red, you should know you are optimizing something.

When you feel love, you should take it that you have what an optimum. You can’t know for sure whether it is an optimum or not because you don’t know the constraints (i.e., the meaning of life). There is no way to double check. That is what makes love ambiguous, useless, and beautiful. Use it as your guide, and you will be hitting optimums all your life!

Rahul Bajaj is a senior Economics and Philosophy major. This article is dedicated to the Princess of the Myth, who lives in another dimension.
Bimbroglio is not Watergate

By Melissa Braveman

Every once in a while, when I fervently plead for article ideas, I am met with suggestions. On such rare occasions, I feel it my obligation to put my own needs aside and indulge the needs of feigiocally eccentric friends and neighbors, who find themselves trapped in the same overheated medium—me—their frustrations with Bowlдон and life in general. It is important to recognize that certain facets of campus life have yet to be addressed by the extremely modest humor guru (that's ME). This week's column will address two important matters: first, the issue of seniors who do not want to pursue investment banking; how to eliminate them, and second, those obese first-year-students—a topic I thought I had already covered, but apparently not to the satisfaction of the Bowlдон constituency.

My goal is to do more than rant about these items. I will offer very practical solutions to the problem of personal uniqueness and personal initiative on this campus.

First, let us address those seniors who have not yet bound themselves to the Career Planning Center in an effort to give new meaning to their last few months in a grand sort of way. What kind of school do you think Bowlдон is liberal arts? What's this I hear of travelling through third-world countries, feeding starving children, working toward world peace, and eating dolphin-free tuna fish wherever possible? The moralists all are making great strides toward a life of self-sacrifice, wherein you can figure out what you love just because it will bring you immense joy. What was it Robert Frost said about taking the path that had been trailed in the woods before comfort should take precedence over fulfillment? Wasn't anyone there?

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The topic of this week's Orient Forum is: Should Latin Honors and/or the Dean's List be changed, remain the same, or be abolished?

I do not feel that Latin Honors and the Dean's List should be abolished. Perhaps new standards should be set.

Sara Edel '02

I know that "insensitive to the intellectually challenged," "teach them evil, and/or stupid," but life's a bitch. If someone actually manages to perform at the accepted level for such Honors, let them be recognized.

Hugh Hill '02

I think Latin Honors and Dean's List are an important part of the college evaluation system, so I firmly believe in their maintenance at Bowdoin. However, intuitively, for the titles to mean anything, they can't be given out to everyone. I would recommend tightening up the requirements, but definitely not abolishing the traditions.

Katherine Davis '00

I think that Latin Honors and the Dean's List are appropriate for students who excel academically. But what kind of honor is it if it becomes common and trite. Honors like these only carry a special weight if they are restricted.

I can also see the counter-argument: that in making these honors more selective they become a field of academic competition, a quality usually quelled by most Bowdoin students. But what is the strength of being "recognizable" if that strength is a competitive field, we fall again to rivalry?

I believe that Bowdoin students will continue to maintain this easygoing attitude toward competition if more stringent qualifications for Honors are installed. The strive for academic Honors is a personal one, if anything, and remains personal on all levels. It would not change campus attitude, but would constitute an incentive for those who find success in laud.

Jay Stoll '02

As far as abolishing Latin Honors and the Dean's List, I believe these rankings to be important to an individual, because they provide some sort of gauge as to how well one is doing academically. Without such a gauge one may believe he or she is doing well, only living up to their academic potential.

Clint Huston '02

There are two aspects of this issue to consider. First is the idea of these Honors being too easy to get, and related to that is the idea that some majors are more difficult than others, making the distinction less meaningful for some than others. Second is inconsistencies in the awarding of these Honors.

I won't say much on the first matter—it is true that a large percentage of each graduating class receive some form of Latin Honors, indicating some kind of average performance. In addition, as a Psychology/Visual Arts double major, I can see how it is far more difficult to get top grades in one major than in another, and even different sequences of courses within the same major may vary in difficulty. The current solution to this problem—switching to a flat GPA requirement, and one that is much higher than the current one, is doomed to fail. There seems no way to arrive at a "fair" requirement, and one which takes into account differences in difficulty. Therefore, I think both Latin Honors and the Dean's List should be abandoned and all students be given the same grade, or at least a common grade for those who are accepted into the college and we will all be happy.

My answer to this week's question is no. I do not believe Latin Honors or the Dean's List should be eliminated.

Tiffany Mik '02

I think Kappa has long been the highest honor undergraduates receive and does not rely solely on numbers. (Adam Zimmian/Bowdoin Orient)

I agree that these distinctions are being assigned to too many people. Perhaps the criteria should be reordered in order of importance. I do hope that Latin Honors and the Dean's List remain at Bowdoin because it is always nice to have a formal honor if one is entitled to it. Parents especially like these nominal Honors as they can go and brag about to their friends and such. Another reason to keep them is because of tradition. Most academic institutions still carry these distinctions, so why should Bowdoin be different. So, my vote - keep them but change them.

Eric Forbell '00

I think that the Latin Honors and Dean's List should be retained. By accepting the inflated A's and B's here, and the awards that go with them, my chances of being rich in the future are bettered.

Dan Farnbach '01

In my fourth year of tenure here as a Bowdoin student, I have watched the college undergo a virtual myriad of transformations. The alcohol policy, thefraternity system, and now the Latin Honors policy. When I first applied to Bowdoin as a candidate for early decision, one of the aspects of the offer of admission was a college which drew my initial interest was the grading system. A system devoid of pluses and minuses was added to the relaxed atmosphere of studying at institutions in Maine and, I believed, would allow me to focus on my studies and not the usual nervousness created and nurtured by the standardized grading system utilized at most colleges and universities throughout North America. In light of my experiences, I hereby look down upon the college with their decision to revise the Latin Honors policy. At my matriculation into the college, the system was simple and made sense: if a quarter of your grades were an 'A' and the rest averaged out to 'B's, then I was Cum Laude, half 'A's and the rest 'B', Magna and three quarters of more 'A's and the rest 'B's, Summa. Under this system, a simplified grading system results in a relatively simple system of awarding Honors. The revised system of 3.50, 3.75 and 3.85 seems to assume a system of pluses and minuses as is the case with comparable institutions, but not the Bowdoin system per se. As a Bowdoin student, I have found a repeated consensus among my classmates that anything above a 3.50 GPA would be considered by us an excellent indicator of academic excellence, ergo, the former system of Honors seems to make sense. The same argument for Dean's List: anyone who can achieve a 3.0 or above should be acknowledged as taking their classes, very challenging classes, with a high degree of seriousness and aptitude.

The new revised policy implies that students are receiving Honors who did not deserve them, and that Bowdoin students must take their studies even more seriously to be recognized for excellence in course work. The policy undermines the students' abilities to adapt to a system based on overall GPA rather than discipline. Any student who receives a 3.50 lies somewhere between a B+ and an A--two grades which are not issued under the current grading system, but which give a good view as existing during the computation of GPA's for commencement. The system does not allow for a thorough contemplation of Bowdoin's standing as a top liberal arts college, does not properly apply to Bowdoin's grading system or extremely challenging level of class work, and hammers yet another nail into the coffin of the Bowdoin image.

Jason Rossig '99

The Latin Honors system should be made more restrictive in order to increase the worth of its rewards.

Gerald May '99

I think the Dean's List should remain as it is. However, I think the Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar ranking should be limited only to juniors and seniors. It doesn't mean anything for first-years and sophomores to make Bowdoin Scholar, because of their easier grade point averages. It should be limited to juniors and seniors, because they tend to take tougher and higher level classes than first-years and sophomores.

I don't think it is any bad reflection on Bowdoin, if almost half of students make the Dean's List. However, the harder it is to get on, the tougher may be harder, and dopamine enthusiasm of students, instead of trying to encourage them to do even better next time.

But Bowdoin Scholar, as it stands, is a real face...because again...freshmen and sophomores are not generally taking the tougher classes the juniors and seniors are

Jean Coltart '99

Opinion regarding Latin Honors/Dean's List:
The result of banning these two ideas will result in fewer Bowdoin students being recognized for doing well academically. How does this make sense? Does it really matter that a great number of students achieve the Dean's list? Isn't that a good thing? Or is someone somewhere on the campus simply sick of generating the huge list? And besides, with all of the colleges in this country that practice grade inflation, shouldn't we (the students) be allowed to capitalize ourselves when it is sometimes difficult to get good grades?

Charlotte Perry '99

I believe that the Dean's List should NOT be abolished. If students do well in their academics, they should be recognized for their accomplishments.

Stephanie Schilz '02
To stop school shootings, we need to go to the source of the problem

By Jay Kang

Click. A thirteen year old boy and his eleven year old friend drive an arms filled van to the woods surrounding their elementary school. Dressed in fatigues, they pull the fire alarm, run into the woods and hide until their classmates and teachers start trickling out of the building in a single file line. Using rifles stolen from the eleven year old’s grandfather, the duo start firing. When the firing stops, five are dead and eleven are wounded. The following days, newspapers, magazines and television flash the school pictures of Mitchell Johnson and Andrew Golden. Something is missing from those pictures. Mitchell Johnson and Andrew Golden do not wear black lipstick, they aren’t professional devil worshippers, they don’t play Dungeons and Dragons. Maybe religious thoughts, board games, and outward appearances have nothing to do with why kids kill. Oh wait. The kids are from the middle of nowhere in the deep south. Whew.

The past three shootings have all been in towns buried within the poor south. Those kids down south are wacked.

Click. After having murdered both of his parents the night before, Kipland Kinkel drives to school with two pistols and a rifle. Entering the cafeteria, Kip unloaded fifty rounds before being tackled by a fellow student. This time two were dead and twenty two were injured. Springfield, Oregon isn’t nestled in the forgotten south. Maybe it’s not a southern problem, maybe it’s television and video games. Yeah, and this kid tortured squirrels and had a long history of mental instability. It’s an exception, a freak occurrence.

Click. Linda Wirthmeier-drones, “Another school shooting at Calhoun Middle School in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.” A popular, bright girl asks to be excused to go to the bathroom. She leaves with her backpack which contains a loaded handgun. In the bathroom she shoots herself in the head. The entire town is numb with shock. This isn’t supposed to happen at home in Chapel Hill. We’re not in the deep south, this girl isn’t some devil worshipping, Mortal Kombat playing, terror-style who tortures squirrels. Not at my old middle school and not in my town. Maybe in the western part of North Carolina which closely resembles Jonesboro, Arkansas, West Palm Beach, Kentucky, or Pearl Mississippi. New frontier. And identified. It’s my problem now. And just like every other kid in America, it always has been my problem. I just tried to deflect responsibility until doing so became impossible.

Plastered throughout the streets of Springfield, Oregon are plastered asking, “Why?” What would possess a fifteen year old to murder his parents and then shoot randomly into the crowd in his high school cafeteria? And what would drive two prepubescent children to calmly pick off their teacher, an ex-girlfriend and three other students as if they were targets in a game of Duck Hunt? And why would Barry Loukaitis from Moses Lake, Washington spray his math class with bullets from an assault rifle while screaming “This sure beats Algebra, doesn’t it?” Countless explanations have been offered. The right choices in its usual rant concerning media violence, video games and the glorified status of the criminal. The left argues for gun control and increased efforts at education. Even Ken Kesey chimes in offering that it is not guns, its not television; America is just a sick place. Perhaps it is Kesey who is closest to the truth. The school shooting rests on the far side of the absurd. They do not have a root in redemption, logic or anger. Trying to attach blame upon one or two minimal influences or trying to solve the problem by taking the murder weapon out of the hands of the murderer does nothing to answer the question on the minds of those in Springfield, Oregon.

These child killers are not the core of the problem, calling for their blood for their heinous crimes is only exacerbating the bloodshed. Instead of giving in to these children and their parents, perhaps we, who are just as much children as they, should ask ourselves why a child would find it acceptable to murder without reason. An ongoing dialogue, and subsequent self examination might uncover what might have driven Kipland Kinkel to murder his parents and five classmates or what drove Michael Cameron to open fire on a prayer meeting and kill three young girls. Lashing out at scapegoats, such as media violence and guns only leads to more fruitless, infinitely regressive debate. However, a new examination of the issue by those of us who might have gone to school with Kip Kinkel, or might have been an older brother or sister to Mitchell Johnson or Luke Woodham could result in further insights that would help in understanding why.

What can be done to stop the rash of school shootings is a topic that many avoid. Any extreme measures are called paranoid and inaction almost ensures a continued spread of the cancer of school shootings. The justice system has failed. All of the school murderers have been caught, are currently awaiting trial, and are vililized by the media as “devils” and “cold hearted murderers.” All of them will have their lives unalterably changed for the worse and will never function within society again. However, even with the media spectacle that viliifes the shooters and the “get tough” stance of the justice department, the shootings continue. The assertion that Kipland Kinkel had never heard of any of the other schoolhouse shooters and how they were dealt with before he decided to murder his parents and two classmates is preposterous. We, as a nation, can “get tough” and even execute these children, but that only provides temporary peace of mind from an illness that is rooted much deeper in America. No answer can be extracted from the utter senselessness that surrounds these killings if we do not approach the problem with respect and resolution.

Jay Kang is a first-year.

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An interview with David Grisman

Jenny Slepian
A&E EDITOR IN CHIEF

On September 21, David Grisman took the time to talk to Jenny Slepian about the mandolin, jazz, bluegrass and his career as a musician. Grisman is known not only for his work as an incredible mandolinist who has recorded several albums with The David Grisman Quintet, Jerry Garcia, the Grateful Dead and many others. This is the first of a two-part series on the artist.

What initially attracted you to the mandolin and bluegrass music?

Banjo playing, Bluegrass banjo playing, I met a guy named Ralph Rinzler who was a great mandolin player and an amazing guy, and he inspired me to take up mandolin.

When did you feel confident enough to take the mandolin to the limits that you have, inspiring other musicians like Bela Fleck?

It was pretty gradual, I think. I’ve been playing the mandolin for 36 years now, so it wasn’t one specific point. I like lots of different kinds of music and I try to adapt to all those things to the mandolin, and make a living. One thing that got me into bluegrass was that I was hired to do something new and that kind of made me have to come up with something different. The first dollar I ever made was playing at an Italian wedding. I’ve done everything from jingles to commercials, and I would have to make up new things that fit.

What commercial did you do?

I don’t know, it was years ago. Some kind of soda, maybe Mountain Dew. Now I do commercials for Kia, the car company. I’ve done recording sessions with James Taylor which I call, and many more.

How have you made the transition from a primary bluegrass musician to a jazz musician?

In 1974, I formed a band with Richard Green and it was the first time bluegrass was just instrumental. We had an instrumental band, and it was the first time musicians made that kind of music just instrumentally. I was still thought of myself as a mandolin player. It was a challenge. We tried having a lot of variety and started writing different kinds of tunes, and even adapting from Duke Ellington and Reinhard while making instrumental music.

Has playing with the quintet influenced this transition?

There have been lots of different members of the group. I’ve had very talented players in the past, like Tony Rice, and I try to incorporate the strengths of all the musicians that have been in the band. I would see what they had to offer and then use that. It wasn’t necessarily what the previous guy did. Everybody has a different sound. We do some Latin music, and I have an Argentinian guitarist that makes it sound authentic. I go with the flow and use people’s talents. I want them each to play their certain part and leave room for individuality.

Are you less inclined to focus on bluegrass now without the Garcia/Grisman bluegrass tradition?

We mostly did stuff that wasn’t bluegrass in 1990-95. We actually didn’t play that much bluegrass. Jerry was just like me and liked all kinds of music.

I saw you play with Dec Watson this summer. How has playing with him influenced your style? What about other folk musicians?

I have been very fortunate to play with many great musicians and they’ve all left their influence.

What are your thoughts on the new “New Grass” bluegrass? Do you see it as any different from traditional bluegrass?

I wouldn’t call it bluegrass, but I don’t like to generalize. It’s either good or bad somewhere in between. Generally, it’s not bluegrass if you have drums and electric instruments, so I wouldn’t call it bluegrass. But I don’t play bluegrass either. I think it’s good that people are experimenting but as far as bluegrass goes, I’m a traditionalist.

Are there any bands right now that you are particularly impressed by?

There are lots of great musicians that impress me. Probably too many to name, Bela Fleck, Edgar Meyer. There are a lot of great musicians out there, some have even been in my band. There are a lot good things going on, but I tend to listen to older music. I don’t go out as much unless I’m touring or at a festival. I listen to the world and true masters like Duke Ellington, Mike Davis, Thelonious Monk, and The Stanley Brothers.

Who do you think your audience is?

Hippies. A lot of young people. Ex-Dreadheads. But we’ve also had people come with grandparents and kids. They’re all very enthusiastic.

Has your audience changed over the years?

It’s kind of always been this way but just not as many people [as now].

Bela Fleck has also been putting out more jazz than bluegrass. Do you think the public is ready for a re-incarnation of jazz?

Bela plays his own music. Terms are so overgeneralized. Musicians who compose their own music are kind of unique. He doesn’t play jazz in the traditional sense, it’s very creative and his own style. It’s Bela Fleck music, just like this is Dan G. music. At times it might be bluegrass or jazz, but most creative musicians like to be known as the unique musicians they are. The music entertainment business tends to put everything into a category. I’m in between the cracks.

Do you have a place where you most enjoy playing?

Any place could be that place. I like really good sounding concert halls, any place could be a good place. The living room.

David Grisman is now touring the Midwest, but will still be here in Portland on October 11 at the Church Theater. Tickets are on sale at Macellos music; I told him lots of Bowdoin students would be there, so we better show up in full force.

Danny Hoch: selling well, but not out

Jon Knapp
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Undoubtedly, to the average Bowdoin student, going to a concert is not an extremely rare activity. Consequently, the fact that Marcy Playground did not play last weekend was no tragic loss, as, frankly, nothing amazingly original would have occurred.

Last year’s cancellation of the Danny Hoch performance due to the ice storm; however, was a tremendous shame, as the talented young actor/comedian/writer has gained quite a reputation within the last few years.

NY Casting Magazine once labeled him the “Next Big Thing,” while Rolling Stone picked him as 1992’s “Hottest Performance Artist.” Clearly, Hoch’s career has quickly been travelling upward, yet he still has not succumbed to tremendous pressures and committed that infamous two word sin: “selling out.”

Hoch first made a name for himself with his universally acclaimed one man show “Some People,” which eventually became a highly sought after off-Broadway production. The show debuted in the Fall of 1993 at Performance Space 122, an abandoned schoolhouse now famous (or infamous) for its “off-color” performances. Located in New York’s East Village, PS 122 has become a haven for the avant-garde, enabling many brilliant young performers to experiment. Hoch’s experiment clearly paid off, as his culturally diverse show eventually toured around the country and the world. In the show, Hoch played a variety of ethnically diverse characters, such as a Polish handyman, a West Indian disc jockey, and a young Puerto Rican girl. Unlike many other performers, however, Hoch did not simply make fun of different ethnic groups. On the contrary, he made his performance a celebration of ethnic diversities, while at the same time raising awareness in such important issues as AIDS and racism. By the end of its reign in New York, “Some People” continually sold out, enabling Hoch to travel and tape his performances for HBO.

Hoch grew up in New York City, where he graduated from the High School for Performing Arts NYC (which he says kept him out of jail and rehab), after which he attended London’s North Carolina School of the Arts. Since his time, he has won numerous awards, including the 1994 Solo Theatre Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts. Unlike many young performers, Hoch does not squander his tremendous talents; he has worked both in jails and alternative high schools.

Please see HOCH, p. 14
Things to do in Vienna when you’re abroad

Compiled by Jason Roswig
Contributor


Save Mike Melia’s hairline. Write for The Orient. But more importantly, write for A&E.
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The Hoyter loiters...

RYAN C. JOHNSON
MATERIAL OF THE RANDOM

Carrots: 4.5 (of a possible 5)

When Australian filmmaker Yohannes Spiltegrouuper released "Table Dancing" in the summer of 1994, this little known director became even less known. The day after shooting the ending, the film mysteri-
ously disappeared, only to end up3rown about 33 miles of old railroad tracks in Queensland. Spiltegrouuper was devas-
tated; he had spent nearly 10 years working on the film and his attempts to put the pieces back together failed miserably especially when the high speed train came along.

Yet "Table Dancing" remains a hit and well worth a blind. American editor named Michael Michaels. Michaels, who makes his home in Washington D.C. used a very simple technique to put the film back to-
together (or at least what was left of the 33 miles of footage). He simply sat down, ran the film through his hands, and cut out what he thought was too dirty and damaged for con-
sumers to pay $7 to watch. It turned out to be quite a little film, and M&M (as he is known to his friends at the Free Tibetan Wildlflower Documentary Filmmakers Coalition) was even nominated for one of his editing works in the "Worst dressed" category of Peeples magazine.

"Table Dancing" begins at the end. No. this isn't another "Pulp Fiction", although it might as well be. The main character, Thomas, dies less than 20 seconds after the begin-
ning credits roll (upside down), but nobody knows he is the main character until the end (beginning) of the film, because an Australian appears at the bottom of the screen. It reads "Thomas. The main character. He likes Fosters."

Anyway, this film is a wildly visual tale of a fisherman combatting the government af-
fter the fishing season is closed early because some fisheries biologist claims there are no more fish. That's true, but Thomas is upset and vows to fight, saying he can fish even if he doesn't catch anything. I found myself continued from HOCH, p. 11

schools with NYU's Creative Arts Team. In an interview for 1995's Edinburgh Interna-
tional Fringe Theatre Festival, Hoch said that this work consisted of "high-impact, very volatile theater about AIDS, racism, preju-
dice, [and] abuse." Besides "Some People," his other work consisted of the play called "Clinic Con Class," a program for HBO called "Sub-

way Stories," and a role in celebrated direc-
tor Terrence Malik's forthcoming film "The Thin Red Line." Hoch's present work is yet another one-man show: "Jails, Hospitals, and Hip-Hop." After touring twelve U.S. cities, the show, directed by Jo Bonney, opened in New York this past spring, again garnering much acclaim.

Comprised of what Hoch calls "staff that's been clustered in [his] head for the past few years," the show comes to Bowdoin's Sargent Gym this Saturday, September 26. Student Activities Assistant Director Susan Leonard is "really psyched for this Saturday's perfor-
manece. It definitely be something very different from what we have had here previ-
ously at Bowdoin. The students are able to see for $4 with their ID what was selling out
houses in New York for up to $25 a person."
Michael Kelsey: An Indulgence on Indiananights

So you couldn’t go to the Pub last night, why not tonight? No Vermont jam bands will be present tonight, but rather an up and coming acoustic guitarist from Lafayette, Indiana named Michael Kelsey. Kelsey’s progressive aggressive acoustic guitar style has brought him fame throughout the Midwest, where he tours extensively, drawing large crowds in venues ranging from coffeehouses to college gymnasiums to state fairs.

Kelsey started his musical career on electric lead and bass guitars in Indiana cover bands which played everything from progressive jazz to rock. Before switching to the acoustic guitar, Kelsey worked as a recording engineer in his studio Kelsey’s Playground. He found that the acoustic guitar allowed him to produce a wider variety of music that was capable of capturing moods and sounds. Kelsey has not stayed entirely acoustic with his music. Though he has let rhythm be the force behind his songs, several of his pieces are electronically enhanced to further broaden the realm of sounds and feeling he can include in his music. “There’s the rock, country, alternative, and mine will be called traveling music,” Kelsey stated in an interview.*

Kelsey has released two CDs: the first titled Groovency was released in May 1996, and Michael Kelsey was released last year. The play is being directed by Chad Ocott ’99, who is assisted by Kate Cunningham ’01. “Picasso at the Lapin Agile” promises to be a rollicking good time!”

Notes from the B. O. C. ...

Did you sign up for your climbing class next week? If you didn’t, sign up outside the BOC office on Monday morning...space is limited to the first 10 people.

Be on the lookout for the wilderness skills classes taught by Dan Fisher. Topics include Wild Edibles, Fire Making and other useful subjects. Wild Edibles class will take place Wednesday, September 29 from 3-7 p.m. Stick around for a good meal afterwards.

Just because the weather starts cooling down, don’t think the B.O.C will be cooling down too! Sign up for trips on Monday mornings, but don’t forget to pay your dues first! Enjoy the Cabin in the fall, the most beautiful time of year, go hiking among the turning leaves, practice your climbing at Rumney and canoe in Maine’s famous ponds!

No ideas or plans for fall break? No worries! Spend a few days in the outdoors with the Outing Club! Stay tuned for details.

Performing Arts Series

Sept. 26- Danny Hoch “Jails, Hospitals and Hip Hop” 8 p.m, Sargent Gym.  
October 9- David Dorfman Dance 8 p.m, Sargent Gym.  
November 7- Jazz artist Renee Rosnes 7:30 pm, Kresge Auditorium.  
November 13- The Capitol Steps political satire group 8 p.m, Sargent Gym.  
December 5- Second Hand Dance “movement theater” 8 p.m, Sargent Gym.  
December 7- Kreutzer String Quartet 7:30 pm, Kresge Auditorium.  
December 9- Fall Studio Dance Show 8 p.m, Sargent Gym.  
All events sponsored by Campus Activities Board and contributing departments. All are alcohol-free events.
**Weekly Calendar**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1998**

**Concert (9:00 p.m.)**

Michael Kelsey of Indiana performs what he calls "progressive, aggressive and alternative music." He opened for Blind Melon during their last tour, and has received rave reviews from critics. He does covers of songs by Peter Gabriel, Jimi Hendrix, Sublime, and Talking Heads.


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**Coffee House (8:00 p.m.)**

Students perform poetry, songs, and any other creative endeavors which move them. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

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**Comedian (9:30 p.m.)**

Tori Lynn Washington, blues artist, performs a mix of blues & R&B, big band and jazz. She was nominated for Contemporary Blues Female Artist of the Year in ’97 and ’98. The Big Easy, 20 Market St., Portland. 877-8107. $5.

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**Climbing Class (7:00-9:00 a.m.)**

The BOC, more specifically, our talented A&E Editor, Jenny "S 14" Sleipan, and her co-clubbed Mitch "El Cap" O'Neil, will help novices learn how to maneuver rocks in their harnesses. Jenny is a patient, experienced and fun guide, if you have ever wanted to learn how to rock climb, let her be your guide. Sargent Gym.

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**Concert (9:00 p.m.)**

Urban dance with DJ. Mohe and DJ. Nicolette, featuring hip-hop, trip-hop, house and acid jazz. When people ask you what you did Friday night, you can tell them you got down with some great DJ and Nicolette, who actually sounds like a night full of wild drug experimentation. Zoots, 31 Forest Avenue, Portland. 773-8187.

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**Film (7:30 & 9:30)**

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**Comedian (5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.)**

Bill Cosby, whom you may know as the perfect Dr. Frustable from "The Cosby Show," shares his sense of humor in a performance benefiting the Make-A-Wish Foundation. I’m not ashamed to admit that, over Winter Break, I enjoy my full of Cosby Show repeats. However, if you are ready for some fresh material, this performance is sure to deliver. Merrill Auditorium, 20 Myrtle St., Portland. 944-546.

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**Concert (9:00 p.m.)**

Guster, a band described as a bunch of "Boston hipsters" performs on their "Goldfly" album tour. Tickets are available at Bull Moose Stores. Bates College, Grey Athletic Building, Lewiston. 786-4669. $10.

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**Coastal Cleanup (8:30 a.m.)**

Main Audubon Fore River Sanctuary and Gilsland Farm. Meet at the USM Campus Center, Portland. 870-4926.

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**Films (7:00 p.m.)**

The Latin American Student Organization presents Life Water for Chocolates. Sills, Smith Auditorium.

Meeting (5:00 p.m.)

The Latin American Student, John Russworm Center/ Afro-A House.

Meeting (8:00 p.m.)

Bowdoin Equestrians-no experience needed. MU, Lancaster Lounge.

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**Dance (7:00 p.m.)**

Benoit Bourque. The Quebeccos, step dancer and musician. This group returns to the Portland Performing Arts Center, 25A Forest Ave., Portland. 761-0591. $6.

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**Class (4:00-5:00 p.m.)**

Drop-in session for students and faculty on using the Hillstran and a library database. H&L Library.

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**Film (6:00 p.m.)**

The Bowdoin Film Studies Program presents The Seven Samurai, a 1954 action movie directed by Akira Kurosawa, who used a Japanese with English subtitles. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

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**Theater (5:30 p.m.)**

The Importance of Being Earnest. The Portland Stage Company performs Oscar Wilde’s satire about two girls each hoping to marry a man who is named Earnest. Portland Stage Company, 25A Forest Ave., Portland. 774-0465. $12-28.

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**Religious Service (6:00 p.m.)**

Youth and civic service, Visual Arts Center, Bean Classroom. Free.

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**Seminar (12:00-1:00 p.m.)**

Faculty seminar series. "Jerry's Bentham's Corpus and the Uncanny." David Collins, associate professor of English. Sponsored by the Office of Dean for Academic Affairs. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

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**Breakfast (6:30 a.m.)**

Tom Kippur breakfast service. Johnson House/808 Maine St.

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**Lecture (7:00 p.m.)**

"Nurturing the Hearing, Making and Community Building." USM presents Derald Wing Sue, an Asian-American counseling psychologist from California State University. His lecture focuses on the theme of stories and their essential roles in our lives. USM Portland Campus, Luther Bonney Auditorium. 780-5078.

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**Drinking (5:00-9:00 p.m.)**


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**Senior Pub Night**

This night, I'm afraid kids, is for seniors only. Oh, well. We'll survive.

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**Appreciate your Orion editors. You know, we stay here all night on Thursday nights, sacrificing Senior Pub Night, good bands, and other fun activities. By the time Sunday rolls around, our weekend sleep pattern has sufficiently disturbed and we can barely think rationally. So when you see one of us, stop, give us a hug and say, “I appreciate you.” Then we will be energized for the cycle to start again at 5 p.m.

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**Theater (10:00 p.m.)**

Puppet theater is back. If you missed it last weekend, it’s your lucky day, because you get one last chance. Presented by Freeport’s Figures of Speech Theatre, they perform "Cap & Psych." A Greek myth about love and power. Oak Street Theater. 92 Oak Street, Portland. 773-5103. $5.

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**Religious Service (6:00 p.m.)**

Youth and civic service, Visual Arts Center, Bean Classroom. Free.

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**Reading (7:00-9:00 p.m.)**


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**Get a Free Shot (while supplies last) This is neither art, nor entertainment, unless of course you’re a masochist. However, I care about my readers, and I think that the best way to encourage you to protect yourself against viruses that could potentially physically debilitate you, and thus, negatively affect your physical, emotional, social and academic well-being, is for students and staff.

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**Services (5:00 p.m.)**

Join the BJO for a Yom Kippur service. Johnson House, 256 Maine Street.

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**Lecture (4:00 p.m.)**

"Legends of the American Revolution, the Modern Liberal State." Associate Professor of government Paul N. Richardson, Moulton Union, Lancaster Lounge.

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**Clean your room (anytime) If your parents are visiting this weekend, this is a friendly reminder to pick-up and dispose of any offensive objects cluttering the room.

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**Thank you to the wonderful person who actually sent a pizza to Jenny at The Orient. Whoever you may be, the pizza was greatly appreciated by everyone here. You can forever be the sunshine of my days and if you ever feel like telling me who you are, I would give you a big present of some kind. Maybe cookies. Maybe just a big hug because on these long Orient nights, good deeds go a long way.**
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Webster's Dictionary defines "redemption" as "to change for the better," or "to make up for." Look closer and you'll see why the bottom Webster's might add see also Ryan Johnson, '00, and Matt Hyde,'99.

Ryan Johnson, is trying to achieve the memory of two seasons in which he showed great potential but was plagued by injuries. Hyde, the lone senior, is coming off a season in which he failed to run as fast as the previous season. But after a year of fighting the blues, this pair has taken to digging them out as they led an impressive, not to mention young, Bowdoin squad to a surprising second place finish this weekend in Canada.

On a tough, rolling 3 loop course the Polar Bears set out determined to run in a pack. "Our strategy was to try to run together through the beginning and pick it up after two or three miles," reported Hyde. The strategy apparently worked as the Bears methodically worked their way up after a conservative start. "We were not passed through the entire race. We just had more left throughout," reported Matt Turnbull, '00. Leading the way for the Polar Bears were Johnson and Hyde in 4th and 5th place with times of 25:48 and 25:50. Following behind were terrific freshman Craig Giannina in 18th, 20th, and 21st. The women also made an excellent showing with Matt Turnbull in 10th, Ryan Banger in 11th, and Grover-McCord in 13th.

Ryan Johnson and Matt Hyde were also honored for their performance and leadership this season. Johnson and Hyde were named to the All New England team.

Matt Hyde '99, calmly leads the competition with Ryan Johnson '00, close behind at the meet in Canada. (Shelley Magie/Bowdoin Orient)

"We were not passed through the entire race. We just had more [strength] left throughout [the race]."

-Matt Turnbull

26-23. Matt Turnbull in 26:25, and sophomore Adam Cowling with an impressive 26:37. Also contributing solid efforts were first-years Dave Wall, 6th on the team in 28:01 and Jason Columbus, 7th on the team in 28:04.

Coach Slovenski is very upbeat about the prospects for this team. "I have never seen a tougher team." He was upbeat citing the team's enthusiasm for hard work as well as their grit in the face of adversity. "In a 5 mile race it's more important to be tough than to be fast." But in terms of individual effort, and only two returning lettermen, the Polar Bears will be relying heavily on that toughness, as well as the leadership of two veterans looking for redemption.

Watch out Williams

KATLIN EVRARD
SPORTS EDITOR

This weekend is the season opener for the Bowdoin football team. This year's team is very dynamic, with a balance of freshman, sophomores, junior, and seniors. All the players seem to be able to work together very well this year. The seniors add balanced leadership.

There are more seniors that are veterans on the team than there has been in a long time. The team is looking very strong going into the first game!

A successful season hinges largely on the performance of Bowdoin's linemen. The three senior defensive linemen have played solidly four years, anchoring the defensive line for Bowdoin. These three players are Ryan McCarthy, a defensive tackle from Boca Raton, Florida; Ryan Renecro, also a defensive tackle, from Salisbury, Pennsylvania; and Bill Bush, a defensive end from Winchester, Massachusetts. The five offensive linemen are also strong players, setting up the offense. These five senior players are Brendan Ryan, a lineman from Milton, Massachusetts; Matt Jacobsen, an offensive lineman from Marion, Massachusetts; Sean McHugh, an offensive lineman from Arlington, Massachusetts; Steve Lento, another offensive lineman, from Woburn, Massachusetts; and Greg Mazaras, also an offensive lineman, from Randolph, Massachusetts.

This team is very balanced; there are not any real stars that stand out in contrast to the other players-everybody carries their share of the load. "The team is very talented this year, with lots of seniors coming back. It looks like it is going to be one of the better teams that we have had in a while," said Brendan Ryan. Greg Mazaras also commented that their game against Williams is one of the biggest games in which any player has participated. It is a momentum builder for the rest of the season.

On Friday, the Bowdoin Polar Bears are traveling to Williams to play their first game of the season on Saturday. They will play a home game Parents Weekend against Amherst at 1:30. Be there!

Women keep kickin'

SARAH JENNESS
STAFF WRITER

The women's soccer team continues to roll through the season, making its way to the number one New England spot. A scoreless game at Babson on Saturday drove the Bears to a victory on Sunday at the University of Southern Maine (2-0) to improve their record to 3-0-1.

In Gorham, junior midfielder Amy Trumbull (Bow, MA) started the scoring seventeen minutes into the game, connecting with an assist from sophomore Alison Lavoie (Nashua, NH) to make the score 1-0. About eleven minutes later, senior captain and midfielder Kristen Doughty scored the Polar Bears' second goal, unassisted. Her high-flying shot made its way into scoring position after being blocked and then deflected into the goal by USM goalie Samantha Whitman.

Sarah Farmer earns her second straight shut out of the season.

Sarah Farmer, while carrying the same load as the men, has been great in her front line. She has a .902 save percentage and hasn't been outscored all season. Farmer has also performed against fine opponents like University of New England, where she made 12 saves in a 1 - 0 win.

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when sophomore midfielder Molly Perencevich (Concord, NH) combined with Trumbull to make the final score 3-0. The women's side was actually as impressive as the offense. Of the Huskies' 11 shots, sophomore goalie Sarah Farmer (Veneto, VA) had four saves, earning her second straight shutout of the season. Coach John Cullen complimented the improvement of the defense in the first few games of the season. "[The defense] is getting better every game. Two [consecutive] games on the road are difficult anyway, but that she didn't give up a goal speaks very well for Sarah." After four games Farmer has recorded 18 saves with a save percentage of 94.7 percent. Whitman made a solid effort to intercept the 30 shots taken at goal by the Polar Bears, saving twenty.

Cullen cites the highlight of the game not as one particular moment, but as the continual efforts of the team as a whole. "We played 120 minutes at Babson [Saturday] to a scoreless draw and I know the players were tired and sore, but they played their hardest." He believes that this kind of strength is a large part of their success.

The women will play another away game this Saturday at Middletonbury, but on Monday the 29th they will have a very exciting home game against Colby! Here's your chance to see the National Soccer Coaches Association of America's top ranked New England team in action! The game starts at 4:00 Monday afternoon.
Senior Athlete Profile: Dana Krueger: Excellence in all fields

From field hockey to St. Petersburg and back again, a team player all the way.

**Katlin Evard**
**Sports Editor**

As a child Dana Krueger was a very quiet and shy person; she never said a word in preschool until the last day when she said good by to the teacher. She recently returned from Russia where she studied and traveled solo for a semester. As a double major in Russian and History with a minor in Government, Dana has had a diverse educational career so far in her life. She is an academic All-American and a regional All-American 1st team for Field Hockey. Her coach, Nicky Pearson says the "She's just a neat person all around." She follows many different paths.

Dana is from Lake Forest, Illinois (45 minutes outside of Chicago) and four years ago she made the trek here to Maine. Originally she wanted to study Marine Biology, but now she is on to another career interest, law. The field hockey coach at the time, Bill Leonard made an impact on Dana because "She's so nice." When it came down to picking a school, Dana looked at how the coaches treated her. "One of the coaches made me wait for her for an hour and a half to talk, after we had set up a time. Moe was real relaxed and encouraging." Dana thought when applying to college, that she really wanted to play Field Hockey, but once she got to Bowdoin she was scared about the competition. In the Midwest they say that the Eastern girls play at a higher level; she thought that she wasn't good enough. The night before the first day, Dana called her parents and said she wasn't going to do it because she was intimidated and shy. But she went ahead and tried out. Dana recalls "after the testing everybody was really nice and I felt more comfortable." Field hockey has been one of the most rewarding parts of her Bowdoin experience. Dana has learned how to set and reach both individual goals and team goals. Dana has learned how to deal with both victory and defeat, a very important lesson for a future lawyer. Scharfe loves the thrill of being on a team and the sense of exhilaration from playing an awesome game together. Like that sense of community.

Dana started off as a center hall-back in 6th grade, but in high school she moved to goalie. She says the best part about being goalie is being able to step back and look at the team from a distance. As she watches the team

"I follow what my heart says."  

-Dana Krueger

play, Dana says to herself, "wow, this is so amazing, everyone is out there for one common goal and they all work together to reach it." The down part about being goalie is longer practices. Coach Pearson adds that "Dana puts in the extra time to really improve as a goalie. Krueger and Pearson work one-on-one twice a week and she often has to do a workout separate from the teams workout. Being captain, for Dana, is definitely a challenge seeing as she has so many obligations. "Gretchen [Scharfe] is great, I couldn't have a better co-captain. She's everything that I'm not [for the team]." Gretchen and Dana work well together to home and lead the team. Coach Pearson adds that "Dana is a good role model because of her work ethic and commitment to the team."

In the summer of 1996, Dana worked in Elizabeth Dole's office on the presidential campaign. She was the travel coordinator. She heightened her political awareness, but never went to the Oval Office. One day, she literally ran into John Kennedy, Jr., with a cup of coffee. She did not know him, nor did she meet him, though.

In the summer following freshman year, Dana went to St. Petersburg with her sister, the city captured her imagination and changed her life. This past semester Dana traveled back to St. Petersburg and learned to appreciate what America has to offer. "In Russia nothing works, nothing goes right, but that's just part of being there. Here, we are used to being served thing, over there peoples struggle every single day to survive." For three weeks of her time spent there, Dana traveled alone on the Trans-Siberian Railroad all the way across Russia. Although she was warned of the dangers, it was one of the best experiences of her life. "I feel much more confidence in my own abilities and in what I want out of life."

The semester before leaving for Russia Dana took Professor Weigel's course on Russian politics Knowing nothing, Dana was exited by Professor Weigel and realizes that it was a good introduction to Russia; being there put all the pieces together. Dana's mother once said to her: "to really know a language you have to really know the heart of the people that speak it." That's exactly what she did, "I learned what the Russian heart and soul are. I was in a monastery for part of the trip and lived out in the country with no plumbing and barely electricity." It became so much a part of her and her life that she will always remember. Before leaving, her boy said, "home is where people will always wait for you and love you." That is home to me, I have three homes, Chicago, Bowdoin and St. Petersburg."

While in Russia, Dana developed her love of the theater. In Russia, she could go to a ballet for only $1.50; going to the ballet was the thing to do for cultural events. She also got the chance to see a symphony at least twice a week. In America, Dana prefers musicals but loves theater; opera, ballet, musical, or symphony. The last musical she saw was Show Boat, while in Chicago this summer. She enjoys watching, but has never acted beyond a fifth grade play.

From playing field hockey, Dana has learned the importance of dedication and working with others; both of these aspects have helped her to be a successful writing assistant. The Writing Project is a lot of work but she loves it. Working with people that put a lot of effort into their paper is a good feeling. "You can see when something clicks with them and they say, 'oh yeah, I never thought of it that way.' That's when its most rewarding."  

Next year Dana is planning to go back to Russia and live there for a few years because it is so much a part of her. It is a "beautiful, fascinating country that captures the imagination". Dana knows that you can never predict what is going to happen in Russia, but she knows that she does not want to spend the rest of her life there. The answer, is international law. Although she is not looking to go straight into law school, she is busy studying for the LSATs that she is planning to take before going to Russia. Dana has gone through numerous changes in what she wants to do with her life. She follows her passions. She is not constrained by the traditional modes of education and experience in choosing her life goals. Dana is looking forward to the rest of her career at Bowdoin and the rest of her life with the same motto that she has had for a long time - to follow what her heart says.
Between the lines
Sights and sounds of a day at Foxboro

By Justin DeGeorge

On a glorious Sunday afternoon, T-shirts and shorts weather, we arrived at Foxboro Stadium over two hours before kickoff. The parking lot was already overflowing with Patriots fans, an ocean of tailgaters anxiously awaiting game time. It was obvious that most of these guys were regulars. The game had stopped being just a game a long time ago and was now practically a religion. They had spent years refining their Sunday ritual, searching for the proper balance between sausage and Sam Adams. Circling their sacred Patriots Football Weekly, they discussed how this will be the year Drew Bledsoe leads us to the Promised Land. At around noon they began filing into their temple, eagerly finding their usual seats. About an hour later the ceremonies began.

After the Dunkin' Donuts toss, in which two uncoordinated, middle-aged fans won a year's supply of bagels by throwing a football through a giant, plastic bag, a few dozen numbers by the Patriots' cheerleaders, and a seemingly pointless firing of four huge canons, the time had finally come for football. The line-ups were introduced, the coin was flipped, and, with Adam Vinatieri's kickoff, the game was officially started a little after one o'clock.

About thirty seconds into the game, after Steve McNair had completed a three-yard pass to Jackie Harris, on the Oiler's first play from scrimmage, a loud voice nearby yelled out, "That's way Jackie! Let's go Oilers!" Immediately my entire section turned around to see which misguided soul had issued the challenge to the New England faithful. All eyes fell upon a Tennessee fan in the row behind me, fully decked out in his McNair jersey and Oiler cap, and, as if that wasn't enough, holding in his arms a Warren Moon pillow person. This sight produced laughter from some fans, and violent, obscenity-laced outbursts from others. For the remainder of the game, the exchanges between Oiler Boy and the drunken locals proved quite entertaining.

Concerning actual football, both teams played an unsuspended, and for the most part uneventful first field. Goal accounts for all of the scoring, and at the break the game was knotted, 6-6. Behind the strong play of Eddie George, Tennessee struck first in the second half, quickly jumping out to a 13-6 halftime. At the 4:46 mark of the third quarter, a 43-yard field goal by Frazier gave the Titans a 16-6 lead.

This score seemed to remind the Titans of the importance of field goals in the NFL, and, on the kickoff return, Tennessee returned the favor by giving the Patriots a 34-yard return. Unfortunately, the Titans wouldn't score off this turnover, and the game went back to the status quo. With 26 minutes left in the game, the Titans again scored a field goal after a turnover by the Titans on downs; this time, Rob Bironas converted a 21-yard attempt.

You can only do so much right after kickoff, and the Patriots again showed their inexperience in the second quarter. On the first down play, Bledsoe threw an interception to Aeneas Williams, who returned the ball all the way for a 95-yard touchdown. This would be the only score of the second quarter, and the Titans took a 23-6 halftime lead.

The second half, for Tennessee, was the same as the first half. In the third quarter, LenDale White scored from 1 yard out, and the Titans took a 30-6 lead. The final score, 30-16, was the result of the Titans' inability to capitalize on opportunities, and the Patriots' inability to stop them.

While the final score was disappointing, the game itself was a good one. The Titans showed their great defense, and the Patriots showed their inconsistency. But the real story of the game was the Tennessee Titans, and how they put on a show that would be remembered for years.

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Jennifer Knaut

The Bowdoin Stoned Clown Ultimate Frisbee Team traveled south last Sunday, September 20, to compete in the Fall Sectionals Tournament. The tournament was held at Cumberland Fairgrounds in Cumberland, ME.

Division I and Division II teams played at this tournament, including both college and club teams. The Stoned Clown, a Division II team, was placed in a pool with a Portland Club Team, Junk of Pork and Brown University. The Clown fought hard, but unfortunately did not make it to the final rounds of play. Those teams which did, include Harvard, Brown, Red Tide (another Portland team), and Death or Glory, a Boston team which has been National Ultimate Champions and twice World Ultimate Champions.

This coming weekend, one of the largest ultimate frisbee tournaments will be held here at Bowdoin at the Farley Fields. This year marks the 10th year anniversary for the Clambake Tournament, which Bowdoin hosts every year. Hundreds of teams from the Northeast and other regions of the country send in bids this summer to be a part of this tournament. Last year there were over 40 teams who participated in the event. This year, there should be close to 50 teams in attendance. Red Tide Ultimate organizes the tournament, under the leadership of Alex Pozzy. All proceeds benefit the Special Olympics of Maine.

Bowdoin will have both a dynamic men's team and an energetic women's team on the fields this year. They have been practicing hard this week to get ready for this big event. Even in the pouring rain on Tuesday, they practice. So come on out and cheer on your classmates and friends. It's great fun to watch! Just look for the decorated mannequin heads (it's a frisbee thing).

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Roger Pai

CLUB WATERPOLO

BOWDOIN 12

COLBY 10

The Bowdoin men's waterpolo team started its season by hosting both Colby and Bates in its first tournament last weekend, September 19 and 20.

Bowdoin played its most aggressive game of the weekend against the Colby Mules. "Losing is not an option," said Charles Gray, '00, who was a key contributor for Bowdoin. Extra players from Colby entered the tournament only to play in the Bowdoin-Colby game.

In the beginning, the Mules led the Bears in scoring, with quick shots from the outside. Bowdoin quickly regrouped, and under the leadership of captain Tim Hayes, '99, devised new strategies to conquer Colby.

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The largest annual Ultimate Frisbee tournament to be held at Farley Fields.

Waterpolo sinks Colby

Waterpolo ranked second in North Atlantic region

During the second half, Bowdoin replied with well placed shots by freshman sensation David Frank and veterans Scott Fujimoto, '00, Charles Gray, and Josh Wernig, '99. The last nail on Colby's coffin was hammered in by newcomer Tara Talbot, who scored her first point ever during the game. The final score was 12-10.

The skills demonstrated by the Polar Bears, and their current 3-1 record, intimates that the Bears will continue to dominate throughout the season. Currently the team is ranked second in the North Atlantic region behind Tufts University.
Men's soccer boots Babson, Thomas

MARGARET PEACHTY
SPORTS EDITOR

Coach Gilbride has high expectations for this year's squad. He is looking to continue last year's success. "We returned a lot of quality players from last season. That makes me optimistic for this season," Tri-captain Peter Ingram, '99, agrees with his coach. "This season we have a lot of returning players, not all of which were starters last season, but all contributed to the depth that made us successful. I believe that we have just as much talent as we had last year, if not more."

With two solid victories under their belt already, it is likely that the team will not disappoint coach or captain. The first game resulted in a 2-0 win over Babson College. Coach Gilbride was happy with the performance of his team in the season opener. "We played a strong game, overall, though we were a little inconsistent at times. Babson is a top-ten ranked team. They had already played four games this season." Coach Gilbride noted the performances of the midfielders, tri-captains Dave DeCrow, '99, Peter Ingram, and Andrew Johnston, '99, as well as the defense, Mike Fish, '99, Reeves Livesey, '01, and Hugh Keegan, '00. "The defense played very solid. They did not allow many scoring opportunities. A lot of people played well."

The defense did not have to work too hard yesterday afternoon when Bowdoin played host to Thomas. The Bears held their guests scoreless, in a 10-0 victory. Sophomore Patrick Hultgren led the Bowdoin scorers, netting a hat-trick.

In the first twenty minutes of the game, Bowdoin had already chalked up four of its goals, two coming from Hultgren. The first goal was scored only 4:54 into the game by Jeremy Smith, '00. Eight minutes later Hultgren scored his first of the game, and then assisted Tim Capozzi, '00, less than one minute later. That was all the scoring for the first half.

Many teams with a four-goal lead entering the second half would lose their intensity; not the Bears. Hultgren completed the hat-trick with 38:39 to go, giving Bowdoin a 5-0 advantage. Ingram followed with his second assist of the game when he fed Mike Dowley, '99, for the sixth goal.

The seventh goal was one of the most exciting goals of the game. First-year Jamie Hess, in his closest scoring opportunity of the game, made a hard shot that bounced off the cross-bar. Luckily, his teammate, Zac Frost, '01, was in position to net the rebound.

Frost continued to guide the offense throughout the end of the game. He assisted on goals nine and ten. David Bulow, '02, scored the ninth, and Patrick Bracowell, '02, headed in the final goal of the game.

After the tenth goal, which came with six minutes remaining, Coach Gilbride decided to control the ball in the backfield until the clock ran down.

The men's soccer team proved that they were head and shoulders above Thomas, in their 10-0 victory. (Shelley Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

Ingram had commented that the team was "looking for a goal scorer to take the place of Jay Lassard who left Bowdoin last year as one of Bowdoin's biggest scorers." It looks like there are several men who are ready and willing to fill the spot.

Another ingredient to the team's success, according to Ingram, is its solidarity: "You'd be hard pressed to find another team on campus with as much solidarity. We're all good friends both on and off the field, and that is of utmost importance to playing well. Awareness and understanding on the field are heightened if players understand each other as individuals and know how to read each other."

Ingram has a lot of confidence in his squad this season. "I have high expectations for the team and look forward to another trip to the NCAAs."

Coach Gilbride did not want to say how many wins or losses he expected for the season, only that "it should be a good season."

The Bears controlled the tempo of the game yesterday against Babson. (Shelley Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

Women's Cross Country

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Heading into the 1998 campaign, the women's cross-country team simply looked to improve on last season, which was considered a rebuilding year. However, they have already proven that they can do much more than that, as they upset Dalhousie (Canada) by a single point.

This is much more than a minor improvement over last season when you consider that the Bears lost to Dalhousie by twenty points in their last meeting. Leading the way for the Polar Bears was Vicky Shen, '00, who placed second overall with a time of 19:34 for the tough 5K course.

This victory ended a 53-year Dalhousie domination over the Polar Bears. Of course, this is only one of a few things which has co-captain Caitlin O'Connor, '99, excited. Although the squad has lost people who have elected to study away, only one member has lost to graduation. Some key runners have stepped up both in the first meet and the early practices.

Kristin Pederson, while only a first year, grabbed the fifth spot overall in her first collegiate competition, with an impressive time of 19:57. Bowdoin's top six women all placed under 21 minutes - and O'Connor points to this as evidence the team depth; the Polar Bears are looking to do plenty more than rebuild.

"We're planning on taking the meets one step at a time," O'Connor explained. "Coach Slovenski has us visualizing our meets as workouts, and our workouts as our meets, so that the two mesh together." This strategy proved successful in the Bears' first contest.

O'Connor, who placed third overall this weekend with a time of 19:46, went on to praise the performances of the number four through seven runners - those runners who essentially cemented the Bears' triumph over the weekend. Of those runners, Erin Lyman, '01, the Bears' fifth runner and ninth overall, put the icing on the cake as she out-kicked Dalhousie's fifth to grab the few remaining points.

Shen shared O'Connor's excitement after the meet. "Everyone did really well, especially after only one week of practice and the long trip to Canada. The freshmen ran especially well." Shen also commented that "it's a great group of people running."

"Overall, with the practices and the first meet, I'm pleasantly surprised," O'Connor said. If these early signs are anything to judge the season by, it is clear that the Bears will far surpass their early season goal of merely improving on last season. With the expected improvement of co-captain Jessi Tallman, '99, the success of first years Kristin Pederson and Kathleen Weller, and the good group of runners who placed seventh and up, the Bears will certainly surprise many more opponents this season.

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Women's Cross Country

Polar Bears run past competition
Stowe House closes; future of student housing uncertain

JEN KIRBY
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On September 4, the Stowe House at 63 Federal Street officially closed, according to a report in the September 24 issue of the Times Record. Bowdoin College has a standing lease with the House providing 23 rooms for student housing. As of yet the students have not been asked to move.

The owner of Stowe House, Bob Matthews, who was unavailable for comment, told the Times Record that a "reversal of family fortunes" caused him to sell the historic hotel.

In addition to the resident housing, Stowe House has a motor inn, apartments, and a restaurant.

The College leased the space in Stowe House as an effort to increase housing capacity. A housing shortage has cropped up this year due to the closing of some fraternities and the fact that sophomore houses are not allowed to live at the remaining fraternity houses. The College has taken on the upkeep of Stowe House since Matthews made the decision to sell, said Director of Residential Life Bob Graves.

"There were about ten students at the meeting, and they were not upset about the closing," he said.

The future for the housing of the students would seem questionable as new owners would have control over the property.

"We have an agreement. The College is paying semester by semester, and the agreement is for the year but it was paid in full up front," Graves said. "I would think the new owners would be interested in attracting Bowdoin students and family."

A potential buyer was identified by the Times Record and a purchasing agreement has been made. Richard and Mitchell Rousseau, a father and son from Rousseau Enterprises of Brunswick are currently going over finances to determine if they would be able to purchase the House.

"We're crunching some numbers together, and if this project goes through for us, we obviously will honor the lease which Bowdoin College currently has with the Stowe House," said Mitchell Rousseau.

Graves said the decision to continue leasing from the Stowe House would be made in accordance with the students' interest of living there.

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Tucker was one of the students who attended the meeting with Graves to discuss issues about the Stowe House. According to Graves, there were concerns about late furniture, lighting, locks, and Internet connections. Tucker stated the issue of lighting is her main concern with the accommodations.

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Tucker said Graves acknowledged the problem but said because the street lighting is a town concern, there is not much that can be done.

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College House leaders meet with residents to discuss concerns

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Representatives of the Bowdoin administration, College House leaders, town officials, and neighborhood residents met at Johnson House Monday night to discuss the transition from fraternities to the College House system.

The College outlined its plan for this transition, and residents expressed their concerns to the administration and students.

As fraternities are phased out, the College hopes to purchase the houses and integrate them into the House system. The ultimate goal is to have at least one house associated with each first-year dorm, with approximately 150 first-years per house. This requires a change in zoning regulations, as boarding houses are allowed in these neighborhoods, but residence halls are not. Because of the College's intention to make extensive renovations to make these houses into residence halls, the administration is trying to secure amendments to the town regulations before making any definite arrangements with the fraternity corporations.

The houses in the TR-5 zone that are under consideration are Psi Upsilon, Theta Delta Chi, Beta Sigma, Alpha Delta Phi and Phi Mu.

Current residents of the houses expressed their concerns about the potential moves.

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Professor Allen Tucker of the computer science discusses his concerns as a resident living near the College Houses at a meeting Monday night. (Krista Friedrich/Bowdoin Orient)
Bowdoin endowment hit in market crisis

Kim Schneider News Editor

Bowdoin has lost over eight percent of its endowment in the past two months, according to figures released at last Friday's meeting of the Bowdoin College Trustees' Investment Committee, but it is faring better than other higher education institutions in the recent stock market fluctuations and currency crises overseas.

The $36 million Bowdoin recorded as a loss in the endowment's market value from June 30 to August 31 is less than a third of the $1.3 billion Harvard University's endowment has lost in the past 2 1/2 months, according to an article in last Thursday's Boston Globe.

Harvard's investment arm said in its annual letter that it had lost "approximately 10 percent" of the university's $13 billion endowment since July 31.

Bowdoin's endowment was worth $338 million as of August 31, down from $374 million on June 30. The endowment has risen steadily in the last half of this decade, from $276 million in 1996 to $374 million in 1999.

Even so, since December 31 of last year the endowment has suffered a total loss of 1.5 percent. Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer of the College Kent Chabotar said that the endowment has risen since August 31, and is probably around $340 million now.

Chabotar said that the recent losses suffered by Bowdoin and other colleges can be attributed to three main factors. First, the stock market had been climbing steadily for so long that many people expected the bear market to last forever. Second, the currency crises, particularly in Russia, have caused many investment firms to record losses. Third, the economic problems in Asia have affected companies here in the United States with the corresponding loss of exports.

Bowdoin has been able to remain relatively stable, Chabotar said, because of the diversified portfolio maintained by the Investment Committee.

Bowdoin allocates less than 27 percent of endowment funds to stocks, which protects us more from dips in the market, whereas other schools including Swarthmore allocate somewhere between 85 and 90 percent of their endowment to stocks.

"My general feeling from what the committee had to say was that Bowdoin's position pretty well compared to most places, for example compared to Harvard, or compared to Yale, or compared anywhere in our eighteen college comparison like Williams," said David Edwards '99, one of the student members of the Investment Committee.

Bowdoin also invests a larger-than-average percentage of the endowment, usually around 30 percent, to global and opportunistic funds. These funds "are looking for deals outside of the United States" in emerging markets, said Edwards.

They also include traditional hedge funds, which "do things that cause you to lose a few points when the market goes up," said Chabotar, "but they cushion you at the same time going down as fast as the market goes down.

Comparing Bowdoin's investment returns to that of a more traditional college endowment, Chabotar pointed out that Bowdoin had suffered fewer losses in the short term, but was not showing the gains in the year-to-date figure that other colleges might — in fact, Bowdoin is showing a loss of 1.5 whereas the most traditional endowment has a net gain of 20 percent.

This, Chabotar said, was due in part to the fact that Bowdoin was not able to take advantage of the gains in the market during the past year because we were not involved as heavily in the market.

"The concern the College has ... is [if] why these hedge funds did not perform during the market decline the extent to which we thought," said Chabotar. "We're concerned that possibly they are not doing the things they promised to do when we gave them money in the first place."

The rise in the stock market, said Chabotar, should have produced more revenue for the endowment than it did.

"We did make some changes in managers last Friday to address that issue," said Chabotar. "Among those changes were the withdrawal of all funds by December from two banks of managers. Montgomery Small Capital Partners and Oracle Partners, which suffered losses stemming from their heavy investment in Russia, and were not investing in the way the Investment Committee had expected them to. In addition, $5 million was withdrawn from Paragon Fixed Income funds, and a representative from Everest Capital was questioned on the company's poor performances.

In general, I think Bowdoin weathered pretty well," said Edwards. "Being a student, I'm not particularly worried that ... these people don't know what they're doing, because they do.

Sehon explores "mind theory" of philosophy

This is part of a semester-long series focusing on Bowdoin professors and their individual research endeavors.

Adam Zimman Photo Editor

When you awake in the morning and begin your day, whether with a shower, a cup of coffee or possibly a quick nap, you are performing an action. "Notions like action, purpose, and responsibility appear to have no role in purely physical description of the world," Professor Scott Sehon, one of the philosophy department faculty, explained. Furthermore, "if we are physical objects, constructed out of elementary particles and no different in principle from any inanimate object in the universe, then our status as agents with minds can appear quite mysterious," he said.

The physical sciences are forever striving to better explain how we as humans function. Biology has reached the point that every thought we have can be traced to a specific portion of the brain. But what is it that allows a collection of cells to have consciousness? The human brain is composed of billions of particles that have a sense of mind," yet at some point that presence of mind appears. Sehon said he has been contemplating "how the mind fits in with nature." Since he was an undergraduate, the research that Sehon has done recently has been assisted by papers authored by other philosophers, but has come mostly from self contemplation. The primary focus of this contemplation is a root in the very foundation of mind theory. Either the idea of mind is false and physical science explains everything, or the idea of mind is true and is separate from any explanation of physical science. Sehon supports a combination of these two ideas, that mind is part of physical science. Sehon is quick to point out that there is no real right or wrong, only theories that support a particular view. Since he is dealing with such a conceptual issue the primary source of research is his own mind.

Sehon said he tried to keep up with other philosophers in the same field by reading journals and papers. However, he said there are so many people in the field that it would be impossible to read them all. Those papers he does read may present new theories, and he can choose to either incorporate those theories into his own or not. In this way, his own theories have developed over time as he has grown. To some degree Sehon's theories are an explanation of his own mind. While Sehon writes his papers, he is learning even more about himself.

"Philosophy of the Mind," a course taught by Sehon, changes each time it is taught. "Each time you go through a text closely you're going to learn from it," Sehon states. Occasionally, the newness of the material of a student can help to put focus on a portion of text that had previously been overlooked.

Currently Sehon is finishing a book on the topic of mind. In this book he hopes to present his views of the meshing of mind and physical science. To present this idea is a different task, due to the general acceptance of the other two theories. Therefore, his first step is to present ideas in the logic arguments of these other two opinions. Then to a much larger degree, he must present all sides of his own opinion, so that he may help others that his theories are valid. "After the book, I'll most likely migrate to other issues," Sehon said.
Expansion of Bowdoin pressures Brunswick

This is the first of a three-week series examining interactions between the College and Brunswick. This week: Physical expansion and growing enrollment.

• October 9: Noise complaints
• October 16: Volunteer activities

As Bowdoin expands, both physically and in numbers, the college encroaches upon the town of Brunswick. In recent years, the college has expanded rapidly, and by some estimates, almost fifty acres which will house the Department of Communications, the Controller's office, the Human Resources department, the special events office and studio space for the Art department. The building also contains a multi-purpose room, which will house approximately thirty people used for college meetings and may be available for use by members of the Brunswick community.

According to Director of Facilities, Management Bill Gardiner, the College is also planning on building approximately 125 parking spaces at the site. "The College initially proposed 148 spaces," said Gardiner. "But reduced its proposal to 125 after the town expressed some concern about the impact of the project. Of the 125 spaces, 75 will be for people visiting, working, or living in Brunswick, and the other 50 will be for student parking to alleviate some of the parking crunch on and around campus."

"The College let us know that parking is a mess, and we're working with them to help alleviate that problem," said Tony Holtwijk, Brunswick's Director of Planning. "Some of the town's initial concern was alleviated, and we need to make sure the site fits into the surrounding area and solves issues that exist for the college and the town."

The town, however, is concerned about how the project will be implemented. Holtwijk added, "We just want to make sure that it is done right. We want to look at what will park there and figure out if it makes sense to use the lot in that way. We understand the need for parking, but want to make sure it is done in a smart way, and that does not always mean more spaces. The last thing we want to see is a parking lot that is empty. A downtown feel and not a suburban feel is what we seek."

The building is being built to free up space on campus. According to Director of Public Affairs Scott Hood, "The Maine Street Station is being renovated to accommodate several offices which are currently housed in the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library. The Library, built in the sixties, was designed so that the library would one day occupy the whole building, and we currently need all the space we can get."

Aside from the movement of current facility members, the college wants to reinforce that the school is not planning on adding new students or new faculty very rapidly. "The possible conversion of what will become former fraternity houses will only allow the school to meet its goal of being able to house at least ninety-five percent of the student body," said Hood. "While the college has made it clear that they are interested in obtaining several of the houses, there are still no concrete plans towards that goal."

Hood added, "We wish to reinforce that the student body is not growing. The student population is targeted at 1550 students, and we are currently at that target population. If the college were to grow, it would not be quietly or secretly. We would not add students without careful consideration."

Kresge Foundation donates $750,000 to Memorial

Kim Schneider
NEWS EDITOR

The Kresge Foundation has awarded a $750,000 challenge grant to Bowdoin for the renovation of Memorial Hall and the expansion of Pickard Theater.

The grant is contingent upon the College's ability to raise $10.8 million by January 2000.

The $11.5 million Memorial/Pickard project consists of $9.5 million in construction costs plus the creation of a $2 million endowment to maintain the facilities in the future. So far, the College has raised over $10 million towards the project, including a $5.2 million gift from Barry Wish '63. In the last several weeks, Bowdoin has been able to acquire funds of various sizes from alumni and "friends of the College." In addition, Bowdoin has received a $50,000 grant from a local Maine foundation that wishes to remain anonymous, and fund-raisers are "feeling positive" about their chances at a $1 million gift pending at a local foundation that also wishes to remain anonymous for the time being, according to Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations Marianne Jordan.

The Maine State Music Theater, which uses the facilities over the summer, is also responsible for $250,000 of the funding. Jordan says they are asking their 14,000 season ticket holders to contribute their portion of the renovation funds. "It really makes it a nice town/gown project," she said.

The Kresge Foundation required a detailed proposal for the grant, Jordan said. The foundation sought to make sure Bowdoin obtained its funding from a variety of sources in a "grassroots campaign." According to Jordan, President Robert Edwards stressed the historical importance of Memorial Hall, which is also a Civil War memorial. The success of the recently-completed New Century Campaign was also provided as evidence of Bowdoin's financial security, and the ongoing curriculum review was cited as part of Bowdoin's commitment to higher education. "We have our financial house in order, we have our academic house in order," said Jordan. In addition, Bowdoin representatives pointed to the recent completion of various science facilities on campus, and stressed the desire to similarly expand the arts.

Memorial Hall is 116 years old and 18,000 square feet. The renovation plans call for adding handicap accessibility to all floors, providing air conditioning, renovating bathrooms, and creating dressing rooms, a scene shop, and rehearsal space. Pickard Theater will be renovated to seat 610. In addition, a new experimental theater, an external "stair tower" containing both stairs and an elevator, a glass-enclosed multipurpose lobby and a glass kiosk-like structure near the Bath Road / Park Row intersection for promotional materials. In addition, new walkways and a three-car-length drop-off zone on Bath Road will be added to ease transportation to the complex.

The Kresge Foundation was incorporated in 1924 with funds donated by the founder of what became the K-Mart Corporation. The Kresge Foundation has previously supported grants for the Visual Arts Center in the Visual Arts Center in 1976 and the 1982 library expansion.

Security offers self-defense classes

Security Officer Richard Collins models the protective suit worn by the RAD trainer. (Adam Zimmerman/Bowdoin Orient)

Security is once again offering the Rape Aggression Defense System (RAD), the largest women's self-defense system in the country. Session I will meet on October 6, 8, 13 and 15 from 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. Session II will meet October 21, 22, 27 and 29 from 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. Call Security at 723-3314 to sign up...
House leaders address neighbors' concerns

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houses, the noise situation could actually be improved with fewer people present at one time.

Several administrators and students said that the College recognizes that noise is a serious problem, and one the College is addressing. They also said, however, that this is not an easy problem to fix. The Inter-House Council intends to organize forums and initiate a poster campaign to educate the student body on noise-related issues. “Our message to students is to be responsible,” said Leif Olsen ’99, president of the IHC. “Students often don’t realize the problems created. Our goal is to educate the campus of neighborhood concerns.”

“Noise from large gatherings in a real issue,” said Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley. “It is disturbing to neighbors, and party hosts need to keep thinking about the impact of their parties on their neighborhoods,” he said. Many houses have been dealing with the issue of neighborhood relations since the start of the academic year. 7 Boody Street held a barbecue for neighbors, and 238 Main Street has held “neighborhood teas.”

“The best way to deal with these issues is to raise awareness through communication,” said Hood. “Students should work to get to know their neighbors better and to let them know when events are planned. It’s always easiest to diffuse problems face-to-face with people who know and respect each other.”

“I think they [neighbors] realize that as college students, we’re going to kick back and party once in a while, but we highly respect the fact that they have the real world to attend to,” said Megan Savage ’01, programming chair of 7 Boody Street. “So let us work to balance that, and I don’t anticipate many problems in the future.”

House leaders said they often notify neighborhood residents of large parties beforehand, and encourage neighbors to approach them or Security with any issues. Director of Security Scott Kipp estimated that his office receives one to two calls per weekend, and he said they are dealt with quickly and efficiently. House leaders at the meeting were quick to point out that this residential system is about a lot more than parties, and that College Houses have revitalized many programs beneficial to the College and to the Brunswick community.

Though some neighbors expressed resentment toward students, many others supported them. “If you choose to live here,” said Henry McCockie, a resident of Harepawl Lane, “then this is what you have to expect. They’re students, and this is human nature.”

Many attendees said they were pleased with this dialogue as a step toward compromising on the needs of the College and the neighborhood. “Communication between the College and the town is very important to making this house system work,” said Liz Stelley ’01, proctor at 238 Main Street. “We have accomplished so much because the communication has paid off. We see our neighbors as friends, because they are our connection to this town and the world.”

Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble

compiled by Greg Arendt

In Germany’s national elections last week, Gerhard Schroeder, a Social Democrat, supplant Helmut Kohl, a Christian Democrat, from Germany’s chancellorship. Kohl is the first chancellor to be voted out of office, ending his 16 years of national leadership. The only chancellor to serve longer was Otto von Bismarck. Schroeder won this election by focusing his campaign about the creation of new jobs in the unified Germany. Kohl grounded his politics in finishing Germany’s transformation from Nazism and securing Germany’s place in Europe. Schroeder claimed that despite Kohl’s pragmatism, the German people were tired of history lessons and were more interested in economic issues.

The Clinton administration and the International Monetary Fund will offer a package of loans worth $30 billion to help Brazil’s shaky economy through the wake of the Asian economic crisis. Brazil’s economy is the largest in South America and is commonly thought of as the keystone of the region’s economy. Brazil purchases 20 percent of North America’s exports, and is host to many American- and European-owned factories. The loans are intended to maintain the value of the real, Brazil’s currency, such that Brazil maintains its current spending power.

The Panama Canal may soon get a rival: Nicaragua is considering spending an estimated $50 million dredging the San Juan River, opening the great Lake Nicaragua to sea trade. Although this will open Nicaragua’s six most populated cities, all of which are on the west coast, to greater trade opportunities, the plan is expected to raise border tensions with neighboring ecologically-minded Costa Rica. Both Colombia and Costa Rica have explored trans-mountain railways, which would cost around $3 billion if constructed.

California’s Senate race between Barbara Boxer and Matt Fong has been targeted by the Republican Party as a key part of their strategy to increase their majority. The GOP has targeted Boxer as one of five “weak” Democrats whom they will attempt to dislodge in November’s elections. The Republicans will portray Boxer as a rabid liberal and play off of her association with President Clinton, whose popularity and credibility have fluctuated in recent months. GOP leaders also intend to use Fong’s Asian heritage to dissuade voters from viewing the Republican party as “whites only.” Although Fong has connections to unpopular figures such as Newt Gingrich and Oliver North, supports the National Rifle Association and a flat tax, and opposed abortion, he is still in a dead heat with Boxer in polls.

Cecil County, Maryland, has begun officially licensing palm readers, fortune tellers and soothsayers for a $250 fee. Applicants must have their backgrounds checked by the country clerk for “crimes of moral turpitude,” and must own property within the county itself. Although this licensing will not make the county rich, it is hoped it will protect gullible customers from swindlers.

As the nation grapples with the issue of lying about sex, Congressional Republicans facing re-election have been taping television commercials of the President’s testimony where he fends off questions about his sex life. Many are hoping that such sanitized images of the nation’s top Democrat will scare voters away from the Democratic Party. Opinion polls suggest, however, that Americans are as likely to identify or sympathize with the president as condemn him. The GOP leadership also seems set to vote for impeachment proceedings.

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Editorials

Questioning concerns for honors ...

The recently resuscitated debate over the possible abolishment of Latin Honors and the Dean's List has incited a troubling level of concern. The passion with which students argue in favor of maintaining the honors, as represented in last week's Orient forum, raise questions about the values we assign to our education.

Latin Honors and the Dean's List have long traditions of recognizing those students who perform exceedingly well, but have come under examination to restore their significance in a time when they are achieved by over half the student body. Not only has it become nearly a stigma not to graduate with honors, but the honors themselves seem to have degenerated into necessary commodities on a campus oriented too much towards post-graduate success.

Why do we need these recognitions, these constant affirmations of our accomplishments as superior to those of another? Is education something to be conquered and mounted upon in the form of a plaque for others to admire? Are these pats on the back necessary for us to feel as though our education is serving its purpose?

A student's academic career is an intensely personal venture. As we break from the contest we left in high school and explore ourselves and our interests more intimately within these four years, only the individual can determine his or her success in reaching goals. Grades discount the supreme importance of that evaluation in comparing all students with one rigid measuring stick. An impressive academic record will speak for itself without added labels which can distort a student's impressionable image of what's important.

A liberal arts education should provide a transition through individually determined explorations toward a personally rewarding experience, not toward objectively determined success. Now is the time for us to be individuals whose "flexibility and concern for humanity," according to The Purpose of the College, "are such that they offer us a hope of surmounting the increasing depersonalization and dehumanization of our world."

Honors can pervert that meaning of our education, placing our priorities around the superficial appearance of our endeavors and ignoring the importance of the process. By focusing on the end result of our efforts, we can sacrifice richness and preclude the discovery of a goal more rewarding than the one that holds our focus. And if we cannot fulfill ourselves now, as students, while it is our responsibility, the outlook for life after Bowdoin is grim.

The abolishment of the Dean's List and Latin Honors would certainly not eliminate utilitarian tendencies in the classroom, but in heeding students' advice, the Recording Committee should examine students' questionable motives and the way which honors fuel them.

... And the place of academia

The rift between students' images of themselves and their academic pursuits is further evinced by the lack of academic discourse on campus. Grades and honors have played a part in perpetuating the dichotomy between social and academic lives with their unintentional emphasis upon academia as a realm of competition, isolated to the classroom.

Attempts at greater interaction between faculty and students have met with support, as demonstrated by the turnout at last year's student-initiated faculty debates and the success of faculty teas at the College houses. The collaboration of academics and leisure drops off quickly, however, when those forums for discourse are taken away. A border exists between the conversations students are comfortable having inside and outside of the classroom, due partially to the inflated importance of grades and honors, which is in turn due to the ethos of the College.

The focus which we bring to our work often prevents us not only from exploring other avenues, but also from sharing our own ideas in a collaborative enhancement of the educational experience. Fascinating ideas and enthusiasm surround us, and we do not need a professor's presentation or any other reminder of the presence of scholasticism to explore these. Learning is most productive when involving activity rather than passivity, but the culture of Bowdoin seems to inhibit this realization, rendering attempts at outside-the-classroom academia awkward.

For too many the College is becoming a business. It attracts overachievers and presents them with the credentials to overachieve elsewhere. It expands quantitatively to extend its services to more students without enough examination of the qualitative effects. Administrators intervene in the lives of the students only in reaction to transgressions, and it is little wonder that students see a division between what's to be done on the College's time versus their own.
Is the Honors debate symptomatic of a deeper problem?

By Rahul Bajaj

A debate has raged on the issue of academic honors in the past few editions of the Orient. I do not mean to add fuel to the debate, but want to suggest that the debate itself is indicative of a severe problem affecting academics at Bowdoin. Propositions have been made to abolish Latin honors. I think we ought to look beyond that. We need to rid the system of all means of academic differentiation that can be manipulated and played to students' advantage. Adversely biased student choice of courses and majors should be eradicated.

Why award honors? Perhaps the rationale is to awe and distinction to those students who have excelled in their academic fields. When we look at the second place, we find that it really isn’t any sort of distinction—hence abolish Latin honors—is the line of argument. All students must do better. We must go deeper into this. Why do we require distinction? After all, the academic environment envisioned for a small, inclusive, liberal arts college such as Bowdoin is one of friendly cooperation and not cut-throat competition. Then, why must we follow a system that encourages distinction, and hence competition, rather than a distinction-free and hence competition-free system? The answer to that is that we do not want the incentive of honors or differentiating grades, there will be no other incentive for students to work hard. A grade less system would kill the incentive for hard work and excellence, is the argument for the existence of grades and distinction. Fair enough, it is easily conceded that a system of academic communism would lead to utter apathy, laziness and incompetence, much like what happened to its real-world counterpart on the other side of the Berlin wall. That incentive mechanism is required to keep us in the library and not in the swimming pool must be acknowledged, there is nothing like the dangling threat of an impending C to push the limits of endurance and to keep us pulling those all-nighters. But the system gets nowhere, fast.

The problem occurs when the system also implements incentives to allow it to be manipulated—in fact, as it currently stands, it encourages and rewards manipulation. That some courses are widely acknowledged to be easier than others (guts, courses, birds, or whatever else they are called) is a sign of this malaise. The ideal case would be where students take those courses that are of genuine interest to them and which help them develop in a manner outlined by the goals of a liberal arts education. That point is being cast aside by the prospect of a good or bad grade in that course. But this doesn’t happen. People at Bowdoin choose courses with an eye towards the final grade that would appear on their transcript for that particular course. For this, the students are not to blame. It is the system that is to blame. Bowdoin students, being as intelligent as they are, will follow the incentives and rewards built into the system in choosing their courses. If majoring in basket weaving and taking courses in XYZ insures me a summa cum laude in Latin, Kappa, I will at least give that option serious thought. Choices are, many will fall for that option. If the system entices, students will bite. After all, when students obtaining such honors are paraded in front of the entire community and honored with great pomp and gaiety, those sitting on the benches will be watching. And observing. And thinking. And they will follow too, as long as the system remains skewed. The fault is in the system; fix it.

What should be done? We need a grading system that maintains the incentive to work, yet we don’t want a grading system that biases course selection decisions and enables honors those who have played the system. For those who don’t believe that the system can be played, call me, (just chart out an hypothetical academic route for you that will bag you all the honors that the system can bestow. But I highly discourage you to do so, because you will be seriously compromising your one shot at a wholesome liberal arts education.)

The point is that being good has never been played. And many are tempted to try it. Those who decide not to play the system are at a strategic disadvantage—at least in the short run, vi-a-vis grades and honors—but maybe at an advantage in the long run. In any case, from a structural point of view, the system is flawed. Nevertheless, it shouldn’t be. How do we achieve a perfect system? I don’t know. But I do know there is a problem—so do a lot of others—but it is an implied rule to keep quiet about it. I don’t think the Honors debate is a flawed committee inquiry into these matters (such as the Residential Life Committee that queried into the residential life problems at Bowdoin and devised the current house system as a solution). We need a similar audit of the problems plaguing the academic system at Bowdoin. To devise a system that encourages hard work, cooperation and not competition, and does not allow itself to be played and manipulated, should be the aim. We don’t know of such a system, but am sure it can be devised. There are enough resources available to do so.

It is not my purpose to suggest solutions here—but to point out that a problem does indeed exist. Acknowledging the problem would be the first step towards a solution of it. If we ignore the problem, we fail to recognize it, that will, over time, seriously erode the academic mission of Bowdoin College.

I suggest the Dean of Academic Affairs take serious note of this problem, as evidenced by the debates in the past few editions of the Orient and forms a committee to study it. Nothing should be of more concern to an academic institution.

Rahul Bajaj is a James Bowdoin Book Award winner for two years running but did not play the system.
Topic of the Orient Forum: Considering his testimony, and that of Monica Lewinsky, should President Clinton resign?

As a dedicated political activist and observer, it is my conclusion that President Clinton should resign. I don't mean to put forward a position that I think that the charges are impeachable or that the investigation by Starr was warranted. As a believer, I believe that the President has damaged the cause by electing him to champion more than he could ever damage the moral fiber of this nation. His weakness and lack of personal responsibility have damaged his credibility much in the same way that the hypocrisy of the Christian Right has. In order to minimize the damage to the agenda of the Democratic Party, and to minimize the effect of the scandal on the next election, I think President Clinton should resign. I also think the Constitution should be amended so as to force impeachment proceedings to follow federal rules of evidence, and U.S. criminal code. The Republic will survive this constitutional crisis, but never again should the vagueness of the impeachment clause be used to ensure popular will as demonstrated through an election.

Jim Bradley '99

No, I don't think President Clinton should resign. The facts are simply not sufficient to impeach him. His personal life is none of our business! This issue never should have been investigated, and certainly not to this extent. The most prominent issue has become the fact that he lied to the entire country, not his actions. The country people have nothing to which almost anyone would have lied in his situation. Also, his sex life is irrelevant to the impeachment. If he lies during the course of his job, he's not getting in the way of his official responsibilities, and personally I am sick of hearing the gossipy details.

Ellen Driver '02

Not impeaching Clinton would be like walking McGwire so he couldn't beat the record. There is a chance for something really interesting to happen, the American people deserve to have their president sacked so they can feel like they are living in a moral country. The country people have to resolve what almost anyone would have lied in his situation. Also, his sex life is irrelevant to the impeachment. If he lies during the course of his job, he's not getting in the way of his official responsibilities, and personally I am sick of hearing the gossipy details.

Tom Gibbon '96

President Clinton should resign as President because of the single fact that he is no longer a fit person to continue to serve as our head, and the head of the majority party in the legislature. The proper constitutional solution in a presidency system, where legislative and executive powers are separate, is impeachment. Moreover, this gives Congress a chance to clean up the country, whereas resignation tends to place undue weight upon the immediate, and unreflective, reaction of the people.

Should then the president be impeached? Yes. Although much is made of the private and personal context of his character of his misdeeds, this is precisely what makes his actions so blameworthy. For Clinton risked everything—his power, his legacy, his reputation—and used his office and friends to cover up not some great crime, but something so private, so petty, so dumb, and he didn't even get much pleasure from it. That he would throw everything away on these cheap half-assed suggests he is not fit to govern. Heus had used political power to satisfy his purely private and (in his case pretty adolescent) desires. And that Clinton is in the Republic, far from being none's business, is the very definition of tyrannical.

Burns

Government Department

President Clinton should not be impeached, the penalty should fit the crime. He should be sentenced to 1000 hours of community service under the direct supervision of Jimmy Carter building houses. Each session would be accompanied by Bible reading. We believe in the President. As the moral direction, Monica should be sentenced to 1 year hard labor with pick and shovel in a coal mine. And Ken Starr should receive a two year subscription to Hustler. A plague on all their houses.

Chen

Government Department

Help me out here. What did he do again? Because I'm going to need a lot of extremely precise details if I'm going to make an informed decision.

(Borrowed from The On-line on-line)

Dan Farnbach '01

You all knew he was a liar and a womanizer when you elected him. What's all the fuss about?

Henry Laurence '02

Hasn't this gone on long enough? Why don't we just drop it as is and get back to the important things, like those nasty little countries making chemical warfare devices?

Erik Woodbury '01

I don't believe President Clinton should resign. I understand that the issue is dealing with the fact that he lied under oath about his affair with Lewinsky. However, how many people can honestly say they would come right out and admit in front of your spouse, and the entire country, that he's been unfaithful?

If you consider the fact that Clinton, along with others, has been involved in other sexual relationship with an individual besides your wife. If you consider this situation to be a crime, then the President should resign.

Joel Silverman

I must admit that this is such a silly question. John F. Kennedy had affairs while president, and I'm convinced there are many more besides Kennedy and Clinton in this category. People really need to get out of Clinton's life and get back to their own. I don't care where he was sleeping with in the White House. The only person that should care is Hillary. He is doing a fantastic job as the leader of this country. We are very close to having a balanced budget and to me that is much more important than Clinton's sex life. As for that fool known as Kenneth Starr, he should be hosed-tig and put adrift on a boat headed for Antarctica. He has wasted MY tax dollars to fulfill some sick personal vendetta. If I ever see him I will be sure to shoot him. For the American taxpayer, Clinton is just the first president to be caught red-handed. Besides, as Maya Angelou and others philosophers have said, should not we all keep the American people busy so we don't pay attention to what evil New Gingrich is doing in Congress. I really do feel that this play was partly the responsibility of some many Republicans in Congress who were so set at the good job Clinton was doing that they had to figure out some way to destroy him. Many men (and women) cheat it's a fact of life. You don't see all of them on the news every night! Let who is without sin cast the first stone. Although I do not agree with Clinton's choice of partners, I will not judge him on his bedroom behavior. Hillary should be the one whispering his tail to suit what he did: He did choose a piece of trashier trash (who saves a stained dress and sends it home to mom is trashier trash) and that all I can do is wonder what in the world drew him toward brain-damaged Monica Lewinsky. Instead of impeachment, however, No, he shouldn't. We, as a nation that sat through the whole OJ trial, need to get a life.

Shamina Tucker '03

I don't feel President Clinton should resign. His affair with Monica (and others) apparently is a private matter between him, his wife, and the women involved. It is a private business but them, period. I don't feel Clinton was justified in lying under oath...but at the same time, can understand why he did not want to make a public admission to adultery. It would serve no useful purpose and would severely hurt innocent people, including his wife and children.

Instead of focusing so much on Clinton I am more much concerned about the Republican party. I don't believe Monica, herself. What did Tripp hope to gain by betraying the confidence of Monica Lewinsky about Lawyer's affair with Clinton? And what does Monica hope to gain from all this? Certainly not the kind of fame I would want! I am very concerned about the mentalities of the congressmen who devote so much time and energy to this Clinton-Lewinsky mess. Instead of dwelling on issues that we sent them to Washington to do. I also resent the fact that, out of these characters like Clinton and others who are sitting in judgment on Clinton are themselves guilty of having extramarital affairs and so on. Our money is being paid to people who is on the investigating committee happens to have a 16-year old illegitimate illegitimations. He should resign. If I were financing Starr's investigation of Clinton and Lewinsky...millions of dollars already spent, that could have been paid to the program or whatever that benefit the American people. I am sure, our money goes to line Starr's pockets.

I have a great deal of sympathy for Clinton's wife. Can you imagine, being the spouse in this kind of situation? I also sympathize with Clinton's daughter, Chelsea, and can only hope the students at Stanford are feeling around her to give her the support she needs to get through this ordeal. I also do not think it is exactly "a bed of roses" for Sarah, the daughter, either. Starr's daughter also happens to attend Stanford...so I can imagine what she is going through. I don't care where he was sleeping with in the White House. The only person that should care is Hillary. He is doing a fantastic job as the leader of this country. We are very close to having a balanced budget and to me that is much more important than Clinton's sex life. As for that fool known as Kenneth Starr, he should be hosed-tig and put adrift on a boat headed for Antarctica. He has wasted MY tax dollars to fulfill some sick personal vendetta. If I ever see him I will be sure to shoot him. For the American taxpayer, Clinton is just the first president to be caught red-handed. Besides, as Maya Angelou and others philosophers have said, should not we all keep the American people busy so we don't pay attention to what evil New Gingrich is doing in Congress. I really do feel that this play was partly the responsibility of some many Republicans in Congress who were so set at the good job Clinton was doing that they had to figure out some way to destroy him. Many men (and women) cheat it's a fact of life. You don't see all of them on the news every night! Let who is without sin cast the first stone. Although I do not agree with Clinton's choice of partners, I will not judge him on his bedroom behavior. Hillary should be the one whispering his tail to suit what he did: He did choose a piece of trashier trash (who saves a stained dress and sends it home to mom is trashier trash) and that all I can do is wonder what in the world drew him toward brain-damaged Monica Lewinsky. Instead of impeachment, however, No, he shouldn't. We, as a nation that sat through the whole OJ trial, need to get a life.

Jean Coltart '99

The Orient received 33 additional responses.

12 students, or 36%, believed Clinton should resign.

21 people, or 64%, maintained Clinton should not resign.
Should Clinton resign?

By Scott Hickey

Should Clinton resign? That's the Orient's forum question. But here's mine: Should he run again? That's the hot topic that no one dares to talk about. Walk around campus and say hi to people. Do you notice that none of them mention Clinton running for an unconventional third term in office? He has dominated the past two elections and the Republicans can only offer token resistance with George W. Jr. In my opinion, he'd be stupid not to run again. With all of this scandal Clinton has all but a monopoly on the cheating husband vote, the pizza delivery vote, the trashy novel reader vote, and the Cigar Aficionado subscriber vote. Once he gets Boardwalk and Park Place, forget about it.

But back to the forum question, should Clinton resign? When it comes to politics, I have two distinctly different opinions: 1) my dad's 2) my roommate Jim's. I don't know if my dad thinks that Clinton ought to resign, but you can call and ask him at (502) 695-2266. Ask for J.C. My roommate Jim does think Clinton should resign, but Jim has presidential aspirations so maybe he's just clearing a path for the ultimate honors project. I also asked my roommate Jim who, always eager to stand on her soapbox, eloquently informed me that her opinion was "No, I think the whole thing is totally retarded. Wait, maybe he should resign." You see why one of my political opinions is not my roommate Jim's.

I think everybody is a little worn out with arguing over the whole Lewinsky issue. I vividly recall a passionate exchange on the subject on a Saturday at the beginning of the semester, but all we concluded was that we had no social life. There were three of us and a big bag of Cheetos. One thought he shouldn't resign; Jim and I thought he should. The Cheetos just looked hurt and remained silently neutral. Jim's argument was one of strategy. The democrats might be able to rally and not lose so many seats in the House. I was the moralist. It is a scary, scary day when I'm the moralist. I thought about calling my mom and telling her I was finally getting into heaven. But I had a crack deal and a bank robbery to get to.

So as you can probably tell, I don't know a lot about politics. What I do know about is baseball. Unlike the apathy demonstrated with the absence of outrage over Clinton's transgressions, the American people cannot get enough of Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa. So I propose that Clinton resigns and lets Mark McGwire take over. On what basis, you ask? Despite all of his philandering, Clinton didn't get to home plate this season nearly as often as McGwire. Teddy Roosevelt would love the way he speaks softly and carries a big stick. Presidents are usually tall, powerful, well-spoken people. McGwire is a tall, powerful, well-spoken person. He's used to traveling. I don't think power numbers are such a random way to choose a president. For God's sake, can you imagine Tony Gwynn or Chuck Knoblauch as Commander-in-chief of our nation's armies? So batting average is right out. Pitchers are always fat and have big ears. Good defense never got anyone elected, but there's no reason to start now. Cal Ripken has proven that he would have unparalleled attendance, but he lost out when he sat down this year. Poor Sosa was overlooked all season. McGwire always stole the spotlight from him. Sometimes you thought the media would ignore him even if he surpassed McGwire or grew a second head. Since I'm the world's biggest Cubs fan, I would like to nominate Sammy, but like I always say, if you can't get a hit of the Braves in the post season, you can't run the world's largest military power. By default, Mark McGwire, it is.

Scott Hickey is looking for some decent relief pitching that wouldn't mind traveling to Chicago over the weekend.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the lead article in last week's edition of The Orient. There were several significant problems with that article, which appeared under the headline "Fraternities place on probation, hazing questions raised." Chief among the article's flaws was the headline itself, which clearly implied some connection between the fraternity in question, Kappa Delta Theta, and the issue of hazing. Anyone with direct knowledge of the events to which the article was referring could have assured The Orient that Kappa Delta Theta was never suspected of having anything to do with the hazing issue. Certainly any member of Kappa Delta Theta could have clarified any misunderstandings, but unfortunately, no member of the fraternity was ever contacted by The Orient before the article was printed.

It seems, however, that The Orient was actually aware that Kappa Delta Theta had a very limited involvement in the incident in question. Contrary to the impression raised by the headline, the article was actually about a soccer party hosted by the soccer team. In fact, in the twenty-three paragraph article, Kappa Delta Theta was only mentioned twice, with one of the references being the revelation that Kappa Delta Theta was "apparently not a central party in the incident".

This fact naturally raises the question of why the fraternity appeared in such a prominent, and misleading, way in the headline, while it was barely mentioned in the article itself. I don't know the answer to that question, but I feel that by giving undue focus to Kappa Delta Theta, and by implying that Kappa Delta Theta was in some way involved in hazing, The Orient acted quite unfairly towards the Bowdoin students who are members of Kappa Delta Theta. Furthermore, by printing such a deceptive headline, I believe that The Orient failed to live up to its journalistic responsibility of supplying information in an accurate and objective a way as possible. I would hope that in the future, The Orient will find itself to a higher standard of journalistic integrity.

Josh Friedman-Little '00
President, Kappa Delta Theta
On Parents' Weekend

CHRISTIANE CONNORS
STAFF WRITER

After several weeks of living without the direct influence of parents, this weekend our parents have been invited to taste the lifestyle of their college student. Reminiscence of Open Houses at the lower grades, Parents Weekend allows parents to participate in their student's daily life at college to sit in on their classes, to meet the professors, and to experience how Bowdoin education is worth its price tag.

While for many students, Parents' Weekend epistles to spending the day at Freepoint, or going out and dining on non-dining hall food, or simply chilling with the people who live in the school has planned a week full of activities. The Campus Activities Board has scheduled a wide variety of events so that the first experience is unique for both the students and the parents to enjoy together. Several art, music, and theater performances, as well as Bowdoin students' diverse talents will take place on Saturday, in addition to a variety of Polar Bear sports.

While the plethora of activities may seem overwhelming, there are a few student-oriented events to get the weekend rolling:

Start off your Friday evening at a dinner with your favorite folks, your parents and a professor. Enjoy the respective atmospheres of Mount Union and Wentworth from 5:30 p.m. After dinner, the real entertainment begins. For those of you who regret not participating in Dr. Bengals's show, there is a second chance! Acclaimed hypnotist Tom Bresodola will be performing his magic in Mount Gym 8 p.m. Following his presentation, the student dance group Vague will perform some of its new routines.

If planning on campus is not your bag, head to the Theater Project in Brunswick at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday for a performance of Steve Martin's play Picasso at the Lapin Agile. Sponsored by Bowdoin's theater group, Masque and Gown, the play is about the fictional meeting of Pablo Picasso and Albert Einstein in a witty and hilarious performance.

On Saturday, October 3, the fun continues. At 9 a.m., wake up for President Edwards and Deans Beitz and Bradley. Deans of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs, who will be hosting open discussions for parents and students in Daggett Lounge, Wentworth. Presentations on Bowdoin's Museum of Art, the Educational Task Force and the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library will also take place throughout the morning.

The Bowdoin Outing Club will also be leading a canoe trip to the Cathance River near Bowdoin. This short day trip is geared towards paddlers of all levels, just be sure to notify the BOC before Saturday morning.

On the playing fields, parents and students will demonstrate their Polar Bear pride as our athletes take on Amherst in men's and women's soccer, field hockey and football. The games will begin at 11:30 with men's soccer, followed by women's soccer and field hockey at the fields behind Farley Field House.

At U30 the football team will take to the field in a hopeful attempt to beat Amherst. Bowdoin's many talented musicians will also be busy with a variety of performances. At noon, Miscellania, the women's a cappella group will perform in Hawthorne-Longfellow library along with student instrumental accompaniments. At 8 p.m., the Bowdoin Chamber Choir will perform several tunes in the Chapel. Later in the evening, the excitement continues with a performance by the men's a cappella group, the Meddiebempsters, Micellanita, and the co-ed a cappella group, BOCA. The performances start at 8 p.m. in Morrill Gym.

On Sunday, October 4, participate in the Parent's Weekend Fun Run at 9 a.m. It's an easy 5K run through the Farley fields with voluntary registration fees. After working up an appetite from the Fun Run, enjoy a Jazz Brunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wentworth Hall.

If you are willing to get off campus on Sunday and explore the mountains of western Maine, head out with the BOC for a Bald Pate hike in Crafton Notch. This hike is intermediate and offers beautiful views of Old Speck.

So as you weekend will inevitably wind down on Sunday afternoon, make sure that you packed your parent's weekend with as much fun, bonding activities as possible. For more information about Parent's Weekend, check with the Smith Union Info Desk.

An Ode to Burgie Howard

JONATHAN KNAPP
STAFF WRITER

As surely every American college student has had ingrained into his or her consciousness, "college is about more than just studying." Consequently, an active campus social life is an important goal of every good college. Luckily for Bowdoin, the Student Activities staff is highly competent and passionate about keeping students busy; he has the largest reason for this is the Student Activities director, Burgie Howard. Mr. Howard, or "Burgie," as his students like to call him, has only been at the College for a little over a year, yet a great deal has been accomplished so far during his tenure.

Burgie, who grew up in Lexington, Massachusetts, is certainly no stranger to New England, and has, in fact, spent much of his life in the northern part of the region. After high school, he attended that neighbor part of the state, Hanover, New Hampshire, Dartmouth College. Contrary to popular belief, it actually is an excellent school, after all, it did produce Burgie. Following his graduation, he worked as a buyer for a department store, but this clearly did not totally fulfill him, as he went on to work for six years in the alumni development office of his alma mater, Dartmouth. This job taught more to Burgie's tastes, yet something was still missing. At this point he decided to go back to school.

Trekking over to the west coast, he did his graduate work at "the Harvard of the West," Stanford University. After his time at that fine institution, Burgie had a Master's Degree in education. Using his expertise, he spent two years at College University, where he worked in their Student Activities office. While he was recommending one of his friends for a job here at Bowdoin, Burgie learned of an opening as a position, as the Director of Student Activities. Luckily for every member of the Bowdoin community, he started this job in June of 1997, and, as they say, things have never been the same.

Perhaps the best thing that Burgie gained from his days in the Alumni office at Dartmouth caused him to do the work he does today: the knowledge that "what alumni are most interested in is how they can impact the lives of their school's present students." This proves particularly true at Bowdoin, as last year the Alumni Association raised $136,000 million, unsurprisingly, this has had a great impact on the social life here. A large portion of the money that goes to student activities comes directly from a program that is new for Bowdoin this year: Student Activity Fee Committee.

Burgie! (Adam Zimmami/Bowdoin Orient)

For many students, this money was divvied up at the end of every year and given to each student organization, giving an unfair advantage to those groups that were particularly successful in the previous year. This policy left each year's new student organizations out in the cold, as they had no place to find funds that compared to those of the already established clubs. The new system "keeps assets liquid," as it gives money to organizations now only as they need it for various events, enabling new groups to have sufficient funds to start.

New organizations clearly do not trouble Burgie in the year that he has been at Bowdoin, fifteen new student groups have formed. One of the aspects of Bowdoin that Burgie likes most is "its incredibly active student body, which is constantly full of ideas and energy." Consequently, he does whatever he can to accommodate their ideas, as he is always open to new suggestions. This does not mean, however, that Student Activities will fund anything. Burgie simply assists students in forming their ideas into the most realistic possibilities.

Helping inform student organizations certainly does not encompass all that Burgie does. Presently, one of his main tasks is ensuring a smooth transition from the former Fraternity system to the new college house system; his major goal is to "make certain that there is no truth to the statement that there is nothing to do but drink."] Perhaps the best way that he has made this a reality is through his work with the Performing Arts Series, which thus far has brought the eclectic sounds of Jabali Afrika and the brilliant Please see BURGIE, page 11
JENNY SLEFFAN
A & E EDITOR

This is the second part of a two-part series on the musician David "Dawg" Grisman.

Handmade music, jazz, bluegrass, Latin and swing are all musical labels that have been attached to the mandolinist David Grisman. Over the past two decades, Grisman has masterfully combined these styles to reproduce one acoustic, instrumental sound that can be described as "dawg" music. There are some who would like to categorize "dawg" music as simply Grisman's sound.

Grisman is a diverse artist who is tired of the music industry labels on music. "Each musician likes to think of his own sound as unique," Grisman has said. "In line with this way of thinking, Grisman started an independent record label in 1990 called Acoustic Disc which is based out of his home in San Rafael, California. The label advertises 100% Handmade Music meaning no synthetic sounds and, of course, no ddawg." Grisman style. "The music entertainment business tends to put everything into a category, I'm in between the cracks," Grisman explained.

Born and raised in Passaic, NJ, Grisman experimented with several instruments before settling on the mandolin. After meeting a fellow folklorist and musician Ralph Rinzler, Grisman was turned on to the mandolin and bluegrass music. It wasn't too long afterward that Grisman met a well-known American hippie who happened to be a member of the Grateful Dead - Jerry Garcia. The two were able to combine their acoustic talents to start a legacy of jazz/bluegrass music that would survive for decades. Both highly influenced by bluegrass musicians such as Bill Monroe, they started a short-lived quintet in 1973 called Old & in the Way which featured Grisman on mandolin and Garcia on the bass. Since Jerry's death in 1995, Grisman has continued to produce and record dawg music with the quintet and with a variety of other acoustic musicians. The Quintet today consists of Jim Kerwin on bass, Matt Eakle on flute, Joe Craven on percussion and fiddle and Enrique Coria on guitar. His popularity has grown dramatically throughout the past few years, though Grisman states that his audience maintains the same kind of people, just more of them. "They're hippies, dead-heads and lots of young people, but I have seen people come with their grandmothers and kids. They're all very enthusiastic."

**The David Grisman Quintet is coming! (Acoustic Disc)**

The David Grisman Quintet will be playing in the State St. Church in Portland on Sunday, October 11 at 7 p.m. Tickets are $25 and are available at Musician's Music, Musical Bliss, Am Dram, Music, The CD Authority and Play It Again or call 729-6514.

How Ryan Johnson became...

Ryan Johnson was a graduate of the University of Connecticut and a member of the school's Bluegrass Band. He was a member of the band for four years and played banjo and mandolin. After graduation, he worked as a freelance musician and played in various bands around the country. In 1998, he formed his own band, the Ryan Johnson Band, which quickly gained a following in the New England area. The band released their first album in 2000 and has since gained critical acclaim for their unique blend of bluegrass, folk and country music. They have performed at numerous festivals and concerts across the United States and have appeared on several television shows. Johnson is known for his virtuoso playing on mandolin, fiddle and banjo, and his songwriting skills. He has also been involved in the New England bluegrass scene for over a decade and is a respected member of the community. Johnson's music is a fusion of traditional bluegrass and modern country, and he is considered one of the leading figures in the genre. He continues to perform with his band and is currently working on his third album. Readers can definitely back me up on this one: the Hoyer lacks any structure, organization, clarity, focus, theme, main idea, topic sentences, active voice, nouns, verbs or subject. It's really a big heap of garbage. Yet the Orient still prints it. God, what a beautiful world.

This week's column is the first in a four week series of "Squeals." The movie is "Ghostbusters II" and it is a sequel to "Ghostbusters I" for three reasons: First, is on average 3.5 days, and the most horribly terrifying attempts at continuing at a certain point which died halfway through the first movie (e.g. The Howling and "Children of the Corn") and "are the horror section of any movie critic book." Another last show, then are shelved as $5.99 previously viewed specials at Blockbuster's Videos around the country.

GHOSTBUSTERS II
Carrots 3 of 8
Starring: Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, Sigourney Weaver
Also Starring: Harold Ramis, Annie Potts
Also Also Starring: Rick Moranis. Life Not of the Same Subject: Stunt

Rating in 1974: X
Rating in 1967: R
Rating in 1984: PG
Rating in 1985: X
Rating in 1995: X
A PG-13 appeal-see band-out entitled "New MPAA rating guidelines as outlined by the United States Congress.

Rating for: Fantasia and Funny scenes, according to the book, "Video Movie Guide 1995." Also lots of disgusting slimy pink bone, a very frightening clip, and a naked little boy (played by twins actually).

Length: 107 minutes.

Length: if watched on Comedy Central at 4pm on a Sunday while Bill Clinton is addressing the nation: 531 minutes (edited version), 402 minutes unedited.

Stressing scenes: none.

Times my roommate, Paul, yelled "That would be a great place to streak in New York!": 34

Number of times the past year I've been sued for libel: 0

Number of times the past year my roommate has been paraphrased and quoted incorrectly without citations: 17

Name of car driven by Ghostbusters in "Ghostbusters II": Ectomobile.

Setting: New York.

Actual Film Location: Toronto.

False Actual Filming Location: Toronto.

Reality, where in the heck was this movie filmed? I don't know.

Broken bones during production: I don't know.

Number of time screen writers Dan Aykroyd and Harold Ramis changed the winnertime of the fight between the Stay Puft marshmallow man (restricted) and the Statue of Liberty (unrestricted - this scene was cut in post prod): 2

Stunt people seen on final credits: Favorite Bill Murray expression (he doesn't exactly say this but looks like he is going to): Yo Sigourney, you really kicked some butt in "Alien".

Number of Australian Life Guards in film: 0

Number of Australian Life Guards at BoundingBox: 1

Name of Streets in New York city that were widened for statue of liberty to walk down: Jen Ave. and Asatari St.

Big Winners in Ghostbusters II: Ghostbusters, Rick Moranis, city of New York, Pink Slime, Ghost, General Mayhem.

Losers: Stay Puft dude (where was he??), some evil 16th century magician who came out of a painting, NYFDD. Number of times Dan Akroyd says "Oh shoot": 0.

Number of times Mainers said "Oh shoot" in 1997: 2,051.

Stiller's favorite kind of ice cream: Spumoni

Anything else?: Nope...oh wait... Oh yeah, the director Ivan Reitman
What's shakin' in The Pub

LARA BLACKBURN
THE PUB WOMAN

Exciting news, everybody! The pub schedule for the Fall 1998 semester is almost complete! Without further adieu, here is the story for the next three weeks:

Wednesday, October 7, and every Wednesday after (at least for a while): South Park! We have Res Life to thank for bringing those crazy little disturbed weirdos to us every week...

Thursday, October 8: WOW. As in, "WOW, what a good band?" They used to call themselves W.O.W., but got sick of people asking them what it stood for. These guys are a power pop trio from Portland, and they put on an energetic and fun show.

Saturday, October 10: Lincolnville. Straight-up rock. Formerly known as Car. I don't know why they changed their name, but I do have a theory. Car just isn't a very good band name. These guys play loud, and if you were to be one of their shows and someone asked you what the band was called, you would say, "Car!" and they would say "What?" and you would yell, "CAR!!" and they would yell, "HUH!!" and you'd pretend they had heard you because you would be sick of yelling. So no one would ever know what they were called.

Busta Rhymes to Ziggy Marley

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performance art of Danny Hoch. In his other work with the Activities Committee, Burgie has brought the much-anticipated Busta Rhymes show on October 28. Thanks to Burgie, Bowdoin is an extremely busy place, with these various performances and with its seventy- to seventy-five-student organization.

It's 4:19 a.m. Jenny has a Spanish test today. She needs to study, but she's here instead. If only she had helpers... e-mail jsleplan.

Puffins Rock

Puffin Stops, by association, do too. Where else can you get your Green Mountain Coffee fix, read the latest People cover to cover, and fill up your ride at the same time?
**Concert** (4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.) Both the Bowdoin Chorus and the Bowdoin Chamber Choir perform for the first time this year. Arrive early if you want a good seat, as the concert is in the notoriously crowded, although recently remodeled, chapel. The Chapel.

**Art Opening** (4:30 p.m.) Oil paintings of the Bowdoin Sailing Team, by Ronald Parry. Smith Union, Lamarche Lounge.

**Run** (9:00 a.m.) Parents Weekend Fun Run, 5K, through Farley Fields. Grab your runners or lawn chairs, your running shoes, and head out to the field.

**Concert** (2:00 p.m.) Concert band performs works by Shostakovich, John Williams, and others in what Kim claims will be a “kick-ass” concert. VAC Plaza.

**Film** (7:00 p.m.) Mi Familia, presented by the Latin American Society, in initiation of the Latin Movie Festival, which will feature a movie each Sunday through the month of November. VAC, Kresge Auditorium.

**Meeting** (9:00 p.m.) WARRIORS, the campus eating disorders awareness group meets this evening. Women’s Resource Center, Room 24.

**Lecture** (7:00 p.m.) "Goebbels’ Daydreams: Virgil in the Third Reich." Professor Richard Thomas of Harvard University presents. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

**Class** (4:00-5:00 p.m.) Library Database Help Session. Start the week off with the acquisition of some computer skills. H&L Library.

**Clubbing** (9:00 p.m.) Dominate the Species and gothic industrial dance and film night. In case you missed it last week, and you have some pent up energy left over from the sedate weekend with your parents, get on your clubbing clothes, and more importantly, your clubbing attitude. Zoitz, 31 Forest Avenue, Portland. $3

**Seminar** (3:00 p.m.) BOC Expanded Awareness Seminar. According to speaker Dan Fisher, we only utilize 15% of our brain power. Learn how to access the full capabilities of your brain. See Lucia Woodruff for details and location.

**Art** (2:00-4:00 p.m.) "The Four Seasons of the Master Myth," an installation that includes 1000 works-On paper by Salazar. This presentation is in honor of the Danforth Gallery’s 10 Year Anniversary. The Maine Art’s Space. 2036 Danforth Street, Portland. 773-6425. www.jenart.com/ -dangly. FREE.

**DISCLAIMER**

Although I don’t claim the calendar has been particularly entertaining in the past, I think that this week, it is especially so. It is entertaining. While you may find it informative, I think it lacks my usual attention to providing a wide array of unique events for the Bowdoin community, and also, witty remarks relating to these events. I know, this is really no excuse, but it was just one of those days.

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**DELCIVERY HOURS:**

- **Thursday & Friday:** 4-11 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.
- **Saturday:** 4-11 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.
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Kristen Getery's shot on goal at 34:48 was deflected by Bowdoin goalie Sarah Farmer '01 only to cross the goal line, making the score 1-0. Whiting shot Strehmeyer then found her way to the circle to knock in a pass from Getery, tying things up. Bowdoin remained controlled after that, but in the end, the Panthers scored their winning goal in the 10th minute, assisted by Alison Lavoie '02.

The win was the Panthers' first against Bowdoin in four years, and it lifted them to a 2-0-0 record. Bowdoin, on the other hand, dropped their first game of the season, falling to the Panthers by a score of 2-0. The win was a welcome relief for the Panthers, who had been struggling in recent games.

Field hockey steps it up

Erika Kahill STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin 2 Middlebury 1

The Polar Bears fought an exhilarating battle against the Middlebury Panthers last Saturday. It was a long and exciting run, as the Bowdoin girls headed to Vermont the night before their game.

The team's energy was magnified by memories of last year's game; when Bowdoin and Middlebury played to a 2-2 draw in 1997, the Panthers were defeated and bruised. The Panthers would not find such an easy victory this year. After arriving at the hotel, the "jazzy" juniors pumped up the team with a psycho session, sending the team to bed dreaming of Panther flesh.

On Saturday, the Polar Bears went into the game with enthusiasm and focus. Their strategy was to have a strong offense, as they started the game with a 4-2-3-1 formation (4 forwards, 2 mid-backs and 3 full-backs). The almighty Johanna Babb '00 started off the rivalry with an unassisted goal 10 minutes into the game. After another intense 10 minutes, Middlebury's Muffy Petersen retaliated with a goal and tied up the score. Action escalated until, with 3:27 left before halftime, the Panthers scored again off a penalty shot. The goalie Ali Connolly was able to drive away eleven of Bowdoin's shots.

"Our goal to improve really showed at Middlebury," said Tracey Bjorkdal. "It was the best we have played all season. Each game, we play a little harder and work together a little more."

On Tuesday, the Polar Bears were able to defeat rival Colby College in front of a supportive home crowd, preserving their winning 25-0-2 all time record against the Waterville, Maine, team. Led in assists by senior captain Bridget Foley, the women had an overall impressive performance.

Abby Lockwood '01 entered the first goal at 20:35 with a corner kick from Foley. The women left the field at the half leading by one, but they did not stop there. At 17:43, John Cullen said the game was probably more nervous about the game than the players. "They have a controlled level of desire partly because they have been in [the number one] position before."

Senior Captain Trone Bjorkdal shared in Coach Cullen's sentiments. "There was definitely some hesitation days before the Middlebury game, but the day of the game we were all confident, it was a matter of putting our minds to it."

Bowdoin wasted no time in "putting their minds to it," taking the lead early. In middlefielder Alison Lavoie '02 outsmarted her opponents to connect with an assist from her center fielder. All of the first half was dominated by the Panthers, who were able to make the score 2-0.

Determined not to let the Polar Bears roll them over, the Panthers stepped it up a notch.

Men split, await Amherst

MARGARET PEACH SPORTS EDITOR

The men's soccer team dropped a heartbreaker to Middlebury in overtime and then followed it up with a victory over the University of New England this week. All this was in preparation for the game against the number one ranked Bears on Friday.

The men lost 2-1 to Middlebury. Captain Andrew Johnston '99 was not completely satisfied with the team's play. "We were not as consistent as we would have hoped during the Middlebury game, and that was our downfall. We would play really solid all over the field, and win 50/50 ball, but then we'd just go dead for a while and let them have their way with us," he said.

Captain-priest Peter Ingram '99 commented on Bowdoin's play after the game. "We started out strong, nearly putting one away in the first few minutes."

Head Coach Tim Gilbride regrouped his squad during halftime and the Polar Bears started the half with a burst. According to Ingram, "we came out hard and took back control of the game. When we control the pace and can play on the offense, we are a very dangerous team. It was only a matter of time before we put one away. Middlebury had a lucky break when the ball got loose in the box. The third time was not hard but did not play to our full potential."

Following the Middlebury game, the Bears returned to the University of New England. Bowdoin played well, keeping the pace at their level. "We got up early and played our highest level out of our teams," Ingram remarked.

The first goal was scored by Tim Capozzi '00, who had his shot deflected into the net by aUNE-defender. To prove that that goal was not a fluke, the Bears scored their second goal 30 seconds later when Patrick Hultgren '01 fed Abel McClenenn '00 for the goal. After scoring the two goals only minutes into the contest, Bowdoin slowed it down a bit. Their third goal came at 16:49 when Mike Dowley '99 scored off of a beautiful pass from Ingram. Then Dowley returned the favor when he passed the ball off to Ingram who practically drilled the ball into the goal, dodging the goalie, for the fourth goal of the game.

The Polar Bears added two more goals to their tally in the second half. Hultgren chucked up number five and Johnston got the assist. The final score of the game came off of a beautiful corner kick by Dowley which Ingram headed past the goalie.

Goalie Tom Cassarella '00 picked up the one Bowdoin save for the game.

Now the team is preparing for the big game on Saturday against Amherst. Johnston has a lot of confidence in the squad to fair well, though he has a few reservations. "Amherst is going to be a very well coached team, with some quick and dangerous strikers. We're going to have to avoid mistakes in the midfield and on defense and keep possession of the ball when we have it or Amherst will take advantage very easily and score. We're not excited to play at home and hope for a big crowd," he said.

Ingram is looking forward to a repeat performance of the Amherst game three years ago. "My freshman year we took Amherst on our parents weekend. The Amherst paper ran a story the next day saying that Bowdoin had out classed Amherst at Bowdoin. 'I don't think that it should take so much intervention this year, and we are a strong nucleus of the team. The strength should come from within,'" he said.

Hopefully the headline next week will read, "Bowdoin unclashes the devil on Amherst." Be there this Saturday to find out.

Write for Orient sports.
**Senior Athlete Profile: Matt Hyde, dedicated to enjoyment**

**KATLIN EVRADE**

**SPORTS EDITOR**

Whether running in a race, or running through the back country of New Zealand, Matt Hyde '99, captain of the Bowdoin Cross-Country team, is following his dreams and enjoying life to the fullest. This Williamson, Maine native likes to run, hike, and generally enjoy himself in all aspects of life. Enjoyment is what life is all about for Matt Hyde. Part of enjoying himself is running hard. "We were planning to run seven slow miles at a fast pace over a fully course. Matt smiled and said that we ran nine. The guys' so tough it makes him crazy," said Coach Peter Slovenski.

Hyde has been running competitively for about 10 years now, and in that time he has learned to focus on what he wants. Although Hyde is a competitive runner he is also a "friendly runner," rather than being intimidating at the starting line. "You know how hard you have practiced for this race, but you also have to respect the other runners that have also been practicing, often just as hard as you," said Matthew Hyde.

Hyde can't imagine a day without a practice, or with time in the afternoon to just sit and relax. He grew up running to practice and dinner and then homework; a day without running would be a new concept for Matt. He has always been a runner and running to push himself and work hard; that does not include afternoon relaxing. "Matt has one of the best work ethics I've seen in 22 years of coaching at Bowdoin," said Slovenski. "But his greatest strength as a runner is how tough he is. In races or workouts he never quits or loses his nerve. The more mud and blood on the course, the better for Matt," he said.

According to Hyde, "Running is a time to yourself, a time to reflect and focus." When out on a run, Matt is pushing himself to do better, but he also has the time to reflect on the day and himself. This is when he can think about himself and focus on what is important to him in life. It is a time to be alone, to think, and to grow. Running is important in part because it enables him to "lose track of what I enjoy doing and getting caught up in what I should be doing."

Matt's greatest achievement in sports was not any great award, but rather, "finishing well in a two mile race and then playing well in a soccer game in high school. Soccer and running, were things that he enjoyed doing in high school, so they did him for the sake of doing them, not for achievement."

This past year he followed his own ideas and planned his schedule accordingly. He has been training around the world ticket and he flew from the United States to New Zealand before his program started. While there he hiked, ran and explored the beauty of such diverse country. Then he flew to Australia for his study away program and Chico University in Northern Queensland. He had the chance to explore Australia while there for five months. Then he got back on a plane, but did not head straight back to the USA, instead he traveled through Thailand, for his study away trip to India.

"Running played a large part in his discovery of all the different places that he went, from running off the beaten track in New Zealand and Australia, to running through the mountains in Thailand through pine groves, and by lizards. He finished exploring in Europe for five weeks."

His love of running, and exploring, lead him to very interesting places, one of which was a Marine base in Australia. He was having some stomach problems one day, but went out running anyways. While he was running through the base, he felt the need to take a small detour, and went out of the trail to relieve himself. Out of nowhere, a large group of Australian Marines came jogging by, fully geared with very large guns, and Matt could do nothing but put his head down in embarrassment. This was definitely his most embarrassing moment in a while! But he managed to survive and eventually return to the States.

As the youngest of three brothers, he has had many interesting experiences in life. Through all of it he still looks up to his brothers as role models who do what they enjoy doing in life. His parents have also played a very important role in his career so far. The "majority of people here would not be here if it was not for their parents." His parents encouraged him to try a private school for his sophomore year of high school, Deerfield Academy, and that was an important decision for Hyde. He enjoyed his time at Deerfield, living and going to school at the same place and learning to deal closely with others and had a positive impact on his life. Where he grows up Hyde continues to run competitively and perhaps try a few new activities such as hiking, and running. He plans on living in the mountains or on the coast where he thinks it is beautiful. And hopefully, he will continue "being able to enjoy life as much as I do." Apparently he enjoys life very much, it is rumored that waitresses try to pick him up at restaurants when the team stops to eat.

Hyde's advice to others is to follow your own ideas, do what you think is important, and try not to worry about what others think too much. "Stay focused on what you want." The biggest thing that a person can do to enjoy life is its fullest, because "that's what it's all about," he said.

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**Women's Cross-Country team improved its standing within the NCAA this season. The top runners for the Lady Bowdoin are sprinters in the NCAA meet this weekend.**

**Middlebury 20**

Bowdoin 46

Colby 63

Bates 120

Middlebury runners ranked third in NCAA III this season, captured the first three individual places and five of the first nine, racing to the team victory. Bowdoin had four runners in the top ten, to place its second place effort.

Vicky Shen '00, Caitlin O'Connor '99 and Kristen Pedersen '01 once again led the way for Bowdoin with a terrific group effort. Bowdoin had no runners in the top eight after the first mile of the race, but Shen, O'Connor, and Pedersen turned on the speed in the second mile and placed 7th, 8th and 9th at the end of the 3.1 mile course.

"Our top three looked confident and relaxed," noted Coach Peter Slovenski. "Vicky Shen had a good day running strong in working, and I was pleased with how they handled the hills on the Colby course. It's a tough course, and you can't get a good rhythm unless you're relaxed."

"We've been running very hard in practice," observed Coach Slovenski. "I think we ran very well with a heavy training load during the week.""Middlebury is the top ranked team in New England and at one point during this weekend's race, they had eight out of the top 10 runners.

"I was proud of how we came back in the second half of the race," said Slovenski. Middlebury is so good up front that it took a great effort for Vicky, Caitlin, and Kristin to break into their top five.

Next up for Bowdoin will be an intra-squad triathlon at Pickard Field on Saturday afternoon. The course includes a half-mile swim, four mile bike course, and two mile run.

"Jess Tallman is the early favorite. She led bicycle tours this summer, and she loves shorter running races," said Slovenski.
The question will dominate discussion throughout October and into next year's spring training: was this the greatest baseball season ever? With just two decades of baseball memories as a frame of reference, my choices are obviously limited. A definitive yes or no answer is not possible, since an entire century of baseball's 120-year history is buried in a deep, distant past, but I will confidently say that this has, and most certainly always will be, the greatest baseball season of my lifetime. Over the past six months, a drama more improbable than the most sensational of Hollywood screenplays has unfolded. During the 162-game marathon, a sport, whose fans were still suffering the bitter aftertaste of a strike-shortedened 1994 campaign, succeeded in recapturing a nation.

A little more than a month into the season, the baseball world marveled as 20-year-old Kenny Wood, the game's next Roger Clemens, equaled the Rocket's big league record by fanning 20 Houston Astros in one of the most dominating pitching performances ever (9 IP, 1H, 0R, 0BB, 2KX). Refusing to relinquish his throne quite yet, Clemens turned in what will surely be his record fifth Cy Young season by winning his last 15 consecutive decisions and leading the AL in wins (20), ERA (2.65), and strikeouts (271). In the record straight year, eleven days after Wood's gem, David Wells tossed only the 15th perfect game in history, retiring every Minnesota Twin he faced. In almost any other year, either moment would easily reign as the most memorable highlight, but in this season of destiny, they would serve only as a prelude.

By the final day of June, the year's major stories already claimed center stage. Mark McGwire crushed his league leading 37th homer; Sammy Sosa tied a Major League record with his 20th round-tripper of the month; Ken Griffey Jr. kept pace by connecting on his 33rd of the year. All three men had been branded as Maris' mortal number of 61, and for the first time it seemed as though any of them could actually match it.

At this same time, the New York Yankees were marching through the American League in quest of a place among history's greatest teams, and the Rangers' Juan Gonzalez was closing in on 100 RBI, seemingly within striking distance of Hake Wilson's insurmountable 190. Baseball fans braced themselves for what promised to be an unforgettable stretch run.

As the calendars flipped to August, all three sluggers were still in pursuit of Maris; the Yankees were an amazing 50 games over .500 (77-27); and Wilson's record was as safe, as Gonzalez's run producing finally slowed to a mortal pace. Over the next 31 days, a nation watched as McGwire and Sosa pulled away from Griffey, racing together toward immortality; and as the Yankees inched closer and closer to the 1906 Cub's 116-win season. As each league's wild card race began to tighten, the highly anticipated final month of the season arrived with both playoff and historical implications.

In an unforgettable September, the regular season concluded, somehow fulfilling nearly every expectation. As the legend is now told, McGwire and Sosa engaged in a battle, the likes of which professional sports have never seen. They matched each other, nearly home run for home run, as neither player was able to claim a commanding lead. They elevated each other to greatness, exhibiting the utmost class during even the fiercest of media bities. In the midst of this battle, another man stepped forward and momentarily grabbed the spotlight. Cal Ripken, a fixture in the Baltimore lineup for sixteen years, finally took a day off after playing in an amazing 2,632 consecutive games. Fittingly, Ripken, who, with his relentless pursuit of Lou Gehrig's streak, may have single-handedly saved baseball, a sport that appeared to be mortally wounded after the 1994 strike, left his own mark on baseball's renaissance.

Attention quickly refocused on the home run race, and when the dust finally settled, there the two warriors stood, both having smashed Maris' mark: Sosa with 66 and McGwire with a mind boggling 70.

At a time when professional athletes have been recognized more for their illegal actions off the field and inappropriate behavior on it, Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, and Cal Ripken have been welcome exceptions. Unlike Lattell Sprewell, Roberto Alomar, and Albert Belle, they did not struggle, spit, or curse their way into the public spotlight, but instead captured our attention in their displays of how to play the game as it was meant to be played.

All of this does not mean that baseball is perfect. It isn't. Behind nearly every great moment this season, we can detect a serious flaw that may eventually threaten the long-term success of the sport. Would McGwire and Sosa have been able to even approach Maris' 61 if it weren't for terribly diluted pitching talent, smaller ballparks, and the crowded ball field? It's doubtful. Would this postseason, boasting some of the most dominant teams in recent memory be nearly as exciting were it not for the game's current economic structure, which so heavily favors these big-market teams? Not a chance.

A few months ago cited these reasons and predicted that baseball, as we once knew it, would be forever altered unless significant actions were taken. Today as I look back, I still reach that same conclusion, the only difference being I no longer care if the game changes, because baseball already has evolved. Whether it's for the worse or the better is anybody's guess, but refusing to enjoy such an unbelievable season, merely because the game has transformed over the past thirty years, would be a sin.

The simple fact is this: when Mark McGwire hammered his 61st homer I stood up and cheered. At that moment all of the juiced balls, small stadiums, and horrible pitchers in the world did not matter. What did matter was that he had just broken a 37-year-old record once considered by many to be unbreakable. As I sat and watched Mo Vaughn give Pedro Martinez a three run lead with his first inning homerun in the AL Division Series, I didn't care that Pedro's average yearly salary was greater than the entire payroll of his former, small-market team. The Red Sox were winning, and that in itself was all that was important.

The NBA season is currently threatened by a lockout, and I don't care. The NFL is heading into week five and I've hardly even noticed. The big league playoffs are in full swing, and that's enough. Thank you Major League Baseball for giving us all something for which to cheer.
The season that started with a healthy breakfast at Helen’s in Machias, Maine has become the best ever for the Bowdoin Women’s Volleyball team. Although the team has seven veterans, the difference between this year and last is quite evident. Junior outside/middle hitter Alyson Shea commented, “The team has a brand new work ethic this year. We’re much more focused and in better shape than we were last year.” The Bears are still led by their polite and clean-cut co-captain, Sarah Buckley, but have several newcomers who add new and fascinating talents to the team.

In their first match of the season, the Polar Bears showed off skills of the long, clean serves of the University of Maine at Machias, as they swept the Clippers in three games, 15-4, 15-9, 15-4. Sarah Buckley climbed over six boxes of food and the medical kit to get 19 setter assists in the match. Stacey Carpenter ’99 and Samantha Good ’00 each had seven kills, while Jamie Bennett ’01 contributed four kills and a service ace.

The second outing against the St. Joseph’s Monks posed more of a challenge for the Polar Bears. Bowdoin easily won the first two games, 15-3, 15-4. In games three and four the Monks said a few prayers and won 11-15, 15-13. Bennett, with 14 kills and four aces, helped Bowdoin finish off the match in the fifth game, 15-6. Buckley contributed with 24 setter assists and first-year Stacy Vynne’s back row play was reminiscent of Cindy Kim, “the passing machine.” Ellen Bates ’01, though she desperately missed her boyfriend Dustin, came through with three big service aces for the team.

With two wins under their collective belt (and matching shoes), the volleyball team traveled to its first tournament, the Brandeis Invitational. The Polar Bears were blessed with the presence of their assistant coach, Stefanie Pemper, who, despite having a “mousy downstairs” in her new house, decided to tough it out and make the trip. Saturday morning the Bowdoin women faced the home team and the match was even more exciting than the fruit cups they got from the dining hall. More exciting than a fruit cup? Yes. The Bears got off to a quick start against the strong Brandeis club, playing aggressively and winning the first game, 15-10.

Game two was more of a challenge, however, the Polar Bears squeezing by Brandeis by a slim margin, 16-14. Brandeis made a comeback in the third and fourth games, beating Bowdoin 11-15, 4-15. The fifth game, which is rally scored (see the NCAA volleyball rule book for more details), it’s good for pleasure reading anyway, went back and forth between Bowdoin and Brandeis. A little more than halfway through this last game, Brandeis made a push and the Polar Bears faced a three point deficit, 11-14. The crowd grew quiet, Good’s mom smiled at her from the bleachers, first-year Lindsay Davis pondered the ancient philosophical question “Why am I here?”, and then Bowdoin got it together. The team clawed their way back to win the game, 17-15, and thus the match.

The rest of the day at Brandeis was a good deal easier for the Bowdoin team. They first beat UMass Dartmouth in three games and then Emerson College again in straight games. Davis led the way against UMass with seven kills, while Shanna Mitchell ’00, with 19 assists and co-captain Chris Beckham ’01, with seven kills, helped the Bears beat Emerson.

Bowdoin took home a second place trophy in the tournament, behind only Augsburg College, and extended their win streak to five matches.

Last weekend, Bowdoin performed well in its own tournament, the Polar Bear Invitational. Friday evening the Polar Bears took their home court for the first time and defeated Salem State College, 15-6, 15-5, 15-7. This game is now fittingly referred to as, “The Alyson Shea Show,” a game that left Buckley, Shea ‘00, a dominating presence on and off the court, had seven kills and four service aces.

“I think living with Sam (Good) has really started to rub off on me,” said Shea when asked about her performance on Friday night.

The second day of the tournament, Bowdoin faced UMaine Presque Isle, and won easily in three straight sets, 15-6, 15-4, 15-2. After a few hours of line-judging and sandwich building, the Bears took the court for one last match against UMaine Farmington. The match included flashes of brilliance from first-year Claire “Patty Frasshaj” Newton, who helped Bowdoin win in three consecutive games, 15-6, 15-5, 15-7. Buckley, though she sprained an ankle in their last match, was named to the All-Tournament Team and voted the NESCAC Player of the Week for her superb performance at the Polar Bear invitational.

The volleyball team is currently 8-0 heading into a tournament hosted by Bates this weekend. This tournament includes the top teams in New England and should be the first true test for the Bears. The team is confident going into this weekend, despite the loss of a few key players in the lineup to injuries. If all goes well, the Polar Bears will shuffle, slide, sprint, and backpedal past all that’s 3-0 or 3-1 of their opponents this weekend.

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The Polar Bears prepare their spikes for their upcoming contest at the Bates Invitational this weekend. (Shelley Magier/Bowdoin Orient)
Campus meeting describes Union Street project plans

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At the campus-wide meeting on Wednesday, October 7, President Edwards, Director of Public Affairs Scott Hood and Director of Facilities Management Bill Gardiner outlined Bowdoin’s plans for expansion and presented plans for the new Union Street Building.

The new building, to be completed by the fall of 1999, will be built in the Maine State Station area in downtown Brunswick, which is planned to replace the present lot adjacent to Shop ‘n Save. “The building is designed to be a relief valve for some of the space crunch here at Bowdoin,” said Hood. “The building will allow the Human Resources department, the Communications department and the Controller’s office to move from their current spaces on campus to the new building. The Union Street Building will also house studio art space for advanced students and faculty, allowing them to move from the current space which the college leases from Fort Andrew to the new building, which is closer to campus and, additionally, is a permanent solution.”

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Longfellow, where the controller’s office is housed, the new facility will also provide relief for the parking shortage on and around campus. “The school wants to build one hundred and twenty-five spaces in the parking lot at [this facility],” said Gardiner. “We want to use seventy-five spaces for people who are employed at the site or are visiting the site, and use an additional fifty for student parking.”

According to Gardiner, if the college is successful in its plan to acquire several fraternity houses, then the spaces at the new complex could be used to house students who did not get spaces in the lots at the former fraternity houses. Effectively, the new spaces would also free up spaces at Farley Field House, which would otherwise be used by those students.

At the meeting, which was attended by approximately twenty-five people, fewer than five of whom were students, Edwards also outlined the school’s projected expansion. He said that the school plans to expand the faculty at a rate of two or three new positions per year over the next three years. Edwards added that, despite the opening of space on the central campus caused by the new complex and the return of the math and computer science departments to Searles Hall when it reopens next year, the school will still need another building in the central campus area. He did not, however, announce any time frame for the new construction.

Local residents offered few objections to the planned Union Street project following concessions made by the College including reducing the parking spaces and creating a “buffer zone” near the residents. Plans are underway to begin construction by the end of this year to have the building ready for occupancy before the end of next year.

Alcohol concerns lead to formation of education task forces

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On the heels of the recent incident of alleged hazing in which a student consumed 11 kegs of beer in an hour, questions have been raised about the awareness and knowledge students have about the effects of alcohol.

The class of 2002 received an informational lecture during orientation about alcohol which included a speaking appearance by a female student hospitalized from alcohol poisoning last year. Both the E9 and the administration are putting together alcohol task forces to address problems relating to alcohol, including increased education for students.

A number of new alcohol education initiatives are in progress. The E9 has formed an alcohol task force that will soon begin meeting weekly. In addition, there is an administrative task force in the works that will include a student government representative, a fraternity member, a house leader, a freshman, a male and female athlete, a residential life member, a member of security, a health service person, faculty and possibly coaches.

The task force hopes to promote awareness and education about alcohol throughout the entire Bowdoin community, said David Lopes, an E9 and IHC member.

“We want to raise alcohol awareness and create a responsible campus,” said Lopes.

Both the E9 and the administration are forming task forces to try to increase students’ awareness of the effects of alcohol. (Adam Zimman/Bowdoin Orient)

“We want to help houses plan responsible parties and be courteous to the residents around the campus. We hope to answer questions and inform the student body,” Lopes said.

Lopes stressed that the forces were not saying that alcohol is “that bad.” Rather, it is believed that raising awareness will help to enforce a responsible drinking atmosphere.

The IHC, which is composed of two representatives from each social house and fraternity, also works through the house system to promote responsible parties and drinking.

“Our goal is to have something tangible to present to the community,” Lopes said.

With the task forces and the IHC, the college appears to be taking steps toward broadening the awareness and education of alcohol and its effects.

Dr. David Clark, the director of the Drug Addiction Resource Center in Brunswick and an internist who has been practicing in drug- and alcohol-related issues since 1970, explained the physical effects of drinking. Because alcohol is water soluble, it goes through the entire body very quickly. Within a matter of minutes, blood throughout the body has the same alcohol concentration. The average amount of alcohol a person can process is one drink per hour, or a 12 oz. beer, a 5 oz. glass of wine, or 1.5 oz. of hard liquor.

Individual differences in weight and tolerance levels can affect the processing of alcohol. “How high the [blood alcohol] level goes depends on body volume,” said Clark.

The body processes alcohol at a steady rate, no matter what the blood level of alcohol may be. Therefore, no matter how much people drink, they will be unable to process more than a certain amount. “How fast you drink has everything to do with how high the level goes,” Clark said.

Moreover, the type of drink consumed has little effect on intoxication. The old warning, “Beer before liquor never sicken; liquor before beer, the coast is clear” is not based in the actual order of the types of drinks, but instead has to do with how people drink.

“If you start with liquor, you become intoxicated faster, so you probably will not consume as much,” said Clark. “If you start with beer you feel better, and can pile quite more in, so you may drink more liquor than you can actually handle.”

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Noise from student parties upsets neighbors

This is the second in a three-week series examining interactions between the College and Brunswick.

• Last week: Physical expansion and growing enrollment
• This week: Noise complaints
• October 23: Volunteer activities

AIFHEEN FAMILY STAFF WRITER

The proximity of the college, and especially college housing, to the rest of the town of Brunswick often causes problems with noise complaints. The College Houses on Main and Cody Streets are especially susceptible to this.

A number of complaints have come in this year, and as expected, given the location of the College Houses, but “this year has actually been quite a slow year,” said Security Officer Kevin Conner. “A lot of people haven’t been out and about as they have been in the past.”

According to Conner, “Most of the noise complaints are caused by foot traffic on College Street and from crowds gathering outside of parties. Many people call us just to get us to deal with the crowds.”

Most noise complaints are dealt with directly by security. When a call comes in, it is from an on-campus or off-campus source, officers are sent to the party. “We have very good relations with the students,” said Conner. “The hosts are always very willing to cooperate.” Only if Security receives multiple complaints do Brunswick Security officers shut down the party.

If someone complains to the Brunswick Police Department, however, more drastic action is often taken. “If we see that there are people outside making noise, then we give them a warning and send them inside,” said Mark Hagen of the Brunswick PD. “If we think the party cannot be contained, however, we often have to close it down when we arrive.”

Security stresses that all parties should be maintained at a level where the police don’t feel it’s a problem. “We do not shut down any parties,” said Conner, “we just make sure that they are well controlled and have no problems.”

While fewer than five parties have been shut down by Security because of noise complaints in the past six weeks, it is under just how many complaints have been made. People often call the Brunswick Police Department first, because they perceive Security as less likely to shut down a party, but Security does not call the police after receiving a call unless there is something else involved. “We have no need to call the police unless someone’s life is in danger,” said Conner. “We’re not here to get people in trouble. We want to maintain a noise level where the police are not called, and the neighbors are happy.”

Despite the fact that this year has not generated as many complaints as last year, several parties have still been shut down, and a number of calls have been made to the Brunswick Police Department. “The Brunswick Police Department [calls Brunswick Security],” said Hagen, “when [they] are busy, in hopes that security can keep things under control, however, if we receive a complaint, then we step in ourselves.”

Roger Howe, a mathematics professor at Yale University, delivered a lecture and a colloquium this week. He explored several little-known theorems in Euclidean geometry, and offered insights into other geometries such as affine and elliptical.

Howe also came to Bowdoin last year to speak with Professor William Barker’s Continuous Symmetry class. Howe and Barker have been working together for over two years to develop an undergraduate course and textbook in symmetry.

The Dan E. Christie Mathematics Lecture fund was founded in 1976 by friends, family, colleagues and students of Christie, a member of the Class of 1937 who taught mathematics at Bowdoin for 33 years.

The House of Representatives opened debate Thursday on a formal impeachment inquiry of President Clinton, only the third such investigation in history. The outcome of the vote in the Republican-controlled House was in doubt as scores of Democrats were expected to join Republicans in authorizing an unrestricted probe that could range far beyond the fallout from Clinton’s affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky. “We don’t make any judgments. We don’t make any charges. We simply begin a search for truth,” House Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry Hyde, an Illinois Republican, said as debate opened.

Tony Blair and Northern Ireland’s political leaders have begun to press Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams and the IRA’s promise to begin giving up its weapons. The IRA is supposed to decommission its weapons as part of the agreement reached at last spring’s referendum. Adams claims that it is “within the gift of Sinn Fein” to get the IRA to hand over its weapons, despite providing the money with which the weapons were purchased in the first place. The reprise from violence, Adams claims, is proof enough that Ireland is ready to make progress from the bloody conflict of the past and that asking for disarmament would be too much.

A Serbian massacre of fourteen ethnic Albanian men in Gorahevac may elicit military air strikes from NATO. An additional 45 massacre victims from earlier violence have been uncovered in nearby villages. Military action will be considered after a report from UN Secretary General Kofi Annan. The outraged European national leaders are expected to weigh heavily in the decision concerning retaliation. Milosevic’s Slovenian, the Serbian president, seems unconcerned by the recent actions of his countrymen and has done little to punish the perpetrators.

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Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble

by Greig Arendt

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Economics professor lectures on value of nature

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As part of a continuing lecture series entitled "Valuing Nature," Professor A. Myrick Freedman Wednesday evening called "How Much is Nature Really Worth? An Economic Perspective." Professor Freedman stated that indeed they have a value: it provides many important goods and services that benefit human beings. He illustrated this fact by citing an example from Gretchen Daily, a Stanford University professor who has studied this subject extensively. One of her studies seeks to see how much natural value truly does have, one must think about colonizing the moon. Which species should people take? Which are important? The number and diversity are quite large. Freeman also referred to the Arizona-based project Biosphere II, where humans tried to live in a closed, self-sustaining environment for two years with no outside help. They experienced serious difficulties with this, including species extinction and declining oxygen levels.

Freedman said that so far life scientists are among the few who have consciously recognized the values of particular parts of nature. However, despite the number of people like Daily about the inadvisability of adding up components of nature for one lump sum as a total. Freeman referred to two such endeavors, the Costanza study and the Pimentel study. Each of these studies lists various services that nature provides for humans, determined how much these services would be worth, and then lists an estimated value of three billion dollars for Pimentel and thirty-three billion dollars for Costanza. Freeman attributed the notable difference in these figures to the relative infancy of the idea of pricing the services of nature, and he noted that there was "no agreement as to what exactly." No consistency in choosing which services should be appraised. Freedman said these studies raised five important questions. First, "What do we mean by nature? What are we trying to value?" He said he believed that nature is all living organisms and their interactions with each other and with their physical environment, meaning that very little of modern society is not dependent on nature." In this case, however, he said he is primarily concerned with those aspects of nature which provide services for people. A question that he said is important to ask is, "Are we a part of nature or are we apart from nature?" This question is, according to Freeman, "problematic from an economic perspective, because we certainly have an impact on nature, and it can be argued that nature has also had an impact on us."

The second question dealt with the concept of value, and what is meant by that word. Freeman cited two kinds of values: intrinsic and instrumental value. Intrinsic value is the idea that an object has value in and of itself, and not because of its potential benefits for humans. Some people, according to Freeman, believe that nature has an intrinsic value, and claim simply because it exists, it is valuable. Freeman said that this is "more self-referential" than an instrumental value, but it is not useful in dealing with policy issues. "Instrumental value," which Freeman said he believes is "more relevant" when discussing this question, is the concept that an object only has a value "in its contribution to some goal." This means that the components of nature and the goals for them. In economics, the goal is to advance the well-being of humans, and the value of nature is how the environmental services contribute to the well-being of people. However, Freeman said, it is also necessary to take into account the opinion of the people by observing them and asking them how they feel about certain issues. This can be called their willingness to pay for the preservation of these resources or the willingness to accept compensation for the loss of these resources. The third question, according to Freeman, asks, "Why should we value nature in economic terms?" The answer to that question, Freeman said, is that "we must make choices" about what to preserve. "Some impact on the environment is bad, some is good. Should we be going on for a long time? We must learn how to manage the environment to get the best mix of services."

The fifth question Freeman asked is, "Do the Costanza and Pimentel studies provide value information about the environment?" Freeman answered in the negative. He said that the studies "are not meaningful to the economic evaluation question," and he said he has seen them in "flawed methods, data, and just plain mistakes." The grand totals arrived at by these teams "measure the compensation needed to maintain current human well-being in all ecosystem services," which Freeman deemed "a fanciful scenario."

Freedman said his answer to the question, "How much are ecosystems worth?" is "a lot." They provide valuable services to humans, and Freeman said he believes that they are the only use for these two studies is "to call attention to this fact." This lecture series came about when faculty members formed a Workshop on Valuing Nature last semester to discuss the Costanza study. They met regularly throughout the spring to discuss the ecological, ethical, aesthetic and economic issues surrounding the concept of "the value of nature." The Workshop and the talks are sponsored by the Environmental Studies Program and the William D. Shimpan Professorship, created by a gift from Stanley Druckenmiller '75.

The next lectures in this series will be given Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Kneese Auditorium. Professor Lawrence Simon of the philosophy department will speak about "The Waste of Nature," and an artist will discuss the question, "Does Valuing Nature Devalue Idealism, Religion, and God?"

Alcohol education task forces formed

In our article last week on the performance of Bowdoin's endowment, there was a misprint in the comparison of Bowdoin's and Harvard's losses. The article should have said that the $36 million Bowdoin recorded as a loss in the endowment market value from June 30 to August 31 is far less than the losses suffered by Harvard. The $1.3 billion loss Harvard has reported over the past two and a half months is almost three times Bowdoin's entire endowment. The Orient regrets the error.

Correction

Alcohol is a chemical depressant. Major amounts remove inhibitions, and provide the giddy, sociable feeling most people enjoy. Clark said, however, alcohol in any amount will affect thinking. "People don't make good decisions in complicated situations," Clark said. "You make less good decisions when you have been drinking." While the aftereffects may be limited to a hangover the next day, the impairment of "one's decision-making ability often leads to serious problems. "Your judgment and coordination are worse, so that how people drink," Clark said. "The combination of bad judgment and impaired coordination gets people into trouble. There is very clear evidence that people become more impulsive when they are drunk. Weinberg said, 'In there, there's just a difference in level.'" Clark said that makes often become very aggressive, and that they are more likely to become sexually transmitted diseases. It's a setup for disaster," he said. Clark stressed the danger of drinking games and the problem with drinking hard alcohol. In drinking games the drinkers often lose track of how much they are consuming. "Games are designed to bypass what's safe, like counting how much one has drunk, and taste. Many people just don't like the taste [so they drink faster]," Clark said. "It distorts me that kids drink to get drunk. Getting drunk produces trouble.

Clark said hard liquor often makes it particularly difficult for a person to judge how intoxicated they are because it is consumed more rapidly. When someone drinks liquor quickly, it sets in the stomach and is processed. When someone is drinking beer, it is harder to consume large amounts quickly, therefore it is easier to tell when you have had too much. However, with hard liquor you can become intoxicated and still have some liquor sitting in your stomach, because you drink so much so fast.

The cause of death for most people who have had too much alcohol, besides those situations resulting from bad judgment like car accidents, is often the cessation of breathing. "The clock that keeps you breathing gets shut off if the sedative [alcohol] is too high an amount," said Clark. "That's why people die from alcohol." Clark said that those with a high tolerance for alcohol need to be particularly careful, as they are less likely to be aware of their thinking is impaired and drink too much. "Many people think higher tolerance is a good thing, but it's bad, because you don't get warned," he said. Clark said the most important things for students to understand are that not everyone is drinking all the time on weekends, and that drinking games are dangerous and unhealthy. In addition, he said the safe limits of drinking are two drinks for women and four for men on any one occasion, with no more than fourteen drinks per week and at least one day each week without alcohol. For additional information about alcohol, please contact the Drug Addiction Resource Center of Mid Coast Hospital at 413-7260."
Birds and avocados: Wheelwright researches populations

This is part of a semester-long series focusing on Bowdoin professors and their individual research endeavors.

ADAM ZIMMAN
PHOTO EDITOR

The next time that you sit beneath a tree you might wonder if trees have sex. This is just one tidbit of information that Professor Nathaniel T. Wheelwright of the biology department could help you figure out. Wheelwright calls himself a field biologist, though his field of research is much more specific than the term biologist implies. He specializes in behavioral ecology, evolutionary ecology, population biology, and conservation biology. Behavioral ecology is the study of animals and plants. Evolutionary ecology studies how organisms adapt to their environment. Population biology looks closely at the demographics of a species in a particular area. Conservation biology is a rather new field that incorporates all of the other fields mentioned above along with a few other specialized fields and examines how to save the biology of a particular area. Wheelwright currently is working on two major projects. On Kent Island, Wheelwright has been working to "understand the natural fabric of a bird population." This search for understanding brings up questions like: Does the observed polygamist nature of these birds effect how the female chooses a mate? What are the consequences of these decisions? The two species of birds he is focusing on are the savanna sparrow and the tree sparrow.

Two students are currently conducting honors projects under his advisement. Jane Beagley '99 is studying the progression of nest building abilities as a function of age, while Meredith Sweet '99 is looking into the inheritance of song in the Maine tree swallows. These two studies will be incorporated into the study of the populations as a whole. For a change of scenery, Wheelwright heads down south to Costa Rica. Monteverde, in the mountains of Costa Rica, has a large number of avocado trees that Wheelwright is studying. There are both male and female avocado plants. Wheelwright learned this when he began researching this site for his dissertation. Since then he has also come to find that only about 10 percent of trees do have separate sexes.

An interesting thing about the avocado plant, beyond its sexual split, is that it can change sex during its lifetime. Even more amazing is the observation that it changes based on its neighbors. If there is an over-abundance of local male plants, one may change to a female to increase the chances of spreading its seed. For Wheelwright, this location has become the subject of a long term study. He hopes that with the publication of his book this spring (Monteverde: Ecology and Conservation of a Tropical Cloud Forest), Monteverde will become established as a strong research location. Wheelwright also has used his experiences in the field to build stronger courses here at Bowdoin. With the help of Professor Myrick Freeman of the economics department and Professor Lawrence Simon of philosophy, the three have brought a new dimension to Environmental Studies 101. The three professors team-teach the course to allow the students to receive three points of view: the ecologist who believes that all species should be protected, the economist who says we need to make choices and set priorities, and the philosopher who ponder's our responsibilities to other species. With these three views, Wheelwright hopes that the students come out of the class with a rounded opinion of their place in nature.

Harvard classics professor explores Nazi use of Virgil

Richard Thomas, professor of classics at Harvard University, explained how Nazi leaders used Virgil's Georgics, a work protesting the Roman Civil War, as a defense of their fascist policies. (Lindsey Szaszek/Bowdoin Orient)

KATHLEEN PARKER
CONTRIBUTOR

Richard Thomas, professor of classics at Harvard University, gave a lecture at Bowdoin on Monday night entitled "Gender's Daydreams: Virgil in the Third Reich."

The lecture dealt with the way Nazi historians manipulated the works of Virgil to justify their actions in Europe before and during World War II. Thomas spoke of how Nazi leaders used Virgil's Georgics, a work protesting the Roman Civil War, as a defense of their racist ideology.

He argued that the Goebbels' skewed interpretation "places history at the disposal of the Zeitgeist" and allowed fascists to twist "history into the political need of the moment."

Thomas answered questions on later interpretations of Virgil in reference to war, including Americans who compared themselves to Virgil when protesting the Vietnam war. He also spoke on the question of when the interpretation of historical works.

Thomas has taught at Harvard, the University of Cincinnati, Cornell University, and the University of Venice. He has served as Director of the American Philological Association and as a Trustee of the Vergilian Society. He has published several books and more than 20 articles.

The lecture was sponsored by the classics department and the Jasper Stahl Lectureship in the Humanities.

Campus Crosstalk

Colby College has named Ellen Goodman, a syndicated columnist and associate editor of the Boston Globe, as their 46th Elia- phish Lovejoy Fellow. She will deliver the Lovejoy address November 12, when she will also receive an honorary degree. The award, presented annually to an outstanding journalist, honors the memory of the 1826 Colby graduate regarded as the nation's first martyr to freedom of the press.

Administrators at Boston College are trying to track down the author of a racist e-mail message sent to 15 minority students last Thursday and Friday. The anonymous note read: "BC is for white men." The incident came several days after racist graffiti was scribbled on the doors of minority students in a first-year dorm. Approximately 20 percent of the college's nearly 9,000 undergraduates are minorities.

Smith College plans to create a $1 million program beginning in 2000 to pay students for taking unpaid internships at nonprofit and other organizations during summer breaks. About 55 percent of Smith's students take internships, but many cannot afford to take an unpaid job because they need to earn money during the summer to help pay for college.

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October 11, 25

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A hopeful government beginning

The newly selected Student Assembly met with the E9 for the first time last Wednesday, marking the start of a hopeful year for student government. Following the ineffective inaugural year of the bicameral government which split the nine-member executive board from the larger assembly, it hopes to enhance its role of representing the student body and bolster its authority by producing tangible results.

They are still defining themselves to a certain extent, but have taken valuable steps toward authenticating their role as a conduit between the student body and the Administration. Changes in the structure of the Student Assembly, for example, have made the government more representative. The Assembly had always included the four class presidents and representatives from the College House system and Inter-Fraternity Council, but last year included only three independent representatives. The amplification of at-large representatives to thirteen will make for more dynamic deliberations.

With a stronger foundation, the student government will strive to make itself a more proactive presence. It has taken the initiative in formulating five task forces to tackle some of the most pressing issues. These include the alcohol and social policies, intellectual quality outside of the classroom and the status of diversity and gender. The placement of Assembly members into these task forces, led by members of the E9, will also serve to lessen the isolation of the Assembly.

Primarily, the student government would like to play a larger role in the lives of students. It does have an important relationship with the Administration as well as trustees, but it is right in focusing upon its responsibility to the students. It is the student organization which oversees all others, including the Student Activities Fund Council. To the extent which students have something to say, their government must be ready to listen.

Forests, the breakfast of Champion

Forget Paul Bunyan. The romanticism of forestry is gone. The plaid-shirted lumberjacks of our imaginations have been replaced by hulking yellow logging machines. Champion International—which recently announced its plans to double clear-cutting—has done little to revive the honor of forestry.

Champion insists that environmentalists like Jonathan Carter, a former Green party gubernatorial candidate, play down the positive effects of clear-cutting. True enough. The facts about clear-cutting are often buried by politics. Few people know that clear-cutting, in the 1970s and 80s saved much of Maine’s forest from the spruce budworm epidemic. Clear-cutting can also stimulate regeneration and provide a dietary benefit for animals feeding on low-lying scrubs.

But Champion does not have a monopoly on the facts; the case of environmentalists is also built upon facts. Clear-cutting exposes ground to fall unguaranteed which can lead to over-heating of surrounding waters. Cold water fish like trout and salmon can die from warming of rivers and streams. Owls, grouse, and woodpeckers must evacuate their homes. Bears lose the beech trees which they feed upon. Without vegetation to anchor soil, erosion into nearby lakes and streams increases. When trees are replanted, Champion sprays herbicides to kill hardwoods competing for sunlight against desired softwoods. These herbicides can contaminate water supplies and endanger both humans and animals.

Motivation must tip the balance where facts cannot conclude the debate. What do environmentalists seek to gain by blocking Champion, a company that will admittedly supply jobs? There is no money in social protest and no satisfaction in depriving people of work. It seems environmentalists must actually be concerned about the environment. What, then, does Champion seek from clear-cutting? Perhaps the company wants to create low-lying scrub for moose and deer to feed upon. Perhaps Champion has covert knowledge of another threatening spruce epidemic. Perhaps Champion is on a mission to aid regeneration in areas with already thriving forests. Or, perhaps, just maybe, Champion is out to make a buck, or more precisely, a few million bucks.

The time for community

When the campus-wide meetings were first developed two years ago, the original concept was to have a "town meeting" for the Bowdoin community where President Edwards and other administrators would be available to hear and respond to student concerns. The open-microphone meetings were well-attended, but often dragged on interminably as students complained about a wide variety of unrelated issues monthly.

Last year, a decision was made to change the meetings to the current, more structured format. A topic is set, like this week’s Union Street project, which administrators can discuss or defend before the student body. This format change was a wise decision, as it allowed for a more focused and productive meetings while still opening up the floor to other concerns.

The time of these meetings, however, was unfortunately changed from early evenings to mid-afternoons. Student attendance has fallen dramatically, from the standing-room only crowds surrounding the floor and balconies of Smith Union two years ago to the fewer than five students present at this week’s meeting. Wednesday afternoons are one of the busiest times for students, with classes, labs, work, and other meetings fighting for our time.

The meetings need to be held later in the evenings to regain their previous value in facilitating communication between students and the Administration. The structured format combined with a more accessible meeting time would create a better opportunity for the Administration to efficiently disseminate information while quickly responding to students’ questions, concerns and suggestions. Relations between students and the administration would be improved, and valuable input from interested students on various topics would be easily gathered.
The bare facts on clear-cutting in Maine

- In September, the Forestry Service reported that if present cutting rates continue, stocks of spruce, fir, and other major species will collapse.
- Champion owns 94,000 acres of Maine woods and it hopes to quadruple the amount of timber it grows and cuts on its best lands. To do this, Champion will double its clearcutting, herbicide spraying and single-species plantation development over the next 20 to 40 years.
- A representative for the Maine Audubon Society cautions that "it may take several hundred years for Champion plantations to return to natural forest conditions."
- Champion provides 1,400 jobs, pays $96 million in annual wages and benefits, and yearly contributes $160 million into the Maine economy.
- On 40 percent of its land, Champion practices selective cutting to maintain a diverse combination of softwood and hardwood trees.
- An acre of land today has not been clearcut if at least 30 square feet (six percent of an acre) is covered by trees.
- Presently, clear-cutting uses herbicides to clear 10 to 15 percent of the annual cut in Maine.
- After 50 to 60 years, trees are large enough to harvest for pulp. Trees must grow for at least 40 years and be harvested for saw logs.
- The USEPA has determined that clear-cutting can help animals, such as deer, that prefer "edge" habitat, the boundaries between open and wooded land.
- The negative effects of clearcutting can be mitigated through selective harvesting and habitat preservation.

CUTTING:
- Some species of birds go to older clearcuts. However, grouse and woodpeckers require dense forest.
- While soil erosion is a problem, the gains in ground water, water runs off more quickly, increasing the likelihood of forest erosion into lakes or streams.
- Most clear-cut areas are sprayed with herbicides after five to 10 years to kill unwanted hardwood trees that grow after the cut. Toxic chemicals in herbicides can get into lakes or streams.
- Owls lose their homes when forests are clear-cut.
- Clear-cutting destroys beech trees which bears feed upon.
- Chemicals from runoff and salmon are at risk because clear-cutting causes rivers and streams to warm.

Information compiled from www.powernet.net/ftp/pph927.htm & www-centralmaine.com/forests/history.html

The Orient Forum

Topic of the Orient Forum: Champion Int’l recently announced its plans to double clear-cutting and increase herbicide spraying in the state of Maine. Jonathan Carter is leading environmentalists hoping to block this plan. Do you support Champion Int’l or Carter?

The term “clearcutting” evokes disgust from most people. It sounds as if it is a great environmental detriment. Many people form the opinion that it should be stopped without ever realizing its implications. Clearcutting is actually necessary to maintain productive forests. Trees are a renewable resource; there is no reason for people to harbor malice toward the clearcutting process. Carter is a rabid extremist in the cause. He knows little about forest ecology than the layman’s equation of “clearcutting is bad” is that he should keep his nose out of the places it doesn’t belong and let the state run organizations deal with forestry regulation. As it is Carter is wasting everyone’s time and money. I resent the way you phrased this question. It implies that Champion is a great corruptive force and that Carter is a noble object representing the ultimate benefit of the state. You are wrong.

Mike Leveson

Judging by the amounts of photocopies received, reading and dittos I receive daily at Bowdoin, I don’t know if Maine really needs to double its clearcutting plots. On the flip side of the coin, clearcutting is the most cost efficient way to log a portion of the woods, plus you never have to worry about this land being logged again in that portion again. The use of herbicides needs to be clarified more. Are we talking heavy duty defoliation products like 2,4-2, Agent Orange, or just a lot of deet for the loggers?

Until then I can neither urge nor denounce support for Champion Int’l.

Ryan C. Johnson ’00

I support Champion Int’l. I think that they will do more for Maine economically than Carter can.

Aryeh M. Jasper ’02

I support Jonathan Carter. The paper companies don’t do enough to protect the environment & are only interested in their bottom-line and getting enough profits to pay off their CEOs and other top executives’ salaries and bonuses, at the expense of the average worker and any environmental concerns.

Jeanie Collart ’00

I think you should have done a better job explaining the situation to Bowdoin students.

All you said was that Champion was going to double clearcutting, etc., you made no mention of why. I think the responses you get will not be an accurate measure of the feelings of Bowdoin students. Tell us the whole story, and then ask for our feedback.

Laura Palange ’99

First of all, this is too simplified a prompt for such a complex issue. The Maine Woods are just a subset of the big picture: large clearcutting projects have been going on in the eastern United States. Unfortunately, the most of the woods is owned by multinational corporations, such as Champion, with a short-term, strictly timber interest in the forest.

The forest industry is doing poorly now as forests have been overharvested and the quality trees disappear. Champion’s response seems to be an acceleration of the clearcutting. It is clear-cutting, not just clear-cutting. The fourth of July, on the one hand, was supposed to be an environmental victory. It is never a good idea to destroy something as this plan would. For it not known what the effects will be until it is too late. It is too late.

It is true that the trees will grow back, a forest is more than just that single plant. It is a diverse ecosystem that, once destroyed, will take lifetimes to regain what was once there. 

Matthew Stenton ’02

This question is extremely loaded. Essentially you are asking whether or not we support the chopping down of trees and the use of herbicides. Anyone in their right mind does not support this. However, logging must be done somewhere, and since I do not have all the facts on this specific case I cannot comment on either side of the issue.

Matt Ottlo ’02

I support Jonathan Carter’s plan. While it is true that the trees will grow back, a forest is more than just that single plant. It is a diverse ecosystem that, once destroyed, will take lifetimes to regain what was once there. 

Adam Cowling ’01

As a resident of the state of Maine for my entire 20 plus years I am always concerned over what is occurring to Maine’s forest. The forestry vote that occurred in the fall of ’96 and again in ’97, set so much in reality, I feel, but in the politics involved, and the majority of the voters being informed—especially young out of state Bowdoin students—was the real tragedy. Clearcutting, in itself is not a bad thing. The side effects such as soil erosion and loss of habitat are, I think that the general population (i.e. Portland area) concentrate on this one aspect. I would wager that a company as large as Champion, with its own future to look out for is not going to destroy its own livelihood and those of its employees—many who have worked in the forest industry their entire lives and can do nothing else by rapid reforestation. In fact, I bet that they understand more of what is occurring than you or I.

Patrick Dupery ’02

Once again business is putting short-term profit interests ahead of long-term intelligent and responsible ones. The awareness needs to understand that the environment is important to everyone and once you mess it up, you can’t buy your way out of the problem, no matter how much money you have.

Hugh Hill ’02

The people of Maine suffer from many maladies, including low per capita incomes and the third highest tax burden in the nation. These problems are in part because Maine has been unable to attract and keep industries that provide secure, high-paying jobs and a stable tax base. Champion International wishes to increase its logging in Maine, providing much needed jobs to unskilled laborers while generating tax receipts at the same time. Sounds like the perfect solution to me.

Pat Thompson ’01
Moulton or Wentworth?

AARON ROSEN '01
Maine

"Moulton. I like the taco bar on African theme night."

CONOR DOWLEY
FIRST-YEAR
Middletown, CT

"I don't have anything witty to say..."

MATT BITONI '00
Long Island, NY

"Wentworth, because I ignore the existence of freshmen!"

ABIR BISWAS '01
Montreal, CANADA

"I only ever go to Moulton for bag lunch."

ALICE TURCOTTE '03
Bath, ME

"I bring my own food. That's why I'm going to live to be an old lady!"

Matt Aufferman

"Wentworth. Tuna isn't crusty on top."

STUDENT SPEAK

Fighting words

By Melissa Braveman

For three years I have wandered around Bowdoin feeling its unremarkably inferior to, and intimidated and subordinated by, my peers. Despite seemingly incessant hours of soul-searching, I had previously been unable to locate the source of these feelings of inadequacy. But today, suddenly, swiftly, and silently, I was struck with an epiphany: I am surrounded here by the most astounding breed of geniuses imaginable. It's amazing, people here are so smart. I mean really, no one here has even been wrong about anything, so far as I know. If this comes as a surprise to you, I am excited to be the one to share this wonder of living among people who are right 100% of the time, even diametrically opposed to one another.

One of the very valuable parcels of knowledge these walking miracles have imparted to me has been the art of arguing. While I'm still struggling through the wisdom with which I am constantly exposed, I do believe that careful attention has allowed me to glean a good amount of expertise in the arena of. So, for as I can tell, all good fights begin with the words, "Of course I'm right. You suck. I win." But there is so much more to the art of arguing. It's actually a task in this column to teach you the lessons I have learned from my uninvited arguing mentors, my peers.

An illustrative example might be of help. Please imagine Suzie and Jenny pulling hairs in a bitter fight about who should have to clean the shower drain.

Suzie: This is really funny. The hair are bonding in our drain. Oh look, my blonde ones are procuring with your brown ones.

Jenny: Then maybe you should stop showering.

Suzie: I thought maybe we could clean the drain now.

Jenny: Then you should have said so. I washed the windows the other day.

Suzie: Right, and I polished the silverware. I didn't mean for you to be frustrated.

Jenny: You're a witch. And your perfume smells funny too.

Suzie: Ooh. can't we do this without calling names?

Jenny: You said I was frustrated. And I said you were a witch, so we're even. Oh, and I'm right.

Now let's dissect this conversation. So far, Jenny has assaulted Suzie's moral character, ever been cut with Suzie, and thrown Suzie's negligence in her face— all of which make for a nice segue into Melissa's dos and don'ts of fighting.

DO:

• Pull hair. Preferably from each other. The drain can wait.

• Call names. If there is tension in the first place, showing a friend that you care so little about her that you want to hurt her instead of solving the problem can only make things better.

Letter to the Editor

In an admirable effort to bring the scholarly work of the Faculty to the attention of the Bowdoin community, Adam Zimman has been writing a series of essays in the research endeavors of Bowdoin professors. I was pleased that my philosophical research was the subject of last week's column.

However, I feel that I must correct one rather serious misrepresentation of my views. According to the article, "Sehon is quick to point out that there is no real right or wrong, only theories that support a particular view." I did not say this, and nothing could be further from what I think, either about philosophy or science.

Naturally, my work involves propounding philosophical theories, and, of course, these theories represent my opinions. But they are my opinions about the truth of the matter. If I thought that there was no fact of the matter concerning philosophical issues, why would I bother to form and justify opinions concerning them?

Philosophy does differ from the natural sciences. Because of the nature of the problems we address, philosophical questions are generally not amenable to scientific experiment, and there is often considerably more disagreement among philosophers than among physicists concerning central theoretical claims. But none of this implies that philosophical questions are unanswerable, and it does not imply that truth in philosophy is somehow relative to one's viewpoint.

The reasons and arguments used to justify philosophical views are generally considered rather than empirical but that does not make them any less objective. Whether we are talking about philosophy or science, realism is itself a false philosophical doctrine.

Scott R. Sehon
Professor of Philosophy
cherry blossoms
in springtime,
scandals blossoming
at all times.

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Retro-rock from Grease to Woodstock

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"No matter how old or young you are, you can come to rock the night away. And Rock 'N' Roll is here to stay." That proclamation could have been uttered over forty years ago as an advertisement for a lock-hop and still have made perfect sense, yet that quote came from a man named "Screaming Scott" only several day ago. It was meant as a friendly invitation to all members of the Bowdoin community: students, faculty, alumni, and anyone else who happens to be passing through.

Screaming Scott is the piano player and spokesman for a band named Sha Na Na, a group that played the Morrell Gymnasium on Dec. 9, 1973. Nearly twenty-five years later, the retro-rock group makes an eagerly anticipated return, this time in the Farley Field House for Homecoming weekend, on Saturday, October 24. Several years ago, a Bowdoin organization known as the New Century Campaign set a goal to raise $153 million to be used to keep the college updated for the next century. From 1993 to 1998 this campaign easily reached its goal: it raised $136 million. Obviously, the program was a tremendous success, as it has enabled the college to give money to Financial Aid, Endowments, the Capital Improvement Project, and various other Bowdoin-related causes, the organizers have since planned to celebrate this great achievement. As a way of thanking all seventeen thousand donors and bringing alumni together with present students, the organization asked Sha Na Na to play during this year's Homecoming weekend.

Sha Na Na started out as a college cappella group in the 1960's, but then began performing music of the much more innocent 1950's. The group's popularity began to rise, and it did not really reach mammoth proportions until they played the original Woodstock Concert in 1969. Perhaps the group is best known, however, as the band that played the lock-hop in the immensely popular 1970's retro-musical "Grease". The soundtrack also featured six cuts from the band, which gave them even more exposure and longevity, as it has sold well now for about twenty years.

Around this time the group had a national television show dedicated to what Screaming Scott now calls "straight-ahead innocent fun and stupidness," something incredibly rare in popular culture these days. "Why should we be interested in this childish bric-a-brac?" he asked, angsty-ridden 90's youth may ask. As Screaming Scott said from his climate-controlled office in the middle of the ninety-one degree heat of LA, "Sha Na Na are a link in the chain of popular music culture. Just as Marilyn Manson is an extension of Alice Cooper, and the Beatle Boys follow Grandmaster Flash and Run DMC, all music comes from what preceded it." He then acknowledged the fact that it is a natural part for every generation to reject its parent's music, yet young people must keep in mind that their parents did the exact same thing. It is all part of a continuous cycle, and people need to revisit the initial stages, or else they miss part of the link.

Where would music be today without the Rock 'N' Roll of the much tamer 1950's? Where would it be without jazz and blues (not to mention country, gospel, reggae, folk, etc., etc.)? There would have been no basis for rockabilly and other forms of early rock, like Bill Haley, Chuck Berry, Sam Perkins, and Elvis Presley. This point is also clearly being acknowledged at the Sha Na Na show, as the band that follows them, Eight to the Bar, combines "rhythm and blues, soul, Motown, and swing." Clearly within the past few years, swing has found a great resurgence, but people must not forget about the other forms that led into early rock.

In the past year alone, Sha Na Na have played Maine three times, and are eagerly anticipating their return to Bowdoin; the band's energetic spokesman and plaintive refer to Maine as "in its own curious way, a very rock 'n' roll place." The coming of this classic band will not be the only thing that brings back the spirit of yesteryear to Bowdoin; the week leading up to Homecoming will feature plenty of other slices of Americana as well. Both the films "Woodstock" and "Grease" will be shown in the Pub that week, and the dining hall will dedicate one night to 50's style food and music.

At the Ballroom Dancing Club's weekly gathering, a ten-year-old boy will give hula hoop lessons. Then, on Saturday, starting at about 9 p.m., students, faculty, and alumni should go to Farley Field House for Sha Na Na, Eight to the Bar, and other assorted surprises. It truly will be what Director of Donor Relations Kathy Billings calls "a Bowdoin Community Event." Screaming Scott attributes the recent swing craze to Americans' desire to "dress up in old clothes and dance to music from another era." Consequently, it only seems logical that people should be anxious to do the twist, lindy hop, and pom to the sound of the best music of the 1950's, as brought to Bowdoin by the band with the most multi-generational appeal, Sha Na Na.
Watch out Siskel and Ebert!
The Hoyter: Ryan Johnson

The leaves are changing fast and furiously outside and so is the thermostat inside your apartment. Please make a graph representing the relationships between the two variables, correctly labeling all axes and using the appropriate font.

That was a question from a math test I took a long time ago but to which the Bowdoin Heating Corps of Engineers applies directly to schemes of keeping the school warm. There's really no winter anymore at Bowdoin, all of the snow melts around campus because the buildings. In contrast to the inhabitants of some of those pictures in the view books and literature showing 10 foot drifts in front of the polar bear? Computer animated graphics and corn flakes painted white make great snowfalls.

This week's review is the 2nd in a never-ending series of "Sequel" articles. Peering into the shiny round orb of the toilet seat in my apartment I caught a glimpse of some future sequels coming out of Hollywood in the year 2135.

"RECAP" Hi folks this is Matty Matty with Jerry Jen. This is Entertainment Hourly and within the last 60 minutes of our last show, a record of 32 films have been produced and released. Let's go to Tom Tum, our rave reviewer to see how he is coping with all the films.

"silence"

Matty: We seem to be experiencing some technical difficulties in reverting Tom Tum's heart. The ConRoy has already released a preliminary autopsy report and it appears it was a possible homicide/suicide/drive by/overdose. We'll be back in a few nanoseconds and let you know where the funeral is.

Jen: Thanks Matty Matt. Okay we've already posted a new job opening, reviewed applications, interviewed and hired a new film critic. He's Yok Yok. Yok how are you doing today?

Yok: Fine and yourself?

Jen: Wonderful. Well can you tell us about some of those new films?

Yok: Definitely. Of the 34 new releases in this last hour only 14 are sequels. 7 of those are actually sequels to movies that premièred this hour and three of those are sequels to sequels which have also been named. Let me give you the low down on the sequels side.

Friday the 13th Part MCVII: Thomas takes up Ballet: 7 Carrot

Don't be fooled by the title, this is just another Friday the 13th mess. That's obvious in the first 10 minutes of the film, when the Friday the 13th screenwriting guild decided they had killed Jason one too many times to bring him back, so they changed his name to Thomas. What's next? A hermaphrodite hockey mask killer raging on Mars?? Skip this one and go on a date instead.

Titanic III: The Fall of the Bismark 1 1/4 carrots

James Jr. Jr. Cameron brings this story of yet another disaster at sea, this time taking audiences on a joy ride of the biggest and baddest of all battleships in WWII. Everyone knows how this one ends, and it's about time some producers and directors at Hollywood make a film about a ship that floats. This film definitely sinks. Only plus a thirty three minute sequence by Geo, the illegitimate son of Leo the 3rd. Geo plays a slick janitor, raised from the lower classes in Germany. He speaks fluent German, Russian and Libyan, plays the cello and wins the heart of every royal lady given a first rate tour of the ship when the Germans pull into port. Running time three days.

Lethal Weapon 4: Drug Dealers Hold up in a Funeral Home: 2 carrots

Yes the Lethal Weapon series has given loyal fans every conceivable group of drug dealers: druggies who hide under diplomatic immunity, dealers who use construction sites as cover, and now, dopers who have put themselves up in a funeral home. Only problem: Mel and Danny are dead guys, and guess where they are headed? If you have no idea what I'm talking about, check out the movie; otherwise it's sure to cure first degree insomnia. It was rumored during production that Mel Gibson's arthritis was so bad he had a stunt double do the whole movie. Except the part where he dislocates his shoulder. "These days I have a tough time keeping it in!" Gibson reportedly said. Also according to Gibson this is his last "Lethal Film" and he's done acting and will focus solely on directing. His current project: "The Man with No Head, Arms, Or Legs... Only Toes" is due out in 33 hours and 45 minutes.

Weekend at Susy's: 0 carrots

Sequel maestro Andrew Salami continues the tradition of making dead people big hits at the movies. Continuing the saga from "Weekend at Elizabeth's" (2003), "Weekend at Asami's" (2004), and "Weekend at Bernie's" (1989) this film features a whole town of dead people. It's sort of funny... for the first thirty seconds. But ninety minutes of crane shots zooming and zigzagging through the streets filming dead people?? It's like "The Andromeda Strain" or "Outbreak" without any of the suspense or horror. This is just a really bad movie. According to Mr. Salami, who has nothing to say, the film was a great success.

Yok: Well that about covers the best sequels for this hour. Please consult your local computer directory for the farthest show times and have a great 56 minutes! Back to you Jen Jen!

Jen: Okay thank you? This is Jen Jen and Matty Matt - Matt, where are you?

Adam Adams (producer): I think he's 'beepin' stalking some 'beep'?

Jen: Okay thank you! Good night and good day to all. This is Entertainment Hourly live from 40 meters under the Pacific Ocean. See you next week!!
Professor Barbara Welden Boyd (Gale Maier/Bowdoin Orient)

On Wednesday October 7, Professor Barbara Welden Boyd delivered a lecture titled, "Fenolte's Web: Images of Women in Homer's Odyssey." The talk was part of the continuing orientation of the Class of 2002. Welden Boyd's lecture was one of the many topics being given as part of the "Monsters, Gods and Mortals: Artists Interpret The Odyssey Across 25 Centuries" series being featured in the John H. Alfond Gallery of the Walker Art Museum. The exhibit will be up until October 18 after which it will be replaced by "Wilderness Transformated: American Landscape Painting."
**Weekly Calendar**

**Friday, October 9, 1998**

**FRI**
- **Film (9:00 & 10:00 p.m.)**
  - *Breachheart and Rocky Horror Picture Show*.

- **Belle Epoque**.

- **Dance (9:00 p.m.-1:30 a.m.)**
  - The First Annual Semi-Formal Fall Ball.

- **Performance (7:30 p.m.)**
  - The American Women's History Weekend.

- **Performance (11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)**
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- **Meeting (5:00 p.m.)**
  - The Animation Society hosts their first meeting. What is the Animation Society you ask? This is a society for people who are fond of animation. For those of you familiar with animation, this society is interested in all kinds of animation, including ANIME, Japanimation, claymation, computer animation, etc.

**Sat**
- **Film (7:30 p.m.)**
  - The Adventure of Priscilla Queen of the Desert.

- **Performance (7:30 p.m.)**
  - L'Orchestre d'Harmonie de Toulouse performs works by Mozart, Dvorak and Schubert.

- **Maine Civil Rights March and Rally (9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.)**
  - 10 mile march in protest of the Feb. 10 repeal. Universal Gymnasium, Portland O.R.E., Center for the Arts. 941-8454.

**Sun**
- **Performance (7:00 p.m.)**
  - The Portland Symphony Orchestra presents *Tchaikovsky*.

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**Mon**
- **Film (3:00 p.m.)**
  - *The Godfather*.

**Tues**
- **Film (6:30-8:30 p.m.)**
  - *The Godfather*.

- **Lecture (5:30 p.m.)**

**Wed**
- **Film (9:00 & 10:00 p.m.)**
  - *The Godfather*.

- **Talk (7:30 p.m.)**
  - Valuing Nature Series. "The Values of Nature." Associate Professor of philosophy Lawrence Simon presents, followed by Thomas B. Cornell, Professor of Art, presenting "Does Valuing nature Derive Idealism, Religion, and God?".

**Thurs**
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  - Barricade, a New York City punk rock band.

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- **Film (8:00 p.m.)**
  - *In and Out. The Bowdoin Film Society presents "Outweek Weekend."* In appreciation of Coming Out Week, this is the first of a series of movies addressing homosexuality, ebull, this one, in a comical manner. Starring Kevin Kline, John Cusak, Tom Selleck, Matt Dillon, and directed by Frank Orr. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

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  - Notre Dame, Demon Drummers of Japan. PCA Great Performances presents this concert of Japanese folk music and drum routines. They use musical instruments such as bamboo flutes, stringed instruments and drums. Although this may sound like a random event, this may be one of your only chances to hear traditional Japanese folk music live. Merrill Auditorium, 20 Myrtle Street, Portland. 842-0800. $12-$28.

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POLAR BEAR SPORTS

Men's soccer gives valiant effort

MARGARET PEACHY
SPORTS EDITOR

Bowdoin 0  Amherst 1

So maybe the men's soccer team didn't unleash the devil on Amherst, but I strongly believe that the devil had something to do with the outcome of the game last Saturday. The Bears more or less controlled the tempo of the game. The ending was tragic.

The teams battled for 1 hour and 53 minutes before a goal was scored. Unfortunately the goal was scored by the wrong team. The ball somehow found a path through the Bowdoin defenders and into the net. The players and fans alike were silent.

The Bears have no reason to hang their heads though. As Coach Tim Gilbride noted, "I thought we played very, very well." Throughout the game the Bears had many solid scoring opportunities. That chance came in the second half when sharp-shooter Patrick Hultgren '01 took a shot that sailed past the Amherst goalie but was deflected off the inside of the far post. Hultgren had two other close shots in the second half, as well as several opportunities for assists.

At the final buzzer, the Bears missed out on another scoring opportunity. Midfielder Mike Eaton '01 sent the ball into the box from midfield. Zac Frost '01 then attempted to head the ball past the opposing goalie, but to no avail.

The Bowdoin defense, and some great goalkeeping on the part of Amherst, sent the game into overtime.

Hultgren set the pace for the overtime period when he took a shot only one minute into the period. A couple minutes later tri-captain Dave DeCew '99 took a shot off the crossbar.

On the other end of the field, defender Hugh Keegan '01 saved an Amherst goal and kept the Bears alive.

In the final minute of the period, Bowdoin once again tried to put an end to the suspense. Midfielder Mike Dowley '00 crossed the ball and Patrick Brucewell '02 attempted to put it past the goalie. The goalie saved his team from defeat and forced the game clock to reset for the second 15-minute overtime period.

The pace of the game was considerably slower at this point. The crowd that lined the field, whether sitting on the bleachers, or couches, or standing along the sidelines, tried to encourage the Bears to victory. All the cheers could not help though. At the 7:05 mark an Amherst striker managed to put a foot on the ball which somehow made its way over the goal line.

It was a heartbreaking loss, but it was not a game any of the Bowdoin players should be ashamed of.

A cluster of Bowdoin and Amherst players prepare to play the ball (above). The players converge in an attempt to gain control of the ball in the air. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

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-Peter Ingram '99

The heroes of the games were the Bowdoin defenders. Both Coach Gilbride and Tri-Captain Peter Ingram '99 cited their play. According to Ingram, "Special recognition should go to our defense who played extremely hard and thoughtful soccer. Mike Fish '99, Reeves Lively '01 and Hugh Keegan '00 could prove to be the league's toughest backs to beat." Coach Gilbride commented on his defense's ability to stop the Amherst offense. "Their two strikers are extremely dangerous. The defense did an outstanding job containing them," he said.

The game was important to the development of the team. It gave the Bears the confidence to know that they can play evenly and above some of the top teams. Ingram believes that the game helped the team come together. "Despite the loss I think that the game against Amherst was a huge stepping stone on the way to becoming a cohesive team. If we can play with the same intensity against the rest of our competition we should come away with only victories from here on in," he said.

Hopefully the team will play with the same skill and intensity this week. They have three tough opponents to face in Tufts, Wheaton and Southern Maine. Tufts is tied with Bowdoin in the rankings at seventh. They will face off Saturday on the Farley Fields. Wheaton is ranked tenth and Southern Maine is tenth.

Coach Gilbride has high hopes for his team's success. "If we keep working hard and stay confident against good teams we will do well. Hopefully things will start to bounce our way," he concluded.

Come cheer on the Bears in their quest to beat Tufts this Saturday.

Polar Bear sticklers edged out by Amherst

KATLIN EVRARD
SPORTS EDITOR

Bowdoin 0  Amherst 1

This past Parents' Weekend, the Bowdoin field hockey team suffered a difficult loss to Amherst. The team wasn't focused on the game this weekend, so it was hard to try to play as a team. There was a lot going on this weekend and having parents visit on top of the normal stress of college athletics seemed a little overwhelming for the women.

Coach Nicki Pearson said "The biggest problem was that on the field they played as 11 individuals." It is hard to win in a sport like field hockey when the players are not focused and working together. Now they are looking forward to this weekend with more determination.

For this week has been "making everybody accountable on the field, and trying to work as a unit again," commented Coach Pearson. When playing field hockey all the players have to work together if they are to accomplish anything.

The team lacked the "fire this past Saturday, perhaps because of the extra pressure. Many were nervous because of the circumstances of the weekend, but they shouldn't have been, they are a good team."

They are building up confidence and energy for this weekends home game against Tufts. The Jumbos and the Polar Bears will meet on the field at 12:00 noon Saturday, October 10th. Come out and help build confidence and support for the Bowdoin Polar Bears.

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-Nicki Pearson
Head Coach

Forward Lisa DiPietro '03 dodges an Amherst defender. The Bears were unsuccessful against the Lady Jeffs last Saturday. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)
Senior Sports Profile: Caitlin O’Connor

KATLIN EVARD
SPORTS EDITOR

Sitting in the Smith Union, Caitlin O’Connor’s face is red and there is a smile on her face. Either she is laughing with a friend, or she just ate some fruit, or she just got back from a crazy long run. Coming from a running family, in Westbrook, MA, Caitlin O’Connor started sports early in her life, but always saw the fun aspects of running.

Her time at Bowdoin has been a growing experience for this three sport athlete. Through cross country, indoor and outdoor track, and field, and the high academic rigor at Bowdoin, Caitlin has learned more about herself and “the real world.” “Bowdoin was a slap in the face freshman year, but now I see that it has been a lesson in life.” Caitlin does not regret any of the experiences that she has had, good or bad, as it has all taught her about life.

Caitlin has been running competitively since high school, where she received many awards for her league, conference, and state. Some of these include being the Boston Globe and the Boston Herald All State runner, and captain of her team several years in a row. Her career at Bowdoin has not been exactly as she had hoped, but she has still achieved much and grown as a runner. Coach Peter Slovenski, noted that Caitlin has high standards for her own participation and efforts and she radiates those high standards to others. This is Caitlin’s second year as captain of the women’s Cross Country team.

The main reason that she has been able to assume the role of captain for the last two years is by first being a team player. Previous captains, among them Durcie Storin ’96 and Laurie McDonough ’98, have taught her the need of working together and looking at the positive, even when you are down. “Cross country is about working with others to attain a goal of winning a race.” Races are not won by a single good runner; it takes the whole team together to achieve the goals of cross country.

The other great impact on Caitlin’s running career here at Bowdoin has been Coach Peter Slovenski. When she came to Bowdoin, Caitlin had a lot of expectations, but as she saw that she could not achieve those as easily as she had hoped, she became frustrated. “Coach never gave up on me; he was always optimistic, patient and willing to see the brighter side.” His attitude toward running helped Caitlin choose Bowdoin. “He promotes healthy happy fun runners.” This is why Caitlin started running in the first place; so his laid back, “do it for enjoyment” attitude swayed Caitlin towards Bowdoin.

Coach Slovenski has great faith in Caitlin as a runner and a leader. “Having Caitlin on the team is like having another coach around.” He knows the importance of all the little things that make a successful athletic team.

Coach Slovenski also sees the spirited side of Caitlin, “She has a lot of charisma and a great sense of humor.”

Running is a stress reliever for Caitlin. “When I go for a run, it makes everything melt away, I become more focused.” It is a time to get away from the problems of school, and to focus on what you need to get done.

Running has always been something fun and enjoyable for Caitlin. As a child, she saw cross country teams as a family of friends that were there for each other. She has been able to see this also at Bowdoin with the cross country team.

When she kicks off her running shoes, Caitlin calls her deep interest in English, as she has wanted to be a writer all her life. It inspired her to be an English major. She did well in English in high school, earning various awards. When she came to Bowdoin, though, she realized that things were going to be different. “It requires me to be a more creative writer, to leave my ideas on the page and let the instructor see what I was thinking.”

In describing the literary aspects of English that most interest her, Caitlin says that Toni Morrison is her favorite writer, because of her style and mystery throughout her stories and her ability to tie it all together in the end. But Caitlin’s biggest mentor was Mike Barnicle because he made the ordinary extraordinary and took stories to another level. “He examines what others ignore.”

The unfortunate tragedy of his removal from the paper devastated this one dedicated reader of his column.

This past spring semester, Caitlin traveled to Galway, Ireland to study abroad and to learn her family history. While she was there, she got to retrace the steps of her grandmother, who used to live in Ireland.

Caitlin’s cousin took her on the path her grandmother took to school to town, and all around. Studying away was an eye opening experience.

She was not always sure she wanted to study away, because she did not want to miss the experience of Bowdoin for even a semester. For the first two years she was adamant about not studying away. But now looking back, she is glad she went, because “it was the chance of a lifetime and Bowdoin will always be here when you return.” She studied away for the experience, not to get away from Bowdoin.

On a lighter note, Caitlin has two tears, that she is slowly overcoming, and these are well known through the cross country and track teams. The first is fruit and the second is tornadoes. Caitlin is allergic to fruit, but still she tries to eat it every once in a while.

Caitlin takes the time to stretch out before a race. She wears with pride a smile and the colors of the Polar Bears. Caitlin runs for the fun of it! (file photo/Bowdoin Orient)

The Week In Sports

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For some reason, she chooses times like when she is in the dining hall, or being interviewed for the newspaper to try fruit again. It is quite an experience to see this. The way that she gets better is "running around." Luckily, she is getting over this allergy, she thinks.

The second, tornadoes came from seeing the Wizard of Oz as a child. Ever since then, Caitlin has not gone anywhere that there might be a tornado. She limited her college searches to places that never had a tornado. She is also starting to grapple with this fear, ironically from seeing the movie "Twister.”

Aside from her now entirely publicized idiosyncrasies, Caitlin is looking to continue running and writing, in the future. She likes to follow things that she enjoys. Caitlin knows that journalism might not make much money, but she enjoys it, and that is what she wants to do.

She has a realistic grip on life, but still looks to have fun in what she does. In a conversation with Caitlin, there will always be some laughs from this fun loving, energetic athlete.

In the future, look for Caitlin in the newspapers as a writer, but also as an athlete - running through her life for the sheer joy of it. Life to Caitlin is about doing what she enjoys and learning from it at the same time.

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**Volleyball: another kind of fun**

**Samantha Good**

**Contributor**

**Bowdoin**

**Parent’s Weekend was a little different for the Bowdoin Women’s Volleyball team this year.**

While other students were on campus pointing out clothes from the new J. Crew catalog to their parents and shouting things like, “I am an adult. Mom, I know how to do it” and, “But, everybody else has a car, Dad”, the Polar Bears were at the Bates Invitational where no such fun was to be had.

In Lewiston this weekend, there was a different kind of fun. The no-mail-order, no-fancy parents’ weekend bracket kind of fun, which can only be had by a real volleyball team, a serious volleyball team.

The good times began on Friday evening when the Bears took on the third-ranked team in New England, Eastern Connecticut. Shanna Mitchell ’01 and Good ‘00 did their best to fill the smolder of the injured Sarah Buckley ‘00, who sat out with a sprained ankle.

Co-captain Buckley helped out from the bench with advice for her teammates, pointing out open areas in the opposing team’s defense as well as informing a certain teammate, Samantha Good, that her “face might freeze like that.” Despite their balanced attack and strong effort, Bowdoin was defeated by Eastern Connecticut in three consecutive games, 2-15, 9-15, 11-15.

Day two of the tournament began early Saturday morning when the Polar Bears faced Bridgewater State. Although they had been dealt their final loss the previous night, Bowdoin regrouped and won this next match in four games, 15-7, 15-11, 15-13. Senior middle hitter, Stacey Carpenter, despite her sometimes unpredictable attempts to hand out bananas on the van, played a very solid game. She had eight kills and a strong defensive game in the back row.

Western Connecticut was Bowdoin’s next opponent in the tournament. In this match, the Bowdoin volleyball team learned a very valuable lesson: no matter what side of Connecticut a team comes from, they are good at volleyball. The Polar Bears learned this the hard way, losing to Western Connecticut, 11-5, 15-7, 4-15.

Co-captain Chris Buckheit ’00 chimed in with five kills, while Alyson Shea ’00 moved from the outside to the middle hitter position and performed well in the match. Also contributing was the dedicated student and well-rounded woman, Ellen Bates ’01, who has a boyfriend named Dustin, but she doesn’t let her relationship interfere with her schoolwork or healthy social life at Bowdoin.

The last match of the day was against Plymouth State College. The Bowdoin team seemed a bit discouraged in this last outing, and it showed in their performance.

The Polar Bears came out flat in the first game; but managed to sneak by Plymouth State, 16-14. They were not so lucky in the following three games, however, dropping all of them, 9-15, 10-15, and 5-15. Carpenter had another excellent match, raking up seven kills. Samantha Good contributed three kills and a solid attitude in the match, while Lindsay Davis ’02 had three service aces.

The Bates Invitational did not work out exactly the way the volleyball team had planned, but each member of the team learned several valuable things this weekend. Most importantly, the Polar Bears learned that they need to change something. The changes in their lineup require a different way of going about their game; they require some adjustment, as new situations always do.

And, though this situation may be one which the team has never been in before, with some thought and a little time, they will be sure to work it out. It’s almost like a fifth class.

You can see some awesome women on the volleyball court this weekend. Bowdoin women will host the Bowdoin Round Robin with Amherst and Tufts. • Amherst and Bowdoin will start off the day at 10:30, followed by Amherst and Tufts at 12:30, and finally wrapping it up will be Bowdoin and Tufts at 2:30. So stop by the volleyball court and see what a volleyball game is all about.
**Aggressive Bears annihilate Amherst**

**Monica Almendarez**

Staff Writer

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Amherst 16

Last Friday night I was hanging out and managed to run into several people from Amherst. I paid no attention to the fact that all of these people were big guys, wearing football paraphernalia, and sporting the "I'm a football player" look. So here I was, sitting, and this guy comes up to me saying, as if to impress me, "I don't go to school here, I'm visiting from Amherst." I felt the need to inform this kid that Bowdoin football was matched up against Amherst on Saturday, and I added, "Amherst is going to get their ass kicked." This guy looked at me, no longer hoping to impress me, and said, "My name's so-and-so and I play for Amherst." Looking back, all I can say is: Ha! Ha! Mr. Amherst football player, you did get your ass kicked.

The football team's first home game got the score off to a great start. A huge crowd of approximately 2,200 turned out to Whittier Field to cheer on the team.

The game started off with an 11-yard touchdown by Tim Lawson '01. Lawson scored his first and second touchdowns of his college career in this game, which were the first and last touchdowns of the game. Lawson's take on the game is, "We went into the game knowing that Amherst is a really good team, but we put our full effort into it and the outcome reflects that. With the Williams game, we didn't play as well as we are capable, but we proved our capabilities in the Amherst game."

Alex Tatum '01 successfully kicked the extra point on all three of his attempts, and in the first quarter he booted a 33-yard field goal. Amherst did not do as well punting the ball as Tatum, they had a failed kick, and, to top it off, Josh Thair '01 blocked a punt. Bowdoin led the first quarter with ten unanswered points.

By half time, Amherst had caught up. Then, at the start of the second half, defensive end Kevin Saxton '99 caught a four-yard pass for the score. Senior quarterback Hayes MacArthur made his connection and Amherst did not intercept a single pass. On the other hand, our men intercepted three of Amherst's Mike Sweeney's passes. Co-Captain Brendan Ryan '99 made an important early interception that started off the game solidly. Lawson ended the game for Amherst with a 28-yard run and score to end the game with a score of 24-16.

Defensive Coach Phil Soule's take on the game is, "The secondary defensive line came up huge; we forced Amherst to pass. We went to the ball well and broke up their offensive line. Amherst has an excellent quarterback that our defense handled well. Saxton put a lot of pressure on the Amherst quarterback. Field position played an important role in this game," said Soule.

Tom McCabe, Bowdoin's Offensive Coach, also gave his thoughts on Saturday's game. "Our defense gave us good field position that enabled us to make some good offensive plays. MacArthur did a solid job; he threw some good clutch passes. Lawson's 11-yard and 28-yard runs were pertinent to the outcome of the game. And of course, Saxton's great effort and touchdown were important. If not his first touchdown from his defensive end position. We had some injuries, so Tom Ringle '01 and Ben Forman '00 stepped up."

"It was one of the most important victories we've had in recent years..." -Howard Vandersee

Head Coach

They did an excellent job in that position," he said.

Head Coach Howard Vandersee's view of Saturday's game is, "I am pleased with our victory over Amherst. It was one of the most important victories we've had in recent years, especially for parent's weekend. The coaching staff focused on the players, especially with a defensive line in the fourth quarter that shut down the Amherst offense. The kicking of Alex Tatum and Chris Day '99 was also impressive. Come out and support the team this weekend, home against Tufts!

Looking ahead to this weekend's game, Ryan says, "Last week was a really great game but we've got to collectively put that behind us and look forward to this week's game against Tufts."

Soule added, "Tufts is undefeated, with two wins under their belt. They have a great offensive game. They beat Bates and Hamilton, scoring 52 points against Hamilton."

This Saturday at 1:30, Whittier Field, Bowdoin Football vs. Tufts, grab your friends, grab yourself, paint your bodies black and white...which reminds me to send out props to the three men who painted themselves black (one was painted white) for the Amherst game. You boys are the epitome of no shame, and we love it. So, like said, get to the field and be prepared to watch our football team beat on Tufts.

**Men's Cross Country**

**Polar Bears victorious on Colby's hilly course**

**Stephen Allison**

Staff Writer

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Toughness won two more races for the Bowdoin Men's Cross Country team, pushing their record to an impressive 7-1. Correction, toughness, a great team effort, and a heroic charge at the finish by the Polar Bears fifth runner, Adam Cowling '01, won two races September 26th.

Battling the sickness that cut him to three workouts during the week, Cowling ran what he felt was a mediacore race. "I shouldn't have been that far back," Cowling said of his race. "I did feel pretty weak, but I'm not going to make excuses and say I was sick." Running after amongst a small pack of Colby runners throughout the whole race, Cowling found himself in 13th place with under a mile to go and with the Bears desperately needing him to move up. What followed was a fearless finish line charge in which Cowling passed three runners to move into tenth, giving Bowdoin a marginal victory over Colby and Middlebury.

Cowling, along with junior Matt Turnbull, very much embodies this year's Bowdoin Cross Country team. They are both tough, unrecruited athletes who have risen from the ranks of the JV to succeed not too much through force of talent but through hard work and consistency. The Polar Bears' coach, Peter Slovenski, commented that "Matt and Adam exemplify this year's toughness. Determination in the last half of a race is crucial because everyone's tired at that stage, but Matt and Adam run with determination throughout the entire race." Not only do these two athletes represent the spirit of this year's underdog team, they have ascended, through hard work, from humble beginnings to victorious finishes. They also represent the love for the sport and competition that motivates some of this team's other runners who don't finish at the front of the pack. Runners like Chris Reed '99, Yui Satzke '01, John Yost '02, and Thurston Riday '02 share a bond with Cowling and Turnbull in that they run hard for the love of teammates and competition, as well as the glory. All these runners run for the thrill of the sport.

The rest of the Bears showed true grit over the Colby course as well. "We ran the Colby course as well as any Bowdoin team I've ever seen. The Colby course is the most difficult in our league, and the team showed a lot of composure and courage in the face of it," said Coach Slovenski. The Bears were led by Matt Hyde '99 (2nd 27:45), Ryan Johnson '00 (6th 28:17), Craig Giannonna '02 (7th 28:19), Turnbull (8th), 28.30, Cowling (10th, 28.42), David Wall '02 (23rd 29:55), and Matt Mellen '02 (25th 30:06) and attribute their success on the hilly Colby Course to Coach Slovenski's prescription of gritty "Hero Hill" workouts and running together. Because Slovenski pushed them to run hard and practice well, "Determination in the last half of a race is crucial because everyone's tired at that stage..." -Peter Slovenski

Head Coach

The Bears are rewarded with victory. Also Jason Colomembo '02 who has scored in past meets.

The Bears are coming off a week of rest which they used to prepare for another shot at the Colby Course in the upcoming State Meet which will feature the face-off confrontation between our Polar Bears and their cross state rivals, Bates. After watching this team race, it is evident that, regardless of the outcome, this year's team is one that can match the intensity of any opponent. Bundle up Bates, a Polar storm is hitting Lewiston on the 10th.
Members of the Bowdoin and Brunswick communities gathered last Wednesday evening to discuss the death of Matthew Shepard, a gay college student from Laramie, Wyoming.

Shepard, 21, had revealed in conversation that he was gay to two young men at a local bar. The two men falsely claimed to Shepard that they were also gay and invited him to go for a ride. They then drove to a field where they allegedly pistol whipped and beat Shepard, tied him to a fence post in near freezing temperatures, and left him for dead. The next morning, a bicyclist discovered Shepard, at which time he was still alive. Shepard was rushed to the nearest hospital. However, the injuries he suffered were irreparable and he passed away on Monday, October 12. The two young men charged with his death, both college students, are under other charges.

On October 14, two days after Shepard's death, Bowdoin students, professors, administrators and town residents convened in Modular Classroom 3, filling it to capacity. Katie Benner '99, a member of Bowdoin's gay awareness group (B-GLAD), organized the meeting in the hopes of making the members of the Bowdoin community more aware of the implications of the murder of Shepard. "The Bowdoin community is small and in some sense, sheltered," said Benner. "Thus, a lot of students don't know any one on campus who is gay. Because of this, I was afraid that it would be very easy for our community to turn an event like this go unacknowledged."

The leaders of B-GLAD opened the meeting with a group activity in which the crowd was asked to answer a series of questions, expressing their responses by gathering at different corners of the room, with each corner symbolizing a different answer such as "strongly agree" or, at the opposite corner, "strongly disagree.

When people were asked whether they would feel safe coming out as a homosexual male at Bowdoin, the majority of the people shifted to the "disagree" side of the room. When the question was rephrased to homosexual males, nearly the entire crowd shifted to either the "disagree" or "strongly disagree" sides of the room.

The crowd's responses to these questions initiated a discussion addressing the need for anti-hate crime legislation. One female student expressed her rage, asking, "Why?"

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Local youth arrested for campus theft

A Brunswick youth was arrested last Saturday after Brunswick Police found property stolen from a student residence in his car.

John Marquis, 19, of Brunswick, had taken 30 compact discs from the Alpha Kappa Sigma fraternity house.

According to Assistant Director of Security Louann Dustin-Hunter, Marquis entered the house late Friday night. Residents were able to catch a glimpse of Marquis's car as he was leaving, and proceeded to call the Brunswick Police Department to report the theft and provide a description of the vehicle.

Security was notified and immediately contacted Marquis's car, but the officer was not able to be contacted. Marquis entered the residence and returned to his car, where the stolen compact discs were recovered.

All three were issued criminal trespass warnings and were ordered to leave campus. At 3:11 a.m. on Saturday morning, Chester was spotted by Security leaving Coleman Hall and was arrested for criminal trespass.

Representatives from Kappa Sig refused to comment on the incident.

Dustin-Hunter said that although there have been a few thefts since Marquis was arrested, they did not appear to be connected to the suspected "ring" the youths were running, which is thought to be responsible for the recent rash of thefts on campus.

The majority of thefts on campus occur in places like Farley Field House and Morrill Gymnasium where students do not lock up their belongings, said Dustin-Hunter. "Nine times out of ten it's stuff that's been left open and unlocked," she said.

Dustin-Hunter credited students increased willingness to report suspicious individuals on campus as preventing even more thefts on campus. She said that more students have reported suspicious people than ever before, which is great.
Two lecturers explore "value of nature"

CHRISTINE LEHMANN

Two separate lectures were presented Wednesday, October 14 as part of the continuing "Value of Nature" lecture series. Lawrence Simon, assistant professor of philosophy, began with the first lecture entitled "The Value(s) of Nature." He prefaced his discussion with the statement, "We have to get clear on the idea of the nature of value before we can get anywhere with our problems. Our focus has brought the audience into a deeper meaning of two words: 'nature' and 'value.' According to Simon, the word 'nature' can be viewed in one of three ways: everything in the world separate from technology, culture, and higher influences, a system of all of the living things on earth; and every part of that which is reality, or as Simon said, "It's everything that is subject to the laws of nature."

The lecture proceeded to the topic of "intrinsic value" versus "intrinsic value." Simon presented the instrumental values of nature as those parts of nature which can be used for the betterment of humans and our society. Such values included food, raw materials, fuel, and other parts of nature that humans directly consume. The intrinsic value of nature involves the aesthetic qualities of nature.

Simon continued with a discussion of the views the Costanza Study, which examined the economic value of the world's ecosystems and was focused on the well-being of human beings. He questioned whether both intrinsic and instrumental values had been taken into consideration with this study. If only the instrumental value of nature had been examined, this "failure to see nature of having intrinsic value robs human life of meaning."

Simon also referred to the second lecture by artist Tom Cornell entitled "Does Valuing Nature Devalue Idealism, Religion, and God?" Cornell summarized the discussions of two more opinions and personal experiences than did Simon's. Cornell's views centered on the ways in which humans could value nature in a way to "maximize happiness and minimize suffering." In order for a value in nature to be recognized, many ideas and thoughts within our lives must change. To begin, Cornell said, "I don't believe that there is any beauty if there is not a human to perceive it." Such a view places a huge responsibility on the human race to maintain this beauty, this intrinsic value of nature. He felt that with the beginning of nuclear warfare, human life has been threatened.

Although Cornell said he recognized and accepted the good and bad sides to the effects of humanity on nature, he felt that we must value nature enough and recognize our dependence upon it in order to take control of our nearly chaotic world. One way to find this value in nature is to move away from the traditional spiritual ways of thinking: "To value nature is to question God." Cornell said he feels that the duty of a human being is to understand nature and that only by valuing nature, we separate ourselves from super-natural thought. Humans must depend on God to solve all of their problems. We must take the initiative, step in and change our ways of living before nature is destroyed. The way for man to succeed at this newly earned task is by "savoring earthly values, devaluing super-earthly hopes." Cornell stressed that he was not saying that religion is impossible in order for nature to exist. He said instead that we must rethink and reevaluate how our lives can be lived in order for us to value nature as superior to the human race. Through word, example, and art, we need to encourage value in nature so that freedom of life and thought will be enhanced. Nature must be valued so that there is a reduction in suffering and an increase in happiness.

Cornell said he finds it necessary that we value nature as human beings in some way, especially by taking responsibility, changing spiritual thought, and recognizing our dependence on nature.

Recognizing nature and its value to humanity is essential in a time where "nuclear holocaust" hangs in heavy words above our heads. The slow deterioration of the earth's biosphere and individual environments around us pose a threat to man's future and the organisms and resources that he depends on. The only way for the condition of mother earth to be nurtured and respected, is to find the values, monetary, aesthetic, personal, or otherwise, that will help us to keep her alive.
Celebration held for end of New Century Campaign

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This Homecoming weekend there is another celebration taking place along with the sporting events and concerts. The New Century Campaign for Bowdoin, a five year effort to raise money for the college, is celebrating its triumphs. From July 1 of this year, the campaign raised $106 million, $23 million more than its original goal of $83 million.

This financial feat was spearheaded by Vice President for Planning and Development Bill Torrey. Over the last five years, through solicitations of alumni and various private organizations, 17,000 gifts of all sizes were collected, including $15 million donated for the construction of Druckenmiller Hall. Much of the funds will be used for renovating and expanding buildings on campus, enlarging the endowment and expanding Bowdoin’s financial aid capabilities. Some money will also go into the general purpose fund, as well as to the hiring of eight new faculty members, which will reduce Bowdoin’s professional staff to 105.

The reason for the campaign, according to Torrey, is that “in 1993, the college had a number of unmet needs” including facilities for art and science, and also for financial aid packages. With this money, however, Bowdoin has greatly strengthened its facilities. Torrey said he believes that there is no other comparable school with better facilities, and that with the involvement of students, it is “the perfect time.”

The campaign will continue, looking at both its achievements and what there is left to do. For example, Pickard’s renovations will cost about $9.5 million, and only $9 million has yet been acquired. “There is a long list of needs, and we’re going to have to prioritize,” said Torrey.

While this campaign did substantially raise Bowdoin’s endowment, the school is still lacking money to “other schools with whom we compete for students,” according to Torrey. Bowdoin’s endowment translates to a working budget of about $290 million annually, while Williams College, with an endowment of $780 million, has almost $40 million to work with each year.

Bowdoin has to do more with less money,” said Torrey, “and it will be a challenge in the years ahead” to try to bring Bowdoin to that level. For the official campaign finale, the entire Bowdoin community, along with those who were present to the campaign, have been invited to this weekend’s “Dance of the Decade.”

Recording Committee chair meets with Student Assembly

In response to campus-wide concern about the recent issues of reforming Latin Honors, Dean’s List, non-Bowdoin credit and course load, Professor Bill Barker, who serves as chair of the Recording Committee, met with the Student Assembly Wednesday night to discuss the group’s present stance and to hear student concern.

Due to the magnitude of these proposed changes and their implications, the final decision will most likely involve a full faculty vote.

Additionally, Barker encouraged the Assembly members to keep an active interest in the issues, and to seek student opinion from the campus at large. The Assembly plans to draft and to submit a student-endorsed proposal for the reform of the stated issues.

B-GLAD sponsors forum

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don’t we feel the need to protect all people, regardless of sexual orientation?” A man in the crowd expressed his dismay that “people seem to think that anti-hate crime legislation will in some way threaten our culture.”

As the evening progressed, the focus of the discussion shifted closer to home, and people addressed the culture at Bowdoin. One female administrator asked, “What is it on campus that keeps us quiet and in-check?” A member of the crowd proposed that once a month a silent candle light march be held by members of B-GLAD and their supporters in an effort “to simply get people to know we’re here.” This idea, however, was met with apprehension by most of the crowd.

While those attending the meeting were hesitant to openly support gay awareness, they did discuss the idea of a series of discussions in which issues such as awareness could be addressed. As one administrator suggested, “We need a vehicle created to keep this movement going in order to bring the different islands of our community together and thus work to find a common ground and understanding.”

The group responded positively to this challenge and by the end of the evening, many students attending the meeting, including representatives from various campus organizations, decided to organize a memorial for Matthew Shepard to be held on the Bowdoin campus.

“I don’t want the event to simply beBowdoin students.

“The most amazing result of this meeting was the way people at the event synthesized the information. Instead of merely acknowledging the problem, people wanted to know what to do next.”

—Katie Benner ’99

Alumna leads historic tour

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Amy Poland ’95, curator of the Pepperson Historical Society, led a tour for the Bowdoin community yesterday along portions of the Brunswick Women’s History Walking Trail.

The trail, whose development Poland coordinated, takes visitors to a number of historic sites in Brunswick where women have contributed in some way to the history of the region. Thursday’s tour took several students and staff members along the downtown portion of the trail.

The tour began at the Visual Arts Center and took participants first to 176 Maine Street, currently housing Ken Bank but formerly the home of Sarah Cook (1855-1942), “Cookie,” as she was known, was Brunswick’s first woman police matron, and “was a one-woman welfare office” according to the walking trial brochure published by the F.H.S.

The brick building on the northwest corner of Maine and Pleasant Streets which now houses the Wyler Gallery used to be the home of Chandler Bookstore. The store provided textbooks for Bowdoin students before Bowdoin developed its own bookstore.

Blanche Bryant (1873-1969) worked at the store for 42 years. She made a habit of learning the names of students entering Bowdoin when they came to purchase their first books. She made a hobby of exploring local history and genealogy, and helped found the Topsham-Brunswick Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Another site on Thursday’s tour was the house at 15 Lincoln Street which used to belong to one of Maine’s most celebrated botanists, Kate Furbush (1834-1931). Furbush spent 35 years collecting, pressing, and painting flora in Maine. She gave Bowdoin 150 volumes containing more than 1,300 paintings of flowers and two volumes of mushrooms and fungi containing 500 paintings. One of her last contributions, however, was her discovery of a kind of snapdragon called the Furbush lousewort. Nearly fifty years after her death, the rediscovery of the lousewort saved the St. John River Valley from flooding caused by a proposed dam, since the project would have destroyed the endangered plant.

Poland became involved with the F.H.S. after graduating in 1995. She took a summer internship position with the society to further her career goals. “I knew that I wanted to work in museums,” she said, “so this was an amazing opportunity for me.” The summer position ended up becoming a full-year position, and when the then-curator decided to work only part-time, Poland was eventually named curator of the F.H.S. She said she intends to remain in her present position for “a while under the new director, but hopes to eventually obtain her master’s degree in history and continue working in museums.”
Professor leads local group to purchase farm

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Staff Writer

On Monday, October 5, Brunswick-Topsland Land Trust (BTLT) made its final payment on Crystal Springs Farm to end a five-year capital campaign that began in September 1993 aiming to preserve the 160-acre property. The farm, located on Pleasant Hill Road will be used by the Bowdoin community in several ways. "It offers wonderful opportunities to the public, including Bowdoin," said Tom Settlement, president of BTLT and a Bowdoin professor. "It's another place where there can be public trails for students to go hiking, or cross-country skiing, and a place for independent studies for studies in ecology and environmental studies."

According to a press release, the project was the single largest land conservation project in Brunswick's history. The goal of $780,000 was surpassed by $40,000 through pledges and donations from around 600 individuals, foundations, and businesses, the press release stated.

Settlement said, this is the eleventh area project in which the BTLT has been involved. Settlement expressed his belief in the importance of such camps.

"Really I think the community has to define where there will be businesses and houses, but also, and we've neglected this for the most part, where we should preserve land for vistas and places to simply look and enjoy nature, because without that the community loses a lot, and we lose a big part of ourselves as well," he said.

The BTLT currently has hired consultants and are gathering information to create a management system that will enable them to continue activities at the farm and develop new ones. Part of the farm will be kept for agricultural purposes, and the BTLT hopes to court a farmer's market on the property. "The Bowdoin cross-country team has already shown interest in using the land. The team pledged $1,000 to the preservation effort."

"The cross-country team uses land trust trails at Bradley Pond Farm, and we hope to be able to get even more use out of trails at Crystal Springs Farm because it's so close to campus," said Peter Slovenski, coach of the men's and women's cross-country teams.

"The team believes very strongly that if we're going to be benefiting from these trails, we ought to help pay for them."

The team has paid $600 on their pledge derived from soda sales at a Kasks concert in 1994, and will pay the final $400 over the next three years.

Campus Crosstalk

A gay University of Wyoming student died Monday after being beaten, burned and tied up and thrown in a freezing brook in near-freezing temperatures on Wednesday, October 7. According to police, they found a body in a brook about a half-mile from the school. Police officers said that the body of the university student, male, and two women, said that the body was the first body to be found in a brook in the school.

Several town councilors in Stonington are threatening to scuttle plans to repair a town road. They say they have not received a $20,000 appropriation for the work, which councilors said is needed to preserve a historic town road. The town's budget is due in November's ballot, due to his anger over the college's perceived welcoming.

A fraternity that provided alcohol to a University of Michigan freshman who fell out of a window and died has lost its campus charter. The governing body of Phi Delta Theta voted unanimously to suspend permanently the charter of the university's chapter. University officials said that the fraternity was suspended for a violation of the university's code of conduct and that the fraternity was not notified of the violation until last week.

Turkey's main opposition Islamist parties backed efforts to hold early elections in order to end the week-long government of Prime Minister Mesut Yilmaz. Senior members of Yilmaz's party have said that they wish to go back to the ballot box as soon as possible. According to investigators, accidentally fell through a window that opened just 12 inches wide. Phi Delta Theta had been notified in 1995 by the national organization to be alcohol-free. Phi Delta Theta is the fourth University of Michigan fraternity in as many years to lose its charter over alcohol-related incidents.

A University of Maryland senior allegedly threatened to shoot his mathematics teaching assistant if he did not receive an A in his course. Police say Stephen H. Hill, 22, went to his TA's AIDS, and said "Give me an 'A' or your life." He also allegedly said he'd "get rid of the copy machine for you." When the TA did not get the grade he wanted, the instructor refused, and the men settled the incident with the TA when he went into hidden in Moscow, but he has since fled, most likely to Northern Iraq.

Communism lives, in Italy at least. Premier Massimo D'Alema will be the only Christian Democrat in the next government when the Italian Parliament approves his cabinet. He has appointed to his cabinet at least six women, double the number serving under the last administration, and has given positions to members of rival parties. This act gives the powerful ministries of Communications and Defense to the Christian Democrats, and makes his new government anything but far left. By sponsoring such diversity, D'Alema hopes to bring Italy closer to a two-party system of government. Italy's parliament is currently divided between seveneen constantly mutating parties, eight of which he has chosen to be a part of his cabinet.

Negotiations between Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat have been so far have been unproductive, despite the efforts of U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. Although significant progress has been made between security officials on all three sides, Netanyahu threatened to leave should Arafat fail to remove several clauses he felt were hostile to Israel, especially those involving the extradition of suspected terrorists.

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Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble
compiled by Greig Arendt

The Crystal Spring Farm, recently purchased by the Brunswick-Topsland Land Trust, is home to many local activities including the Farm Chore Program pictured here. (Photo courtesy of Rebecca Clark)

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A law in the Republic of Congo inclined a former president and dozens of other former government officials on charges of assassination, torture, and fraud. The central African nation's public prosecutor, Pierre Samb, has charged against 100 members of the recently ousted government in the capital, Brazzaville. The former president Pascal Lissouba, former Prime Minister Ber- nard Kolelas and former Finance Minister Ngila Mounouna were all charged, but are currently in exile.

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India and Pakistan resumed stalled peace talks when top foreign ministry officials held "frank, warm and cordial" discussions on how to improve relations between two sides said. India and Pakistan have been under intense international pressure to reduce the more than a year-old military differences since both nations detenoted nuclear weapons last summer.

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Volunteerism offers benefits to Brunswick

This is the last in a three-part series examining interactions between the College and Brunswick.

- October 2: Physical expansion and growing enrollment
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- This week: Volunteer activities

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Students at Bowdoin find a variety of opportunities to participate in volunteer activities in and around the town of Brunswick. It is estimated that roughly four hundred Bowdoin students participate in some sort of volunteer activity at least once every year.

"The Bowdoin Volunteer Program is co-chaired by a group of four students who supervise Bowdoin's roughly eight to thirteen volunteer groups," said Director of Student Activities Burgie Howard. "The BVP acts as an umbrella under which rest the other volunteer programs. These activities include everything from Bears and Cubs, a program set up like the Big Brothers and Sisters program, to groups which work at local homeless shelters and the humane society. Habitat for Humanity and programs at several local elementary schools draw many regular volunteers every year.

Students can also start their own groups. Peter Tsapatsaris '00 recently founded the Bowdoin Community Task Force, a group that intends to work with the Brunswick Police Department to help troubled teens, take part in anti-tobacco campaigns and perform other public services with the Police Department. "This club has just recently started up, but already I have heard from about forty people who are interested," said Tsapatsaris. "Everyone always makes the observation that there is a big gulf between the school and the town, but by being involved, we can be a part of the community. The relations between the police and the town are not that good, either, as they usually only see students when they are giving speeding tickets or busting up parties. [This group] will introduce them to another side of Bowdoin students." Tsapatsaris said he started the group out of his career interest in law enforcement.

While there are many students who take the initiative and become involved in volunteer programs, the total number who participate in even one activity is still less than 25 percent of the student body. "I'd like to see more people get involved," said Meghan Carey '00, one of the co-chairs of the Bowdoin Volunteer Program. "While we don't want to require anybody to come out and volunteer or anything like that, it would be nice to have more people involved in the community."

There has been talk of requiring College Houses and sports teams involved in volunteer activities, but these plans are still in the tentative stages. Still, Howard believes that "a good number of students choose to volunteer on their own, and many volunteer regularly.

Anne Terragrossa '02, who volunteers at the Humane Society and with Habitat for Humanity, said she believes that "there is not much room for volunteering in town, as there are often more volunteers [from Bowdoin] than can be used." She gave the recent Habitat for Humanity project as an example where more students from Bowdoin went than could be used.

"Everyone always makes the observation that there is a big gulf between the school and the town, but by being involved, we can be a part of the community."

-Peter Tsapatsaris '00

Polar Consulting Group evaluates Bowdoin's recycling, shuttle services

KATHLEEN PARKER STAFF WRITER

This year's Polar Consulting Group is in the process of evaluating several important services on campus, including the recycling and shuttle programs.

Three years ago Tom Leung '96, founded the Polar Consulting Group at Bowdoin. The group is a student led and coordinated consulting group that looks at organizations around the Bowdoin community and determines in what ways they can be improved. The services they provide are, according to current president Mike Bouyea, '99, "similar to what consulting groups would do in the real world."

Propelled by what Bouyea described as a "strong foundation and clear mission" provided by Leung, the Polar Consulting Group's "primary component has been to serve services available to the Bowdoin Community." The group uses several methods to evaluate an organization. They often use telephone surveys to find out what students want and expect from a particular service. They also compare Bowdoin's services to those of other similarly sized colleges. The group also spends time talking to members of the organizations to ask how they think service can be improved. A recent project included a review of Jack Magne's Pub in Smith Union. The group helped them find methods to cut costs while maintaining their standards of efficiency.

This year the group has twenty-five members and is entirely student run. "I think the students this year are doing a fabulous job," said Bouyea. He said he has "reason to believe FCC is going to have a very productive year." Current projects include examining the recycling program at Bowdoin as well as evaluating the Bowdoin Shuttle Service. The group has spoken with shuttle drivers and has begun conducting a random telephone survey of students to see how they feel the shuttle service can be improved.

"We can't do anything unless our services are sought and requested by the student community," said Bouyea. The Polar Consulting Group sent out an e-mail to the faculty and staff at the beginning of the year and has received "more responses than [they] could possibly do." Bouyea feels confident about the future of the group. "We have a very ambitious group that can make good ground," he said, adding that he feels "very positive about what we have on the horizon."

Physics professor explores alumnus's research

This is part of a semester-long series focusing on Bowdoin and their individual professional endeavors.

ADAM ZIMMAN PHOTO EDITOR

Edwin H. Hall, graduate of the Class of 1875 has revolutionized our world and has received practically no recognition from the Bowdoin community. It is true, there are many contributions to society that have been made by Bowdoin graduates. It seems odd, though, that an individual who made possible advancements such as the computer, television, remote control, and just about every other piece of electronic equipment has yet to be broadly recognized by the college which has been a part of such achievements.

Professor Dale Sypher in the department of physics has worked closely with the discoveries of Edwin Hall. What is known to the scientific community as the "Hall Effect" is an effect whose understanding makes transistors possible. Although Hall didn't win a Nobel prize (the first Nobel prize in physics was awarded in 1901) his discovery led to several Nobel Prizes, the latest being given for the Fractional Quantum Hall Effect last week. This effect can be described as, "a collective quantum mechanical ground state where all the electrons in the system can lower their energy if they all become part of a single wave function."

Although recognition seems to elude Hall in the twentieth century, you may hear the names Horst Störmer, Dan Tsui, Bob Laughlin or Klaus Van Klitzing in relation to his work. These are the individuals responsible for the revival of the Hall effect, and its applications to quantum theory.

Beginning in 1980 the Integer Quantum Hall effect was discovered by Klaus Van Klitzing. At that time Sypher began his work on the quantum Hall effect. At a conference in 1985 which Sypher attended in Kyoto, Japan, most of the leaders in the field were present. At the closing banquet all members were given traditional Japanese fondue cups. The members of the convention exchanged signatures knowing that it was a historic meeting, and someone in the room would most probably acquire a Nobel Prize. In 1985, weeks after the conference, the Nobel Prize was awarded to Van Klitzing for the Integer Quantum Hall effect. In 1998 the Nobel prize was awarded to Horst Störmer, Dan Tsui, and Bob Laughlin for their work on the Fractional Quantum Hall Effect. When this work was being done, Störmer was passing through the lab and engaging them in conversation. Although the quantum Hall effect may not be responsible for something as tangible as a computer, it still has had an enormous impact on physics and related sciences. The integer quantum Hall effect provides us with the definition of an ohm, the unit of electrical resistance. This definition is one of the most precise measurements that is known in our understanding of the universe. It is unfortunate that a legend such as Hall has slipped through the cracks of recognition. Maybe on the 200th anniversary of his graduation, in 2075, he will be recognized for his contributions to the modern world.

Mike Bouyea '99 is president of this year's Polar Consulting Group, a student organization that examines and offers suggestions to improve campus organizations and programs. (Adam Zimman/Bowdoin Orient)
**Editorials**

**A call for understanding**

The forum initiated by B-GLAD last Wednesday took an important step toward addressing the inexcusable significance of Matthew Shepard's murder. Members of the Bowdoin and Brunswick communities came together and voiced rightful outrage at the hate surrounding the incident and the silence enclosing Bowdoin.

Although the understanding of our ever-so-aware Bowdoin community tends to be slightly better than that of the outside world, it is far from ideal. A fear of difference plagues this campus, whether it's expressed in discomfort with homosexuality or any stark individuality. The Bowdoin culture is highly tangible, visible in the common characteristics of understated dedication which we all sharp so obviously. We experience common paths while at Bowdoin, but our similarities here take our pasts and our more intimate selves for granted.

It becomes difficult for students to express any individuality which might not conform with the overwhelming momentum of the status quo. This ethos perpetuates itself when uniqueness remains repressed and other individuals, unable to identify with others, feel only disension from a unanimous but superficial contentment. Few issues reflect this condition more sharply than homosexuality, with a prejudiced society compounds the problems within Bowdoin.

B-GLAD and other on-campus groups which celebrate our differences should continue to make themselves known to dispel the veneer of complacency and pave the way for diversity. They also cannot relinquish the importance of the Matthew Shepard incident, as both the representation of the work which remains to be done and a rallying point for the expression of distinctiveness.

**Lessons from Colby**

The recent drinking incident at Colby College that sent a 19-year-old sophomore into a coma, no more than fifty miles away from us, at an institution very similar to ours, deserves our attention and concern. The student fell out of a dormitory window, three stories to a concrete walkway last Thursday after drinking at an off-campus party hosted by a senior, who has been charged with furnishing a place for a minor to consume alcohol.

This tragedy could have happened anywhere, as Bowdoin knows well. And it can happen regardless of preventive measures. With nearly all other variables consistent with our rival institution in Waterville, Colby’s alcohol policy differs from Bowdoin’s in its greater paternalism. Whereas Colby’s administration plays a very tangible role in the planning and procedure of when and how alcohol is served, Bowdoin places more confidence in its students, limiting itself to ensuring that alcohol is registered. Security takes as prudent a stance as possible on the issue, allowing students to make their own decisions while trying to safeguard against disaster.

Questions of blame surrounding the incident highlight contradictions between college policies which ‘officially’ prohibit underage drinking but acknowledge its seemingly necessary place in the collegiate social culture. Issues of legality clash with students’ claim to an inviolate heritage of drinking, leaving the College awkwardly in the middle. Students such as the Colby senior who held the party at which the injured sophomore drank will inevitably become scapegoats when this balance falters. Although the insulation of these cozy residential colleges can feign a sense of invincibility, ultimate responsibility does lie with the students to be adults, as assumed by the College and the use of alcohol.

If another lesson is to be learned of this most recent alcohol-related disaster, it might be found in the developing trend of tragedy immediately before breaks. The most recent incident happened on the eve of Colby’s fall break, just as the 1996 death of a UMaine student and last fall’s alcohol poisoning of three first-years happened at the start of spring break and fall break respectively. The cathartic and excessive use of alcohol surrounding the freedom of vacations raises questions of the motivations for drinking in the first place.

**Town and gown progress**

Town and gown tension is as old as higher education. Bowdoin and Brunswick have seen their realms overlap in many collaborative ways, but as Bowdoin continues to expand beyond old borders, the most apparent overlaps have been points of contention.

The town can easily forget the contributions of the College’s many volunteer activities when their neighborhood seems to come under a noisy siege on weekends. Students can neglect to acknowledge their status as denizens of the town of Brunswick, as well as Bowdoin College, for nine months out of the year. Much of the strain in our relationship could be mollified by both parties’ recognition of the lack of bounds between the two communities: they are one in the same.

We are moving in a positive direction. The town is pleased with the proposed Maine St. Station project and the ways in which it will enhance the neighborhood. Its placement outside of the historically accepted boundaries of the College will help to demonstrate the connection between town and gown.
This Administration, dynamic, involved cellular protein airborne...!

To begin, I make the assumption that the morale of Bowdoin students is low. This is not to say that everyone is unhappy, rather, it is to say that some students are unhappy, most students are content, but few students are really excited to be involved in the vibrant and volatile dynamics that define our college experience. Granted, this is an amorphous idea, but a few examples of this dynamic, vibrant interplay will help define this idea. As a working example, the liberal and college experience involves a passion for learning and change, for idealism and activism, for leadership and compromise, for responsibility and respect, and for fun and a development of one’s own self identity. These ideals can be expressed and experienced at Bowdoin in a number of ways; here is a list of those areas pertinent to this discussion: student participation in campus government and committees, student organizing and activities, sports, seminars and research. This list, however, is not the point of the argument. The key point is that, whether we like it or not, there is a common sense of apathy that pervades this campus. Moreover, few people seem to care about this; in other words, there is a sense of fear about being apathetic.

There is evidence to support this assertion. Consider student government. Initially, the Class of 2000 elected a single candidate to run for a class officer position. Other candidates in other classes ran unopposed. This year, The Orient took a landmark step forward by publishing a list of the candidates electoral platforms, but due to an apparent fundamental lack of understanding and an increased cynicism by the student electorate as to how student government can actually effect change within the community, these words fell on unhearing ears. Consider as evidence of this phenomenon, a comment that an unnamed Bowdoin student made to The Yale Daily News, Army’s guide in Columbia 99, 20th edition. "And a laid back atmosphere prevails. As one student said, ‘Everyone’s a sucker at Bowdoin, or at least they pretend to be.” This comment was boxed, shaded and made into a pull quote in this review. Casting aside the effect student comments like these have on the school’s image, they nevertheless reinforce the notion of student apathy. In the 1999 edition of The Princeton Review, The 311 Best Colleges, another Bowdoin student comments, “The problem with living in such a small town is a lack of things to do. The college does not support drinking, yet, they don’t offer alternatives.” In The Yale Daily News piece, a student proclaims, “Brunswick, Maine is the most boring town in the entire universe.” Again, the point here is not that these comments reflect negatively on the school; that is a whole separate and serious issue. Rather, the very fact that these comments are made, and made public, reinforces a community wide feeling of powerlessness and this leads to a community-wide trend of apathy. Therefore, to alleviate this self-reinforcing trend, it must be understood. Almost two years ago, on the heels of the foundation-shaking report by the Secretary of Defense, Bowdoin held a town hall meeting to explain this report and allow members of the community to redress their grievances. At this meeting, several concerns were raised that strike at the heart of the issue in question. The first and most important concern addressed was the place of minority students in Bowdoin’s community. Secondly, Bowdoin students lamented that they had not had an active role in the creation of the Residential Life report. Thirdly, students voiced a serious concern over a growing rift between the interests of the students and the Administration. Each of these issues, all vital to the health and integrity of the Bowdoin community, have one thing in common. They are each accompanied by a sense of powerlessness: a powerlessness of minority students to gain true acceptance into the community, a powerlessness of all students to effect any change in the future of the Bowdoin community and a powerlessness of the Administration to effectively communicate its intentions to the community. This feeling of powerlessness leads to this comment made in the Princeton Review, “The administration is like a brick wall with ‘visionary’ pretensions or wheels. You suggest improvement or work for something you care about, the administration nods and proceeds to do what it was going to do in the first place.”

Whether the above statement is accurate or not is of lesser importance in the context of this discussion. This issue can be viewed in terms of the following paradigm. A feeling of powerlessness to effect change, to participate effectively and be rewarded by the vibrant daily college dynamics breeds contempt and apathy; contempt and apathy breed low morale and the cycle begins anew.

Jeff Bedrosian is the Business Manager of The Orient.
Making a meaningful living

by Mark Turner

I have decided to hold off on my usual commentary on politics or pertinent issues and comment on some of my more general observations about life (my life, that is). I stayed on campus during fall break and had to continue the task of juggling responsibilities (homework) and whims. Doing homework was far easier during break because I had nothing to constrain my time but my own whims. Yet, I managed to have enough leisure time to spend my evenings with friends or with other forms of entertainment (literature, television, music, etc.). Once I finished my work, I was left to ponder what to do with my evenings. I spent Friday night sleeping (I had only four hours of sleep the previous night), Saturday night watching Twilight Zone: The Movie, and on Sunday night, I watched a French film with English subtitles.

How I spend my leisure time during summer vacation is not fundamentally different from Fall Break except that I substitute work for school. Although my leisure activities satisfy my simple whims, I realize that my leisure activities cannot satisfy my dreams and aspirations. The French movie (I can’t recall the title) had quite an effect on me because it displayed the efforts of a French peasant-in-the-late-eighteenth-century-to-purge-disease-and-impurities-from-the-water-supply of his village. In order to obtain funding from the king for this project, the peasant must rise through the ranks of the aristocracy. The peasant must learn the art of wit in order to impress the aristocracy and gain an audience with the king. The aristocracy was quite indifferent to the peasant’s cause but enamored of his wit. Rather than deriding their time to fighting injustices (like diseased waters), the aristocracy dedicated themselves to a socially useless goal: wit. In considering

how I spend my leisure time, I found it quite easy to imagine a similarly useless existence in contemporary America. Like the French aristocrats, I could occupy my leisure time with satisfying physical comforts and being oblivious to concerns outside of my narrow self-interest. I am quite fortunate to be able to attend an elite college and have more freedom to choose how I will “make my living.” I find my Bowdoin education interesting, but I am not certain whether I will enjoy working in fields related to the liberal arts. In that case, my occupation would no longer be the pursuit of a passionate aspiration but simply a better way of “making a living.” I realize that I must surround myself with physical comforts (nice furniture, comfortable clothes, etc.) and passive entertainments, I could be rich and comfortable for the rest of the week.

Parents voice concerns over student drinking

To The Editor: As parents of a Bowdoin student, we have been reading with great interest and concern your series of articles on student drinking.

We applaud the formation of an alcohol education task force composed of different members of the college community. It is unfortunate that the existence of laws prohibiting drinking under age 21, while significantly reducing deaths from auto accidents nationwide, has the unintended effect of glamorizing the “forbidden fruit,” encouraging binge drinking and reducing the opportunity for young people to learn responsible behavior. The preliminary efforts of this task force to fill the knowledge/experience gap are laudable.

We are most concerned, however, with the official response to the recent incident of alleged hazing. We believe that the administration’s first response should

No more dangerous biking to Cook’s Corner

by Yuichiro Suzuki ’01

Anyone who has cycled along Bath Road to get to Cook’s Corner must have run a fair chance of getting into an accident. However, now Brunswick has invested some money to reduce this probability; there is now a new path exclusively for pedestrians and cyclists.

The opening of this Brunswick-Cook’s Corner path was celebrated Saturday, October 17th. The ceremony was marked by a parade of about one hundred local cyclists riding antique bikes. Participants ranged from the children dressed in Halloween clothes to their grand-parents, who made sure that their grandchildren made it back safely.

The new path extends from Water Street down by the Androecoggin River to Cook’s Corner. Most of the path runs beside the river, which provides cyclists and pedestrians a great view of the river, especially with current foliage. The path is divided into two lanes, one for pedestrians, and the other for cyclists. As long as cyclists are not distracted by the spectacular autumn colors, cyclists and pedestrians can travel without disturbing each other. Furthermore, the path is to be cleared during the winter so avid bikers need not put off cycling until the spring returns.

The old cycling route along Bath Road, was, in my opinion, one of the most dangerous bike routes in the state. Cyclists past just a couple of feet away with occasional trucks coming perilously close. In addition, the gravel which covered the side of Bath Road for about half of the year does prevent cars from skidding but endangers cyclists. The new path will hopefully be used by many Bowdoin students because it provides a more environmentally friendly and healthy means of getting to Cook’s Corner. It is my hope that the path will eventually be extended to Freeport and Bath.

STUDENT SPEAK

What should Bowdoin dedicate to you after you graduate?

BEN SCHLITTING ’00 Beloit, WI

“The driver’s seat of the shuttle, because that’s where I always am.”

TODD JOHNSTON ’02 & ADAM CORMAN ’02 Scottsdale, AZ; Mclean, VA

“The polar bear. Who wouldn’t want to be the mascot?”

JEN R. ’00, CARLO R. ’00, LAUREN M. ’00 Dallas, TX; Puerto Rico; Laconia, NH

“The sixteenth floor of the Tower around 4:20 in the afternoon.”

BILL G. ’99, JULIE D. ’99, DOUG A. ’99 Northampton, MA; N. Andover, MA; Fairfield, CT

“Fifth floor stacks.”

VIDIRK FRANKFATHER ’99 Oak Park, IL

“All of the women’s restrooms.”

SARAH CASTONGUAY ’02 East Kingston, NH

“I’d like a juice maker in the dining hall.”

ABHINAV SINHA ’02

“Hyde second floor bathroom; because we take care of it.”

DAVE THOMAS ’00 Lenox, MA

“How about those Maine squirrels?”

Compiled by Jared Liu & Krista Friedrich.

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OPINION
Many Bowdoin alumni enjoy returning to campus during Homecoming festivities to spend time at their old fraternity houses and meet new fraternity members. What effect, if any, will Bowdoin’s elimination of fraternities have upon the number of Bowdoin graduates who return to campus each year for Homecoming?

Probably a lot. I played hockey over the summer with an alumni who used to be in a frat, and he’s pretty upset about the whole thing. He loved his time at Bowdoin, but thought the future looked terrible for the students. He even tried to keep me from going here! Over all, he was pretty bitter towards the school.

P.J. Prest ‘02

There is no question that an alum is less to likely return if the place where he spent the majority of his time no longer exists. Frats represent a brotherhood that no longer functions at Bowdoin, even with the co-ed houses still operating. When I listen to my grandfather tell of the bond that developed between frat members I realize that I cannot achieve that kind of mutual friendship in an apartment or dorm. Bowdoin is changing, and whether it is for the good or the bad is yet to be decided; give the next generation a chance to develop. Hopefully yours,

Eric Bornoff ’01

For the time being, I do not think that alumni turnout will decrease. However, once the houses are gone and filled with sophomores in college-enforced pseudo-fraternities, alumni will lose interest in visiting their old houses and lose touch with the current student body. Homecoming will continue to be a big draw, but it will lose meaning as the sense of continuity that fraternities created at Bowdoin dries up.

Pedro Salom ’00

I think that it would probably lower the amount of alumni that show up, because we are taking a piece of their away, to a sense.

Erin Mcdonough ’01

More people will come back because EVERYONE belongs to these houses. Only a percentage was part of a fraternity.

Amil Karna ’02

It’s understandable that alumni who feel attached to a fraternity and consider it an integral part of their college history will be disappointed to see those opportunities dissolve. But the college is not a museum; we should not be expected to stagnate our development for the benefit of nostalgically prone graduates. Fraternities have a history at Bowdoin but they don’t have a future here. Alumni who wish the college to remain exactly as they left it will be disappointed, but those who recognize that academic institutions change with time will enjoy Homecoming even without the presence of fraternities.

James Fisher ’02

The Bowdoin graduates will see a school in despair.

Michael Mulholland ’02

I think the elimination of fraternities at Bowdoin will have some impact on the number of alumni who return to campus for visits. As you say, many of these alumni do return to visit their old fraternities now, while the fraternities still have possession of the houses. It is still a real homecoming, since some fraternity members are still students here and live in the houses. Echoes from the past, in a former fraternity house now devoid of ‘home atmosphere’ will bother some people, so some will probably not return to Bowdoin for visits, unless for reasons other than visiting their former fraternity houses. Though not actually a fraternity member, I feel very much at home living in Alpha Delta. I’ve developed some close friendships among some of the fraternity members I live with, or have lived with here before they graduated last year. I have developed an attachment to ‘my’ fraternity house, because the people in it have made me feel very welcome, and it feels like a real home every time I walk in the front door (or the back one).

Because of my happiness in Alpha Delta, I have formed an attachment to what I regard as also “my house,” even though I am not an actual member of the fraternity. Someday, like fraternity members of Alpha Delta, I will also miss the ‘home atmosphere’ of our house on any visits I may make back to Bowdoin. I too will hear “the echoes” from the past; I will be bothered by the absence of home atmosphere of what once was, that will never be able to be duplicated by any social house.

Jennie Collart ’99

Shameless Pleas for Contribution

As dutiful readers of The Orient you have no doubt read Jeff Bednomin’s commentary on the current morale of Bowdoin students. With most college organizations in full swing, perhaps you feel it’s too late to join new activities, you’ve resigned to wait until next semester, or even next year before becoming involved in a new activity. Opinions are the natural antidotes of apathy; I know you have them, why not share your opinions with the Bowdoin community in that most apt of venues for expressing opinions, the Opinion section of The Orient.

So you’re convinced (a fair assumption: you’re not browsing this blurb for its charming witticisms). Now what should you write about? So many opinions blustering through your collegiate veins that you’re unsure which opinions will best advertise your analytical prowess and subtle humor to your anxiously awaiting public. Well, begs your graphic and other current creative work by Bowdoin students. In order to make this idea float, I will need a rather constant stream of contributions. Even your most sporadic contributions will aid the process.

Another new section of the Orient will begin next week. In order to provide some lively partisan debate, a political topic will be presented to the College Democrats and the College Republicans. Members of these groups will respond with a short (around one paragraph) defense of their political positions. Perhaps you are a Libertarian, a Green, or an Independent. If you would like to participate in this political sparring then email me and we’ll work out a weekly slot for you alongside the Democrats and Republicans.

Waiting diligently for your deluge of interested emails and phone calls,

Aaron Rosenberg
Opinion Editor
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Student Artwork

Images from Bowdoin’s Coastal Studies Center
Photos by Jess Tallman

Left: a glimpse of the ocean from the Center’s property.

Right: cobwebs in the Center’s barn.

Bowdoin’s Coastal Studies Center is a 118-acre site of forest, wetlands, and fields located just eight miles from the campus on Orr’s Island. The facility houses a flowing sea water marine laboratory, a solar-powered terrestrial laboratory, and a renovated farmhouse for classes and seminar meeting, and serves as a center for research in geology, ecology, marine biology, and ornithology.

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For weeks, we've seen his music videos being played in Smith Union, and the posters and flyers announcing his concert have become a common sight around campus. At last, the one and only Busta Rhymes, one of rap's most talented and outspoken leaders, is coming to shake our little town of Brunswick this Friday night. He's much anticipated, not to mention sold out, concert promises to leave no one disappointed.

On tour with the amazing five-member Flipmode Squad, the band will be pumping out tunes from their release When Disaster Strikes. Over four million copies of the album have already been sold, while its MTV videos have brought a lot of attention to the rap world. Similar to their previous releases, the album's songs feature a bold, unique style of rap of difficult rhymes and phrases that reflect the heart and soul of rap. The five other band members are equally as talented and outspoken as the band's leader. SpillStar and Rampage were two of the original Flipmode and joined forces with Rhymes during their early days growing up in East Flatbush, Brooklyn. Lord Have Mercy connected with the band after pursuing his original passion: basketball. After being recruited by a college in Massachusetts for basketball, things began to fall down for Lord, and he eventually returned to Brooklyn. Shortly after, Lord began jamming with Rhymes, which he describes as the turning point in his life. Rah Digga, the only female in the group, has also left an indelible mark on the music industry. "She always had this way about her so that you knew she could do it," Rhymes recalls upon first meeting her. Shem, a native of Queens, knew Rhymes for only a month before he was signed up with Busta's new album is also featured on Busta's new album is other well known rap artists like Sean "Puffy" Combs, Mase, Rampage and Erykah Badu. Busta Rhymes doesn't fear facing the issues that come with plague society. Much of his music deals with the real problems that go on in the streets. When questioned about the meaning of his song "Things We Don't Do", he replied that the issues are "about things that are being done out there, killing and rebelling. But what people have to remember is I'm talking about it in a song, or a mind state, through an entertainment vehicle, so that we can better deal with it. We have to talk about this so we can identify the problems, and that's the only way we can create solutions for it. If you hear about killing and shooting in a rap, it doesn't mean we want it to happen. None should be fronting, like they want to, either. You don't want your mouse or your baby into some stray shot a--"

Busta burst onto the music scene in 1990 as a member of Leaders Of The New School, which released two albums, Future Without a Past in 1990, and 1995's T.I.M.E. leading them to become East Coast legends before Busta decide to break away and go solo. Busta's album, The Coming, brought Busta out to the hip hop industry as a force to be reckoned with. Called hip-hop "Supreme Shamen", Busta and the Flipmode Squad have released yet another album called the "Imperial Album" which uses their old skills combined with new tricks to create masterful tracks in six weeks. Each vocalist shares their special attributes on the album so set to arrive from all the ram. Busta explains about his music, "We're raising the level here."

The Busta Rhymes concert is sold out for tomorrow. The show will be in Morrell Gym at 8 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m.

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It's Homecoming again...
Nunamuit culture shows its face at Arctic Museum

GEMMA SANDERS
STAFF WRITER

The Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum's new exhibit, Facing the Future: Mask-Making Traditions of Northern Alaska, is the first exhibit outside of Alaska to focus on the mask-making tradition of a small group of Inuit known as the Nunamuit, or People of the Land. The exhibit, which will run for about a year and features masks from the College's collections, which have never before been seen by the public.

The exhibit explains how two hunters from Anaktuvuk Pass, the small community in the Brooks Range of northern Alaska inhabited by the Nunamuit, were inspired to make masks after seeing Halloween masks in a store in Fairbanks, Alaska. Through more than 100 objects and historic and contemporary photographs, the exhibit explores their artistic choices and the traditional meanings of clothing and decorations featured on the masks. More important than a mere representation of the Nunamuit culture, however, the masks offer the People of the Land a method of remaining loyal to their past while at the same time convincing them to look to the future: through the masks, they are not only reminded of long-standing cultural practices and beliefs, but by selling them they also earn the money that allows them to hunt for their traditional foods and participate in a cash economy.

The Arctic Museum acquired the masks from Ursula Helckamer of Oakland, ME, who collected them while working as a Public Health nurse in Kotzebue, AK. Also on view is work by three Alaskan mask-makers who came to Bowdoin to demonstrate their craft on Oct. 17. Rachel Riley teaches the Nunamuit culture in the Anaktuvuk Pass school, Justus Mezkana was a key figure in developing the techniques used to form the flat skins into three-dimensional faces now used by all Nunamuit mask-makers, and Elbert Nekina, a veteran mask-maker whose innovative designs continue to inspire. The demonstration was made possible by the support of the Association of Bowdoin Friends.

The exhibit is curated by Genevieve M. Lehmheim.
**“Night at the Roxbury”: no carrots from The Hoyter**

RYAN C. JOHNSON
MOVIE REVIEWER / CREATOR

The small little sedan raced up to the entrance of the movie theatre. As I opened the door and prepared to step out into the nighttime air, I noticed my driver (also my roommate) who had stopped the car in a gigantic puddle. He was even double parked.

Me: Yeah, ugh Chris, could you maybe find another parking spot.

Chris: [laughing] What?! What’d I do?

Me: At this point I decided that arguing with Chris was useless, so I said, since I was seated in the back seat, I was not in the position to hijack the car, flee to Portland, and go clubbing by myself.

It was Saturday night and Hoyt’s was buzzing with buzz, buzzier than I’d ever seen it. Much to my disappointment, though, nobody played for Rulin Williams’ new feature, “When Dreams Come True.”

In any case, as Chris and Sam (my other roommate with me) approached the ticket window, we realized, that up until now we were not sure what movie we were going to see. As a matter of fact, if it had just dawned on me that I had been reviewing movies for over a month for The Orient but actually had viewed only one film in that time period. Both my roommates Chris and Sam were impressed with a thick called “Night at the Roxbury.” I finally recollected seeing previews of the film this past summer, but those that were shown were edited very far back into my brain and it was very painful to pull them up. Also, the thick wad of cash in my wallet was frozen, but neither of my roommates had bothered to bring any money.

Me: How about we see “When Dreams Come True.”

Sam: Well that started about 20 minutes ago.

Chris: Yeah, yeah right...

Me: How about “Nightmare on Elm Street Part Six.”

Sam: I heard “Night at the Roxbury” was supposed to be good.

Chris: Right, yeah.

Me: How about “Ever After.”

Sam: It’s really funny. These two guys from Saturday Night Live doing the same thing with their heads over and over.

Me: How about “Rounders.”

Sam: They do this thing with their heads like this “starting to head bob.”

Me: “The Waterboy.”

Sam: “Bobbing head up and down against left shoulder.”

Me: “Bullinsky.”

Chris “oblivious to the head bobbing but head bobbing with Sam anyway” well yeah yeah right...

Me: “Deceptively How about we rent “Bichard Pryor Live at the Northwest Territories?”

At this point the lady behind the cash register was giving us ugly glances, and judging from the lines stretching out the door behind us, it was time to go.

**Night at the Roxbury: Cars: 0 of 5. So bad, in fact, that it deserves Four Beets.**

I think I can say, without any statistical significance and with complete objectivity, that everyone seen bad movies. Movies no parents in their right mind would let their children watch, movies banned in 47 counties, and movies that make the video store heap onto their “penny shelf.” “Night at the Roxbury” is definitely one of these bombs and I can’t even begin to tell you bad it is.

First of all, the theatre was full of toddlers and kids still running around in their diapers. I mean nothing makes me more mad when some six year old can’t stop farting while I’m trying to watch the previews. Second, even the previews were bad. That’s not a good sign. Usually it’s worth a few bucks if you can get to catch some shots of upcoming films like “Blues Brothers 6: Dan Akroyd is not the screenwriter nor is he in this film” and “A Bug’s Life.” Yet I don’t remember a single preview ever “The Waterboy,” which will surely find itself sunken in an early grave of “films released directly to video.”

Third, the movie was plain awful. I mean, this is not a scientific paper backed up with heaps of data and results and conclusions, but this film made me cough and choke and quite literally be run down with dysentery. The acting was horible and the plot was lame (two brothers trying to get into the hottest club in California, the Roxbury). The absolute worse part of the film was the parody of the final scene from “Jerry Mcguire” and this sealed the envelope and paid for the first rate postage to send this film into Dante’s ninth circle of hell. I mean, I haven’t even gotten to let my kids rent it, even when they are 22.

The only plus (aside form the great Califi- ne nightime scenery) was the music. Great 80’s styles pumping in the clubs like “What is Love (Baby Don’t Hurt Me)” and “What is Love (Baby Don’t Hurt Me)”

The only problem is the fact that they played “What is Love” over and over and over again. Shame, I’d swear the audio track was only 10 minutes long on this film and the crunchy editors simply dubbed it over and over and over again.

Leaving the theatre, I was surprised to see it had stopped raining. As we pulled into my roommate’s rusty old sedan and sped back toward “Bowdoinville,” I couldn’t help but think. And think. And think. Hours of lost wasted at the theatre. Down to the minutes and seconds.

Sam: So what did you think? “taking one of those “I’ll pay you back as soon as I can”

Chris: “laughing” Heeheeheehee
Me: Let’s go rent a porno.

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**Lara’s Pub Page: A Pair of Suspenders talk about Triage et Un**

LARA BLACKBURN
PUB REVIEWER

I sat down and chatted with two of the four guys who make up next Thursday’s pub band, Triage Et Un.

Hey guys. Introduce yourselves and let the people know all the instruments that you could possibly play.

J: I’m Justin Maxwell, and I play bass and saxophone; but they won’t usually let me touch anything else.

D: I’m Dan Seaver and I play keyboards, accordion, and guitar.

J: And bass.

D: Yeah, and bass. I play whatever I damn well please.

So which of those is your favorite to play?

D: Accordion.

J: I like to play upright bass.

When did you start playing music?

J: I signed up for band in the fifth grade and I got a saxophone. Then I played it for a bass for Christmas when I was a freshman in high school.

D: I also started playing music in fifth grade. My parents forced me. Then I moved to the euphonium, then to the tuba. In sixth grade, I started playing the piano.

J: I then began to step started out.

We got good last year.

D: I think it was actually last Tuesday.

How did you two meet?

J: I was friends and computer nerd with Dan’s older brother. We programmed to-gether.

D: We started playing music together about my freshman year in high school. J: We’re old now, though. That was 1990.

The band you started was the Suspenzers. Can you give me the short story of that band?

D: No.

J: That band was started to just play one dance. We didn’t have a name, nor technically a band. And we just kept playing together at proms and dances.

D: We started writing music together, won a contest, and put out a really bad cassette.

J: And then we put out a good record which we actually call our debut.

What’s the deal with Triage?

J: I just called a few guys I know to play on a pick-up gig. We did a piano, bass, and drum combo and it was really fun. It worked out well. Since then, we’ve performed semi-
radically.

So the other two guys in Triage are Bob and Marty?

J: Yep. Bob is a good friend of ours, but I don’t know for being in the Boneheads, another local band. We used to go see them all the time. He has his own recording studio, and that’s how I recorded these few tunes. It’s in OD smooth; he’s a lady’s man. He’s also the drummer for a R&B band that play in Red Light Special.

So how does it feel to be et Un?

D: Special.

Tell me what Triage Et Un will sound like in the Pub, without naming other musicians.

D: You know what a train derail?

J: Interesting. Lots of instrument switch-

D: I can’t remember over being anything for Halloween. I don’t think I ever planned out a costume. One time my friend and I wanted the costume we put on Hawaiian shirts and went as tourists.

Do you have any aspirations for the future, as far as music is concern?

J: Do we, Dan?

D: Yeah.

J: Yes, have some.

D. Yeah.

J: I’d like to be rich and famous. I’d like to play with John Hiatt or Ani Difranco. I don’t care which.

D: I’d like to own a massive music conglomerate company with arms in both the retail and publishing business.

J: We’d of course like to make our own music, but that can wait. Songwriting takes time, and I’d rather be eating.

D: It hurts your soul.

J: Actually, we need to date some evil women. Dan’s girlfriend is far too nice to him. We both need some bad relationships. We’ve been too happy to write songs lately. I think you have to be miserable to write effectively.

D: Is that it, Lara?

J: Yeah.

D: Did we O.K.

Sure.

Triage Et Un rocks Magee’s Pub Thurs-

day, October 29 at about 9:30. Come early and catch a spooky Halloween storyteller at 7:30.
Sports, Sha Na Na and...
continued from HOMECOMING p. 11

at Whittier Field the football team also hosts Trinity. For those people out there who do not like football but love jazz (I know there are some more of you), the Royal River Philharmonic Jazz Band will perform at the game’s halftime. The big events, however, occur tomorrow night:

1. In order to set the mood of the night, Moulton’s Dining Hall will be having a 50’s theme dinner, featuring food and music from that much more innocent decade, now a half-century ago (Yes, alumni/ae, it happened that long ago).
2. Attention Alumni/a: the New Century Campaign finale dinner is scheduled at 6:00 in Farley Field House will actually be at 7:00.
3. As everyone should know, the Homecoming concert starts at 9:00 tomorrow night, yet students are asked to gather at the West Side of Farley before 9:00.

At this point, Danny’s Dogs will be giving out free frankfurters, which Director of Donor Relations Kathy Billings calls “great hot dogs. Something sets them apart from other brands.”

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Friday, October 23
Noon - Ground breaking ceremonies for the new Memorial Hall renovations.
7:00 p.m. - Alumni/ae swim meet. Greason Pool.
7:30 p.m. - Bowdoin Chorus and Chamber Choir concert. Tickets required. Chapel.
8:00 p.m. - Busta Rhymes concert. Morrell Gym.
8:30 p.m. - Bonfire at Whittier Field.

Saturday, October 24
10:00 a.m. - Tours of Druckenmiller Hall and the Coastal Studies Center. Until noon.
11:00 a.m. - 5K race at Pickard Field.
11:00 a.m. - Women’s Soccer at Pickard Field.
Noon - Men’s Soccer at Pickard Field.
1:30 p.m. - Football vs. Trinity. Whittier Field. Royal River Jazz Band at halftime.
5:00 p.m. - 50’s themed dinner. Moulton Union.
7:00 p.m. - New Century Campaign finale dinner. Farley Field House.
9:00 p.m. - Homecoming concert- free frankfurters, Sha Na Na, Eight to the Bar. West side of Farley.

Wish you could talk to Busta? We all do. Write for A&E.
e-mail jslepian.
**FRI Oct 23**

**Concert (7:30 p.m.)**
Chamber Choir and Chorus. If you didn’t manage to get tickets to the sold out Buata’ concert, or if Buata just isn’t your thing, enjoy the soothing sounds of two of our many fine musical groups. The Chapel.

**Film (8:00 p.m.)**
Boris and Broad Do America. The Bowdoin Film and Video Series presents this... alluring film. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**SAT Oct 24**

**Picnic (12:00-1:15 p.m.)**
Homeirming picnic, featuring Southern food including pork, chicken, smoked sausage, and more. The Royal River Philharmonic Jazz Band will provide entertainment. College employees may purchase tickets by calling the Alumni Relations Office at x3111. $5.

**MON Oct 26**

**Lecture (7:30 p.m.)**
"Manic Depression and Gilbert Stuart's Bowdoin Portraits," presented by Dorothy Evans of Emory University. VAC, Krege Auditorium.

**Seminar (4:00-5:30 p.m.)**

**TUE Oct 27**

**Walk/Run (10:00 p.m.)**
Alumni/track picnic and walk/run miles. For more information on this, call, perfect. Wolfe’s Neck Farm, Freeport. x3266.

**Film (7:30 p.m.)**
*Mi Vida Loca.* The Latin Movie Festival continues. For those of you who don’t speak Spanish, this translates roughly to “My Crazy Life.” VAC, Krege Auditorium.

**WED Oct 28**

**Concert (8:00 p.m.)**
Buata’ Rhymes. Although this concert is sold out, you could still stand outside the Morrell Gym and try to hear the beat of Buata’s music. Or, perhaps you could bribe a kind fellow student into telling you her ticket. I don’t know. I don’t plan these events. I just report them. Morrell Gym. $12.50.

**Concert (9:30 p.m.)**
Jiggle the Handle. This New England band offers a mix of funk, jazz and rock. If you doubt their talent and ability to entertain, take solace in the fact that Jenny Sleipan thinks they’re "awesome." If Jenny thinks they’re awesome, shouldn’t you? Stone Coast Brewing Company, 14 York St. Portland. 773-2337. $5.

**Lecture (7:00 p.m.)**
"Food and Sex, and Morality and Easysty." Physicians Mona Lisa Shore and Downy Don Valley address the way our brains, and thus, our bodies are affected by media. Perhaps they can help us better understand how to address the way we balance food, body-image, and appetite. North Yarmouth Academy’s Safford Center, 148 Main St., Yarmouth. 846-2380. $15.

**THU Oct 29**

**Buy your David Dobman tickets**
The David Dobman Dance Company, whose tour for audiences -- from South America to Europe will be visiting Bowdoin on Friday, October 30. It is sure to be an alluring performance. Tickets are available for $6 with a Bowdoin ID at the Smith Union Information Desk.

**Fri Oct 23**

**Concert (7:30 p.m.)**
The Bowdoin Chamber Choir and Chorus perform again in celebration of Homecoming Weekend. The Chapel make sense, but if you’re doing... with the clubbing lingo, it may make more sense. More power to you. Zoo, 61 Forest Ave, Portland. 773-8187. $3.

**Seminar (4:00 p.m.)**

**Walk and Discussion (8:00 p.m.)**
Campus lighting and safety will be addressed. Meet in the North Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Moulton Union at 7:45 to attend the walk. The discussion will follow.

**Seminar (12:00-1:00 p.m.)**
Faculty Seminar Series. "Propects for Economic Reform in Japan," presented by Henry Lawrence, assistant professor of government and Director, Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

**Gallery Talk (4:00 p.m.)**
"Thoughts on New England Diary," presented by Rose Marasco, Associate Professor of Art & Chair of Art Department at Southern Maine Art Museum.

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**Meeting (9:00 p.m.)**
WARRIORS, the campus eating disorders awareness group, hosts a meal to which all are welcome. The Women’s Resource Center, 1st floor.

**Meeting (5:00 p.m.)**
African-American Society convenes for their weekly meeting. Afro-Am House.

**Film (7:30 & 9:30 p.m.)**
Cabin Boy and I’m Gonna Get You Suzie. The Bowdoin Film Society presents a stupid comedy Weekend convenes with these two fine films. This event is perfect if you need a good laugh to get a little wild and crazy before heading over to hear Sha Na Na and 8 to the Bar and devour some fresh hot dogs. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Movie/Dance (9:00 p.m.)**
Sha Na Na and 8 to the Bar perform in this Capital Campaign Closing celebratory dance to which the entire Bowdoin community is invited. The "grand entrance" will take place at 9:00 p.m., after which time the bands will begin performing and free hot dogs will be served. It’s sure to be a night filled with good dancing, good processed meat and good company. Farley Field House. FREE!

**CONCERT (7:00 p.m.)**
Popa Chubby, a guitarist from the Bronx, performs a combination of cool, small, and sad songs from his latest CD, "One Million Broken Guitars." For those who think the name of the phrase "Gimme some smoke," should be expanded so that "smack" can aquire any meaning you wish. Ex. If you want a good drug, you can use it. From your friend/significant other, you could say "Hey baby, gimme some smack!" Try it today, and if someone takes offense, make up a nonthreatening/nonsexual definition of smoke, and explain yourself.

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The Gregg Allman Band. If you’ve heard the song “Ramblin Man” before, this is the group that performs it. Here’s a random fact. In case you were wondering, Gregg Allman was once married to the notorious Cher. But let’s not hold that against him. We’ve all made blunders in the crazy world of love at one time or another, haven’t we? So, Gregg Allman sings “I Eat a Crail” on the Portland, 842-0890. $25.

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**POLAR BEAR SPORTS**

**Men's rugby rolls over UV**

By JEFF CLAYMAN

The women's cross-country team had one good race and one disappointing race in the past two weeks. The disappointing race came on a nice day in the New England Open University Championships, while the good race took place during the torrential record-setting rain of two weeks ago.

Bowdoin took second in the state meet out of 10 teams. Colby took first with 46 points, and Bowdoin was a close second with 47. Bowdoin had four runners in the top 10 compared to only two for Colby. But Colby packed in five more runners before Bowdoin could get another person across the finish line.

The rainfall was so heavy and the course was so flooded that the race had to be postponed until the next day when a calm bucked up creating a waist deep pond in the middle of the course.

The Bowdoin team seemed to enjoy the wet conditions. "We do our best when the conditions are the worst," noted Coach Slovenski. "Our runners had a great attitude about the water and mud, and they ran with a lot of confidence and spirit." Bowdoin runners have enthusiasm, especially when they are wet and muddy.

Vicky Shen '00 and Caitlin O'Connor '99 made the All-Maine team by finishing 3rd and 6th. Kristin Pedersen '02 and Erin Lyman '01 placed 9th and 10th out of 110 runners.

The following week a race with 40 teams, including all the Division I teams in New England, Bowdoin placed 21st. "I think we got a little lost in the race," observed Coach Slovenski. "We were physically ready for a fast day, but our runners didn't dig deep enough in this race. Sometimes a runner feels insignificant in a big race, and there is a tendency to hide if you don't have a great cause to represent." Shen again paced the Polar Bears with a 76th place, and O'Connor also had a good finish in 80th place out of 300 runners. Many of the runners who finished ahead of them are Division I all-stars and scholarship athletes. Shen and O'Connor's times of 18:56 and 19:04 for 3.1 miles are the fastest Bowdoin times of the season.

Bowdoin will be hosting an alumni race on Saturday behind the field house at 11:00 a.m.

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**SPORTS SHORTS**

Don't forget, next Saturday, Halloween, there will be Midnight Madness in Sargent Gym. The purpose of this gathering will be for fun and excitement, not to mention the promotion of school spirit and the basketball team. So far, on the schedule for the event are the team introductions, a slam dunk contest, a 3-point contest and a fan participation contest! This will all be followed by a scrimmage among the talented basketball players! Don't forget to show up in your wildest outfits, showing your school spirit in your Halloween Best! It will start off the men's 1998-99 Basketball season. This season has great potential for excitement, but need fans support and devotion, so help start the season out right.

It all starts Halloween night, October 31st at 12:00 - be there!

This Sunday is the third annual Chi Delta Phi Flag Football Tournament. The tournament is to benefit The American Heart Association. This year's tournament will be in memory of Samuel Ladd '29. The excitement will start at 11:00 AM at the Farley Fields. The teams are made up of 5 - 7 players matched up against another team. Your friends and classmates will be out there, sweating it out on the fields, so the least you can do is come watch them play! They will play until one final champion prevails. The whole event is sponsored by Subway, Artists Trophy, Benzon's, Papa Gino's, Captain Mike's Family Restaurant, Domino's, Vaillancourt AutoBody, Play It Again Sports, and Mailboxes Etc.

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For all those people that like to ride their bikes in the fall, the leaves are still beautiful, and it's not too cold out yet, at least when the sun is shining! This past weekend, while some of us were away enjoying a relaxing fall break, Brunswick celebrated the opening of their new bicycle paths. The celebration was on Saturday, October 10th, and included a parade of bikes. The celebration was for communal use, so that all the members of the Brunswick community can get out and enjoy the crisp air (before it starts snowing). For more information about the path or the bikes, call Bob Dale at 442-8062. There is also a riding club for those people that like to ride with other people. For more information about the meeting times, places and trips, call Doug Fleming for more information!

The Men's Volleyball team is getting ready to start up their winter season. Official practices don't start until November 1st. Right now they are having informal "beach" practices in Merrill Gym on Wednesday's at 7:30. They are always looking for new members. This year, the team has a new coach and basically a whole new team, so there are lots of openings for new players, experienced or inexperienced. It is a club sport, and if they play during the season they will pay against other college teams. The season is a great chance to get out and meet new people and get some exercise while you are at it. There is no experience necessary so come out and try it. For more information, interested players can contact Ryan Edler at x2563 or email at redder@bowdoin for more information!
Bears defeat Plymouth State, UMass Dartmouth

SARAH JENES
STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin 0
USM 1

After two tight soccer contests with Tufts and Amherst, the Polar Bears beat out Plymouth State at Panther field on Tuesday, October 13th, to improve their record to 6-2-1.

Coach Cullen described the majority of this year's team as a collected mix between the Plymouth State College (5-6-0) defense and the Bowdoin offense. "We made a lot of formation adjustments," he said of the team, and despite the fact that we haven't scored a lot, we have done very well.

The Polar Bears dominated the first half of the game but were unable to find the goal to get on the board. This came to an end when Bowdoin sophomore Abby Lockwood triumphed after a pick up on a corner kick. With only twenty-six seconds remaining in regulation play, Bowdoin was granted a corner kick.

Cullen explained that he brings different players into the area for corner kicks in order to vary them. "Abby is one of the targets on the corner kick because she is tall and great in the air," he said of Lockwood. "She keeps them off balance, but we have not scored very much.

Plymouth knocked the ball out of the goal as they had done numerous times before, leaving the Polar Bears to reset themselves on defense. Lockwood had not returned herself when they got hold of the ball and sent it into the left far corner of the goal cage. "It was a good goal. Lockwood had a great shot," Cullen added.

The aim was a goal for the elderly, "they have won the national title," he said of the team's reaction, "we have been working so hard against a good defense.

Though the Bowdoin defense didn't get a lot of action at Tuesday's game, it still proved effective when Plymouth made its way down the field. Polar Bear keeper Sarah Farmer '01 recorded two saves by bringing in her season percentage to .859 after nine games and her total saves to 42. The Plymouth defense was led by Goaliess Alyssa Sadowitz, who recorded eleven saves.

Cullen says that Bowdoin is looking forward to playing out a longer amount of time, "we are trying to take whatever we give, whatever we earn.

It was an unfortunate loss to Connecticut College this past Saturday, but the Polar Bears came back to earn a 5-0 win against UMass at Dartmouth on Sunday. At Connecticut, the Camels were eager to get on the board against Bowdoin, who was ranked fourth in the Division III Regional Polls before the game.

They wasted no time as senior Connecticut player Caroline Davis '01 knocked a goal in and net with the help of junior Meghan Welch at 1:22 into the game. Another score came for Connecticut (8-3) just after the half at 53:40. This time Welch was assisted by Davis. The Polar Bears refused to give up and rallied back to take the lead with two goals left in the game. Junior Alex Siewall scored, but it was not enough.

Despite the score of the game, Bowdoin outshot Connecticut 15-13 and held a 9-1 advantage in corner kicks.

Coach Cullen attributes the typically high number of shots and corner kicks that were granted to the Polar Bears to their abilities and ball control. "We control the ball for extended periods of time in the game and we don't have an individual one-on-one artist.

Cullen said he and his team share the sentiment that they could defeat the Camels if they were given a second chance. On defense, Sarah Farmer recorded six saves and Connecticut goalie Amanda Bulteley picked up eleven for the Camels.

Though Sunday's game came quickly, the Polar Bears were well-prepared for their contest with UMass at Dartmouth (3-9-3) on Sunday. After Saturday's game, Coach Cullen made some changes in his lineup, moving some players positionally, and bringing in PV player Whitney Church.

Five different players combined to score for Bowdoin by the end of the contest for the victory. Mollie Perencevich '01 started the scoring after only 7 minutes of play when she connected with Dana Blizzard '01. Cullen said he was very pleased with Perencevich's goal, "it loosened things up right off the bat. It was a great finesse shot; it tipped over the goal, she didn't try to drive it through the goal.

Also scoring in the first half was captain Caroline Chapin '99 with an assist from Kim Bohlin '01 and Amy Trumbull '00 assisted by senior captain Kristen Dougherty and first-year Alainie Lovise, Chapin, who usually plays back, was moved to the front, and the results were definitely satisfying.

The Polar Bears continued aggressive play after the half to improve their 3-0 score to 5-0, and their record to 7-3-1.

Alex Sewall kept the ball rolling past UMass when she scored, assisted, at 51:56 to make the score 4-0. To seal off the victory, Whitney Church '02 scored the final goal of the game.

"We're working at keeping our focus where it should be." -John Cullen

Bowdoin outshot UMass 27 to 1 and held an 11 to 1 advantage in corner kicks.

The defense for UMass was handled by Jennifer Nelson, who made 13 saves. The Polar Bear defense was shared by Farmer and Emily Rizza '92 who combined for one save.

Cullen said his team's spirit is fantastic, regardless of a win or loss. "We recognize the things we need to work on, and we're working at keeping our focus where it should be."
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Between the lines: Flutie-mania

By Justin DeGeorge

He orchestrated the single greatest play in college football history. He won the 1984 Heisman Trophy. He captured three championships and six most valuable player awards in eight seasons in the Canadian Football League. And now, at age 36, after nearly a decade long absence, Doug Flutie has returned to the National Football League.

He is the consummate underdog.

Generously listed at 5-10, the diminutive Flutie falls eight inches and fifty pounds shy of the prototypical NFL quarterback. Ever since his glory days at Boston College, he has been one of football’s most beloved heroes: David dominating a game of Goliaths. His wondrous Hall/Mary will live in the memories of sports fans forever. No player in any sport is better represented by one single play than Flutie is by his divine toss. When his signing was announced last January, Boston and Canadian fans alike were sure of one thing: Buffalo was in for a treat.

In the season’s first week, Flutie offed the bench in the third quarter to fall in for 25 million-dollar man Rob Johnson, who was forced to prematurely exit his Buffalo debut with a cut chin. With San Diego ahead 10-0, Flutie entered and tossed two touchdown strikes to fellow veteran Andre Reed. In the game’s final 90 seconds, Flutie guided his team 54 yards down the field, putting the Bills in position to attempt a last second, game-winning field goal. Unfortunately, Steve Christie shanked it wide left and Flutie’s heroic attempts were wasted.

Five weeks later, again summoned to replace the injured Johnson, Flutie came on in the first quarter. For the remainder of the game, he conducted a clinic, dissecting the Indianapolis Colts’ defense for 213 yards and two touchdowns while completing 23 of 28 passes. After the Bills held on for the 31-24 victory, Flutie Fever began to grip Buffalo.

The following week, this past Sunday, Flutie started his first NFL game since he led our beloved Patriots into battle on October 15, 1989, the longest such layoff in league history. Flutie marched his team into the friendly confines of Rich Stadium to face the undefeated Jacksonville Jaguars. On the game’s first possession, the Jaguars covered 69 yards in a little over four minutes on their way to a Tavion Banks one-yard touchdown run. Buffalo answered a quarter later with a Flutie-to-Moulds 12-yard score to knot the game at 7-7. On the third play of the scoring drive, a crucial third and three, Flutie rolled right, shoveled a pass to his tight end Jay Rameurma, and then threw a key block to ensure the first down, a classic Flutie play. After Mike Holliis nailed his third field goal of the day to give Jacksonville a 16-10 lead heading into the final frame, the stage was set for a vintage Flutie comeback.

With 1:50 left, the drive began at the Buffalo 30. Using the two-minute offense, Flutie briskly guided the Bills downfield, putting together a string of short completions. With 39 faithful seconds left on the clock, Flutie lofted a pass to Eric Moulds that brought the Bills to the Jacksonville one-yard line and the fans to their feet. After skipping the ball to the stop clock on first down, Buffalo had three tries to win the game. The first two attempts fell incomplete. Finally, on fourth down with eighteen seconds left, Flutie called a pitch to Thurman Thomas. The ball was snapped and Flutie turned around to see Thomas running the wrong play. Unfaxed, Flutie bootlegged left, scampering into the end-zone on a broken play to win the game and hand the Jaguars their first loss.

Now, as Flutie-mania grips the football world, Buffalo should find itself swamped in a quarterback controversy. Or so it would seem. This week as the Bills roll into Carolina, take on the 0-6 Panthers, Johnson, if healthy, will be at the helm, instead of the people’s choice. The 25-million dollar investment will be given every opportunity to prove himself, even though he has clearly been outdone thus far by Mr. Flutie. Johnson is a decent quarterback, a bit fragile, but decent. While he could very well lead the Bills to victory over Carolina, it won’t matter very much in the eyes of some fans. All financial reasons aside, Flutie deserves to be the starter. He is no longer some sideshow attraction to sell tickets, but instead a solid NFL quarterback and a proven winner. Who knows what would have happened had he remained in the NFL for the length of his career, or even if he had returned a few years sooner. Would his NFL accomplishments mirror his CFL ones? Maybe. Would we be reserving a place for him in Canton? Perhaps. In any case, there’s really no use dwelling on “what ifs.” Flutie is back and so is the magic. The only thing left to do is go out, grab your Flutie Flakes. Turn on the game and wait for Johnson to go down again. It probably won’t be that long of a wait.

The football team is ready to take on Trinity this weekend. (Shelley Magee/ Boudoirs Orient)

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Bears win five, await Trinity

MARGARET PEACHY
SPORTS EDITOR

The Bowdoin Men's Soccer Team is now in the midst of a five game winning streak. In the last two weeks, they defeated Tufts, Wheaton, Southern Maine, and Connecticut College to improve their record to 8-2-0. The team is in top form entering the weekend's homecoming match against Trinity.

"The first of the Bears' victories came at the expense of the Jumbos from Tufts, the final score of the game being 3-1. Bowdoin's sharp-shooter, Patrick Hultgren '01, scored two of the three goals. His first score came on an assist from Reeves Livesay '01 to put Bowdoin up 1-0. His second goal, the final one of the game, was assisted by Peter Ingram '99 near the end of the game. The third goal came off of the foot of Tim Capozzi '00, who picked up the loose ball and tangle bodied the goalie to put the ball in the net. Tom Casarella '00 took care of matters in the Bowdoin net making five saves to pick up the win."

The victory against Tufts was big for the Bears because the two teams were tied at seventh in the rankings. Bowdoin proved themselves as the superior team and raised their confidence for their next game against sixth-seeded Wheaton.

In their second double overtime contest of the season, the Polar Bears were able to improve their record in such situations to 1-1. Monday, October 12, Bowdoin played host to Wheaton College and knocked the visitors out of 3-2 losers. The men from Wheaton pulled ahead early, scoring both of their goals in the first half. The Bears regrouped and came out of halftime to shut down Wheaton in the second half and win.

Hultgren led the attack and scored Bowdoin's first goal unassisted. The Bears were then able to tie the game at two when Andrew Johnston '99 took a penalty shot that bounced off the post and into the net. The game went into overtime.

Both teams held each other in check for the first 15-minute overtime period. They managed to keep each other scoreless for most of the second overtime period, too. But Bowdoin did not want to see the game end in a tie. With only 1:52 remaining in the game, Livesay took a direct kick which was redirected into the net by Dave DeCrew '99. Casarella put in a great effort in goal and made 12 saves.

This next contest, though not as challenging, was just as successful for the Bears. They traveled to Southern Maine and defeated their hosts, 4-1. In this game, forward Abel McClenen '00 started the scoring. That was all the scoring for the Bears in the first half. Zac Frost '01 scored off of a Mike Dowley '99 assist to start the second half. Capozzi followed it up with a goal of his own with the help of Hultgren. Hultgren then joined in the scoring action, netting the Bears' fourth goal of the afternoon. The assist came from Ingram, who picked up his sixteenth career assist, tying him at the top of Bowdoin's all-time assist record.

To cap off their perfect two weeks, the Bears went to Connecticut College to continue their winning streak. Hultgren once again led the team in scoring. He scored the first of Bowdoin's four goals off a dish from Jeremy Smith '00. DeCrew picked up the second goal off an assist from Ingram. Ingram's assist put him on top of all-time assist record. Forward Patrick Brasewell '02 tallied up Bowdoin's third goal when Dowley fed him the ball. The final goal was scored by Steve Fabyk '99 from Smith with only 32 seconds remaining. Casarella made eight saves to put the Bears past Connecticut College.

The Polar Bears are now ready to face Trinity this weekend. The past two weeks have prepared them well for their final four games of the regular season. Tri-Captain Johnston believes that the team can beat Trinity, but he is not over-confident. "I think that we're playing very well overall, and our biggest weakness is going to be staying focused and coherent as a group for the full 90 minutes Saturday. We tend to start games slowly and play our best soccer during the second half, but to beat the better teams, like Trinity, we need to start strong and establish ourselves at the beginning of the game so that we don't get behind and spend our energy just catching up," said Johnston.

The Bears will be taking the field at 12:00 on Saturday. Put on your homecoming shirt and head on over to Farley Field to cheer on the hottest team on campus.

Hungry Polar Bears feed on Beavers

ERIKA KAHIU
STAFF WRITER

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What are they feeding these powerful Polar Bears? Last Tuesday, the tricky sticklers defeated University of Maine Farmington to reach their third straight shut-out in a row. This win brings the team's record up to a spectacular 7-4.

Before these sensational victories, the Polar Bears had to tough it out against Tufts two weekends ago. Tufts was then the leading team in the region, and Bowdoin was up against not only a good team, but also the dreamy drizzle of that bleak Saturday afternoon. With cold hands and wet uniforms, the girls battled out a fierce game against the Jumbos.

The first scoring action came late in the brutal struggle of the first half. Jumbo strength and Polar Bear aggression seemed to be equally matched until, with 4:44 left before half time, Tuft's Andrea Edelson gave the Jumbos their first goal.

The scoreboard scored both teams into an even more vigorous crusade to out-play the other. Led by junior Amanda Newton's ('97) dominating defensive skills, Bowdoin was able to prevent Tufts from scoring again in the second half, but the score was still in Tufts' favor. Then, with 3:12 left in the game, just when it seemed that scoring chances were over for the Polar Bears, Newton's "triggered the triangle effect that harvested Bowdoin's last-minute comeback. On a penalty corner, the rookie smooth passed to Joanna Bab '00 who hit the ball to Nia Spongberg '01 for the goal.

Spongberg's goal tied up the game (1-1) and pushed the action into overtime where both teams fought fearlessly. Sticks clashed and players tangled through cold and rain to see who would come out victorious. Finally, Tuft's Robyn Gawlik scored to end the contest, leaving Bowdoin one point away from triumph. Nevertheless, the Polar Bears were energized by the intensity of this close game. "We totally had them," proclaimed Newton excitedly "we just didn't follow through with it. We needed to take it that extra step to win."

Bears win five, await Trinity

Men's Soccer

Tri-Captain Dave DeCrew '99 breaks away from the competition. He scored the game winning goal against Wheaton. (Shelley Maguire/Bowdoin Orient)

Bears' confidence is important because they have been winning ever since. They challenged the Plymouth State Panthers two Tuesdays ago. Dynamic duo Heather Havess '00 and Joanna Babbb rocked the cage and together with a merciless defense shut out the Panthers, 2-0.

Courageous captain Gretchen Schafe '99 played a key role in stopping the Panthers from dominating the field. Her outrageous rushing power prevented the ball from lingering on Panther sticks.

First-year Sara Banister also had a monumental move in the second half. Plymouth State had a dangerous breakaway that brought them too close to scoring. Then, Banister saved Bowdoin's lead by stopping the ball and returning control to the Polar Bears. This game against Plymouth State not only harvested a victory, but also taught the girls an important lesson: when the ball hits an official, it is still in play.

There was no stopping these vicious bears, whose next feast was on Camel flesh. They best Connecticut College 4-0 last Saturday. The star of the game was midfielder Deborah Satter '99. In the first half she started off the action with a goal assisted by Kim Minnaugh '01, but Satter's astounding talents did not cease there. She went on to score two more goals, unassisted.

Brave Bab also scored a goal, bringing her season's record up to six goals and six assists. She and her cohort Havess are the team's leading scorers.

Dana Krueger's '99 barricade, is indestructible; nothing gets by this merciless Polar Bear! She had five saves in the Connecticut College game and nine in Bowdoin's most recent shut-out against the University of Maine Farmington.

The UMF Beavers were unprepared for the Bears' endurance. After nearly an entire battle of stick-for-stick, Havess scored the only goal of the game.

These triumphant Polar Bears have regained the raw aggression of the animals that they are. With the win against UMF, the team celebrates its fifth shut-out of the season and is looking toward their tenth as they take on Trinity this Saturday. If this weekend's game is anything like the vicious battles of the past, then Trinity, beware. These Bears are hungry.
Vigil held for slain Wyoming student

LAURA HILBURN  STAFF WRITER

Approximately 70 members of the Bowdoin community gathered at the steps of the Walker Art Museum Tuesday in honor of Matthew Shepard. A gay student at the University of Wyoming killed earlier this month. Many students and staff members read prepared speeches. Afterward, the microphone was made available to those who also wished to speak. The service lasted approximately 45 minutes.

The vigil was organized in response to a campus-wide discussion that was held Oct. 14, just days after Matthew Shepard's death. Katie Benner '99, a member of the B-GLAD (Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian Alliance for Diversity) awareness group on campus, was heavily involved in the planning of both events.

Benner opened the vigil with a statement about the need for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered identity in America to be preserved. Several other professors, administrators and students followed her.

Because President Edwards could not attend the vigil, his assistant, Gail Lowe, read a prepared statement. "Our weapons at Bowdoin ... are the powers of reason, imagination, and fairness," Lowe said. "In my heart I see a fellow student, a fellow faculty member, a fellow worker, as a human being, as a fellow striving for humanity and excellence; not a bundle of characteristics," wrote Edwards. "Our weapons are the courage to stand up for those we see persecuted or reviled, and to assert their right to freedom and safety."

The vigil closed with Dean of First-Year Students Margaret Hazlett requesting a moment of silence. She asked that we "recognize the pain of Matthew's parents, friends, and the members of his community." An e-mail address, for which students, staff and faculty can send messages to the Shepard family, has been made available through her office.

In the second event this month related to the death of University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard, students, faculty, staff members and administrators spoke of the need for vigilance against hate crimes nationally and in the Bowdoin community. (Adam Zimman/Bowdoin Orient)

Search for academic dean begins

MICHAEL MELIA  EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The faculty has elected the members of a search committee to find the successor of Dean of Academic Affairs Charles Beitz, who last month announced his decision to step down at the end of this academic year.

The Faculty Committee on Governance asked faculty members for expressions of interest to serve on the search committee and the faculty as a whole voted to select the seven members.

"It worked out amazingly well," said President Robert Edwards, who will chair the committee. He expressed great satisfaction with the distribution among assistant, associate and full professors as well as the balance between males and females.

The committee members are Professor of Economics John Fitzgerald, Associate Professor of Government Paul Franco, Associate Professor of Marine Biology Amy Johnson, Associate Professor of English Ann Kibbee, Professor of Sociology Craig McEwen, Assistant Professor of Art Julie McGee, Assistant Professor of Physics and Astronomy Madeleine McNeill and Assistant to the Dean for Academic Affairs Ann Ostwald, who was appointed to the committee.

"Right now we're deciding what our priorities are," said Fitzgerald. "Choosing a dean will be an important decision to the College for the next few years. I was willing to help because I think it's important."

The committee will start to meet substantively on November 9, but it has already begun to cast the net for recruits. It has written an advertisement and hired the search consultant who helped Dartmouth College.

President Robert Edwards is chairing the committee to find a new Dean of Academic Affairs. Current dean Charles Beitz is stepping down at the end of this academic year to return to teaching and teaching. (Photo courtesy of Communications)

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Writer-in-residence wins national grant

ADAM ZIMMAN & KIM SCHNEIDER  PHOTO AND NEWS EDITORS

Anthony Walton, a professor of English and Bowdoin's writer-in-residence, received an award from the Mrs. Giles Whiting Foundation worth $30,000 on Thursday.

He is one of the only 10 academics to win such an award this year.

Walton is a fiction writer and poet that, prior to Bowdoin, spent five years of his life traveling through Mississippi searching for material for his travel memoir. That book, Mississippi, received the honor of notable book of the year from the New York Times in 1996, the year it was published.

"The College has been very supportive," said Walton. "They helped me to reward that faith that they have shown."

Even though Walton grew up in Illinois, he felt a desire to return to the South where his family was from. "I wanted to come to understand [the South] through history," Walton said. "And then, after that book, the new one, "The Red Hot Moon," was published in 1996, I wanted to come to understand the South through the people in the South."

After five years of research he had enough material to publish Mississippi.

Walton received his undergraduate degree from The University of Notre Dame and his graduate degree from Brown University. He started as a freelance writer, then joined the staff of the New York Times. After Mississippi was published, he came to Bowdoin as a visiting professor and was asked to stay on as writer-in-residence.

This award adds to numerous other honors Walton has already accrued. He has received a Gold Medal from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, an Award of Merit from the Religious Public Relations Council, and two awards of merit from the Associated Church Press.

Walton has served as co-editor of Every Last Ear Ain't A Dopey: An Anthology of Poetry by African Americans Since 1945 and the forthcoming Vintage Anthology of African-American Poetry (1750-present). He has written essays and reviews for Notre Dame Magazine and Reviews of the Week and has had his poems published in the Kenyon Review and River Styx.

The Whiting Writers' Award has been given annually since 1988 to emerging writers that show signs of great promise. The program has awarded more than $4 million to 950 fiction, poetry and nonfiction writers, and playwrights. There are no restrictions on how the recipients can spend the money, although most use the funds to take a leave of absence from their jobs to write without distraction.
Lighting walk highlights campus safety

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CONTRIBUTOR

Security and Facilities Management sponsored the annual “Lighting Walk” on Tues-
day night, the first of several events held by the department to discuss and observe different concerns from students and staff about poor lighting on campus.

The group met at Moulton Union and proceeded to Farley Field House where people have noticed a dark area between the parking lot and the entrance of Farley. Security and faculty agreed that the area was poorly lighted and said they would consider installing two small lights in front of the building.

Other areas identified included the lighting along Federal Street, a residential area and historic district of Brunswick where many students said lights could be improved. Improving lighting in such campus areas as this one, staff members present said such a project would have to be privately underwritten by the community because the town cooperated with College lighting requests in the past, such as the recent improvements made along Maine and Federal Streets. Federal Street is one of the more historical sections of town, which presents additional problems in the lighting of the area and is also assumed to be maintained and not overwhelmed with intrusive, bright lighting.

Security and facilities staff met with students and residents along town streets is the reaction of other Brunswick residents, who often do not want the distraction of excessive lighting. Well-lit areas are of great importance to campus safety but can be a great frustration to Brunswick residents that reside along the outer borders and within the main campus.

Several students met with representatives of Security and Facilities Management after the walk to discuss additional lighting and general safety concerns about the campus and surrounding areas. (Lindsey Szramek/Bowdoin Orient)

The group found several other places on and around campus in which lighting could be improved. Some of these areas include: the walkway between Druckenmiller and Federal Street, the southeast corner of Wentworth, and the entrance between buildings H and T.

The staff in the Security and Facilities department said they would do everything possible to make sure that students feel safe when walking through campus after dark. Lighting walks are only held each year in the fall, but any grievances of the Bowdoin community wish to comment on lighting issues (either ones that need replacement or suggestions for placement), Security can be contacted during office hours at x3114 or through e-mail (tsdusin@bowdoin.edu or skipp@bowdoin.edu).

Other suggestions were offered to increase safety. Students were reminded to be aware of their surroundings, particularly after dark, to always walk together in groups; and to note where the emergency phones are located and report any broken ones to Security immediately.

Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble

compiled by Greg Arendt

An oil pipeline which traveled above ground between the cities of Warri and Kaduna, Nigeria exploded this week, killing at least 500 people. Oil industry experts say that the explosion was caused by deliberate sabotage in an effort to settle the battle between the oil industry and the local protesters who have been demanding for years that the country's oil resources be equitably distributed.

For years, Nigerian military leaders have plundered the country's oil resources for personal gain and the questionable distribution of wealth. The saboteurs had slashed the pipeline, which carried refined oil and gas from the black market for three days until the fuel was ignited. Many of the injured have refused medical treatment and have been stranded, however, because they fear retaliation from the military government. The fire is expected to burn itself out now that the pipeline has been switched off, which will result in fuel shortages in north and west Nigeria.

A quarter million Parisian high school students peddled riot police with signs and bottles in the three-week-old debate over school conditions reached a climax in the second national protest in a week. Parents and teachers marched with students in a demand for smaller classrooms and an overhaul of the curriculum. Over 6,000 police were mobilized for the protest, many of whom shot tear gas canisters that were aimed back at them by the end of the day. The students were quelled by Education Minister Calude Aligre's promise to increase school personnel and to offer students an author legal, interest-free loans to renovate schools.

The cash-strapped Russian government may mint gold coins to restore faith in the flagging rouble. Russian inflation may rise as high as 20 percent by the end of the year as the treasury continues to print new money. The current plan is to exhaust the nation's reserve of 40 tons of gold by next month, worth $400 million. It is feared that if the coinage is worth too little, it will be melted into ingots, and if it is worth too much, it will be ignored. Russians, however, have already put their faith elsewhere: an estimated $40 billion is kept in private savings as dollar bills.

The prosecution in the Gucci mudder trial ended last week with the former husband of Maurizio Gucci, who is accused of ordering the killing of the fashion designer 10 years ago, being charged with a predicate crime and a predicate crime. The trial ended with Gucci killed, who in March 1995 was shot dead by a hit man on the steps of his office in Milan. Regiani was reportedly enraged by his estranged wife having a affair with an attractively interior designer and afraid that he was about to marry his partner.

An exercist has been called in to rid the village church of Delain, France, of devils that sent candle sticks flying, forcing ecclesiastic authorities to close the building until further notice. Witnesses claim that a flying candle split in two and that statuettes and vases were broken inexplicably when they tried to move the altar to make room for a new organ. The altar mysteriously moved again, unaided. Themenay of Delain, Thierry Marcheux, said that there was "no collective delusion, or panic, 50 people will have to be sent to the lunatic asylum."

Women may be surprised to know what their male companions fantasize about. Apparently the way a man's heart may be through his wallet, rather than any organs or activity. According to the "Mantrakker 2000" survey of 1000 American men by Luntz Research, 37 percent of men questioned day dream about money, while only 30 percent think about sex. This same pool of men also overwhelmingly believed that the birth control pill was an important invention than the Internet.

The Times Record is looking for a Bowdoin student to write an article about his or her experience off-campus for about three hours a day for five days a week. The student would work with press releases and would be a sponge for news stories. The pay will begin at approximately $5.85 an hour, and would give the student an advantage in the newspaper's summer intern program. Call Sandor Polster at 729-3311, ext. 3231.

The Memorial Hall project has received a $1 million donation from the Libra Founda-
tion. The philanthropic organization was founded by a Cornell alumnus who spent the last 35 years of his life donating to cultural, educational and civic causes. The contribution is part of a $3 million package equally divided among Maine's three liberal arts colleges: Bowdoin, Bates and Colby. The other colleges received their funding in 1997.

The Government department is sponsor-
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Shepard vigil held

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issues at Bowdoin and in the world. The first of these discussions will be held at Wentworth Hall on November 5.

Jim McCailla, a professor in the music department and chair of the Gay and Lesbian Studies Committee, is also working to promote discussion at Bowdoin. As a continued attempt to create "a more comfortable atmosphere within the Bowdoin Bubble," McCailla has established the Queeringhouse, an online bulletin board for issues of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities. "The forum is open to anyone who logs on," said McCailla, "so it certainly isn't intended to discriminate against or close out those who are heterosexual (or asexual)."

The Queeringhouse is located at http://www.bowdoin.edu/ntforum/queeringhouse/a1.

Additionally, Vicky Lichendorf, '97, a curator intern at the Museum of Art, is working to create a "cross-committee coalition," with the hope that this type of dialogue can continue.

Lichendorf cited the discussion series held in the spring of 1997, in which leaders of campus groups including the African American Society, B-GLAD, Asian Student Association, Sexual Space, Latin American Student Association, Bowdoin Women's Association and Mithra facilitated debates about current issues as a series designed to revital-
ize the student community. "After a small lapse of time, the momentum of activism at Bowdoin is forgotten will turnover and trends dictated by the ac-
"calendar," said Lichendorf. "In the spring of 1997, a coalition was founded by various committee heads and faculty staff students.... This was the first time such a large cross-section of the Bowdoin commun-
ity gathered and actively discussed issues on a regular basis."

Though there are no immediate plans for initiation of cross-committee meetings, Lichendorf said the meeting with committee heads in an attempt to organize them and create interest.

Bowdoin in Brief

Mark Hagan, an officer with the Bruns-
wick Police Department, was taken to Midcoast Hospital last Friday night after fall-
ing into the glass case surrounding the polar bear in the life-like taxidermy scene. Hagan was attempting to break up a fight between two Brunswick residents outside of the Bear Museum. Hagan was charged with receiving 8 stitches. One of the participants in the fight also received lacerations from the case; he was charged with assault on the other youth but not on Hagan.

The University of Maine Foundation has announced the donation of a painting by Professor of Art Mark Wehli, titled "Southern Light," to the University of Maine Mu-
seum of Art. The oil on canvas is a gift from Penelope Wolfe of Seal Harbor. Painted during a residency fellowship at the Rockefeller Foundation's "Village of the Southern Light" depicts a corner of the artist's studio there. The University of Maine Mu-
seum of Art, located in the指纹 of the Uni-
versity of Maine campus in Orono. Edward Pols, William R. Kenan Jr. Profes-
sor of Philosophy/Religion, recently published a book called Mind Regained which deals with the relationship and distinction between the mind and the body. He disagrees with current emphasis on the study of the brain's physiology, preferring instead to recognize momentous differences between the brain's infrastructure and the mind as a concrete reality of its own.

The Alumni Council has given its annual Alumni Service Award, the highest honor given to a Bowdoin alumnus, to Z. Webster '57 of Boston, Webster, a consultant with Affinity Insurance Services, has repre-
sented the University of Maine Alumni School and Interviewing Committee; acted as a Class Agent, Bowdoin Club officer, Class President; and the Alumni Council, and served on the New Century Campaign Steering Committee, Campaign for Bowdoin and the Bowdoin Campaign.

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Faces of Bowdoin: Patty Pye

This year marks the twenty-fifth year that Patty Pye has made a true difference here at Bowdoin. Her sincere welcome, warm smile and unbelievable memory have become an institution.

Whether you are just saying hello or you have forgotten your ID card once again, Pye always knows your name and, nine times out of ten, she knows your number too. Think about that. Try knowing the names and ID numbers of every single student on campus and then multiply that for the 25 years Pye has been a part of life here.

While the architecture of Moulton Union may have drastically changed in this span of time, Pye said the kids, whom she loves, are still the same. The "kids," as she calls it, "are kind of my extended family." Pye's immediate family includes four children—Butch, Dwight, Pam and Jana—and six grandchildren, most of whom live nearby. When Pye first started working at Bowdoin, her children often joined her. She remembers the youngest, Jana, being a familiar guest at Moulton.

While Pye is now a "part-timer" (as she calls it), she still started working at both dinner and the Pub until midnight. Fourteen years ago, she decided to do lunch and dinner, and for the last two years, she has done lunch. She has witnessed momentous changes and times at the Union, ones which many of us could not even imagine. When Pye first started, women were still a new addition to the ingredients of the school. She remembers, too, the old dining hall and bookstore, as well as the opening of the Pub.

More than the structural changes at Moulton, however, Pye remembers the kids. "I genuinely love the kids," she notes, "most of them would do anything for you." She keeps in touch with many of the students, receiving frequent postcards from foreign cities last year as well as from alumni. Just last week, a recent graduate stopped by while on campus to say hello. "Graduation," Pye said, "is usually a sad time. Some graduates whom you're close to and some whom you'll never see again."

On a daily basis, she said the best part of her job is the hugs. "I get at least a hug a day, if not more and lots of smiles." She said she has always loved working at Bowdoin "because the kids are so great." Pye said this year's seniors are "a wonderful class with some incredible people." She said she regrets that she does not know any of this year's first-years because they are required to eat lunch at Wentworth. For those of you who are new this year to Bowdoin, you have yet to meet one of the nicest people here.

"I get at least a hug a day, if not more and lots of smiles."

—Patty Pye

Search committee formed

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and Rice University find their presidents. It will also send out letters to several hundred people, including provosts and presidents of other colleges.

Edwards estimates that they will begin reading dossiers in December, and hopes to bring three top candidates to campus by the middle of February.

No students occupy spots on the search committee because, as Edwards explains, "This is not a position where students play a direct part. The faculty and the curriculum are very much the constituency." He does, however, plan to arrange for student engagement when candidates visit the campus.

"It's a great period and a great job. We hope to bring a first-class person here," said Edwards. He further conjectured that the new dean would have "at least a running room of five years," which would carry him through the end of Edwards' time as president.

The Dean of Academic Affairs, as described in the committee's advertisement, "is the College's chief academic officer and broadly responsible for the academic mission of the College. As the leader of the faculty, the Dean oversees the academic programs of the 30 departmental majors and seven interdisciplinary programs as well as aspects of faculty recruitment, appointment, promotion, evaluation and compensation."

Town discussion on future of fraternity houses postponed

Director of Public Affairs Scott Hood served as a representative for Bowdoin at Tuesday's shorted meeting. (Adam Zimmern/Bowdoin Orient)

The Brunswick Planning Board had intended to discuss the future of the fraternity houses in the TR-5 zone (along Maine, Boody and McKeen Streets) and the College's proposed uses for the houses as residences and offices at their weekly meeting last Tuesday.

Part of the agreement between the town and the college stipulated that the town would place an advertisement in the Times Record indicating when and where the meeting would be held so that people who would be affected by the meeting would be able to attend. The town, however, did not place the advertisement, and so, the discussion will be held off until the Board's next meeting. The Board meets every week at 7:15 p.m. at the Municipal Meeting Facility (the old Brunswick High School), located on McKeen Street.

The Administration has indicated that if none of their proposals are approved and the TR-5 houses are not rezoned as residence and office spaces, they will cease efforts to acquire the houses from the fraternity alumni corporations.
Information for Tuesday’s Maine state elections

Registration and Voter Vans

All Bowdoin students meet Maine state residency requirements for voting an the district divided into different voting districts based on the location of your campus housing (not your Smith Union boxes). In order to find out what district you live in, register for the first time in Maine, or change your registered district you must go to the voting office at Town Hall, which is located on 28 Federal Street and is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you are already registered, you can call Town Hall at 725-6658 to find out what district you are in. There will be an information table in the Union on Friday, Monday and Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sample ballots and a voter’s guide will be available at the Smith Union Information Desk. There will also be voter vans running on election day.

Referendum Questions

Questions specific to Brunswick:

There are two amendments to Brunswick’s charter being voted on. The first increases the size of the School Board from seven to nine members effective the first business day of the year 2000 by adding two at large members. Initially, one at large member will be elected for a one year term and one will be elected for a two year term. The quorum provision is also amended to reflect the increased size of the board. The second eliminates the discrepancy between the Brunswick charter’s language for voting districts and that of the state’s.

Maine state ballot questions:

Question 1: Do you favor a $20,000,000 bond issue to improve the Maine economy by supporting innovative research and development by businesses and nonprofit and educational institutions in the fields of biotechnology, computers and other information technology, aquaculture and marine technology, forestry and agriculture and advanced materials?

Question 2: Do you favor a $7,000,000 bond issue for the following purposes: $3,350,000 to construct water pollution control facilities, providing the state match for $10,000,000 in federal funds; $1,150,000 to protect the public health and safety and the environment by providing funds for the cleanup of tire stockpiles; $1,150,000 to investigate, abate, clean up and mitigate threats to the public health and the environment from hazardous substance discharges; and $1,500,000 to construct drinking water system improvements that address public health threats, providing the state match, for $7,100,000 in federal funds?

Location of Voting Polls

District 1: Perryman Drive Community Center, Cook’s Corner
District 2: Brunswick High School, 116 Maquoit Road
District 3: Brunswick High School, 116 Maquoit Road
District 4: Municipal Meeting Facility, 44 McKeen Street
District 5: Recreation Center, 30 Federal Street
District 6: Union St. School, corner of Union and Cumberland
District 7: Coffin School, Barrows Drive
Central Registration: Municipal Building, 28 Federal Street
Central Voting Place: Recreation Center, 30 Federal Street

Election Information

(contested races only)

In Brunswick’s District 3:

School Board: Norman Rathey
Joanne S. Rosenthal

In Maine’s District 49 (portions of Brunswick):

Representative to the Legislature: Reginald Pinkham (Republican)
John Richardson (Democrat)

In Maine’s District 85 (portions of Brunswick):

Representative to the Legislature: William Schneider (Republican)
David Tamulevich (Democrat)

State-, County- or Town-wide offices:

Governor: William Clarke Jr. (Taxpayers Party)
Thomas Connolly (Democrat)
Angus King Jr. (Independent for Maine)
Patricia Lamarche (Green Independent)
James Longley Jr. (Republican)

Representative to Congress: Thomas Allen (Democrat)
Ross Connelly (Republican)
Eric Greiner (Taxpayers Party)

State Senator: Betheda Edmunds (Democrat)
Philip Harriman (Republican)
Jeffrey Weinstein (Liberterian Party)

County Treasurer: Linwood Griffam (Independent)
Diane Gurney (Democrat)

Register of Deeds: John O’Brien (Democrat)
Suzanne Scott (Republican)

Sheriff: Ronald Costigan Jr. (Democrat)
Mark Dian (Independent)

District Attorney: Stephanie Anderson (Republican)
Neal Pratt (Democrat)

County Commissioner: Edmund Benedikt (Democrat)
Gary Plummer (Republican)

Information provided by: Brunswick Town Clerk’s Office, the Bowdoin Democrats, the Bowdoin Greens, and the Maine Citizen’s Guide to the Referendum Election.

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Editorials

The buzz on bonds

All Bowdoin College students meet Maine state residency requirements for voting privileges, and we urge all students not previously registered and/or participating in elections elsewhere to register to vote this week. The two bond issue questions on this week’s ballot may at first glance seem dry and uninteresting, but in fact are of importance to the state of Maine and, in some ways, our alma mater. Though the sums of money discussed may boggle the mind, we urge members of the Bowdoin community to approve both bond issues.

Question 1 seeks to provide $20 million for increased research funding. More than half of this money goes to the University of Maine system, which has consistently ranked among the worst-funded public research institutions of higher education in the country and desperately needs the funds to invigorate its academic programs. $2 million of the bond would fund a portion of the construction costs for the Gulf of Maine Aquarium Research Facility.

Bowdoin’s own Coastal Studies Center demonstrates the need for marine research in the state and justifies the creation of a statewide research facility. The balance of the bond goes to improve technology and provide research challenge grants for research institutions around the state, including private institutions of higher education like Bowdoin.

Question 2 focuses on environmental issues, and would allocate $7 million toward various programs designed to preserve the natural beauty of Maine. Just under half of that amount would go to match a $10 million federal grant to construct water pollution control facilities, and $1.5 million would be used to match a $7.1 federal grant for drinking water system improvements. Providing safe drinking water for residents should be a top priority of any state government, and now is the best time to act as the federal government is willing to provide most of the funds.

Additional environmental projects tied to the bond issue are the cleanup of tire stockpiles and the investigation and cessation of hazardous substance discharges. These situations pose a hazard to all residents, and should be remedied immediately. All four of these environmental bond items are reasonable expenditures that will help ensure the health of all of us who live in Maine.

With Bowdoin providing free transportation all day, there is no excuse for students not to register to vote. In this issue we have endeavored to inform you on the central issues and races. More detailed information can be obtained from the Smith Union. We urge all eligible students to register to vote this week, carefully evaluate the representatives and support both referendum questions.

Questioning creativity

The College does not need to consider adding more creative writing courses. One’s college years should be a protected time for developing ideals while exploring new academic ideas. For this reason the Office of the Dean of Academic Affairs has avoided policies that might bring a vocational tinge to Bowdoin.

Allowing something as subjective as the writing process to be taught in a classroom setting would be as contradictory as allowing academic credit for internships. Both examples stifle the free trajectory of a student’s academic career, imposing rules and conventions where, for the time being, there should only be questions. Courses which teach ‘creative writing,’ despite their basis in a workshop environment, could take the complexity of the process for granted.

College should encourage us to revel in a richness of ideas which we might not find elsewhere. Creative writing certainly allows us to weave the many dimensions of our experiences together, but only the individual can determine how that should be done. Now is the time for wide-eyed wonderment and ravenous development. And as our writer-in-residence reminds us, “writers are made from readers.”

Opportunities abound at Bowdoin for those would-be-writers to not only develop their skill, but to do so alongside the advancement of other interests. Students can find writing-intensive classes throughout the course catalogue. The Writing Project offers unique opportunities for an examination of one’s writing as an assistant to others, or one who needs a reader. What better way to explore the written word in its most elevated domain than to write for The Orient?
Halloween ruminations on creative writing

By Mark Turner

I could not decide this week whether to use the column to write a response to the recent thread on forum or to write about something related to Halloween. So I have decided to do both. Anyway, I took Creative Writing: Poetry, with Professor Walker last year. As one of my assignments, I ended up writing a poem which I entitled “Pumpkin” (for lack of a better title). I used the poem to compare the carved facial expression of a Jack O’Lantern with the various emotions the person in question can feel. More specifically, the unsuccessful attempt of a person to hide the feeling of disgust (or horror) with a smile. In that instance, a person can express an emotion which does not fully disguise true feelings. To me, the point of the poem is that a person can feel pain. The point of the poem: the pain of carving a pumpkin’s countenance is metaphorically similar to the pain of contorting a false human countenance. In the poem, I describe how “passerby” contives an expression of delight for a Jack O’Lantern which is really an expression of pain. Upon discussing this poem in class, the professor drew attention to the historical roots of the Jack O’Lantern. Rather than focusing on the similar expressions of the passerby and the Jack O’Lantern, he noted how we can no longer look at the Jack O’Lantern as an object of fear. In the context of Halloween, carving the Jack O’Lantern is now a sportive ritual devoid of its spiritual meaning.

Recently, I dug out the poem of my pile of papers and revised my own opinion in light of the recent thread. I found that Jack O’Lanterns were meant to invoke fear and disgust, but not in the same way as the poem suggests. The Jack O’Lantern comes from an Irish folk legend about a man named Stingy Jack (a pious person) who was trapped in Hell (He pulled the rusty nail out of Old Nick). Old Nick sent Jack back to earth and provided him with coal to light his way. Jack made a lantern for himself by placing the coal in a turnip. Since he was doomed to roam the earth in darkness, the term Jack O’Lantern came to symbolize a doomed soul. On Halloween, people would carve faces and set them out in a turnip to honor the wandering spirits of the fate of Jack the Lantern. When the Irish came to the United States, they carved pumpkins since they were more accessible than turnips. Although we no longer use the pumpkin to scare away spirits, the Jack O’Lantern still retains its scary connotation.

If we had not attempted to relate pumpkins to Halloween, I would not have lost my interest in the turnip. I have been reading ancient literature and found that there have been no significant progress in changing the sciences’ perception of the ES program as a bothersome step-child. In my opinion, there is still a crucial issue that we have not been able to resolve. As you know from my past correspondence and conversations, there are multiple reasons why the ES program is still not being defended publicly. One reason is the need to debate and writing commitments. This letter, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring. First, the issue of the ES committee itself. The committee, however, stresses three distinct but interconnected issues that are worth exploring.
Gay rights in South Portland

By Larisa Reznik

On November 3, citizens of South Portland will be voting on a local ordinance that exists in the neighboring Portland. The ordinance uses the same language that the repealed 1997 State Bill used to prevent discrimination in employment, housing, or access to public accommodations on account of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, religion, ancestry or national origin. On February 10, 1998, Maimers voted to uphold the people’s veto which, signed by 58000 voters, opposed the 1997 Amendment. If the statewide legislature were to be adopted, Maine would have been the 11th state nationwide to adopt anti-discrimination policies on the basis of sexual orientation.

The defeat of the state amendment was due to several factors. The aggressive campaigning and signature gathering of groups such as the Christian Civic League of Maine and the Christian Coalition was a major factor. Another was a concern that special rights would be allocated to gays. Some employers and landlords worried about the bill’s infringement on their rights in selective association.

The special rights argument is invalid. If the bill already exists to protect citizens on the basis of race, color, sex, physical or mental disability, religion, ancestry or national origin, then people of color, people with mental or physical disability, and theists are currently receiving special rights. Likewise, it would not be constitutional for a racist landlord to deny housing to blacks; but according to current law, it is constitutional for a homophbic landlord to deny housing to homosexuals.

What is most disturbing is that Maine would have been the 11th state to adopt such legislation. In 40 out of 50 states, it is acceptable to fire someone for a non-professional reason. In 40 out of 50 states it is acceptable to deny basic rights to a specific group of people. Perhaps comfort is sought in the fact that the remaining 10 states signify progress and thus hope that the other 40 will come around. Perhaps, because Maine took a step towards progress, it suffered a reactionary backlash. Maine is only one state of 40 that still discriminates on the basis of sexual preference. When did it become permissible to pick and choose who is given basic human rights? When did the Constitution allow legislation of morality? According to the American ideal, the same ideal that anti-gay reactionary groups use to defend their position, every citizen is entitled to be safe from harm and violence, to work, to feed his or her family, and to contribute to society. The hear no evil, see no evil approach to citizenship in this country cannot suffice; heterosexual voters can no longer dismiss discrimination against gays in South Portland, in Maine, and in the US, because it’s not their issue; who then will fight for their issue? Who will vote, petition, and protest when their citizenship is being denied?

This debate, like many others involving personal ideology, may never be resolved. Gay-rights supporters and critics are both fanatical groups, each convinced that theirs is the right way. Personally, I would prefer to see an all-embracing, national legislation that includes all groups or no legislation at all, rather than this partial rights distribution, awarding some minority groups with basic citizenship and withholding it from others. Citizenship, however, is not ours to give to others. Thus, regardless of our view of others’ lifestyles, we as individuals, as communities, as governments cannot deny that citizenship.

Larisa Reznik is a first-year interested in antigamang conservatives.

Democrat vs. Republican

By Ana Schaller de la Cova

It was a sad day for Mainers on February 10 of this year when the state’s new gay rights law was repealed because the majority of residents stayed away from the polls. Many Republicans are hoping that the same apathy and political malaise will again overcome mainstream voters post-Cigaretate. Meanwhile, the kind of rabid right-wingers that vote on this stuff come out rain or shine. Some may question the need for South Portland’s Human Rights Ordinance, saying that gays are already protected under anti-discrimination laws and that it advances special rights for certain individuals and adds needless bureaucracy. But with the recent death of Matthew Shepard, one can see that discrimination against gays needs to be specifically addressed. Many communities like Portland have already recognized this. The pro-hate position of the Christian Coalition has nothing to do with opposition to “special rights”; that’s only a cover. The fact that the right wing has always sought to degrade the mythic rights of life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness (and all the rest of that baloney) to a select few WASPS. What kind of society is it that refuses to grant basic human rights to its members based on the views of a bigoted minority? But I guess if you’re gay or lesbian, and as Pat Robertson so famously put it, someone who will bring about God’s wrath upon the nation in the form of terrorist bombs, earthquakes, tornadoes, and possibly a meteor, then you’ve got it coming, huh?

Ana Schaller de la Cova is Vice-President of the Bowdoin College Democrats.

By P. Ryan Thompson

Civil rights are sacred to all Americans, and conservatives are no exception. Everyone should enjoy equal opportunities and equal protection of the law. However, offering certain groups preferences sets a dangerous precedent. For example, hate crime legislation offers certain groups protection from intimidation and violence. But this legislation has one dangerous side effect as well. It creates a whole new category of crimes—thought crimes. Graffiti that contains racial slurs is a grievous violation of state laws while other graffiti escapes without ever being investigated; the punishment fails to fit the crime. The selective enforcement of laws and the creation of thought crimes leads to a law code that provides certain groups with preferential treatment and fails to provide true equality for all.

P. Ryan Thompson is President of the Bowdoin College Republicans and Editor-in-chief of the Bowdoin Patriot.

The statements of the Bowdoin College Democrats and Republicans are responses to the inclusion of gay-rights ordnance on the city ballot in South Portland, Maine.
The following forum question is a continuation from last week’s issue. We considered these responses valuable enough to gain inclusion in this week’s Orient.

Question: Many Bowdoin alumni enjoy returning to campus during homecoming festivities to spend time at their old fraternity houses and meet new fraternity members. What effect, if any, will Bowdoin’s elimination of fraternities have upon the number of Bowdoin graduates who return to campus each year for homecoming?

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STUDENT SPEAK

Which Spice Girl are you going to be for Halloween?

J.R. YUJUICO '02

PHILLIPINES

"Stoner Spice."

In our article last week on the theft at Kappa Sig, the second paragraph should have made it clear that John Marquis was arrested only with receiving stolen property. While residents identified his car as having left the property shortly after the theft was noticed, Marquis was not seen entering or leaving the house.

Compiled by Jared Liu & Krista Friedrich

Also in last week’s issues, the caption accompanying the photograph in the Value of Nature lecture series article was changed to identify the lecturer. The speaker pictured was actually artist Tom Cornell.
What does David Dorfman hope to communicate to his audiences through his performances? "Love life," he thinks that an artist has to make someone feel alive, glad that they have the privilege of waking up every morning and wanting to try something new in their lives." And tonight, he'll bring his own special brand of artistic experience to Bowdoin.

Winner of four National Endowment for the Arts fellowships and a 1996 New York Dance and Performance Award, Dorfman's innovative and engaging choreography has captivated audiences everywhere from Burlington, VT to Europe to Montana. Comprised of six dancers and four musicians, David Dorfman Dance was founded twelve years ago by Dorfman, a baseball player turned business major who has an MFA in dance from Connecticut College. Other members of the company include Jeanine Dunning, a strong dance soloist with a BFA degree in dance from New York University; Curt Haskell, whose work has been presented afar away as Bratislava, Slovakia; Flatley King, a certified movement analyst who received her BFA in dance from New York University's Tisch School of Arts; Lisa Race, a distinguished teacher whom many positions include places on the faculty at the Bates Dance Festival as well as the American Jazz Festival; and Tom Thayer, a dance teacher and free-lance stage technician who recently won a New York Dance and Performance Award for his work with Dorfman.

"Job," performed by David Dorfman and Dan Froot/Britz Schiller

The group's performances explore both personal issues and the art of going off. One piece may address sexual identity, the pain of past relationships, or the effort of trying to fit in. What sets the choreography of this group apart from others is its remarkable athleticism and its sport-based imagery. The dichotomy of graceful lifts and collapsing, rough movements highlight the group's wide-range of skill and variety of backgrounds.

The company comes to Bowdoin directly from its season at the Joyce Theater in New York City, where they were enthusiastically received by public and critics alike. Dorfman's artistic eye for precision movement as well as the very sense of humor which his work engenders prompted The Village Voice to call him "one of New York's wittiest, wildest, dancer choreographers." "A Core for Gravity," which premiered in NYC to favorable reviews from many sources, including The Village Voice and The New York Times, will be performed at Bowdoin. The group is presently working on a new company work called Stick, with a score by composer/musician Halin Rowe. The 1999-2000 season promises a new project called Arts in Action: The No Rules Barred Project.

Also on Friday night, the company will showcase "Core Right Back," about the pain of a breakup of a long-term relationship, and a duet featuring Dorfman and his friend, musician/composer Dan Froot.

David Dorfman Dance will perform at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, October 30, in Sargent Gym. Tickets are available at the Information Desk, $6 with a Bowdoin ID, $5 for the public.

Tom Cornell featured in "Notations of Color"

Though he does not presently teach at Bowdoin, Professor Tom Cornell has certainly continued to bring pride to our school, as his artwork has recently been featured in an exhibition at Bates College. Having been highly involved in both the Environmental Studies and Coastal Studies programs at Bowdoin, Cornell is clearly concerned with environmental issues, and how they are handled in today's society. It is these types of issues that the exhibit, entitled "Notations of Color," explores.

The exhibit ends this weekend after being displayed for several months, but hopefully Professor Cornell's work from the exhibition will soon be featured at Bowdoin. The exhibition contains a variety of paintings by different artists, but all share a unifying theme, which centers on the idea of the beauty of nature. The pieces featured are all landscape paintings, which are of particular interest to Bowdoin students since they all depict scenes of Maine. The exhibit is a historical survey of landscape paintings from the state. Cornell's work represents the current end of the series of Maine landscapes. Many inexperienced art "critics" would lump all landscape paintings into one category, but Cornell quickly points out that there are two main types of this art style: perceptual and conceptual. The Bates exhibit primarily focuses on the perceptual; paintings which emphasize exactly what is known, not what can be interpreted.

They celebrate the beauty of nature, instead of concentrating on finding hidden meaning within the intrinsic beauty. The only demonstrated meaning is that natural beauty exists in and of itself. Gifted individuals, such as Cornell, have the ability to express it.

The other style of landscape painting, the conceptual, requires that the audience find its own meaning within the piece. Instead of purely admiring the painting for its representation of a landscape scene, viewers must discover exactly what they believe the painting portrays. The distinction between perceptual and conceptual artwork is important in creating and understanding art, and should be understood by all who attempt to search for meaning in paintings.

Cornell has been painting landscapes for nearly ten years and his work is very important to him. Cornell states that, "The [paintings] are not fraught with the difficulties of major works. Many major pieces of art are extremely complex, requiring that the audience be well educated in order for it to be fully understood and appreciated." Though many wonderful and highly important works may fall into this category, the art scene also needs paintings that are more readily accessible to a less experienced audience. Perceptual landscape paintings are such works. Though perceptual pieces require great amounts of skill to create and can be complex, they can be understood and appreciated by everybody, from a young child to a professional artist.

But the landscapes serve another purpose, as well. They remind people that environmental issues cannot be forgotten. In reference to this, Cornell says that, "Since the end of the Cold War, there has been a tendency to forget about social and environmental issues." Even if people do not always forget about these issues, he still feels that they should push them aside: "I intend to sublimate the ideas of Judeo-Christian religion, which simply ignore and ignore the natural forces to solve our environmental problems." He feels that relying on simple solutions will do nothing. Professor Cornell recently explained his viewpoints in a lecture entitled "Does Viable Nature Devalue Idealism, Religion, and God?"

Under what political category would this very opinionated man fall? Though featured in Charles Jenks' Postmodernism, Cornell considers himself an anti-postmodernist, as he has a genuine concern in the deterioration of the environment and the social implications thereof. He simply wants to "celebrate a kind of environmental values." Clearly, with his work with the Environmental Studies and Coastal Studies groups here at Bowdoin and his paintings depicting the amazing Maine landscapes, Thomas Cornell has found his method of celebration.
Coping in Copenhagen

Mike Mella '99 (right) and his friend sail amidst the Danish isles. (Mike Mella)

Known only indirectly for its legacies of legos and butter cookies, Denmark figures into our consciousness as one of the more obscure European nations. When people found out I'd be spending a semester there, they'd say "But you don't speak Dutch," or ask "Will you be in Stockholm?" I laughed then, but after a great experience with the Danes, I'm not as patient with people who don't know about Danish and Copenhagen, Denmark's almost too-cute capital city.

The Danes aren't in any hurry to advertise their country, but alone say hello during a 35-minute commuter train ride. Generations of long, cold winters with little daylight haven't helped their shyness, but have contributed to an amazing culture centered around hygge, their untranslatable word for that coziness that comes within a warm, comfortable home. Even though the homestay might mean riding a bike for two miles through a cornfield to reach a train station each morning, I strongly recommend it. Chilly as they might seem on the outside, the Danes I met demonstrated the sincerest kindness once you were a guest in their home.

Second only to my affinity for my Danish family was my amazement with the city of Copenhagen. Like many European cities, it bears the unmistakable meandering markers of a city laid out during medieval times. Unlike so many others, however, Copenhagen has the good fortune to retain the pedestrian focus, which drove the natural design of its streets so many centuries ago.

They're on the way toward banning all cars from the city, and although you have to beware the sea of bicycles, the positive effect upon the life of the city is extraordinary. No European capital is more comfortable. We have shopping malls to recreate the social activity which happens spontaneously in the streets of Copenhagen.

You could only expect that København, as they call themselves, in their northern climate, incorporate alcohol to no small extent in their social lives. Their use of alcohol, however, is part of the culture and not a means of escape. They drink frequently, in celebration, and with good taste. I recommend spending the fall semester in Copenhagen if only to be present for the annual debut of the domestic Carlsberg's Christmas Bier, available only within Danish borders. Denmark's beer will also help you forgive their food. They have a penchant for pickled herring which has yet to be explained to me, and no visitor to Denmark will leave without first discovering 18 new recipes involving mashed potatoes.

A downside is the relative isolation of Copenhagen, which occupies the island of Zealand. Trips to the nearest best known centers of Danish culture, Aarhus, Odense, and Legoland, all require a day of travelling, including a ferry ride. Weekends, however, could be well spent exploring local castles and museums while savvying an exploration of the continent for the mid-semester break.

The Danish language requires the discovery of linguistic muscles unbothered by English, and although Danes will enjoy watching you attempt their language, nearly everybody speaks English. They emphasize so readily that it becomes difficult to learn their language, but a sincere attempt is a great way to try to understand the Danes.

LARA BLACKBURN
PUBLIC REVIEWER

Another week, another week's shows to tell you about. This Thursday, November 5th, there will be no band in the pub. Consequently, Senior Pub Night will be just that—open to seniors and those over 21 only.

This Saturday night, however, the Rockers will be playing. So, if you’re not heading down to see the Cherry Poppin’ Daddies at the State Theater or NRBQ at Stone Coast, stop by the pub and check out this cool band from Boston. More on them next week!

By now you should all be aware that Wednesday night means South Park night in the Pub. Come November 10, however, Tuesday night will mean Simpsons night in the Pub! That’s right, stop is once again sharing his wealth of taped Simpsons episodes with the campus. I’ve been told that there will be nine episodes shown, no commercials! So plan ahead for this extended study break. You’ll be really pissed if you miss it.

Also, I’ve been getting a lot of requests from students for pub-entertainment. Some students suggest bands, some want to perform themselves. Keep those requests coming! Email me at blacky@bowdoin.edu or leave a message at 725-3479. I’m just starting to confirm stuff for the spring semester, so now is the time to have your say!

Have a wonderful week!
Happy First Monday of November, Bowdoin.

Here's to an exciting week and a rousing month!
POLAR BEAR SPORTS

Soccer comes back strong vs. Trinity

SARAH JENNESS
STAFF WRITER

The women's soccer squad fought back for a
homecoming victory against Trinity College (4-5-1) on Wednesday, winning 2-1. The Polar Bears didn't waste any time starting the scoring against Trinity; the first goal came 7:20 into the game. Senior captain and mid fielder Kristen Doughty put Bowdoin on the board when she connected with teammate Frances Tessier. The ball passed it to Doughty. Doughty then launched it into the net from 30 yards away. Hungry for more, Bowdoin was determined to score again. This time senior captain and back Caroline Chapin sent the ball to Amy Trumbull '00 who knocked it rolling past Bantam keeper Sarah Bradley at 19:05. This Save the Polar Bears a 2-0 lead at the half.

The huddle over, both teams came back for another 45 minutes of play. Though the Bears were ranked a bit higher, the Bears were able to hold off the Bantams, allowing them to score only once. Sarah Kaminski assisted and improved the Bears record to 8-4-1. Trinity keeper Bradley recorded ten saves for the contest.

After thirteen regular season games, Farmer has a .808 save percentage and has a total of 63 saves. Coach Cullen said despite the loss with Bates, the defense is "playing marvelously. We made some changes after Wednesday, and [the defense] is working much better. We're matching people, not only every single day with our back four," he said.

Coach Cullen was pleased with the way his team responded after the loss with Bates. "We [have] matured quickly as a team... and no one is willing to accept youth as an excuse for not playing well." -Head Coach John Cullen

Bowdoin Volleyball’s secrets to success

SAMANTHA GOOD
STAFF WRITER

The Volleyball Hall of Fame Tournament has been a special one for the Bowdoin Women's Volleyball team for the past two years. The tournament is hosted each year by Smith and Mount Holyoke Colleges and draws big name sponsors such as Subway. Well, just Subway. But, it is not only the subs that make the tournament a great experience. Many people consider Northampton, Massachusetts to be a wonderful and magical place (where dreams come true, as they say), and at times, it has been wonderful and magical for the Bowdoin players. Several of the players visited with friends and had time to catch up and reminisce about the good old days ("Remember the posters, Hofs? Oh my..."), while others recalled the great times they'd had in the hotel the year before, and, of course, the entire team played four volleyball matches.

The tournament began Friday evening when the Polar Bears took on the number one ranked team in New England, Wesleyan College. The Polar Bears wore blue uniforms, and the players are all very skilled in the sport of volleyball. The Polar Bears came out with many points and a good deal of energy early in the match but could not seem to even make a dent in the finder of the great team that is the Wesleyan Volleyball team. Bowdoin lost the match in three consecutive games, 5-15, 5-15, 5-15.

Later that same night, Bowdoin played Smith College, home of great warm-up tapes and interesting hitting lines. Setter Sarah Little did the team know at the time, but continental breakfast equals (fourth bracket) championship volleyball.

Katherine Sheridan '02 follows through with her kick, as Bridget Foley '99 and Abby Lockwood '01 look on in this past Saturday's game. (Adam Zimmann/Bowdoin Orient)

BOWDOIN 3

Bridgewater 1

15-7, 15-10, 15-13, 15-8. Davis was again a real force at the net with 11 kills and Alyson Shea '00 had six kills in the middle. The Bears' performance in this first match pleased their coach Lynn Ruddy, 7-time ladies' golf champion at the Freeport Country Club (so, it hasn't been four short since last week, just a correction), and prompted their assistant coach, Stefanie Peffer, to invite the entire team to a pumpkin-carving party at her house.

Before the Halloween fun could begin, however, Bowdoin had to get by Mount Holyoke College in their final match of the tournament. The team did this rather easily and quickly, winning the match 15-7, 15-10. Bowdoin, known to many as the "pumpkin pioneer," with 29 setter assists, proved in this match that she could walk with the big kids. Samantha Good contributed 10 kills and looked pretty cool as usual.

Captain Sarah Buckley commented about the tournament, "The weekend went well for our team... overall I was happy with our performance." -Captain Sarah Buckley

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Bowdoin 3

Mt. Holyoke 0

The weekend, the Polar Bears will take some of that aggressiveness, not to mention a bunch of jack-o-lanterns, to UMaine Farmington for the State Tournament. The team is hopeful that the pumpkins will be able to fit on the van, and that they will have a successful tournament (the volleyball team, that is, not the pumpkins).

Attention! Cancelled:

Midnight Madness Men's Basketball will not take place on Halloween.
Senior Profile: Doug Stowe - Sailing through Bowdoin

KATLIN EVARD
SPORTS EDITOR

To say that Doug Stowe '99 likes to sail would be an understatement. He loves to sail! But there is more to this 'sailing guy' than just sailing. He has a good idea about what he wants to do in life, but at the same time, he doesn't forget what it's all about. And what is life all about? If you're enjoying the ride and getting the most out of what is out there, experiencing life to its fullest.

When it comes to sailing, Doug becomes focused on one goal: the team goal. Sailing is not just an individual sport; it is a group effort. If one person wins, it does not mean that the team will win the regatta; therefore the focus is more on developing the whole team together. The only way to get better and win regattas is to work together in practice.

"Those that are not as experienced, but that put everything into sailing will see their effort immediately transferred to better performances." But in the same line of thinking, those that do not try will not consistently place well, nor will they to help the team efforts.

Sailing is also about the individual boats. Within each boat that Bowdoin sails, there are two people who have to work together to win the race. Both have to be focused and have to pay attention to the boat, the wind and the other boats. If either of them loses their concentration, or their minds wander for a minute, the race may be lost. Teamwork with the crew is key as well as being able to read the wind and the boat.

Based on his awards and accomplishments, it seems as if Doug has been able to 'read the wind and the boat' for a while. His list of awards is amazing and includes many first place finishes in big and small races. But his biggest accomplishment so far has been the MV. The tactics used best determine placement in the race. The course is in the middle of the city. "The wind swirls in stranger directions because of the road and the buildings. Just because someone body near you is tacking one way, doesn't mean that you should. You could be in completely different air currents," he said.

Sailing is a little bit of a different sport: The people do not go out and sail against you, they are not usually 'out to get you'. Instead there is a sense of camaraderie and understanding. If a person starts trying to cheat or mess with people, then it will get around the clubs fast. "Even during a race, the people that you just sailed against a minute ago and that you will sail against soon will give you feedback on how you did, and you give them feedback too," he said. Sailing is a great team sport, especially within the Bowdoin team.

Sailing is a very intensive program though. Usually practice lasts for three hours a day, leaving the Polar Bear around 3 p.m. and not returning until 7 p.m. It is not much time for anything else. It is a very time-consuming and focus-oriented sport.

In the winter, though, Doug focuses on skiing. One of his great passions is to go out there and 'carve up the snow.' He would much rather ski on narrow trails with natural snow than go to a big ski resort with wide trails, crowded with people and man-made snow.

As a child, Doug grew up hiking, sailing and painting with his parents. They have both been very influential and inspirational for Doug. His dad taught him how to sail, and as a result, Doug has a relaxing trip hiking during the weekends and vacations. Both of his parents taught him to appreciate nature and all that it has to offer.

All of Stowe's pastimes, painting, sailing, skiing and hiking, he does because he has a well rounded individual looking to go into advertising. How do all these tie into advertising, you might ask? Well, that is just it. According to Doug, why go straight into a desk job when there is so much to do and see in the world? Seriously though, advertising is a combination of art and business, both of which interest Doug.

According to Doug, his appreciation for art and painting is an inspiration from his mother. She has taught him the beauty of life. Life is something to be enjoyed, not rushed through. As a result, Doug tries to take the time to paint in all that spare time that we as Bowdoin students have.

The other part of advertising, of interest to Doug is the business part. As a result of this interest, Stowe a government major and an economics minor. From Doug's view, Bowdoin is the place to get a liberal arts major; business school will come, but now in the time to learn all the different things that are out there. As a result, he has an interesting approach to school, "not too focused on one thing, each class is its own story." In the multitude of classes he has taken in the past three and a half years, he has learned about governments, art, economics, current events and many other disciplines. That is what a liberal arts education is all about to Doug.

Doug chose Bowdoin because of the beauty of this wonderful state, the mountains for skiing and the ocean for sailing! Bowdoin itself was his first choice and he has been very happy with his decision. Doug did not study away because there were so many courses that he wanted to take that there wasn't time to go anywhere else to study. "This is the place that I wanted to be." This Halloween, poor Doug will not be able to celebrate because he will be sailing. The sailing team is going to Boston to vie for the Victorian Coffee Urn at Radcliffe. Other members of the sailing team will also be going for the Nickerson Trophy at Yale. Last year, he dressed as a wounded hunter, but this year he is "still thinking." What do you think he should be? I thought a sailor man! Ha ha, Doug didn't even think that it was a very good idea.

In his parting, Doug's advice to others is to give things a chance and see what is out there. "Don't rush into things." To really enjoy life is the key, and to enjoy it requires experimenting and getting as much as possible out of the college experience. "If you can only take one class out of your required ones, make it a fun, wacky, and interesting experiment; maybe you will find a new major or hobby!"

So while you are out enjoying yourself, Doug Stowe will be thinking about sailing, but trying to stay relaxed. The next day he has to focus all his energy toward sailing and working towards that team goal!
A random outpouring of thoughts on the current state of the game...

Our beloved New England Patriots have dropped two very winnable games in the past two weeks; both to divisional rivals. Instead of boasting a 6-1 record and sitting atop the AFC East, Pete Carroll's troops are checking in at 4-3, good enough for fourth behind Miami, Buffalo, and the Jets. They've regressed into the same team they were at the end of last season: unable to consistently move the ball with an anemic offense, and far too reliant on their defensive unit to bail them out week after week. With no real walk-over games left on the schedule, other than perhaps this week's match-up against the 4-1 Colts and a week fifteen meeting with the Rams, New England must quickly decide which team they really are: the group that thrashed Kansas City three weeks ago or the inept past two weeks.

The return of Bill Parcells to Foxboro should have reminded us of one thing: he's the lone reason the Patriots are the well respected and talented-laden team they are today. All of these morons blast the Tuna on talk-radio and test into the Pats-Jets games armed with their anti-Bill signs, too quick to forget that had it not been for him we'd still be in the AFC East.

How about that Doug Flutie? After this past week's 18-22, 282 yard performance to lead his unbeaten Patriots, is it possible that Flutie has regained his 1980's QB rating to 102.4, 20th best in the league. The win was the Bills' fourth straight, leaving them 4-3, deadlocked with who else- the stumbling Patriots. The two teams meet twice in the next five weeks.

Back to the Patriots for a final time. How bad has their receiving corps been ravaged by injury? In last week's game, with Terry Glenn, Troy Brown, and Vincent Bryant all on the mend, they started veteran Shawn Jefferson along with rookie wideout Tony Simmons, who was active for only his second pro game. Add in Anthony Ladd and Tony Gaier, and the Pats went into Miami with Jefferson and three receivers who've combined for zero NFL career receptions. It's gotten so bleak that New England just signed 37-year old fossil Henry Ellard for the remainder of the season.

The NFL - just cancelled the rest of their November games, meaning the absolute earliest week 14-15 game the Pats should have to play until December 1. Unfortunately for the league, no one really cares. The last thing anyone really needs is another labor dispute between owners and players who together already earn more in one year than some Third-World nations. The sooner the league realizes the only thing that's being accomplished is the sabotaging of what was once one of the country's most popular sports, the sooner an agreement will be reached.

With the conclusion of the 1998 baseball season, the real competition has begun: forget about pennant races and playoff duels, this is when next year's champion will be decided. One thing in baseball has become painfully clear over the past few years: you get what you pay for. The gap between small-market and big-market teams has widened into a canyon. As the Mets just proved by shelling out $123 million to two players in the past three days, if you want to compete, you have to be willing to fork over the big-time dollars. For the past two years, the World Series has been bought by deep-pocketed owners who could afford to bring in the high-priced talent it took to win a championship. Now, with numerous other franchises following that same path to success, we are in store for an offseason of mind-boggling contracts. Mike Piazza, just taken his place as baseball's highest paid player, a title that will be passed on three or four more times before next season begins.

The Red Sox head into the winter with three goals (in reverse priority): adding an outfielder who can hit (possibly Brian Hunter) securing another top notch relief pitcher to team with Pedro (the Big Unit's name has been tossed around), and re-signing Mo Vaughn. If they fail in the last one, the first two may be in vain, since Vaughn is without question the heart of the ballclub. Not only can Boston ill afford to lose his big bat, but they would also be hard pressed to find another guy who could take on his role as a clubhouse presence. He has been mistrusted by the organization and some say that Mo is as good as gone. Perhaps the only hope now is for John Harrington to take over the negotiations and make Vaughn a Godfather-like offer. Otherwise Red Sox nation will be in for a long, cold winter. And to think of the player, partner of worthless draft picks. (On a side note, the Elias Sports Bureau recently released their rankings of baseball's powerhouses, using the league to determine compensation for free-agent losses. Vaughn checked in with a 99.565 out of a 1000 points rating on the list of first basemen. Who was ranked as the league's best player? Who else but Roger Clemens, weighing in with a 98.016. In any case, Mo Vaughn is a class act. To Boston fans would be well advised to cheer the slugger if he returns to Fenway for next July's All-Star game wearing another uniform, unless of course that uniform has pinstripes.

Three minutes later Ingram had another golden scoring opportunity. This time he took full advantage of it. The Bears were granted a penalty kick a few yards outside of the Trinity box. The three midfielder captains set up around the box and the number one option was to poure on the rebound. DeCrow and Andrew Johnson '99 decoyed shots and Ingram took the free-kick; the ball was placed in the goal and into the net. The Bears were up 2-0 and the score would remain as such for the balance of the game.

Though the offense provided most of the sparkling moments of the game, it was the defense that would shine brightest for the thirty-fourth annual Head of the Charles River Regatta. Some 5,000 rowers and millions of dollars worth of rowing equipment was housed on the famed Magazine Beach to row against some of the best crews in the world. The Bears took on and bested an amazing sixth-place out of 49 boats.

And They're Versatile Too! The Bears' crew traveled to Colby College to row against, of course, Colby—and Bates. The highlight of the afternoon was the Varsity Men's eight competition. Bowdoin had won seven straight races, four, Bobly and Bates both row eight person boats. As soon as the Novice Men 42-15, Bowdoin was ravaged with injury. Taking two varsity boats, the two crews has created a Bear and one, the two races were won by the Bears. Having never rowed an eight before, having never even rowed an eight before, and having just finished a race, the Men's Varsity Eight and the one is an eight-person boat; best Bates. Not only are they good, but they are versatile.

As we keep going! This weekend Bowdoin Crew travels to Saratoga Springs, NY to row in the Head of the Mohawk race. They currently hold the course record for Men's Novice Fours.

Between the lines: Thoughts...

By Justin DeGeorge

Sign-up for intramurals today!!

David Bulow '02 dodges a Trinity defender as teammate Peter Ingram '99 supports him. (Adam Zimmam/Bowdoin Orient)

Heads up: Bears' crew

Mark Steffen CONTRIBUTOR

Pierce to take a firm hold of their first gold medal of the year.

Working Well Under Pressure

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Bears blank Trinity

Margaret Peachy SPORTS EDITOR

It was all about the defense last Saturday when the men's soccer team defeated Trinity 1-0. For the second straight game, the Bowdoin defense was outstanding.

After a first-half shutout of the season, the Polar Bears improved their record to 9-2-0 and their winning streak to six.

The game started five minutes into the game when Dave DeCew '99 had a breakaway which resulted in a chip shot that went just wide of the goal. His breakaway attempt, though, gave Bowdoin the momentum they needed to dominate early in the game. During the next several minutes, the Bears took many shots on goal. One of the most notable of these shots came at the 35:00 mark when Patrick Hugkeng '01 crossed the ball to Peter Ingram '99 who redirected the pats towards the net. Unfortunately, the shot sailed just over the bar. A few minutes after the du of Huigkeng and Ingram attempted to put Bowdoin on the board, goalie Tom Casarella '00 made a great save to keep the game scoreless.

With only 1:14 remaining in the first half, and the game still scoreless, the first-year trio turned their hands into owners. Dave Bulow '02 was passed off the ball to Patrick Bricewell '02 just outside of the Trinity box. Bricewell managed to get off a shot, but the ball slipped through a muddle of players and right past the goalie. The Bears were up 1-0. Bowdoin continued to keep pressure on for the remainder of the half. Bulow had an impressive breakaway with only two minutes left in the half. Just as he took his breakaway shot, he was blatantly taken down by a Trinity defender. This resulted in a Bowdoin penalty shot which was turned away by the Trinity defense.

To start the second half, Ingram tested the Bantam's goalie's reflexes on a hard header which the goalie somehow was able to handle.
Polar Bear Bantam bashing at its best

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STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin 19  The game against Trinity on Saturday was a total domination by Bowdoin(3-2). The Polar Bear football team didn’t let the Trinity Bantams (2-3) score, not even once. The final score was outstanding 19-0.

Alex Tatun ‘01 made an early field goal of 27 yards, only three minutes into the first quarter. The score remained 3-0 for the remainder of the first half of the game.

In the first five minutes of the second half of the game, Hayes MacArthur ‘99 increased the Bear’s lead to 10-0, by completing a 17 yard quarterback keeper for the touchdown. Setting up this drive was Kevin Saxton’s ‘99 42 yard grab on a third down with one to go.

Nick Krol ‘01 intercepted a Trinity pass from his linebacker position, less than a minute after the last touch down. Then, Chris Houston ‘00 made a 25 yard touchdown in the third quarter to push the score up to 16-0.

The crowd went wild! Alex Tatun tackled on the final three points of the already high scoring game with a career-long 43 yard field goal, only two minutes into the 4th quarter of the great game.

Tailback Houston amassed a total of 47 yards on 17 carries. Also notable was MacArthur, who connected on 11 of 22 pass attempts for a total of 142 yards. Bowdoin was able to take advantage of five Bantam turnovers. Trinity fumbled seven times. Bowdoin only fumbled once, and they recovered the ball. Trinity was penalized seven times resulting in a loss of 71 yards. On the other hand, Bowdoin was penalized six times, resulting in 44 yards lost.

Senior Kevin Saxton made four sacks in this momentous game against Trinity. He is one sack away from the school record! Saxton was named the NESCAC player of the week because of his fine performance in Saturday’s game. Saxton is second on the team for tackles, while Brendan Ryan ‘99 is first on the team in tackles with a whopping 53 this season! It has been five long years since Bowdoin has defeated Trinity. This game was not only exciting because of the quality of play, but also because of the great accomplishment that it represented.

We can only imagine what lies in store for the Wesleyan Cardinals this coming weekend!

Erika Kahill  
STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin 2  Give a bunch of girls a bunch of sticks, and there’s no telling what will happen. Between Dana Krueger’s super-human blocking skills and the Bears’ masterful field techniques, there seems to be no stopping these determined girls. This week, the tricky sticklers conquered the Trinity Bantams and the Colby Mules, and the team improved its record to 9-4.

Last Saturday’s victory shattered Trinity’s winning streak. This Connecticut team had a record of 10-0, but their reputation didn’t stop there. Last year, they ended the season 14-0; they hasn’t lost a game since 1996. Trinity entered last weekend’s game confidently but overlooked a crucial piece of information— Bears love to eat Bantams. Offensively, the team was led to victory by the terribly terrific trio—bell raising Heather Hawes, bold Johanna Babb and valiant Valerie Grassetti. When these three juniors unite, there’s nothing they can’t accomplish — on or off the field. Grassetti brilliantly set up both of Bowdoin’s triumphant goals, the first of which came seven minutes into the game. Off to an intense start, both teams began to battle it out through close combat. Then Grassetti the Magnificent passed the ball to Babb for a goal. Trinity struck back eight minutes later, scoring off of an own goal. In the second half, action seemed to be equally matched until Grasetti came to the rescue again. She passed the ball to Hawes who ruthlessly nailed it into the cage.

Thanks to killer Krueger, Bowdoin was able to hold off Trinity for the rest of the game. The Bantams gave Krueger 12 shots, none of which Krueger let go by her awesome moves.

After attempting to inhabit Polar Bear territory, the Bantams were sent home cowering, but turning these roosters into Bear food was serious business. The Bowdoin girls had never been so focused or determined.

“I think the kids were really pumped up for it,” claims Assistant Coach Karen Silber. “I’ve never seen them so excited to play. No one was unsure that we’d win.” This enthusiasm and fortitude is what sent their hard practice work into motion.

According to Head Coach Nicki Pearson, though, this is not the end of the hard work. She knows that it is important now for the team to maintain this focus. She excitedly declares, “We played really well against Trinity, and we need to continue to strive to play even better.”

After scoring 40 goals this season, Trinity was unable to make a successful shot on Bowdoin’s cage. Their only goal was off a Bear’s stick. In her four years at Bowdoin, Krueger’s contribution to the team has been phenomenal. Throughout her career, she has

“We need to continue to strive to play even better.”  
-Head Coach Nicki Pearson

Bowdoin 4  had 16 shots—a school record—and after the Trinity game, she was named NESCAC player of the week. The Polar Bears can feel safe with this invincible bear defending their cage.

The girls continued to strive for excellence as they conquered Colby 4-1 last Tuesday. The terribly terrific trio struck again, keeping the Mule’s cage busy. The first goal, however, was not Bowdoin’s. Colby scored 13 minutes into the game. The Polar Bears made sure this goal was the Mule’s last. Babb pumped out two goals and one assist, while her cohorts Grassetti and Hawes each had one goal. Sensational Deborah Satter ‘99 and mercedes Marian Curtis ‘99 each had one assist as well, and together, the girls pushed, passed, dodged and shot their way to victory.

The Polar Bears have also pushed their way into a spot on the National Field Hockey Coaches Association poll. For this association, Bowdoin was named one of the top 20 teams in the nation. Now 9-4, the Polar Bears will continue to put their hard work into motion as they invade Wesleyan’s turf this Saturday. Watch out, Wesleyan—when these girls hit the sticks, they mean business.
Financial aid policy on scholarships changes

Beginning next year, Bowdoin will use a student’s outside scholarships to reduce their loans before their grants.

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STAFF WRITER

The Senior Staff, an administrative council of the college including the President and the head of each division of Administration, voted on October 28 to implement a new financial aid policy next fall which will allow all students receiving outside scholarships to apply their scholarship earnings exclusively against loans.

Financial aid at Bowdoin is awarded through grants, loans, and on-campus scholarships. Under the old policy, the first $1,000 of outside scholarships were used to reduce loans. After that half of the remaining scholarship would be applied against loans and the other half against grants. Thus if a student received $2,000 in outside scholarships, his/her loan would be reduced by $1,500 and the grant from Bowdoin would be reduced by $500.

According to Associate Director of Student Aid Stephen Joyce, the old policy was considered a competitively generous one among comparative liberal arts colleges.

"Atypical policy would be to equalize," he said, "and many of the colleges allow only the first $500 to go towards loans."

Under the old policy, students whose grants were reduced by outside scholarships often took out supplemental loans to reduce their family’s contributions towards tuition. With the new policy, since loans are completely eliminated before grants are reduced, students will not be graduating with as much debt.

"We wanted to do even more to encourage students to apply for outside scholarships and to realize the full benefits of their earnings," Joyce said.

Under the new policy, a student can eliminate up to $3,500 in outside scholarships before reducing the amount of the grant.

The new policy does not apply to state and federal grants, nor will it affect the campus work study program.

"We feel the campus job component is an important part of the Bowdoin experience and educate," said Joyce. "Students make a tangible contribution to provide for cost. It’s a small token, but it’s an important one that increases work experience and provide resume fodder."

According to Joyce, the new system will cost a projected $50,000 according to a model run using this year’s students and outside scholarship totals.

"It’s a reasonable expense for a policy that will benefit the students and the school," Joyce said.

The policy will keep Bowdoin competitive, as it is a unique policy among liberal arts colleges, and will put Bowdoin in a “strong position with students thinking about attending” the College, Joyce said.

"Bowdoin is in a leadership position on this issue," he said. "Williams has a similar policy and there are one or two other schools thinking about doing something similar."

Last year about 130 Bowdoin students accumulated approximately $430,000 in outside scholarships. Joyce said the new policy should serve to increase the interest in applying for outside scholarships.

Associate Director of Student Aid Stephen Joyce said that the new policy was enacted due to concern over graduating students’ debt, and to make the College more attractive to potential applicants. (Adam Zinnman/Bowdoin Orient)
Professor seeks to abolish "whiteness"

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PHOTO EDITOR

What does it mean to be "white"? Is there some gradient that defines race by the color of our skin? Or is it a DNA test that is done on our bodies, "they said." The Professor Noel Ignatiev in the department has his own opinions of whiteness: "There are no such things as "whites" or "whiteness,"" he said. It is the term of the motto that Professor Ignatiev co-founded in 1993, entitled Race Traitor.

Professor Ignatiev is an abolitionist. To many, this sparks images of John Brown, with his body not inaccurate. While John Brown sought to abolish slavery, Ignatiev seeks to abolish the white race. Ignatiev carries his ideas into the academy, through discussion and intimidation, which he perhaps acquired during his youth when he worked in steel mills. So, when a man of such physical presence armed with a P.D. sets out to destroy something, people take notice.

That could be the reason that Rolling Stone magazine just recently named Ignatiev one of the ten most dangerous minds in America. A question frequently asked is, "Is Ignatiev out to destroy America?" His answer would be in the affirmative. "I don't claim to be racially sensitive," he said. "I just want to destroy America. I am seeking to tear apart the institutions that perpetuate the white race as a social category.

Ignatiev views race as a "historically constructed social formation." He said this label arises from the fact that "like royalty, it [race] is a product of some people's responses to historical circumstances; a social formation because it is a fact of society corresponding to no classification recognized by natural science.

"This is the type of view that I like," Ignatiev continues. "I believe in diversity," he said. "It is a good thing that 150 years ago they had abolitionists rather than diversificators, and people," he said.

Ignatiev is a teacher of history. His intense views are not stated outright in the classroom, but rather through his writings and his work, as co-editor of Race Traitor. As a historian, Ignatiev, author of How the Irish Became White, approaches the problem of whiteness by attempting to analyze its origins. Pointing out that the idea of whiteness had to originate somewhere, and at some time in the past. "How did Europeans come to be 'white'?" Ignatiev asked, "In all of Europe there does not exist this distinction, so where did it come from?"

Interestingly, Professor Ignatiev holds a Ph.D. but no bachelor's degree. In 1961, he dropped out of the University of Pennsylvania and worked in steel mills for 23 years. Then in 1984, when there was little work to be found at the mills, he decided to go back to school. The story of his life intrigued the school of education at Harvard, where he was enrolled in their master's program. After a few years, the school convinced him to stay on and complete his degree.

Currently, Ignatiev is working on a book entitled Abolition Manifesto to be published by the University of Chicago press. Work also appears on Race Traitor (available at Gulf of Maine Books), and a new publication, New Abolitionist. This new publication is a newsletter intended to focus on more immediate issues that are encountered in society.

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Professor Noel Ignatiev of the history department said the concept of race is a "constructed social formation" which he would like to see abolished. (Adam Zimman/Bowdoin Orient)

at Bowdoin for one year. When asked what he would be doing now, he replied, "As they used to say at the steel mills, I was lookin' for work when I came here; I can look for work when I leave." At a time when so many members of the Bowdoin community are concerned with the issues of diversity and racial tension on campus, a professor with such opinion about the problem could bring a unique voice to the discussion, even if he is only here for a very short time.

Environmental Studies director resigns

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not being seen on the student end. "Rebecca Clark '01, an ES major states. "The program needs to emphasize the resources that Brunswick has to offer, but just because those resources are there doesn't mean that Bowdoin has a strong ES program."

Despite the setbacks to the Environmental Studies department, it is still working on several initiatives. This semester's faculty workshops on Valuing Nature have been expanded to include faculty from other disciplines, historians, philosophers, artists and economists to speak on how nature plays a role in the environment. This is emphasizing the importance of an interdisciplinary approach even in environmental studies.

Several cross-listed Environmental Studies classes are taught through humanities departments by Professor of Philosophy Larry Simon, Environmental Studies Professor Jill Pearlman, Professor of Classics James Higginbotham, Professor of English Franklin Burroughs and Professor of Art History Linda Docherty among many others. "We've got the jewels and the crown of teaching," Vail explained.

The Environmental Studies department plans to keep moving ahead as they search for the newly designed, more rigorous major.

"A lot of people come to Bowdoin expecting ES to be really strong, but we can't wait around for a program for it to become one," said Julia Dietz '01, a member of the advisory committee.

Many students are dismayed that ES majors, it is easy for them to get by with little contact with the ES department and that the involvement they hoped would be easily available within the department must be searched for. "We want to emphasize how many people care about ES and make sure all students know that what has been going on is at least disturbing," stated Dietz.

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Brunswick board recommends zoning change

ASHFEE FAMILY
STAFF WRITER

The Town of Brunswick Planning Board voted to recommend a change to the Brunswick Zoning Ordinance that would allow former church houses to be used as college residences.

The Planning Board recommended a change to the ordinance on which the Town Council, to section 202 of the Brunswick Zoning Ordinance that would allow Brunswick residents to convert school buildings which they own, in the TR-5 area, as college offices or residence halls.

The TR-5 area, which includes Maine, Boyds and McKean streets, cannot be used as college offices or residences, under the current law, but the amendment which the Planning Board recommended, enables the houses to be used by the college.

Now that the Planning Board voted on the amendment, the Town Council must pass the changes before they can take effect.

The Town Council may begin to discuss the agenda for the next Council meeting, which will occur on November 16, and it is expected that the rezoning hearings will start by the first week of December.

Director of Facilities Management Bill Dietz is the main person behind this is an important step, and we hope to continue to make progress on this issue with the Town Council.

Approximately twenty-five people, including five representatives from the college, attended the meeting. After the little story to read the amendment, the floor was opened to public comment, but there was no comment from the audience. The Board voted unanimously, with one abstention and one absence.

The new program would complement the School of Education's new program. If approved, the program will be a strong and rigorous program.

Education lecture held on inclusion

KATHLEEN PARKER
STAFF WRITER

This week the Education Department at Bowdoin presented a colloquium in its series on current issues facing schools. The featured lecture, "The Power of Substantially-Separate Classes in an Era of Full Inclusion," was presented by Janet Ference entitled "The Importance of Substantially-Separate Classes in an Era of Full Inclusion." Ference is an educational psychologist and director of the Lewis Lab Cluster, a special education program in Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Ference addressed the current trends in public schools to place all special needs students, including those with severe emotional and behavior disorders, into separate classes. She explained how some students in classrooms, a process known as full inclusion. Ference's program produced an alternative, a special education program (Adam Zimman/Bowdoin Orient) in which all students are placed in separate classes within the same building and are put in mainstream classes and other classes. People in the program, "like inclusion," Ference said that "the reality of children's education..." brings me to the conclusion that inclusion is the most important issue in regards to education there is one correct program for all students, and her "basic premise is that all students learn and different courses and all students have a place along that line."

Substantially separated programs provide smaller classes, just eight students in each, and more personalized attention. Students are referred to Ference's program because they have "exhausted all of the different special education options," and Lab is generally the last stop before institutionalization. The children are often from abusive homes, most live in poverty and some suffer from Falset Alco-

A Week in...the Education Department

Mission.

Brooke McTeer, a first year student majoring in English, talked about her week in the lab. She was introduced to the lab by her professor and learned about what goes on in the lab. She also talked about what she learned and the experience she had.

"It was a great experience. I learned a lot about the lab," she said. "I think it's important to be involved in the community and to understand what they're doing."
Smith Union: Has it succeeded?

MICHAEL MILIA
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A day at Bowdoin wouldn’t feel complete without a visit to the David Saul Smith Union. And even though it is only four years old, the Union is already an important student body’s haven.

Commentary

The student body’s overwhelming support for the Union is not a surprise. The building, designed to house the College’s student paper, the student body’s cafeteria, and the newspaper’s office, has become the center of campus activity. It is a place where students can gather and be inspired by the Union’s many activities.

The Union is a gathering place for students, with a variety of programs and events throughout the year. The student union's success is due to the efforts of the student body and the dedication of the Union's staff.

Liquor enforcement officer addresses Student Assembly

Robert LaGuardia will also be attending a campus-wide forum on alcohol on Tuesday.

Robert LaGuardia, the head of liquor enforcement for the region in which Bowdoin is located, spoke to the Student Assembly at their meeting last Wednesday, November 4.

LaGuardia spoke about the risks and liabilities that are associated with alcohol consumption on campus. He discussed the laws and regulations that govern alcohol sales and consumption on campus.

During the presentation, which lasted thirty minutes, LaGuardia explained that "the Maine State Liquor Enforcement Bureau is primarily a policing bureau for liquor licensed establishments. The Bureau is divided into regions, of which contain roughly four hundred licensed establishments, with several officers assigned to supervise these regions; however, we do have full state wide policing powers, and our officers can do anything a regular police officer can do, from traffic stops to subpoe-
sas.

The region that LaGuardia supervises extends from Jackman in northern Maine to Brunswick and includes the Bowdoin campus, Colby College, Bates College, the University of Southern Maine, and the University of Maine at Augusta.

LaGuardia stated that he came to talk to Bowdoin because 34 college students nationwide were killed last year, and countless more injured, because of alcohol.

"We want this to stop," he said. "So, in an effort to prevent further such incidents, we are trying to get the message out to the student body about the risks and liabilities as they relate to underage drinking.

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Bowdoin seeks to increase diversity

MELISSA MANZER CONTRIBUTOR

In May of 1989, the Governing Boards of the 18 New England colleges and universities discovered the "special consideration in the admissions process is given to applicants who represent a culture, region, or background that will contribute to the diversity of the College."

Bowdoin, compared to other Maine colleges and universities, has since become a forerunner in its treatment of issues regarding diversity. The implementation of Bowdoin's diversity plan serves as a model for the University of Maine system, and the College has been active in H.Y.F.E. ALANA efforts. Three programs working to increase awareness of diversity issues both on campus and in the area.

The African Studies department has expanded in recent years to encompass a wider range of interdisciplinary and cross-listed courses to improve the diversity of courses within the College curriculum. A first-year seminar entitled "Racism," which drew over 150 students but was only able to accommodate 16, has led the Administration to evaluate the need to make courses dealing with issues of race, class, gender and sexual orientation more available to a greater percentage of Bowdoin students.

According to the Dean of Admissions Arne Springer, the admissions office is striving to increase campus diversity through a number of programs and efforts aimed at increasing diversity on campus. "We tend to take a proactive position in the recruitment of students by encouraging students of all backgrounds to learn more about Bowdoin. We firmly believe that the College 'sells itself' and our focus is to get students from all socioeconomic and racial backgrounds interested in applying simply by visiting the campus," she said.

Their efforts include visiting high schools around the country and reaching out to students from a wide range of backgrounds, including students of color, but also international students and students from rural Maine. They have established the November Invitations, a weekend being held this weekend, to introduce students to the College and especially those programs and facilities which are unique to Bowdoin.

Professor of African Studies Randy Stakeman, while agreeing that the admissions office works sufficiently hard at recruiting quality students of color to the campus, said he believes that the overall results have been disappointing. He feels more creative recruitment and retention tactics are necessary in order to establish and maintain a high level of campus diversity.

"We have had a degree of success in recent years, but that has been a very limited success. Success is truly reached when for four straight years, students of color comprise at least fifteen percent of the student body, and this currently is not the case. Unless we maintain consistently high percentages of students of color on the Bowdoin campus, we cannot achieve a critical mass of students so that visiting prospective can see a vital working community of students of color," said Stakeman.

Stakeman cites as barriers to complete success the College's location, a poor name recognition within communities of color and the fact that there are a number of excellent choices out there for qualified students of color. He also cites the lack of faculty of color as a major impendiment to success. Last year, Bowdoin had on staff only seven African American, seven Asian American, four Hispanic American and no Native American faculty members.

Stakeman says it is difficult to recruit students of color to attend Bowdoin with so few minority faculty members in the classrooms. He describes this as a vicious cycle, citing that it's equally difficult to attract qualified faculty of color without first enrolling many students of color.

According to Marjane Benner Brown, a College trustee and a member of the Diversity Subcommittee, "it is clear that work remains to be done. I don't believe anyone would say that we have made the headway on the issue that we would like. My sense is that the time is ripe for a refocusing and redefinition of efforts to build on the work that has been done over the past few years... and that the Board of Trustees remains sensitive to the issue and desirous of moving forward.

The Administration stresses that the goals of the Bowdoin Diversity Plan are every bit as important in 1998 as they were at the inception of the plan in 1992. According to the Administration's commitment to diversity, the intent is to continue making campus diversity a priority through "diversity programming, open dialogue across campus lines, campus constituencies involving student input, state and national participation in diversity initiatives, ongoing trainings and seminars for all campus constituencies, and policy and committee mechanisms that are specifically tailored to make the campus and members of its community accountable for its actions regarding diversity made.

In the future, the College intends to initiate an exchange program with an historically black institution for faculty and students, to facilitate a more in-depth and complete training program for the Residential Life staff, and to increase the representation of women and people of color in senior management and on the Board of Trustees.

Campus blood drive competes with Bates

The traditional Bowdoin/Bates rivalry has extended beyond athletics into a new arena: pits of blood collected.

On November 18, the second blood drive of the year will occur, and the organizers of the Bowdoin blood drives have turned this effort into a competition between us and our Bullet counterparts.

Bowdoin usually meets its goal of 100 donors each drive, while Bates usually establishes a goal of 75 student donors. For this match, however, they are pushing their goal up to match that of Bowdoin. Should Bowdoin lose, Dave Despres '01 will travel to Lewiston and traverse the Bates campus in a costume that resembles a giant blood drop. If Bowdoin prevails, an unlucky Bates student would do the same here.

Jen Rosenblatt '00, one of the organizers of the Bowdoin drives, said that giving blood is important no matter the reason. "Hospitals stock only about one to two days supply of each blood type. This supply can run really low, especially in emergencies. It is also very important to give blood around this time of year before people get sick."

The Red Cross, which helps with the blood drives on campus, encourages people to call 1-800-GIVELIF, their toll-free number, if they have any questions about eligibility for giving blood or general questions about the process.

Committee addresses student concerns on administration

JUSTIN WATRAS CONTRIBUTOR

After a year of operating, with the new system of student government, Steve Lee '99, chair of the Student Assembly, has organized a special task force to address student concerns regarding administrative procedures. This group of student representatives, known as the Administrative Oversight Task Force, is adopting a multi-tiered approach to student input.

In order to solicit the opinions of the great percent of the campus body, an e-mail was recently sent to all students. To build upon the initial e-mail response, members of the committee will conduct randomized student surveys in order to acquire statistical data to quantity opinion.

"We are trying to achieve both depth and breadth to student opinion," said Marshall Miller '00, the committee's co-chair. "This way we can most accurately reflect their views."

Through the task force is still only gathering information, it has already achieved results at least one area. Observing student frustration regarding repeated paper shortages in the computer labs, the committee analyzed the source of the problem. Working with Matt Jacobson-Carroll, an academic computing specialist at CIB, the members of the task force were able to identify needed changes. "The cooperation of CIB and the delegation and cooperation of the committee led to an expedient solution," said committee co-chair Scott Roman '00.

The task force is working to build upon its initial success in gathering student opinion to improve the administrative functions of the college. Committee members welcome input that will aid in their initiative. Contact Marshall Miller at mmiller3@bowdoin.edu.

The campus blood drive coordinators: Jen Rosenblatt '00, Elizabeth Aiiles '00, and Curtis Jina '01. (Lindsey Szarenek/Bowdoin Orient)
More diversity please

As many institutions of higher education are re-examining their financial aid policies, the Administration has wisely seen fit to make a change to Bowdoin's policy beneficial to students.

Princeton University has eliminated many student loans, replacing them with scholarships from their endowment, and home equity is no longer considered for families with incomes under $40,000. Yale University exempts up to $15,000 of a family's savings and home equity, and summer earnings expectations were reduced or waived for students pursuing public service. Several other Ivy League institutions have followed suit.

While Bowdoin's changes are not nearly as radical, they still lead to a better financial aid program. Under the policy that will go into effect next fall, any outside scholarships a student earns will reduce or eliminate their loans rather than Bowdoin grants. It is gratifying to see that the Administration is concerned about—and willing to act against—the trend towards increased student debt upon graduation. The new guidelines will allow many recent alumni to focus more on their futures and less on their finances.

Bowdoin has spent an additional $45,000 a year for this program, not solely because of concern for the students, but also to appear more attractive to potential applicants. While this policy change is a step toward a better financial aid policy, the Administration needs to work on creating a more diverse student body. Other areas of Bowdoin's financial aid policy should be examined for possible improvements.

Practice of increasing the amount a family can have in home equity before getting financial aid, and it has been predicted that many other top colleges and universities will soon adopt similar policies. The federal government decided in 1992 to no longer take home equity into account when determining eligibility for federal financial aid. Bowdoin should seriously consider following the lead of our Ivy League brethren and Uncle Sam in allowing more leeway for home equity.

Bowdoin needs to re-examine how it deals with business ownership in account. These are students at Bowdoin whose families run small, independent businesses—often labor of love that yield little profit, and may even show consistent losses for 20 years or even decades in some cases—who are heavily penalized because a family business is considered a personal asset. In many cases it is impossible for a family to liquidate their business to pay off financial aid, and the value of the business directly reduces a student's chances for financial aid.

Review of financial aid decisions should be granted less grudgingly, and individual circumstances should be more thoroughly examined on a case-by-case basis. The financial aid forms offer a space for families to discuss personal circumstances, but reviews of financial aid decisions seem to only be granted if concrete financial information is provided. A student who has lost a relative and has her/his share of the inheritance should be able to discuss their situation in person with a financial aid representative to be able to convey information that may not be entirely clear in numbers.

The first step toward financial fairness

Environmental Studies as a whole cannot be understood without a generous financial aid policy discipline. By making, economics, ethics, and a basic understanding of all sciences must come together under the rubric of a successful program. Furthermore, trips and projects which the advantage of Bowdoin's exceptional environmental resources would seem a natural part of the ES major, but are not offered. Student trips to an internship or summer job on their own which combines these interests.

Comparative forward-looking colleges make an effort to include their environmental studies programs in campus ecology. They participate in decisions on recycling, composting and architecture. At Bowdoin, the ES department is not actively part of these decisions for fear of breaking the traditional, conservative way of making decisions. The program has future plans to build a new ES center which would feature a greenhouse and other organic, ecologically-sensitive components which are presently not a part of the Bowdoin campus. Why must ES majors become more comfortable with exercises like these? Shouldn't the environmental studies curriculum encourage activism through education?

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Letters to the Editor

Gay rights do not constitute special rights in any circumstance among discriminatory practices.

Mr. Thompson also warns us about the creation of "thought crimes" which, he implies, would infringe on freedoms of speech and would also promote unequal enforcement of laws.

This argument is seriously flawed. He claims that stricter penalties for graffiti containing racist slurs causes the creation of "thought crimes." Obviously, we are increasing the punishment due to the political views of the perpetrator, which would, perhaps, be an infringement upon his free speech. Graffiti, however, implies you are painting or writing on someone else's property, which is not allowed. Perhaps, as the logic of his argument dictates, we should enforce handicapped access laws. It is not "preferential treatment" to allow disabled people access to handicapped parking or handicapped facilities in public buildings.

For some reason, I don't think he would be extremely eager to conjure up the equal protection clause of the Constitution to strike down handicapped access laws.

Now, am I claiming that gays are handicapped? Certainly not, at least in the sense that they have some physical or mental disability. They do, however, live in a society that seems all too willing to discriminate against them (sometimes, using recent events shown, with lethal force). It is the duty of our government to protect gay people's civil rights from external "handicaps" that are imposed by malicious acts.

A call to end the partisan politics at Bowdoin

I am writing, about the "Democrat vs. Republican" feature in this week's issue of The Orient. I am sorely disappointed when political leaders, even if they are just undergraduate students, focus on the negative aspects of the other party rather than simply and honestly addressing issues.

In a forum such as the student newspaper, the objective of features such as this one should be to persuade by way of informing rather than persuade by way of making the softer side look bad. One's point of view should stand for itself and should not depend upon name-calling and slander.

I call for political leaders and the entire Bowdoin community to promote political affairs. Perhaps if the level of maturity were higher, if people were willing to listen, and if compromise was a viable word, issues might actually get resolved.

This might not be possible; I personally don't think it is, but I would love to be proven wrong.

Jennifer L. Dodd '01

Bowdoin Film Society apologizes and plans Simpsons event

The student body:

On behalf of both the Bowdoin Film and Video Society and Audio-Visual, we would like to apologize for the Halloween movies not being shown this weekend. Steps are being taken to assure that this does not happen in the future. We hope none of this screwed up anybody's weekend, and if it did we can only hope our future offerings will make up for it. Thank you for your patience; we are excited about the other shows we have planned.

Brian Stipelman '99
Matt Montemayor '99
Sarah Shemkus '99

Corrections

In last week's edition of The Orient, members of the Environmental Studies Student Advisory Committee submitted David Vail's letter of resignation from his position as Director of Environmental Studies. The Orient did not note that this letter was addressed to Chuck Beitz, Dean of Academic Affairs. Also, Professor Vail's letter concluded by noting his fondness for "our" (meaning everyone involved in ES committee) accomplishments rather than his personal accomplishments. The Orient apologizes to Professor Vail and all those associated with the ES program. What follows is the full text which members of the Environmental Studies Student Advisory Committee intended as a protest to Professor Vail's letter.

We were very upset to hear earlier this week about the resignation of Professor David Vail. In this position as Director of Environmental Studies, one hundred thirty-nine Bowdoin students are declared Environmental Studies coordinate majors, and we think this should concern not only them, but the entire Bowdoin community.

We feel that it is important for everyone to understand what has happened. The administration and faculty that may understand all the hard work that Vail and others have invested in the major. There is disparity between the way the college prioritizes (or neglects to prioritize) the Environmental Studies program and how they promote it. We feel it is important to share Professor Vail's reasons for resigning because they support our feeling that Environmental Studies is essentially shafted. Any student who has felt disappointed by the Environmental Studies program has a right to know how College authority figures have failed to give the program the professional support necessary for its viability and strength. The letter we received exposes events about which we have never been informed. We feel that it is important to understand that this is supporting evidence for our personal criticism of the politics governing our education.

Alice: "Who needs MacNeil/Lehrer?" was written by Scott Hickey not Mark Turner.
My secret formula for writing a mediocre column

By Scott Hickey

I was sitting around the other day thinking about the sheer narcissism that provokes people who have nothing to say to write for the public. I was typing an Orient column and admiring my chosen features in the mirror at the time. When it came to mind that I had written three or five column this semester, I strangely felt a sudden desperate need to justify the worth of the enterprise to myself and the man holding a gun to my temple. He is the Bad Writing Avenger, and he demands sacrifice. Actually, he only demands an explanation but sacrifice makes me sound way like much of an action hero... Kentucky Jones! or The Louisville Slug Boy! or Wolverine (just because he's awesome!)

So I try to satiate his avenger and his bold mission by telling him that his stance holds merit; he just isn't looking at the situation from the right perspective (mine). When you read one of my columns individually, he's right, none of them pass on a whole lot of information or insightful criticism to the greater public. Yet, when you read them in the context of the whole oeuvre, you become violently ill and hemorrhage internally.

I looked over them despite the danger and summarized the themes of four Orient columns. 1) Latin Honors are dumb. 2) Maybe Clinton should be impeached, maybe he shouldn't. 3) I have unconsulted the results of four election are dumb. Wow, all you need to write a column and get it printed is a ridiculously incomplete thought like wonder what it's like to be raised by ferns or I think upper level science classes at Bowdoin need... Keeping this in mind, let's look at this week's Orient forum question: Is Bowdoin diverse? First, we all need to start writing a column about the experience of being a provoking clever angle such as: No, Bowdoin is not diverse. Second, characterize the question and make sure of the lack of diversity by pretending that you and everybody else thinks Bowdoin is diverse. Third, come up with some low stock quotes. Lastly, mix it all under reduced pressure in a relief condenser and voila, just like I promised, your Orgo lab grade falls by two letter grades. Let's see the formula in action.

I am excited to be writing about the topic of diversity, because diversity has been a major part of my growth and development. I am proud to say that I used to know the chorus to "Fight the Power," and I still regularly watch Ellen on Lifetime. I want to dispel the concern held misconceptions among Princeton Guidebook statisticians that Bowdoin College is not a diverse campus. Who would know better than the students the kinds of people found on campus? Let's see what a random sampling of preselected minority students have to say.

Clarisse from Newton, MA: "Never in my life have I met so many different people with so many different favorite sections of the Globe." Thad from Cambridge: "Diverse? Why, just on my dormitory floor, there's a guy from Deerfield, one from Easter, another from Middlesex, and somebody from Hotchkiss. Totally different academics!" Jordan from Winchester, MA: "I'm not like everybody here at all. Their dads are all doctors and lawyers and CEOs. Whereas my dad is a phar..." Paulette from Bucklion, MA: "Hey! I'm still dressing! I don't care if this is for a column or not."

Even though the students seem satisfied with the college's diversity, I think we can all agree that there is definitely room for improvement. A recent administrative poll revealed that, despite being a top tier liberal arts institution, the school only has representatives from two of the nation's sexes and almost all of the students are between the ages of 17 and 22. Obviously, the college charter to educate and enlighten does not include unicellular bacteria or developmentally advanced toddlers.

What can rectify this travesty of uniformity? Honesty! Move two hundred miles south and charge 20,000 dollars less. Dishonestly! Force some students to wear shabby, secondhand clothes and speak in Farsi. It's a complex problem. And if we've learned anything, it's that I don't have the answer to anything complex.

Scott Hickey really liked both of Mark Turner's columns from last week.

Fast food and fun in the Eastern Block

By Seth Jaffe

After last week's column, encumbered by an over abundance of polysyllabic words, I decided to write something lighter. Something fun. Something exciting. Something with panache.

Last month, I traveled to East Central Europe with a friend. My goal, having been in Israel for 3 plus months, was to find some good pig and cheese, or at least a cheeseburger. Kosher McDonald's is a crime against nature, in my humble opinion. While I was abroad, our short flight and a lengthy EI air security check. For those of you who don't know, EI is Ireland's national airline. It's often translated into "toogoo." Besides the niceties of translation, EI Air also perhaps the world's most secret airline. They have undercover and armed military personnel on every flight in case anything untoward should happen. Sometimes, they come as someone posing the plane in the name of Allah. As one can imagine, the security check is intensive and many questions get asked. What is the agenda? Why are you sweating? Who is your Rabbi back home? My answers were, respectively, umm, what agenda, because I'm carrying this ninety pound bag, and Rabbi Shook. Those were apparently acceptable.

If EI Air does search your bag and for some reason doesn't check a pocket, this columnist highly recommends that you do not turn in your travelling companion and whisper, "It's a good thing I don't keep the tactical nuke in the zipper pocket."

A joke of this kind can get you a date with security agents and rubber gloves. Such tactics prevent people from being obnoxious more than once. They also make one walk like a cowboy. Life gets even more complicated if you know Hebrew and are not Israeli. I know a little Hebrew at this point. This means that I can ask someone "Are you Jewish?"'s exactly why I'm studying Hebrew, who my contacts are, and what my agenda is, etc. At this point, the reaction has to be very careful not reveal that he is in actually a Muslim fundamentalist, intent on bringing the entire world under Daul Allah by means of jihad. I mean, hey, there are lots of blond-haired and blue-eyed American Muslims. Security agencies are always a nightmare because when asked certain questions even the Pope would sound guilty.

"Your Holiness, what's the agenda?... Why are you sweating?"

"Umm... no reason. I just was carrying this staff and it's heavy and this room is umm... hot. Yeah, it's hot. What agenda? Nice gun."

The less you have to hide, the more guilty you sound when asked about what you are not hiding.

"Needless to say, this process is necessary if someone wishes to arrive at the golden door of the Duty Free shop. For those you don't know, Duty Free is a wonderful land of cheap things: liquor, perfume, cigarettes, and chocolate. Duty free is like airport purgatory. They are between worlds, and you can imagine you're being tempted by the seduction of hell, or the promise of heaven. I went with the latter for peace of mind..."

After shopping and recovering from security, we hopped on the plane. The flight was comfortable, and we arrived in Budapest and promptly had a huge meal, including good beer and desert, for something like $4.50 in US dollars. God Bless the dollars. From Budapest we took the night train to Krakow, which sounds like a bad band name. The train ride was an experience in itself. Twelve hours of fun, lenme tell you. You can try to sleep, trying the operative word. Ultimately, every time a border crossed—there are a lot of borders—evil people in Stalin-like uniforms yank open your compartment door, turn on the lights, yell "Pahspourp!" If I never see another Slovak in uniform, I can live a happy life. However, at one border crossing, we ingeniously created an atmosphere of good will by offering the passport guy a Mentos. Tha a moral is there somewhere.

The next truly memorable event of our trip occurred in Warsaw. We, shame on us, went into a restaurant called American Chicken. It was KFC rip-off, complete with a Colonel Sanders wannabe on the wall. Plus, like the effect, the store had forced cut-outs of Bill Clinton, circa the Arsenio Hall saxophone thing. The guy I was traveling with trend to test out his Polish, all learned from Let's Go Eastern Europe's page of essential Polish words. After informing the person behind the counter that he was a duck and wanted a petuna, or something like that, he gave up and ordered in English. Just as he was ordering, an old lady began talking to him. The entire room erupted in laughter. It took about ten minutes, but we finally got someone to translate for us. Apparently, this nice little old lady was saying that she was too old to learn English but really wanted to communicate with my friend. The word communicate, it seems, had some interesting connotations the way this lady was using it. Language barriers can be frustrating or infuriating: amusing in a restaurant, infuriating in a train station.

When you don't know a language at all, no matter how smart you are, you intellectually devolve, humiliating yourself and those around you by communicating in a crude form of impromptu sign language. Life becomes a surreal, pathetic game of charades. The scene where "where is the bathroom," however, is damned entertaining to watch someone pantomime, though less entertaining when you have to pantomime it yourself.

Other than a few embarrassing moments and frustrations our trip was relatively, smooth. We saw most of what we wanted to see and some of what we didn't. I guess that's always the nature of backpacking. There is a moral burial in all this somewhere, and I promise to convey it as soon as I make it up. Until then, be careful how you communicate.

Any comments can be emailed to Seth Jaffe at sjaffe@bowdoin.edu

Encouraged by Jesse "the body" Ventura's victory in the Minnesota gubernatorial race, Bob "the president" Edwards launches his own political campaign.

The Orient is longingly looking for one or more Opinion columnist with a penchant for prattling and an annoying aptitude for alliteration. Cordially contact Aaron Rosen, Opinion Editor, at arosen@bowdoin.edu
Forum Question: Do you believe there is enough diversity at Bowdoin? If not, what should Bowdoin do to encourage diversity?

When addressing such a broad topic, we first have to define what we mean by the term "diversity." Is this diversity of religion? Diversity of race? Diversity of socioeconomic status? Geographic diversity? Diversity of interests? Diversity of thought? I could argue that there is not enough diversity on campus, because I am part of the problem. Like many others, I do not take advantage of the many opportunities and resources available to me, and I am not the only one. It seems that some students have a serious effort to learn from and with those who come from different backgrounds, and maintain a narrower focus with my social life.

I would maintain that Bowdoin does not seem diverse because too often we do not take advantage of the opportunities that arise, whether it is missing a lecture or shying away from certain classes. Before we can claim that Bowdoin lacks diversity, we need to decide what diversity means to us and what role it plays in our education.

Pedro Salom '00

Diversity is not a physical concept. Specific numerical statistics comparing the racial or ethnic composition of people of certain skin colors cannot, and should not, be the goal of Bowdoin's diversity program. Call me daft, but I still believe in the color-blind society. Bowdoin should seek a diversity of opinions and socio-economic backgrounds. The different experiences and viewpoints a person can bring to our community are not determined by a petty thing like skin color. Instead, focusing on superficial details, Bowdoin should increase the geographic, religious, and economic diversity of its student body. The results are harder to measure than mere quotas. Hence, I would be genuinely surprised if the Administration will adopt them.

Hugh Hill '02

There is not enough diversity at this school at all! I was very surprised when the dean during orientation was proud to say that 8 people at bowdoin were the minorities African American. 8 out of 499. That is not diversity! Diverse is a mixture of people of all different situations from all different others! Sarah Colin '02

It depends on what you consider "diverse." If you view "diverse" in context with Black people, international people, Gay/Lesbian people, and people with a minority equal ratio of men & women, then my answer would be NO! Because in the three years now that I have been a student here, I've seen that "people with disabilities" are NEVER included in mention of the other groups of people I just named in regard to "diversity."

There are not only students with disabilities, but also some faculty and staff with disabilities here at Bowdoin College. We are a minority group here. Yet, we are constantly being asked to fit into this "diversity." Read any of the Bowdoin Orient articles from past that addressed "minorities" and "diverse groups of people" at Bowdoin and please, let me know where you see "people with disabilities" included in mention along with the other groups. Read the recent Orient and local newspaper articles about the Hewlett Grant, here do you see "people with disabilities" mentioned?

Read any articles from past issues of the Orient dealing with "affirmative action." Where do you see "people with disabilities" mentioned? I am speaking for a minority of concern, along with women and Black people.

In short, I would like to mention of "people with disabilities" some outdated hold-over from the past, when it was considered to be a "stigma" to have a disability, when people with disabilities as a result of perceived "stigma" were hidden away in attics, because their families were embarrassed by their "disability" relatives? Sometimes I feel this is the same at Bowdoin, when we are made to "diversity," and ONCE AGAIN, people with disabilities are overlooked, not because of disability itself, but because we are not the mainstream. Although we are some sort of "diverse" group here, but one must not call attention to the disabilities.

The REAL disabled people in society are NOT those who are deaf, blind, learning, or physically disabled, but those who use wheelchairs. Most people with disabilities are just like anyone else, and they make anything possible with modifications from the way non- disabled people do. The REAL disabled people are those with outdated and negative attitudes about disabilities, and THEY are the ones who really HOLD BACK social progress. The REAL disabled people deny "people with disabilities" access to good education, jobs, and much more. On the other hand, the REAL "diverse" people in society happen to be non-disabled, recognize "people with disabilities" are an important part of our society, and do everything they can to enable "people with disabilities" to realize their potential. Think about it. Which would you rather be?

Jeanie Colhart '99

This school doesn't know the meaning of a divers word. They think that people are just walking around on campus and seeing how easy it is to identify the few minorities that Bowdoin has. They use the excuse to go to public schools in inner-city. I'm from a public high school in NYC and I never heard of Bowdoin College. I send a letter from my coach, I'm definitely not the only one. Bowdoin needs to make more of an effort to be part of the city. We need to come out in big cities, people think diversity is all around. It's also crucial for Bowdoin to do more financially in order to bring more minorities to this campus. I don't know anyone back home who can afford this school unless Bowdoin opens up its pockets. This school would be a better place if the students were more from a diverse student body. I hope that Bowdoin recognizes that and does whatever is required to meet that goal.

Evan Klein '01

Diversity is definitely a problem at Bowdoin. Our student body is extremely homogeneous in terms of race and ethnicity. This is not surprising, given the high prices to attend the school. However, I think it is difficult to attract minorities, who mostly live in large urban areas in a small college like Bowdoin. I am impressed that, once we get past the fact that 50% of this college is from NE, there almost all fifty states represented here as well as several foreign countries.

Matt Olliff '02

Bowdoin is not diverse in any sense of the word. As for superficial diversity (race being the main criteria), I suppose the admissions office is working on it, trying to recruit minorities and so forth. There is a kind of superficial diversity in the student body at Bowdoin; however, it seems to me that the majority of us get into a standard mindset produced by the rigors of Bowdoin College. Dissing our classmates is an integral part of the college experience, and we are simply perpetuating the same cycle. Perhaps the class of the past year reveals the truth of this.

I feel that there isn't enough diversity at Bowdoin, but we have to remember that it is located in Maine. I'm from California and out there, we have at least perceived Maine as a "summer vacation spot" although my opinions have changed since. I don't believe that there is anything either good or bad about the deal, so to speak, is an ineffective way of covering up the culture shock that one is going through when he or she arrives.

Tessie Ng '99

No, there is not enough diversity on campus. Bowdoin can become more diverse by not using the excuse that there are not many students here who are qualified. Because many students are not,qualified(but they are nowhere).

Natalia Casamajor '01

Diversity of race, ways of thinking, socio-economic status & ethnicity. Bowdoin students are one of the privileged ones.

Victor Johnson '01

Before coming to the College, I had been taught to think of diversity as a reflection of the amount of students coming from different areas and ethnic backgrounds. (Often, the college catalogs pride in taking in qualified students.) But come to Bowdoin, I see that the college catalogs pride in taking in students who are supposed to attend the college. And the graduating class of the past year reveals the truth of the matter. My years here have made me believe that people very reluctant to become someones in a solid, single path. We must all be able to function in a society, but I believe that diversity stems from choosing who are able to integrate genuinely their own personalities. If we negate this core of our own selves, then we are compelled and who are we anyway?

Meredith Ellen Crosby '00

Bowdoin's claim to diversity currently resides in the realm of fiction. As of the present day, Bowdoin dominates the "White New England" label that is so often attached to it. What can be done to improve this? I think Bowdoin's effort to recruit minority students is the answer, not the importuning of a few "star" minorities. I feel that if Bowdoin wants to prove Bowdoin to be a diverse academic institution.

Gerry May '99

There is definitely not enough diversity at Bowdoin. I believe diversity is close to non-existent. As I see it, it is the job of the Admissions office to actively recruit, and balance the student body. Diversity is ever to become a reality on this campus. In addition, the students of color recognize that all come from the elite prep schools in the country; this strategy ensures a lack of diversity as they are liable to be similar to in the majority of students Bowdoin admits. Essentially, my view is this: the effort to diversity this campus is fraudulent, inferior to the powers that be, and the one that one character effect change. I am a public school graduate from an urban center...students like myself for a few...I believe it would be beneficial to Bowdoin's academic atmosphere as well as social atmosphere to look in spaces similar to the one I come from if diversity ever to be staple on this campus. Also, racial diversity is not the opinion of diversity in that there should also be diversity of opinion, personality and style among students of the same race or ethnic background.

NEdra James '01

Bowdoin definitely does not have enough diversity. I came to Bowdoin at the least expecting a more diverse campus than the one I had grown up in. Unfortunately, Bowdoin is similar to the makeup of my old town. The campus, however, is very well diversified, if not ethnically, in the way that every individual seems to have something uniquely brilliant about themselves.

Jason Colombino '02

No. Bowdoin should consider international applicants with greater consideration. I think Bowdoin should consider expanding the year and the weekend and their campus seems exemplary for the amount of diversity. I also think that Bowdoin could send representatives to speak overseas at international high schools all over the world. This would introduce Bowdoin to the international community and begin Bowdoin's world-renowned reputation.

Jaime Yusipco '02

I think that the Bowdoin student body is actually much more diverse than it seems. To help make this diversity more obvious I think a more organized international club would be a good start; international evening and conferences would also be good. Getting the whole student body more interested in what is happening outside the US would also be a good way to promote diversity because the first step is to be aware that diversity exists. Perhaps we can have a page on the Bowdoin website that covers some of the most important events occurring the international club could mass email all students. Certain courses could be required to look at events that are going on around the world and that relate to the course (perhaps that is being already done). I also think that the Bowdoin community values diversity and believes that it offers something positive to the college, then diversity will be promoted.

Maye Blasco '02
Robert Hunter: What a long strange trip it’s been

In case you missed your chance to make the Grateful Dead connection with David Grisman, your second opportunity has arrived. On Wednesday, November 11, Robert Hunter will be appearing at the First Parish Church. Hunter is well known for the lyrics he has written throughout his career. From “Ripple” to “Touch of Grey,” Hunter’s lyrics characterize the music of the Grateful Dead. Hunter’s relationship with the Dead started back in 1961 when he and Jerry Garcia performed together in a folk duo creatively called “Bob and Jerry.” His lyrics can be heard on almost every Dead album released, including two of the most popular albums, a Best of Workingman’s Dead and American Beauty.

But Hunter has limited himself only to the work of the Grateful Dead. His words can be heard through the music of Jefferson Starship and Bob Dylan. In the 1970’s, he began to work as his own songwriter and released several albums before emerging as a prominent American poet in the 1980’s. He has released a well-received translation of Rilke’s “The Duino’s Elegies,” in addition to three of his own major poetry collections in the Penguin series. Hunter’s legacy of songwriting is visible dealing with the hot-button issues of the day. At first, it obviously catered mostly to a politi-cies-wise audience, but, with the coming of Clinton, Perot, and others, their fresh brand of satire has become accessible to nearly any audience.

So accessible, in fact, that the group has made a number of noteworthy appearances in their sixteen years. They have appeared on all three of the major television networks, as well as on CNN and on three national PBS programs, National Public Radio’s show “All Things Considered” frequently features the songs of the Steps. They have been heard weekly on Radio America’s “Dateline Washington” and the “Senior and Core show” on WMAL, one of D.C.’s largest AM stations. In addition, four times every year, they do an NPR special called “Politics Takes a Holiday.”

The group consisted of three members at the beginning; but a few newer members have been added; it now consists of twenty-two people. Elaina Newton, Bill Sullivan, and Jim Alyda founded the group; since then, cast regulars Ann Schmidt, Toby Kemper, and Michael Forrest have joined. Every member has worked on Capitol Hill in some context. Though Washington audiences are more in tune with some of the group’s jokes, the Steps have found, as The Washington Post’s Ken Riddle puts it, “audiences (in D.C) and elsewhere really aren’t that far apart.” As co-founder Elaina Newton says, “most of the people who come to see us at Chelsea’s (a D.C. club where the group performs regularly) lairly are from out of town anyway... Marion Barry was funny for a while, but we don’t do him on the road.”

In addition, they have found that certain national figures like Dick Gephardt do not cross over well, as “people don’t feel like they know him.” One national figure and scandal that the group surely loves is Bill Clinton. He has obviously provided an endless array of new material coming in from those songs as “I’m Unzippin’ my Doo-Dah.” Yet, Clinton is not the only subject they have focused on within the past few years.

A couple of the other notable songs are “Oprah vs. the Guttermen” and “Saddam vs. The Purdah.” Though these songs are “no issue is left untouched.” Despite the fact that they are frequent targets of the Steps’ satirical songs, many celebrities and politicians have performed with the group. Al Gore, Sam Donaldson, Michael Dukakis, Larry King, and George Bush comprise a small section of this list. The bipartisan group has released eighteen albums, six of which have been recorded during Clinton’s presidency. They perform over four hundred shows a year, one of which Bowdoin is extremely lucky to host.

Clearly, the Capitol Steps are in high demand nationally, as they undoubtedly will be at Bowdoin too. For six dollars, any Bowdoin student can go see the nation’s premiere political satire group. It will definitely be worth the money, as they will defini-tely do more than just Clinton/Lewinsky jokes. I promise.

Boston Pop-Rock: The Buckners

As the post-Halloween weekend arrives and you’re looking for a relaxing alternative activity for Saturday night, stop by the Pub and chill to the clean, rock sounds of the Buckners. This young, Boston-based, pop-rock band guarantees a good, entertaining night.

The Buckners formed in the spring of 1997 by Luke McNiss and his friend who has since left the band to continue his graduate studies. Their pop-rock tunes have a clean, appealing sound and have been compared to other bands such as They Might Be Giants and Seabed.

Most of the band’s songs have a fast tempo with an emphasis on harmony; however, they don’t rely on loud guitars to carry their music. As lead guitarist and vocalist McNiss comments: “We don’t use a lot of noisy distortion sounds, so it’s a pretty clean sound. But our songs are upbeat so they still rock. We don’t rely on any super loud guitars. Harmony is a very important part of what we do.”

The band members know how to keep a college audience entertained, since they are all recent graduates themselves. Lead guitar- and vocalist McNiss graduated from Dartmouth College in 1993, while drummer Morin is a recent graduate from Bentley, and the bass guitarist graduated from Hamilton in 1994. In the future, they hope to play at colleges more often, because they like the audience. The band performs a lot at the Middle East in Cambridge and averages about six shows a month, but ideally they would like to branch out and gain some attention in other parts of the country.

If you hear The Buckners perform and like their sound, or if you miss the show here at Bowdoin, you can catch them in Portland on January 14th at The Basement and January 21st at the Free Street Tavern. They promise not to disappoint and as McNiss says, “We try to play every show as if it were our last one; we try to perform all out.”

So, be sure not to miss the Buckners, this Saturday night in the Pub.
The Hoyter spills all on Maine and aerobics

RYAN C. JOHNSON
THE FAMOUS HOYTER

Starting out my column/ramble/review each week is not an easy task. First off, it's usually about two hours before my weekly Orient drudge that I have to do before I can even start to put my thoughts into words. But if there's one thing I know about my brain, it's that it can't go more than three days without a beer. Furthermore, I tend to get extremely frustrated when I try to write about the same topic for more than three days in a row. So, for the sake of my sanity, I decided to change things up a bit this week. This week's column is going to include all those movies never released to video, never appearing on the big screen and never a DVD.

Documentaries
I've always found documentaries kind of dry, save "Hoop Dreams" and "A Thin Blue Line." The problem is the subject matter.

Very few documentaries attract a large audience unless they deal directly with a large problem like the Exxon Valdez oil spill or escapes from World War II prisons. Most documentaries are appreciated only locally, usually for socially focused topics on a specific subject. I mean honestly, how many people are going to rent a 2 hour movie playing out the life of a pre-World War I George, who is wandering lost in the Southwest searching for his roots amid the ancient Navajo of Arizona? I think renting a movie like that is cause for extreme frustration.

Live at 8
"Menny Python Live at the Hollywood Bowl" is the only film like this I've seen. But I've reviewed three times last night, so I'm kind of tired of it. If you really like music, there are a ton of movies where rock stars go live. Concerts are much better unless you convince at least 2 of your friends to sit through it with you. Comic Book Men Live in the Amazon River, Underwater and Uncut.

Instructional Tapes
I was disappointed because most of them were filmed during the bell-bottoms-peace-outside-flower-in-your-hair days, and even if they weren't, the footage is so gritty it's not even pleasant to look at.

Aerospace
The title makes it sound like my hobby is space flight, which it isn't. But I decided to write about the Shuttle Challenger, which I think is a great topic. The Shuttle Challenger exploded on January 28, 1986, killing all seven crew members.

Lara's Wave crashes on the shores of the Pub

LARA BLACKBURN
PUB REVIEWER

This weekend in Jack Magee's Pub is a good one. Well, that's what I tell myself. For the first time this semester, we've got a band on both Friday and Saturday nights. Yes, as advertised, 212! 212! Live and loud. Could bring us the Buckets-make sure you check out the story on theirs elsewhere in this section.

Friday night, may be a foray for a tsunami! Jack Magee's brings you Wave! Mike Dibasse '00 is one of the five guys in Wave, and he kind of ended up sitting down with me and fill me in on the band. Mike himself started out in music with piano lessons in the fifth grade. He hated them, in fact, he'd literally hide when it was time for lessons (kind of like how I hid from my scary gothic English teacher). But it wasn't until he was a senior in high school, around, and Mike had been playing guitar for three years. He was getting pretty lonely, so he decided to pick up a band. Two weeks later, only one or two bandmates are still with him today, eight years later.

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Some check out Wave in Jack Magee's Pub this Friday night. The show starts at 10, and Mike promises it'll be "unปลon. The energy, the atmosphere, the talent. You can't argue with that sort of confidence. Believe me, they wish.

And one final note. THE SIMPSONS MARATHON IS THIS TUESDAY!!! Three hours of the best episodes, commercial free, in the comfort of your home.

Homophobia, Gay Marriage, the Drag Ball, and Bowdoin

JONATHAN L. KNAPP AND CHRISTINE LEHMANN
STAFF WRITERS

Though Education professor Eric Roses has planned to have a Gay and Lesbian Iss- ue in English discussion group for several months now, it now proves especially rele- vant in the wake of the brutal murder and lynching of Matthew Shepard, a gay student at the University of Wyoming. Rose's idea for the discussion group was that it would be a place where people who are gay, straight, or just not sure can have a chance to talk about their experience in a more personal and experiential manner to the Bowdoin experience.

Yesterday from 11:00 to 1:00 at Moulton Union, a number of students, faculty, and staff stopped by the table, either for a few minutes, or for the entire two hours. Regardless of their particular ideology, all were encouraged to demonstrate their views. In order to facilitate the discussion, Rose prepared a series of questions, some of which were covered in the discussion.

The first question that the group debated was central to the idea of having this table:

why does talking about gay issues make people feel uncomfortable? One of the ideas suggested by the group was that the issue alienates students in their first few years, as it was something that they did not have to deal with in high school. Conse- quently, when the group members realized that they had even an understanding of the issue.

Throughout the course of the discussion, the issue of being gay being more present than ever constantly reappeared. The group raised several different explanations. Some focused on stereotypes, the image of the male, as opposed to that of the female. Society sees women as gentle, com- pelled individuals who are expected to demonstrate affection, both for men and for another. Masculinity, on the other hand, suggests coldness and power. Men cannot show affection for another one; that is what women do. In addition, the societal image of the man in sex is that of the aggressor, which forces men to fear the motivations of other men. Women, however, do not have this problem of always feeling uncertain about other as sexual predators. This allows them to be more comfortable with one another. This idea is accepted with the women do. The group member suggested that for lesbians, there are feminist groups strongly encouraging them to speak out, whereas gay men have no such counterpart.

One of the other main issues that the group discussed was dressing in drag, which has recently touched the Bowdoin campus. Last weekend, BGLAD hosted its annual drag ball, an event attended by men dressed in drag, others have extremely different senti- ments. Obviously, homophobic people al- ways have been, representing transgendered people or promoting homophobia, and even some homosexuals are opposed to drag, as well. These people argue that drag pro- motes homosexual stereotypes. Other people suggested that drag queens degrade women. Another of the key issues discussed was that of gay marriage. One of the main ideas suggested by the group is that the state should have no right to sanction the relationships of any of its citizens. Some members wondered if the opposition to single sex marriage is for economic or moral reasons. This discussion surfaced when a group member raised a child, which, in turn, caused some members to ask the age-old question: is ho- mosexuality a choice? Obviously, no one had a definite answer, but some argued that it is not really relevant, as people should be able to follow their desires.

The topic that relates most directly to Bowdoin was that of homophobia on cam- pus and in town. Clearly the group's most frightening question asked whether or not the Matthew Shepard tragedy could occur on the Bowdoin campus. Many members said that, while he has not been persecuted him- self, he has seen a man persecuted for being gay at least once.

This is precisely why a discussion such as this is so important; it raises awareness about the world around us, and what we would like to have attended, but could not. Professor Roses will hold another discussion group on Sunday, December 2nd from 10:00 to 10:30 in Wentworth Hall. All members of the Bowdoin community are highly encouraged to attend.
Nov. 6

Party (9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.)
The Latin American Student's Association and Boody Street host a Campus Wide Salsa, Merengue & Hip Hop party. This is the perfect opportunity to show off the moves you've been rehearsing at the Thursday night Latin dances on campus. 7 Boody Street.

Films (8:00 p.m.)
Primary Colors.
If you are intrigued by the recent CBS TV movie, this film is based on the book Anonymous, which is supposedly the true story of the behind the scenes events of the campaign. Sils Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Films (8:30 p.m.)
The Usual Suspects, followed by The Game. Howard House hosts this suspenseful night of movies, and in addition, will be providing free food. Although I have not seen The Usual Suspects, I have heard the film is sure to entertain, despite the fact that Michael Douglas once again plays an arrogant, successful man who attracts women 20 years his junior. Howard Hall Lounge.

Nov. 7

Meeting (9:00 p.m.)
WARRIORS, the campus eating disorders awareness group convenes for their weekly meeting. The Women's Resource Center, 1st Floor.

Meeting (6:30-11:00 p.m.)

Nov. 8

Lecture (7:00 p.m.)
"Cosmetic Surgery in a Different Voice: The Cisce of Madame Noel.", Kathy Davis of Columbia University presents.

Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
This is described as a "math break" for students and faculty. I'm assuming this meeting is for math students who need a break. The Cafe.

November (7:00-8:30 p.m.)
Kate Barnes, the Maine Poet Laureate will read some of her nature inspired poems. The Maine Audubon Society's Gualden Farm Environmental Center, Falmouth, 781-2330. FREE.

Reading (7:30 p.m.)
Margaret Sam-Croomey, Creo Indian poet, reads from "James Bay Memoir," her latest work. First Parish Church, 425 Congress St., Portland. 772-7249.

Nov. 9

Forum (7:30 p.m.)
Resident assistant hosts a forum addressing the presence of alcohol on campus. Liquor enforcement officers, along with the college lawyer and insurance agents, will be speaking about the legal ramifications of underage alcohol consumption. Free pizza and beer (just kidding about the beer) will be served. Drackenmiller, the Atrium.

FYI
I just looked in the local newspaper, and I have some exciting news. Kiss is coming to The Cumberland County Civic Center on November 16. Get out your acid stained jeans, and men, start practicing the application of facial makeup. It can actually be fun, finding that magical combination of the perfect blush and lipstick. Keep in mind skin tone when picking colors. Pale tones should wear pinks, while darker tones should stick to oranges.

Nov. 10

Forum (6:30-5:30 p.m.)
"The Disability on Disabilities: Looking FORWARD!" This forum was organized to provide an opportunity for students, faculty and staff to come together and share their perspectives and personal experiences regarding disabilities. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

Nov. 11

Films (6:30-10:00 p.m.)
Caffeinated Coffeehouse (6:30-10:00 p.m.)
If you are looking for a more sedate Friday night activity, or, if you are looking for a venue to express yourself, head over to 238 Maine Street, where they are hosting their first coffeehouse. If you are interested in performing, email minniech@238Maine Street.

Movies (7:30 & 9:30 p.m.)
Bolt Ratbert, followed by Dave. The theme of the week continues with alright, I admit, I know nothing about Bolt Ratbert and I don't have the motivation to try and find out, but having said that, I do know that Dave in the story of a man who poses as the president of the United States. Sils Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Nov. 12

Forum (6:00-8:00 p.m.)
The Career Planning Center presents another panel of students who will share information regarding their experiences in various internships. This presentation is provided for students who are considering a summer internship and are interested in learning about the advantages of such an experience. The Career Planning Center Office.

Beer (6:00-9:00 p.m.)
The All-American Microbrew Showcase, featuring international Sours. In this battle of the beers, Guiness Stout challenges other New England Stout's from Belfast Bay, Grirty McDuff's, Narrow Gauge, Redhook, and Shipyard. The Great Lost Bear, 540 Forest Ave., Portland. 772-6300.

Lecture (7:30 p.m.)
"Why Write?" presented by Roger Rosenblatt, journalist, author, playwright to students. The Lecture is being presented by Time magazine. If, after writing one too many papers in your college career, you need some inspiration, this lecture may help remind you of the necessity of good writing, especially when such writing can help you gain knowledge and opinions with the greater population. Knoge.

Send someone love to The Orient While I don't want to harp on the issue, frankly, my feelings are a little hurt. Jenny awoke, and everything was neglected. As I write this, it is 3:30 a.m., my throat is parched, my tummy is growling, room temperature, and I don't have any new e-mail messages. All we're asking for are some cold beers applied to your sweaty forehead, some knowledge and opinions with the greater population. Knoge.

Nov. 13

Buy your tickets (8:45 a.m.-4:45 p.m.)
The Capitol Steps, a political satire group, will be coming to the Bowdoin on Friday, November 13. Given the recent political scandal, they are ripe with material, so we can expect some funny stuff, I hope. The Smith Union Information Desk.

Concert (9:00 p.m.)
Take some time to mourn As you've probably heard by now, the results from the state elections are in, and, I must sadly and shamerly admit that former WWF wrestler Jesse "the body" Ventura is the new governor of Minnesota. If you're from Minnesota, this is particularly sad, and even if you're not from Minnesota, you can feel sad for your state. Join another support group If pulling out your hair isn't a problem, perhaps a little crazy love has got you down. This is the case, you could join Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous. If, when you hear the lyrics, "I'm as well face if you're addicted to love" you think, "Man, I can relate," perhaps you should check out this support group. For more information, call 774-HELP.

Listen to "I will Survive" If you're feeling a little intimidated by the forthcoming week, close your door, pop a little Gloria Gaynor into your stereo, and blast her baby! This song is what inspires us at 4:00 a.m. to persevere and carry on with The Orient. We will survive, and so will you. Although, I must say I would be more sure of our survival is we felt a little more love from the Bowdoin Community.

Clamming (10:00 p.m.)
Although I haven't mentioned him in a few weeks, Dancin' Don Corname is still alive and kicking. In fact, he is once again making his debut. Or, at least anyone who is interested, and I imagine many of you are. If you practiced "I will Survive," you could give a little public performance and display your singing skills, or lack thereof. The Old Post Tavern, 11 Moulton St., Portland. No cover.

Concert (9:00 p.m.)
Red Fish Big Blog performs with pifres. If you like ska, this is one of the few ska bands you'll see here in Bowdoin. Personally known. If you think way back to this summer, they sang that song about the record coming out, but I'm not sure if I'm talking about... right I thought so. Stone Coast Brewing Company, 4 York Street, Portland. 773-2337.
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Staff Writer

First-year Alison Laviole’s goal in the Polar Bears’ last regular season contest at Wesleyan College (2-1) proved to be just the margin Bowdoin needed to earn the victory and a spot in the NCAA Division III Tournament for the fourth consecutive year. The Polar Bears’ regular season record afforded them the fifth spot in the tournament and, as they have been to the second round of the tournament in each of the last three years, the Nazarene team from Maine has a good chance of advancing.

In 1998, the Polar Bears faced Wesleyan University, the team that finished second in the league. This year, the teams finished in fourth and third, respectively. The Polar Bears have finished in the top four of the league in each of the last three seasons, and the team has advanced to the second round of the tournament in each of those seasons.

The Polar Bears have had a successful season, with a record of 14-2-2. They are looking to continue their success in the NCAA tournament.

Gridders fall to Wesleyan

Monica Almendarez
Staff Writer

Bowdoin 23
Wesleyan 31

Football put up a great fight against Wesleyan this weekend, but unfortunately they fell 31-23. The deciding factor of the game was interceptions. Wesleyan made three against the Bears that set them up for scoring plays.

In the first half, Hayes MacArthur ’99 connected a pass to Steve Printz ’99, who made the scoring run. Also, in the first quarter, Alex Tatsumi ’01 made a 36-yard field goal. This shortened the Wesleyan lead to 21-10.

In the second quarter, Steve Lafond ’99 ran for the touchdown just seconds before the half. Bowdoin finished the half only down by four points with the score at 21-17.

In the third quarter, neither team made any scoring plays. In the fourth, Wes Beeten ’99 scored a touchdown, the only scoring drive for Bowdoin in the second half. Wesleyan successfully kicked a field goal and scored a touchdown that resulted in a final score of 31-23.

One of the high points of the game for the Polar Bears was that Senior Kevin Saxton added two sacks in this game to his career and the school record of 22 sacks. MacArthur made 42 pass attempts, which is the second highest number of attempts for a single game. Lafond caught nine passes for 121 yards, which is impressive for a single game.

On the defense, Farmer and Emily Rizza ’02 combined for 70 saves, and Farmer ended with a .821 save percentage and five shut outs for the season.

Doughty said that her last secret season at Bowdoin was one of the best she’s had. “The team really got along well, and the freshman class is a blast. It was nice to see some of the sophomores and juniors taking on a bigger role for the team.” Although she and most of the team would agree that the last game of the season was a bit disappointing, Doughty felt that it was a “really big accomplishment to make it to the NCAA Tournament in the first place. We accomplished a lot (this season), though I wish we could have proved our abilities more on the national scene.” In looking ahead, Doughty has great faith in the abilities of next year’s team. “Bowdoin will be great for the next few years: we have some key players returning,” she said.

Despite their loss to Wesleyan, the Polar Bear are ready to face off against Bates this weekend. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

This weekend, the team faces off with Bates at home at 12:30 at Whitter Field. You have no excuse not to make it there; this is by far one of the biggest games of the season. Be there to watch our football team romp over Bates!
Senior Athlete Profile: Caroline Chapin: enthusiastic about sports and life

KATLIN EVRARD
SPORTS EDITOR

For Caroline Chapin ’99, sports is a lifestyle. She not only enjoys sports, though, but also loves to listen to country music, read science fiction books, and ride horses. It is safe to say that she has a wide variety of interests in her life, and the future looks even more exciting as she travels “down under” next year.

Sports, though, have always played one of the most important roles in her life. When Chapin was two, she started playing hockey. When she was five, she started running, and at age thirteen, she got her favorite riding horse, Cody. Now she is starting to look to see what role they will continue to play in her life, since the end of her college sports career is approaching. Ideally, she will go to graduate school for physical therapy, which she hopes will allow her to continue working in some aspect of sports later in her life.

Soccer, though, is one of Chapin’s specialties. For her, it’s main attraction is its excitement as a team sport. Throughout her soccer career, Chapin has played on great teams under the direction of good coaches. The combination of being outside and running around makes soccer a very exhilarating experience. “I just love getting out there to play,” said Chapin.

This year especially “has been the best [soccer] year I’ve ever had. The team has been great.” She finds them both fun to play with on the field, as well as interesting off the field. “We all had a great time together with lots of laughs. It was so easy being it so fast.” Soccer is a sport that Chapin plans on continuing to play for the rest of her life. “All you need is the ball and a few people to kick it around.”

Through all her sports, Chapin’s parents have been her greatest support. Her dad even has a whistle that he blows whenever Chapin goes to the goal. “That whistle means you gotta go down the field, now!” Chapin’s parents are not only supportive of her, but her mother has also been known to send delicious goodies with her when she travels with her teammates to their outdoor track meets.

Chapin is from Phippsburg, a small town not too far from Bowdoin. When she started looking at colleges, she looked at Bowdoin last because it was so close, but Bowdoin has the best biochemistry department in the country and a women’s ice hockey team. In addition, she had known the soccer coach for a few years, and he encouraged her to come to Bowdoin. “All the positive experiences that I had here added up. I had been skating and playing here for a while before coming to Bowdoin.” Since she has been here, Chapin has really enjoyed it. “The people are all focused on education, but they can still have a good time. It makes it a fun place to come back to every year.”

When she’s not playing sports, Chapin reads science fiction books, and, as a result, she tries to restrain herself from buying them while she is in school so that she will not substitute her work with a good sci-fi book. Country music is her alternative way to procrastinate. Chapin likes to watch CMT (Country Music Television), but she finds that she has to be careful to recharge the channel as soon as her roommates come home to avoid being harassed.

Her homes are, another passion. Chapin has two horses, Cody and Zing. Cody has been around a while, but Zing is the new one, and “she is crazy.” Cody is very special to Chapin and his baby. She can go away for months, and he will know exactly who she is when she returns. “Cody - he’s my guy, he’s special.”

It is therefore no surprising that her riding instructor has played a key role in Caroline’s life. They have been through a great deal together, especially those “wonderful” junior high years. “I talk to her a lot, we spend a lot of time together, and I can share things with her about college, and she shares her crazy

“...system that is coming in should be taking over that role soon...”

Bowdoin senior Matt Hyde finished in 10th Place at the New England Small College Athletic Conference Championships which brought the Polar Bear’s a sixth place finish out of 11 teams. The race was hosted by the Trinity College Bantams and was held at Wicklum Park.

Middlebury won the meet overall with a score of only 44 points, followed by Williams with 72, Amherst with 118 and Colby with 129. There was then a battle between the schools with the large numbers: the Bowdoin Polar Bears and the Tufts Jumbos. Tufts edged out in front of Bowdoin with 155 points, while Bowdoin finished with 138 points. Junior Vicky Shen was the first Bowdoin runner to cross the finish line at 19:22, a solid 50th place. She was neck-and-neck with Williams runner Tara Dreher. Vicky’s time was in the midst of 3 Williams women, a Bates woman and an Amherst runner. Williams’s Dreher and Shen battled throughout the race, but in the end, Crowley overtook Shen. But Vicky was able to inch ahead of both Kate Parker of Bates and Emily Lobstein of Amherst.

Running in typical ‘pack form’ were Caitlin O’Connor ’99 finishing 25th and Jess Tallman ’99 finishing 28th. Only two seconds and two other runners separated these two stellar runners. O’Connor finished with a time of 19:42 and Tallman had 19:44. Tallman was able to edge out Williams runner Kate Dreher by a second.

Then came another strong pack of Polar Bears. Kristie Pederson ’02 (Jess Gray ’00, Erin Lyman ’00 and Julie Costa ’02 finished within 17 places of each other. Pederson finished 46th with a time of 20:04 and Gray finished 52nd with a time of 20:13. Lyman finished at 20:28 placing 59th and Costa finished at 20:30 placing 63rd to displace other teams from places. Kate Walker ’02, Kendra Emery ’00 and Jen Staples ’02 also had good performances and contributed to the Bowdoin score by displacing other as well.

The course was very hilly and was a challenge for most of the runners, but they put up a good fight. “I think Tufts beat us because of their first finisher,” commented Coach Peter Solenski. Cindy Manning finished 3rd with a time of 18:42, but other than that, Tufts and Bowdoin were well matched.

“I think that we will perform better against Colby and Tufts in New England’s. We can do it now that we know what we need to be,” Solenski said. Next Saturday, November 18th the Bowdoin Bears will travel across state lines to compete in the New England Championships.”
Between the lines: He’s back...

BY JUSTIN DEGEORGE

Mike Tyson is not well. At least that much is apparent to anyone who has even remotely followed the life of the disturbed boxer. Throughout his professional career, he’s garnered headlines by knocking out world-class heavyweights, parking lot attendants, and an ex-wife. At the start of 1998, he boasted a 37-0 record with 33 knockouts, and was considered one of boxing’s greatest. A shocking loss to Buster Douglas later that year, however, set his career and life in a tailspin that he has yet to recover from.

Despite a rape conviction in 1992 that earned him over three years in prison, Iron Mike was welcomed back into the boxing world as the sport’s prodigal son. Two years later, during a championship bout, the kinder, gentler parolee snugged, committing an act of cannibalism that cost him his boxing license and cost Evander Holyfield a significant piece of his ear. Last month the Nevada Athletic Commission voted 4-1 to reinstate the fighter — who remains the biggest draw of a fading sport — and begin yet another chapter in Tyson’s saga, a chapter many feel he doesn’t deserve.

As his next fight is being scheduled (rumored to be by January 16th against South African Francois Botha), we once again listen to the all too familiar claim that he really has changed, the only difference being, this time no one pretends to actually believe it. Even Tyson isn’t that stupid. To put it simply, the man has a serious problem. For five days last month, a group of psychologists put him through extensive testing and concluded that he was mentally fit to box, a paradox in itself. They determined that he suffered from a " constellation of neurobehavioral deficits" and had difficulty with "impulse control" and "inhibition of behavior." Facts Evander Holyfield and Destine Washington could have provided much less than the expert panel’s fee.

So the question becomes, should a man who is obviously unable to control his rage be allowed to participate in a sport in which that very defect is actually an asset? Tyson’s savagery is his trademark. Since fans are excited by the possibility of a brutal knockout, they flock to watch the man with superhuman strength and a short fuse. This sinister anticipation that accompanies every bout explains why so many are consistently coughing up $99.95 to watch his two and a half-minute fights on Pay Per View. They don’t care that their hard-earned money goes directly into the pockets of people like Tyson and Don King; they merely want to see Iron Mike destroy a weaker opponent.

But so what if he’s the sport’s biggest draw? This is a convicted rapist, who, in front of millions, twice attempted to bite a man’s ear off, then, upon his qualification process, he tried to incite a post-fight melee during which he allegedly struck a police officer (that lawsuit, by the way, was recently settled for $200). Who can say about a sport whose most recognizable figure is guilty of committing its most heinous act? It says the sport is as messed up as he is.

The fact of the matter is, Tyson will box again, and even if he has another mid-fight meltdown, will probably get a fourth chance.

The third "new" Mike Tyson we’ve seen. This time his entourage is minus Don King, whose laws were searched in March, and plus new sidekick Magic Johnson, whose charismatic presence hopes to bring more to Tyson’s corner than it did to late night television.

— So, should Tyson be allowed back in the ring? While all ethical indicators point to no, the truth is this decision wasn’t decided by moral issues, but by financial ones. If millions of people were willing to fork over sixty dollars to watch Charles Manson fight on Pay Per View, he would have been granted a clean bill of psychological health and awarded a boxing license. It’s ironic that this sport, floundering in a sea of disgrace, now turns to help for the very man who plunged it there. Mike Tyson and boxing deserve each other; let them drown together.

Want something cool to write about? Let loose and write for Orient Sports.

Netters hit to success

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The varsity women’s tennis team has had a great fall season under the leadership of first-year coach Jane E. Poynter. They finished the season 7-1, a record that consisted of wins over Wheaton, University of Southern Maine, Holy Family, Middlebury, Bates, Tufts and Brandeis. Their sole loss during the season came to a strong Amherst team.

During the post-season the team finished third in the New England Invitational behind Williams and Amherst. The tournament was in the form of a flighted system where the singles and doubles players from 22 different colleges around New England played each other. Each flight consists of all the players of a certain position. The success in the tournament was due to a great team effort, especially from Liz Hacker ’00, who finished runner up in the third flight.

The only blemish on the team’s season was a tough loss to Amherst. Coach Poynter had the following to say about Williams and Amherst, "The difference between Amherst and Williams, and ourselves, is a belief. There is not much of a talent difference between us. We need to make that next step. We need to make that next transition. We just have to believe we can do it. We just have to overcome some of those mental blocks."

Coach Poynter feels that the team has good individual players but that the team’s success is due to a great effort by the team as a whole. However, she acknowledges that "Lisl came through big in the second half of the season and had some of the highlight matches. She had a big match against Amherst. She is a feisty, fiery player who brings inspiration to everyone else to get down and dirty and get the job done."

Coach Poynter also acknowledged the good play of Shanna Gagnon. "Shanna made a major impact. She worked very hard and worked her way up the lineup through the years. She is one of those workhorses who works hard day in and day out and this is shown in her match play."

Coach Poynter had the following to say about her first season as coach: "As it being my first year it was really encouraging to see the talent and the progress we made through this season. Having seen the team I know we do not have to worry about who we’re playing. We have the talent and strength to compete. Now we just have to go out there and do it."

After the team’s success in the fall season, the Polar Bears are looking forward to the spring season and a shot at the NCAA’s.

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It seems like Bowdoin's 1998 men's soccer team has broken every imaginable record in Bowdoin's history of soccer. And the records keep on falling. The previous record for the most consecutive wins in a season, set in 1976, of six wins, has fallen. The new record stands at 11. How many goals scored in a single season, or the most team points, or the most team assists? Broken, broken, broken. All these records were set last year's squad, but they didn't stand for very long. The team currently has scored 48 goals this season through 11 games.

Team records aren't the only records being broken, either. Tom Casarella '00 now holds the record for career shutouts, with ten. The previous record was set 23 years ago.

One record still stands though, but barely. The team has tied the number of single-season wins at 11. They look to break this record in their final game of the regular season this Saturday, against Bates.

The Bears broke almost all of these records last week in their victories against Wesleyan and Colby. Their first game was with Wesleyan and they came back home with a 2-0 win under their belt.

The team started the scoring early. Only 10 minutes into the game, Abel McClureon '00 was set up in front of the Wesleyan goal by Dave DeCew '99. McClureon put the ball in the net by giving the Bears a 1-0 advantage.

According to Coach Tim Gilbride, the team "let up a little after the first goal." It wasn't until the second two minutes of the game that the Bears finally got back into the scoring mode. DeCew once again set up the goal. Patrick Hulgren's '03 was the lucky Bowdoin player to receive DeCew's pass this time. And, again, Hulgren gets control of the ball in front of the net, he shot it past the defending goalie. This put the finishing touch on the team's seventh consecutive win.

Casarella, a stronghold in the Bowdoin net, made seven saves for the win. Coach Gilbride noted his goalie's effort. "Casarella came up with some great saves," he commented.

Gilbride felt that his team "played an even match. Wesleyan is a skillful team that has difficulty scoring goals.

Tri-captain Peter Ingram also felt that they played an evenly matched game against Wesleyan. "The quality of play was very low, however. It was exacerbated by a rusty field that caused for difficult ball control. Our team is very skilled, and that means that players don't look at the ball when it's at their feet; they play by touch. The end result of 2-0 came very much as a result of us being a winning team and they being a losing team," Ingram said.

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Ingram feels confident in the team's ability to win. "By this time in the season, we go into the game expecting to have a victory. Believing in yourself and your ability to succeed is a crucial ingredient in making the win happen. Bates are a good team that will be a tougher opponent than Colby was, and this should be a good priming game for the NCAA Championship," said Ingram. The Bears will find out on Sunday if they received an NCAA Tournament bid.

Coach Gilbride looks forward to seeing his team "get back to playing 90 minutes of good soccer." Entering the final game and facing the probability of entering the post season, Coach Gilbride is going to "concentrate on playing Bates. It's the last home game for the seniors. There's going to be a lot of emotion in the game. If we play good soccer, we should be well prepared for tournament play," Gilbride said.

"We have one game left against one of our biggest rivals, we are almost certain of winning one of out best played games of the season," Ingram concluded. "So, come out to see the seniors play their final soccer game at Bowdoin and watch the records fall.

Samantha Good
STAFF WRITER

The state of Maine may not be the largest of all the United States, or the most populated, but women's volleyball is another story entirely. When it comes to volleyball, Maine is huge and very, very crowded. Of course, the only natural thing to do in a state so renowned for its volleyball prowess is to have a tournament. And what better way to host it than the University of Maine at Farmington? Yes, the State of Maine Tournament.

The Colby College volleyball team. October 30 and 31, at USM's Farmington, Maine, was quite an exciting weekend for Bowdoin and all of the other Maine college teams.

The Bowdoin Bears currently ranked fourth in the state, and faced St. Joseph's College in their first match. Earlier in the season, the Polar Bears defeated St. Joe's Monks in five games, but they outlived themselves in this match, beating the Monks in four games.

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Lindsay Davis '02 pounded down 15 kills in the match and Stacey Carpenter '99 chipped in with 10 kills. The final scores were 15-5, 11-15, 15-4, 15-2. This match ended the Friday night portion of the competition for Bowdoin.

Saturday, the Bears, dressed very nicely, drove back to Farmington for an awards ceremony followed by two matches. The ceremony was highlighted by Caesar salad (because it's got Romaine lettuce. Get it, Romani? Caesar?) and head coach Lynne Rudy's award for Maine Coach of the Year.

After the balloons and confetti cleared, the Polar Bears made their way to the locker room to prepare for their match against top-seeded Bates College.

The match against Bates was a disappointing and discouraging one for Bowdoin. It was difficult for the members of the team to "experience the fun of volleyball" in this particular match. The Bates Bobcats took control of the match early and easily defeated the Polar Bears, 3-15, 2-15, 4-15. None of the Polar Bears were particularly brilliant in this match, but that's okay. Bowdoin got back on their feet, so to speak, in the next match against the University of New England. The UNE team was seeded ahead of Bowdoin in the tournament and had beaten the Bears in a previous meeting this season. But revenge is sweet; that's what it means.

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The first half was a back-and-forth battle between the two teams that resulted in a 0-0 score at the end of the half. Early in the second half, although Jeremy Smith '00 broke out of his scoring drought with a goal late in the game, outgoing junior Tim Capozzi '00 assist. Then, ten minutes later, Smith struck again when he put in the rebound off of Hatem Noor's '01's header. Coach Gilbride said that the team "sat back way too much in the last ten minutes. The defense of the team held and we never played the game." Casarella ended the day with nine saves.

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Ingram feels confident in the team's ability to win. "By this time in the season, we go into the game expecting to have a victory. Believing in yourself and your ability to succeed is a crucial ingredient in making the win happen. Bates are a good team that will be a tougher opponent than Colby was, and this should be a good priming game for the NCAA Championship," said Ingram. The Bears will find out on Sunday if they received an NCAA Tournament bid.

Coach Gilbride looks forward to seeing his team "get back to playing 90 minutes of good soccer." Entering the final game and facing the probability of entering the post season, Coach Gilbride is going to "concentrate on playing Bates. It's the last home game for the seniors. There's going to be a lot of emotion in the game. If we play good soccer, we should be well prepared for tournament play," Gilbride said.

"We have one game left against one of our biggest rivals, we are almost certain of winning one of out best played games of the season," Ingram concluded. "So, come out to see the seniors play their final soccer game at Bowdoin and watch the records fall.

Volleyball

Polar Bear spikers storm state tourney

The final win secured a third place finish for the Polar Bears and brought their record to 14-12. Buckley and Carpenter were named to the All-Tournament Team for their performances on Friday and Saturday. Everyone clapped when they got their awards.

Along with the rest of the team, these two will take their certificates to Colby College this weekend to compete in the NCAA Championship.

This tournament is the last of the season and promises to be a competitive and exciting one for the Polar Bears to play in the upcoming tournament. Buckley commented, "This one's for Gabrielle Reece. She's my inspiration, the reason I am here there on the court every day. She's done so much for me personally and for Bowdoin Women's Volleyball."

The Bears begin the tournament with a match against Colby College. Bowdoin is excited and ready for another chance to prove that they certainly can walk with the big kids. They'll begin Friday, November 6th at 3:30.
Fraternity claims Bowdoin's ban illegal

KIM SCHNEIDER
NEWS EDITOR

The Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity sent a letter to Bowdoin last week warning that by banning membership in Greek organizations, the college was in violation of the Higher Education Amendments of 1998. But the Administration says that Bowdoin's policy on fraternities is consistent with both state and federal law, and no plans to change policy are in the works.

David Eastick, Jr., the Executive Director of the national DKE organization, sent a letter to Bowdoin, Colby and Middlebury College warning them that the Higher Education Amendments, part of Public Law 105-244 which was signed into law by President Clinton on October 7, contained a provision advising any institution of higher education that receives federal funding not to abridge students' rights to free speech and assembly.

"This statutory provision is aimed directly at your denial of the associational rights of individuals on your campus to associate with whom they please," read the letter in part, which was addressed to the presidents of the three colleges. "We trust that it is your intention to obey the law and permit students on your campus to associate freely with whom they please in organizations of their own choosing...These constituencies will be preparing for rush, and while this should not be necessary, we require, on their behalf, your assurance by November 15, 1998, whether you do intend to obey the law. Absent a reply, we will assume silence on your part to be acceptance."

Questions on legal liability

Administrators say the passage in question is merely an opinion of Congress, rather than an enforceable law. The text in question reads, "It is the sense of Congress that no student attending an institution of higher education...should be, on the participation in protected speech or protected association, be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, or be penalized in any other way, because of such participation.

DKE is not the first fraternity to ask Bowdoin, "Where's our right to assemble?" The members of the Bowdoin chapter of Alpha Delta Phi asked the same question last year (Kate Maselli/Bowdoin Orient).

Alcohol forum discusses state laws and penalties

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Residential Life and the E-9 held a forum Tuesday to present facts about the consequences of illegal possession and consumption of alcohol in Maine.

The forum brought together several local experts on liquor laws and policies in Maine, including Robert LaGuardia, the area sergeant for liquor enforcement, Peter Webster ’62, attorney for Bowdoin, and Bob Millar from Riley Insurance Agency. These four provided statistics and anecdotes concerning illegal drinking.

LaGuardia began by saying that thirty-four college students died last year as a direct result of alcohol, and five have died in Maine in the past five years.

The most recent alcohol-related incident occurred last month at Colby College, when a student fell from a third story window and is still in a coma.

LaGuardia then spoke of the laws and state penalties involving alcohol. Possession of alcohol by a person under 21 carries a first-offense fine of $100 - $300 and is a civil violation.

According to LaGuardia, this includes not only liquor but also imitation liquor, which includes a variety of non-alcoholic beverages.

The transportation of alcohol by any person under 21, except for employment reasons or at the request of a legal guardian, carries an automatic license suspension of thirty days and a fine of up to $500.

LaGuardia added that the overall cost of such a violation includes a steep rise in insurance, saying, "If your name comes up for an alcohol violation, you're probably looking at an insurance increase of $2,100, and some insurance companies will drop you completely."

Criminal violations, those that go on a permanent record, include the illegal sale or furnishing of alcohol.

Illegal sale includes charging at parties or requesting donations, and carries a $300 fine and a possible sixty days in jail.

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Student elected to N.H. state legislature

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On November 3, Jessica Densmore, a Twelve College Exchange student from Smith, was elected to the New Hampshire State legislature as a representative of Northern Grafton County, District 3.

She was born and raised in Franconia, a town within that county, and said that she felt it was time to give something back to the community that raised her.

Densmore said that a year ago she could not have imagined herself sitting in the 400-member, part-time legislature.

As a 20-year-old government major, she said she was not a political animal, although she has had exposure to government issues within her immediate family. She is the daughter of the New Hampshire legislature for 8 years, coincidentally holding the same position that Densmore has just attained.

Densmore said it was not an easy task for a young and relatively inexperienced candidate to gain the trust of the residents of five small towns, but she genuinely enjoyed the challenge. "I loved every minute of it," she said.

She began her campaign by walking from door to door throughout the five towns, explaining her views and listening to the citizens' issues.

Densmore said she wanted to know the concerns, inquiries and fears of her community. She said that her personal interaction with residents was essential for the knowledge of the important issues she needed to address.

Inspired by suggestions from the community, she said she will push for improvements in the New Hampshire health care system.

One of her main concerns is improving education and increasing its availability to people of all means. Pre-kindergarten to day care, K-12 to college and adult education are all important issues on her agenda.

Fewer resources and less revenue in the North Country have created a need for improved skilled labor in an effort to create higher paying jobs. Now that she has been elected, Densmore said she will begin working for her constituents, putting them in touch with the resources that will assist with their personal financial needs as well as the financial needs of their county.

She said she hoped these new jobs would not only increase revenue, but also encourage young families to remain in Northern New Hampshire.

Densmore said young people must begin taking ownership of the country that they will surely inherit.

Through her actions and examples, she said she strives to continually encourage today's youth to research political issues, discuss government policies and speak out...
Disability awareness forum explores policies

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Bowdoin held its first-ever Disabilities Awareness Forum this past Monday to discuss some of the issues facing people at Bowdoin with disabilities.

Approximately fifty students and faculty attended the forum, held in the Main Lounge of Moultton Union Wednesday night from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., and discussed personal experiences as well as questions and concerns regarding Bowdoin students with disabilities.

Professor Craig McEwen of the sociology department moderated the meeting, which was sponsored by a number of groups on campus, including the committees for student affairs, academic affairs and teaching, as well as FORWARD!, a student group which discusses and educates students about disability awareness.

The meeting was recorded, and a presentation of the ideas discussed in the meeting will be given to school officials and possibly be distributed to students.

To start the meeting, McEwen read several e-mail messages from students and faculty who were unable to attend the meeting and/or wished to remain anonymous part of them.

Two issues discussed extensively at the forum were those of untimed testing and alternative classroom arrangements for students with learning disabilities or physical limitations, and access to buildings for people who are physically handicapped. People in the audience who currently have or have had a disability addressed the questions and concerns posed by other students and faculty members.

The first main message that McEwen read was from a faculty member who was curious about untimed testing for students with learning disabilities. "I would like to know what sorts of tests should be untimed for students with learning disabilities," the professor asked, "and how much extra time is appropriate for such a request."

Associate Dean of Students Karen Tibor, who also serves as coordinator of issues relating to students with disabilities for the Dean's office, said that "the amount of extra time that is asked for is often simply an arbitrary amount of time, but is generally negotiated on a case-by-case basis between the student and the faculty member."

"Usually, it's quite easy to negotiate between students and faculty members," added John Bluske, a lecturer in the art department. "Students who need extra time for tests, ask for a reasonable amount of time, and finish the test in that time."

As for other kinds of accommodations, however, which could range from student note-takers to tape recording or amplifying lectures, the procedure is less clear. "From what I’m hearing," said McEwen, "I don’t think that the faculty—and not simply first-year faculty—no one will ever know all the issues and procedures that concern students with disabilities.

"Also, there are certain procedures regarding classroom accommodations that are not clear. It puts the students and faculty in a compromising situation," added Jeannine Coltart ’99. The professor often has to ask the student to be a ‘good sport’ and accept an accommodation which may not be effective for the student, and the student runs the risk of looking like a ‘bad sport’ if the student does not accept the solution that does not work.

Several faculty members also expressed concerns about the extent to which they could be required to change their teaching styles in order to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and several added that they were not clear as to the law. "I think it is imperative for the college to educate the faculty better to work within the laws and regulations regarding students with disabilities,” said McEwen.

Another concern of students with learning disabilities was the identification of students who did not identify themselves as having a disability. Tibor said that students who were learning disability. Tibor said that Bowdoin does offer options for such students, and they can talk with a member of the counseling department, and then obtain a referral for testing from an outside source, if necessary. Also discussed was access for physically disabled students who need special access to buildings. "I walked around campus with my mom, who works extensively with the ADA, over Parent’s Weekend, and she saw a lot of potential for Bowdoin," said Ken Templeton ’91. "This campus is currently far from being fully accessible, and we need to get to the point where it is accessible for everyone."

Also discussed were the classrooms and buildings in Hatch and Druckenmiller are currently accessible and the classrooms in Sills, Searles and the Hawrosse-Longfellows library will be accessible soon," responded Director of Facilities Management Bill Gardiner. "In making these changes, it is necessary to consider the funds to be able to make these accommodations in a way that is attractive. It’ll be hard to make these changes in 100-year-old buildings that were not built with these considerations in mind. Nonetheless, by the fall of the year 2000, almost every classroom building will be accessible."

Accessibility also raises concerns for admissions. "I have a friend who was thinking of applying to Bowdoin, who uses a wheelchair," said Templeton. "He came to visit the campus, and is now no longer considering Bowdoin because of its lack of accessibility."

"I was very pleased with the attendance at the meeting, and the willingness of people to contribute," said McEwen. "I think there are many next steps for the college to take, and one of them is certainly a collective faculty reflection on the issues, as well as education regarding the school’s policies.

Student elected to New Hampshire state legislature

JESSICA DENSMORE, resident of Franconia, New Hampshire, was elected to that state’s legislature last week. (Photo courtesy of Friends of Jessica Densmore Committee)

"It is the most amazing educational experience that I could hope to have."

—Jessica Densmore
New Hampshire Representative

Antje Ascheid discussed the roles of women in films in Nazi Germany during a lecture Thursday night. (Adam Zimmer/Bowdoin Orient)

Lecture looks at women in Nazi film

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Antje Ascheid, a recent graduate of the doctoral program in film studies at New York University, gave a lecture Thursday evening, entitled, "Hitler’s Heroines: Stardom, Womanhood and Popular Culture in Nazi Germany."

Ascheid focused on how the images of women in films in Nazi Germany were interwoven with the Nazi concept of women in general.

According to Ascheid, Nazi propaganda tools were designed to underline the values such as beauty, individuality and strength, as opposed to the Nazi ideal of a nature child, who remained as close to the ground behind her husband. Thus, this female was seen simultaneously as a German and as a contrast of German values.

The Nazi understanding of female beauty went directly against some of the on-screen activities, of German female stars. While Na- zis denounced any sort of luxury such as makeup, and criticized characteristics such as short hair and smoking as masculine and indecent, these were often the very qualities displayed by the female stars on screen.

Additionally, these women were very much a part of mainstream culture. They were the only women that were often seen in Nazi Germany since wives were absent from the media in order to keep the spotlight on their husbands and to maintain an image of masculine individuality.

Interestingly enough, the Nazi stars were often not even German, but instead were imports from Sweden, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, among others. This foreign status distinguished them from the imagery of German women.

The final question Ascheid posed was, "Why?" She said it was incompatible with Nazi culture to have these women as stars. So why were these films not censored or more closely monitored to control the images appearing on the movie screens? One of the answers to this question is economic: women were paying to go see these films. "Maybe the Germans were not so solid that they perpetually needed to confront internal conflicts," Ascheid proposed.
Musical tradition ends for lack of involvement

The traditional performance of Lessons and Carols held each December will no longer occur this year due to a lack of student interest. The tradition has historically been one of the best attended events on campus according to Emily Matchett, director of last year’s performance. Matchett attempted to revive the choral/ orchestral Catholic and Episcopal rite again this year, but was not able to find enough support from the students.

“I tried for three weeks, but there was not enough interest,” said Matchett. “No interest was shown by the Chamber Choir this year and none from Chorus, which surprised me.”

Matchett sent an all-campus e-mail inviting students to participate, and though she received a significant number of responses, only three people attended the first rehearsal and only four at the second.

“I’m not willing to babysit a choir,” she said. “I was surprised that five or six students who were always late, and we’d have to call. I’m not willing to do it again this year.”

The event, also known as Vespers, originally began as a Chamber Choir concert sponsored by the Music Department. The decision to stop having the event was made around 1993. “I think the Music Department thought it a better idea to divert resources from Vespers,” said Matchett.

Robby C. Dunlop, the director of the Chamber Choir, led the event prior to 1993, but is away on sabbatical and could not be contacted for comment regarding the separation of this event from the Music Department. The Music Department was also unavailable to comment.

The loss of the event this year has been felt by many throughout the Bowdoin and Brunswick communities. Assistant Director of Pub- lic Affairs Lisa Wesel said that the Office of Communications has fielded numerous calls from local residents wondering what happened to the performance.

“It was the best attended event on campus [by students],” said Wesel. “It had two performances on back-to-back nights, and each had standing room only.”

The event took place in the Chapel and received help from the chaplain on campus and other Christian fellowships. The new chaplain this year, Father Chris LaRochelle, was willing to overlook the dates.

“I’m saddened by the absence of the event,” he said. “I understand the demands placed on students’ lives, though. It is disappointing.”

Alumni Coordinator Kevin Wesley ’89 participated in the Chamber Choir’s undergraduate years and described the event as “tremendously well attended.” Though Wesley is not a conductor by the nature of his profession, Wesley said he believes traditions are constantly changing.

“There’s a way of evolving and becoming part of what Bowdoin today wants,” he said. “There are traditions in place now that perhaps weren’t as much a part of campus ten or thirty years ago. We’d all like to have great support for all, but given time and space, things become possible.”

The College has been addressing the continuation of Bowdoin traditions recently. Associated Student Affairs Tim Foster has been working informally to continue the connection between current students and the history and traditions of the College.

“I have a personal belief in the value of shared experience as it relates to the Bowdoin experience,” said Foster. “I think it creates a stronger connection to people and places, said Foster.”

Foster and Wesley both cited many Bowdoin traditions that have continued, like signing the matriculation book. They also cited newly evolving traditions, like pre-Orientation trips, and re-emerging traditions, like each entering class learning “Raise Songs to Bowdoin.”

“The key is how do you rediscover impor- tant traditions and create new shared experiences,” Foster said.

As for the ongoing tradition of Lessons and Carols, at least for this year it will be broken.

—Emily Matchett ’99

Roger Rosenblatt, an award-winning journalist and author, discussed his love of writing and continuing the story-telling tradition. (Adam Zimmer/Bowdoin Orient)

Journalist discusses writing

Michael Mella
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Why write? Acclaimed journalist Roger Rosenblatt eloquently offered his best explanations last night to an audience which spilled into the aisles of Kresge Auditorium.

Rosenblatt, whose lecture was sponsored by the Writing Project and the Department of English, has written for Time magazine and The New Republic, and authored six books including The Ink, the Image, the Water, Children of War and Coming Apart: A Memoir of the Har- vard Wars of 1969. He currently appears on PBS television with Jim Lehrer.

He began as a graduate student of English at Harvard, where he studied alongside Bowdoin Professor of English Franklin Burroughs. Burroughs introduced Rosenblatt to the au- dience, describing him as an example that “a literate, reflective and unadorned voice can still make a difference.”

Rosenblatt then took the podium and lec- tured without a script on the power of story-telling. Speaking from his own experiences as a seasoned journalist, he offered a series of metaphors for the integral role of narrative in our lives and persistent descriptions of writing’s rewards.

He began his lecture by telling a story of his own childhood experiences riding an inner tube, and quickly but subtly drew parallels between a curious journey down a river and the mind and why he writes. He described his instinctive enchantment with what lies beyond a riverbank, our driving curiosity and our un- awareness of what lies on the bottom of the river. “The reason I write is to stay on top of the river,” said Rosenblatt. “Once in a while there will be a sparkle, a gleam, and we will tell that story.”

“What is the story? ... We have to have one. We are stories ourselves. We will tell and tell until we get the story right.”

He explained his interpretation of our society as a narrative one. “The binding and blending of the brain itself, he feels, is precisely what story-tellers do.”

He drew laughter from the audience in describing his childhood and “a lunatic optimi- mism which demonstrates itself in strange ways.” He held the audience with a dynamic balance between anecdotes and lessons he’s learned from his experiences.

For Rosenblatt, writing is, among other things, a journey. “A sentence does not achieve finality until the period; until then, it’s a bend in the river ... We write to control and to lose control. Writing is a celebration of freedom,” he said. He sees strong connec- tions between the writing process and Ameri- can ideals because “to write is to live according to one’s own terms.”

A large reason for writing stories, he feels, is to find the larger stories. “It’s a continuous struggle to get the story right ... Sometimes you see the worst and sometimes you see people at their best ... One writes to make things better,” he said.

Laura Hilburn
STAFF WRITER

This fall, the resources available for stu- dents attempting to deal with eating disor- ders on campus, whether for themselves or for others, have been significantly expanded. New medical specialists now visit the campus on a regular basis, and WARRIORS, the eating disorders awareness group, is work- ing to bring programs and speakers to Bow- doin.

Anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa are two of the most common disorders. According to www.mirrormiror.mir, an eating dis- order awareness website, anorexia can be characterized by “a significant weight loss resulting from excessive dieting,” while bu- limia is characterized by “a cycle of binge eating followed by purging to try and rid the body of unwanted calories.” Many victims die from eating disorders, and many others suffer from associated medical complications. Nationally, it is estimated that one in four women, and one in seven men have an eating disorder.

While those with eating disorders often seek help themselves, frequently friends and acquaintances are the ones to make the first step out of concern. According to Director of Counseling Services Bernie Hersherger, family members and other students consult counselors with some regularity. A “general impression is that high percentages of women struggle with issues of body image, self esteem, and preoccupa- tion with food,” he said; Hersherger. “In fact, it may be more the exception when a woman does not have to struggle with these issues.”

“When I tell people, as a counselor and as someone who is interested in culture, to confront images of ‘ideal’ body type in advertising and the media. We need to develop an alternative mindset to the collec- tive one which gives us distorted images of what is acceptable.”

—Bernie Hersherger
Director of Counseling Services

“WARRIORS went-run group work- ing to break down these images, as we formed last year under the leadership of Jen Boger ’01, a WARRIORS student leader. Additionally, Counseling Services, Dudley Cox Health Services, and the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs are jointly sponsoring a registered dietitian/nutritionist, who has started her work at Bowdoin this semester. Mora Alley, who was hired based on student feedback about the lack of such a resource, will assist students in examining their eating habits and provide assistance to students attempting to deal with these disor- ders. Dr. Joan Leitzer, a psychiatrist specializing in eating disorders, has also joined the Bow- doin health team. As an M.D., Leitzer is able to prescribe medication for students, as psychotherapy combined with medication is of- ten recommended for those with eating dis- orders. Students wishing an appointment should call Counseling Services at x3145.

Overheard: “Accept that some days you’re the pigeon and some days the statue.”

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tion under any law, by any governmental or
division of the institution directly or indi-
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this Act, whether in the form of funds, nomi-
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tioned by the institution. The act later de-
fines the process of recognition as the "join-
ing, assembling, and residing with others
that is protected under the first and 14th
amendments to the Constitution, and would be
protected if the institution of higher educa-
tion involved were subject to those amend-
ments.

Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley said
the words "it is the sense of Congress" pre-
vents the passage from becoming law: "We
asked somebody in Washington, 'What does
this mean?,'" said Bradley, who said it was
his understanding that those six words made
that portion of the act not legally binding.
When asked if the Administration had dis-
cussed the situation with the College coun-
sel, Bradley responded, "No, we didn't," adding
that the lawyers had been contacted when
the original decision to ban fraternities
was made.

Director of Public Affairs Scott Hood
agreed that Bowdoin's policy does not vi-
late any federal law, and that it was not a
"sense of Congress," he said. "A sense of
Congress is, 'This is what we think you guys
ought to do.' There were several of them in
the bill ... There was another one dealing
with garments sold in college bookstores
making sure they're not being produced by
slave labor in third-world countries.

Hood also quoted a letter from one of the
chiefs of the Student Senate referring to the
bill sent to his colleagues on June 12: "As a
'sense of Congress' resolution, the amendment is a
statement of opinion and should not be
incorporated in any school, public or private, in any
way."

Mark Corallo, Press Secretary for Con-
gressman Bob Livingston, the bill's main
sponsor in the House of Representatives,
agreed that the "sense of Congress" wording
removes any ability to alter college policies.
"It's not binding, but it is express to the
Department of Education that students have
a right to free speech and association."

History of the legislation

Easilock said that he and Restore Our Asso-
ciation Rights Inc. (ROA), a Greek organi-
zation advocating for or affiliated with IKE,
have been working on this legislation for
several years. "This has really been a labor
of love for about 10 or 12 years, and it
suddenly all popped together," he said.

Easilock said that his organization origi-
nally attempted to overturn the laws in
each state guaranteeing freedom of assembly to
college students similar to the one in place in
California, but legal setbacks in the North-
east convinced them that a national version
was necessary.

The other Education Amendments were
sponsored by a variety of organizations, in-
cluding fraternity and sorority alumni, the
Christian Coalition, the American Civil Lib-
erties Union and USFPA. "We had an amaz-
ing alliance of left and right," said Easilock.

According to Easilock, the original version of
the amendments introduced by Represe-
tative Bob Livingston left out the words "in
the sense of Congress," and thus would have
been legally binding, but the phrase was
added in a compromise.

Corallo said that even if the original ver-
sion had passed, it would not have affected
financial federal aid for higher education.
"We're not going to hurt the students," he
did, noting that it would have instead re-
moved federal funding for projects such as
construction.

Why Bowdoin?

Easilock said that he has focused on Bow-
doin, Colby and Middletown because IKE has
"had five groups [there] in the past few years."

Easilock said that the colleges are interested
in banning fraternities mostly as a land-grab.
"What they're doing is stealing property," he
said. "They're taking the houses that are
worth a lot of money and making them worth
nothing."

Easilock added that IKE is not looking for
official sanction from colleges; rather, they
are seeking assurances that students who
choose to cooperate will not be subject to penal-
ties. "We're not asking for recognition," he
said. "We're just asking not to be punished."

The current Bowdoin policy prohibits stu-
dents from pledging fraternities, and any
students found to be involved in such activi-
ties "will be dismissed permanently from Bowdoin College."

When asked whether this penalty is automaticaly applied to any
student found to be involved in such activities,
Bradley responded, "Absolutely. That's our
policy, voted on by the Trustees. That's un-
popular though."

Hood agreed that he expected that Bowdoin
would respond to Easilock's letter by the re-
quested date of Sunday, explaining that they
are not planning on reviewing or altering
their policy. "I think as a matter of courtesy
when anyone writes to the President, they
get a response," he said. "Imagine the Presi-
dent will respond."

Hood said that the response would also be
a good opening to "try to explain a little
more clearly to [Easilock] what is that we're
doing here. At Bowdoin and why it's going
d in the event that he doesn't know what
we're doing ... It's not as simple as simply
shutting fraternities. What we're trying to
do is build a whole new system."

Colby and Middletown respond

Colby enacted a policy similar to Bowdoin's, banning student involve-
ment in Greek organizations. In 1984. According to
their college catalogue, any student found to be
involved in fraternity-related activities
"will be suspended for at least one year and
may be subject to additional penalties that
could include expulsion."

Stephen Collins, director of Communica-
tions at Colby, said that they were not reex-
amining their policy in light of the Amend-
ments. "We do intend to obey the law, which
is exactly where we are now: in compliance
with state and federal laws," he said. When
asked if Colby intended to respond to Easilock's
letter, Brad Collins said that he was being
requested by the requested Sunday deadline, Collins
replied, "No, we are not."

Middletown, like Bowdoin prior to 1997,
allows students to join social organizations like fraternities so long as they are not exclu-
sive in their membership. Accordng to Phil Bennih, director of Public Affairs at Middletown, IKE chose
to not participate in the new co-educational
Greek system, so the college could not give them recognition of them. Like Bowdoin and Colby, Middletown
reserves expulsion as a possible penalty for participation in unrecognized Greek organizations.

"We haven't decided how we're going to respond to [Easilock's letter] yet," said Bend. "We're trying to determine what the issue is specifically ... We certainly are aware of it and are addressing it. We probably will re-
pond in some fashion."

Williams also contacted

On Monday, the Delta Phi Fraternity sent
a letter to the president of Williams College
requesting confirmation by the end of this
month that Williams would allow Delta Phi
to "begin the process of re-establishing
our chapter," according to an excerpt from
Stu Gittleman, Executive Director of Delta
Phi, that she intentionally wrote the letter in
a different tone from Easilock's. "We've been
deliberately taken a different approach
from this how Delta Kappa Epsilon has."

"It is the Delta Phi's firm intention to
be, upon reactivation, a valued and contribut-
ing part of the Williams community," the
letter reads. "We'd like to have it made
independent of your disposal so that we
may address cooperatively both these
legitimate concerns as well as accommodate these students, pre-
spective students and alumni who will be
certainly exerting their constitutional
rights.

Gittleman said that he is not looking to
send a similar missive to Bowdoin, Colby or
Middletown, as Delta Phi has never had any
affiliation with the colleges. Gittleman also said
that he has not yet heard a response from Wil-
lems, but said that Bowdoin was available
for comment.

Other fraternities comment

Mark Williams, Executive Director for the
Phi Epsilon Fraternity, said that the execu-
tive council will be examining the Amend-
ments during a board meeting on Saturday.
"We will be addressing all the issues of what
might be raised," he said. "I'm hopeful that we
can get the cooperation of the College and
move forward in a way that everybody will be
happy with."

Craig Chesnut, a governor for the Alpha
Delta Phi Society, said that he had not heard
of the IKE action, but that AD was examin-
ning the Amendments and would try to work
with Bowdoin. "We're still looking at every-	hing that's in the law," he said. "If we decide to
act we would attempt to be constructive in
our relationship with the College. It's dan-
gerous to play politics."

Greg Plezia, Executive Director of the Zeta
Psi Fraternity, said that there were no imme-
sions that the Zeta Psi at Bowdoin "will
think we'll take quite as forceful a position as
DKE but we are interested in how the Col-
lege will go with the new legislation." He
added that Zeta Psi is a member of ROA, the
advocacy group affiliated with IKE, and that
he would remain informed about the situ-
ation.

One member of a Greek organization's executive board who wished to remain anony-
ous said that the last-minute addi-
tion of the "sense of Congress" wording put
fraternities in a difficult situation. "Someone
with knowledge of the situation in the last
days of the session added the words 'it is
the sense of Congress,' which could really
knock the teeth out of the resolution ... You
want to make sure if you're going to have a battle that
you know what your ammunition is, and this
might not be the best."

The future of fraternities

Bradley said that the College has no plans
to re-examine its ban on Greek societies,
even though the presence of the Amend-
ments it "not legally binding; its not law ...
[Easilock] is representing 'the sense of Con-
gress,'" said Bradley.

Bradley said that he found particular
troubling in the law is the fact that Congress
was attempting to dictate policy to private
colleges. "The fuller content to me is whether
private institutions are independent ... [if
we have to have the law as it is.]"

Easilock was quoted in the Times Record as
being unsure as to what IKE's next step
would be should Bowdoin reject his request,
but added, "We'll either have a take-apart
relations battle.

A letter to the Associated Press, Easilock
also hinted that the College "might subject
itself to treble damages and attorneys fees
under the Federal Civil Rights statute."

Corallo said that Livingston, who will prob-
ably be the next Speaker of the House, is
still closely concerned with the issue of frater-
nities. "Bob has felt that students have con-
stitutional rights to freedom of speech and
association," he said. "If a school is receiving
federal dollars and is infringing upon stu-
dents' rights, Congress ought to be able to
review any federal dollars that go to those
schools."

Hood said that, with the exception of fed-
eral financial aid for students (which Conrho
indicated would most likely not be affected
in any future legislation), Bowdoin receives little federal funding.

When asked if Livingston intended to re-
respond if Bowdoin and other colleges did not change their policies, Cornalo responded.
"Will he try to do something in the next
Congress as speaker? Very possibly ... but
it hasn't been decided yet."

DKE warns Bowdoin of new legislation

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**Professor named editor in chief of magazine**

**Adan Zimmam Photo Editor**

For the past five seasons, Bowdoin has been featured on a national basis as a result of a physics professor who has succeeded in teaching liberal arts students how to enjoy science. Professor Ari Epstein has affected the lives of many here at Bowdoin. The two classes of his that have reached the most students are Physics 62 and 63, "Cosmology, Astronomy, and Physics of the Twentieth Century," which were designed to teach some fundamental concepts of physics in a stimulating way.

Before arriving at Bowdoin, Epstein, like many professors, had already traveled extensively, and came to Bowdoin to fulfill an interest in education. After graduating from Harvard in 1984, Epstein went to work for Scientific American as a member of the Board of Editors. During his four years there, he edited 40 articles dealing with a wide variety of science, and he has written 36 news stories for the "Science and the Citizen" section.

Epstein took a leave of absence in the middle of his tenure at the magazine to participate in a three-month Sea Semester program with the Sea Education Association (SEA). At SEA he became interested in oceanographic physics and a few years later landed himself in a joint Ph.D. program run by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI). Upon completion of his Ph.D., Epstein did post-doctorate work at MIT for one year. During this time he was a visiting scholar at the New England Aquarium (NEAQ). As part of this experience, Epstein put together an exhibit at the NEAQ that will be on display until the end of this year. He is also working on a new exhibit that will open in January. Produced as a collaboration between NEAQ, MIT and the Gulf of Maine Aquarium, the exhibit will open simultaneously at the NEAQ, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, and at the Maine Mall in South Portland.

Recently, Epstein has also been involved in some interesting research in the waters of the Maine coast. Epstein has been "looking at the ways that the physics of the ocean affects the fish in it."

"After enjoying his part in the Bowdoin community for two and a half years, Epstein has been offered a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Approached this past summer by Scien-
tific American, Epstein will become editor in charge of the newly launched "Cosmology, Astronomy, and Physics" magazine, a new magazine that just released its first issue, will officially be Epstein's. He begins his new job beginning the winter. Explorations will come out quarterly and "is for parents of 6-12 year old kids," Epstein explained. "The magazine will also have a separate pull-out section for the kids. The goal of the magazine is to give the parents the tools they need to keep their kids interested in science." "Kids are inherently scientific," he added.

"This magazine will create an environment much like a science museum, in which parents and kids can learn together." — Ari Epstein

**Physics professor Ari Epstein is leaving Bowdoin to become editor in chief of the new Scientific American Explorations magazine. (Adan Zimmam/Bowdoin Orient)**

**Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble**

Latvia, Lithuania and Slovakia will not join the six nations on fast track negotiations towards European Union membership. The European Commission said that they had done well in reaching economic reform goals, but not well enough for promotion this year.

The Commission has approved only Poland, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovenia, Estonia and Cyprus to be considered this year. Although the common currency of the Euro-

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**Furnishing, or supplying alcohol to minors carries a fine of up to $2,000 and the possibility of up to three years in jail.**

 proper regulations to prevent the importation of alcohol, or carrying more than one gallon of wine or liquor, or more than three gallons of beer across state lines.

Other typical violations include having open public drinking and the use of alcohol at false identification, all of which usually result in fines.

Maine's DUI laws, LaGuardia said, allow for a blood alcohol level of .08 percent for drivers over 21.

"Maine has a zero tolerance law, meaning anyone under 21 caught with any amount of alcohol in his blood automatically loses his license for one year."

Webster spoke next, reminding those present that "most violations of Maine state law are violations of Bowdoin's School Code. If you've violated a state law you've also violated a Bowdoin School Code." He described circumstances under which a person can be held responsible for alcohol related inci-
dents.

"He said that as a "deterrent for liquor related accidents, any person who suffers damages as a result of his fault against the server or provider of liquor." This includes two types of servers, those with liquor licenses, who are responsible for their employees, and those without licenses. Both are held responsible for alcohol related incidents.

"You can be held responsible as a server only if the service is found to be reckless by serving to a minor or some-
one who is visibly intoxicated," he said.

Millar spoke briefly to further high-

**Compiled by Greg AREND**

**"If your name comes up for an alcohol violation you're probably looking at an insurance increase of $2,100, and some insurance companies will drop you completely."**

— Robert LaGuardia

Area Liquor enforcement officers

light the liability risks pertaining to in-

Based on the numbers, his acknowledge that college students today live in a "shady world" and face hard decisions, and said that they act responsibly. Any

"Any person or establishment found guilty of causing an alcohol related accident could face a state penalty of up to $250,000 and the cost of medical damages.

LaGuardia closed with the statistic that on any given Friday or Saturday night, between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m., one in four Maine drivers on the road is legally intoxicated. "The cops are waiting and any cop will stop you for any reason," he said.

The Student Assembly and its Task Force on Alcohol and Social Policy played a large part in the organization of the forum. Now that the laws have been relaxed by the state, the task force aims to spread the word so that every-

ones understands the legal implications of their actions. Their goal is to inform the Bowdoin community so individuals can make responsible decisions for them-

**Forum discusses alcohol rules and regulations**

**ALCOHOL, from page 1**

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de years of self-imposed exile in Europe and America. She returned to Bangladesh to stay with her mother, who has cancer.

**Isolated Brazilian Indians killed eleven**

wildcat gold miners in a remote jungle re-

gion near Suriname in retaliation for a fire in

which an Indian woman and child died, the
government's Indian foundation claims.

The clash in the Tumucumaque reservation, which straddles the northern Brazilian states of Para and Amapa, took place when miners set fire to the Indian village inhabited by an unknown tribe that had no substantial contact with the outside world.

**General Obiang Obabajo, the only Ni-
genian military ruler to relinquish power voluntarily, will run for president in February's elections. The 63-year-old, who ran in 1979-79, was freed from a 15-year jail sentence for an alleged plot to

**Tupolev the late Sani Abacha.**
Editorials

The faltering future of fraternities

The declaration of the Higher Education Amendments of 1996, and the fervent drive behind them, pose serious questions to the autonomy of a private institution against government interference. The attitude of many Congressional representatives seems to be that students need to be protected from the social policies enacted by private colleges and universities across the country. This sentiment insults students' intelligence, suggesting that we lack the knowledge or the courage to make our own decisions.

Attending Bowdoin or any other private institution of higher education is a privilege, not a right. When we matriculate we agree to cede some of our individual freedoms for the greater purposes of learning and living together. By residing in the state of Maine, we are responsible to laws which prohibit us from providing alcohol to minors or driving above the speed limit. By choosing Bowdoin, we gave up our right to live somewhere besides the bricks our first year — and our right to associate with others in organizations the College has deemed detrimental to the community. If these restrictions are too burdensome, then there are numerous other institutions of higher education that would not ask for abridgment of these rights.

Congress wisely chose to reword the Amendments to guarantee that private colleges and universities can set their own policies for their own student bodies. The government has no business intruding upon the affairs of Bowdoin and institutions like us. At best, this would lead to an increase in useless bureaucracy. At worst, this intrusion from above could destroy part of what makes Bowdoin unique. We urge our legislators to respect the College's rights as well as the students'.

One of the most disturbing sentences in the letter from Delta Kappa Epsilon regarding Bowdoin's compliance with the Amendments is: "We intend to support the efforts of students and alumni on your campus to exercise these important constitutional rights." The College has made it clear that they will dismiss any student found to be in violation of the Social Code provisions regarding fraternities, and that they firmly believe this policy is consistent with all state and federal laws. No organization should encourage students to risk expulsion just to test the courts' interpretation of the Amendments, and students should think very carefully about what they are risking if they choose to violate the Social Code.

We need warriors

College campuses across America are plagued with the presence of eating disorders among students, and Bowdoin College is no exception to this phenomenon. While campus organizations such as WARRIORS have made great strides in increasing the Bowdoin community's awareness of eating disorders, much of the community, while aware of the problem, is not sufficiently alarmed.

In the past ten years, women across America have been warned of the risks of breast cancer. The federal government, via the National Institute of Health, has recognized the threat of this disease by spending millions of dollars in search for prevention and a cure. While this is an appropriate reaction to such a horrifying disease, one out of every nine American women suffer from breast cancer, while one out of four suffer from an eating disorder. Anorexia nervosa has one of the highest death rates of any disease, topping out at twenty percent. Yet, despite this epidemic, few students truly understand and appreciate the severity of eating disorders.

Anorexia and bulimia are more than exaggerated diets of self-conscious individuals. These disorders are not afflictions of the vain. While distorted body image accompanies the other symptoms of an eating disorder, feelings of worthlessness and depression often plague those suffering from anorexia and bulimia.

Unfortunately, the obvious physical symptoms of anorexia often cause people to stare and wonder, discussing in whispers the student in the dining hall who looks deathly thin. While this may be a normal reaction, it further alienates the victim. As students on a college campus, our community must recognize the daily struggle of those who suffer from eating disorders. They fight battles both inside and outside of the dining hall. We must do everything in our power to keep from antagonizing these struggles and encourage a healthy environment. Insensitivity of others is as much to blame as any other factor in the perpetuation of these diseases.

We are losing intelligent, creative, necessary members of our community to the diseases of anorexia and bulimia. While no one student has the power to eliminate the presence of eating disorders on this campus, we can offer support and understanding and let these struggling with eating disorders know that they are valuable members of our community and thus, their efforts to overcome these insidious diseases are not in vain.
Gender discrimination rob women of insured birth control

By Larisa Reznik

Family planning organizations nationwide have launched a campaign to promote Emergency Contraceptive Pills (ECP). ECP, also known as the Morning After Pills, have high concentrations of certain types of birth control pills combined in several doses, which may be taken up to 72 hours after intercourse. Emergency Contraception reduces the risk of pregnancy if a condom breaks or slips off, if a contraceptive wasn't used or failed or if sex was forced. Emergency Contraception has been used by medical professionals for years, and only now is gaining recognition since recent FDA approval. It is not the abortion pill and does not induce an abortion, but rather prevents the implantation of the embryo thus preventing pregnancy from occurring. Robin Beltranini, director of Dudley Coe Health Center, who has dispensed [the ECP] for the last 13 years, created options for students seeking Emergency Contraception. Dudley Coe dispenses ECP. Because of incurring costs, Beltranini has worked out deals with local pharmacies to keep the cost of ECP at about $10 for students. Beltranini explains: "The ECP shouldn't be used as a form of contraception. It's paid for anyone who needs it. The other thing is it's important to know it doesn't work every time. I ask everyone to come to a follow up." Information about ECP can be obtained at the Dudley Coe health center, on the Dudley Coe Health Center website, from counselors, or by calling the National Emergency Contraception Hotline at 1-800-584-9911. While this option is available, it does cost money.

Did you know that your insurance company covers Viagra? It's true. Bowdoin College Student Health Plan, which all except international students are required to have, covers medication like Viagra. Did you also know that the same health plan does not cover any form of birth control?

Bowdoin's health plan is not unique in this policy. In fact, the Alan Guttmacher Institute (AGI) conducted a study Unseen and Unequal: Insurance Coverage of Reproductive Health Services, which concluded that out of the 100 largest commercial insurance plans surveyed, less than 15% covered the most commonly used methods of birth control and 49% provide no contraceptive coverage whatsoever.

According to the Washington Post, in its first month on the market, Viagra was covered more often than birth control, neither of which has been on the market for more than 30 years. Inequity in prescription coverage is disturbing for several reasons. Women ages 15-44 (childbearing years) spend 68% more in out-of-pocket medical costs on health expenses. Women also make up 66% of people age 15-44 spending 10% or more of their income on health expenses; contraceptive coverage is cost effective. According to AGI it would only cost insurance companies $13.40/employee/year to add contraceptive coverage. The cost to employers is $17.12 per employee. A typical woman spends 90% of her reproductive years seeking to avoid pregnancy. If coverage is obviously needed and is cost effective, what possible reason could there be for such inequity in coverage, other then gender discrimination? What does this mean for Bowdoin's Bowdoin's employee plans cover birth control.

If a Bowdoin student is in need of contraception, emergency or otherwise, the insurance company will not incur any of the cost. Robin Beltranini has made every effort to lower the out-of-pocket costs for Bowdoin students. Beltranini receives samples of birth control pills and attempts to get at least one free pill per year for students. Contraception is also available at Planned Parenthood for a sliding fee, according to income. Otherwise, a pharmacy which charges an average of $85 for a monthly supply of pills is the only option.

Legislation passed by Congress and signed by the President requires all federal employee benefit plans to cover prescription contraception.

This sexual preference for young boys was not new for Charles Jaynes, or to those who knew him. His friend, William Pellegrini Jr., testified that "Jaynes discussed it freely. All his friends knew that he was a pedophile." And so it went. Witness after witness, even Jaynes' own fiancée, testified that he was known to be sexually attracted to young boys. But no one did anything. No one spoke up for Jeffrey Curley until after his body was found at the bottom of the Piscataqua. No one spoke up until after Jaynes allegedly molested Jeffrey with a gasoline-soaked rag, then molested his body. No one took the time to try and save a ten year old boy's life.

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Larisa Reznik is a first-year.

I want to tell you a story that desperately needs to be told

By Brendan Hughes

Meet Jeffrey Curley. Jeffrey was ten years old in 1997. Jeffrey was a happy kid from Cambridge, Massachusetts. He played little league baseball. He rode his bike on the streets of East Cambridge. He was a local friendly kid that everyone knew.

Earlier in 1997, Jeffrey met Charles Jaynes, also an East Cambridge resident. Charles befriended Jeffrey, taking him on trips around Boston, and even to western Massachusetts. Jeffrey, believing that his friend Salvatore Sciarri were his friends. Jeffrey told his parents about his new friends. Robert and Barbara Curley warned their son about going on trips with these men but he barely knew. The relationship between young Jeffrey and Charles and Salvatore lasted until October 1, 1997. That fall New England day, with the foliage at its peak, must have been beautiful. The air must have been crisp and clear that day. As Jeffrey Curley was walking in East Cambridge, and his friends, Jaynes and Sciarri drove up beside him in Jaynes' Cadillac. Charles Jaynes told Jeffrey that he had a new bike for him. Delighted with this unexpected generosity from his friend, Jeffrey entered the car. As they drove away, Jeffrey must have wondered where they were going. Jaynes promised Jeffrey that he would get his bike, but that he needed a kid like him first. Charles Jaynes demanded sex from ten year old Jeffrey Curley.

Jeffrey's body was found some time later at the bottom of the Piscataqua River. By that time it was far too late to save Jeffrey. After he refused to have sex with Charles Jaynes, he was smothered with a gasoline soaked rag. His body was molested and then dumped into the river.

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Letters to the Editor

Science Department supports ES

As faculty in the science departments, we support and encourage the goal of the Environmental Studies Program to create a major of reliable rigor and excellence. Several of us have spent considerable time and effort working towards those goals. Further, we strongly support the intellectual and academic goals of our colleagues and believe that the College should generally strive to create an environment that supports such goals. The Environmental Studies Program currently requires resources to achieve the excellence and rigor towards which it strives.

However, these resources must be provided without compromising or undermining the curriculum of departments already strained by resource limitations. They should instead be provided by the institution in a manner that enables all departments and programs to move forward in an environment of mutual support.

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Lessons from Maquoit Bay

As a longtime participant in environmental science at Bowdoin, I think your editorial castigating the sciences is inaccurate and untrue. I urge you to visit the ES center in Hatch and see the large poster describing the 3 years worth of projects during the period 1986-1990 to see what we once had and what we no longer have. It shows dozens of ES student/faculty research projects in the sciences involving many faculty with the Maquoit Bay Program as its focus. This program was one focusing on many interdisciplinary elements of the effects of land use on Maquoit Bay and was initiated in response to an environmental incident where the bay went anaerobic. This engaged government majors, economics majors as well as science majors. This poster depicts the interdisciplinary richness of ES during the 1980s.

Up until 5 years ago, Bowdoin had a Marine Research Lab at Bethel Point in Cundy's Harbor. This was the Marine Environmental Science arm of ES under the direction of Ed Gilliland. It provided the key link between ES and the sciences. Many of you know Ed and have taken courses from him. Sadly, that program was terminated 5 years ago and Ed, not having the status of a tenured faculty member, is now facing involuntary retirement in 2 years. For reasons unknown, this part of ES was deemed not part of the "new" Bowdoin. The present situation is a direct result of this decision. The problem is that programs are people, not places. Interdisciplinary programs like ES are "glued together" by people working together. In many cases, those people act as "keystone" people, people that keep the "arch of the program" from falling. Ed was just such a keystone person for the sciences side of ES. To this day, he holds an adjacent position in the Chemistry Department. The present situation you write about in your editorial is a symptom of the lack of human resources that we all feel in all programs - not intransigence on the part of the science faculty. Having been very much involved in marine environmental science in the past through my 25 year collaboration with Ed Gilliland, I view the present situation with respect to ES with a particularly heavy heart and a great deal of sadness.

David S. Page
Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry

ES and Science Department relations

The efforts of the Environmental Studies Student Advisory Committee, backed by publicity for the ES Program in recent Orient issues, could improve prospects for implementing the Program's ambitious plans. As The Orient's front page article last week conveyed, these initiatives run the gamut from a re-defined and genuinely interdisciplinary ES coordinate major to an internship endowment and a new home for the program. I would be pleased if my resignation as ES director helped remove obstacles to those initiatives and accelerated their implementation.

From that perspective, one aspect of last week's Orient editorial, "Forward-looking rhetoric," is part of the problem, not part of the solution. It describes an antagonistic relationship between ES and the science departments, generalizing and exaggerating existing tensions. It also calls on the administration to play an enforcer role antithetical to collegial resolution of differences. I do not want to minimize existing conflicts between the sciences and environmental studies or to deny the legitimate administration role in resolving them. However, Orient readers should be aware that the Biology and Geology Departments currently contribute numerous cross-listed Enquiries (there are no chemistry or physics courses) and that scientists made up half of the ES Committee that designed the proposed new coordinate major. These are signs of the goodwill and the commitment that will be crucial for realizing ES goals.

David Vail
Adams-Catlin Professor of Economics

Race is not a "petty thing"

We are writing in response to a comment made by Hugh Hill '02 in last week's Orient Forum concerning diversity at Bowdoin. Hill writes, "The different experiences and viewpoints a person can bring to our community are not determined by a petty thing like skin color. Instead of focusing on the superficial details, Bowdoin should increase the geographic, religious and economic diversity of its student body." While Hill does advocate a more diverse student body, he dismisses race as merely a "petty thing." It is not. Regardless of if we choose to admit it, race affects everyone—our experiences and access to resources. Hill also says, "I still believe in a color-blind society.

Although we agree that race is a social construct, and the concept of a "color-blind society" may be appealing, the reality is that we live in a society where people are judged by the color of their skin. Bowdoin's attempts to diversify must acknowledge and reflect the importance of race in our lives.

Katie Gibson '08
Bebe Ryan '99
The following quote appeared in the report of the Dean of Student Affairs in the Bowdoin Magazine, Fall '98:

"The strongest single trait of the new College House system is a deep sense of student ownership of the housing units. This is new and along with one of accountability to the College. While there have been some instances of student behavior not in line with community standards in the Houses, in general the students have thrived on and learned a great deal from the reality that it is their responsibility to undertake by running their houses.

QUESTION: Do you feel a sense of ownership in your College House?

Yes, the college house system has inculcated the responsibility students take in running their houses. A responsibility that is limited to a few paid students with the name proctors. As a first year student, I came into Bowdoin with the perception that it would be a place of great social growth and interaction. But in coming, I have found out the positions of leadership and responsibility are very few and far between. By staying away from the few students whom seem to hold the positions, I seem to help today. The only sense of ownership I feel is personal. Maybe this semester will improve my social growth and interaction. I will get to know the other students when I spend time with them in their house. And I will get to know more about my fellow students. I believe I will enjoy more of what I experience in my house.

Jeremy Nyusa '02

The success of the College Houses this year attests to the community and shared values that residents of the houses embrace the system. The level of interest and passion with which house leaders and residents have worked toward the common good for the benefit of all gives us great confidence that the new College House system can make a difference.

Debra Borel '98

President, Howard House

For the sake of this college, I hope that the current sophomore class and the first years do feel a part of the college house system. Yet, I know that I don't. The quality of the students has not met with our community standards in the Houses, in general the students have thrived on and learned a great deal from the reality that it is their responsibility to undertake by running their houses.

Jeff Fawcett '01

Director of College Life

I served as Vice-President of 7 Bowdoin Street last year. The establishment of the College House system took a great deal of work. As with all new systems, there were many questions and concerns from everyone who was involved during its initial year. The leaders of all the houses last year faced the same issues that I am facing now: organizing, implementing and revamping events in an effort to get the system off to a good start, and creating a foundation upon which the organizations will be built as time goes on. We learned a lot from the mistakes and left a lot of room for houses to follow. Unfortunately, very few house leaders from last year have returned to the College House system this year. The responsibility of the house leaders was immense last year and the people who took on that role were quite burnt out when May arrived.

Last year I felt a great sense of ownership in my first years. If you don't, you will find somewhere, I was somewhere when I felt at home, where I could always find something interesting to do, where there was always something going on. We had a great sense of community at 7 Bowdoin Street, I feel. This year I feel the houses have experienced last year has been erased.

The former house leaders have moved on to other things, and the new students in our house have brought a new spirit to the house. We have new house leaders who have been involved in activities in the past, and are very much a part of the College House system.

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Pakistan's Himalayas. He is well known for his highly animated, humorous and breath-taking stories on his expeditions. Synnott is sponsored by The North Face on a team that includes some of climbing's greats such as Jon Krakauer (author of Into Thin Air) and Alex Lowe, among many other skilled climbers and skiers.

Synnott is 27 years old and lives in Jackson, NH. When he's not climbing, he's a contributing editor for Climbing Magazine and an accomplished photographer.

In February 1998, Synnott and his partner Kevin Thaw traveled to Patagonia to attempt an ascent of Fitzroy's west face. After waiting out a storm for six weeks, the two began their ascent of the 7,000-foot wall that had never been climbed alpine style. The face has been climbed once before in a series of 57 pitches rated 5.10. For us laypeople, that translates into a very long, very difficult climb. For three days, the two carried nothing more than bivy sacks and food and climbed on mixed rock, snow and ice terrain.

27-hour push. As The North Face says, "This exciting slide show provides a great evening for serious and aspiring climbers as well as the armchair traveler."

The Bowdoin OUtling Club is asking for a $2 donation from each person to go to Theアクセス Fund, an organization which helps keep open and maintain climbing areas across the nation.

The show will be in Kreges Auditorium in the VAC and begins at 7:30 p.m. Don’t miss this opportunity to see a world-class climber who is frequently featured in Rock and Ice and Climbing magazines. Be there and experience Patagonia Alpine Style, or sit in your room alone, doing our and wishing that it was snowing outside. Here's a little peak into the life of Mark Synnott to get your blood pumping and your excitement building for next Wednesday's magical journey.

Why did you start climbing?

I started climbing for adventure. When I was a little kid, I had a bunch of different clubs. One was called the "Crazy Kids Club," and we'd jump off roofs and then get the other kids to do it. Then I started climbing as a release.

What was your first climb?

When I was 15, I went to Cathedral with a high school buddy. We led but we didn't know how to. We used an old rope from the tool shop and no harnesses or equipment. It was very rudimentary. We tried The Big Flush, a 5.6 but we didn't make it because we missed or we couldn't get back out. It was a very unique experience.

Who has been your favorite partner? These are so many. Jared Ogden, Greg Child, Alex Lowe, Rob Frost from home...

What has been your most frustrating or challenging climb? The Solar Sun Spire because it was so cold and it took so long.

How do you amused yourselves when you're bird-bound on a big wall for days or weeks?

We amused ourselves by making fun of each other. We try and see who can insult the other guy and be funny. We sometimes sing songs about each other. On the Polar Sun Spire trip, we put our own lyrics in the "Ready Bunch" theme song, 'you smell so bad...'. We also did "Copa Cabana". That was pretty good. Our porta-lodge had two levels and we called the lower one "little ricko". You knew that if you were in the lower level that the guys up top would take turns insulting you all day.

Do you ever bring any books with you? Yeah. The book that defined the Polar Sun Spire trip was "The Great and Secret Show" by Clive Barker, which we ended up naming the climb. Barker is really sick and really twisted, more twisted than Stephen King. He wrote "Hellraiser" and other horror books. I don't like real deep, philosophical or educational stuff, I just like to read for fun. Some people are horrified by the books I bring on trips, the dime-store novels.

Do you do climbing for support of your family? Yeah, they are. Initially they were not because they were concerned that I was climbing too much and that I wouldn't make any money. But now it's a career and things are going well so they're supportive.

You're sponsored by The North Face? Yeah, I'm on their team that's made up of skiers and climbers. I'm one of the climbers.

What do you do when you're not climbing? I'm working. Making phone calls, writing articles, submitting photos. I like to go on hikes with my wife and my dog, hang out with my friends etc. I don't have a lot of spare time.

What's your next climb going to be? My next climb will be the summer of '98 to Great Trango Tower and Nameless Tower in Pakistan. We're leaving in June or July. My partners will be Alex Lowe and Jared Ogden.
Ben Parson’s Randonnée in the Pyrénées

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The “folkier” Stand Up Eight

LARA BLACKBURN
PUB REVIEWER

If we’ve all recovered from Bisbee last night, I guess it’s time to think about this weekend, and even next Thursday. This Saturday, first-years, sophomores, and jun-
ions and seniors who don’t like to dress up can check out Stand Up Eight in the pub. These guys called themselves Groovemerchant when they were here in the spring to poplant BearAIDS. The BearAIDS crowd loved them, so I’ve brought them back for everyone else to check out.

Their sound has been compared to that of the Dave Matthews Band, and while that’s somewhat accurate, they definitely have a charm all their own. Stand Up Eight is on their way to big things, I believe. Although they just got out of college, they’ve already toured pretty extensively and even made an appearance on WCYY’s Spinout. Don’t make me have to kick you for missing them. Stop by before, during or instead of the Junior/Senior Ball.

Next Thursday, the 19th, we’ve got a band coming to Jack Magee’s with a rather silly name. They call themselves The Folk Monty. Now wait. Stop grinning. Give them a chance. I think they fit into the genre of “folk band” which is very different from folk singer or rock band. They’re a little of both. The sound is fuller than that of a folk singer. All three band members are accom-
mplished solo musicians, and that makes the band sound really great. Think about a lighter sounding, little folkier version of Gooster. Then come to the show.

Is “folkier” a word? I tend to think “no.” But then again I pride myself on making up words as I go. The great thing about how I do this is that the words make sense. I bet you know what I meant when I said “folkier.” And I would rather say that them “sounding more like folk music.” It used up less space and conveyed the idea better than a grammatically correct alterna-
tive would have. Try it yourself in everyday chahs. Your friends will think you’re funny, clever, and original.

I’m not going to share any more of my secrets for popularity with you. Think I’ve done enough. But feel free to send me some points.

Writing Project Workshops
Monday- Wednesday Baxter House
8:30 - 11:00 p.m. Nov. 15, 22, Dec. 6
Sills 106

Sunday House calls Sills 106
8:30 - 11:00 p.m.

For an appointment, sign up outside Sills 106. Walk-ins are welcome as time permits.

Hey, what do you think of the Orient? We welcome any comments, criticisms or suggestions from students, faculty or staff. What can we do better? Please e-mail orient@bowdoin.

Website of the Week: Esperanto League for North America

JAMES FISHER
CONTRIBUTOR

The internet is a truly amazing object. It is made up of millions of computers all over the globe that can freely give and take informa-
tion across phone lines. One of the most
tangible aspects of the internet is the collec-
tion of electronic, multimedia documents that forms the World Wide Web. This column is devoted to exploring the interesting, amaz-
ing, thought-provoking, entertaining, mind-
blowing web pages that I (and you, the read-
ers) will find. I’m always happy to wander
around the Web on my own and discover
awesome sites for this column; however, I woul
d be equally happy to visit and possibly re-
view sites suggested by the eclectic read-
ers of the Orient. Send a message with the full
http address to fisher@bowdoin.edu.

This column will require very minimal computer proficiency; if you have already
discerned the connection between the mo-
tion of the mouse on your desk and that
arrow thingy on your screen, you know
easy enough to get a kick out of these reviews.

This week we’ll look at a site that may
seem dry on the surface, but in fact offers an
amazing opportunity to learn the easiest lan-
guage in the world. The Esperanto League
for North America (http://wwwesperanto-
usa.org) is devoted to the promotion and use
of a supplemental language called Esperanto.
This language is not meant to replace a native
tongue, but to provide a common, easily
learned, auxiliary language for people who
have different native languages. The web site
offers access to a free 12 lesson course in
Esperanto, accessible through e-mail or snail
mail (The US Postal Service).

The site’s strength is in its variety and
breadth of links to other Esperanto resources.
It links to sites in both English and Esperanto,
and categorizes e-zines, libraries, papers, and
more much
Granted, this is not the most humorous
Web site around. The webmasters are aware
of this, and are attempting to rectify the
problem: For a little added fun, hidden
amongst these pages are pictures of the Cen-
tral Office Director and the Editor of
Esperanto,USA. There are no prizes for find-
ing them other than the enjoyment of having
done so. Oh well.

Regardless of the lack of laughs, the ELNA
site provides a ridiculously easy way to learn
another language.

Next Week: Binary Heresy

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**Weekly Calendar**

**Friday, November 13, 1998**

- **Performance** (8:00 p.m.)
  - Capital Steps. This group of 22 satirists, all of whom used to work as Congressional staffers, have appeared on 20/20, The Today Show, and other prominent television shows. In addition, they have produced 18 albums since 1981. Sensational $15 with a Bowdoin ID, $15 for the public.

- **Lecture** (4:30 p.m.)
  - The Hypergeometric Function: An Untimely Mathematical Analysis, presented by Professor Bonnie Shulman of Bates. After discussing the history and evolution of this versatile function (note: copied verbatim because I have no idea what that means), the talk will turn to "Gauss test," which examines the convergence of the series on its radius of convergence. I feel kind of dumb, how about you? Adams Hall, 106.

- **Lecture** (4:00 p.m.)

- **Open Classroom** (12:00 noon)

**Celebrate Friday the 13th**

How, you may ask, should one celebrate this frightful holiday? If you’re daring, walk under a ladder, or cross the path of a black cat. Or, if you’re really daring, rent horror movies and get cozy with the one you love. If, by some fluke, you’re a Bowdoin student without a significant other, you can still rent scary movies, and just hug your roommate or your Knox’s stuffed animal when you get scared.

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**Monday, November 16**

- **Seminar** (12:00 noon)

- **Lecture** (4:00 p.m.)
  - "Modernist Film Making and Swedish Women Directors," Tytta Sola, professor and feminist film scholar of Stockholm University, Sweden. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

- **Discussion** (8:15 a.m.)
  - The Breakfast Discussion Series continues, hosted by the Women's Resource Center. Breakfast provided. WRC, 24 College Street.

- **Film** (6:00 p.m.)

- **Lecture** (7:30 p.m.)

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  - "Bowlidom Alums Working for Maine's Environment," The Panelists include Jay Egby ’79, president of Maine Coast Heritage Trust, Russ Libby ’78, director of Maine Organics Farmers and Gardeners Assoc., Bill MacDonald ’83, science director of The Island Institute, and Maureen Doren ’96, outreach director of Northern Forest Alliance. Moulton Union, Lancaster Lounge.

- **Discussion** (7:30 p.m.)

- **Lecture** (8:00 p.m.)
Bears at NESCAC's

Samantha Good
STAFF WRITER

The end of the Bowdoin Women's Volleyball season is a depressing time for players and fans alike. This year, it is especially difficult in light of the storybook season the team had. It was a season of ups and downs, a time of wins and losses, sideouts and kills, and certainly a season that no member of the Bowdoin community will soon forget.

In these two and a half months, the women on the team have seen one another through such try-trying things as four corner passing, have entertained one another on the vans for thousands of miles, and have become a sort of volleyball family. Not a normal, healthy, functioning family, but one of those "eleven-persono..." all live in the same house, no one has the same last name, spend two hours a day plus some weekends together" type of family. But, a family nonetheless.

This past weekend was the last of the mini family vacations, referred to by most as tournaments. The New England Small College Athletic Conference championships were hosted by Colby College, and Bowdoin won its first tournament since 1979 in the NESCAC. The Polar Bears faced Colby in the first match of the tournament on Friday afternoon. Bowdoin "(Jack Roser)" got off to a slow start against the Colby Mules and lost the first two games 3-15, 1-15. In the third game, Bowdoin fought back, but Colby's defense was quite a bit better, still not enough to beat Colby. Despite some aggressive play, the Polar Bears lost the third game 15-7.

Later that same night, Bowdoin took on seeded Connecticut College. Holding on tightly to their 10th seed, game one was easily won by the Bears, 15-6. Then, in a crazy turn of events, Bowdoin had a little lap in what they call "smart volleyball" and lost the second game 15-2. Miraculously, though, they regrouped and took the next two games 15-6, 15-7. Alyson Shea '02 led the way with 10 kills and Sarah Buckley '00 had 31 assists. Samantha Good '00, certainly not overshadowed by her roommates, contributed nine kills.

Bowdoin's final match was on Saturday morning against Wesleyan University, home of Annie Dillard (how DOES she do it?). In the match, the Polar Bears never really got their offense running (it walked most of the game) and could not hold off Wesleyan's attack. The final scores were 17-5, 11-15, and 7-15. Sophomore Sharnae Mitchell played an impressive game of defense, averaging two services aces. Stacey Carpenter, the team's only senior member, had a great game and an excellent final tournament.

The Polar Bears ended their season with an overall record of 15-14, an impressive season. They started from last year's new comers to the team, or rather the family, Claire Newton '02, Stacy Vyne '02, Lindsay Davis '02 (You'll be your honorary big sister) and assistant coach Stephanie Pepper each brought something new and special with this season. With each new member of the team, they gained a new perspective, but in the end, this is how the family got their goals and the family did it. In the end, this is how the family got their goals and the family did it. The Polar Bears' record to be something like a mere 14-15 for the season. Seriously, though, these rookies deserve a great deal of credit for the success of the team this season. Much of the improvement from last year was due to their hard work, not to mention the dedication and talent of their veteran teammates.

Although the family does have about nine months away from one another, they do not feel like it is the family getting divided, but merely a trial separation. It is a chance for each individual member of the family to improve their volleyball skills and in order to be a better player next year, a more effective and helpful member of the family. It is a chance for broken wrists to heal and for nearly all volleyball shoes to be reordered. Nine months from now, the team will step back onto the court for another season, sort of like a rebirth. Fans should start reserving seats now for the Bears' first game of the 1999 season.

Tidbits from the World of Sports

Hayes MacArthur '99, the Polar Bears' quarterback, was named NESCAC Offensive Player of the Week last week. He was presented with this honor mainly due to his stellar performance last Saturday against Bates, in which he led his team to a 49-14 victory. In the game, MacArthur passed for 303 yards and was responsible for three touchdowns. In the process, he broke two school records in his career, he surpassed the school's record of 3,544 yards. MacArthur also broke the record for the most touchdown passes in a season with 12.

David Lovely '99, captain of this year's men's basketball team, was named to Sports Magazine's "Dream Team." Lovely, a 6-foot-4, 220-pound forward power, led the team in both scoring and rebounding, during the 1997-98 campaign. He averaged 15.4 points per game and led the team in scoring in 10 of the 10 games he played. Lovely swept the league for the 7.0 boards per game and the 11-game streak of scoring 20 or more points in a game, and tied for the team lead in rebounding in 11 games. His strongest game of the season was late in the year in an impressive win over NESCAC tournament qualifier Hamilton College. Lovely stuck for 21 points and 14 rebounds boosting the Polar Bears to a 76-71 victory over the Continentals.

Samantha Good '00, certainly not overshadowed by her roommates, contributed nine kills.

Back Hugh Keggen '00, who was cited for his play in the game against Williams by Coach Tim Gilbride, kicks the ball into play. (Shelly Magrier/Bowdoin Orient)

Margaret peach
SPORTS EDITOR

As happens to most good things, the men's soccer season ended last Wednesday. Though they came in the form of a formidable Williams squad, which the Bears challenged in the first round of the NCAA Division III tournament. The season ended with a final score of 2-0. The Bears have no reason to hang their heads, though. They just completed what could be considered the best season in the history of Bowdoin Men's Soccer.

The Polar Bears earned their second consecutive NCAA bid despite their loss to Bates last Saturday. Bates was first to get on the board, scoring early in the first half. Bowdoin evened the score at one, though, with 901 left in the half. Dave Boulé '02, boosted a penalty kick through the Bates defensive wall after Peter Ingram '99 had dispensed with a couple of defenders. The shot had been awarded when Patrick Hugill '01 received a pass from Dave DeCew '99 and was tackled just outside the box.

In the second half, Bowdoin tried to raise its level of play. But it was to no avail. Early in the half Jeremy Smith '00 presented the Bears with their first big scoring opportunity of the game. Unfortunately, the Bates goalie denied Smith the chance at glory.

After a 1-1 tie at the half, Tom Casarella '00 made several saves. One shot got by him, though: In a one-on-one situation, Casarella was beaten, one of the few times this season. This goal was the difference in the game.

After a night of worrying whether or not the team would qualify for the NCAA tournament, the Bears received word Sunday that they had received a bid.

Wednesday afternoon they travelled to Williamstown as the sixth seed. Williams, however was seeded third. All the previous meetings were in the first half, within a 30-second timespan. "They were two very nice goals," said Head Coach Tim Gilbride. "They were good headers of off good crosses. The two goals took the wind out of our sails," he said.

The Bears did not give up, though. They stepped up their level of play to put pressure on Williams. According to Gilbride, "At the half, the team picked it up and played one of the best halves of the season. It was nice to see them play solid soccer." The team presented the Williams goalkeeper with several challenges in the half. Casarella was also challenged and came up with some brilliant saves to keep Williams at two goals. Despite the Bears' best effort, they could not penetrate the Williams goal.

Gilbride was not disappointed with the team's play, though he was sad to see the historic season come to a close. He cited several players for their efforts in the final game. They included DeCew, Ingram, Hugh Keggen '00, and Casarella. But, as has been in his mantra all season, he said "Our real strength came when everyone was playing well."

"[the game] was a nice tribute to the seniors," Gilbride said. "They all had great careers and the team will miss them immensely. There are a lot of quality young players, though." The future for Bowdoin soccer looks bright with 17 players due to return next season.

Among the juniors is Hugill, who led the team in scoring this season and Casarella, who broke several records in goal.
Bears trample Bates, prepare to crush Colby

Margaret Peachy
SPORTS EDITOR

Last Saturday, the Bates team was one of the few bright lights of the three-season games of the season.

The team was not the best host to the visiting guests from Bates, routing them 49-14.

It did not take long for the Bears to make their guests feel welcome. Less than two minutes into the game, Hayes MacArthur '99 completed a 46-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Steve Prinn '99, A1 Tajfül '00 tackled on the extra point. That was only the beginning of the scoring for the first quarter.

At the 9:19 mark, Randy Feliz '99 rushed for three yards to cross into the endzone, and, once again, Tatum kicked the extra point.

Twenty seconds later the Bears scored again. It was tailback Chris Houston's '00 turn. He rushed into the endzone from 14 yards out with Tatum kicking the point after.

With less than half of the first quarter completed, the Bears had scored all the points they would need to win the game. Bates did not believe this, though. Six minutes into the second quarter, Bates got on the board with a one-yard rush and a good kickoff. Bowdoin did not like this. The team responded by scoring two touchdowns in the first half. Steve Lanford '99 caught a 53-yard touchdown pass and an 18-yard touchdown pass from MacArthur to put the Bears up 35-7 at the half.

Bates started the scoring action for the second half, scoring their second and final touchdown of the game three minutes into the third quarter. The Bowdoin defense shut them down for the remainder of the game and gave the offense momentum to continue their attack. With less than one minute left in the quarter, tailback Tim Lawson '90 rushed three yards for a touchdown.

In the fourth quarter, Vincent Villanueva '99 had a one-yard rush to score the final touchdown of the game. Tatum kicked the extra point. Bates was sent home fully defeated.

MacArthur broke two school records in the game. The first is the most rushing yards in one game. Thirteen of his nineteen passes were completed, resulting in 303 yards and one touchdown. This gave him a total of 3,637 career yards. He also passed for three touchdowns giving him a career total.

Bowdoin is now 4-3 and looks to improve on this winning record this Saturday. They face off against Colby, hoping that the Mules will not be able to score more goals than Bowdoin was to Bates.

"Colby has one of the best defenses in the league so the preparation of our offensive unit is extremely important," said Bowdoin Head Coach Howard Vanderzande. "On defense we'll have to be perfect on the line of scrimmage in order to keep the tailback Kelvin. He has been a consistent rusher all year and has breakaway capability. They also have a strong defensive front that will give us a difficult game."

If the Bears win Saturday, they will capture the Colby-Bates-Bowdoin championship and bragging rights until next November.

Sticklers' fire is burning

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Hawes and Johanna Babb each scored off their penalty strokes and gave the team a 2-0 for the final round. Then, the Mules backlashed with 2 goals of their own.

Captain Schare was not to take a penalty stroke - the shot could end the game, if she burned for it badly enough. As she stepped up to the stroke mark, the entire future of this year's season rested on Schare's shoulders. With a ruthless flick, she pegged the ball into the cage for the win and sent the Bears on to the semifinals. This game-winner was the first goal of Schare's career. It was also one of the most important goals of the season. Her performance, Schare explains, "It felt like I had played my entire life for that moment."

As a captain, Schare played an important role in the success of the season. She and her co-captain Dana Kreuger '99 (goalkeeper) ignited the fire and determination of this year's heroic team. "Gretchen and Dana did a good job," says captain Nicki Peason, "not only with their work ethic, but they really set an expectation." This work ethic also led Kreuger to a personal victory in being chosen to play in the Division III North-South Student All-Star game. This game will be played as part of the Division I final four in April at the University of Pennsylvania and is scheduled for Saturday, November 21.

Before looking towards the all-star game, Kreuger first had to lead her troops into battle - the second game of ECAC's. The game was played last Saturday; the enemy was Wellesley, and the order was to attack. That's just what the Bears did as they started off the game. Bowdoin scored two goals within the first ten minutes. Heather Hawes '00 passed the ball to Babb for the first goal and scored off an assist from Deb Satter '99 for the second.

The Bears were off to a great start, but Wellesley managed to squeeze in a goal before the end of the first half. In the second half, Wellesley scored once more to tie up the game, 2-2. The action was pushed into overtime, where the fight between these two talented teams was grueling close. Wellesley's Jayce Edelman scored the unassisted game winner.

The Bears ended their season one game away from the ECAC finals; however, this season they have scored up enough victory to last them through the winter. At the same time, their appetites will escalate toward next fall when they will start a new season with a new hunger.

The wins and losses are not so much what Senior Marien Curtis will remember. She will remember the friendships. She says she "looked forward to practice each day, not just for playing, but for the people." The reason this year's team was able to excel was because the girls were part of something greater than a team - they were part of a family.

Deb Satter '99 knows that this year's Bear family will be inside her forever. She explains, "I know no matter what I do in life, I'll never experience anything else like it - just the team, being with friends and working hard."

This year, the Polar Bears were able to understand the players and as friends, and they caught this "thrift," this fire. They have felt what the lyrics of "Man in Motion" told them, "I can climb the highest mountains, I can cross the wildest sea. I can feel it. Elmo's Fire burning inside me, burning inside me..." And the fire burns on.

The Bears celebrate after their 41-39 victory over Bates last Saturday. They now prepare to face Colby tomorrow for the CBB Championship. (Adam Zimmerman/Bowdoin (Orient)}
The Bowdoin Men's Cross Country Team performed well over a hilly course to place eighth out of 31 teams at the East Coast Athletic Conference meet. With a strong finish at the New England Small College Athletic two weeks ago and another strong race this past weekend, it seems that the Polar Bear runners, who looked to be rebuilding at the beginning of the year, have proved themselves to be a solid team this season, in spite of what skeptics might have said.

A large amount of the credit for this successful season has to go to the year's first-year class, who have made the jump from a three mile to a five mile race incredibly well. "The freshmen have a lot of talent, and have progressed a long way this season," states Coach Peter Silvinski.

They were good front runners in high school, and Matt Hyde '99 has shown them how to be front runners in college.

This year alone there were nine first years on the team. They were led by Craig Giannoula, who has consistently run in the number three spot for most of the season. Dave Wall, a hard worker who has progressed from seventh runner on the team to a consistent fourth, and Matt Mellen, the team's utility man filling in the fifth, sixth and seventh spots. Without these first years fearlessly stepping into the roles vacated by injury and graduation, the season would not have been as successful.

The race on Saturday featured a grueling five mile course and still wind that called for every runner to struggle just to finish. The team was led, as usual, by Hyde, who managed to run 27:21 for 22nd place despite stomach cramps. Following closely behind was Ryan Johnson in 24th place overall with a time of 27:38. Next was Giannoula in 53rd (28:27), Adam Cowing in 70th (28:48), Chris Reed '99 in 128th (29:47), Matt Mellen '02 in 134th (29:55) and Dave Wall '02 who ran 30:05 despite having the flu. The surprise of this meet was Reed, who according to Coach Silvinski "picked a great time to have the best race of his career. Reed has plunged away the last two years without scoring for the varsity team, and now in his second to last race he came up with an important finish for Bowdoin."

Next week's New England Division III meet will be interesting to watch. The Bears are ranked fourth, but if they have proved anything, they have proved that anything can happen, even when you start three first years and a senior making his first Varsity appearance.

Bears take shot at ECAC's

Erika Kahlil

Staff Writer

Bowdoin 3
Colby 2

These girls caught the fire! Every year, the Bowdoin field hockey team kindles the tradition of being one of the top teams in the ECACs. "But for some reason," says Captain Gretchen Stache '96, "this year, something was different." The Polar Bears boys blazed through a phenomenal season, which they ended with an 11-5 record. They clashed through Trinity's two-year winning streak, and crushed teams after team, for seven games straight. Almost all of their losses were close-calls in overtime.

Sharp-shooter Silvinski was the hero of last week's first ECAC game. The Polar Bears were the top-seeded team in the tournament and were matched against their greatest rivals, the Colby Mules. When the girls play Colby, they're out for blood. "It was a game of stick-suck, watching them get pumped up," Assistant Coach Kara Silvinski said about the pre-game excitement.

On Wednesday, the Bears mauled the Mules in overtime.

The field was an inferno of aggression, as neither team was willing to surrender their goal. This game would determine whose season was over and who got to move on to the ECAC semifinals. After an enticing game of stick—stick combat, the score was 0-0. The Bears attacked the Mules for two periods of overtime, but still, the stubborn Mules were unwilling to surrender. Then, when the light went into penalty strokes, the Bears gave their victims no choice. Jazzy junior Heather Nicholson '02 recovered to defend the Bowdoin goal. (Adam Zimmer/Bowdoin '99)

Reflections

Chris Day

Contribution

What is a rivalry? Walk out to Farley Field House around 5:30 next year, wait for the Bates football game and find out.

The sun went down a good hour ago. The wind is whipping around the field chilling each man to the bone. Plumes of streaming breath are flowing out of fearless helmets. Three hundred spectators serve as the only means of light. And each hit, exacerbated by the leaves, leaves players lugging blood to the huddle. Even so, they still practice, for this week marks the start of the Colby-Bates-Bowdoin championship.

In the four years that I have spent here, few games have meant as much to me as the two at the end of the season: Bates and Colby. The knowledge that the teams have of each other, the legacy of past battles, and the sheer proximity of both schools make this a rivalry like few others. In the first three years of my career at Bowdoin, I have never felt the jubilation of victory, as well as the pain of defeat. In this, my final year, winning is the only acceptable outcome.

This year's Bates game is on a Monday, and the search for something else to completely set well with one. Winning 49-14 proved to be perfectly fine. But the offensive and defensive domination of the game leaves, the Bobcats slogging their way back to Lewiston.

As I walked around the field house at the end of the game, and saw the faces of other seniors and I knew what they were feeling: elation tempered with nostalgia. It was the last time that any of us would play at Whittier Field; this is the last time we would walk out from that tunnel as players. We stood there for what seemed like hours, ensuring that the memory would be ingrained in our minds.

Fortunately, we left that field on our terms. We not only won, but routed our bitter rivals in the most complete victory that we have been a part of as Bowdoin players. Best of all, we did it as a team. There was no one star that day; only a team that had worked so hard together for the last three months in preparation. We had put so much energy, so much effort into a task and last week it paid off. It was a feeling that was second to none.

Although the victory over Bates was outstanding, it will not continue without a win against Colby.

With a solid defense and a great running back, they will be formidable opponents. Fortunately, Colby and me will grab a share of the CBB title as payback for last season's loss.

Right now, the Bowdoin football team controls its own destiny. It is up to the captains and the other seniors to keep those dreams safe. I am up to make sure that the attention of the team does not stray from the task at hand. It is up to the team to take the final two games and the tradition that goes with them. It is up to them to lead the team to a CBB title in their last time on a football field for Bowdoin College.
House "gangsta" party raises controversy

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Advertisements posted around campus for a "gangsta" party at Baxter House last Saturday caused a discussion among the staff of the College's African-American Society. They contacted Baxter House, leading to a cancellation of the event and an ongoing discussion between the two organizations on the effects of the posters.

The event was a memorial party for Tupac Shakur and Biggie, encouraging "appropriate gangsta attire." Members of Baxter House began distributing the posters around campus on Thursday. That same day, they received an e-mail from Naiima Gomes '01 who expressed his concern for the implications of such a party. Gomes also sent her e-mail to members of the Office of Student Affairs, including Assistant Dean of Residential Life Candace Crawford, who offered Baxter House her recommendation that something be done.

By Saturday morning, members of Baxter House had taken down the posters and eliminated the dress code; "Only about five or six people came dressed up" at the party that night, said Baxter House President Mike Prendergast '00. When they came, they realized no one else was dressed like that. They figured it out or they asked what was going on.

The theme began two years ago in Moore Hall upon the deaths of rap artists Tupac Shakur and Biggie. The tradition continued last year when the same students living in Baxter House under the newly-implemented "gangsta party" theme continued.

"Last year, we were similarly outraged, but we communicated directly with the Office," said Naiima Gomes '01, an officer of the African-American Society. "There was a lapsed in communication... This year there were murmurs among the society, and when a few of us were together we talked about the absurdity of the whole thing, trying to decide upon the mode of action it would proceed with... We were sick and tired of being sick and tired, as the saying goes.

"Some people think this has been blown out of proportion, but they don't see what's wrong with it," said Professor Naiima Gomes '00. "Why would somebody write this? It's not obvious that this isn't malicious. It's time for us to start a dialogue, one that should have started a while ago."

"Personally, my biggest beef was with the representation of African-Americans on campus; there are just so few of us here," said Baxter House President Mike Prendergast '00. "There are a lot of people who come from aren't ones that engender positive images of African-Americans. That's a huge generalization, but nine out of ten people here aren't in everyday contact with this type of people - they're only in a particular urban space. I am from such an urban space, and I don't want these experiences to be taken lightly, it's more complex than that."

These posters didn't seem like a positive way to get at those representations. I was also upset that they said to wear proper attire. They aren't costumes to these people, this is their reality.

Officers of Baxter House and the African-American Society have since been working together to fully address the implications of the posters. "The theme was canceled, but lots of other things need to be done to make it okay," explained Horsley-Fauntleroy. The two groups met twice this week and have formed a collaborative sub-committee to further deal with the issues at hand. They are considering a number of possibilities, including a formal open-mic forum and posters, "We're going to do a lot of publicity, but we can only expect what Baxter gives us," said Horsley-Fauntleroy. The sub-committee consists of approximately 16 students and will reconvene this Monday. They have also discussed the option of co-sponsoring a party.

"There are no hard feelings," said Horsley-Fauntleroy. "They have been absolutely amazing in their cooperation and understanding."

"I was impressed by the fact that we were able to handle this as two student groups," said Prendergast.

Gender equity at Bowdoin examined

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The improvement of gender equity in the classroom and the Bowdoin community has been an ongoing goal since the entrance of women to the College. This year, potential advancements of women's issues have developed with Bowdoin's receipt of the Hewlett "Pluralism and Unity" grant and the second year of existence of the Task Force on Improving the Status of Women at Bowdoin, the Oversight Committee appointed by students, faculty, and the President for Gender Equity.

The Hewlett grant gives $125,000 to Bowdoin to help develop a more inclusive learning community, according to Lisa Tessler, special assistant to the President for Gender Equity.

Gender equity awareness has increased with the help of the Oversight Committee on the Status of Women, chaired by English Professor Celeste Goodridge. The Task Force on Improving the Status of Women, appointed by the President a year ago in order to tackle issues the oversight committee brought to their attention, said Tessler. The task force is co-chaired by Tessler and Betty Trout-Kelly, assistant to the President for multicultural programs and affirmative action, and includes "people of key administrative roles in the position to make changes," including Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley. Two students are also members of the committee.

The task force recommended that the special assistant position be created last year, and Economics Professor Rachel Connedy was hired for the position full time for the Spring Semester. Filling in for her this year on a half-time basis is Tessler, who works in legal proceedings advising, in the Career Planning Center for the other half of her time.

From 1995, having been a student here until now, I have seen the Status of Women and the Special Assistant to the President for Gender Equity. At Bowdoin, and Beyond (CABB) program was started byถุรศี McDonald '99 in order to train first year students to develop assertive speaking skills. Sixty-four first years were involved on a volunteer basis this year, and suggestions will be made to the Student Affairs Committee for improvements and whether a modified version of the program will be repeated in the Fall of 1999.

Issues concerning faculty and staff of Bowdoin are also being addressed. "We are trying to promote a better, more supportive work environment for employees at Bowdoin," said Tessler. "In that spirit, I've worked collectively with members of the oversight committee on drafting a parental leave policy. It would benefit all employees female and male whether they are birth parents, adoptive parents, and whether they are faculty, administration or staff." The draft will be submitted to the Benefits Committee this fall for consideration.

Lisa Tessler was recently appointed Special Assistant to the President for Gender Equity for the 1998-99 academic year. (Lindsey Szramek/Bowdoin Orient)
Howard University anthropologist discusses New York burial ground

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On Tuesday, November 17, a lecture discussing New York's African Burial Ground was offered in Kresge Auditorium. Dr. Michael Blakey of Howard University presented information on the African burial ground to the audience: the new discoveries it has uncovered in the area's history and culture, its continuing struggle to remain a sacred burial ground and its spiritual meaning to the African-American culture.

The burial ground was discovered accidentally in 1991 during the initial stages for the construction of a federal building in Manhattan. This project was funded and planned by the GSA, a government program. Blakey stated how the government recognized the fact that the site was a burial ground but showed no concern about preserving the area. In fact, the GSA hired "archaeologists" who worked eleven hours per day, seven days per week in order to remove the remains of the bodies from the site as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Members of the African-American community became concerned about the incredible lack of respect, and in 1992, exploded in a fervor of prayer vigils and protests. They demanded the site be approached respectfully and through careful and proper research, a view that was not shared by the fast-paced, non-science government. The GSA attempted to rationalize their careless and disrespectful excavation through the contract it claimed obligated the construction to continue. It was only after the GSA's funds for all other government projects were threatened that the crusade exacted the African burial ground came to a complete halt.

Following discussions with the African-American community and the GSA, Blakey and his team of researchers were able to begin the present project of unearthing and researching artifacts at the African burial ground. Along with preserving the dignity of the dead, it is Blakey's goal to uncover the grounds for the site's study is driven by four main goals: to locate the origins of the African-American population, to understand evidence for the stripping of the culture; to find the baseline for one of the earliest African-American communities, to uncover how the African-American culture and identity emerges in biology, essentially showing how the culture and ancestry developed; and to discover the physical quality of life and the strength for resistance of the enslaved Africans.

According to Blakey, there was no place in New York where the Africans were allowed to bury their dead during colonial times. Because Christian cemeteries were closed off to the enslaved Africans, a small plot of land was designated within the city in which proper funeral services could be performed. The enslaved Africans possessed a great respect for the deceased. The bodies were well-wrapped in linens and buried within sturdy coffins of pine or cedar. The love, care and affection given to the deceased surpassed the value of physical objects and money. Many remains have been found with valuable objects, such as one child who was buried with a silver solier pendant.

The colonists of the time tried to impede the burial of the Africans in a variety of ways. The cemetery was used as a dumping ground for the waste from tanning plants and surrounding factories. Medical students would visit the cemetery late at night in order to recover freshly buried bodies for their research. Night funerals, which were often performed by the African-Americans, were banned and the funeral parties limited to twelve people. There are recorded cases of executions taking place on top of this hallowed ground.

Despite the discouraging and degrading obstacles that the enslaved Africans faced, discoveries made by researchers such as Blakey show that Africans still continued to respectfully bury and carefully bury their dead at the African burial ground. This steady but peaceful form of resistance continued until 1796 when the burial ground was officially closed by the colonists. Blakey said this was "a struggle on the part of the Africans to assert their humanity against attempts of the English to destroy their humanity."

In the present day, the African burial ground is a huge source of historical data, while also possessing an incredible emotional value within the African-American community. Because of findings from the careful studying of this site, parts of the African culture and lineage that have been lost through the effects of enslavement and distortion of historical fact are just now coming to light.

Through careful excavation, 437 remains and artifacts have been discovered. The study of skeletons and mitochondrial bacteria has allowed scientists to trace some of the "remains' ancestral lines back to their places of origin. Modified teeth, decorative beads, and other traditional artifacts have assisted researchers in comparing the culture of enslaved Africans with the traditions of tribes on the African continent. Fractured skulls and damaged bones prove the strenuous lifestyle that the enslaved Africans were forced to suffer. The number of male and female bodies discovered at the site allow for interesting studies concerning birth rate, death rate, population and immigration of African prisoners.

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Professors studied history of early modern philosophy with a focus on rationalist philosophers, Stuart wrote a paper on Rene Descartes as a contributor to a book. Descartes was the mathematician who founded analytic geometry, and philosopher who is known for the ratio

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Lecture explores ethics of human cloning

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Leon Kass delivered the annual Kenneth V. Santagata Memorial Lecture Thursday night to students, staff, faculty and the community. The Santagata Memorial Lecture is an annual event, held annually, that features a respected expert in a particular field of study. This year's lecture was entitled "Procreation or Manufacture: What's Wrong with Human Cloning?"

Kass opened his lecture by discussing the history of cloning, back to the first experiments with tadpoles in Britain thirty years ago. At that time, popular opinion was strongly opposed to human cloning, but the modern world has undergone a profound shift in society's moral values over time.

New practices in fertilization and genetic engineering have changed the definition of family, mother and father; and so, cloning is no longer considered as morally wrong or as dehumanizing as it has previously been. "Today one must even apologize for voicing opinions that 25 years ago were nearly universally held," Kass said. "It's part of what I call cultural wisdom, of humanity," said Kass.

Kass continued by stating many of the common misconceptions about cloning. Cloning is different from identical twins, as a clone would not be a contemporary. Further, Kass stated that one cannot simply "kerox" someone, as cloning does not take precedence into account.

In addition, because the success rate will not be very high, one would most likely not see multiple clones of the same person as depicted in science fiction. The researcher will climb, however, and as this occurs, cloning will be in the hands of big business and not laboratories.

The fact that humans are genetically unique offers individuality to humans that would be lost in cloning, Kass argued. To fully understand the consequences of cloning, we must view sex through an anthropological lens.

Human identity is formed from our unique genetic make-up, as well as from our connection with our kin. This becomes violated when cloning occurs, and the human cost is great.

"What would kinship be without its clear natural boundaries," asked Kass, "and what would identity be without kinship?"

The transition from producing to manufacturing means the emergence of desperation of oneself, and the cloning of oneself as unethical. There are already other nations with such bans, and it is not without precedent.

President Kass ended his lecture by concluding that this is an important issue on human cloning that must be discussed. He reminded the audience that the United States is not the only nation facing this issue, and that many other nations have already taken steps to address the cloning issue. He ended his lecture by stating that it is important for people to be aware of the ethical implications of cloning and to discuss these issues with others.

The lecture was well attended by the audience, and there was a lively Q&A session following the lecture. The audience was engaged and posed thoughtful questions, which Kass addressed with clarity and insight. The evening was a memorable event for all who attended, and it left a lasting impression on those who listened.

Campus Crosstown

Thirteen Yale University students were sent to the hospital last Friday after a past of a scaffolding on a set at a student theater collap-

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Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble

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After four fruitless years in court, Paul Jones has dropped her sexual harassment suit against President Clinton, Jones settled for $800,000 and will not receive an apology or an admission of guilt. The sum is $150,000 less than she demanded when the suit was filed during Clinton's first term. The key to the settlement is not the money, but the lack of an admission of guilt, which Jones had always insisted was more important than the cash. The settlement will be paid in full in sixty days. The settlement was reached legally as "an admission of guilt withholding by any party" and unconditionally released the former Clinton aides from all Clinton-related lawsuits.

Former Israeli prime minister Shimon Peres was named to head a council overseeing Volkswagen's $12 million fund to compensate former slave laborers used by the car maker during the Nazi regime. The council, which meets in Berlin, also includes former Israeli chancellor Yitzhak Rabin and former German president Richard von Weizsacker. Volkswagen said it hopes to begin distribution of payments this year. Many other European institutions from heavy industry to banks suffering from World War II have been implicated with varying levels of success in their support of and complicity with the Nazi government. Volkswagen, brain child of the former Auto Union, however, was one of the companies which were spawned by the Nazi government and were successfully privatized after the war.

Abdullah Ocalan, the leader of the 14-year-old Kurdish uprising, was arrested after a shootout last month in Konya, the biggest city in central Turkey. The government considers Ocalan a terrorist and reportedly extradited him immediately following his arrest. Ocalan is the head of the Kurdish Workers' Party, which has been fighting for autonomy in southeast Turkey. It is not known whether Ocalan will be extradited to Turkey or returned to his homeland.

Former président Laurent Kabila of the Democratic Republic of Congo declined to hold comprehensive talks with his domestic rivals. The Congolese opposition is supported by Rwanda and Uganda. Zim-

The Church of England has so far made £4.5 million from stock owned in the drug company Pfizer. The sale of Viagra, the cholesterol drug Lipitor's biodiesel, and share prices of Pfizer have since increased the approval by the Food and Drug Administration earlier this year. Although the drug has enjoyed immense popularity in the States, it has still not been approved by the European Commission.

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Leon Kass, a medical doctor and professor who has been exploring the issues of medical ethics for thirty years, delivered the annual Santagata Lecture Thursday night on human cloning. (Lindsey Szarek/Bowdoin Orient)

At 2002, more than 17 million American adults are estimated to have participated in violent victimization. In 2002, about 20.5 million adults report that they were threatened or injured as a result of their victimization. This includes about 10.4 million adults who were threatened or injured while at home, 6.1 million adults who were threatened or injured in public places, and 3.9 million adults who were threatened or injured while at work. This is a decrease from 2001, when about 18.6 million adults were estimated to have participated in violent victimization.

Students at University of Wisconsin-Madison could not claim the "new "Independent Ivy" slogan at the school's board of trustees dinner last Friday. The slogan has been criticized in the student newspaper over the past few months, and at an open house for potential freshmen last month. Some students have organized a group called "Poison Ivy" in opposition to the slogan. They say it makes the school look insecure, since it's not a member of the Ivy League. The slogan is slated for a two-year trial run.

Three students at the University of Akron pleaded guilty Thursday to misdemeanor charges of sexual assault. The students, all soccer players and international students, had been charged with raping a 21-year-old woman at the end of the month. They are to be sentenced to 30-60 days in jail on the condition that they return to their native countries and not return to the United States for five years. A university spokesman said discipline hearings will be held because this is the three years they will be withdrawing from the school.

Johns Hopkins University announced Monday that, beginning with next year's freshman class, it will boost scholarships for financial aid students by $6,000, to $30,000 per student. This will amount to an extra $5 million a year the university will spend on financial aid, and tops Harvard's announce-

Police say a pharmacology graduate student at Brown University allegedly poisoned his ex-girlfriend and her roommate by spiking a chicken dinner with radioactive materials. A student at Brown University's School of Engineering and Applied Science, Cheng Gu, 24, was arrested Friday after preparing the meal for his ex-girlfriend, Yuan Yan. Police are searching for Gu, who has been released on bail.

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Editorials
Real tradition needs preservation

Where is our tradition as a College? That question has become more difficult for some since the loss of fraternities, but the answer has remained the same. It seems difficult during those times of transition to point at a unique and participatory heritage, as if one has been taken away from us. In honesty, however, tradition has never been defined that way at Bowdoin.

Before any of us arrived, when the majority of students joined fraternities, Bowdoin earned a reputation for happy students with an individuality that verged on quirkiness. Now, during the incipient stages of the College-sponsored House System, students seem to have increased their expectations of others to define this experience for them. Bold individuality has faded, replaced by anxious expectations. When we look for inclusion in a collective Bowdoin culture, there is none. And when we look for collective traditions, we find extraordinarily few.

But the Bowdoin tradition has never been one of association. Bowdoin students have historically done for themselves, making of this place what they would, establishing a legacy of individualism and successful leadership. This new search for a Bowdoin identity has brought cynicism because, for possibly the first time, we are looking for something which has never existed.

The Commission on Residential Life made a favorable change two years ago by abolishing fraternities, admittedly sacrificing a wealth of tradition for the sake of the larger College community. The College House System has begun to project a similar but more accessible traditions. The Administration has emphasized matriculation, the school song and convocation to increase appreciation for the significance of attending Bowdoin. The most valuable traditions, though, are independent of any administrative actions and equally available to all students.

No element of our College better captures the core of our ongoing history than the physical campus. In true Bowdoin tradition, students might protest as hokey the singing of the school song or the signing of a book at matriculation, but everyone respects the campus as the historic framework for our individuality, however rampant. It most visibly distinguishes our school from others like it, a palpable and constant reminder of our predecessors.

This year, due to the construction at Seawells and Pickard, the center of pedestrian traffic has unfortunately shifted out of the quadrangle, toward the shiny new buildings on the East Side of campus. Since the approval of the Maine Street Street project, the College has begun to explore possible options to take better advantage of on-campus space. It should recognize the unfortunate but thankfully temporary effect that the loss of student spaces in the quadrangle has had upon our ability to feel tradition.

Let us give thanks

As the weather gets colder and the snow begins to fall, we start thinking of the holidays and spending time with our families. That is, if we live in New England and Bowdoin feels that we are entitled to go home. Thanksgiving is a time when students at rational-thinking schools are allowed to go home and visit with relatives for a short period of time before seriously hitting the books for finals.

At Bowdoin, though, Thanksgiving is treated more like a privilege for those students who have short distances to travel to spend time with their families. The rest of the Bowdoin community living outside of New England must make sacrifices if they wish to go home for a classic American holiday.

It is in keeping with the current class schedule to go home without missing our classes. Not only does this anger professors who go to great lengths to keep us in class, but it also forces those few, proud Western students to miss some of their most important pre-final classes in order to go home, something that New England students can do on almost any weekend of the year.

Flights to the West leave around noon or in late afternoon. To fly to the West Coast takes about 9 hours. Nine hours that Bowdoin seems to want us to spend traveling through Thanksgiving, forcing us to miss the holiday altogether.

Bowdoin puts us in a position of unfair compromise: Should we miss school, or Thanksgiving? Is Bowdoin so East-Coast minded that they’ve forgotten that there is an entire country attached to Maine’s borders?

The idea that Western students should go home with students who live closer to Bowdoin to celebrate the holidays forces us to question why Westerners are less entitled to spend the holidays with their families simply because they live far away. This is plainly discriminatory.

Senior stress syndrome

Lately, seniors seem extremely stressed. Frazzled nerves could only be expected this time of year as we move a semester closer to being dropped on the chilly doorstep of the real world, but many seniors are having trouble remembering the blankets they’re buying for over $100,000.

A true sense of panic seems to have settled upon us, along with a tendency to sacrifice lessons learned for the sake of an easier introduction to life after Bowdoin. We are called to neglect our undergraduate passions when the post-graduate world seems to be divided up between consultants, investment banks and assorted professional schools. These are all noble endeavors, but they do not coincide with as many students’ interests as the trend might suggest.

The majority of seniors, in this sense, have been unduly stressed by the barrage of newsletters from the Career Planning Center announcing the latest insurance agency to have recruited to campus. In the past, firms were able to recruit on campus until second semester, but the Man, anxious as he is to corrupt our romantic liberal arts ideals, just couldn’t be kept away.

Seniors should take comfort in knowing that not all students are following these most conventional paths. And even for those who are, the Man will always be ready for them, even if they take a few years for themselves first. It would be impossible to keep all pressure of senior year, but it should be enjoyed as much as possible as the culmination of an academic career.
Student Opinion

A full four years of watery beer and slowly growing maturity

By Scott Hickey

From angry brat to literary, angry brat, I've changed a lot in the four years since the Bowdoin admissions officers were playing application toss and mine inadvertently fell into the "accepted" pile. When I needed money, I no longer go running to mom and dad with some sappy excuse about French Club dues or the youth group church picnic. When I am having trouble with schoolwork, I no longer ask dad to help me with algebra or tutor me motivational incentives, like going to a basketball game when I get an A. When I need advice about drinking and drugs, I no longer dress up like a cordless telephone and visit Mom in deposits.

The process is a sad thing that happens to a person over four years of college. For lack of a better word, I will call it death. No, I think nature is the word looking for, but I think that word was coined by frustrated parents to try to put a positive spin on boredom. What happens over the four years is not the reflection and repentance of a convicted felon in solitary. You learn the error of your previous ways and are released into the world an institutionalized man, who has gone too long lifting weights and waiting to get out and meet women.

Freshman "First Year":
I remember going to frat parties on both Friday and Saturday and still whining on Monday about what a slow fortune of a weekend had been. Conversations were usually started with "Did you go to Theta this weekend?", "Are you going to go to Kappa this weekend?". We live here together, not knowing how many bathburns full josh drank before renal failure?" The idiocy of others' actions while they were intoxicated was amusing to no end. Okay, there was an end, but it was usually our 4 a.m. supust appointment at Dunkin' Donuts. People were talking and we would walk out, not because we liked them, but rather because we knew they would speak the president's living room if enough pressure was applied. Stories were collected like baseball cards and traded between unfamiliar people to demonstrate a sufficient level of involvement with both sides. Two week long resolutions never to drink again were foiled by quarters, beer dice, and the "Friends in Low Places" game. All I can say is the whiskey drowned me and the beer chased my dinner away.

A definite insecurity pervaded the whole year, because you find yourself only hanging out with your roommates or your teammates or your dorm. It was a problem in my classes, because I did not later at the whole that we are it. They were our key to our whole truth, and nothing but the truth as they said: "Yep, that frat's on probation so you get to go there and watch the boys."

Seriously. Me and the rest of the guys are going to the library studying. You should look for us there. For a long time.

Sophomore Year:
This was weted for a year of the Dragon, because it did not turn out to be an unstable, gainful togetherness with many political and social changes taking place around us. In fact, upon final tally for the whole year, we were directly involved in almost zero political changes around me.

The problem with sophomore year is that you start taking college more seriously and your grades begin to suffer for it. I found that girls start taking you more seriously. Your grades immediately suffer from this, too. Luckily, the College doesn't need to Sensors that more seriously, because nothing that happens this year will have anything but a negative effect on your grades. Trust me.

For me, sophomore year consisted of nine months of tetanus and a hard core exercise regime. I hope none of you ever have to go through that. On the plus side, living in Howard, I finally established a last night's friends base of people with whom I had a lot in common. Unfortunately, now the Longfellow School alerts the local authorities whenever it's reeves.

Junior Year:
The first and second week of junior year when none of my friends were around, so I went up to the video store, got some ice cream and watched step by step by step. I did pretty much the same thing every weekend after that, too.

Senior Year:
On Fridays I might have a late beer for a 5 of 9. After that I don't drive. Afterwards I usually stay up for Wall Street Week and then turn in for my later back exercises and tucking in the grandchildren. Okay, that whole part about the late beer is just not true! But it sure feels like it.

I've tried to go parties, but it usually follows the same, predictable format, leading to the same, predictable outcome. I walk into a social house, loudly declaring "over" to the presumably blind, dead mute person checking i.d.'s who thoughtlessly scribbles a large X covering my hand and my entire right arm. I try to fight my way to the beer, but it's so hot that when I finally get there, I would much rather have a Gatorade or a cold shower.

Fortunately, the beer is pretty much water anyway so I drink a half and just to show everyone that I'm not president of the Math Club or whisky master of my D or whatever. I end up getting some fresh air and, decided to walk back home. The night's still young and our refrigerators are empty, that little pictures prospect isn't doing itself. Maybe I'll call Dad and ask him to go to a game tomorrow after Mom's visiting hour.

Scott Hickey is specially designed to preserve freshness.

Community In Brunswick

Tradition on the Bowdoin ice

By Brendan Hughes

I am writing this on the sixteenth floor of Coles Tower. The tower is by far the highest building in Brunswick. It is the tallest structure for miles, and from my high perch atop this monument to Bowdoin College, I can see to Portland, to Bath, and into the dark abyss that is the Atlantic Ocean. I sit on the sixteenth floor of Coles Tower. It's a beautiful view, and even the most detailed specifics of the land are obscured by the darkness. To the South, I can see the skyscrapers of Portland poking up. To the East, I can see the cranes of the Bath Iron Works. To the West, I see Maine wilderness. In the distance, mountains loom as ominous dark figures on the night sky. Then I look to the North. There lies Brunswick.

The quantity cosmopolitan town that all of us at Bowdoin know looks so much smaller from the top of Coles Tower. From here it has a little New England feel to it. It could be any town in Maine. I see Maine Street, it is a path illuminated by golden streetlights, like a yard high, and then there is the distant emerald city. I see First Parish Church. I see Dunkin Donuts, and I see the Androscoggin River. I see the Brunswick that I know.

But then there are sections that are not illuminated by the bright yellow and white streetlights. There are dimly lit streets with houses that I cannot see. I don't know who lives there, and I have never been down those streets. Maybe they have never been down them either.

And so it goes. We live here together in our own community. We live here together, eat here together and learn here together. We

are not quite sure of what our community is, or if we even have one. As an institution, we struggle daily with the question of what kind of community should be something, but we don't know what we want to be.

Can we do this? That isn't a very easy question to answer. We may never know what we want to be. But we can always look back and say it was important to us. We can identify a community of men and women who live together and learn together. But we are a great community. We are not friendly to outsiders and to those with whom we are unfamiliar. We are within a few community to the town of Brunswick. The "townies" are viewed with great contempt, and there is a minimal involvement in Brunswick itself, beside from walks to Shop and Save and down Maine Street. We see Maine Street, but we do not see much else.

We are members of more than just the Bowdoin community. We are members of the Brunswick community as well. Brunswick is one of Bowdoin, like any other community, are connected by necessity, not by choice. It is Brunswick that has given Brunswick so much, and it is from Brunswick that much has been taken. We need to give back to Brunswick, and our business on Maine Street is not enough.

A view of the sixteenth floor of Coles Tower.

The view is beautiful. I see the streetlights that reveal roads, homes, and cars. Beyond the hill is the main square on both sides. But here is home too. Brunswick is sprawling before me, and I look at the bright yellow and white streetlights on Maine Street. Then I look at the dark spots, the dim streets, and I wonder.

Brendan Hughes is a first year.

Commendation of the bowling ice

By Ted Maloney

Recently, the College has seemed determined to create "new traditions." I will leave the inherent absurdity of this concept for another time. I would, however, contend that the original "old" traditions that can benefit all Bowdoin students. Perhaps some of the traditions of tradition should be kept. But no rot next to the pit of professors that were slaughtered so that we might have more butts. Too much quads? Too much quads? How many quads do we need?

These, however, are grippes for another date. Today is too important for me to be distracted by an administration that is erecting countless new traditions in the form of a Community block-looking structures around Coles Tower. Today is special. For today, my fellow students, is opening day of the hockey season.

I fear that many Bowdoin students are shamefully unaware of the glorious tradition of community-building that used to take place every year on this day. All of the hockey games, and particularly the first home game of the season and the Colby games, used to be some of the biggest parties of the year. Nearly everyone would show up to revel in something that Bowdoin is actually quite good at. The people were loud, maybe even a little obnoxious. People got excited. When was the last time you looked around and saw something that excited Bows? Although mean based against the time the administration announced its exciting plans to build Bowdoin a version of the Dwarf's common at a slightly off-campus monument to the Man that will house countless new dreams. It was a very sad day for me.

Some of my friends and I headed down to Dayton Arena knowing that the puck had grown quite about a minute earlier. We were kicking ourselves because we knew we wouldn't be able to get prime seats near the

opposing goalie. There used to be a tradition where exuberant Bowdoinites would shout helpful words of encouragement to the young netminder for the opposing squad, and we would have to wait until the second period this year to get close enough to be heard over the throng of fellow Bears fans or fans. Or maybe not.

We entered the arena to see that almost no one was sitting in the student section. I have never been more sure that the true spirit of this traditionally great institution had finally been killed. As we made our way on, we noticed a few fresh air, and decided to walk back home. The night's still young and our refrigerators are empty, that little pictures prospect isn't doing itself. Maybe I'll call Dad and ask him to go to a game tomorrow after Mom's visiting hour.

Ted Maloney is a junior Economics major.
**Orient Speak**

What would you be doing if you weren’t at the Orient tonight?

**AARON ROSEN’01**

Maine

“I’d still be sharing ‘special’ moments with Mike Melia.”

**MICHAEL MELIA ’99**

Manchester, MA

“I’ll pretend I didn’t hear you say that.”

**JENNY SLEPIAN’01**

Portland, OR

“What? I don’t understand the question.”

**NICK LOVECCHIO ‘02**

Lancaster, PA

“There’s no place I would be other than The Orient—obviously.”

**KIM SCHNEIDER ‘00**

Longmeadow, MA

“I’d be playing You Don’t Know Jack while drinking Mike and Pedro’s hooch.”

**KATLIN EVRARD ‘99**

Union, ME

“I’d be running my brothel at 30 College Street.”

**MARGARET PEAUCHY‘02**

Somerset, MA

“You don’t want to know what Katlin was doing.”

**JOHN L. KNAPP ‘02**

Maryland...somewhere

“Joyriding with Kyle Durrie in Mike’s Camaro.”

Compiled by Adam Zimman

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**Letters to the Editor**

Child abuse in a broader context

I share Brendan Hughes’ concern that “children are being abused,” and his interest in making the world safer for kids (“I want to tell you a story that desperately needs to be told,” November 13). Yet I am concerned that by failing to place the tragic murder of Jeffrey Curley in a broader context, Hughes’ well-written essay creates a false impression about the primary perpetrators of sexual abuse and murder of children in this country.

If it is difficult for some people to confront the rape and murder of a ten-year-old boy by a stranger, it is even more difficult for them to deal with the fact that the overwhelming majority of the assaults, murders, and incidents of sexual abuse of children is by relatives, not strangers. Many, many more children are murdered by a parent than by a stranger. Many, many more children are coerced into sex by a father, uncle, or brother than by a stranger. Yet how much easier it is for all of us to link the “protection our children” rhetoric with an image of strangers men lurking around playgrounds than with an image of the home, all-American nuclear family. And whilst I admire Hughes’ reminder us that boys and young men may be victims of unwanted sexual attention, rape, and murder, the broader context here is that, more commonly, girls are the chosen victims of such violence.

If the core of our concern here is to reduce and end violence against children, then it is important to educate the public about where most of this violence occurs (the home) and craft public policy focused on empowering children—both girls and boys—in those settings.

By continuing the media’s longstanding sensationalization of the problem, and run the risk of reducing the effectiveness of our public education efforts.

Eric Roen
Department of Education

**Congress protects student rights**

Last week’s editorial regarding Congress’ Higher Education Amendments of 1998 (“The following year of fraternities”) reflects your lack of understanding and objectivity regarding the issues surrounding the fraternity question. The editorial suggests that “the attitude of many congressional representatives seems to be that students need to be protected from the social policies enacted by private colleges and universities across the country.” You continue by claiming that the “sentiment insults students’ intelligence, suggesting that we lack the knowledge or the courage to make our own decisions.”

In attempting to protect the rights of adults to associate with whomever they choose, the Congress of the United States has not insulted anyone’s intelligence—least of all the students of Bowdoin College. The problem is not that “we lack the knowledge or the courage to make our own decisions,” as you claim, but that Bowdoin will not allow us to make such decisions for ourselves. When the Residential Life decision was handed down, we learned that over seventy percent of students polled expressed a desire for fraternities to remain active on our campus, but the trustees of this school still voted to phase out fraternities. It would seem, then, that the students of Bowdoin do have the knowledge and courage to make our own decisions. Unfortunately, these decisions are only valid so long as they do not conflict with those of the administrators and trustees.

The fraternity members of the class of 2000 are faced with difficult decisions as we approach graduation. As we watch our numbers dwindle and reminisce about the “old days” we struggle to reconcile our love for our fraternities without love for Bowdoin.

The policies on fraternities is set; we are all required to abide by it. Personally, I encourage all of my fellow fraternity members to work within the confines of the new system to preserve what we can of the old. It is discouraging, though, to see the only vehicle for student dialogue on campus, The Orient, take such a slanted view on this issue, serving as the administration’s mouthpiece rather than the students’. We may be forced to accept the Residential Life decision, and some of us may even choose to work with it, but none of us are required to like it. For one, am thankful that Congress is attempting to protect the rights that Bowdoin seems all too willing to take away.

Brian Guiney ’00
Vice President, Chi Delta Phi

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**Baxter House makes an apology**

To members of the Bowdoin community:

As a College House, our aim has always been to plan innovative and exciting events at which all members of the community may feel welcome. It was our hope that our “Tupac Shakur and Notorious B.I.G. Memorial Party” would be such an event, as we assumed it had been in the past. Unfortunately, in our haste to plan and publicize last weekend’s campus-wide party, we failed to recognize our own insensitivity.

Implicit in the word “gangsta” are broad stereotypes. When the word is applied to these two popular African-American musicians, it only depicts one dimension of their lifestyle. It was a mistake to require a dress code to this event, and in itself a perception of “appropriate” attire vary. To the entire Bowdoin community, we sincerely apologize.

Yet, a simple apology would only mask the severity of this issue. As a community, we must use our mistake to initiate an open dialogue about these issues. Therefore, in coming weeks, we will take action to promote such awareness and discussion. It is our hope that all members of the community will analyze their own feelings about these recent events and share them with others, both on an individual and collective level.

Sincerely,
Baxter House

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**Shocked Admissions officer responds to Thursday’s lecture on cloning:**

“I had no idea there was such a debate about human cloning—we’ve been admitting clones for years.”

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**Notes:**


That's what these messages do not say.

The advertising made for a particular College in reference to a gangsta Party last weekend was ignorant and offensive. Though there was clearly no malicious intent in the advertisement, it should not have been made due to their implications. What assumptions are being made when they spell gangsta as "gangsta?" is an issue. Furthermore, this may have proliferated, this is not a hot issue. To Biggie and Biggie were complex individuals that were constantly portrayed negatively through their music. They shouldn't be remembered that way. The party should have been a celebration of their music, without that ridiculous word. What does the majority of Bowdoin College know about gangsta party anyway?

This party would never take place in an urban school, where there is a racially and culturally diverse student body. It's easy to throw a party precipitated on ignorance, stereotyping African Americans, when there are only a select few on campus. I'm glad it was stopped in its tracks before anything got out of hand.

Evon Klein '01

For a college that got ranked as one of the very best liberal arts colleges in the country, this message did not come as a surprise to me because this is what the power of liberal Democrats. Whose is it to question a bunch of studious college kids pursuing their function seriously, given the full pursuit of happiness as seen in a society where we're women and Washington are the only women.

Jeremy Nuwayra '01

I thought that it was interesting that this party was a "gangsta" party, not only because you had to dress like a "gangsta" (a dress code that always seems to come out of the spring for the spring gala—only in that case it was semi-formal wear), but also because this is a topic that you could not air this manner because it was what 'Pac and Biggie would have wanted'. Hold on a minute, you can't make a joke. The key will be those that use that word to describe themselves and the people they associate with? If people react this way to this then they should take offense to someone throwing an "urban girl" or "urban rapper".

Nathaniel Wolf '02

Even though I haven't seen any of these ads on campus (perhaps because they are so cleverly blended into the walls of Olin or at Smith Union) your argument questions what I felt was an immediate reaction.

I picture gangs of Bowdoin students with every type of "edgy" Crew khakis hung low and waist ties revealing 6 to 8 inches of tasteless CK boxers. I see light blue or white polo shirts, (preferably with the logo)… except in the Barr, the exposure is greater. I see capped off Cole Haans for da brothers and conservative Nine West for da sisters. The fashion scoured from reckless drinking and running to class. Fleece will be a must as well. Big, hanging Pargonias with the zipper half zipped and maybe the collar halfhooded, creating the "half look" effort. I will be7 elsewhere that's how you'll tell which gang somebody is in. So be cautious with your colors—forest green isn't for everyone.

Tim Baird '99

The only message I took was that the people at Baxter were planning a theme party. I'm really too over-sensitized people trying to install racist issues in everything that happens. It is these people that perpetuate racism and prevent us from moving on as a society. Everyone should grow up and calm down.

Craig Giannoula '02

The message I received from the sign labeling a party as a "Gangsta Party," was that there would be a party with gangsta rap music and clothing. I also noticed a poster that is supposed to contribute to the late Biggie and Tupac." The sign also mentioned appropriate dress was "appropriate gangsta attire."

I was surprised when I heard that the "Gangsta Party" had been canceled. I am glad to know that someone complained of the supposedly racial theme. Why would a "Gangsta Party" be labeled with a picture of "Gangsta" being a DJ? And why did they make the dress code popularized by the cutting edge status of the "Gangsta." Did it not occur to anyone, just to pass the word, that there is no need for this dress code? People of all races know that no one should be forced to wear a particular type of dress. We are in college for a reason. We are supposed to be learning about our race.

President Edward's letter to Mr. Eastick

Thank you for your letter of November 3 regarding the "Protection of Student Speech and Expression Rights," the nation wide "sense of the Congress" provision inserted in the Higher Education Amendments of 1998. As Senator Larry Craig of Idaho noted in a June 12 letter to his colleagues, "As a sense of the Congress resolution, the amendment is a matter of policy and would not prohibit anyone from simply being a racist, if slightly misguided, attempt to implement campus social life.

Gerry May '99

When I first saw the posters, I was deeply offended. The message seemed to be that people in Bowdoin's community dress up and portray stereotypes of a certain race and group of people. Since the poster specifically called the gathering a "Gangsta" party, mentioned rap artist Tupac and Biggie, and forced a dress code, it was all too clear that the people were trying to make a point to see in the media or in movies. This thought was proven when a white male approached me and asked me why I was going to a gangsta party? I realized then that people in this community have racist and xenophobic attitudes. Racism does exist on Bowdoin's campus! The racist acts may not be overt, and the people are not racist, but it is evident just in one poster that we all have racist tendencies. We need to take a look at ourselves and rethink or revitalize our way of thinking so things like this will be less likely to happen in the future.

Ajaion Gomes '01

It was an inappropriate party. I thought it was disturbing to many including myself. If some people paid more attention to some ISSUES that exist on campus, no such event would have been allowed. But, I guess that will never happen on this campus since everyone is so close minded with their New Hampshire's pride. Tamil You know to listening to a minority.

Tae-Jhong Choe '01

I was not offended by the leads for the gangsta party. I draw the message that there's a party, and to get in, you had to dress up. There's nothing wrong with this. We've all seen a lot of people have become too sensitive on some issues.

Dan Buckley '02

In its report, the Commission proposed a guiding philosophy of residential life (CSSA) that would provide "shared responsibility for the community, friendship and culture, and the common good at Bowdoin and beyond, and an affirmation of Bowdoin's history and finest traditions.

With this guiding philosophy, Bowdoin considered alternative residential arrangements, including possible financial buttressing of fraternities and maintenance of a "mixed" system, before embracing its new College House System. Fraternities enjoyed a long and proud history at Bowdoin, but fraternity membership had fallen from nearly 100% of the student body to less than a third in recent years. With severely limited financial resources, and reduced funding support from alumni, fraternity houses had fallen into debt and disrepair; several had been closed by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Agency (OSHA) because of exposure to legal liability, the trustees' judgement about the educational and social needs of the students, and a "sense of Congress" resolution. You may be assured that Bowdoin College is now and always will be in compliance with the laws of the State of Maine and the State of Maine.
The Hoyter’s Running Passion for Prefontaine

RYAN JOHNSON
THE HOYTER

Yes, the Hoyter has returned, its author having recovered from a seriously near-fatal case of writer’s block in his family’s summer mansion in the Cantabrian Mountains, Spain. The reemergence of the block’s writer’s block has also spurred the construction of several other new articles of writing, most notably a ten-page research paper, but it did not hamper the author from fulfilling herself over and over again with Barracks on my roommate’s cheap-ass Commodore-64 computer.

Well I’m back and I’ve learned how to construct some pretty incredibly long running sentences in my spare time. I’ve also accomplished something else: I’ve actually decided it’s about time to watch a movie. And review one.

This last time, the Tontine Mall was packed to the brim during a smog sneak preview of the Warner Brothers film “Without Limits,” the true story of American distance runner Steve Prefontaine who held American records from 2000-10,000 meters before his death at 24.

However, the recent premier of “Without Limits” pushed the attendance capacity of the theater on Maine street in Brunswick until my bladder nearly exploded.

So this week I’ve decided to look at the genre of running films. I hate to say it, but I’m going to keep this strictly distance running oriented, so that A1 I will ignore movies with the word “running” in the title, like “The Running Man,” B1 I can appeal to my most ardent readers, those members of the cross country team, by making up stories and making them characters in them; and C) keep the list shorter so I won’t have to rent the 345,712 instructional videos out there with swank, British coaches repeating “he knows in his heart of hearts...” That was officially the most poorly constructed sentence I’ve written all year. Oh well, it can only get better from here.

Without Limits
Directed by: Robert Towne
Starring: Billy Crudup, Donald Sutherland and Monica Potter

The racing scenes in this exciting drama about American distance runner Steve Prefontaine who held American records from 2000-10,000 meters before his death at 24 are absolutely incredible, and it makes up for a fairly corny scenes. Sutherland is good at introducing the young Bill Bowerman, who wussed up a little wired more than once while cooking up new shoe designs on his wife’s waffle maker. Make-up of waffle makers, why don’t we get complimentary cupcake tins in Pine Street?

Chariots of Fire
Directed by: Hugh Hudson
Starring: Ben Cross, Ian Charleson, Nigel Havers, Ian Holm, John Gielgud, Derek Christopher, Brad Davis

Sweeping saga of runners from England competing for glory in the 1924 Olympics. The beach run and Vangelis’ score is classic, even in slow motion, fast forward, backwards and frame-by-frame. This movie makes you want to take your clothes off and hit Popham Beach for a happy merry-go-round dance barefoot among the waves. Don’t miss this one.

Prefontaine
Starring: Pete Ingram

From the directors of the highly acclaimed documentary “Hoop Dreams” comes another tale of Steve Prefontaine released in the Spring of 1997. The pseudo-docu-drama plays out kind of stale and the low budget parts of the film definitely show. Ingram does a fine job in the title role, and rivals Billy Crudup for the best imitated style of Prefontaine.

The Jericho Mile

Very inspirational running drama about a man in prison who starts training to be an Olympic-caliber runner. Members keep telling me “why don’t we rent ‘The Jericho Mile’ over and over again, but I just look at him, smile, and say, “guess what sports illustrated just released on video this Friday...Suzy Hamilton scantly clad and training for the Olympics in the Caribbean on the island of Wowi-Yowl.” He then proceeds to beat me up because he does not like it when I talk about Suzy anymore. Like he ever had anything going with her. 

The Loneliness of the Long Distance Runner
Matt: “It is not as much about running as it is about jury hall.”

Me: “I think the title is the best thing about this film. I mean there are really times in every distance runner’s life when he feels extremely lonely, whether it’s during the grueling, mile grueling of Bean’s and back or even a race. Of course, nobody is ever truly on Bowdoin’s running team since we ran with Matt Hyde, a very beautiful man.”

Well that’s about enough this week. I really run out of ideas toward the end of the semester, and if you don’t want to hear about the Brown Bear the week after Thanksgiving, please e-mail me ryan62 and request what you would like me to write. Or just tell me to be quiet and eat Sour Patch Kids. That would be really cool. Even my editor would like that option since it’s about 4pm on Friday, and oh shoot. I think The Orient is already out.

Correction: Ryan C. Johnson sends out his sincere apologies to Mr. Jarriss, who’s name was misspelled and mispronounced Jarriss in the last Hoyter article. Mr. Johnson accepts all liability for injuries this caused to Mr. Jarriss, I mean Mr. Warriss.

LARA BLACKBURN
PUB REVIEWER

Well, we’re just about ready to wrap up this semester in the pub. Next Thursday is Turkey Day, and as turkeys don’t like the rock and roll, there’s no band in the pub.

The last week of classes will bring one or two more events. On December 10, the jazz band of professor Richard Nelson will be performing. Somewhere in that same week, we may be lucky enough to have a music festival with sorts. Jay Stull 02, is trying to organize a benefit concert for hurricane relief in Nicaragua, including performances by students, staff and faculty. If you are interested in performing, email jstull@bowdoin.asap.

Now, I’ll do something a bit unusual for this here column. I feel like I should share my music knowledge with the people. So what I’ll do is give you a few picks from upcoming shows in the Portland area and let you know when they are.

The first band you should know about is Cowboy Mouth. Those of you picking around for Thanksgiving or coming back early should check out Cowboy Mouth on Friday November 27. This will be a free, 18+ show at Stone Coast in Portland. Cowboy Mouth is a New Orleans band with a whole lot of energy and stage presence. You may already be familiar with them—sting that “Jenny Says” song that was around about two years ago, and their newest hit is “Whatcha Gonna Do?” Both have a ton of pop on WCYC.

Cowboy Mouth also opened up for the Baboos in the Lounge at the Senator in Portland. This is where I first saw them, although I’d had one of their albums for a while. The lead singer is a large, husky, drummer who sweats a lot. A whole lot. In fact, I got my fair share of it as it flew off him onto us in the front row.

Again, the mentionance gets everyone in the crowd of at least 6000 on their feet singing, yelling and clapping. I’ve never seen an opening band get the crowd so worked up. Seeing them at a much smaller club will be an experience you can’t forget. Also at Stone Coast on December 5 is a band called Great Big Sea. They’re from Newfoundland, Canada, and sing updated reggae songs—some originals and some traditional. They’ve also got a lot of energy, though they can’t possibly sweat as much as Cowboy Mouth.

On the other hand, I happen to see this show, let me know what you think, because we’re thought about bringing them to Bowdoin.

Finally, Arlo Guthrie will be at the State Street Church on December 13. It’s a little late for the Thanksgiving cheer of “Alice’s Restaurant” but I think he might be worth seeing just so you can say you sat through a 25 minute folk song.

Speaking of the State Street Church, I once saw a young woman by the name of Dar Williams perform there. And for those of you who have read this far, I have a piece of good news. Dar will be appearing at Bowdoin College as the headliner of this year’s BearAIDS festival. That shindig doesn’t happen until May 1, but I know she has a lot of fans out there who’ll be pretty psyched at the news.

On that happy note, I leave you for this week. I hope I’ve provided someone out there with a few things to do in the area. Lots of fun shows come through Portland, so always keep an eye out. Then when you turn 21, you can finally go to them. (Lara’s not bitter.) Look for a preview of Jack “all shows all ages” Magee’s Spring Semester in The Orient two weeks from today.

Time to look ahead to upcoming events...

Tonight!!
Widespread Panic
Nov. 21

EWA WRESTLING!!
Dec. 2 Portland

STRANGEFOLK
Dec. 3 Portland

Arlo Guthrie
YO LA TENGÖ

JONATHAN L KNAPP
STAFF WRITER

Last Thursday night, about a dozen Bowdoin students (including myself) made the trek to Cambridge, Massachusetts to see the revered indie rock band Yo La Tengo play at the Middle East. Because I had never actually officially seen Yo La Tengo, with whom I absolutely fell in love a couple of years ago, I was extremely excited (so much so that I went, despite the fact that I had a psychology test the next day). But, I did it for the love of James, Ira, and Georgia. (Yes, I am on a first-name basis with all of them.)

As everyone knows who knows me well can report, I am about to be otherwise never having seen this band play. Several weeks before I left for Bowdoin, I went with my friend Andy to see Yo La Tengo play at the 9:30 club, Washington, D.C.’s legendary rock club. As we waited in a surprisingly long line running a couple blocks along D.C.’s Street, we anxiously anticipated the band, which promised a show of hushed vocals and brilliantly ethereal songs that almost threaten to break into long stretches of cacophonic feedback. About forty-five minutes after the club owner had come out to tell us that the 9:30 had lost power, we learned that the show had been canceled. “Now,” he said, “Yo La Tengo will play in the street.” Though we were all devastated that we would not see them in one of the country’s premier clubs, we anxiously crowded around the trio, as they played, sans microphones, with acoustic guitars and a drum machine.

It was amazing as they broke into the Beach Boys’ “Little Honda” and “Center of Gravity,” both from their phenomenal 1997 release “I Can Hear the Heart Beating as One.” Andy and I left happy, as we had learned they would reschedule a show in late August or early September. Not before long, however, the realization sunk in: we would be away at school; we would miss the show. Crushed, we both retreated to our respective houses (and listened to Yo La Tengo songs into the wee small hours of the morning).

Since then, I have been determined to see the band as they should be seen: fully amplified. Luckily, the band has released a new album with Jad Fair (of Half Japanese, that legendary avant punk/noise/spoken word band from my home state of Maryland,) and is currently touring the U.S. Inevitably, they came to the Boston area (as I happily learned from Katie Benner, who also kindly gave me a ride down to Boston). Last Thursday, Katie, Becca Hall, Christine Lehmann, and I, all crammed in Katie’s little Geo, embarked on our two-and-a-half hour pilgrimage to the Middle East. Also making the trip from Bowdoin were Katie Urban, Citluka Seki, Bob Young, Bobby Martin and my illustrious pre-orientation leader Dan Farnbach.

Immediately as we walked down the stairs toward the stage, I looked over to the T-shirt stand, where James, the bassist, sat. I realized that I had to talk to him, but I could not think of anything to say. Is it really necessary that I make an absolute fool of myself? After a bit of wavering, I finally summoned the courage (or stifled my absurd fear) to converse with the indie icon.

“You probably don’t know, but when does the new record come out?”

“Yes, I have no idea.” (I think he was enjoying seeing me stumble for words.) As he stared at me, amused but sympathetic, he patiently waited to see if I had any other brilliant questions or insights. Unsurprisingly, I told him, “I went to that show at the 9:30.”

“I’m sure they would do a set alone, playing Yo La Tengo music. But this did not happen. They played a set of Half Japanese songs and songs from their new record “Strange But True,” which consists of over twenty tracks, lyrically by Jad Fair and musically by Yo La Tengo. Though it was not exactly what we expected, the show was still excellent (some of us would not agree). The highlight of the night (other than my blunder with James) came when the band played the last song of the night. As I heard the familiar riff of David Bowie’s classic “Rebel Rebel,” I told myself that I was mistaking it with another song. As Jad Fair began snarling out the words to one of my favorite childhood songs, I realized that, yes, this is worth more than any psychology test.

Satisfied, I walked out of the club with my companions. As we finally returned to campus at the glorious time of 4:30, I realized I had a class to take a half hour, I knew at some point I would be hit with the stark realization that I had a highly important test, for which I was clearly not prepared, in only a few hours. But, at least for the time being, I was in my little corner of the world.

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Website of the Week: Digital Blasphemy

JAMES FISHER
COPY EDITOR

This week’s site is a little more light-hearted than last week’s linguistic education link. http://www.digitalblasphemy.com provides striking computer-generated art to put on the desktop of your PC or Mac. The art is divided into galleries, including "Foster," "Scenery," "Planetapers" and "Space Vehicles." The site’s creator and artist is Ryan Blais (rblais@digitalblasphemy.com) who has made over 100 images using Bryce 3D, an advanced rendering program. These are some pretty technologically amazing pictures, but they also show some real creativity on Ryan’s part. Apparently, a lot of other people think so too: Ryan keeps a counter on the page, and usually gets about 4000 hits per day. Each image comes in various resolutions, and I am sure you will be amazed at the quality of the image. If, like me, you can only run 460x400 resolution, I recommend that you open the site with friends with higher computing budgets to put these pictures on your computers. The site also has some links to other places to see rendered art, as well as several comprehensive tutorials showing how Ryan created a few of his images.

Next Week: It’s Wired, Wired World

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**FRI Nov. 20**
- **Concert (8:00 p.m.)**
  Widespread Panic

**SAT Nov. 21**
- **Play (5:00 p.m.)**
  After Birth, presented by the Department of Theater and Dance.
  This collaborative theater piece directed by Shauna Kanter contains original live music by John Llabadora. Theater Project, 14 School St., Brunswick. Free with a Bowdoin ID; $5 for the public. Tickets available at the Smith Union Information Desk.

**SUN Nov. 22**
- **Concert (7:30 p.m.)**
  "Old Buildings Made New: A Celebration!" The Bowdoin Chorus performs under the direction of Anthony Antonelli. Due to limited seating, tickets are required. They are free and available at the Smith Union Information Desk until 4:45 p.m. on weekdays. The Chapel. FREE.

**MON Nov. 23**
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**WED Feb. 11**
- **Seminar (4:00 p.m.)**

**THU Feb. 12**
- **Gathering (9:00-10:00 p.m.)**
  Junior class study break, featuring free food. Although I think this is a nice idea, why can't we have a campus-wide study break? We all work hard and could use some free food. I hope this event will not be too upsetting for the rest of the student body. I will have to wipe away the tears of hurt while I watch the juniors devour their free cookies. Moulton Union.

**There's nothing happening today. Go home and eat some turkey!**
**Luck of the Bears**

**STEPHEN ALISON**

STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men’s Cross Country team finished 13th at the New England Division III meet this weekend. Thirteen is not a lucky number, and at first glance that seems to be the case for the Bears, but you’d also seem unlucky: key runners were lost to injury, other runners were studying abroad. If it were not for bad luck they’d have no luck at all. But consider this: for a team with one returning lettermen, three freshman starters and numerous key runners injured, 13th out of 32 teams in New England Division III is pretty damn good. Maybe luck did play a part.

This team was lucky to have Matt Hyde ’99 as captain. In fact, one of the season’s highlights for Coach Peter Slowenski was “How Matt Hyde had outstanding races every weekend. He had become an admirable leader all season for the Bears, leading with talent and work ethic, always training extra, and practicing longer. Hyde’s time of 26:46 at this weekend’s race did no justice to the incredible impact he has had on Bowdoin Cross Country. Chris O’Callaghan ’99 (17th/29.50) was also a high impact senior this season who proved that with a good attitude and consistent training anyone can have an impact on a varsity team.”

We were lucky to have such great leadership in a year when we have so few returning seniors. Chris Reed and Matt Hyde showed a lot of character in the leadership of this team,” Coach Slowenski said.

Another source of luck was junior Ryan Johnson, the number two man who finally had a healthy season. “I remember last year when he had all along. ‘I remember this season [most] for how Ryan Johnson had his first outstanding races at critical times when we really needed him’ asserts coach Slowenski. Johnson did indeed come up with great performances for the Bears this year in the big meets with a strong run at ECAC’s and another strong finish at this year’s Division III Championships in 35th in 26:29.

The Polar Bear Cross Country team is lucky because it has a bright future. This year the team has a fine line-up to endure the tough workouts and competition. At the rate that these freshmen improve, three years down the road they won’t need luck to win. Craig Gimmona (86th, 27:38), Dave ‘Madj Dog’ Wall (88th, 27:42) and Matt Mellen (97th, 27:49) were showed a baptism by fire this season, being thrown right into highly competitive races and holding their own.

The Bears are lucky to have sophomore Adam Cowling, a vastly improved runner who ran with determination, heart and passion. Cowling’s respectable 13:23 28:37 is just a taste to what will come if his current improvement trend continues.

In the end the 1998 Men’s Cross Country team learned just how lucky they are. Lucky to have an underdog team that performed above expectations, lucky that they ran hard and fast and enjoyed themselves while doing it. Good job this year men; good luck next year!

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**Between the lines**

**By Justin DeGeorge**

What a time to be a Boston sports fan. It seems like every time you turn around, someone’s ready to give you a kick in the groin. Over the course of the past week, one Boston sport superstar announced his inevitable departure and another fell flat in a villainous comeback attempt. One team remained mired in mediocrity while another, another, which a few days ago most worried fans with its recent 1-4 slide, now seems ready to relocate to Hartford. Dark clouds are moving over the city, none of which offer a proverbial silver lining.

The last piece of news was the most unexpected. In 1994, when the New England Patriots — after calling Massachusetts home for more than 70 years — were moved to St. Louis, Bob Kraft galloped into the picture, purchased the team, and became a local hero. The next year he further solidified his persona at the post Super Bowl gathering of fellow owners by using his words. "I just want the New England Patriots. New England. What’s better than that?" Such comments (and actions) made Bob Kraft the big picture. While the name of this team may incorporate six states, it is a Boston team. Moving the franchise out of state will alter the Boston sports’ landscape, which for the past thirty-eight years has boasted a team in all four professional leagues. In reality they’ll become the Hartford Patriots, leaving the best sports fans in the world with a team to call their own. Does Kraft actually believe that the people of Boston will gladly jog 100 miles to go see a game, when they’ve already including a one-hour commute? Or is he just planning to create an entirely new fan base? He’s going to discover that a minor league city such as Hartford can’t compete with Bostonians. Let us remember that this is the same city that recently lost its pro sports team, the Doom of the NHL, Hartford Whalers, now known as Carolina Hurricanes. I’m sure Bob; you’ll find the same loyalty there that you abandoned here.

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**Men's Basketball**

**Polar Bears take the court, ready to grow**

**ERIK SPRAGUE**
CSI CONTRIBUTOR

After finishing 14-10 last year and not making the NCAA or the ECAC tournament for the first time in several years, the Bowdoin Men's Basketball Team is looking to make some noise this season in the very strong NESCAC. This year, the team will be playing with a squad that is returning four starters, three of whom were first years who gained a lot of game time experience at the college level last year. With a lot of experienced players returning this season, the team has high hopes, but knows that they have their work cut out for them in the NESCAC. As Coach Timothy J. Gilbride realizes, "The NESCAC is a league which is extremely strong. We know we're going to have to play very well in order to succeed, but we're looking forward to it." To help reach their goals this season, the team will need contributions from player one down to player fourteen. The following is how Coach Gilbride describes his team, their skills and their progress:

David Lovely '99 is a 6'7" forward who is one of the teams co-captains. "Dave played forward for us last year. He made a great transition from a perimeter player to an inside player. He is quick inside and can step outside and hit shots."

Erich Bauchmann '00 is a 6'5" forward/guard. "Erich is a strong inside player who has a very good feel for the game. He is a good defender who sets screens and has a real good shot."

Hugh Coleman '01 is a 5'10" guard. "Hugh is a very good player. He handles the ball well, shoots well and has a lot of energy."

Will Smith '00 is a 5'11" guard and is the co-captain along with Lovely. "Will is a very smart player. He sees what's going on at both ends of the court. He has a lot of energy, is a great rebounder and provides a constant spark for our team."

Nathan Houser '99 is a 5'11" guard. "Houser is an excellent shooter, but he also is very good at passing. He is able to move the ball well and find the open guy."

Paul Masson '01 is a 6'7" forward. "Paul is a very versatile player. He can shoot the ball very well and can hold his own on defense."

David Baranowski '01 is a 6'9" center. "David is a big strong individual who has a very nice shot. He has done a very good job of getting into good shape during the off-season."

Steve McKinnon '01 is a 6'2" guard. "Steve is very athletic and strong. He has a quick first step to the basket and is a very versatile guard."

Greg Lovely '01 is a 6'1" guard. "Greg is a good shooter and ball handler and has a good defensive game."

Gilbride also mentioned how pleased he was with the play and the progress of his first-year players. "They have worked very hard in the pre-season and prove definite contributors to this team." The first years are: Scott McCabe, a 6'3" forward; Scott Jimmerson, a 6'3" guard; Shawn Pelletier, a 6'4" forward; Greg Orlice, a 6'9" guard. The Bowdoin Men's Basketball Team, under the leadership of Coach Gilbride, has had a productive pre-season and hopes to continue its good play this winter. The team has the talent and experience in place. Now they just need a great team effort with which to compete each and every night in order to continue their success in the incredibly difficult and closely competitive NESCAC.

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**Women's Hockey**

**BEARS prep for Rensselaer, Williams**

**MARGARET PEACHY**
BOWDIN ORIENT SPORTS EDITOR

For the past three weeks, the Women's Hockey team has been preparing for their crusade to land themselves in the final four in the ECAC Tournament. They are going to have to get past their first weekend first, though.

This weekend, the Bears will face off against Rensselaer and Williams. According to Head Coach Michele Amidon, "This will be a very tough opening weekend. It's not going to be a walk in the park." They will play Rensselaer, who is ranked third, Saturday night. Bowdoin is ranked fifth. Then, Sunday afternoon the Polar Bears head to Williams. Another formidable opponent who is seventh in the nation.

Tri-captain Amy Steel '99 is looking forward to this weekend. "We are going to play two very tough games this weekend, but I'll be surprised if we don't do well. We have a tremendous amount of experience on the team, with only one first year. We know what to expect and we know how to play. It's going to be fun to see how we do this weekend," she said.

The team will, however, be challenged by their low numbers. The squad will be handicapped until January with five players studying abroad this weekend. Despite the low numbers both Amidon and Steel think the team looks very strong early in the season. "I haven't seen us connecting on passes and shooting so well this early in the season in the four years that I've been at Bowdoin," commented Steel.

This weekend, the Bears will be relying on the strength and leadership of the upperclassmen. With six seniors and four juniors, the team does not have to worry about learning each other's or Amidon's styles. "They know the system and they know me. We don't have to deal with an initiation period," said Amidon.

"We have a core senior class," said Amidon, "every senior is a major contributor. We have three senior captains and the other three seniors are just as much leaders as the captains. Our real strength is the team as a whole, all 15 players. Everyone practices that we've had, everyone has given 110%."

Hopefully all the extra effort put in by the Bears will pay off this weekend, and they will have a glorious ride home Sunday night.

**"It's going to be fun to see how we do this weekend."**

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Krueger, Babb receive All-American distinctions

Senior co-captain Dana Krueger has become the second field hockey player in school history to be named to the NFHCA All-American First Team, while junior Joanna Babb has earned a spot on the third team.

Krueger and Babb were big factors in the Polar Bears' rebounding from a 4-4 start to finish the season with a 11-5 finish to earn the team a number one seed in the Eastern College Athletic Conference tournament.

A two-time NFHCA First Team All-New England selection and two-time First Team New England Small College Athletic Conference All-Star, Krueger has the most wins (34) in school history when she blanked Colby, 1-0, in the quarterfinals of the ECAC tournament. She also owns the school records for shutouts in a career (17) and a season (9 in 1996) and has tied the mark for most wins in a season (13 in 1994).

This season, she played in all but 12 minutes with a .902 save percentage, a .96 goals against average and five shutouts. Perhaps Krueger's finest game of the season came against Trinity College. Trinity entered the October 24 content ranked third in the nation with a 10-0 record but ran into a Krueger, who made nine saves to boost the Polar Bears to a 2-1 victory.

Babb was selected to the NFHCA First Team All-Star and NFHCA All-New England teams along with Krueger. Babb was the Polar Bear's top scoring threat in 1998, scoring ten goals and dishing out seven assists for a team-high 27 points.
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College to acquire Theta and Psi U

Theta will house the Admissions office, and Psi U will become a new College House.

LAWRA HILBURN
STAFF WRITER

The alumni corporations of Kappa Delta Theta and Psi Upsilon have finalized agreements that will turn their fraternity houses over to the College. The Administration will acquire Psi U at the end of the month and Theta in the summer of 2000, but already has plans for the badly needed on-campus space.

The Office of Admissions is slated to move from Cowden Hall to Theta. By the end of the month, the College will also have acquired the barn on Theta's property which it intends to use for a long-sought after crafts center with a photography dark room and pottery studios, scheduled to open next fall.

When the College acquires Psi U, it will begin a massive restoration project to convert the building into an additional College House. A committee chaired by Director of Residential Life Bob Graves and consisting of students, faculty, staff and fraternity alumni will oversee the project, and has begun to look at the building's original drawings. Leading the renovation will be the Portland firm SMRT, and the grandson of Calvin Stevens, the architect who designed the Psi U house.

The new College House will most likely host one of the two bricks currently affiliated with 238 Main Street or Howard Hall.

According to the terms of the agreement with Theta, the College will pay Theta $100,000 and give them credits over the next two fiscal years, including subsidies for their dining program. Upon the fraternity's closing, the College will establish a $350,000 Theta endowment fund, with its earnings providing scholarships to Theta and DKE alumni legacies and supporting a College House. Psi U will give its house to the College. In return, Bowdoin will forgive $2,000 of the fraternity's $23,000 debt and provide Psi U an endowment fund of $280,000. After Psi U uses $40,000 to pay off existing debts and back income, the fund will be used for a major renovation.

The contract with Psi U, however, is dependent upon the passage of an amendment to the town's zoning law on Monday night's town council meeting. They need approval to use land on the west side of Maine Street for College Houses, since that area currently is not zoned for such a use. The Brunswick Town Planning Board has unanimously approved the plan, and the College is cautiously optimistic for its approval by the town at large.

As part of both agreements, the history of the fraternity buildings will be maintained through the retention of chapter rooms and other efforts. "There is no intention of obliterating the memory of these rooms," said an alumni representative. The Psi U house will be named for Pat O'Donnell, a former professor of theater at Bowdoin.

A benefit raises $1,200 for charity

The Catholic Students Union sponsored a banquet to benefit OXFAM, a Boston-based charity that works to end world hunger. All proceeds from the banquet, which was held on November 18 in the Daggett Lounge in Woods, were given to OXFAM.

The banquet cost five dollars for students not on a meal plan, and a dollar, plus board, for those on a meal plan. Dining services donated part of the money from the transferred board to OXFAM, and the Catholic Student Union also sold raffle tickets to raise extra money for the charity.

The week of November 16th was National Hunger Week, which prompted the Catholic Students Union to host the OXFAM banquet. OXFAM sponsors other similar banquets across the country, including many during National Hunger Week, all with the same theme.

The banquet was set up so that students received a high-, middle- or low-class meal ticket, said Roseanne de Masi '01, co-chair of the Catholic Students Union. "Students didn't know until the night of the evening what kind of ticket they received, however, and overall by the town at large they had, they received a different meal."

The students with the lowest class meal tickets had a bowl of rice and beans, a piece of bread and were given a glass of water; they also had to eat on the floor. Students with high-class tickets were seated at a table with candles and a tablecloth, and given food from the dining hall. Students with middle-class tickets were seated at a table, but given the same meal as the lower class students, with the addition of a salad.

"We're a low-class fraternity and we don't have a lot of money," said De Masi. "But we consulted on what to prepare for the three different groups. OXFAM has the same theme at all of their banquets, to illustrate their point in an interesting way."

This year, over 250 students attended the banquet, a substantial increase over last year's attendance. "Last year," said Matt Clark '01, "we had about a hundred students attend, so it's great to see students come out and attend an event like this. We think the publicity this year had something to do with it, but the raffle was also quite a draw."

In addition to charging for the banquet, the Catholic Student's Union also sold raffle tickets for a dollar. The prizes included a bicycle, donated by a dining service contact, a new stereo and several gift certificates.

The banquet and raffle brought in twenty dollars this year, far more than last year's event.

As a part of National Hunger Week, OXFAM sponsored many such banquets across the country. Bates College also held a banquet the same day, which raised $7,000.

"It's really amazing how many students were involved at Bates," said Clark. "It was nice to see 250 students [here at Bowdoin]."
FACES OF BOWDoin:
Cynthia McFadden

GRETCHEN BERG
CONTRIBUTOR

Cynthia McFadden, a Bowdoin grad and native of nearby Cody’s Harbor, now calls the Big Apple and the fast-paced, high-pressure world of network news home. While her days are now occupied as a correspon-
dent for ABC News’ 20/20 and a frequent anchor on Good Morning America, they are spent attending classes in Hubbard Hall, writing as the News Editor for the Bowdoin Orient and, like us, relishing in the comfort and safety of all too familiar small town in Maine.

The leap from the towering pines of Bruns-
wick to the skyscrapers of the city was no easy accomplishment for McFadden, how-
ever.

“I hadn’t experienced anything except a little town in Maine and it seemed to me that was enough. I didn’t go away for my junior year, in part because I became really seduced by the college in a way. It was hard for me to leave Bowdoin. It was hard for me to leave Maine. It felt very safe, I was really frightened of the world outside the college.”

Bowdoin College exists as a part of ‘McFadden’s orbit which she looks back at with great admiration.

“Sort of irked Bowdoin. Bowdoin to me was like a synonym. I didn’t know a place like Bowdoin existed. I didn’t know that people like the people that met on the faculty existed before I got there. It was exciting and stimulating and I tried to absorb it all.”

For the four years that McFadden spent on the Bowdoin campus, she never once longed to be anywhere else. The world outside seemed separate and foreign but that was okay.

Leaving the comfort of a place she knew so well was not easy. However, McFadden claims that she had many false starts immediately following her graduation in 1978. Undecided about what exactly she wanted to do, she spent time working in the Governor’s Press Office, as Director of Public Relations at St. Mary’s General Hospital and in Washington.

In 1981, a year after graduating, she found herself in New York City working as a legal correspondent for the ABC News legal team.

“I had graduated and was always heading in the direction of New York. His advice was to specialize in a specific area and then apply that knowledge to journalism. With an interest in politics and law, McFadden decided that law school would be the path.

“I wasn’t like many other law students. I was a little bored with law school. I never once longed to be anywhere else. It was overwhelming to me. Coming back to New York didn’t seem like a.”

Cynthia McFadden ‘78 is one of ABC’s leading news correspondents. (Photo courtesy of ABC News)

delicious.”

These hesitation were however outweighed by McFadden’s ambition and passion. McFadden feels also that the confidence her parents had in her forced her to believe in herself. “The three of us were a great team. I must say I credit them with anything that I have been able to do.”

Surviving law school, McFadden gradu-
ated in 1981. While her experience there was differen
t from the days in Brunswick, the time she spent at Columbia proved to be worthwhile. For six years following law school, she worked for PBS as Executive Producer of a series which explained complicated legal issues to the average American.

Her efforts earned her the opportunity to be the afternoon anchor for cable’s Court TV, where she would cover more than two hundred and fifty cases.

With such expertise in both law and journ-
alism, McFadden found herself in a situa-
tion of which she had only dreamed. By 1994, in what New York’s Newsweek called “a wild bidding frenzy,” ABC News hired McFadden as a legal correspondent, an assignment created specifically for her.

Her first challenge at ABC was however no piece of cake. In fact, it was the coverage of the so-called Trial of the Century, the O.J. Simpson trial, and she had a seat in the second row.

She admits, “I have to say that in many ways I was uniquely prepared to seize the opportunity. I had gone to law school, I had worked for Court TV for three years cover-
ing 250 trials. I had just come to ABC and I felt I was a representative of, I think, the greatest news organization in the country.”

While confident in her qualifications, McFadden doubts, at times, her own luck.

“the one is such an opportunity of a life-
time to recollect that I would be doing a live shot with Peter Jennings or Ted Koppel and I couldn’t quite believe I was doing it.”

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mit in Rome that aimed to halve the num-
ber of hungry people by 2015, said in its annual

State of Food and Agriculture report that num-
bers of severely undernourished people in
developing countries rose marginally in the last six years.

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Rival factions from South Korea’s largest Buddhist sect fought battles with rocks and Molotov cocktails yesterday over control of a temple, injuring at least 10 people.

The battles were the latest in a dispute over the leadership of the 1,000-year old Chogyo order, which emphasizes meditative prac-
tices and never does battle. It was fought between South and North Korea gathered in Seoul to hold a rally to try to win back control of the temple. 5,000 riot police were present but did not inter-
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McFADDEN, from page 2

this with these men who I obviously ad- mired.”

McFadden is honestly humble about the effects of the experience on her career. "It is the most fun fact that journalism scorers are made in other peoples' trag- edies whether it be a natural disaster, flood, a humanitarian crisis or the death of two people in California. It is hard to celebrate it. On the other hand, the opportu- nity to write it is a privilege."

Just last year, McFadden joined the ABC News force in London covering the death of Princess Diana. It was a privilege, but it is always sad to think of two people’s lives cut short.

McFadden describes how she continues to be enthralled by such unique experiences. "I know, those moments are just amazing to be a witness to history. Many have said it better than I but the idea of being able to be there for this first rough draft of history is a very exciting one. I am grateful for the opportu- nity. Really being a journalist means that you have the opportunity not only to tell stories that mean something to you but to observe things. This is really why I wanted to be a journalist.”

McFadden’s father gave her advice that she still remembers today: “It is advice which many of us ought to honor. ‘Anybody can have a job that they don’t like. You go to school and you work hard and you strive and the more you try not to end up with a job you don’t like.’”

McFadden’s own success and happiness are in part due to this idea. She thinks, "While simple, it’s an idea which has grand effects.

With such a job, McFadden has experi- enced incredible places, she has witnessed moments in history first hand and she has reached some of her highest expectations. While her focus now lies with her work as a correspondent for 20/20, she still sees her days in Brunswick as some of the best times in her life. "Bowie does make me smile when I think back on the things that happened." she notes.

Today, despite where McFadden has been, Bowdoin continues to be a very meaningful place.

"It is a different place. What strikes me as so interesting is that I never appreciated at the time the architecture of the college. The actual physical plans of the college is still very comforting to me. Being on campus is a very powerful experience. It always makes me cry. I can’t stand in the middle of the quad and look around at the buildings without being overwhelmed by them."

For those who don’t understand the way McFadden feels about Bowdoin, she can only feel "thankful for the fortune." "It was funny when I first started to be interviewed about my life and I would always talk so lovingly about Bowdoin. But Bowdoin never appeared in any of the ar- ticles. ‘She went to Columbia Journalism School,’ would and ‘Columbia Law School’ would. But Bowdoin is a special place. You know there is a funny bond that develops between people who know about the college. I am, of course, immediately drawn to people who know what it means to have been admitted to the college. It is something that you tell from and it know what a special, wonderful expe- rience it is.

It is funny, funny things which McFadden holds dear. It is in memories and the snapshots of images of her days here at Bowdoin which still are locked forever in her heart. She looks back to those days with the class of 1978/1980. It was such a time filled with challenges, creativity, learning, free- dom, fun, excitement and comfort. It is a time which most of us are living right now. McFadden’s story teaches us more, however. As a correspondent for the newscast, Tonight, McFadden has yet to come.

As a correspondent for a major network news program who feels she is making a differ- ence, Cynthia McFadden has succeeded. We can have the faith that however bumpy the road may appear and however safe life seems at rest, we can and will make it, too. What an opportunity it is to be a Bowdoin Polar Bear for life.
Historians explore value of nature in lecture series

JEN KIRBY  STAFF WRITER

The final lectures in this semester's series of talks on the value of nature took place Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Krenge Auditoirum. Assistant Professor Sarah McMahon, chair of the history department, presented her discussion entitled "Evolution of North American Efforts to Value Nature and Comprehend Ecosystems, 1600-1900." Retired University of Ohio at Springfield professor Edward Howes spoke on "Wilderness, Com- mons and Farm in Early Maine."

The two speakers discussed the historical perspective on the valuation of nature following previous lectures dealing with the economic and philosophical perspectives. McMahon examined the views of nature at two periods in our nation's history: early colonization in the 17th century and the westward expansion movement in the 75 years following independence. During these peri- ods there was little understanding of nature as an ecosystem, and nature was viewed as an opportunity for production and expansion. "They viewed the land with a gaze of development," McMahon said. "They had a sense of nature but not the ecosystem that provided the services. [They were] not concerned about limits and characterized change as improvement and progress." She added that the wilderness was wasted land in most eyes during the earlier periods in history.

McMahon said that a few accounts reveal the beginnings of a broader view of nature as an ecosystem with limits, but that for the most part, the "gaze of development had a powerful hold on Euro-American consciousness."

"The current debate hinges on ecologically calculating the economic value of ecosystem services," she said. "In history, nature has been valued, devalued, altered intentionally- ally, civlized, and un-intentionally—polluted. The historical perspective reminds us that decisions we make imply value assessment whether or not it is to economic or monetary terms."

Howes spoke on the myths of history and their affects on the valuation of nature, spec- ifically the Judeo-Christian myth of creation and the "Tragedy of the Commons" myth. "In order to properly value nature and the place of humans in it we need to examine myths that shape our behavior toward nature and each other," he said.

Howes pointed to phrases within the Judeo- Christian mythology of humans having "dom- inion over earth and sea" and the belief that humans should "subdue and dominate." He suggested that current visions of nature are influenced by the creation myth, and thus the analyses of the conflicts and themes of myths will help in understanding nature.

"The first Judeo-Christian origin myth is significant for its influence upon the way people value Nature," he said. "Myths imply cultural historical realities and shape behav- ior. We need to revitalize myths, give mean- ings to important words and motifs that lead to sustainability."

Modern myths, like the "Tragedy of the Commons," are also important according to Howes, and find their roots in ancient myths.

Howes said he feels that we are in the process of restoring the commons in a mod- ern form with governing principles of shared and complementary rights, environmental and social justice, and harmony with nature. He stressed the importance of ancient and modern myths in their influence upon the human valuation and view of nature. "Myths are an important cultural his- torical reality that permeates culture, and we ignore them at our peril," he said.

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This semester's J-Board cases:

Below is a summary of the Judicial Board's actions during the past semester, including five academic cases that arose at the end of the Spring 1998 semester that were heard at the beginning of the fall semester. The information below includes: (1) the semester in which the charges were brought forth; (2) the nature of the alleged violations; (3) the actual charges brought against the student; and (4) whether or not the student was found responsible and what action, if any, was taken. This chart reflects all available data through December 3, 1998.

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Bowdoin in Brief

Two students and two faculty members presented their research at the 13th An- nual Maine Women's Studies Conference at the University of Maine at Farmington on November 14th. Two Bowdoin Se- niors, Sandra Logan and Katharine Di Resta, participated in the conference. Log- gan presented "Face It: Family Portraits," a presentation which grew out of an art history seminar, "The Portrait," which was offered by Professor Linda Docherty in the fall of 1997. Di Resta presented a joint paper with Marie Barbert titled "Repre- sentations of the Family in Contempo- rary Spanish Cinema." The paper grew out of an independent study of DiResta's in gender roles, social class and the family in Spanish film.

Associate Professor of Sociology, Nancy Riley shared her current research in "The State's Role in Changing Family Dynam- ics: A Case Study from Northeast China." She discussed how women are supported by government initiatives to improve their lives, but not supported in others.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Psychol- ogy Daniel D. Kurylo has been awarded a federal grant from the National Institute on Aging to support research on visual impairment in Alzheimer's disease. For the past several years, Kurylo has been working with Bowdoin students to ad- minister perceptual and other psychologi- cal tests to Alzheimer's patients.

This semester’s J-Board cases:
Editorials

A house by any other name

The College’s newly settled plans to acquire two fraternity houses is good news for the Administration, the student body and the direction of the College. The conversion of the Theta house into the Office of Admissions will lead to a better impression of Bowdoin for prospective students, as the house is closer to the center of campus and far more inviting than the relatively drab Chamberlain Hall. The addition of the Psi U house to the College House system is of benefit to the student body, as it provides additional housing and leadership opportunities, as well as bringing the College closer to its eventual goal of approximately ten College Houses. The new house could alleviate the overburdened 238 Maine Street, which has been struggling for two years to accommodate twice as many students as any of the other houses.

We also applaud the decision to honor the fraternities’ legacies, providing each with a chapter room that will keep on display trophies, plaques and other remembrances of those who lived there and will remain as a gathering place for alumni. This compromise, as symbolic of the larger merger, is a heartening indication of an agreeable post-fraternity Bowdoin. The fraternities are coming to terms with their place in the Bowdoin that is now and the Administration is planning to incorporate them smoothly and thoughtfully.

Furthermore, naming the Psi U house for a prominent legacy/alumni avoids the confusion of having a 238 Maine Street and a 250 Maine Street in the same College House system, which leads us to our next point: the Chi Psi and former Alpha Rho Upsilon houses deserve names, not numbers. The Bowdoin Patriot ran an editorial last fall suggesting several Bowdoin alumni whose accomplishments merit recognition. Given the number of Bowdoin graduates who have had a major impact on our nation and the world, is it that hard to find a few worthy of having a house named after them? 238 Maine Street and 7 Boody Street are mailing addresses, and it is difficult for students to feel a sense of belonging to a number. One of the original ideas of the College House system was for each of the houses to develop a unique character based on the house leaders and students participating in the system. What kind of character can a house develop if it has no identity? If the Administration is serious about having a sense of student ownership in the College Houses system, and creating lasting traditions and legacies, the students need a house name in which they can take pride.

We love the library

The Office of the Dean of Student Affairs made a much-appreciated gesture last week by committing to keep several study spaces open all hours of the night through this most stressful stretch of the semester. They’ve opened up under-appreciated pockets of campus, supplementing the extended reading period hours at Hawthorne & Longfellow Library.

It’s such a good idea, in fact, that we suggest longer library hours throughout the semester for those among us who start late and work long. Whereas most other colleges’ main library hours extend until at least 1 a.m., the Hatch Science Library and Hawthorne & Longfellow close their doors at midnight during the regular course of the semester.

Not everyone works best on the same schedule. Some students follow Ben Franklin’s words religiously: “Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise.” Others are true night owls, and can rarely get work done if the sun is still shining. Bowdoin should be sensitive to students’ different internal clocks, providing study areas both early in the morning and late at night. This should be true throughout the year, not just in the few weeks prior to final exams.

Especially for those who live in the procrastination factories disguised as dorms, a quiet study space at home is not always an alternative. Since the opening of Druckenmiller Hall, students do have options, but none with the resources of libraries such as Hatch and H&L. Students contending with research projects would appreciate having a welcome place to do their work.

But wait, you might say, isn’t this the same page that said we were all too stressed out in the last edition? By no means do we advocate students’ spending all hours of the night in the library; it is not healthy despite the many who succeed in surviving such performances. Instead, we seek a schedule which might better accommodate the frenetic variety of students’ lifestyles, whether they be the early bird or the procrastinating worm.

Announcing next semester’s staff

Next semester at the Orient, Kim Schneider ’00, the current News Editor, will assume the position of Managing Editor. Afsheen Family ’02 will take on the position of News Editor, and Aaron Rosen ’01 will continue in his role as Opinion Editor.

Serving as Co-Arts & Entertainment Editors will be Anna Dornbusch ’01, the current calendar editor, and Jon Knapp ’02, the Assistant News & Entertainment Editor. Margaret Peachy ’02 will continue as Sports Editor. Adam Zimman ’00 and Kate Maselli ’01 will continue as photo editors. All three copy editors will return: James Fisher ’02, Nick Lo Vecchio ’02 and Belinda Lovett ’02. Michael Melia ’99 will remain as editor in chief.

Cristin Nitsch ’00 will take over the business management in addition to his advertising duties. Pedro Sainz ’00, opinion editor emeritus, will return as circulation manager.


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STUDENT SPEAK

What percentage of Bowdoin Students do you think are from Massachusetts?

BETSY CONLAN '01
Right outside of Boston, MA

"How many students go here?"

ADAM WESTON '02
Bedford, MA

"I don't think anyone’s from Massachusetts."

MELISSA GOODRICH '01
Chestnut Hill, MA

"about as many students as went to prep school."

NAT WATERS '00
Nantucket, MA

"Probably about 97 percent but I'm the only one from Cape Cod."

DAVE THOMAS '00
Lenox, MA

"I try to dislocate myself from the Eastern Mass. reputation. Western Mass. is it’s own state."

CLINT HUSTON '02
New Bedford, MA

"There are a lot of Massachusetts-plate Range Rovers on campus . . ."

TAYLOR GANG '00
Miami, FL

"Did you know that Maine used to be part of Massachusetts?"

KYLE AMBROSE '00
Winchester, MA

"There is an unusually high amount, and Bowdoin would be a better place if there were more."

Compiled by Jared Liu & Krista Friedrich

Letters to the Editor

To the President and the Trustees of the College:

The Executive Board of Bowdoin Student Government would like to express concern over the continuing problem of financial aid at Bowdoin College. At the fall meeting of the Executive Committee of the College, President Robert Edwards asserted that the College may encounter difficulty meeting the financial aid needs of the student body in coming years. He went on the state that the College may need to reconsider its commitment to need-blind admissions if the recent downward trend in the economy persists. In a memorandum distributed to the Board of Trustees, written on October 12, addressing "The Post Campaign and Future Funding Needs," substantial concerns are raised relating to the lack of college investment in financial aid. The memorandum reads, "The financial model the College used to establish a financial aid target for the Campaign indicated that an addition of $10 million to financial aid endowments would enable the College to retain roughly its current aid policies, but would make no increase either in the spread or the quality of its financial aid packages."

The Student Executive Board would like to reaffirm our commitment to the students of Bowdoin and the College community as a whole by voicing our concern about the problem of financial aid for this year and in the foreseeable future. It is our firm belief that the College must meet the needs of the students first. Financial aid must be a top priority in the post-Campaign decision-making of Bowdoin College, specifically through the preservation and expansion of the need-blind practice in admissions. If we hope to attract a more ethnically and geographically diverse student body, financial aid packages to potential and current students must become more attractive. With current developments in progress, such as the Wentworth expansion and the Union Street project, one can easily become confused as to where the priorities of the College are. While Bowdoin College does have space concerns that need resolution, these issues can be solved over time, the commitment to attracting a high quality student body regardless of their financial need must be a top priority of the College and the Board of Trustees.

As a mouthpiece of the student body, the Student Executive Board asserts its confidence in the Board of Trustees to seriously consider what is in the best interests of the students of Bowdoin College. Bowdoin has made a tremendous effort in the past to meet the demonstrated financial need of its student body; this commitment must be continued as a top priority of the College. We thank you for your time and attention.

The Student Executive Board,
Steve Lee ’96, Chairperson
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I ask people to look beyond our superficial differences and think about the factors that really shape the individual. A person is not inherently different simply because of the color of their skin.

Our real differences come from economic, geographic, and social factors; not from whether or not a person has a racial level of melanin in their skin. Now there is some inherent worth in an argument that Bowdoin should strive to recruit students geographically and socially, to meet the expectations of the Board.

However, I think that Bowdoin College, in its role as a college and one of the last bastions of an ideal world, should strive for the ideal of a color-blind society (which, I presume, is the goal of all this). We shouldn’t, as Ms. Gibson and Ms. Ryan say, dismiss it as “appealing.” Bowdoin should, and must, strive for the ideal.

Hugh Hill ’92

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Children of darkness: a diatribe about bureaucrats

by Seth Jaffe

For ranting purposes, let me create a definition of bureaucrats: Bureaucrats: those little deformities of society, whose work is to do as much as possible, and to make your life better, while in reality paying their allegiance to all that is unholy and impure. In Hebrew, Reet Choshek, the children of darkness. Little men at work in dirty places. Little men that have the world by the throat. Death by a thousand pinpricks.

We complain that government is too big in America. We have no idea. For those of you who would like to have your perspective re-oriented, go to another country. The Israeli system, for instance, is awe-inspiring. In its inner parts, it is translucent. It astounding it must have been ingeniously crafted in the deepest recesses of Hell. The system works, as my wife, a lawyer, says, "In the wake of the world's systems are controlled by Satan, Ha-satan in Hebrew, the adversary. Hell is the system, and the causes of 'helping', the forces of evil corrupt the world from within.'

I have been forced to examine one example of bureaucratic incompetence thoroughly: perhaps the most insolent instance in Israel. The national phone company, a certifiable monopoly. It is called Bezeq, but it is known by many less flattering names. Everyone needs a phone number, and the phone number moves locations nightly—and the building itself smokes and burns pre-naturally by light of day.

Every OYP, one year program, student

trundlery there during their first week, maybe more than a year later, when phone line is installed. One has little choice. It typically takes one about one day to locate the building. When the line is eventually discovered, the phone is invariably clogged. They are immediately re-opened after you leave and closed again. The phone number is often not given to customers within one hundred
days.

Occasionally, when the right stars are in alignment, a phone entry is made and the entrance itself is a dark hole in the wall, guarded by a solitary figure. He is four-foot
tall, as I am tall. He is covered in white, and children are crying. One takes a number. Forty-five minutes later one realizes no one is using the number system. In typical Israeli fashion, everyone rushes the counter. After twenty minutes of waiting for the phone to ring, the phone company realizes that it is the person asking what the next item on my bill represents. "Oh, he said, "that's the 17 percent value that you get on all your purchases." This threw me for a loop, and I asked for your number.

She has asked for no one else's number, and now you must admit that you threw me for a loop at the unexpected. "You have a small sign, hanging crooked. It said, in small neat print, "Hell is closed, please come back at least a year later." I was about to get my phone connected, and then it didn't work. I read my phone literature. I said, "I am unable to understand it."

"The dial 666 for operator assistance," it said. After being put on hold for twenty minutes, I was able to be connected. The phone company was able to perform evil deeds, drown puppies, burn old ladies, sacrifice chickens, etc. A few minutes later, I was able to get through to receive a single bill. Again, I was forced to try the phone company so as to change my phone number and straighten out. I discovered apparently owned 1,200 shekels, or three
dollars American dollars. Awestruck, I head over to the gate in the middle of the hall to meet lesser demons. I owed five hundred shekels for my phone deposit, which I was assured I would probably never see again. OK. I then realized that there was a late fee on my bill.

I told the horded man in front of me that I had moved midwives and hadn't received my bill, something that had happened to the majority of overseas students. The man turned to me and said, and I'm not making this up, "Well, that's the nature of the real world; you are expected to pay your bills on time." Gasping for words and at the same time trying not to resist the urge to wrap my hands around his thick scrotal, I stated numbly, "You have a responsibility to swallow this fact, I think, what I mean the item on my bill represents."

"Oh," he said, "that's the 17 percent value that you get on all your purchases."

I tried to return later that week, after been convinced by friends that I needed a phone line at the Soundsystem. I was met by a small sign, hanging crooked. It said, in small neat print, "Hell is closed, please come back at least a year later."

"No," I replied, "Somewhere, the devil is laughing at me."

When you are opera, "Framework, surfanek, Framework, above all else..."

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Moving from de-segregation to re-segregation?

by Nick LoVecchio

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QUESTION: Which Bowdoin professor do you admire most, and why?

Paul Franco, Associate Professor of Government: I admire him because he wears his heart on his sleeve. When he conceived him near the Bowdoin sun in a hypothetical solar system. A typical day in the life of Professor Franco begins with a trip to the local library where he spends hours reading, rereading, and reviewing. He is a master at his craft, and his passion for the subject is evident in his lectures and discussions. He is always willing to share his knowledge and insights, making him one of the most respected professors on campus.

Andrew Gowing '01

I really admire Professor Laurence Klein, the Professor of Music. His expertise in jazz and music theory makes class interesting. Whereas some classes aren't even worth getting up for, his class is certainly worth the effort. And now, I am finishing up the course "Development and Democracy in East Asia" and I have to say it was one of the most interesting and important classes I have taken. The professor encourages thoughtful debate and discussion in class, and he always makes students feel comfortable about asking even the most basic questions. He's a very approachable person, in short. He's a great teacher.

Kate Steele '08

In a top-genius college that markets itself on the strength of its faculty, the teaching staff at Bowdoin can hardly be subject to the usual stigmas of good-naturedness. So when professors at this college perform their jobs and they do them well; but they are at a level that is relatively hard to compete and tend to be too slight ways to give way to ranking. As students, we chose to attend Bowdoin. We chose a university with a history of excellence and have decided that a professor's ability to produce a scholar meant more to us than his mere presence for school's reputation. Thus, the best professor to be determined by his or her ability, or better yet, decision, to balance their work and their involvement in subject matter with their investments in students.

Professor Watterson distinguishes himself amongst his colleagues not through superior pedagogy (although his classes are quite clear, unambiguous, and entertaining narratives), but in his sincere knack of proving to the students that he actually cares. Aside from Professor Cassamajor (who is a name of the professor who does so frequently with students), Professor Watterson is known to go so far as to invite students to his house. I would estimate that less than ten percent of my professors have ever spoken to me outside of the classroom.

As of right now the professor I admire the most is Matt Lassiter. Why? Because he is the best professor I have ever had and an expert in the field of ancient religion would be invaluable to the religion department, which has no ancient historians in the department.

Mia Serenelli '01

There are two professors that absolutely blow my mind! They are Professor Craig McEwen and Professor Eddie Glaude. I admire both of them enormously. Professor McEwen is by far the easiest lecturer that I have ever attended. He is the class that is taught down to earth, funny, inspiring, and well-prepared for each and every class he teaches. He also very modest and humble. He actually did admit that and when he might not know something, though it doesn't happen very often; he will admit that he is out of his depth. This professor has a great passion for his work and makes you feel comfortable around him. He makes me feel like I belong in the class with him. Luke Bulley '02

I think Prof. Art Epstein is the coolest. He cares so much about his students and getting them interested in physics and oceanography. He gets excited at not-interesting the most physicists that can't help getting really excited at the same time. He makes physics even more exciting and interesting to me, and I was already a physics major before I took a class with him! Sean Raymond '99

Eddie Glaude...no question! Professor Glaude has made my education at Bowdoin amazingly rich because he reminds me that we are here to celebrate the life of the mind. Professor Glaude is excited about ideas. His passion for learning shines through in his lectures and class discussions...he made me want to be a religion major! NeEdra James '03

To be honest, there is one professor I always want to see help her out students. Michael Mulholland '02

Professor Ortman...He never leaves Hubbard except for classes. James Choe '01

John Turner (Spanish). He has major expertise in almost every subject he teaches, and he teaches it well! He's a pretty good guy. Scott Jamieson '02

Professor Nishizaki, because he makes you actually think about life's big questions and he seems to really be good enough to answer your answers matter.

Mike Zachary, '02

I admire Professor Nyhus the most because he is a hell of an individual. Kylie Quinn '01

John Babbie. He lives in his studio with a mattress and his sculptures and his two dogs. He has a PhD. He works nails together. He loves his students.

Adam Cowing '01

The Bowdoin College Bulletin is the college newspaper of Bowdoin College, located in Brunswick, Maine. It is published weekly from September to May, with an additional issue published in May. The Bulletin is a student-run publication that covers campus news, events, and campus life. It also features columns, opinion pieces, and other content written by students. The Bulletin is published by the Bowdoin College Student Body, with the assistance of the faculty and staff. Bowdoin College has a long history of academic excellence and is known for its strong emphasis on liberal arts education. The college is particularly noted for its close-knit community and the high-quality education it provides. The Bulletin serves as a platform for students to express their opinions and viewpoints, and it is an important part of campus life.
Arlo Guthrie: Folk and Symphony together at last

The Bowdoin Orient, ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT, December 4, 1998

Thrift Shops, Human Sculptures and Tango

Arlo Guthrie is proud of his hippie style and we should be too. (Rising Sun)

Christiane Connors
STAFF WRITER

On Saturday night, prepare yourself for one of the most fascinating, odd-ball performances of the year. The Bowdoin College Performing Arts Series and the Campus Activities Board present the dance ensemble Second Hand. The group specializes in creating human sculptures with three bodies and a variety of props purchased from thrift shops. Suggesting the unusual? It should. The past modern group Second Hand uses techniques and creative styles that surpass all dance norms.

The company consists of three members, Andy Honwitz, Greg O'Brien, and Paul Gordon, who are the co-founders of the group. Since the group formed in 1987, it has performed extensively throughout the U.S. and Canada. They have also performed for international audiences in Europe, South America and Asia. The ensemble has also collaborated with the popular band Rusted Root to create a recent music video. Regardless of the audience type or where the group performs, Second Hand almost always receives standing ovations and critical acclaim for its performances.

The trip doesn't rely on a single director, but instead the members work jointly to create a variety of routines ranging from tango dancing to pattern games which emphasize thrift and group continuity. The group's props are an integral aspect of the performances as well. The company uses tools such as cutting boards, vegetables, velcro hats, waistcoats, dogs, flashlights and costumes to effectively make their performances as extraordinary and unusual as possible. The group's name even derives from these uncommon practices: in their early years, the members relied upon dumpsters, thrift shops, garage sales and second hand stores for their source of props.

The company has earned rave reviews for its ability to engage all of the audience's senses and awareness. The members perform incredible feats that meld their bodies together to create human sculptures and epitomize concentration and control. The New York Times described the group's performances as "Superb, even spellbinding physical control..." while the Los Angeles Times described the trio as the fusion of "...voll, mime, acrobatics and sublime control.

Second Hand has already performed at other college campuses such as University of Massachusetts at Amherst, University of Connecticut, and Pepperdine University. At all of these settings, the trio has only left astonished audiences and spectacular reviews. The group's performances are near indescribable, and in a sense, one must see it to believe it.

So this Saturday night, treat yourself to a show you will only regret if you don't attend. The show begins at 8 p.m. In Sargent Gym. Tickets are at the incredibly low price of $4 with Bowdoin I.D. and $8 for the public. Don't miss out; it'll be like no other event you have seen.

Jenny Slepian
RETIRING A&E EDITOR

Remember back to your elementary school days and those hours spent in music classes singing the folk classics of Peter, Paul and Mary, John Denver, Bob Dylan and of course Woody Guthrie. Few children make it through these classes without learning "This Land is Your Land" or "Streets of Laredo," and for this we can thank the Guthries.

Arlo Guthrie, the son of Woody, will be bringing his American folk tunes to Portland on December 13, giving us the perfect escape in the midst of finals. Arlo's children, Abe and Cathy, will be joining him on his holiday tour that brings him to Portland for the first time since the summer of 1997 when he played in Old Orchard Beach as a performer in the Further Festival, which he also emceed for. Arlo shared the stage with Bob Weir from the Grateful Dead and The Black Crowes among many other artists.

The music world was first introduced to Arlo in 1967 with the advent of Arlo's Restaurant at the Newport Folk Festival which has recently hosted well-known musicians such as Art Garfunkel and Allison Krauss. In that same year, Arlo was nominated for a Grammy under the Best Folk Performance category. In 1997, Arlo was again nominated for a Grammy for the recorded version of This Land is Your Land which he recorded with his father, Woody. The version was aimed at a different audience however, as it was nominated under the Best Children's Album category.

Arlo made his first public performance at age 13 and by the time he was 16 he was touring overseas, playing with his father but also stealing the stage for himself. Audiences were mesmerized by his folk talent and storytelling abilities. His musical skills range from playing the piano, to the 6 string and 12 string guitar and harmonica. Though his release of Arlo's Restaurant helped to define Arlo as part of the anti-establishment Woodstock era, Arlo has remained a very individual artist. Never a part of the San Francisco 'psychedelic movement', Arlo has stayed true to the folk, pulling the likes of Bob Dylan and The Dead into his musical sphere.

In recent years, Arlo has expanded from the folk scene into many new realms. Last Spring Arlo performed with the Bangor Symphony Orchestra in a program titled "An American Songbook," which combined American symphonic music with folk songs by Woody Guthrie. "Who woulda thought it?" The Bangor Daily Herald reports Arlo to have said during the show, but clearly it's a direction which Arlo is allowing himself to travel in. A week later, Arlo performed with the Boston Pops in a show that some people felt was quite oxymoronic—a hippie in tails.

In addition to his music, Arlo has devoted himself to many other causes throughout the years. In 1992, Arlo founded the Guthrie Center in the name of his father. The center is a non-profit Interfaith Church Foundation which offers arts and music programs to children recovering from abuse, as well as a diversified lecture series and HIV/AIDS support. The Guthrie Foundation is another non-profit organization started by Arlo which is dedicated to providing a place for those concerned with contemporary issues such as the environment, education and health. The Foundation is working on producing a TV series, a radio show and a concert series. Arlo has also tried his hand at writing. In
The Hoyt

BY RYAN C. JOHNSON
THE HOYT

1998 AD the Hoyt began
An epic column without a plan.
Review a movie? Talk about stars?
Interview Tom Cruise? Hit the bars?
From low down sleazy cult trash,
to high budget action films with a dash
of intrigue, a bit of my forte and my expertise,
But I did not review a single one: Sheshe!

Yet don't be alarmed,
for many new topics I charged
Stories of glamour and glitz,
tales of my roommate's smelly pits:

Hollywood in 1998? Did it do well?
I don't know, some films were swell.
Others were horrible and most were bad.
Some, like "Night at the Roxbury" pretty damn sad.

Money flowed in, out of my hands,
into wealthy merchants of Cool land.
Yet I still paid to watch the same old story:
"But some action hero, all bloody and gory.

Nothing original, it sure is a shame,
when movies playing are all the same.
Some galore: "Adam Sander's Seven",
"I Know What You Did, number eleven."

"TITANIC" hit big and shocked the globe,
when we really learned the ship went below.
Marilyn and Scully joined the parade;
they fought aliens and as usual we paid.

Summer was a good season, hot and on fire.
My roommate played a stripper for hire.
"When stroked Treatment 2" was the name of the flick;
it earned him night in the "Home for the Sick."

Autumn rains came like a monsoon,
I sat in the room, watching cartoons.
Hoyt's was flooded, what could I do?
Review imaginary films directed by Woz.

So now its winter and what films are on?
I don't know, I lost the web site movies.com.
But don't be worried, there's much more to come.
Just ask next year's critic Matt James; he's fun.

So to everyone on campus you are around.
On the 21st of December right here in town.
A movie on the quad, come one, come all.
The title I think says it all;

"Caligula."

I would like to thank all the contributors to this article, including my roommates, Sam, Chris and Matt.
Have fun storming the castle!

PS - Laddyy, Brutus from "Exotic Nights"

Jon's Picks for '98
Lambchop: What Another Man Spills
Mercury Rev: Deserter's Songs
Cat Power: Moon Pix
PJ Harvey: Is this Desire?
Sunny Day Real Estate: What It Feels to Be
Moaning Son's: Belle and Sebastian: The Boys with the Arab Strap
Natural Milk Hotel: In the Airplane Over the Sea
R.E.M.: Up
Beck: Mutations
Jon Spencer Blues Explosion: Acne
The soundtrack for the brilliant film "Alexander"

The Hoyter Dance Group performs. (Department of Theater and Dance)

Browdwan Dance Annual Performance

BRUNSWICK — The Browdwan Dance Group will present its annual December Studio Show on Wednesday, December 9, at 8:00 PM in Sargent Gym. The informal presentation of dances from courses, independent work and student clubs is open to the public.

Admission is free. Seating is limited on a first-come, first-serve basis.

This year's concert includes dances choreographed by Lecturers Paul Sarvis and Gwyneth Worden with students in their courses, Dance 112 and 212 (Beginning and Intermediate Dance Repertory). Student choreographers in Dance 102 (Making Dance) and the department of theater and dance, will perform their final projects and a trio. The program also includes dances by Shari Ankor, '99, and Canis Flynn '02. In addition, the student dance club VAGUE will perform choreography by Lindsay Chaves '01.

The Studio Show will be held in Sargent Gym this fall rather than Pickard Theater, which is undergoing major renovation. The event has an informal atmosphere, with minimal lighting and costumes. "We provide background information about each dance as the show progresses," says June Vall. "As always, there is a broad range of dance styles and music, something for everyone: from polkas to bluegrass to Nashville Jazz. We hope everyone on campus will come to see what dance students have been working on during the fall semester."

Courtesy of Joseph Gillard

Website of the week: Wired News

BY JAMES FISHER
COPY EDITOR

I hope everybody's desk is more entertaining after visiting Digital Bluisherry over the break. This time, I picked a site with a little more substance: http://www.wired.com/news, the news site by the good people at Wired magazine (a personal favorite). Far and away one of the best sites on the Web in terms of timely maintenance and efficient structure, it provides news with a technological twist on a daily, sometimes hourly, basis. The main page provides a list, with short summaries, of stories created in-house (not collected from other websites) from four categories: business, culture, technology, and politics. These sections can also be seen individually (all of the day's culture stories in one page). Click on a link to an article, and you'll get its full text, as well as links to archived Wired stories related to that topic from the website and the magazine. It quickly becomes clear that Wired has a good sense of tomorrow in "Today: What's Coming" (a section of the monthly magazine). The links to related articles often lead to hints and predictions, sometimes years-old, of the event which the original article is reporting on. These links allow for a fascinating backwards trace of an issue from the present development to its initial catalysts. An example, you ask? One recent article discussed how hackers have altered Chinese government websites (one-decided site, http://www.pworld.net.ph/user/warlord/china.htm, itself contains a link to a Wired article) and disabled the strict censoring of websites accessible in China. The article's secondary links provide a history of Web access in China and hacking in general. Those background articles have links to stories that precede them, and the process of stepping back to see more parts of the story continues. This deep, comprehensive layering of news and information is what makes the Wired News site stand out.

Next: The Yellow Kid.gif

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The University - One of the oldest in the French university system with an enrollment of several thousand international students and more than 50,000 French students.
The City - A 2,000 year old city with ancient architecture, cultural and commerce centers, and a political, economic and international community.

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Good old American folk

ARLO, from page 9

1995, Arlo released Moses Come Walking, a children's book based on one of the moose poems he wrote. USA Network also gave a song of him to give him his try at acting. In their 1997 television series, Renegade, Arlo played a folk-singing fugitive, but his acting experience was short-lived, as was the series. His latest work is his album Mystic Journey which is his first release in over ten years to feature all new material. The album includes several hits such as The Mystic Journey, Moon Song, and Doors to Heaven. Arlo's label, Rising Sun Records also signed an agreement with KOCH International to release all of Arlo's titles on CD which open up three of his albums to the CD market.

Arlo will be playing at the State Street Church, which has hosted The David Grisman Quintet, The Jazz Mandolin Project and Robert Hunter this fall, on December 13 at 7 p.m. Tickets are $24 and are available at Macbeans in Brunswick, as well as several other locations in Portland and Lewiston.

In case you missed the opportunity to partake in part of American culture when EWA Wrestling came to Bowdoin, we thought that this picture would share a piece of the action. No matter how big, or how tough Tito Santana may be, the Polar Bear will always win in the end. On that note, I venture into the realm of Sports and encourage you, if for entertainment purposes at least, to go to the Bowdoin vs. Colby hockey game on Tuesday. It really more is of a tradition building form of entertainment than merely just a sports event.

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**Weekly Calendar**

**Dec. 4**
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Dance (8:00 p.m.)
Performing Arts Series.
Second Hand, a post-modern performance ensemble, creating a unique blend of theater, dance, comedy and acrobatics. If you’re not too tired out after your crazy night at the orchestra concert, this nationally recognized group will offer ample entertainment, although I’m not promising it will last an hour! The Department of Music presents the Chamber Music Ensembles Concert. The program will include two string trios, a violin, clarinet and piano trio, a brass quintet, and a piano quintet. There are many talented students at Bowdoin and this concert offers a great opportunity to hear these often overlooked performers. Gibson Hall, Room 101.

Film (7:30 p.m.)
The Sarah Shemkes Weekend continues with Past Times at Ridgemont High. I’ve never seen this movie, but I’ve heard it’s quite entertaining, and, it’s from the ’80s, so it couldn’t be bad. As an extra bonus, Sean Penn stars along with Jennifer Jason Leigh. While seeing this movie may be fun, I can think of an event which would be even MORE fun... Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Dec. 5**

Concert (7:30 p.m.)
The Department of Music presents the Chamber Music Ensembles Concert. The program will include two string trios, a violin, clarinet and piano trio, a brass quintet, and a piano quintet. There are many talented students at Bowdoin and this concert offers a great opportunity to hear these often overlooked performers. Gibson Hall, Room 101.

Concert (7:30 p.m.)
The University-recognized Kreutzer String Quartet, which hails from England, performs works by Beethoven, Haydn as well as the US premiere of Michael Finnissey’s Multiple Forms of Constraint. This successful group was selected for the 1996-97 National Federation of Music Societies tour. Visual Arts Center, Krenge Auditorium. Free with a Bowdoin I.D.

Concert (7:30 p.m.)
The newly recognized Piano Quintet, performing works by Beethoven, Haydn as well as the US premiere of Michael Finnissey’s Multiple Forms of Constraint. This successful group was selected for the 1996-97 National Federation of Music Societies tour. Visual Arts Center, Krenge Auditorium. Free with a Bowdoin I.D.

Film (7:30 & 9:30 p.m.)
The Sarah Shemkes Weekend continues with Pretty in Pink, followed by Ferris Bueller’s Day Off Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Contest (12:45 p.m.)
The Bowdoin artificial intelligence class versus the College artificial intelligence class in computer sprints. It is a good thing to win in an artificial intelligence competition! Adams Hall, Room 213.

Skiing (11:00-3:00 p.m.)
If you’re looking for a way to relieve some stress during this busy time of year, skiing is a great way to relax. Please, however, don’t attempt acrobatic feats on the ice if you have no prior training. This will merely lead to broken bones and will create more stress and thus completely defeat the purpose. Dayton Arena.

Dec. 6

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Skiing (11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)
You may be thinking: That stupid calendar girl always puts the same events on multiple days. It really annoys me! But wait. Don’t be so fast to judge me. There is a very important difference between the Sunday skating and the Monday skating. Did you find it? Very good! The time has changed - Dayton Arena.

Dec. 7

Seminar (4:00 p.m.)
The Jung Seminar, “Two Bicycles Built for One: A Relationship Journey,” Jennifer A’ and Robert M. Lyons of Bowdoin present. I have read and re-read the title of this lecture, and I’m confused. I’ve thought and thought about this, as two bicycles built for one means. Are Jennifer and Robert each on separate bicycles, yet are still tied to each other by the unity of their relationship? Or are they on separate bicycles heading on two separate paths?

Discussion (8:15 p.m.)
The Women’s Resource Center continues their Breakfast Discussion Series. All students and faculty are welcome. Free breakfast is also served. As always, the topic and facilitator are to be announced. The Women’s Resource Center, 24 College Street.

Dec. 8

Performance (8:00 p.m.)
The Bowdoin Dance Group December Studio Show. This is an informal presentation of full semester dances as well as works in progress. In addition, VAGUE will be performing, and thus, the Bowdoin community will once again have the chance to see the infamous Laura Blakely, ‘01, choreographer of “Kinky,” perform. Sargent Gym.

**Dec. 9**

Performances (9:00 a.m.-9:50 a.m.)
The Fourth Annual Visual Arts crafts fair is open to the general public for the first time ever. This event is meant to serve as a “stress-relieving” day for students before reading period and exams. Storytelling for children (or students) will be offered at 3:45 p.m. in Lamarche Lounge. Smith Union.

**Dec. 10**

Reading Period Begins.
Since I know the Bowdoin community looks to the calendar to find their entertainment for the week, I think it’s my duty to slip in this, my last plug for this academic year. I hope you’ll consider attending some of the many events that will be held during the reading period. To give you an idea, the events are as follows:

- **December 13**
  - Celebrate: Do you know what today is? That’s right kids, it’s the last day of classes! Although this is exciting because it signifies the end of the semester, and thus, a month of rest and relaxation, the last day of classes, for me, is bitter sweet, because it also initiates the trip to hell and back we refer to as “finals.” Have fun for a few minutes today, bask in the joy your accomplishments, and then get to the library.

- **December 14**
  - Celebrate: For all the seniors, and for some of us whose friends are studying away next semester, it’s a good time to think about the fact that this semester is coming to a very quick end. Celebrate. Forget the books for just one night and spend time with those very special people around you, because we all know how fast the time goes, and some of them might not be here.

- **December 15**
  - Celebrate: The End...

Get some deserved sleep! All semester you’ve been fighting for those good, stress-free hours of sleep, and here is your perfect opportunity! For those of us who spend our entire week mornings at The Orient, we will definitely appreciate these hours! With nothing to do but sleep. Just get into your warm beds, down the Tylenol and P.P. or Quill and listen to John Sebastian...or whatever takes. Just get some sleep. Mmm...bed...

Colloquium (3:00-4:30 p.m.)
Colloquium on School Violence: “School Violence: Legal Limits and School's Responsibilities,” presented by George Lessen, senior partner in the law firm of Braman and Lessen in Lewiston, will speak about schools' legal rights and responsibilities in the increased incidence of violence in public schools. H & L Library, Nixon Lounge.
Polar Bear Sports

Alpine Skiing: heading in a new direction

C.W. Estoff
Contributor

Alpine skiing, one of Bowdoin's most overlooked sports, has finally acquired a much-needed asset—a good coach. Over the years, the team has struggled to find a leader who is devoted to the future of Bowdoin Alpine Skiing; but with new head coach Martin Wilson, the team has new prospects.

Wilson, 25, comes to Bowdoin from the Heavenly Ski Foundation in Lake Tahoe, California, where he coached their ski racing program for three years. A native of Thunder Bay, Ontario, he spent two years on the Canadian National Ski Team, racing and training all across North America and Europe.

When asked about the new coach, men's Captain Ryan K. Hulley '99 said, "We've been excited ever since the Heavenly Ski Foundation called asking for a leader. He's the man to take Bowdoin skiing to the next level." The women's captain, Shalyn Yamakita '91, who asked Wilson to Heavenly, said, "I'm really excited about having a new coach this season. Martin is one of Bowdoin's best students and has great potential. I don't think we could have found a better coach to strengthen the ski program and bring us to a national level—especially against Bates and Colby."

The Orient got a chance to check in with Wilson for a few comments.

What are your goals for the team this year?

"The team is very promising. First, I definitely want to improve over last year's performance. This team has a lot of potential and I want to push the athletes to their capabilities. But being new, it's too early for me to say exactly what areas we need to focus on. I'll have a better idea the more I get to know the team. As for the future, I'd like to see Bowdoin's first Division I All-American. Oh, and I also promise to beat Colby."

How is fall dryland training going?

"We got a late start, but we have managed to catch up. I have high standards, so we won't say we are ready yet. By judging what I have heard from the athletes, we are more prepared than we were at this point last year."

How has your National Team experience applied to your coaching?

"Having been through it, I understand the important balance between a regular life and a ski team life. There's more to skiing than just skiing."

What are your thoughts about Alpine skiing at Bowdoin?

"There is a renewed enthusiasm and I'm excited because it's a new team. However, it's important for people to understand how difficult it's been for this team. Bowdoin Alpine Skiing has faced two major handicaps. The first, we can't do much about, and that's the long distance that we have to travel to get to a mountain with good training space. The second is a little different, and that's the lack of funding. We have very talented athletes on this team, some that have competed at the national and international level, and it would be a shame to see these kids fall short of their potential because of funding."

Any other remarks?

"It's important to me that people understand that this sport is as serious as any other sport at Bowdoin. I want people to understand what this sport consists of. You can't just show up and do it. Some of the team members have been skiing since they were three years old. The athletes on this team are possibly the most specifically skilled athletes involved in sports at Bowdoin. I can't stress enough the great talent that we have on this team this year."

The Alpine team will be snow for the first time this year on Saturday. Over winter break, they will have a three week camp at Sunday River, followed by six successive weekends of NCAA Division I competitions known as "carnivals."

Honor Polar Bear athletes

Kristen Doughty '99: Doughty, midfielder for the Women's Soccer Team, has become the third Bowdoin student in the 31-year history of the program to become an All-American. She was named to the third team by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. Doughty started every game for the Bears this season and scored three goals. She has scored 12 goals and dished out 11 assists in her three years as a varsity player. This season include First Team NSCAA All-Star, First Team NSCAA All-New England, First Team All-Maine All-Star. Doughty's main contribution to the team, as noted by Head Coach John Cullen, was "the leadership that she has brought to our program. She always knew what we needed—whether it was poise or excitement."

Kevin Saxton '99: Saxton, defensive end for the football team, was recently named the NSCAA Defensive Player of the Year and a member of the All-NSCAA Team. He was also invited to play in the AIZ Bowl. He is one of the Division III players selected by the American Football Coaches Association. Saxton led the team in sacks this season with eight, and he also holds the record for career sacks with 23. Saxton also ended the season with seven pass-breakups, which was the highest for the team. His 55 tackles for the season were good enough to place him second on the team. Saxton's numbers and leadership were a big reason for the football team's success this season. The team ended with a 5-3 record, their best in ten years, and a CBB championship. "It's going to be quite a great experience and quite an honor for Kevin to play in the AIZ Bowl," said Head Coach Howard Vanderzee. "He's a good representative for Bowdoin."

Mike Carosi '02: Carosi was recently named ECAC Rookie of the Week for his contributions to the Men's Hockey Team success. Carosi helped the Bears defeat St. Anselm, 8-2, in the consolation game of the Bowdoin Thanksgiving Tournament. In the game, Carosi had one goal and two assists. So far he has played in all four games of the season and has one goal and three assists. "Michael has certainly made a good impression in our first four games," said Head Coach Terry Meagher. "His start has been promising."

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The final drive: The Bowdoin vs. Colby game

CHRIS DAY
CONTRIBUTOR

It was exactly the way that many of us had pictured. The hard-nosed running, the solid defense, and the massive hits were all part of football’s season-ending battle. It turned out the way that a game between two bitter rivals should have, exciting and tough.

In stark contrast to the blowout over Bates just one week before, it was the defense that shined in this contest with Colby. One week ago, the offense had put up some pretty staggering numbers, including two 100-yard receiving efforts by Steve Lalond ’99 and Steve Primm ’99, and a virtuous performance in the pocket from Hayes MacArthur ’99. This week it was Brendan Ryan ’99, Kevin Saxton ’99, and the other defensive wizards who led the Polar Bears to victory.

The Bears stymied Colby’s sputtering offense from the game’s inception and made what proved to be the game-winning play in the first quarter.

Snagging a tipped ball, senior cornerback Chandler Perine ignited the defensive onslaught with an interception that he took the distance for a 66-yard touchdown and a 7-0 lead for the Bears. The defense continued to stall under the relentless pressure of the Colby front four, the defense held their own, allowing a point in the first half. The only other scoring of the half came from sophomore kicker Alex Tatumn’s knot on another field goal for a 10-0 halftime edge for the Bears.

While the Bears shackled the White Mule offense in the first half, the second half proved to be much the opposite. The Mules moved quickly down the field, striking with several long runs by tailback Thomas Koblin and precision passing by quarterback Nathan Bradley. Eventually, Koblin, buoyed by the Colby faithful, slammed home a touchdown to slice into the Bear’s lead. By the end of the third quarter, the Bears still led by a score of 10-7, the momentum had shifted inexorably toward the white and blue. The Bowdoin offense could not mount a sustained drive and it looked as if the Colby running game was taking its toll on the defense.

In the final quarter of the season, Colby kept the pressure on, inching closer and closer to the go-ahead touchdown. Fortunately, with Colby driving toward what looked like the go-ahead touchdown, the defense made one of their finest stops of the season. With the Mules in field goal range, and poised at least to knot the game at 10-10, sophomore Tom Connolly stepped up and made his biggest play of the season. Coming off the corner on a blitz, Connolly rocked Bradley for a huge loss. The play not only put the Mules out of field goal range and forced them to yield to the Bowdoin offense, but more importantly, it dealt a devastating blow to their psyche, one from which they could not recover.

After another failed Bowdoin drive and another valiant stop by the defense, the offense readied itself for the final drive of the season. Knowing full well that one or two first downs would put the game out of reach for the Mules, the senior-laden Bear offense took the field. Behind a veteran offensive line, MacArthur, junior tailback Chris Houston, and sophomore fullback, Tim Lawson pushed ahead for a couple of first downs, effectively putting the game beyond reach.

The victory sealed following a Bill Bush ’99 sack, the celebration ensued. For the first years, sophomores and juniors, next year awaits in the wings. For the seniors, only memories of a great season and a third CBB title lingers in their brains.

It was difficult walking off that field for the last time on Saturday. Singing “Forward the White” for the last time, holding the helmet high, and looking into the tear-stained faces of teammates who I am honored to call my friends, I could not help but think back to four years ago. I could not help but see all of the first years there on that first day of football, wondering if they would make it through the season, let alone four years of grueling work and dedication. Now that football has ended, I wonder if I will ever get that feeling again. That feeling one gets when looking around a huddle at ten other players who are saying everything with their eyes. Those eyes convey trust; they convey desire; they convey unabashed love for each other; a love for the game, a love for the team. It is a feeling that I have only known on Saturday afternoons; one I do not know if I will ever be so privileged as to feel again.

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Between the lines

BY JUSTIN DiGeORGE

Someone should have broken his finger two years ago. After six seasons of frustration, that’s what it finally took for Drew Bledsoe to stake his rightful claim as one of the NFL’s elite quarterbacks. For years he’s been good but not great. He’s been able to obliterate his weaker foes, but not his stronger ones. He’s piled up record amounts of yardage, but he couldn’t win the big game. He’s been criticized for his reluctance to scramble on the field and to speak up in the clubhouse. It’s all been attributed to one flaw: a lack of heart. With two miraculous last-second comebacks in the span of a week, Bledsoe has finally silenced the skeptics.

The legend began Monday night at home against Miami in the soon to be abandoned Foxboro Stadium. Trailing their division rivals 23-19 with a little over three minutes to play, the Pats began “The Drive” at their own 20 yard line. Seven plays later, with two minutes and over 50 yards remaining him from victory, Bledsoe threw an incomplete pass to Henry Ellard, hitting his hand against an incoming Dolphin lineman as he followed through and fracturing his right index finger in two places. Trying to shake off the pain, Bledsoe lined up for second down and proceeded to throw a wobbly incompletion towards Terry Glenn. Realizing his inability to firmly grip the ball, Drew called a timeout and headed to the Pat’s sideline, wary of the threat to his $42 million arm. Here’s where the story gets murky. Some say Bledsoe came over, explained the pain in his finger to head coach/cheerleader Pete Carroll, and insisted on remaining in the game. Others who were in the stands contend that upon reaching the sideline he immediately told back-up Scott Zolak to warm-up and relieve him. Since this is intended to retell the “legend” of Bledsoe, we’ll opt for the first version.

So after valiantly ignoring the pain and refusing to leave the field, Bledsoe proceeded to drive his team into Miami territory, converting two fourth and longs with completions to the day’s other hero, Shawn Jefferson. With 34 seconds remaining, the Pats lined up at the Dolphin’s 25-yard line with no timeouts. On first down, Bledsoe lofted a perfect pass into the endzone over Jefferson’s left shoulder, sending the Foxboro faithful into a frenzy and sending Miami home with a heartbreaking 26-23 loss.

The stirring victory salvaged the Pat’s playoff hopes and made fans forget, at least temporarily, that their team was headed to the minor league city of Hartford. Even with local wonder boy Doug Flutie leading the division rival Buffalo Bills into town, the next week’s major story was if Bledsoe would be able to play with the broken digit, or if the offensive reigns would have to be turned over to Zolak. (Zolak, by the way, has one of the best jobs in America. Over the last six years, the backup has made only one start and thrown just 8 passes, while reeling in a few million dollars of Bob Kraft’s money.) As Carroll announced that the starting quarterback would be a game-time decision, fans across New England prayed for a speedy recovery.

Whether those prayers were answered by an act of divine intervention or by a painstaking recovery remains to be seen, but for the second straight week, Bledsoe became John Elway, marching his team down the field in the winning seconds for another come-from-behind victory. When the smoke finally cleared, Bledsoe, propelled by a couple of controversial calls, had outdueled the magical Flutie and pushed his team to a 7-5 record, tied with the Bills and one game behind the Dolphins and the disposed Jets. With four games remaining, the Pats control their own destiny. They travel to Pittsburgh this week, then to St. Louis, then return home to host the Bills, before finishing the regular season away against the archrivals.

After losing a couple of weeks ago in Buffalo, it appeared their season was over. The move was announced, and such a major distraction didn’t bode well. But a broken finger changed everything, and now New England is poised for a playoff run. True, the Pats probably won’t reach the Super Bowl this year, but they finally have the quarterback who can win it when they do.

Bledsoe’s sudden rebirth couldn’t have come at a more vital time for Boston sports. The Celtics are still mired in the most ridiculous labor dispute in professional sports history. The Red Sox, or make that Dan Duquette, lost Mo Vaughn to Anaheim, and, after failing to sign Bernie Williams, Albert Belle, Rafael Palmeiro, or Robin Ventura, seem content to let recently acquired utilityman Jose Offerman, who boasts 22 career home runs over his nine seasons, fill the void. Since no one cares about the Bruins, the newly glamorized hopes remain the Pat’s. Four weeks to go and there’s a very real, albeit tenuous, road to the postseason lying ahead. The most we can do is sit and cross our fingers in the hope that Bledsoe is strong enough to lead the team down it.
Polar Bears fall into step in tourney

"There are going to be a lot of good games this season, and as long as we play consistent, then we will fare well in the NESCAC."

-Tim Gilbride
Head Coach

David Lovely '99 ends off a defender. Lovely led the team to victories over Elmira and Muhlenburg last weekend. (Adam Zimmani/Bowdoin Orient)

Hopeful recovery for Polar Bears

The Women's Hockey defense skates away after another save. They will face off against Wesleyan and Maine this week. (Adam Zimmani/Bowdoin Orient)

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Wednesday that the team is taking the season game by game. She said she believes that next week's contest with Trinity will be the Polar Bears' chance to earn their first victory of the season. "I think we're going into the game as the stronger team, but we're not looking past Trinity," Senior captain Enos said that despite the early losses, "We have played fairly well with the number of people we have. The general attitude of the team has been to make the best of what we've got."

The Polar Bears have been working the last few weeks on putting the puck in the net, and Enos said she is confident that the concentration on offense will pay off in the upcoming contests against Trinity and Wesleyan. She credited goalie Kate Worthing '01 with doing "an incredible job keeping the puck out of the net." Worthing has recorded 82 saves so far this season, allowing only eleven goals for a save percentage of .882.

Enos also added that the first few games, some of which were against Division I teams, were important in preparing the women for the rest of the season by making the team work harder and by bringing up their level of play. On the first weekend of the season, she remarked, "The first weekend was disappointing, but now we know what we have to do."
Student-run town meeting looks at need-blind policy

KATHLEEN PARKER
STAFF WRITER

Students and faculty members convened Tuesday for a Bowdoin town meeting regarding financial aid policy. The discussion covered current policy as well as the impact of financial aid on the socioeconomic diversity of the Bowdoin community.

The meeting, coordinated by Jovy Cushman '99, Katie Benner '99 and Christine Lehmann '02, was the first student-run town meeting in two years. "We wanted to publically and collectively voice things of importance to us so that the Administration would listen to students," said Cushman.

Cushman opened the meeting by reading a letter to President Edwards signed by the Student Executive Board and printed in The Orient at the end of last semester. The letter emphasized the importance of financial aid and questioned the college's priorities, citing the recent construction and expansion of buildings as a use of funds that could be better spent on increased financial aid.

Other issues raised early in the meeting included the possible benefits of a need-blind admissions policy in which financial need could not be examined during the admissions process. "Our purpose for choosing financial aid and admissions was to create a discussion of the finances," said Cushman.

Co-director of Financial Aid Steve Joyce was among the first to speak, explaining the current financial aid policy and pointing out that Bowdoin has never been need-blind. He defended the need-sensitive policy by highlighting several disadvantages other colleges find with need-blind admissions.

How big do you let the financial aid piece of the pie get before other areas, such as faculty salaries and academic programs, are affected?

—Steve Joyce
Co-director of Financial Aid

Bowdoin's current financial aid policy is need-sensitive, although an improved economy during the last several years has allowed the admissions committee to need-blind. The financial aid office calculates a family's need by taking the full cost of Bowdoin education, including tuition and fees, and subtracting what they see as the family's feasible contribution based on income and assets. Of the remaining cost, $3,500 is filled with loans and the rest is grant.

Need-blind schools often face more applications for financial aid than they can meet with the funds they have, and they solve this by offering deferred payment plans or by seeking additional funding sources. (Please see MEETING, page 2)

Stowe Inn auctioned, new owner maintains students’ lease for current semester

The Stowe Inn was auctioned January 27, but the new owner will maintain the lease for the current semester.

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The Stowe Inn, home to over 23 Bowdoin students, acquired new owners when auctioned January 27. George Elwell of Topsham and James Koluswaver of Brunswick put the highest bid at $865,000 to purchase the historic bed and breakfast, located at 63 Federal Street.

Due to Bowdoin's lease with the previous owner, students continued living in the house after financial problems forced the prior owner to close its doors to commercial business.

Director of Residential Life Bob Graves said a meeting was held with College lawyers, the Assistant Director of Facilities, and both the holding company and the new owners to determine the status of the College's lease with the house.

The new owners chose to continue the lease with the College and let the students remain in the house through the end of the year.

"We were pretty confident in the continuance of the lease," Graves said. "Any new owners would like to have income from the students; we were in a good situation." Graves said he expects the building to continue its role as a dormitory.

The Stowe Inn, sold at auction on January 27 after the bankruptcy of its former owner, is the home of 23 Bowdoin students. The new owners will maintain the school's lease, allowing the students to live there for the remainder of the semester. (Sherri Kies / Bowdoin Orient)

More on-campus dorms will alleviate the housing overflow that originally prompted the college to lease space from the Stowe House.

The college had explored subletting the property when it became available, but felt it would be unnecessary with the construction of new residences.

Since the inn officially closed last September, College Facilities Management and Residential Life staff have worked to keep Stowe House comfortable for the students. The college stepped in during financial difficulties, said Graves, assuming several of the responsibilities of the previous owner.

The school also responded to several concerns expressed by students last September, adding locks, updating Internet connections and installing lights in the basement and around the exterior of the house. "We haven't had any complaints," said Graves. "Several students have even moved into the house this semester."

The Times Record reported that the new owners, who were unavailable for comment, intend to maintain the landmark's function as an eatery and a motel. They also hope to improve both the restaurant and the lodgings to bolster the facility's reputation throughout Maine and the Northeast. Elwell and Koluawan were originally attracted to the history behind the Stowe Inn, as it once was a temporary home for author Harriet Beecher Stowe.

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Eating disorders week

**Kelly Ricciardi**

**STAFF WRITER**

**WARRIORS**, a student-run group designed to prevent greater understanding of eating disorders, is having several activities during the next week in honor of National Eating Disorder Week.

At least one out of every four women will have an eating or activity disorder during her lifetime. The same is true for one out of every seven men. Eighty percent of American women are on diets. These statistics are even more exaggerated on college campuses.

Kate Joseph '01, the head of WARRIORS (along with Zach Borus '01), said that these statistics make it more important than ever that people be aware of these problems.

"These statistics show that almost everyone is at least going to know someone who has an eating or activity disorder," she said. "With some information, they can recognize the problem and maybe prevent it from worsening."

According to Joseph, whole groups of friends can have an eating or activity disorder that goes completely unnoticed by others.

Eating and activity disorders were not dealt with very openly at Bowdoin until the founding of WARRIORS by Jen Boger last year. Now, WARRIORS has greatly expanded.

The group holds weekly meetings. They goes out to first-year students, is evaluating the results of a survey of the class of 2002, and is starting a support group this semester.

Generally, eating disorders are classified into one of three categories: bulimia, anorexia or activity disorder.

Bulimia is a cycle of bingeing and purging, where a person will eat excessively and then throw it up or force their body to keep off food. This often involves a person not eating enough. An activity disorder describes a person who has dangerous exercise habits, such as excessive exercise or doing physical activity even when ill, among other traits.

Each of these disorders can lead to serious physical problems, and eventually death.

According to Joseph, however, these categories are too stringently defined, and most people look at just one of these, so there is a lot of overlap," she said. "A person with anorexia can often have an activity disorder and binge and purge at the same time."

She said that eating disorders are often not absolutely image alone, but are instead symptoms of other problems. "People who have eating disorders sometimes feel like they have no control over their lives, and that the only thing that they do control is how much food they eat and how much they exercise."

Joseph stressed the effects of these such disorders on men, noting that it is often a social taboo to think of men as having personal issues with positive body images.

Men do suffer from these problems, and at the same time they could have sisters, wives, daughters and friends who have eating disorders. It is important that men know what eating and activity disorders are, and how to recognize them.

Joseph said "disorders become normalized in the Bowdoin environment, and the goal of WARRIORS is to help people become aware of the treatment of bodies and appearance and decrease the level of indifference about these issues because everyone is affected by them."

Bowdoin does provide resources for people who have eating or activity disorders or who know people who have them. For further information, contact the health center, Kate Joseph or Zach Borus.

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Students help others find summer housing in Boston

**Ted Maloney '00 and Kyle Hegarty '99**

Students help others find summer housing in Boston

Howard Katz, professor of economics, has initiated a fund to help students with housing problems. Members of the housing staff have also been trained to help students in need.

"We've seen so many recent graduates make mistakes in choosing the right housing for their needs simply because there are so many factors in choosing housing, such as public transportation, bar and club scenes and parking, that costly mistakes are inevitable for new Boston residents."

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Meeting examines admissions

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**Problem several ways.**

The first is that need-blind colleges exhibit an increase in the amount of self-help a "student must add to their aid package in the form of student loans, which often leaves students over-worked and graduat- ing with several thousand dollars in debt. The second includes a maximum of $3,500 in loans in a financial aid package, while some colleges include as much as $9,000.

Need-blind colleges also offer a practice a policy Joyce called "admit/deny," where they admit students solely on academic criteria as promised, but then offer financial aid only to those students they most want to enroll. They spend the necessary funds on those students first and offer what they have left to less desirable admitted students.

This year's budget, and the proposed bud- get for next year, allow Bowdoin to meet full calculated financial need to all students enrolled for the next four years, and intends to meet demonstrated need of the incoming class.

As far as a change to need-blind policy in the future, Joyce said, "I don't see that the college right now is planning any drastic changes... We feel the need-sensitive policy gives us more flexibility."

The discussion moved between financial aid policy and general class consciousness within the community. Several students pointed out the lack of representation from low-income families at Bowdoin. Joyce re- sponded that the majority of aid goes to middle-income families.

"It is very difficult to get low-income families to apply to a school that costs $30,000 a year," he said. "In response to the question of the school's priorities in terms of funds, Joyce pointed out that financial aid receives the greatest portion of funds, asking, "How big, do you let the financial aid piece of the pie get before other areas, such as faculty sala- ries and academic programs, are affected?"

He said that in the last year the percentage of aid awarded increased more than tuition.

Many students in the discussion voiced dissatisfaction with the way Bowdoin handled issues of class. One student said that because of class discrepancy she wasn't convinced Bowdoin was worth the debt I'll have when I graduate."

Another student said that the lack of students from low-income families makes those students who are on financial aid "feel like they have to hide or blend."

While none present denied the constant need for improvement in diversity, Dean of Admissions Dick Steele did say that when it comes to students requesting aid, ac- cept admissions at Bowdoin, "the response from students with the highest need is greatest than other sub-categories."

This means that the admissions commit- tee is now looking more closely at offering more aid to middle-income families instead of concentrating on low-income families.

This involves becoming more competitive with the financial aid systems of other col- leges, continuing to increase financial aid, and maintaining Bowdoin's commitment to meeting the need of enrolled students for all four years.

The discussion ended with a decision to keep the issue open and to hold future panel- es on both financial aid policy and class consciousness in the community.

The first panel will be held Wednesday at 4 p.m. and will discuss financial aid and its impact on the admissions policy. It will fea- ture Steele, Joyce, Vice President for Finance Ken Chalobah, Assistant to the President for Multicultural Programs and Affective Action Betty Trout-Kelly and a student to be named.
Bowdoin, Colby and Bates join forces to create study away program

- Starting in the fall of 1999 Bowdoin, Bates and Colby will start operating new off-campus study sites in London, England, Quito, Ecuador and Capetown, South Africa.

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In the fall of 1999, two new Off-Campus Study sites will be open and available to Bowdoin students. Thanks to Mellon Foundation Grant, the Colby-Bates-Bowdoin Consortium will be opening centers in London, Quito, Ecuador and Capetown, South Africa. The Colby-managed London and Bates-managed Quito programs will be opening in the fall, and the Bowdoin-managed Capetown Center a year later. Each program aims to enroll seven or eight students from each school per semester.

Three committees, made up of professors from each college, have been working over the past year to establish the new programs, with an emphasis on academic rigor and immersion of students into local culture. Professor of Government Paul Franco helped develop the London program. Professor Randy Stakeman of the Africana Studies the Capetown program, and Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs Allen Wells the Quito program.

The Bowdoin program in Capetown will not begin until the summer of 2000. The details are much more tentative with this program, as it is still being developed. During the Winter break, President Edwards and Stakeman traveled to South Africa to continue project work with local officials.

At this point, the Capetown committee believes that participating students will be able to take two courses with CBB professors and two courses in a South African university. By living with a family or in an International House at the University, students will experience the indigenous culture to the fullest.

A community service component will be an integral piece of this program, in which students will, ideally, work with local officials on development projects. "South Africa is in an important stage of development," said Stakeman, "and this is an opportunity for students to see and participate in the creation of a new society. Our vision is to provide a high quality education for students, that they learn through experiences."

Professor of History Susan Tanabas and Professor of English Celeste Goodridge, in addition to professors from Bates and Colby, will teach classes at the London center for one semester each during the 1999-2000 academic year. Unlike other London programs, the CBB center will establish a direct and absolute carry over for credit, with Bowdoin departments offering pre-approval of classes for majors.

Each semester, three areas of interdisciplinary study will be available to students, all with a direct connection to the British culture. Students can choose among six themes, including "Art and Architecture in London," "Britain: History and Literature 1800-2000" and "1914: U.S. & Europe: International Policy Issues."

"It is our goal that this will not just be Bowdoin in London," said Franco. "The program has been developed and organized to use all the resources of the city. The institute and culture of London are so rich, and we hope to establish and foster a deeper connection for students that they would get through direct enrollment in a local university."

Tananbaum and Cal Mackenzie of Colby will hold an information meeting for interested students, on February 9 at 7 p.m. in Druckenmiller Room 6.

The Bates program in Quito, Ecuador is also starting next fall. The theme for the Fall '99 semester is "Plurinational Societies in Latin America" and will be directed by Professor Enrique Yepes and Baltasar Fra-Molina, of the Romance Languages departments at Bowdoin and Bates, respectively.

The program in Quito will give students an unparalleled opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich, indigenous culture of Ecuador," said Wells.

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The program will be based at the Andean Center for Latin American Studies (ALCAS), where students will have access to resources such as classrooms, a library and e-mail. Though the academic segment of the program will be located at ALCAS, students will live with a family native to the region. Students applying for enrollment must have at least two years of college Spanish or the equivalent.

Students will be enrolled in four courses at the Quito program, including an appropriately levelled Spanish class, a literature elective, an elective relating to the student's major taken at the local university and an independent study project. This project will be community work, in the front of an urban internship or rural service, depending on the student's interests. Outside of classes, field trips to the coastal region and the forest will be offered. An information session with Yepes for this program is tentatively scheduled for February 23rd.

In order to study abroad, Bowdoin students must meet academic requirements and complete an application, due March 1. Students pay normal Bowdoin tuition but the Off-Campus Study fee will be waived in the case of the new programs, since they are run through Bowdoin. The study abroad office located on the third floor of the Chemistry Coe building, is open Monday to Thursday, 10 to 12 and 2 to 4. Staff members are available to counsel students and help make the appropriate study abroad decisions.

Crosstown Break

From The Daily Campus, University of California at Berkeley: Several minority students who were denied admission to the UC flagship campus filed a federal class action lawsuit against the University Tuesday, claiming that UC-Berkeley's admissions policy is discriminatory. Among the points of the lawsuit is that the school's SAT exams discriminate against students from poorer high schools that do not offer the standardized tests, and that the increased emphasis last year on SAT scores and GPA caused the dramatic drop in minority acceptance rates.

From The Daily Campus, University of Connecticut: UConn's newly adopted logos has been rejected of closely resembles a Nazi symbol by an alum and former professor. The logo, designed by two alumni, contains an oak tree and scythe in reference to a description of UConn graduation ceremony in 1931 by writer Steen. But a similar logo of peak and loombs was used as the seal of the 16th Reichsfuehrer division of the S.S. of the Panzer Regimenten, a German mobile warfare unit during World War II.

From The Oracle, University of South Florida: Police said USF arrested three students on Tuesday for disorderly conduct for testing too close to an anti-abortion display of photographs. The University had previously warned the students to stay within a barricaded area designated for the protest that was about 50 feet from the display. Several students said they would return to protest, and a rally was planned for Thursday morning.

From Brown Daily Herald, Brown University: Brown Police and Security seized drinks from a fraternity party last Friday night to test for the so-called date rape drugs. The raid came after a member of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority found an unconscious woman on the floor with her pants pulled down who was believed to have come from the party, held at the neighboring Phi Kappa Psi house.

From The Reveille, Louisiana State University: An assistant professor and a former dean who had been demoted to instructor have filed sexual assault charges against the University. Both women were sexually assaulted by the Dean of the E.J. Ourso College of Business Administration. Louisiana law makes LSU responsible for all of its employees actions.
Recording Committee reconsiders academic honors

Dean’s List and Latin Honors may be eliminated by the faculty

Kim Schneider
MANAGING EDITOR

The Recording Committee plans on making their final recommendations concerning academic honors this semester, including the possibility of eliminating Dean’s List and Latin Honors and making it more difficult to become a Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar.

The controversy surrounding these changes involves discussing the issues at the March faculty meeting and making a final recommendation to the faculty in April to be voted on in May.

Professor William Barker, chair of the Recording Committee, said he expected changes to the Latin Honors policy would be the most controversial.

Last year, the faculty voted to change the criteria for Latin Honors, but did not do so retroactively—meaning that many students in the Class of 1997 who had been expecting honors under the old system would not have qualified.

The faculty eventually reversed their decision, which held Latin Honors policy, but out of the controversy arose the concern that students admitted to having arranged their schedules—including exam-staying away plans—to give themselves a better chance at graduating with honors.

Barker said that while there is strong dissent among members of the Committee, he believes the majority support the abolition of Latin Honors.

“I think that at the moment there’s sentiment…going towards recommending the elimination of Latin Honors,” he said, “but, again, there’s definitely dissent on the committee on that one,” he said.

He added that if the decision were made to eliminate Latin Honors, he would strongly encourage the Committee to grandfather all current students to avoid last year’s problems.

The Committee is also considering eliminating the Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar award.

“There definitely is sentiment on the committee to recommend the elimination of Dean’s List,” he said. “That’s fairly strong sentiment amongst the members…that what’s right now may not be right.

But it’s not unanimous; there is dissent there.”

Barker also said that the many Committee members believe the criteria for Bowdoin Scholars should be adjusted so that the honors are bestowed on “well over half the student body,” although he emphasized that no concrete plans to that end have yet been considered.

Barker said that the Committee is seeking input from members of the Bowdoin community on these issues of academic honors.

They intend to discuss the matter at the next faculty meeting to hear what professors would have to say and are in the process of gathering input from students as well.

“The student members of the committee will certainly be trying to get student input. There’s already been some that’s been given to us,” he said, citing in particular a report from the Student Assembly. Barker also encouraged students to discuss their thoughts on academic honors with the student representatives. “I urge folks—especially students—who have concerns about issues like this to go to their student senators.”

Carleton ‘90, one of the student members of the Committee, agreed that she and the other two student representatives, Jost ‘90 and Pedro Salom ‘90, are very interested in obtaining student input, and encouraged students to contact them directly.

“It’s hard for the three of us as a group to gauge student opinion on our own,” she said, “It’s helpful to get a wider range of views.”

Barker described academic honors as the “biggie” of the issues this semester, he also cited two more the Committee hoped to address. One would be the decision to allow a grade of C minus for the fall term. Currently, a grade of D in a class taken credit/fail is listed as F on a transcript.

Barker said several members have discussed whether this is fair, as a D would otherwise be a passing grade. If the policy were changed to allow a grade of D to count as credit, Barker said, it could hurt all students.

Taking courses credit/fail at re-established schools or employers might look more favorably upon a student from another school who received, say, a B+ as opposed to the B a Bowdoin student would get.

One counter-argument is that students would become more focused on grades, as a few points could make more of a difference.

Another possible discussion stemming from Bowdoin’s lack of a plus/minus system is a new website, with links to the curriculum instituted Colby-Bates-Bowdoin study away program (see related story, page 3). Bates and Colby both use a plus/minus grading system, and Barker said such grades were instituted at the off campus programs, the issue might arise how Bowdoin should list them on the transcript.

“There’s an oversight committee for the CBS (Colloquium at any program),” he said. “Amazingly they’re discussing certain matters now that may lead to some issues for the students.”

One other issue that might come before the Committee this semester stems from a movement by other schools to list discipline histories against a student on their transcript.

Bowdoin currently has no such policy, but some members of the Recording Committee have suggested at least examining the issue.

Barker emphasized that while a resolution on academic honors is likely, and discussion of credit/fail and transfer courses is also probable, the other issues are only tentative and may not even be addressed this semester.

Bill Barker, professor of mathematics and chair of the Recording Committee, laid out the committees plans for the semester. (Adam Zimmam / Bowdoin Orient)

This week in E-9 news

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PHOTO EDITOR

This semester, the E9 is continuing in the effort to create awareness, in the student body, about issues concerning the administration and the students themselves. The E9 will be looking at issues of townie and student rights, Activity Student Fees SACF guidelines, a new all-student e-mail policy, information regarding this and other student concerns as they arise.

There will also be a new web page creating awareness for the student body, or anyone else, to reach student government.

The new guidelines for the SACF are in the stages of revision, and will come in to effect next fall. The guidelines were drafted by a committee headed by Marshall Miller ‘89, and will cover the efficiency of the SACF to increase tremendously.

The changes will lay down specific guidelines for clubs on campus with the hope of allowing a distribution of funds to a greater percentage of the student body. Students are welcome to submit to mailboxes filled with "all students" mailings. The proposal from the Administration is to renumber all of the e-mails into one message a week, containing all of the information from each of the e-mails. E9 approved this proposal with the hope that E9 will be able to implement this new system soon.

Last semester the E9 wrote a letter to the Board of Trustees concerning the priority that is placed on financial aid by the college. This was the letter that prompted the town meeting that was held this past Tuesday.

"We hope that the actions of students yesterday, Friday, continue until the student awareness of issues and that the student body will continue to show concern for themselves," said Steve Levy ‘90.

This semester the E9 will be following up on that letter with the hope that it will be seriously considered by the Trustees.

Coming next week, the E9 will have a new interactive web site with information on how to get more involved in student government, and how to contact individuals that are involved or can help students issues that individual may have.

The E9 will not be functioning at full strength this semester, as Ainley-Newman ‘00 is taking the semester off.

The E9 decided not to fill the vacant spot, but to continue as an "E9.

Bowdoin in Brief

The Counseling Service Office, formerly located in Dudley-Cook, has recently moved to 32 College Street. If you are unfamiliar with the new location it is across the street from Dudley-Coe in the white house next door to Asian Studies. Their phone number has remained the same: 725-3145. Watch for an open house to be offered soon.

The Counseling Service Office, apparently quite busy these days, are also offering a York Day. Friday’s version will continue until tomorrow in Lancaster Lounge from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m., or 2:30 to 4:35 p.m. The cost for 10 sessions is 880. The instructor is Leslie Joy Simmons. Call Brenda in the Counseling Service office at X3145 to enroll.

Students who believe that they may qualify for academic accommodations based on a documented disability must complete a questionnaire in the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs to initiate the process. If you have not already completed a questionnaire, you may obtain one in the Dean’s office on the main floor of Moulton Union. You should schedule a meeting with Dean Karen Tilford to discuss your eligibility for accommodations by calling Kathy Peterson at 725-3088.

President Edwards sent a letter to students this week asking for contributions to the Open Society Scholars Fund. For the past 14 years, this program has assisted two black South African college students for $6,000. Anyone interested in contributing should make their check payable to Open Society and address it to the President and address it to the President and Director of Development Mary Bernini has announced that she will retire on June 30 after 45 years of service to Bowdoin. Bernini began her career at Bowdoin in 1954 as secretary to the Collarage Bursar. She has since worked in a variety of jobs, including Assistant and Office Manager to the Executive Secretary, Assistant to the Vice President for Development and Development Office Liaison to the President. She has been in her current position since 1991, during which time she has overseen the reorganization of the alumni and development systems.

The Office of Student Records has created a new website, with links to the curriculum and academic regulations sections of the Course Catalogue, Advanced Placement policies, academic calendars, graduation guidelines and the current semester’s course schedule.

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Meeting in the middle

The inaugural "town meeting" arrived two years ago in answer to what is known as "the crisis," creviced in the image of communication between the Administration and the student body. Diverse members of the Bowdoin community packed Morrill Lounge and listened to passioned personal statements on all of its merits. Propriety, however, it lacked a productive focus. The Administration intervened and began constructing issue-specific town meetings that numbed student enthusiasm with their awkward scheduling and laborious presentations.

Last Tuesday, nearly two years since the last student-run town meeting, a few students brought forward the idea that was a tremendous success for the high turnout and the show of concern which it represented. And as long as student interest holds, the meetings will continue to take place on the first Tuesday of every month. If we are to make the most of them, however, we must look to and learn from the disintegration of the attempt put forth two years ago.

For Koopstasis, and some organizers of the meeting, we must learn to be solution-focused. The old town meetings floundered because they degenerated into roll calls of personal frustrations with the idea that "the way to avert" the rest of us know lies in appreciating the differences between what can and cannot be expected to change and between what the College can and cannot be held responsible for. While Koopstasis should listen closely to its students, the very reason for its existence, it cannot be expected to eradicate unhappiness.

Tuesday's meeting on the role of financial aid and socioeconomic status at Bowdoin demonstrated well the lack of correspondence between the Administration and the students who would have things done differently. Few people in the community would question the benefits of a more diverse Bowdoin, racially as well as socioeconomically. Crucial as this objective is for the College, it numbers among the many necessary changes which draw upon the same limited amount of funds. This imperfection is an unfortunate truth which must be accepted before we can work toward improvement. The manageable question here asks how we, as temporary occupants of a very far-sighted institution, can address the role of socioeconomics at Bowdoin in such a way that it might be better understood and appreciated by the members of this community.

The single most important aspect of the town meetings is that they happen, demonstrating student interest and concern for important issues to the Administration. To be most effective within these meetings, however, the focus must remain upon the here and now. Even if the College could afford to be incomparably more or less than it was the day, it would not be perfect. Until members of this community take another step beyond articulating frustrations and commit to seeking realistic solutions, our forums and meetings will not be as productive or taken as seriously as they should be.

Let's read, period.

As the semester wanes, and the workload builds as professors try to finish their syllabi, students look forward to reading period as a break from classes, a time to catch up on reading and written work before exams begin.

But at the close of last semester, professors who required classes during reading period denied many students this break.

The idea of having mandatory class meetings during reading period is, in the face of community floodings of new material is presented that can be put on the final exam eliminates the purpose of a break. Since classes during the break are scheduled during the period, this practice conceivably lead to scheduling conflicts — what if two professors scheduled classes at the same time, so that no one had to adhere to the semester schedule? If a professor wishes to hold an optional review session during reading period, that is perfectly acceptable.

But professors should not be required to have their students attend class during this break by requiring us to attend class because they were unable to finish their syllabi in the time allotted by the College.

Both the Course Catalog and the Faculty Handbook make clear that all academic work, with the exception of take-home exams, is due on or before the last day of Reading Period. Of course, a small residential college would not be the same without room for individual exceptions, especially when professors have the majority of their students, but all work should be due by the conclusion of exam period. Professors should not ask or allow students to turn work in during break or after returning to class, as happened this semester on the last day of exams.

The necessity of a reading period has been questioned by Bowdoin and other colleges in the past several years. Some have claimed that they are unproductive, and many have further demanded that they be eliminated. But ask any stressed student who has several papers and exams if they really "need" a few days to try to catch up. I think we can all finish assigned work, and you will likely get a different opinion.

E-mail equality

E-mail has unquestionably become the main form of communication on campus. E-mail has become so popular that the College is in the process of switching over to a newer and much easier system. However, one group of students has been neglected in this process: upperclassmen who live off-campus.

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Thus students who choose to live off-campus but still wish to check their e-mail through an outside Internet service provider are at significant disadvantages. They can continue to telnet into arctos or polar, but this is inconvenient and prevents being able to store e-mail on one's computer. In addition, most faculty and staff have switched over to the new system, and often send e-mails to students that are incomprehensible or difficult to read using the arctos system. Even the aforementioned August e-mail from CIS came attached with a "cryptographic signature" that turned the end of the message into hieroglyphics.

Individual students facing this problem have the advantage in choosing: They can continue to telnet into arctos and deal with the foibles of e-mail. They can use their own Internet service provider to send messages rather than using Bowdoin. Or they can call the Helpdesk and try to solve the problem. In fact, the main problem seems to be that students need to use their original password (the one you gave them on sign-up) and eventually shut down the e-mail system. In response, Bowdoin prevented anyone off-campus from accessing their e-mail via "POP" and "SMTP" connection (used for mail clients like Eudora, Netscape Messenger and Microsoft Inbox).

When a representative of CIS informed students of these changes (via an all-students e-mail dated August 30), students who were not on campus at the time were somewhat confused. The email was released on August 30, but students would soon be sent details of how to use the new system to get around this problem. These details were never sent to upperclassmen.
Campus must acknowledge seriousness of eating disorders

By Larisa Reznik

Aware: marked by realization, perception, or knowledge often of something not generally or publicly perceived

or known.

I first became aware of eating disorders in eighth grade health when we talked about anorexia and bulimia and compulsive behaviors such as overeating and compulsive exercise. After 45 minutes of “awareness” a bunch of awkward 8th graders filed out of the stuffy Health Education room, some completely unfazed, others with perhaps some perception of eating disorders. Then, freshman year of high school, my friend Bianca only ate lunch for four weeks at a time, and then she switched to tomatoes. My friend Ari joined the wrestling team and spent three days trying to lose four pounds and then a week trying to gain seven. After the wrestling season was over, his body was unable to metabolize food at his norm and he comforted the cycles of starvation and overeating in order not to gain weight. By the time I came to college, I could count on one hand the number of people I knew who had not been affected by an eating disorder. Those of my friends and acquaintances who did not have an eating disorder or were close to one with an eating disorder had very poor body image, regardless of their approach to health. Discontent was forced upon me by the possibility of losing people I care about. Eating disorders are silent and omnipresent. One in four women and one in seven men in America have an eating disorder. Eating disorders are especially prevalent on college campuses for several reasons. Eating disorders are not about vanity at all, but rather a manifestation of other issues. College life can be stressful, competitive, fast-paced, and at times out of control, more so than in other environments. Eating disorders arise as an attempt to establish an area of control; when people feel they can’t control life circumstances, at least they can control how much (or how little) they eat or exercise. There are always underlying factors surrounding an eating disorder that have nothing to do with wanting to look good.

Bowdoin is a college community, which is very much affected by these issues. WARRIORS, the eating disorder awareness and support group on campus, organized outreachs to all the first-year dorms. During the outreachs, when asked, most students either had an eating disorder themselves or had a sibling, a parent, a friend, or a relative with an eating disorder of a sort. While people are coming in to Bowdoin, having had exposure to eating disorders, it is particularly critical to acknowledge the occurrence of eating disorders on the Bowdoin campus among the student body. Statistically one in four and one in seven mean your box-mate, next door neighbor, roommate, classmate, co-worker, girlfriend or boyfriend, or best friend. If these are not compelling enough reasons to become knowledgeable on the subject, consider this: awareness leads to recognition of symptoms which leads to seeking help which can save someone’s life. Eating disorders can be and have been fatal.

Next week, February 8th through February 12th is Eating Disorders Awareness Week. I implore this community, my community, our community to take collective responsibility, build collective support, and become aware.

Larisa Reznik is a first-year and she is a member of WARRIORS.

Discontent but determined

By Mark Turner

On Tuesday, February 2, a town meeting was held in Hubbard Hall. Although I don’t usually attend town meetings, I attended this one because the discussion leader posted signs all over campus, raising awareness of possible changes in Bowdoin’s need-blind financial aid policy. I missed the first part of the meeting, much of the discussion was cut out of the admissions policy. I did miss a brief discussion on the character of the student body. I do not believe that Bowdoin students are pathological, but there are signs of discontent with the Bowdoin experience from present students.

Two sources of this discontent especially concern me. First, students feel that they are unable to influence administrative policy. One student at the town meeting said that the administration is “unreflective to student voices.” Second, many students are dissatisfied with the variety of student activities on campus. While I have been largely satisfied with the quality of academics at Bowdoin, I have also felt powerless to change the debilitating administrative policies. Furthermore, for students who do not like to drink and dance all of the time, there seem to be few alternative activities. Rather than seek solutions to the problems, I have found myself content to passively suffer and complain frequently. Finding solutions to complex problems takes some of the time and energy which I need to devote to my studies. I am concerned about issues and circumstances that do not directly affect me. Because of time constraints and a fear of futile tasks, I often disassociate myself from concerns outside my immediate interests. If these are the symptoms of apathy, then I hope to recover soon.

I do not know who originally said that “genius is the fire that lights itself” but in order to recover from my apathy, I must find my spark and light it again. I have always thought of genius as a creative individual. Creation is often the process of transforming a pre-existing notion into objective reality. Writing thoughts onto a piece of paper, giving a speech, and making a statue all consist of reproducing an idea in a form which others can perceive. Although I can imagine a perfect world, I would much rather live in an imperfect world. An imperfect world can be molded and changed according to the visions of creative individuals. As an elite liberal arts college, Bowdoin contains some of the most intelligent college students in the United States. We are not considered apathetic for lack of imagination. Although we can imagine solutions to our problems, why do we have so much difficulty changing our circumstances?

One student at the town meeting said that Bowdoin “can kill your spirit like no other.” Feelings of failure and disillusionment often result in creative energies. Complacency is easier than change, especially when past efforts have seemed futile. Yet, shadows darken the Bowdoin Bubble only because we have not chased them away. We have many opportunities to make Bowdoin the best four years of our lives. We can create student organizations and obtain the resources to sponsor a wide variety of activities and events. We have a student government which can influence administrative policies through our relations with faculty members. If all else fails, we can organize informational meetings and protests to ensure that the administration is listening. We have the power, resources, imagination, and enough desire to light many fires. With a little diligence, one can fan the flames of sparks into a flame that would make an arsonist proud.

Mark Turner is a junior.

This month’s Orient headlines in 1940:

“Glee Club has concert Friday: presents program of music at Normal School in Farmington”

“Dr. Olin S. Pettingill to deliver Achorn Bird Lecture on Friday”

“Huskies defeat big white puckmen 9-4”

A brief history of financial aid policy in United States colleges and universities:

Prior to the early 1960’s, few, if any institutions, had codified financial aid systems.

Maimone, the director for financial aid at Harvard University, created the financial aid system which, with some adjustments, is still used by most institutions.

In the 60’s and early 70’s the federal government and state governments became involved in financial aid and established loans. It was in this period that need-blind admissions gained popularity.

In the early 1980’s the federal and state governments began to withdraw financial aid funds. Also at this time, professor salaries increased and technological costs mounted.

Bowdoin financial aid facts:

To protect itself in the budgeting process, Bowdoin never formally declared that it is need-blind.

Bowdoin guarantees to meet the full calculated need of all enrolled students.

In the early 1990’s Bowdoin’s need-sensitive policy caused approximately forty students to be waitlisted rather than admitted because of financial need. If it found itself underenrolled, Bowdoin admitted these students. This bumping process has not occurred since 1993.

13% of the Bowdoin budget is dedicated to financial aid.

Bowdoin promises that it will not admit students unless it can meet their financial needs for all four years.

Bowdoin has 500 endowed financial aid funds, a number second only to Princeton in recent years.

Bowdoin’s recent capital campaign raised 30 million dollars and the College anticipates that this money will keep any students from being waitlisted for financial aid during the next five years.

These facts were collected from Steve Joyce, Director of Financial Aid at Bowdoin.
Forum Question: Should Bowdoin be need-blind in its admissions process?

In the past week, both at the town meeting and at the alumni gatherings, I have begun to understand the complexity of the term "need-blind" itself. On its surface and in most discussions, it is a commitment to allow equal access in admissions on the basis of merit without regard to an applicant's financial situation. It is possible, however, through the Admit-Deny possibility Steve Joyce described at the town meeting, for an applicant with limited resources to be accepted through a college's need-blind admissions process but then be denied enough financial aid to enroll at that college. Fortunately an Admit-Deny policy is not practiced at Bowdoin, as the financial aid department aims to meet the calculated need of all accepted students. However, we are under no guarantee that this will always be the case. The President has already expressed his concern that Bowdoin may not have the resources to commit to financial aid in order to meet the calculated need of all admissions process as it is practiced now.

I believe that Admissions and Financial Aid policies at Bowdoin are committed to diversity our student body, to allow equal access to the valuable education Bowdoin provides, and to ensure that need-blind students. all four years. Establishing a firm need-blind process at Bowdoin is only the first step. The current need-blind processes, however, will be doing a disservice to itself as an elite institution of learning, to the students who want to attend Bowdoin and the students who will be turned down due to financial need and to the students who attend Bowdoin.

Sara Eidel '02
Bowdoin would lose a lot of talent to other institutions of higher learning if they adopt an admissions procedure that weighs family income heavily. This close-minded, elitist policy would make Bowdoin into a very sad place. Although I question the need for all the renovations on campus, one cannot question the need for students.

Catherine Wheeler '01
It is very important that Bowdoin remain need-blind in its admissions process. Our campus is already very homogenous, and considering applicants' financial situations before the admission process will only exacerbate that. We must maintain our commitment to diversity and keep our student body as diverse and comprehensive as possible.

Even more importantly, it is wrong to deny other students the chance of interacting and growing from each gifted applicant who could attend Bowdoin. Our great contribution to the Bowdoin community. One of the main goals of a liberal arts institution is to turn out well-rounded students. The admissions process contrated this philosophy by not allowing for the opportunity of a well-rounded student body. One of the great things about going away to college is the chance to become an educated person, but this process extends beyond the classrooms and the professors. We as students ideally get the opportunity to meet people different from ourselves, and to learn about backgrounds that are different from our own.

Ellen Driver '02
I believe that Bowdoin should be need-blind in its admissions process. The only reason to forget a need-blind policy would be if there were so many other options for those who can't afford to pay tuition that it would drastically eliminate any diversity at this school. As it is, there are already too many private school students here and there are not nearly enough public school students. The only thing that should be in question when determining whether to accept a student is what that student did in high school. Financial need should only be taken into account after a student has been accepted and should not be part of the criteria to which a student is accepted in the first place. Limiting students who get accepted to only those with a certain financial background will greatly detract from the overall diversity that is what we are aiming for.

Erich Buschmann '99
Bowdoin should certainly be need-blind in its admission processes. The only reason to forget a need-blind policy would be if there were so many other options for those who can't afford to pay tuition that it would drastically eliminate any diversity at this school. There is no reason why intelligent and capable students should be penalized for financial reasons.

Pot. '02

During my Bowdoin career thus far, I have seen a Dupont and a New York University. This is a school that has a very diverse student body. Bowdoin, with its comfortable chairs and interesting architecture, is a place where students can be comfortable and available to each other. It is a place where students can have access to each other and learn from each other. The campus is so beautiful that it is hard to imagine that there could be a more diverse student body for a better overall college experience.

Sara McMannus '02

I doubt many members of Bowdoin's community disagree with the most commonly cited reasons for considering financial aid. Many of the people I have talked to say that the vast majority of students who are financially supported through financial aid receive it because they are from families that are not able to pay tuition. I am not saying that this is incorrect, but it is not the reason that I believe is important to Bowdoin financial aid.

Donations serve as a major source of financial support for the college. I believe that the more that people donate, the more they are connected to their colleges and the more they are going to want to support them.

Sara Eidel '02

When I declared my major in Economics, I never thought I would be taking a class in finance. I was surprised to learn that it is very important to create new buildings for the college and that it is important to create new buildings for the college and that it is important to create new buildings for the college.

Sara Eidel '02

Bowdoin doesn't need to be need-blind because it has always been so. I support that Bowdoin continues to be need-blind. I think that Bowdoin should continue to attract the diversity of students that it brings to its campus, ranging from students from all over the world to students with financial aid who come from a wide range of backgrounds. I think that this diversity is important to the college and that it should continue to attract. I think that Bowdoin should be need-blind in its admissions process.
First-Year Speak
Who is your favorite senior?

JENNY MCDONNELL '02
Little Rock, AR
"Andrew Johnston...but what year is he really?"

MARK TURNER '02
Lakewood, CO
"Strong leadership and a good sense of humor."

HEATHER HOBBS '02 & RITA TRUJILLO '02
Belmont, MA; Taos, NM
"Anyone in a Hawaiian t-shirt."

KENT ??
His Truck
"I'm not a flaming senior."

MELISSA DICKEY '02
Hampden, ME
"James Allen—because he's a dancing machine!"

VALERIE MERRICK '02
Turner, ME
"You are, Jared."

ZACH STURGES '02
Great Falls, MT
"Whoever's playing Bingo at the 55+ Center."

CHAD OLCCOT '99
Deerfield, MA
"Kent, but he's no flaming senior."

Compiled by Jared Liu & Krissa Friedrich

Letters to the Editor

The Town of Brunswick will soon begin looking at ways to develop a large plot of land just beyond the northern edge of campus. The land around Bowdoin’s proposed Union Street Building and the town’s proposed Amtrak station has sat undeveloped for many years and has the potential to help fill in the gap between Bowdoin and downtown Brunswick. We have all seen the student articles in The Orient, complaining about how dull the area is. If you’ve ever asked the question, "Why is there nothing to do around Brunswick on a Saturday night?" here is a chance to help do something about it.

Theo Holtwijk, Brunswick’s Director of Planning and Economic Development, seems to understand the growing sense of isolation felt by Bowdoin students and residents who live downtown. He is actively seeking our ideas and support, hoping students will get directly involved in the planning, because then we’re more likely to patronize any new businesses located close to the campus. Will we wind up with more drive-through banks, gas stations and parking lots, or can we bring back Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream? A good coffee shop? A club? Even a restaurant or two? The answer will depend largely on the level of energy and support we put into it. As students, we may not be in downtown Brunswick year-round, but with potential tourism during the summer from Amtrak passengers and an expanded Pickard Theater/Maine State Music Theater, as well as a student patronage for the rest of the year, Brunswick might just have sufficient incentive to go forward with the types of development that would make it a more exciting place for us.

Druckenmiller and President Edwards have both expressed a strong desire to see the town and the College work together so that both Bowdoin and Brunswick can benefit. However, Holtwijk and Edwards can’t make it happen without our input. If they can establish a business and social relationship with the town, then futureclassmates might actually enjoy a Friday night on the town. Why should we put ourselves through the stress of it if many of us will not be here to reap the benefits? Just think about the many opportunities that past graduates have had, and Bowdoin students had, and what they could have done then, to help us today. Think about the potential for increasing diversity on campus, if Bowdoin and Brunswick can offer students more than a sleepy New England environment. Bowdoin students and the Brunswick community now have an opportunity and a responsibility to work together for positive change. It is not a simple issue, but the only way such an effort will fail to gain momentum is if we refuse to give it that initial push. This will, by no means, be an attempt to play Robert Moses with the town of Brunswick, but it will almost certainly broaden the appeal of Bowdoin to prospective students. It will also give future Bowdoinites the environment we wish we had today on a quiet Saturday night.

Joh Schneider '00

I would like to bring the students’ attention to the diversity issue at Bowdoin. Currently, there is a t-shirt design competition board sponsored by the Art Club in the Smith Union. Seemingly, to some students, the board is not a place to draw their designs. Rather, it’s a place to make racist jokes. On one of the sheets, there is a picture of a person saying, “I love rice.” It is a bit difficult for me to believe that such a design was drawn for the competition.

One may refute my argument, claiming that the picture might have been really done for the true sake of t-shirt competition. But, what if the person intends a design with Korean characters right next to the “I Love Rice” design? As far as I know, the Korean characters were drawn on the board before the design was drawn there. And, also, what if someone drew a picture of a person saying, “I love rice”?

Being stuck in Pennsylvania over the winter break, watching more Sooby Doo reruns on the Cartoon network than you can possibly imagine, reminds me of how much I long for the Bowdoin campus. Sure, we all dwell on those fun times, checking our mailboxes for package notices every hour on a Wednesday afternoon, destroying parking tickets from Security and denying ever receiving them, and contemplating if we don’t enjoy the break, what will the bottle might qualify as an intramural sport... but I decided to compile my own unique list of things at Bowdoin that I particularly fond of, and which I happen to miss a lot when I am away from my home away from home. Perhaps these things that have a special place in your heart too, and perhaps not, if you happen to have the heart of a wooden Indian, but either way, sharing my inner thoughts is my holiday gift to the Bowdoin campus, so please enjoy.

I miss all of the dogs on campus. The dogs from Druckermiller and the VAC make the morning trek across the quad more enjoyable, and I love seeing an occasional person on a bike being harassed by our four-legged hairy friends. The terror in the eyes of the victims makes me realize why Baxter finds this game so enjoyable.

I miss playing Hearts on the computers in the Hartwell Science library for hours at a time. Not having a PC at home, I find myself going through severe withdrawal. I have also experienced crazy dreams involving those sinister computer players, Todd, Sue, and Darcy. Some day your time will come, Sue, just wait and we’ll see who will be laughing last.

I love potatoes? Is that a random design, or a racial joke against people who may find that comment very offensive? But, let’s give the designer a benefit of the doubt, and say that it was truly, truly done for the design competition. No matter what the designer was trying to convey by the design, at he must have considered a possible fact that some people, including myself, may find that design extremely joky (means offensive and disturbing in Korean). It seems to me Bowdoin is not ready for more diversity. Even though. Admissions has currently been attempting to attract more students of minority backgrounds, the general student body doesn’t seem to be ready.

Namoo Lee '01
Seni, Korea

I miss the look of the Chapel when walking across the quad from the VAC towards the union during the evening. The steeples set across the backdrop of a full moon makes me feel like I’m in some early 1940s flick... I can imagine some stylish dressed European count tuttling me... great moment on my neck... ah, the sharp, quick bites.

I miss hearing the loud noise and music from the workout rooms on the way to my mailbox. Seeing everyone working out makes me more conscious of my health, and also makes me realize that yes, I should follow a better diet. Because of those fit Seniors and Daughters of Bowdoin I have realized that one of my beers every evening should be of the late variety.

And talking about beer, does anyone else remember the days when every day held at this school had beer being sold? What’s with having to sneak our own alcohol and amphetamines into dances nowadays?

I really miss the first year girl who wears red converse shoes all the time. If you’re reading this, hey... I think you’re really cute. I miss Freiball in the morning... probably in the afternoon... pinball in the evening. Attack from Mars was great, but since its removal Star Wars has found a place in my heart too. It is the ultimate stress reliever, and I’m sure I would have dropped out of college long ago if it weren’t so easy to get multi-ball mode.

So in all, that’s what Bowdoin means to me. Enjoy it while you can, because in a blink of an eye, well, I guess you’re still here, but you might be more daze.

Even Jachnoonz '99
Taylor Mali: An atypical alumnus

By Jonathan L. Knapp

Mali demonstrates his aggressive style.

By Anna Dornbusch

Imagine graduating from college and discovering that you could gain fame and fortune by becoming an actor on stage for a few days at Bowdoin, all the while, working with your closest friends. This may sound like a utopian dream, and it was for Taylor Mali, who decided to pursue such a path.

After graduating from Colgate College several years ago, five friends founded their own production company, "Broken Lizard." The group performed successfully throughout New York City and eventually landed appearances on MTV and Comedy Central. Encouraged by their success in television, the group set out to begin producing short films. Eventually, after spending some time experimenting with the medium of short films, the group explored the idea of producing a 35mm feature film. In order to accomplish this, each member struggled to amass the funds through loans and other more conventional means. In creating their first 35mm feature film, the group returned to their alma mater to recapitate their experiences as college students and produced an acclaimed first film, "Puddle Cruiser." From this experience, Mali decided that he did not want to be an actor, as "they are annoying people to hang out with." After Oxford, he went on to graduate school at Brown, where he earned a degree in film and continued to study English. Here he discovered his two passions in life: teaching and slam poetry.

The Nuyorican poet Mali was a "in-your-face" novelist to the university. In 1992, he returned with the University of Kansas Slam Slam, and "in-your-face" novel. In 1993, he arrived back in Maine, where he became extremely involved in the Portland slam poetry scene, an extension of the Nuyorican slam poetry movement.

Mali then moved back to his home city, Portland, where he started his present teaching job at the Browning School in Manhattan. During these years of moving around to different teaching jobs, Mali had been participating in slam poetry at the national level. In 1994, he took a team from Portland to the finals at the National Poetry Slam, but unfortunately did not win. His team was, however, the first freshman team to ever make the finals. In 1995, his team took fourth place at the competition.

Traveling indie film stops in Brunswick

By James Fisher

Surely The Orient's readers are familiar with recent poetry called the Furby, a little doll that is actually surprisingly technologically complex (for a doll). Another in a long line of high-maintenance toys, Furbies contain small computers that enable them to talk (in a language called Furble), teach those who keep them around long enough how to speak Furibilish, and simulate emotions of English. They can also, apparently, crack. That's where the Furby Autopsy site comes in. The site's owners bought a Furby for $29.99, and enjoyed its Furbosity for about three days, when the Furby (named Tob-Loo-Kah) slipped into a coma. After waking from his batteries then ran out. After replacing the batteries, "he no longer acted like the happy furry we'd [befriend] accustomed to being mildly annoyed by." Tob-Loo-Kah appeared to be schizophrenic. His eyes became stuck in their sockets and he was unresponsive. It became obvious that Tob-Loo-Kah was not a normal, in fact a non-functioning Furby. "Sow did what any benned furry owner would do, we cut him up and took pictures." This is a good site in terms of design; nicely done graphics, well-organized, self-contained. Since the Webmaster appears to be a professional graphic designer, this is not a surprise. But what really makes it stand out is the context. It's a once funny and serious "The deadpan humor (the skinned furry "makes a nice hand puppet") is combined with clearly knowable technical descriptions of the Furby's innards. This is an outstanding site, especially given that it is financially unsupported (not a single banner ad).

Next week: Who knows? I haven't received any reader suggestions yet, so you'll just have to continue to rely on my judgment as to what's a cool site. I can't keep this up forever.

Stay tuned for more sites in the future!
The Eveningstar Review:

SlamNation

By Jonathan L. Knapp

Adm. Editor

Bowdoin alumnus Taylor Mali is only one of many intensely colorful characters featured in Paul Devlin's documentary film, SlamNation, which opened at Brunswick's own The Eveningstar Cinema this past weekend. Covering the 1996 National Poetry Slam, the film displays each of its characters' humor, drama, and tremendous talent. Among these fiercely talented characters are Mali and Saul Williams, the latter of whom recently starred in a fictional film, entitled Slam. This D.C.-made film about a man in prison who finds release through poetry has garnered even more acclaim for the extremely talented Williams, whose poems remain some of the most memorable moments of the documentary SlamNation.

The film successfully demonstrates the tremendous diversity of the performers of this genre known as slam poetry. The performers range from schoolteachers to action to writers to royalty. Despite their various backgrounds, the performers all share something in common: a tremendous stage presence. In slam poetry, the art of the performance takes precedence over the actual substance of the poem. This does not mean that an untalented performer can go on stage and spew total nonsense; however, it does mean that the contestants are judged more on their performance than their writing abilities.

The word "contest" remains a key term in the film; as its characters differentiate between the slam's competitive nature, and its demonstration of art. Most of the poets focus on the latter, as they insist that their work is the most important aspect. Mali, however, insists that the competition becomes the most important aspect of the event, as he constantly refers to "strategy." This opinion has caused him to come across as the enemy, both to societal characters in the film and to some of its viewers.

The main teams represented in the film are teams hailing from Providence (Mali's team), New York (Saul Williams' team), Austin, Boston, and a team from the Chicago area. At one point a controversy arises, as several participants accuse Mali of writing all his teams' poems (he first responds by insisting that is not against the rules, after that fails, he denies the accusation). The competition lasts for four days, all of which are filled with drastically different emotions.

Humor constantly pervades, particularly on the New York team. One of the film's best touches is its camcorder footage of the New York team away from the competition, as it shows its individual members in a more natural setting, away from the stage, and away from the interview. Director Paul Devlin expertly uses this to show each of his interviewees in a more natural human setting. They are not simply talented performers; they are also funny, thoughtful, interesting individuals.

Quite often documentaries simply relay facts, only educating the viewer about a particular subject. This certainly has value for education, but it lacks the entertainment and story factor that makes a marketable film. SlamNation, however, does not lack these qualities. Though it certainly provides the viewer with information that he or she probably does not already possess (how many people have actually been to a poetry slam, or, much less, have the knowledge about how the national competition works?), it also tells a story that the average viewer will find interesting.

It tells the story of a talented group of people, from extremely different backgrounds, who come together once a year to do something they love: perform their poetry. Also, unlike many documentaries, the viewer has no idea what will happen in the end (unless, of course, he or she was at the 1996 competition). Full of humor, anger, frustration, and a compelling narrative, SlamNation is a film that everyone should see, as it surely entertains just as it informs.

Mike is losing his hair, Jon is going gray, and Anna has chronic stomach problems. We're tired and stressed. We need your help. Write for The Bowdoin Orient!
A Tale of Two Cities: Atget and Abbott

By CHRISTINE LEHMANN

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Berenice Abbott met Eugene Atget only two years before his death. Abbott was working as a darkroom assistant in Paris, not far from Atget’s own studio when chance happened that the two should meet. It was this chance encounter, these two short years, that developed into the magnificent collection now on exhibit at the Bowdoin College Museum of Art.

It is true that Atget and Abbott shared many similar experiences in their lifetime. Neither could have claimed a happy childhood as Atget was an orphan and Abbott was estranged from her father and siblings. Nor would either photographer have anticipated the prominence of their names in the world of modern photography. Atget spent most of his life as an actor and seaman and only turned to photography at the age of 40 for financial purposes. Abbott had always dreamed of having her career around the creative arts; yet, it was not until she worked as a darkroom assistant in her mid-20s that she found her calling in the world of photography.

From the moment that Abbott viewed Atget’s work, she felt a deep connection with his images. Abbott viewed Atget’s work more for its aesthetic value while others, including Atget himself, used the photographs for the more practical purposes of historical documentation and reference for craftsmen. Following Atget’s death, Abbott was able to purchase and collect the majority of Atget’s archive. While still struggling to become recognized as an artist herself, Abbott was amazed of her energy into the promotion and recognition of Atget’s work throughout the world.

In viewing this large exhibit of approximately 45 images, it is easy for one to become lost in Atget’s vision of the photograph. Any person who experiences the collection can surely appreciate the quality and beauty of the pictures; however, it is within the context of the time period and the situations under which the photographs were taken that it truly adds meaning to the works. Atget did not think of himself as an artist. He took pictures for the purpose of preserving Paris that grew more modern with each passing day. Atget focused on the shops and carriage in a site lower class. He distinctively avoided photographing the more popular and well-known aspects of the bourgeois Paris. Though Atget was clear in his attempt to critique the contrast between the classes. His old-fashioned views of the city carried over into the actual development of his prints. Abbott refused to accept the more accepted and modern techniques of photography that became available to him. He insisted on making his own paper and using chemicals that enable him to process his pictures in the same way to which he had always been accustomed.

Some time after Atget’s death, Abbott returned to New York City from Paris. Upon her arrival, she found the United States in the middle of the Depression. After discovering that she could not longer survive by taking portraiture photography, Abbott applied for and received funding from the WPA and the FPA. Although the financial help assisted Abbott in continuing her work, she grew frustrated by the fact that she had to work under the conditions and guidance of someone else. Similar to Atget’s Paris, Abbott’s New York was undergoing great physical change during the 1930s. Instead of simply photographing the newly emerging image of the city in a positive light, Abbott strove to preserve the parts of New York City that were slowly beginning to disappear. Like Atget, Abbott focused on the lower classes and paid particular attention to street vendors and local businesses. Although her choices of subject matter were similar to that of Atget, Abbott was an artist at heart and had little if any political reasoning behind the choices in her subject matter. Along with her development of an older New York, Abbott began to use the camera as a means to capture the new emerging city. Her photographs were developed as a form of personal documentation. A portrait of Atget and a portrait of Abbott hang side by side on the wall of the exhibit’s entrance. The great contrast between Atget’s formal pose and Abbott’s distorted image reflects the many angles at which the two photographers’ lives intersect as well as branch apart. The importance of these similarities and differences, these contrasts between old and new, have been preserved through the innumerable images captured by these two important photographers. All of the photographs, quiet in theme and their hidden complexities, seem to have captured a little piece of time that would have otherwise been lost in the ever-changing and modern world of the developing 20th century.

From the BOC, North to the Night: A Year in the Arctic Ice

On Thursday, February 11th Alyah and Diana Simon, recipients of Cruising World magazine’s 1997 Award for Outstanding Seafaring, will be speaking and presenting stunning slides of their incredible adventure in the Arctic. In June of 1996, Alyah and Diana, along with their cat, headed north towards Greenland aboard their 36-foot sloop sailing vessel. Their goal was to find a protected bay in which to spend the next year, frozen in the Arctic ice. They ended up in Tay Bay, north of Baffin Island. With enough food, they hoped, to last eighteen months, they settled into the ice just before the freeze. The experiences of that year will be the topic of their presentation. If you are a fan of Arctic exploration, or have read about Shackleton’s adventures in the Antarctic, or if you sit on the couch watching TV every weekend you will love this show! 7:30 pm, Ksenge Auditorium.

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Feb. 5
Film (6:00 p.m.)

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Show
The NBC mini-series, “The 60’s”
airs Part I of II.
The Bowdoin
education dept. will be hosting a
discussion following Part II.

SAT
Feb. 6
Films (7:30 & 9:30 p.m.)
The Truman Show and Starship
Troopers. If you desire to see
a film in which Jim Carrey does
something other than make facial
contortions, his performance in
The Truman Show is of a more
serious nature.

In Starship
Troopers, a futuristic war
between Earth and a race of space
beings is depicted.

Sun
Feb. 7
Film (8:30 p.m.)

Borneo Whiteweave Expedition
Slide & Video Show. Mark Moore
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Mon
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Discussion (3:00-5:00 p.m.)

Joseph Campbell in a Bill Moyers
TV interview, “The First
Storytellers.” Bowdoin professor
of religion Emeritus, William
Geoghegan will serve as a
panelist. Several counselors
including those from the Jung
Institute in Boston will be present.
VAC, Kresge Auditorium.

Discussion (11:00 a.m.)
If you’re single this Valentine’s
Day season, and you’re not shy,
why not partake in Bowdoin’s
version of the entertaining MTv
show, “Singles Out.”
Yes, I know,
I can think of plenty of reasons
not to participate, mainly, my
pride and dignity.
Smith Union.

Tues
Feb. 9
Breakfast (7:30 a.m.)

Bowdoin Business Breakfast
Henry C.W. Laurence, Assistant
Professor of Government and
Asian Studies, will speak on
“Prospects for Economic
Recovery in Japan.” Wentworth
Hall, Daggett Lounge.

Breakfast (8:15 a.m.)

The Women’s Resource Center
Breakfast Discussion Series
continues. Topic and facilitator
TBA. Women’s Resource Center,
24 College Street.

Meeting (8:30-10:30 a.m.)

Discuss Bowdoin issues with
President Edwards, or just say
hello.
Smith Union.

Wed
Feb. 10
Discussion (7:30 p.m.)

A panel of alumni will discuss
how gender and sexual identity
have affected their experience in the workplace.
Members of the panel come from
such workplaces as American
Express Corp. and the Maine
attorney general’s office, to name
a few. Moulton Union, Main
Lounge.

Theater (8:00 p.m.)

Mimi Wyche, Broadway actress,
presents her acclaimed one
woman theatrical piece, “Eaten
Alive.” This piece has been
nominated for 1999 Campus
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Discussion (3:00-4:30 p.m.)

Gregg Doty, of
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Feb. 11
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Good luck.

Reminisce . . . (All night long)
Remember, if you will, the
orchestra concert that ended last
semester’s festivities with a bang!
If, with your hectic finals
schedule, you didn’t find time to
contemplate the intricacies of the
orchestra’s performance, or that
of the soloists, take some time
and ponder. Anywhere, anytime.

Frank Sinatra Night
Spend the evening with Ol’ Blue
Eyes. May we suggest the CD.
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Me,” among others. If this one
isn’t sad enough for you, try
listening to one of his other CDs,
In The Wee Small Hours. In
your room, alone, with the lights
turned down low.
Polar Bears Outshoot Colby

MARGARET PEACHY
SPORTS EDITOR

Bowdoin 67
Colby 63

The Women's Basketball team's record now stands at 11-4 for the season. This record has earned the team the eighth rank in the region. The team had the chance to prove its new rank against Colby last Tuesday, and they seized the opportunity, defeating their hosts 67-63.

Jessie Mayol '02 clinched the win for the Bears with only twenty-two seconds remaining in the game by hitting two free throws, putting the game out of reach for the Mules. Throughout the back-and-forth game, Samantha Good '00 consistently came through for her team. She scored a game-high 21 points.

Head Coach Stefanie Pemper said of Good's performance, "Samantha played one of her best games of the season." Also noted by Pemper for exceptional play were Alli Marshall '00 and Reagan LaRochelle '02. According to Pemper, LaRochelle had been having a rocky season prior to playing against Colby.

Good agrees with Pemper that LaRochelle came up big for the Bears in the Colby game. She also credited the play of Mayol for hitting three important foul shots at the end of the game. When commenting on the game, Good said that "it was a pretty important game. Since it was at their gym and it counted for NESCAC standings, it made the game more important than when we played them at home. Beating them again, at their gym, made it pretty special."

"We can win these games, but it will take everything: playing well, playing smart, playing together, and with a lot of emotion."

-Stefanie Pemper
Head Coach

Pemper, though pleased to come away with a victory, remarked that the team did not play very well and that they were lucky to get away with a win. "It was a very important NESCAC game. There was some pressure since it was our first game after being ranked," Pemper said.

Coming off of the close victory over the Mules, Bowdoin now has to concentrate all their efforts to preparing for a difficult double billing this weekend. The Bears have to contend with nationally ranked Williams and Middlebury.

Pemper claims that "these will be two of the biggest games of the year. We have the goal of being the best team in NESCAC, we are currently 3-0, and going to the NCAA Tournament. We are pretty excited to play in these games. We can win these games, but it will take everything: playing well, playing smart, playing together, and with a lot of emotion."

For Good, she is really excited about this weekend. "We haven't beaten Williams the whole time I've been here. We've beaten Middlebury by one point one year and they beat us by one another time, so we have a history with them," said Good. She feels confident in the team's ability to beat Williams and Middlebury. "The team is ready to play with the better teams now. It's going to be a good weekend."

Samantha Good '00 looks to pass the ball to an open teammate. Good had a game-high 21 points against Colby and has lead the Bears with her consistent play throughout the season. (Adam Zimmer/Bowdoin Orient)

Honored Athletes

David Lovely:
Last week, David Lovely '99 was named the NESCAC Player of the Week. He earned this distinction by leading the Men's Basketball Team in scoring during their three games last week. In the game against Maine Maritime Academy, in which the Bears prevailed 104-79, Lovely scored 33 points. He was seven of ten from the floor including two of four from behind the arc. The majority of Lovely's scoring, however, came from the foul line where he hit 17 of 18. Lovely continued to lead his team in the loss against Connecticut College. He scored 20 points in that contest. The Bears resumed their winning ways against Wesleyan, defeating them 88-77. Lovely contributed 21 points and grabbed seven boards. He also continued to demonstrate his shooting expertise from the foul line, hitting 12 of 13. For the week, Lovely averaged 26.7 points per game, five rebounds, shooting 64 percent from the floor and 83 percent from the foul line. So far this season, Lovely has led the team in scoring and rebounding. With nine games remaining in the regular season, Lovely is 30 points away from the 1,000 point mark and 96 rebounds shy of 500.

Mike Carosi:
Mike Carosi '02 was named last week's NESCAC Rookie of the Week. He contributed three goals in the Bears' 2-1 week. After going without a goal in the week's first game against Colby, Carosi stepped up in the game versus Williams to score the game-tying goal. Then, in the Bears' next contest against the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Carosi scored two consecutive goals within a seven minute span to insure the victory. Carosi currently leads the team in total points with 19, ten goals and nine assists.

Adrienne Graty:
Adrienne Graty '00 was named to the College Lacrosse USA Pre-season All-American Second Team. In 1998, she led the team in scoring with 39 goals and ranked second in assists with fifteen. The total of 54 points placed her sixth on the single-season points list. Adrienne scored 65 goals and 32 assists in her last two years, putting her in tenth place on the career points list. She helped her team to their second appearance in the finals of the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) tournament last year.
An icy spark ignited: Men's hockey eyes playoffs

MARGARET PEACHY
SPORTS EDITOR

Bowdoin 3
Colby 1

Last week the Men's Hockey team went 2-0-1, defeating Colby and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (MCLA) and tying Williams. The game against Colby resulted in a score of 3-1. Polar Bears defensemen Alex Tatum '01 was honored as the game's Most Valuable Player and received the Peter Schub Memorial Trophy. Mike Boyle '01 scored the game's first goal at the 1:54 mark of a near rebound. A few minutes later, Jay Hayes scored Bowdoin's second goal of the Chris King '99 rebound. Bill Busch '02 scored the final goal of the night for the Bears in the second period. In the net for the Polar Bears, Colin Rochester made 27 saves.

By January 29 Bowdoin faced a formidable opponent in Williams. The game resulted in a 2-2 tie. Mike Caruso '02 scored the game-tying goal with less than 5 minutes left in regulation to send the game into overtime.

Hoop dreams realized

JENNIFER MALIA
SPORTS EDITOR

Bowdoin 8
Wesleyan 7

In a close game last Saturday, the Polar Bears managed to post a win against Wesleyan University in an effort to improve their record to 6-1. Highlighting the game, David Lovely '99 scored twenty-seven points and grabbed seven rebounds.

The first eighteen minutes of the first half was a back and forth struggle as the Polar Bears and the Cardinals battled for the lead, which changed three times. The rest of the half consisted of back to back lay-ups by Lovely. In three-point play made by Steve McKinney '01. The half ended with a 45-39 lead for Bowdoin, which would not be relinquished the rest of the game. The Polar Bears finished the game strongly with the final result being a 88-77 victory.

Summarizing the scoring in the game, the Polar Bears converted on fifty-nine percent of their shots and made twenty-five out of thirty-three free throw attempts. Other significant contributions were made by David Baranowski '01, who scored fourteen points and made thirteen rebounds, and Wil Smith '00, who was responsible for five points, seven assists, and five steals.

After their success last Saturday, the Polar Bears are looking forward to their game this weekend at Williams and Middlebury, both of which are away games. Their next home game will be on February 9, when they take on Colby.

Student-Athletes on Athletic Advisory Board

Seniors Kristen Doughty and Matt Hyde have been elected by the captains of all 32 varsity sports to chair the Bowdoin Student-Athlete Advisory Council. They will lead the Bowdoin S.A.A.C. and serve as the school's representative on the New England Small College Athletic Conference S.A.A.C. The Council will be charged with four major responsibilities. Many will be to represent student-athletes in voicing concerns to the athletic director and senior administration; be responsible for coordinating the community service activities of the department; and work with the athletic director to ensure that the athletic department reflects the philosophy and mission of the College, and boost spirit among the teams and within the community.

As the first chairpersons of the S.A.A.C., Doughty and Hyde will work closely with Athletic Director Jeff Ward to fulfill the organization of the council and make it more effective.

"I feel Kristen and Matt are going to be outstanding leaders of the Student-Athlete Advisory Council," said Ward, who is in his first year as Bowdoin's Athletic Director. "We should be able to create an organization that helps the athletic department to play a more valuable role in the community and in the education of student-athletes.

Doughty is a captain of the Bowdoin women's soccer and lacrosse programs. She was named an All-American in soccer this fall and will lead a lacrosse team that advanced to the finals of the Eastern College Athletic Conference tournament a year ago. Hyde was the captain of the men's cross country team this fall and was the Polar Bear's top runner all season. He also runs in the distance events for the men's indoor and outdoor track and field teams during the winter and spring.

-Wanted: Staff writers for esteemed weekly publication

If you have a GPA of 3.95 or higher and a SAT score above 1590, you may qualify to be one of Bowdoin's most elite. There are a few select positions available. Please submit a resume, cover letter, four letters of recommendation, and a minimum of eight clips. You must possess the following physical attributes: yellow skin, a shriveled complexion, lustrous, flowing black hair, pearly white teeth, watery eyes, and straight black lips. You must also measure eight feet tall and move with superhuman speed.

Please submit applications before midnight February 5. Email at mpeachy@jmaila.

The Week In Sports

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Between the lines: Super Bowl '99

BY JUSTIN DEGEORGE

As NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue so eloquently put it during Super Bowl XXXIII's MVP presentation, John Elway has provided us with countless "memorable memories." On Sunday, the Stanford alum contributed perhaps the final chapter in his stellar career, riding his Denver Broncos to their second championship in as many seasons. Elway became the sixth quarterback in NFL history to do so. At the age of 38, he ranks as the oldest ever to repeat.

The future Hall of Famer abused the Falcons' secondary, completing 18 of 29 passes for 336 yards, the third highest total in Super Bowl history. His perfectly thrown 80-yard bomb to Rod Smith pushed the Denver lead to fourteen with five minutes to go in the first half. Atlanta would get no closer than eleven points the rest of the game as the Broncos galloped to a 34-19 victory.

During the two weeks of hype that preceded the big game, the media succeeded in beating a number of interesting stories into the ground. There was the Dan Reeves - Mike Shanahan/ John Elway conflict, which was promptly explored and exhausted in the first few days. Reeves's speedy recovery from quadruple bypass surgery and his team's popular end zone dance each grabbed considerable attention, with the Boston Globe shamelessly publishing step-by-step instructions to perform the "Dirty Bird." What a service that was to their readership.

As the game drew near, the spotlight focused on the very real possibility that Sunday would be Elway's final game. We were flooded with scores of opinions, each speculating which path he would choose. Some assured that if he captured another ring, he would most certainly leave the game while he was on top, while others claimed that the desire to three-peat would prove irresistible. Throughout the week, analysts, teammates, coaches, and friends provided their predictions. However, Elway dodged the question as if it were a blinding linebacker, scrambling away and offering only inconclusive answers.

When one reporter informed him that no quarterback had ever won three consecutive Super Bowls, Elway raised a curious eyebrow, momentarily let down his guard, and admitted that the possibility of becoming the first could be tempting.

On Saturday, the talk finally centered on football as the dramas that had been built up over the past thirteen days were abandoned. Match-ups were examined across the board as debate raged over whether the Falcons would contain Terrell Davis and whether Denver could bottle up Jamal Anderson. As game time drew near, the Atlanta bandwagon grew bigger, with more analysts and fans predicting that if the Falcons could keep it close, they'd be able to pull it out in the end, as they did in Minnesota.

At about nine o'clock on Saturday night, a few hours after receiving the Bart Starr Award for his "high moral character," the veteran Falcons safety, Eugene Robinson, was arrested for soliciting an undercover officer for oral sex on Biscayne Boulevard in Miami, a street renowned for its abundance of prostitutes and drug dealers. By Sunday morning, the story was easily the day's biggest, as the media horde that accompanies every Super Bowl descended upon Robinson, a man who prominently and proudly displays his Christianity. The news left everyone in the sports world wondering the same thing: what the hell was he thinking? Why on the night before the world's greatest sporting event would Robinson leave his wife and two children at the team hotel and, armed with $40, seek companionship from Miami's finest?

Playing in his third league championship in as many seasons, Robinson was well versed in the temptations of Super Bowl week. The 35-year-old veteran even warned his teammates that their off-field conduct would most certainly effect their on-field performance. In response to the question of how one ought to fill his free time during Super Bowl week, Robinson said, "Probably (with) your family. Your family is going to be real important." Certainly they were; someone had to bail him out on Saturday night.

Despite all of this, less than twenty-four hours later, Robinson was starting in the Falcons' secondary. In the game's opening minutes, he made a nice play to break up Elway's first pass. Unfortunately for him, it was his only highlight of the day. After Morten Andersen shanked a 26-yard chip shot, Elway found Rod Smith on the ensuing play for an 80-yard touchdown. Which Falcon was burned on the play? None other than the civic role model Eugene Robinson. As Smith rode in the pass over his left shoulder and darted down the field, it was obvious that Robinson's attempt to catch him would prove as futile as his $40 proposition did the night before.

Nevertheless, Sunday belonged to Elway. Hopefully, a few years from now most fans will remember Super Bowl XXXIII as the perfect ending to Elway's brilliant career (if he opts for retirement) rather than a disgraceful blemish on Robinson's.

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Bears battle Div. I slopes

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After an intense dryland training during the fall semester, the Alpine Ski Team kicked off the new year with an on-snow training camp at Sunday River. Returning to Maine three weeks early, the team focused on technical aspects of slalom and giant slalom racing. Conditions improved as the week progressed with the improvements made during the camp, and the athletes were satisfied as well.

Mike Lass '01, skiing as the third man on the varsity team, said, "Camp was phenomenal; Martin has everyone skiing forty years older. I think a lot of guys are ready to come through big for us in the carnivals."

The camp culminated with the first carnival of the season. Bates sponsored the competition held at Sunday River on January 22 and 23. The Bears faced fierce Division I competition. This was the first time Bates had been able to compete at the University of Vermont and Middlebury, who all have rosters that include ex-national team members from the U.S., Norway, and even Australia. Seven other schools were also represented in the carnival.

In light of the high level of competition, Mike Frenдержан '01, skiing as the sixth man on the varsity team, commented on the first race, "Our team is on the verge of making a breakthrough. We know that we can beat other teams, we just have to execute." This was evident in the slalom, as the Bears had their best finish in recent history. Nate Vinton '01 finished 20th, freshman phenom Matt MacNeil finished 21st, and Lassier finished 25th. On the women's side, Captain Shalyn Yamazaki '01 had the best result, finishing 36th.

This past weekend, the Alpine Team traveled to Lake Placid, New York, to compete at the Saint Lawrence Carnival, held at Whiteface Mountain, site of the 1980 and 1980 Winter Olympics. The Polar Bears went to race on the same hill as the Olympic athletes did in 1980—a treat, yet also a challenge. The Bears had a difficult time handling the conditions; MacNeil summed up the weekend the best, "I have been a bit twelved-out with the results of the past races. But I know that we are going to ski better in the races to come."

To determine the winning school of the carnival, a points system is used. First, all schools competing have an alpine (downhill) and Nordic (cross-country) team. The alpine and Nordic teams each have six men and six women, yet points are only awarded to the top three finishers from each college in each event. So, the total points and the place each school finishes reflect the combined effort of the men's and women's alpine and Nordic teams. At the end of the carnival, the school with the most points wins, and the rest of the schools receive a rank. In combined scores, Bowdoin finished tenth in both the Bates and St. Lawrence Carnivals.

Wilson looks to improve the team's results in the remaining four carnivals. The Bears are not skiing as well as in the races as in training, and Wilson is focusing on bringing out the best in the alpine team on race day. The team, while challenged by the task of skiing at the Division I level, remains optimistic. With a combination of training at Sunday River during the week and Ken's Hill at night, the team looks forward to improving their results next weekend at the UVM Carnival held in Stowe, Vermont.

The Bear paw crisis

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Women's Hockey

Polar Bears put the freeze on Bates

SARAH JENNESS STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin 11
Bates 2

The Women's Hockey Team not only defeated Bates (10-4-1) on Saturday, but also gave the victory home with two new school records.

The Polar Bears (10-4-1) got off to a good start. Thirty minutes into the game, seven team members slipped the puck past Bates goalie Mike Bloemfield to take a 7-0 lead. The first score came only thirty-three seconds into the game when Emily Hinman '99 assisted by Caitlin Rikey '00 and Meghan McHugo '00, started the rally. The first shift, according to Captain Jane MacLeod '99, was a particularly strong point for the game: "It got everyone excited."

Hinman was succeeded two minutes and forty seconds later by Laura Eros '00, who put away the puck relayed to her by Kate Whittemore '00 and Laura Eros '00. That ensured was the fall of another school record. MacLeod, Amy Steel '99 and Whittemore all scored goals within a twenty-one-second time span. This was the second fastest time for the Bowdoin Women's Hockey Team to score three goals.

The fastest three goals scored by the Bears prior to this sweep was in November 1994. They were scored by Jane King, Holly Shaw, and Hannah Core, who managed the same task in forty-one seconds versus Maine.

After this impressive twenty-one second fast, the Polar Bears persisted with more scoring action as Elizabeth MacNeil '00 and Erin Jaskowiak '01 secured a seventh point lead heading into the second period. The second and third periods confirmed the Polar Bears' skill over the Bobcats' as McHugo, Kim Mimmenga '01, assisted by Ashley Cotton '01 and Carrie Stennett '99, Steel, and Hinman each put a point on the board, to give Bowdoin an 11-2 win. The Polar Bears earned the ninth consecutive victory, and set a new school record. The previous record of seven consecutive wins was set in the 1995-96 season.

On defense for Bowdoin, Kate Connelly '99 repelled twelve of Bates' shots. Bloemfield, at the other end of the ice, withheld 36 of Bowdoin's attempts at goal. Connelly's save percentage to date is 91.5.

MacLeod believes that it was an excellent opportunity for the team to play Bates for two consecutive games, Friday at Lewiston and Saturday at Dayton Arena. Commenting on Saturday's game, MacLeod said, "We played really, really well. We got out and into a game of quick shots and passing. It was a great feeling to have the team working together so well."

MacLeod attributes the team's recent success to its newcomers (four who were abroad and one who transferred from Smith College) this semester and to its willingness to work hard, especially when the women returned on January 2 for practices.

MacLeod speaks on the team's unity: "When we came back after Christmas we got five people who were away, which helped the team both mentally and physically. There was a feeling on the ice that everyone wanted to be there. Everyone raised her own style of play and we worked off each other and made ourselves better."

Before the game against Division I Boston College Thursday, MacLeod commented, "B.C. has been tough in the past, but we have stepped things up in games and in practices, and if we are going to beat B.C., this is the year to do it."
Leadership program helps keep alumni in touch after graduation

AISHEEN FAMLLY
NEWS EDITOR

The Young Alumni Leadership Program was started last year to provide graduates with an opportunity to learn about the school, form a class identity and establish closer ties to each other. The Program was started in the middle of last year by Senior Capital Support Officer Randy Shaw and Peter Sims '98, who was a senior intern in the development office. This year, Cristin Muria '99 and Sarah Bond '99 are the two development interns who run the Program. Secretary of the College Richard Menereau is the staff liaison.

"It's really like being a club advisor," said Menereau. "Sarah and Cristin provide the leadership for the students and do most of the work. I help them by looking at the bigger picture and assist them with realizing their goals."

The Program is made up of a group of twenty-three seniors; Bond and Muria were selected to run the Program, and the others applied to join. "We had a really interesting group who applied this year," said Menereau. "We were lucky to be able to take all of them, but in the future, we may have to find a way to keep the number to a manageable level. All of the seniors who applied expressed an interest to give back to Bowdoin.

"There's a wealth of knowledge of the essence of Bowdoin College contained in its alumni body," said Muria. "Maintaining ties with the alumni is essential to ensure that this essence is maintained and carried on for generations."

The goal of this year's group is to have a structure in place for the class before graduation.

Art history professor wins national award

Professor Clifton Olds received the "Award for Distinguished Teaching" at the College Art Association on the basis of letters of recommendation from former students.

NICK LOVECCHIO
COPY EDITOR

Professor Clifton Olds, of the art history department received the prestigious "Award for Distinguished Teaching of Art History" at the College Art Association's 87th Annual Convention held in Los Angeles on Wednesday, February 12, 1999.

This national award, of which all college art history professors in the country are eligible, annually honors one professor, based on recommendations from students and colleagues. Professor Olds nomination rose out of 103 letters from his former colleagues and students from Bowdoin and the University of Michigan, where Olds taught for eighteen years.

The letters described his lectures as "spellbinding," "memorizing" and "magical.

Olds, who specializes in Medieval and Renaissance art and who introduced courses on East Asian art at the College, came to Bowdoin in 1982 from the University of Michigan.

He was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Dartmouth College and received his Doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania in 1966.

The College Art Association described Olds as one who "has brought honor to the profession of teaching and to our discipline of art history," and whose "passion for art history and commitment to excellence has not only benefited many students but our profession as well.

"One former student, who now teaches art history, wrote to the committee that "to this day, when that rare occasion, I finish what I think was really good lecture, I compare it to my recollections of Clif's daily output. It has always been a humbling experience, but it also is in a comparison that reminds me what a truly important responsibility it is to be a good teacher. That more than anything is what I learned from Clif Olds.

Aside from his teaching, Olds' publications have been showcased in university museum catalogues, and he has organized exhibitions at both Bowdoin and Michigan. Such an honor is not new to Olds, however, as he in 1970 received Michigan's highest award, the Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching.

Bowdoin expects to tame Y2K bug

- Ninety percent of critical systems, necessary for daily operation, have already been updated; all others should be done by June 1999.

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Bowdoin has been working since February 1998 to ensure that the college will not be affected by the Year 2000 computer problem.

The Administrative Software Conversion Project, led by Vice President for Finance Kent Chadbor and Manager of Administrative Computing Lawrence O'Toole, and administered by Donald P. Duncan, is in charge of updating all software.

The Year 2000 Problem, also known as "Y2K," is what O'Toole describes half-jokingly as a "mundane little programming problem."

But still, it is one worth the college's time and money, in order to ensure that nothing disrupts its smooth running.

Thirty years ago, as the computer industry was just beginning to take off, one megabyte of RAM, or computer storage space, cost $3.7 million. Naturally, every effort was made to save as much space as possible.

Years ago, normally presented in four digits, were abbreviated to two digits, by removing the '19' and '00' example, often saving companies millions of dollars.

Now, a megabyte of ram costs about $5, making it unnecessary to shorten dates, but the same format is used by many programs.

As the year 2000 draws near, these older programs will not know how to handle the year '00.' It would be interpreted as the year 1900 and could cause the malfunction of computers and the loss of important files.

Also, as the year 2000 is a leap year, there is some question as to how computer systems will react to this date.

According to Duncan and O'Toole, about ninety percent of the modifications deemed critical, or necessary to the operations of the College, have been completed. The rest should be accomplished by June 1999. These include the programs used by human resources and payroll.

Unfortunately, Bowdoin cannot control the efforts of external vendors to become year 2000 compliant. These companies, such as Northcenter Foodservice, which provides most of the food products and supplies to Dining Services, are critical to school operations.

If they cannot prove that they are year 2000 compliant, the College will have to contact the College with needed goods and services. The College will have to choose other vendors to use in the near future.

In the case of Central Maine Power, where no other vendor could provide the same line, "We are Y2K, page 3.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1999
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine
Panel discusses eating disorders

KELLY RICCIARDI STAFF WRITER

Last Wednesday evening, members of a panel sponsored by WARRIORS discussed eating disorders and how they affect the Bowdoin campus.

This event was part of Eating Disorders Awareness Week, a week designed to promote awareness of eating disorders and the dangers associated with them.

The members of the panel included Mary McCoy, a psychologist; Mona Alley, a dietitian; Megan Hall '97, who struggled with anorexia while at Bowdoin; Stefanie Pemper, the women’s basketball coach; Dean Sharon Turner and Alison Crossley '01.

Eating disorders, according to McCann, are among the biggest problems here at Bowdoin. They often arise from a major change in life, such as leaving home and going to college. The panelists depicted Bowdoin as a breeding ground for eating disorders.

"Bowdoin is a high stress environment," said McCann. "There is a lot of competition and perfectionism, and a lot of what people do here is out of their control. Eating disorders are often about the need for control. When all else is dominated by others, food can be the one area where people feel in control."

These characteristics, according to panelists, describe some of the Bowdoin environment and Bowdoin students.

Additionally, McCann said that, especially in residential settings, people monitor what everyone else is eating, and they often alter their own habits in order to fit in with everyone else. Hall stressed that nobody plans to have an eating disorder. "It just snowballs, and control and perfectionism do come into play," she said. "Eating disorders affect your focus, your relationships and basically your whole life. It is hard to be at Bowdoin and see everyone around you looking perfect. I had a year and a half of my life to that."

Hall stated that it is hard to see things clearly when you are in the midst of an eating disorder. "You don't see reality in the mirror," she said. "I weighed 86 pounds and I had no idea of how I actually looked. The guilt factor is definitely involved. You feel constantly guilty about eating, about having an eating disorder, you feel like a bad person."

Stefanie Pemper said that the coach's role is very difficult, as "The whole nature of athletics is about being perfect and being in shape."

If she suspects that someone on the team has an eating disorder, it can be a very complicated situation, she said.

On the one hand, they are damaging themselves and the team, but she added, "you don't necessarily want to kick them off the team and take away what might be the one positive thing in their life."

Turner said that the role of the administrator is very much like the role of the athletic coach in dealing with eating disorders.

"The bottom line is that there is nothing we can do unless that person [with the disorder] is a harm to themselves or others," Turner said. "It is very difficult to make that call. The confrontation is hard and the person is often resistant."

Turner also brought up the cultural basis for eating disorders, that American society has a lot to do with this problem. "Often, students go abroad and the disorder goes into remission, and then when they come back, it starts right up again."

Rich Callahan, the moderator of the discussion, pointed out that eating disorders are seen as only affecting women. "Nobody even monitors the men in the dining halls. It is easier for males with eating disorders to remain unnoticed."

All of the panelists said that it must be the choice of the person with the eating disorder to make the effort to improve.

For friends of someone with an eating disorder, the most important thing is to be there with unconditional support. It is vital not to accuse someone of doing something wrong, but instead, to help that person with the eating disorder and not make the person feel guilty or make meal times a stressful environment.

The evening ended with a personal narrative from Crossley. She said she finds the frequency of disorders here at Bowdoin to be alarming.

"Whole groups of friends here have eating disorders that they normalize by saying that they are just being healthy," she said, adding that the Bowdoin campus seems to be un-naturally thin, and says that people should start to "value character rather than appearance."

WARRIORS sponsors an eating disorder support group that meets Tuesday evenings. For more information, contact Katie Joseph '01 or Zach Borus '01.

Students, staff and members of the outside community came together to discuss eating disorders and their effect on the Bowdoin community on Wednesday. (Lindsey Szametk / Bowdoin Orient)
Larry O’Toole and Donald Duncan are two of the employees in charge of updating Bowdoin’s software to be Y2K compliant. (Staff Photo / Bowdoin Orient)

**Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble**

The Senate impeachment trial of President Bill Clinton will work to defeat his political foes in the House in 2000 "deeply troubling," according to the Times report, a Clinton adviser said yesterday that he is so angry with House Republicans over his impeachment, he has vowed to work to defeat his foes in the 2000 election and to help the Democrats win back the House.

**Campus Crosstalk**

From The Dartmouth, Dartmouth College: The 1999 Dartmouth Campus Council announced yesterday that all fraternities and sororities will be required to go coeducational, in a similar vein as Bowdoin’s fraternity policy prior to 1997. In response, the Coed Fraternity Security Council canceled the famous Winter Carnival in protest. The CSC also voted to begin a letter-writing campaign to alumni, trustees and national newspapers. It is unclear exactly when these changes will go into effect; the president indicated that a decision on how to implement the changes will occur in the fall of next year. In addition to banning single-sex Greek organizations, a large-scale building initiative of new dorms was announced as well as a resizing of the dining system.

From The Daily Campus, University of Connecticut: UCnew’s Undergraduate Student Government approved a “Marriage Resolution” Wednesday night which discourages states from banning same-sex marriages.

From Badger Herald, University of Wisconsin-Madison: Thursday marked the third consecutive day that the University’s administration released the new university apparel licensing code by leading a sit-in outside of the Chancellor’s office. Organizers say they will continue the sit-in until the Chancellor agrees to sign a written statement agreeing to those main code additions, namely an immediate, full disclosure of factory locations; a mandatory living wage; and a concern for women’s rights. The Chancellor met with students briefly Wednesday, saying his opinion of the proposed Collegiate Licensing Code has not changed.

From Michigan Daily, University of Michigan: One U. Michigan Phi Delta Theta fraternity member pleaded guilty in a least an alcohol-related misdemeanor charge and cut a deal with prosecutors last Friday, while nine others await their own court dates. Jordan Schmidt '01 was one of ten University students prosecutors charged last month with serving alcohol to minors and allowing mi- nors to consume alcohol in the fraternity's former house at an October party. courtyard. Schmidt attended the party, as well, drinking there hours before she died after falling from her sixth-floor residence hall window. The national Phi Delta Theta fraterni- ty revoked the chapter’s charter last fall.

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**Class of 2000 applications arrive**

**Stacy Humes-Schulz**

**Contributor**

Over the past several months, the Bowdoin College Admissions Office has received approximately 4,000 regular admissions applications for the Class of 2003. In addition, 167 Early Decision II applicants are being considered.

Not all applications have been entered into the Admission Office’s computer database, so these numbers are not definite. They do represent roughly a five percent increase over last year’s applicant pool.

Last December, under the Early Decision I plan, the committee admitted 132 members of the Class of 2003 out of a pool of 279 applicants, or thirty percent of the Class. According to Dean of Admissions Richard Steele, the candidates for this plan were well qualified. "We are very impressed so far with the quality of applications we are reviewing," he said. "Not just in terms of grades and scores, but overall.

Before the regular decision applications can be evaluated, the Admissions Committee has to consider the 167 Early Decision II candidates. Although these applicants submitted their applications at the same time as the regular decision candidates, they agreed to commit to Bowdoin if accepted, therefore their applications will be read first. The Admissions Office hopes to write letters of notification to these candidates by Tuesday.

The committee aims to accept enough students to ensure a class of 440 students. Steele maintains that the diversity of the class will remain important throughout the process. "We had very good geographic distribution in the first round of early decision, with students from 26 states," he said. "We have nine students of color from Early Decision I that are coming. That’s always important to us.

Steele anticipates that regular decision admission to the Class of 2003 will be more competitive than in years past. "More than one-third of the class is coming in early, leaving fewer spaces for applicants under the regular plan," he said. The admissions office will mail decisions to regular decision applicants in early April.

This year, Bowdoin has become a sponsor of the National Merit Scholarship Competition. This program allows high school seniors who qualify as National Merit Semi-Finalists to apply to join the entire group of sponsors at their top choice college. In its first year of sponsorship, Bowdoin has more than 50 National Merit Semi-Finalists place Bowdoin as their top school. "It’s a good sign for the class to come," said Steele.

Written by the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, a gay advocacy group, the resolution passed by a vote of 23 to 6 despite arguments that the issue was not an appropriate one for a student government.

From Volante, University of South Dakota: USD announced plans this week to create Native American and honors floors in campus dormitories. The floors add already-existing special interest living situations, including substance-free living and non-traditional living. Residential Life staff members said they were examining the possibility of adding "freshman interest groups," or FIs, in which students would live with others sharing a major.

From Freedom Daily, University of Wisconsin-Madison: According to analysis of data published Thursday by the New York Times, the Department of Justice in the Clinton administration is estimated to have spent a total of $1.6 billion on fines and other penalties for alcohol violations.

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The value of diversity

The Center for Individual Rights, a Washington-based group whose website describes itself as "a non-profit public interest law firm dedicated to the defense of individual rights," took out advertisements in over a dozen college newspapers at the beginning of the semester to encourage students to sue schools over affirmative action policies. While the Orient was not among those publications targeted, we want to stress the importance of diversity in admissions at Bowdoin, both racial and socioeconomic.

The CIR, which currently has lawsuits in this area pending against several state universities, claims that a 1978 Supreme Court decision bans affirmative action in college admissions as it exists today. But most interpretations of that decision imply that affirmative action to remedy the discrimination that existed against racial minorities for years is a perfectly acceptable admissions procedure. Eliminating affirmative action for minorities would result in a more homogeneous and less interesting campus. Witness the perceptive and thoughtful responses at the flagship campuses of the University of California system after regents forced the use of affirmative action in admissions.

A little closer to home, Bowdoin may soon be forced to use a student's ability to pay as more of a factor in admissions than it already is. While no one questions that a family needs money to operate, socioeconomic diversity is enough of a worthwhile goal to justify financial sacrifices in other areas. Qualified applicants should not be turned away simply because their parents are hard-pressed to pay the absurdly large tuition charges Bowdoin levies.

Diversity brings a new dimension to the intellectual experience, one that is worth keeping current policies in place. Bowdoin, especially, needs to do its utmost to increase diversity among the student body. We have earned a reputation as one of the more homogeneous schools in New England, to the extent where the issue is addressed in several national college guides for prospective students. This is both a perception and a reality we need to work through. A variety of opinions and lifestyles leads to more productive conversations and discussions of issues at home and outside of the classroom. Affirmative action and need-blind admissions need to be encouraged at all costs.

Bring on the lovin'

Every year at this time, our gray and snowy days are brightened by the reds and pinks, the hearts and cupids of Valentine's Day. In recent years, this day has taken on an especially romantic significance, leaving those with no "significant other" to approach the holiday with a black cloud of depression, refusal or denial hanging over their heads. The day is defined by Webster's as "February 14 observed in honor of St. Valentine and as a time for sending valentines." No mention of romance or love. Simply a time for giving.

Children seem to be the only ones who really understand the meaning of this day. Think back to the envelopes that you put on your desk for your classmates to fill with valentines. They didn't do it because they were in love with you. They did it because they understand that it feels good to get a valentine, and the more you give, the happier you will make others around you. Lisa Simpson understood that when she noticed the sadness in Ralph Wiggum's eyes when he didn't get any valentines and decided to "choo, choo choose" him. Among our generation, it seems that rebellion against the day and coloring it black, as done with the calendar in Smith Union, has become the popular way to approach a holiday which was designed with nothing but good intentions.

So what if we don't have a boyfriend or girlfriend? So what if the e-mail server crash kept the Valentine's Orient Forum question from reaching the student body and notifying your personal ads? Let's remember what the day is really about, spreading happiness and love on an otherwise cold February day. Maybe it should be a time to tell someone just how much you appreciate them or how really you feel if they don't know. Even if your friends are not able to think beyond themselves for a day, they will no doubt feel happy and flattered that someone thought enough of them to try and brighten their day.

Love comes in many forms: family love, friendship, love and romantic love. As you approach Valentine's Day, think of people who you love in each one of these ways, and if you really do care enough about them, then you will make the simple effort of making or buying a card. Send one to your parents, your siblings, your roommates, or whoever comes to mind, just try and give it out at least. Everyone deserves happiness and sunshine in their day. Here is your opportunity to give it to them.

For a more considerate Camp Bobo

The residential college leads students to take several things for granted. Colleges like Camp Bobo, to keep attracting top students from their competitors, have constructed a country-club environment for their students. Facilities management keeps the campus postcard-perfect throughout the calendar, Dining Services prepares our meals, and countless other campus services attend to our "needs" before we can think of them. One could almost excuse the student body's inability to pick up their trash from the tables in Morrell Lounge.

We spend our coddled days going from a meal at Wentworth to a work-out at the gym, taking in a class or two every so often. We can walk into the library, full of self-importance, to ponder the complexities of the universe without being awkwardly delayed by a dirty dish or other such mundane hindrances.

One might ask if the many (expensive) amenities offered by the College are necessary for it to excel along with its students. The answer is no in terms of Bowdoin's purpose as a college, but yes within the long-term picture which is too complex to enter into here. Regardless of this tendency's importance to the perpetuation of the College as we know it, it does not forgive a lack of common courtesy.

As long as a student's tuition is paid by somebody, very little is asked of that student while he's here. The environment affords tranquility and freedom to explore whatever paths one might open. A thin line exists, however, between the appropriate level of comfort and outright irresponsibility. A gesture as simple as throwing our trash from our most communal space, the Union, reminds us of our place within a community and demonstrates respect to the staff that helps us.

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Northern Ireland Continues: Mitchell’s help likely required again

By Mark Turner

One of the prime objectives of the International Body on Arms Decommissioning was to identify and advise on a suitable method for the decommissioning of paramilitary arms in Northern Ireland. The Mitchell Report (named after Bowdoin alumnus George Mitchell ’54) suggested the decommissioning of arms in the manner of peace talks. Neither Protestant unionists (in general, those who recognize the partition of Ireland and would like to reunify), nor Catholic Republicans (in general, those who support the reunification of Ireland) found the Mitchell Report acceptable. Sinn Fein (believed to be the Irish Republican Army’s political wing), speaking on behalf of the IRA, said that the IRA would not decommission until an irreversible peace settlement was reached. For the IRA to decommission without a peace agreement was tantamount to a surrender; they would be giving up their only means of challenging an illegitimate political system. Unionists and British negotiators argue that decommissioning should be a precondition for admission to peace talks. The unrelenting perspectives of both sides on the issue of decommissioning has led to an impasse in the peace process. As a result, Catholic and Protestant paramilitaries broke their cease-fire agreements in late 1996.

In October of 1997, peace talks finally resulted in the Mitchell Agreement (April 10, 1998). The peace process of Ireland supported the Peace Agreement by approving its ratification by referendum and voting in favor of the peace agreement. In the midst of preparing the Assembly for its inaugural session, the decommissioning issue was the main stumbling block in the agreement. The Unionist party has a clause in the Assembly excluding any party or official in the government from the process. Although Sinn Fein represents the armed IRA, the DUP refuses to allow Sinn Fein to enter the government (Cabinet) until the IRA decommissions its arms. Sinn Fein representatives argue that decommissioning is not a precondition for office. The Peace Agreement says that decommissioning must be completed two years after the signing of the peace agreement. The Social Democratic and Labor Party (the largest Catholic party) points out that the exclusion of Sinn Fein will alienate Republican Catholics and risk a resumption of violence. Sinn Fein has actively opposed the peace process and has threatened to end the cease-fire if the peace process does not move forward. Although the parties continue to insist on whether paramilitaries against or in support of the peace agreement are responsible for recent “punishment beatings.” Once again, the decommissioning issue is tumbling their peace process.

The political parties have set March 10th as their next deadline for decommissioning. Any sign of agreement on the issue must permit Sinn Fein to participate in the government while the paramilitary arms are decommissioned. The peace agreement is not a unilateral act, and it is not easily placed by a specific deadline. All paramilitaries which do not agree to decommission should be excluded from the peace process. However, Sinn Fein refuses to decommission their arms. Honestly, I do not think that such an agreement will be reached by the deadline. The IRA and Unionist parties want former paramilitary groups to signify their commitment to peace and democracy by destroying their weapons. If it continues, the current standoff will not only impair the Assembly, it will undermine faith in the peace process and honest citizens alike.

I am concerned about the recent division by Northern Irish leaders not to call on George Mitchell to chair negotiations. With the exceptions of Irish Prime Minister Mary Harvey, Northern Irish and British politicians are reluctant to ask for Mitchell’s help. They are afraid that Mitchell may bring in matters they do not want to discuss. On Friday Agreement was an incredible commitment for Mitchell. Furthermore, Ulster Unionists have long been reluctant to discuss matters they believe are sensitive. UUP leader David Trimble has suggested asking George Mitchell to assist in negotiations. The Ulster Unionists would not agree to this. The March 10th deadline set by Mr. Trimble. Although I would like to see Northern Ireland’s politicians resolve this matter themselves, I fear that pessimistic events in the surrounding world may plunge Northern Ireland into chaos. Further delays may turn hopeful citizens into pessimists. I hope that Mitchell will be able to bring about a lasting peace to Northern Ireland. On the other hand, he has the confidence of Northern Ireland’s leaders and expert knowledge of the decommissioning issue. I pray that Northern Ireland’s leaders do not miss the opportunity for peace because they are reluctant to ask for help from the one person they can trust.

Mark Turner is a junior but he appreciates Student Speak for trying to make him a freshmen again.

Truth and consequences

By Brendan Hughes

“Why don’t you tell the truth for a change” said Patricia Smith. “Do you want it Senator? Dished out in a bottle”

From “Mr. Smith Goes To Washington"

Truth has become a mystical phenomenon in American life. Many of us hold truth up as a standard for validity in our lives. Although we abhor lies, we rarely desire and never demand the truth from our journalists or political leaders. Rather than facing the reality of truth, either in the newspaper or in politics, we look for comfort. We seek confirmation of our own beliefs. However, America certainly has an aversion to lies, but it has no problem with the absence of truth. In the truth is the first lie, while he may not have lied in the legal sense, he did not tell the truth, either. He may or may not face consequences for that action, but look at who will be meeting out those consequences: a Congress that has no regard for the truth, and only seeks political advantage in the short term. People who write are supposed to be telling us the stories of the world around us. That world is an unjust and painfully inconsistent one. The truths that these journalists must report on are complex and often mutually exclusive. But rather than properly clarifying, or even reporting these truths, journalists create works of fiction to clarify and report on their own views, rather than telling the story of the world around them. But it is not their fault. They cease to tell the truth because they choose to lie. It is their journalistic failure to keep their views on current events. They have writers who are supposed to be telling us the stories of the world around us. That world is an unjust and painfully inconsistent one.

I am immediately reminded of a story. It is actually two stories compressed into one, but their messages are interwoven as the consequences that each character faces become more similar.

In 2005, Patricia Smith, a journalist with the New York Times, wrote an article that was reproduced together, because their stories are so closely connected. The first is Patricia Smith. Patricia Smith is a former journalist with the New York Times. She is the first black female columnist to appear in on the Metro page of the Globe. She wrote a 700 word column (much like this one) that expressed her views on current events. Patricia Smith broke the cardinal rule of journalism and created names and

Liberarians misunderstood

By Larisa Reznik

Several years ago, I read an excerpt from Dimensions of "In Defense of Liberty," Examining American Ideology by Howard Zinn. Amongst many things, Zinn talked about the illusion of choices that we receive because we only choose from the set of ideas already presented to us. Zinn wrote that we grow up in a society where our choice of ideas is limited and where certain ideas dominate. We are not allowed to have our parents, in the schools, in the churches, in the newspapers and on radio and television. They have been in the air ever since we learned to walk and talk. They constitute an American ideology that is a dominant pattern of ideas. He gave examples of this in school, in the media, and in politics. We are a bipartisanship society made up of the Democrats and Republicans and no other parties are tolerated or even considered.

For those interested in politics on campus, there are the Democrats and the Republicans as well. There are also the Libertarians. The libertarian ideology provides an alternative to traditional thought of liberalism and conservatism. The Libertarians are a small but focused and innovative group on campus. Libertarianism, as an ideology is not very well known or understood. It is often wrongly equated with right-wing republicans or anarchy. The ideology is embedded in individual responsibility and trust. Rather than government legislation of individual liberties, libertarians believe that the treatment of people with equality. President Andy Falko ’99 and Vice President Jon Behar ’01 argue that the best way to legislate equality institutionalizes differences and institutionalizes apathy. From George Lakey’s 1968 book, Students for a Democratic Society, rationalizes, “There’s all the difference in the world between treating people equally and demanding that they be treated equally.” There’s an emphasis on rights, mainly the natural rights of life, liberty, and property and right to the strike in opposition to the Constitution. Individuals should be free to make personal choices so long as they do not infringe on others’ rights. Falko describes the ideology as respect for individual liberty, [trust that] individuals are best able to take control of their lives. How can people take responsibilities for their actions and prove themselves committed to the idea? If the people who are empowered government groups assume these responsibilities.

The libertarian ideology is principle and clearly defined, rather than pragmatic. Concerning current issues, libertarians support strong positions on numerous issues, such as social security and drugs. Social Security is an inefficient way to aid people. The rate of return is higher in the market than in Social Security. Rather than taxing Social Security, individuals should take initiative either for themselves by investing, again at a higher return rate, or appropriate their money, as they see fit.

Andy says that social security is an example of government holding[ing] individual hands and hurting[ing] people because individuals are capable of saving for themselves better. Libertarians also support decentralization of all design. Individuals should have the right to control their own body. The government’s War on Drugs has proven ineffective and costly. If drugs are legalized, they will become inexpensive and put drug dealers out of business. There won’t be the violence over obtaining drugs. Drug users who interact with others, while under the influence, hurting or infringing upon the rights of others, will pay for it, will be jailed. Government’s role is to protect individual rights and neither, and only when those rights are being violated.

At Bowdoin, the Libertarians have done an excellent job. The focus last semester was campaigning for Jeff Weinstein, the senatorial candidate for District 23. Also, the group proposed a new club mission is to explore the implications of a new society by creating a new political perspective. The club is open to everyone, among students. Copies are available in Smith Union, by the J. Crew catalogues. Members of the club are Jon Behar and Jon have been working on bringing a speaker to campus, to educate and bring important issues to the table, and debate libertarian ideology. Questions, comments, accusations and condescensions should be addressed to Falko or Behar.

Larisa Reznik works at the convenience store on Thursday nights.
Untold costs of need-blind

By Hugh Hill

The need-blind admissions policy is, in theory, a good and noble concept. College should be available to all who are motivated and qualified. And while some may argue that it is impossible for everyone to be afforded the opportunity we have, it ultimately serves the good of society for everyone to be as highly educated as possible. Unfortunately, there are unintended consequences of this policy. The need-blind policy necessarily entails raising the tuition that the full-paying student must fork over. There are host of arguments for and against this, but that is not the main thrust of this piece. I want to illuminate a little-considered consequence of the need-blind admissions policy. That, by raising tuition cost to astronomical levels, only the very wealthy and the very needy are able to attend college, cutting out the middle-class.

Though this concept may seem absurd, it is actually very easy to grasp. College costs have increased, at most private institutions, by over $10,000 in this decade alone. The main cause of this has been the cost of financial aid for needy students. As a smaller and smaller pool of students can afford to pay the full tuition, the proportion of students needing financial aid increases. Unfortunately there is only a limited pool of aid to go around, and it is proportioned to those whose need is greatest. Hence, many students, whose need is not judged to be the most severe, are not able to attend colleges to which they have been admitted merely because their aid packages were not adequate. Those who do get the aid are those in the most needy circumstances.

Some say the answer to this is to hike tuition even higher, but this only accentuates the problem. Middle-class students, who cannot afford the astronomical cost of college, are cut out for students whose need situation is worse than that of the middle-class students. This is not to say in any way that middle-class students are more deserving than under-class students. Everyone who is qualified deserves the chance to go to college. But this system is flawed in that it is geared only to those who have the greatest need. By raising the costs of college to pay for financial aid programs for the needy, it is only cutting out the middle-class students, those in the middle are cut out.

How can we address this? I don't know. But it is something that should be kept in mind as Bowdoin reexamines its admissions and financial aid policies.

Hugh Hill is a first-year.

Letters to the Editor

One last rejoinder on race

In his December 4th Orient letter, Hugh Hill '02 argued this Bowdoin, in its strive for a more diverse student body, ought to recognize socio-economic, geographic and other forms of diversity, but purposely neglect "the petty issue" of race. Doing this would somehow make for a more "ideal" community because we as a college would have "gone beyond skin color." I suggested that race is an issue that matters to some, but should not matter to us.

I believe that as we attempt to diversify, Bowdoin should highlight these other kinds of diversity, and simultaneously ignore race, as it is both an unrealistic and questionable goal. Race is bound up in each of the forms of diversity we wish to embrace:

Forsaken, in this country we cannot talk about socio-economic stratification and not consider its functional connection to race.

Our attempt to move towards a more equal, "dydlic" society and school should include a serious attentiveness to race. The misconception that "forgetting race" will make racial inequality go away may seem innocuous, but in reality it is both harmful and wrong. This same language and ideology creates a space where macedious racism can flourish.

The question how (and whether) Bowdoin fosters diversity is another critical issue that must be scrutinized. We as a college are not just a collection of students, we are a community of students. As such, we should be respecting each other as we strive to move our school towards a society, and a school that celebrates each student.

Katie Gibson '98

Gibson submitted this letter before graduating last December.

Tasty fruit: a healthy demand

The idea for this letter arose out of a serious discussion I had with Jay (my roommate) and Sara (a friend). We all had gone to the "town-meeting" the previous week and we were discussing some of the points stressed at the meeting. Above all, that people complained; mostly complaints about this and that, and because Bowdoin is like this and that, and it should be like this and that, and... and on and on. I told Jay, categorically, (this is when he said I should write this article) that I really thought those people at the meeting weren't being truthful or sincere enough to address the real problem underlying all tension and discontent here at Bowdoin. Here, my words: "What we really need at Bowdoin is tasty fruits." Jay and Sara reacted to my sincerity with amazement. I moved on to explain myself and the logic to this: "Come from a tropical country (Brazil), and there we have a lot of fruits! (tasty fruits) and there people are happy." Jay and Sara promptly agreed.

I mean, what else could be the source of such unrest if not the apples that taste like grass, the bananas that taste like wooden antennae, and plums that feel like plastic. The fruits here lack very nice and all, but (c'mon) they "taste like plastic," I said. Fruits that taste like plastic? That is really tragic, allow me to say. And still no complaint about it! In a college (Bowdoin) of great professors, great facilities, great campus, great beauty, great library (765,000 volumes or more), great alumni, and great students, we can't afford to have fruits tasting like plastic.

People of Bowdoin: Unite! It's TIME TO TAKE ACTION, and demand better tasting fruits; at least to avoid dropping a spot or two on the Newsweek "Top Colleges" (they announced this year they will be very comprehensive). We can't let this fallacy pass unnoticed. You might say that students at such a highly intellectualized institution would never be standardized (or driven into a stereotype), but don't forget that it is this community, even with all its intellectual opulence, that is being apathetic to the plastic fruit crisis. Wake up Bowdoin.

Emma Barnes '92
Vagina. The passage leading from the vulva to the uterus in female mammals.

Besides the dry, simplicity of a dictionary definition, vaginas hold many different meanings and interpretations for the men and women of today. When mentioned at all, the single word vagina can resonate with disgust, fascination, shame, mystery, pain and pleasure. Playwright Eve Ensler translated these very dated responses into a series of stories. After interviewing hundreds of women of all ages, generations, classes, religious and ethnicities, she compiled their experiences into the One Act Warning play, the "Vagina Monologues."

Sunday, February 14, seventeen women who attend Bowdoin will perform the "Vagina Monologues." Bowdoin's production began when Simone Federman, director of the monologues, heard about the College Initiative which envisioned bringing the play to over 50 colleges throughout the United States as part of a national crusade to increase awareness about and demand the stop of sexual violence.

While on Valentine's Day the same set of monologues will be performed across the country, the Bowdoin production is sure to be unique. Bowdoin senior, Dana Sklar, collaborated with Federman to create a performance relevant to the Bowdoin community. "We thought of it [the monologues] as far away," claimed Federman as she discussed the initial stages of the production. As the cast worked on the piece, "we began to make them our own."

With the input of the cast, m e m b e r s, Federman and Sklar edited and rewrote many of the pieces. Through the power of activating the monologues developed from the foreign ideas and experiences of others into the worries, concerns and joys of the women at Bowdoin College. Along with informing the public about the positive and negative issues surrounding the vagina, the monologues present a wonderful opportunity to tie the Bowdoin and Brunswick communities together. The "Vagina Monologues" are being advertised throughout Brunswick in conjunction with an art exhibition and a poetry reading at the Gulf of Maine.

While the tickets to the "Vagina Monologues" are free to the public, the suggested donation of $5 will contribute to non-profit services in the area including M i d c o a t, Sexual Assault Services and the Community Service Board. The donations will be used to help those communities give back financially to these important institutions that have assisted students in the past and will continue helping the Bowdoin and Brunswick communities in the future. The donations will also help bring a lecturer from Eastern Europe to the Bowdoin campus in order to increase awareness of the little known facts of sex trafficking.

Silence is frightening. This Valentine's Day, the "Vagina Monologues" gives voice to the unmentionable and allows Bowdoin women to sing in union with thousands of other women's voices across the country. On a campus where so many issues are silenced or hidden away because of fear, shame, embarrassment and misinterpretation, it will be refreshing to hear the voices of young women of our community speaking up.

Vaginas. Say it to yourself a few times, whether you are a man or a woman, whether you are young or old. Think about the word for a while and realize that maybe it isn't so much as menacing and sexual as we all once thought. The monologues will be performed this Sunday, February 14th:

7 p.m. at the Theater Project (4 School St., Brunswick)
9 p.m. in the Smith Auditorium, Sims Hall, Bowdoin Campus

Tickets are free at the door. Suggested donations will contribute to Sexual Assault Services, Merry Meeting AIDS and to bring an Eastern European lecturer to the Bowdoin campus to further discuss issues of sexual violence.

Broadway actress addresses eating disorders

By ANNA DORNBUSCH
M & E EDITOR

Most college students know at least one person -- don't you? -- struggling with an eating disorder. Although students are vaguely aware of what anorexia and bulimia are, few students understand the destructive force of eating disorders and the complex emotions marked by such diseases.

In the cafeteria, in the dorms or in class, students make insensitive comments not because they want to alienate the person suffering from an eating disorder, but rather, they make these comments because they don't understand the emotional turmoil that precedes and follows the eating disorder.

In an effort to help college students gain a better understanding of the effects of eating disorders, former Broadway actress Mimi Wyche created a one-woman theater production in which she acts out the many different faces of an eating disorder. Wyche has been on tour for three years and has performed at 150 different schools across the country.

An actress by profession, Wyche suffered from both anorexia and bulimia for seventeen years. For much of this time, she was living in New York City performing off and on Broadway. Wyche continued to act during her thirteen years of recovery. During this time, she brainstormed the idea for "Eaten Alive."

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Wyche realized she was inspired if people could watch the emotional turmoil of an eating disorder instead of merely listening to a lecture, the effect would be more powerful.

Theater by nature is a journey of emotion. Wyche found that eating disorders are about emotions that are not allowed to be experienced.

After nine drafts, Wyche finally felt confident in the effectiveness of her show. Upon completion of the draft, Wyche was asked to perform the piece at an Addiction Conference in South Carolina. She received terrific feedback from this inaugural performance, and Wyche was affirmed in her belief that theater is an important way to address issues.

"Eaten Alive" is a one-woman show with few props. Wyche called it in "out of the trunk." She wears loose fitting pants and a baggy shirt so she can be portrayed as different sizes. Along with Wyche herself, the stage contains only a coat rack with five props and two tables and chairs.

With these items, Wyche portrays five different women ranging in age from 13-50 years. Each woman has some different kind of eating disorder, whether it be an obsession with food or with exercising.

At the end of the show, one of the women has an insight and begins to break through her eating disorder. Three years ago, Wyche decided to end the show with a therapist available to answer questions the show may raise.

"Sometimes the show is enough to crack the denial in someone, and they need to talk with a professional right away, so that is why we now have a therapist present after the show," she said.

Reducing the stigmas of eating disorders, Wyche said she believes that both biological and environmental factors contribute to the development of an eating disorder.

Wyche contended, "It's much harder to come out of an eating disorder due to the culture in which we live. As a culture we're so obsessed with weight."

Wyche acknowledged that recovery can not be mapped in a straight line. Someone in recovery may have months of progress behind him, only to suddenly relapse to an unhealthy state in which the obsessive thoughts of the eating disorder prevail.

When one is in this relapsed state, negative cultural influences can further hinder one's recovery and make it more difficult to confront the obsessive and destructive thoughts.

As Wyche acknowledged, eating disorders in both men and women are on the rise. She solidified her point, adding that men used to have one percent of all disorders, but in the past five years, this figure has increased to ten percent. Similarly, Wyche argues, as women have become more powerful in our culture, they have been challenged to become smaller and fragile-looking.

Despite her uphill battle, Wyche said she now considers herself fortunate to have conquered her eating disorders. She believes that "if you just hang in there, you will beat it."

When Wyche is particularly stressed, she said she can feel the thoughts of her eating disorder returning, but since she has the awareness, she is able to take time to evaluate why her symptoms are recurring.

"The difference now," Wyche said, "is that I don't let them beat me."

When Wyche is not on tour, she spends approximately four months of the year in off-campus acting engagements. "It's important to me that I continue acting in the theater," comments Wyche.

In an effort to make college students more aware of our cultural obsession with weight, and the resulting eating disorder epidemic we now face, she encourages all students to try and go just one day without looking at their bodies in the mirror, counting calories, or talking about their weight. As many students discover, this is a difficult task to fulfill.

If a student is not confronted with a lunch time conversation about the latest weight loss diet, he or she may be easily bombarded by unrealistic body images portrayed in magazines and television shows.

To counteract our cultural obsession with weight, Wyche encourages students to become proactive and write letters to the editors of beauty magazines.

Society must approach the fight against eating disorders as they would other diseases of national concern. People must question why these diseases exist and develop a complete understanding of the complexities of eating disorders.

When others take time to understand these diseases, Wyche said, they gain the allies in their fight to live healthy lives. Mimi Wyche is doing her part to ensure that this generation of college students are aware of the potential dangers of eating disorders. What will your contribution be?
The Eveningstar Review: Puddle Cruiser

By Jonathan L. Knapp
A&E Editor

All too often film audiences have tended to fall into the trap of automatically assuming that an independent film is inherently better than a Hollywood film. I often fall into this trap myself; in fact, I initially thought that Puddle Cruiser must be far superior to the banal trash that Hollywood often produces today (see Adam Sandler and There's Something About Mary).

After all, it did appear at Sundance. But, as independent filmmaker Gregg Araki, a frequent juror at Sundance, said in an interview with Premiere Magazine, "There are just as many bad independent movies as there are bad studio movies. And the only difference is that at least a bad studio movie has an explosion in it to keep you awake." Bad studio movies often receive wide release because they contain a star and special effects; bad independent movies regularly do not get this release because they have no such attractions. Many of them simply do not deserve to be seen. "Puddle Cruiser" runs dangerously close to this line.

The movie provided me with even more evidence for my one pronounced statement in life movies that fall under the "collegie genre" are terrible. I have yet to see one that I came even close to enjoying, save for Animal House, which is worth seeing largely because the late John Belushi was a comic genius. The Broken Lizard Comedy Troupe, the makers and stars of "Puddle Cruiser," unfortunately contains no such geniuses.

I do not want to come across as a totally pompous, pretentious film snob (though I will be the first to admit that I am), so I will elaborate upon my hasty judgment.

I have immense respect for the Broken Lizard group for doing what they did: making a truly independent film that they are promoting themselves. They had a very limited budget, which they acquired from loans from friends, but still managed to make the film that they wanted to make. The movie will probably be released next fall by Miramax Pictures, which has given them $4 million to make their next film, Super Troopers. This is every wannabe filmmaker's dream. Unfortunately, Puddle Cruiser is not a good movie.

Some of the movie's proponents may argue that they had an extremely limited budget, and made the best movie possible, under their circumstances. At this time I would like to point to the film, e, which was also made on an extremely limited budget obtained by director Darren Aronofsky through the similar means of friends and family.

This was a brilliant, startling film. I recognize that the two films were trying to accomplish drastically different things, and therefore cannot be compared. I mention it, however, to illustrate that a lack of money does not at all mean a lack of creativity. Puddle Cruiser contains nothing creative that is worth examining. It simply told an uninteresting story about college life that was supremely dull, except for a few genuinely amusing moments.

The basic story follows a group of five friends (played by the Broken Lizard group), three of whom decide to break into the school cafeteria. Unsurprisingly, they are caught, though one of them, named Felix, escapes. A law student has the fun task of representing the two idiots who were caught.

Felix begins a relationship with her, though she does not know that he too was involved in the breaking and entering incident. She already has a boyfriend, with whom she has agreed to see other people, but he will, of course, be jealous of the other guy.

The other two Broken Lizard members play a Stoner hippie who runs the mail room and a guy who only knows six of the seven digits to an attractive girl's phone number. The film basically shows the antics that ensue with these fascinating scenarios.

I apologize for sounding so bitter; I respect the Broken Lizard group for what they tried to do, but, unfortunately, they failed.

Tuvans say: "Eh-key, Bowdoin"

By Anna Dornbusch
A&E Editor

Can you guess what the key means in Tuvan? Do you know where Tuva is located? Most importantly, are you familiar with the group of Tuvan throat singers, Huun-Huur Tu? If you answered "no" to all of the above questions, you are probably not alone. Few people are familiar with the area of Southern Siberia known as Tuva and even fewer people have heard of throat singing, yet, as they demonstrated in their recent visit to the Bowdoin campus, it is impossible to ignore the country of Tuva, and their rich tradition of throat singing after one has heard the phenomenal sounds of Huun-Huur Tu.

To describe throat singing in words does not do justice to its awe-inspiring nature. Technically, throat singers produce two and sometimes three distinct notes simultaneously through manipulation of the lips, jaw, velum and larynx. To the human ear, throat singing sounds like a deep, guttural drone above which whistle-like tones are sounded. Thousands of throat singers populate Tuva, yet Huun-Huur Tu stands apart from other throat singers due to the fine balance they create in not only preserving, but also exploring tradition. They use their knowledge of the diversity of the past and their collective imagination, not Western influences, to create unique songs.

Many of their songs are comprised of rhythms that imitate the trotting of a horse. The combination of different pitches, along with the various ways in which they combine instruments, symbolize various scenes of nature and human life. Their songs may depict the sound of a rushing waterfall, or the overwhelming feeling of love.

The instruments used by Tuva throat singers are made mostly of animal remains and natural matter. The girl, a bowed instrument, consists of a body made of a horse's hide, with strings of horse hair. They use several drums, the most interesting of which is made of bull's testicles and the knee bones of sheep.

When asked how they learned to throat sing, the members of the group retort with the question, "How did you learn how to speak?" For many young men in Tuva, throat singing is learned from their fathers. However, several members of the group have no family members who throat sing. Rather, they felt a natural calling to throat singing and thus, their talent developed. Recently, there has been a trend in Tuva to create formal schools to teach throat singing. Huun-Huur Tu does not endorse such formal teaching. They believe that the teaching of throat singing should not be industrialized.

Before coming to Bowdoin on Tuesday, Huun-Huur Tu visited Harvard University and several other East Coast institutions. They have recorded three CDs, which are available in the "world music" sections of most record stores.

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The alpine team made the trip to Stowe, Vermont this past weekend to compete at the 37th annual Snow Bowl. The team, under the guidance of Coach Dan Reardon, finished 10th overall, placing eighth in the women's alpine competition. The team's performance was highlighted by the strong showing of senior Meghan Cosgrove, who placed 35th in the slalom and 30th in the giant slalom. Cosgrove's results were significant as they marked the first time in several years that Bowdoin had placed in the top 30 in both events.

The women's cross-country team, which suffered a surprising loss in the NCAA championships last season, returned to form this season. Under the leadership of Coach Matt Fleury, the team has made significant strides, finishing 15th overall and placing 11th in the women's race.

On the women's side, Yamanaka managed to finish in the highest scoring position for Bowdoin in the alpine, placing 32nd and scoring 12 points. It was the best individual contribution from a single race all weekend. With this result, Yamanaka also managed to beat the entire team from St. Michael's College and 5 out of the 6 women on the Williams team. Cosgrove, the second point scorer for the women's team, finished 42nd.

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Women’s hearts on fire

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significantly to both the 4x400- and 4x800- meter relays.

After a successful cross-country season, Shon has been both dynamic and dominant in the middle distance events. Her grace, agility and speed in her races have been impressive and beautiful to watch. Her tactic of hitting-on competitors until the last lap has proven successful in each of her races since she has defected the cream of the crop in the process. Two weekends ago, at the Bowdoin Quad Cup, Shon used this strategy to defeat All-American 1500-meter runner, Katie Kein, of Middlebury. She won the race in a time of 4:42.06, the fastest time in New England Division III so far. Adding to her list of accomplishments this season, she has already provisionally qualified for Nationals in the 800-meter run, an honor she achieved only an hour after beating Kein in the 1500.

However, not all the credit goes to upperclassmen. After a respectable debut at MIT, Marika Deey '02 wasted no time in making her name for herself as a Polar Bear. In the only second meet of the season, Deey improved over a foot in the pole vault to capture first place, and more impressively, a school record of 9’ 9’’.

Erin Finn-Welch ’02 felt that the first meet was a perfect opportunity to show her talent as a triple jumper. In her first collegiate meet, Finn-Welch captured an impressive victory with a mark of 33.5. Finn-Welch leads a triumvirate of talented first-year jumpers, which also include Karen Yeoman and Casey Kelley. At both home meets, these three women, led by sophomore Van Loenen, dominated both the triple and long jump. In last week’s meet versus Tufts, Van Loenen (35’7’’), Finn-Welch (33’3’’), Kelley (33’7’’) and Yeoman (32’7’’) took the first four places in the triple jump. The week before, in a meet versus Middlebury, the figures were much the same with Van Loenen setting new personal records (34’6’’), and Finn-Welch (33’12’’), Yeoman (32’5’’) and Kelley (32’0’’) taking third, fourth and fifth, respectively.

The high jump has been just as lucrative an event for Bowdoin. Led by Van Loenen, the high jump has often been the high scoring event in the meet. In a meet against Tufts, Bowdoin took the first four places with Van Loenen (5’1”), Nickerson (5’1”), Finn-Welch (5’11”) and Kate Walker ’02 (5’11”). There is not only depth in the high jump but also marks that will stand up against tough competition come championship
**Between the lines:**

*The greatest*

**By Justin DeGeorge**

On February 5, the 1998-1999 NBA season finally began, four months late courtesy of the most ridiculous labor dispute in professional sports history. Three weeks earlier, the league lost its greatest player to retirement, which was seven months after he captured his sixth championship and fifth Most Valuable Player award. Now staring into an uncertain future, professional basketball searches in vain for its next torchbearer, a position many are eager to fill, but few for which, if any, are qualified.

He arrived on the national sports scene in the 1982 NCAA Championship game a lanky 19-year-old kid from North Carolina. With fifteen seconds left, he spotted up from the corner and buried the jumper and the Hoyas for a 63-62 victory. Two years later, he was the third player selected in the NBA Draft, behind Hakeem Olajuwon (simply Akeem back then) and Sam Bowie (nice call Portland). For the next fourteen years, he would dominate the league as no one before him had, procuring countless individual and team awards along the way.

Exiting the world stage just as he had entered it, he dribbled a last-second 18-footer in Game six of the 1998 NBA Finals, vanquishing the Utah Jazz, and presenting to the city of Chicago its sixth title in eight years.

Over his thirteen seasons, he left us in awe, producing a run of unbelievable high-achievements. In 1992, he entered the hall of fame Boston Garden, squared against some of the greatest teams in NBA history, and passed in a league playoff record of 63 points. Over that three game series with the Celtics, he averaged over 43 points per game.

During the 1988 All-Star weekend, he battled Dominique Wilkins for the Slam Dunk Contest crown in front of his home crowd at Chicago Stadium. With one attempt remaining and needing a perfect score to overtake 50, he drained the length of the court and soared from the foul line, throwing down perhaps the most famous dunk of all time, and winning the contest.

Against the Cavaliers in Game Five of the 1990 playoffs, he nailed the game-winner at the buzzer, hanging in the air and lifting himself over the outstretched hand of a defender. The play froze Craig Ehlo’s dubious place in roundball history as the Bulls advanced to the next round.

After averaging an NBA Finals record 41.0 ppg in 1993 to give Chicago its third straight championship, he walked away from the game announcing, “I have nothing left to accomplish.” Rather than carry on the dynasty, he pursued a dream to play professional baseball eventually winding up as an outfielder for the Birmingham Barons.

Two years later, he returned to the spot he loved most, declaring a simple press release, “I’m back.” Five games into his comeback, he put up 55’s for 55 points, letting the world know that a minor league batting average under 200 did nothing to diminish his basketball skills.

On Father’s Day in 1996, he propelled the Bulls to their fourth title in six years, averaging over 27 ppg against the Sonics. Few can forget the footage of him lying on the ground clutching the championship trophy and sobbing, overcome by emotion as he remembered his late father, who was murdered only weeks after his most recent championship in 1993.

Tied at two games apiece, the Bulls squared off against the Utah Jazz in the fifth game of the 1997 NBA Finals. Suffering from the stomach flu, he was so sick before tip-off that he could hardly put on his uniform let alone put the sauces and fever, he pumped in 30 points and carried Chicago to a 90-88 victory, moving them one step closer to their second straight championship, their fifth in seven years.

In his final play, one that will be shown, perhaps most of all, he stripped Karl Malone of the ball, dribbled calmly down the court, broke Bryant Russell down with a natty move ( pouching alongside Craig Ehlo in the Hall of Shame) and drained the game/title winner with only seconds remaining, giving the Bulls their second-three-peat in eight years.

He dominated not only the court, but also the economy, becoming the most marketed athlete over. Using his name and his face, he helped pump over a billion dollars into the global market (as was recently estimated), selling everything from sneakers to underwear and from sports drinks to rechargeable batteries.

He didn’t just revolutionize a sport, he revolutionized sports. No other athlete has had such an effect or will have such an effect. He was perfect for the time. His skill, eloquence and charisma made him an instant national icon. His name has become synonymous with excellence. Seriously, what other athlete could have an article written about him without having his name mentioned once, and still have everyone who read it, sports fan or not, know exactly who he is.

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**Werlin swims heart-ily**

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Over winter break, the swim team went to Honolulu, Hawaii for a training trip. They were given the opportunity to compete in a meet against the University of Hawaii at Honolulu. Josh comments on the competition: "There was a big difference between Division III and Division I athletics."

When asked to describe his most unusual memory concerning swimming, Josh told a story about "the day I got paded on." Vividly remembering the event, Josh described the encounter with the fellow league lost. "Before the relay started, he was so nervous he had to go to the bathroom not once but four times. The first time he went in the back up pool, the second he went in the warm up pool, followed by the diving well. Then, to finish it off, he exploded all over our relay team (including Josh). All of the coaches were laughing."

When asked why he decided to come to Bowdoin, Josh responded, "My parents wouldn’t recognize that there were any other options. As a result, I never really had any choice here. I looked at every other place except Bowdoin." His parents suggested that he come to Bowdoin just for a practice interview and tour to prepare for other colleges. Having taken their advice, Josh says, "It was the day I decided to apply early decision."

A double major in Geology and Classics Archaeology, Josh discovered his interest in the latter after as junior the races and he decided to come to Bowdoin because it was exactly the type of liberal arts school he was looking for. He found the liberal arts setting and the sports to be positive: "two thumbs up."

For as far as plans after graduation, Josh hopes to take a year off from school, possibly coaching high school swimming and serving as a varsity assistant coach. Eventually, he hopes to go to graduate school to earn a Ph.D. studying an area of archaeology or something concerning museums work.

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**Bears feel the love**

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In a meet versus Middlebury, Van Loenen took first with a height of 5'4" and Nickerson took third with a height of 5'2". According to Nickerson, success in jumps is a welcome addition to the depth of the team. "Prior to this year the jumps had not been our strongest point. Now, with our jump squad, it has shown great work ethic in practice, which has translated into important points at the meet." Nickerson has been most impressed with the performances of the first years. "Usually the jumps are development. But the first years have already shown a maturity which is not usually seen until late in the season."

The combination of talent and depth has been apparent on the track as well. According to Coach Slavenski, "Vicky Shen and Caitlin O’Conner have given us the 1-2 power in the middle distance that we’ve been lucky to have on our best teams at Bowdoin. They run well together, and they’ve been notching faster performances each week." In addition to Shen and O’Connor, Jessica Tallman ’99 has posted victories in the 3000 meter run. Known for her strength as an 800 meter runner, Tallman has been experimenting in shorter distances and finding success. At the meet versus Middlebury, Tallman took top honors in the 600 meters with a time of 1:42.9.

Back onto the field, another 1-2 punch that Bowdoin has enjoyed is in the throws. Both Jeanne and Farrah Douglas ’99 have proven to be important points for the Lady Polar Bears. In the first two meets of the season, the Bears were without the All-American caliber shot putters. In the meet at MIT, Bowdoin lost to Tufts by only 12 points. Needless to say, Bowdoin felt that meet feeling successful, figuring 18 points could have gone to us. In the spirit of love, Josh explores some exotic titles at Matt & Dave’s. (Shelley Magic/Bowdoin Orient)

When asked what he will miss about Bowdoin, Josh responded: "I will miss swimming and the close friends I’ve made here, especially on the swim team. And, oh yes, those crazy nights of Monday Night Madness."

The swim team has its last home meet next Saturday against Trinity. Two weeks later, they have New England’s at Williams. Keep your eyes open for the bleached blonds wandering the Bowdoin campus. Following the Trinity meet, the team will partake in the annual hair-bleaching ritual. Commenting on the hair dye, Josh says, "It’s a natty and it can’t be good for you."

Nonetheless, Josh has participated in the tradition for the last three years. Expect to see him parading around campus with his new do in the near future.
Women’s Track

Women run into your hearts

Caitlin O’Connor
STAFF WRITER

For better or for worse, in sickness and in health, the combination of the experience, the youthful talent, the standout performers and the depth of the Bowdoin Women’s Track Team is a union made in heaven. According to captain Jen Nickerson ’99, “This could translate to success in the big meets.”

Besides the talent necessary to conquer titles, this year’s team has a work ethic, dedication, tenacity, courage and comradeship seen on few teams across New England. In the face of adversity, which has included many injuries and a few unimpressive performances, the Lady Polar Bears have consistently gone above and beyond the call of duty to capture impressive wins and performances. Despite setbacks, the early season has proven to be a success on many levels. They have already shown that Bowdoin Track will be a contender at New England Division III’s. 

Composing last year’s ECAC Champions was an impressive combination of talent from Bowdoin, who now poised for another successful campaign. In the early season meets, which have included powerhouse teams like Dartmouth, St. John’s and New England Division III Champions, Middlebury, Bowdoin has proven to be a formidable contender.

Much of the success in this year’s Bowdoin covers the sprint, jumps, throws and middle distance events with standouts Delia Van Loenen ’01, Kaitlin Evrard ’99, Stacey Jones ’00 and Vicky Shen ’00. All have either qualified or been to national-level competition. Both Van Loenen and Jones have already added All-American status to their names.

All four of these women have risen above expectations and made names for themselves along the way. Yet it is not only their talent on the track and in the field that has been impressive, but also their courageous attitudes, work ethic and modest personas which make them role models in their lives on and off the track.

According to Coach Slovenski, these women have amazing talents that exceed their athletic ability. “Evrard is balancing a tough student-teaching semester with championship-level athletics. I have always been impressed with Evrard’s talent as a runner, but this year I am even more impressed with her poise as a person.”

A setback for Van Loenen, however, would be considered a tremendous achievement to many. An outdoor All-American in the heptathlon last year, Van Loenen has been a dominant force on the track and in the field.

After the first lap of the 1500m, Caitlin O’Connor ’99 and Vicky Shen ’00 are in second and third place, respectively. Shen finished in first (4:50.29) and O’Connor in fourth (4:55.04). (Shelley Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

Men’s Basketball

Bears romance NESCAC foes

Erik Sprague
STAFF WRITER

This past weekend, the Men’s Basketball Team took on two formidable opponents from the NESCAC: Williams College and Middlebury.

On Friday, the Bears played against a tough Williams team, managing to keep the game close until Williams took control with a run late in the second half. At halftime, the Bears were down by eight points. However, they came out in the second half with the same intensity they showed in the first. They played good, scrappy defense the entire game. If it weren’t for the struggle on offense, they may have had a chance of pulling off a win. Coach Gibilisco acknowledged the difficulty of playing against a team like Williams on the road. “All in all, Coach Gibilisco was happy with the team’s effort and was even happier with the team’s ability to rebound the following night against Middlebury.

It is always difficult to play the day following a tough loss. However, the Bears showed resilience against a down. They got back on track with a win that improved their record to 10-7. The high scorers of the Williams game were David Lovely ’99 with thirteen points and Hugh Coleman ’01 with eleven points. In the Middlebury game, the high scorers were Hugh Coleman ’01 with twelve points, Steve McKinney ’01 with twelve points and David Baranowski ’01 with ten points. With tournament hopes, the Bears won’t have an easy road ahead of them, especially facing Colby, Trinity and Amherst this week.

Josh Wernig ’99: A shark in the water

The average Joe that sees Josh Wernig ’99 hanging out in the tower or studying in the library probably doesn’t know about the hammer-head shark tattoo on his hip flexor. According to one of his roommates, Greg Anderson, Wernig is known for “his outgoing personality, ability to make new friends and his swimming.”

In his eighth year of swimming, Wernig is one of the senior captains of the men’s swim team, along with Rob Reiser and Jeremy Streetfield. A sprinter, he competes in the 50, 100 and 200 yard freestyle. Wernig commented on what he enjoys most about the season, “the competition and the swim team itself. I also like keeping in good shape.”

When asked why he started swimming, he told a story about a friend from high school: “I wanted to go out for the basketball team. They were recruiting from other friends that I had run cross country with was the captain of the swim team. He took me under his wing. He held me out to be a leader and a key player in our swim team.”

In high school, Wernig swam for a USS swim team called the Portland Pirates. During this time, he trained with someone who is now an Olympic contender. When questioned about his teammates, Wernig took the opportunity to recognize a couple of his first-year team mates: “Elliott Dickson, a sprinter, is a key person on our relay team. Andy Shaw, a backstroker, stepped up to fill a big void on the team.”

Coming from the Bermudan National Team, Matt Hammond is a lead scorer for the team. Joe Stull, a butterflyer rounds out the team with his strong performance.”

According to Wernig, the first years have re-invented the swim program at Bowdoin: “They allowed us to pull out of a slump we’ve been in for the last two years. We look forward to the first years to lead the future of the Bowdoin Swim Team.”

The past men’s captains, including Paul Malmfeldt ’98, Scott Hoening ’98 and Tim Azue ’96, served as strong role models for Wernig. Highlighting their work ethic and team leadership, Wernig said of his role model, “They were not only some of the best swimmers, but they were great leaders.”

Wernig has the same positive attitude about his coach as he does about his teammates. “He has a lot of respect for his coach,” Charlie Butts. “He is an incredibly professional coach who is criticism and incredibly passionate about what he does.”

Wernig has accomplished much so far, much more for the sport of swimming. His attitude about the sport is that he is no matter how good a person is, they will try to improve. “Of course, he thinks winning is great but he doesn’t make swimming a high pressure situation. It’s what you put into it.” Wernig attributes his success to his coach, “I think that he has helped him learn a lot about himself, including where his limits are. Describing the role his coach has played in his development, he said, ‘It’s all self-motivation. My coach is a facilitator.’”

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College begins faculty expansion

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EDITOR IN CHIEF

Cashing in on the recent expansion of the student body, the College has begun to
 increase the size of the faculty, opening three new positions this year and hoping for eight or nine more over the next four years. 17 out of the College's 24 departments submitted proposals for new appointments last March to the Committee for Curriculum and Education Policy (CEP) in the process which is just now reaching an end. The sociology department has selected an urban specialist, Kurt Johnson; the anthropology department has narrowed its search for a sociocultural anthropologist to two candidates, an Oceanic specialist and a Latin American specialist; and the History/Asian Studies Department is selecting a historian specializing in South Asia.

The size of the endowment is what drives the size of the faculty, but when there is room to grow, several factors go toward determining which departments receive the prize of a new colleague. "It's the hardest decision that a college can make," said President Robert Edwards. "It's a recognition that you can't do everything, and that you thoroughly do everything you can." The process begins at the CEP where Dean of Academic Affairs Charles Beitz, Edwards, Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley, six faculty members and two students review the proposals and make recommendations for new positions. According to Edwards, the CEP will look at variables including enrollment pressures, the diversity of faculty and the demands of the faculty. Other considerations include the contributions which a new position might make to the general college curriculum. According to Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Allen Wells, "Cross-listed positions will be attractive to the CEP; we're all moving toward an interdisciplinary world."

Outside committees that regularly review academic departments and make recommendations to the CEP, according to Wells, can also affect a department's chances at gaining a new colleague. Ultimately, after hearing proposals of the CEP, Edwards and Beitz are responsible for weighing the many considerations and making decisions.

"I think the Administration has a better perspective on overall department needs," said CEP member and Professor of Sociology Henry Ryley. "The department makes its case and the arguments are all over the place. They're all good arguments, but you've got to make difficult decisions."

CEP student representative Cristian Nitch '00 also empathized with the decision-makers. "Faculty allocation is a multi-faceted issue, from my point of view, without a clear solution until one begins to understand every aspect of that issue."

The benefits of a rounded and well-represented department are so great, however, that the subjectivity of the process inevitably leads to tensions. According to Wells, "It's a complex calculus which the committee does a very good job with. At the same time, there's no way you can please everybody. The College must ask itself, said Wells, "Are we allocating our resources in a way that will strengthen the College in the foreseeable future?"

The long-term Edwards describes two driving priorities for the character of the faculty. First, he hopes to maintain "the establishment" by keeping any tenure-track spots within departments when professors retire and strengthening the programs that currently exist without adding new ones.

Edwards, for this reason, has upheld a commitment to strengthening such fields as... Please see FACULTY, page 3

Dartmouth Res Life initiative rings familiar bell at Bowdoin

The possibility of requiring Dartmouth's fraternity ties to become coeducational remains many of Bowdoin's similar policy.

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When Dartmouth College's Board of Trustees released a statement February 6 announc-
ing a statement of principles for the residen-
tial and social system, it was déjà vu all over again for many in the Bowdoin community.

One of the main points of the Dartmouth statement was "The [residential] system should be substantially coeducational and provide opportunities for greater interaction among all Dartmouth students." Dartmouth President James Wright, in an interview with the daily student newspaper The Dartmouth, said that this would most likely lead to the end of the Greek system "as we know it."

Similar statements have been made at Bow-
doin in recent times over the past twenty years when fraternities were first encouraged to admit women.

Evolution of Bowdoin's fraternity policy

In May of 1979, nine years after the advent
of coeducation at Bowdoin, the Governing Boards voted to amend existing fraternity policy to require "full and equal participa-
tion in the affairs and governance of chapters of Bowdoin fraternities be extended to women students. " Three years later, the Boards voted to make any fraternity that did not comply with the policy independent of the College.

The Chi Psi fraternity, owners of 7 Boody Street, had reverted to a single sex organiza-
tion and was no longer recognized by the College.

In 1988, Morton Henry '50 chaired the Committee to Review Fraternities. Among their recommendations was the complete severing of all College ties to fraternities and sororities that were not coeducational. It also implemented a second-semester only rush period and a more concrete fraternity advis-
ing system. In 1991, under the recently appointed President Robert Edwards, the Board decided to actually penalize students participating in single-sex Greek organizations instead of merely requiring recognition of the organiza-
tions. In his 1991-92 Report of the President, Edwards described the change as a "minor adjustment," but did note the widespread "incomprehension and anger" among students and alumni over the decision.

Bowdoin prepared a self-study in 1996 for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges that first discussed the possibility of a College House system. The committee pro-
posed studying the residential college model of Harvard and Williams, or the residential commons plan of Colby.

It also suggested that, despite the required coeducation of fraternities, the system still suggested discrimination even if none actu-
ally existed. "The continued use of the name 'fraternities' for coeducational social organi-
izations sends a symbolic message to women about their status in these groups and, per-
haps, at Bowdoin generally. This happens despite the efforts of fraternities to include women fully in their organizations and ac-
tivities."

The study was also among the first places where Bowdoin mentioned that the exist-
ence of a fraternity system might be causing the College to lose prospective applicants: "The persistent fraternity label may influ-
ence perceptions of Bowdoin held by pro-
spective students, their parents and their counselors, perhaps in misleading ways."

In March of 1996, Cameron Bennett, a visiting University of Maine-Orono student, died from falling off a fraternity roof. This led to the temporary shutdown of two fraternity houses. In response, the College changed the enforcement and implementation of policy regarding student parties and alcohol use. The Class of 2000 was allowed to pledge fraternities in the spring semester of 1997, after which the College announced that no new pledging would be allowed under pen-
alty of expulsion, effectively leading to the eventual death of the fraternity system in the spring of 2000 after the year's junior gradu-
ate, the last class of fraternity members ever.

Last week's Dartmouth announcement The Board of Trustees' statement identi-
fied five principles to guide change in the residential system: greater choice and contin-
uity in residential living and improved resi-
dential space, additional and improved so-
cial spaces controlled by students, a reduc-
tion in the number of students living off campus, the elimination of alcohol abuse and unsafe usage, and the aforementioned "sub-

There will be some who will disagree whether the [Greek] system needs to be substan-
tially co-ed... We need an opportunity to talk about this and find out what's going on here."

—Mark Williams
Executive Director, Psi Upsilon
Bowdoin released a recommended budget for the 1999-2000 fiscal year in January. The budget is recommended by the Treasurer and President for approval by the Board of Trustees as the College's seventh consecutive balanced budget.

Next year, tuition and fees are expected to increase by 4.3 percent less than last year's 5.4 percent increase, but larger than the 4 percent increase of two years ago.

Bowdoin's student fees rank tenth highest out of an 18 college group that includes Bates, Colby, Middlebury, Amherst and Williams. While tuition is expected to increase by 4.3 percent, financial aid is expected to increase by 5.8 percent, greater than last year's 5.7 percent increase that brought financial aid to $115.5 million.

Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Kenneth Hustedt '82 estimates that 640 students to receive financial aid next year, with the average grant increasing to $16,000.

"The budget will be balanced next year after deferring or not meeting costs totalling over $7 million," Hustedt said.

The balancing of the budget also depends on an additional $22,000 in cuts. Projects that currently will not receive funds include a replacement of the Chapel Towers, operating expenses for Buildings and Curtiss Pool, acquisition and rehabilitation of fraternities and rehabilitation of first-year residences.

Endowment distribution climbed to $146 million, which is 4.8 percent of the 12-quarter average, not including the Union Street building. Over four years, 1998 through 2001-02, the spending rate is projected at 4.76 percent as opposed to the target 4.75 percent. The budget summary, written by Chabotar, maintains that the academic program and residential life remain top priorities.

"These projects include increasing the faculty and budgets for the library, academic equipment and other areas that support the academic program," Hustedt added.

The budget also absorbs the cost of building and operating the new residence halls and the increased residential need related to the closing of fraternities.

Budget estimates show that the greatest source of funds will be tuition and fees, bringing in 53 percent. Room and board and provides 12 percent of funds, endowment 17 percent, and gifts and grants 10 percent.

The majority of these funds go towards salaries and wages, receiving 39 percent, and other expenditures, which receive 37 percent. Benefits, services, maintenance, utilities and debt service make up the remaining expenses.

This year's Judicial Board will be almost completely replaced next year, when five seniors on the J-Board graduate. (Lindsey Sesnek / Brunswick Orient)
The construction and renovation projects of buildings currently on schedule.

KELLY RICCIARDI STAFF WRITER

The construction and renovation projects of buildings currently on schedule. Many projects are already under way, and there are several that just about to be started.

According to head of facilities management Bill Gardiner, construction is currently proceeding at a rapid pace with the completion of Seares Science Building, the two new dorms by Coles Tower and the Union Street building will all be completed by this fall. Pickard Theater will be renovated by the Spring of 2000, and several other projects are also underway.

Gardiner expects Searles to be completed by August, with classes starting there in the fall. "Searles promises to be an exciting building," he said. "There will be a new addition of an atrium portion with stairways and an elevator. It will be an open and exciting space, and a neat place for students."

The construction on the two new dorms by Coles Tower is also expected to be completed by this fall. The two buildings will add 129 beds to Bowdoin’s housing capacity in the form of single rooms, doubles and eight four-bedroom suites. The new dorms have four single bedrooms, a very large living room and a private bath," said Gardiner. The students who will move into the dorms this fall will be first years.

The two buildings will also be connected by a common space.

Memories also include receiving extensive renovations, and is currently scheduled. The two major projects taking place are the renovation of the Pai Uplson house, the construction of an experimental theater in the basement of Memorial Hall.

Pai Uplson house is being renovated, with new balconies, rest and stage curtains among the many improvements. Gardiner says that the house will be called the "impressive Pickard." "They will add a sense of warmth and inti- mate to the place," said Gardiner.

There is also a new experimental theater being built to replace the old black box in the basement of Memorial Hall. If all goes according to plan, it should be usable after spring break in 2000.

Bowdoin has also purchased land from the city of Brunswick to build a building on the University: The ALCU is reviewing the case of freshmen who were suspended from the University’s single sex room policy. Ormeal, and one female student said they lobbed the senior assistant dean of students for a policy change at a February 2 meeting. Both fresh- men said they still intend to live on campus. Even though they may not be allowed to live together, the pair said they hoped to get rooms in the same residence hall during the upcoming housing lottery.

From The Student Life, Washington University-Saint Louis. The first round of a court battle between the Ku Klux Klan and the University of Missouri-St. Louis, which holds the broadcasting license for KWMU-FM, has ended with a decision in favor of the radio station. A judge ruled that the station was within its rights when it rejected underwriting dollars from the KKK. A lawyer for the KKK, filed suit against UWSL last October after KWMU refused to accept money from the KKK to underwrite four episodes of an afternoon radio news program. In return for underwriting the program, the KKK would have received 15 seconds for a promotional statement, which would have said that the program was sponsored in part by the KKK, "a white Christian organization, standing up for the rights and values of white Christian Americans since 1865.

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Students revise college house constitution with EO

ADAM ZIMMAN PHOTO EDITOR

A group of students worked with the EO to revise the College’s house system constitution. The group, made up of students in- volved in the house system and aided by Assistant Dean of Residential Affairs, Seth Wysor ’97, wanted to guide line future members of the house system and formulate present house practices.

The students initially approached the EO because they were unhappy with the vague nature of the house system regulations. It was decided two years ago that fraternity- phases would be phased out by 2000, and a house system would take their place. The actual structure of the system was left to be worked out during the next few months by the Residential Life office and an ad-hoc committee. Res Life and the committee man- aged to meet their deadlines and fill the houses for the fall, but limited funds and unregulated and regulations imposed on the system.

Previously, Res Life chose to rely solely on the residents of the candidates that were picked by the committee to make decisions, and lay down rules for the house system. Due to the lack of structure and guidance, many of the houses experienced difficulties with governing issues as within the houses such as votes, room assignments and roommates.

The group that drafted the constitution was made up of the House presidents and their student representatives of each house. "The purpose of the document is to ensure that everyone is on the same page," said EO mem- ber Mike Novak ’99. Res Life has a say in the creation of the document with the hopes that it will lead to a system that is run by students, without their assistance.

The new constitution contains specifics on the membership rights and responsibilities, voting procedures, house elections and room mates. The document contains four ar- ticles, one for each subject.

The membership rights and responsibilities article describes the rights and duties of the residents of the house. It also outlines the constitution states these ideas in greater detail. "Voting in the past has been casual, with no strict procedures for how it happens," said Favolise. The third article deals with elec- tions of house officers and representatives, outlining duties of each office and the proce- dures for voting. The last article addresses the room draw for house members, reiterat- ing the process already in use by Res Life.

The group first met with the EO and then met with faculty advisors and gained support for the project. The group plans to seek support and final suggestions from student groups on campus, The Associated Students Associa- tion, as well as Trustee committees involved in the house system. "The group hopes to have their concerns addressed and get the bodies on campus," said Steve Rullson ’99, a member of the group.

The group is in the process of discussing the issue of NPCAC involvement in NCAA post-season tournaments. The other colleges in NCAA Division III are mostly in favor of the NPCAC board of presidents to allow for post-season NCAA tournament play, and the committee now wants them to stand behind the proposal.

College selects new faculty

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Asian Studies and Environmental Studies.
"The world is pointing us in a certain direc- tion," he said. "The specialists in Asia was here when I arrived, and if you’re going to study Japan seriously, it takes four positions, as with China if you’re going for a sense of household."

The decisions made by the College over the next few years will also, according to Edwards, depend considerably on the cur- riculum review. The CEP has been reviewing the College’s curriculum since last spring. The report is a summary of the findings for faculty and students by the end of the semester. The proposals it will make during the next academic year will influence hiring decisions in subsequent years. Issues under serious consideration by the CEP include attention to basic writing and qualitative skills, students’ opportunities to do advanced work in their upperclass years and distribution requirements.

A second priority of Edwards is to reduce the current student-faculty ratio of 11:1 to something between 10 and 10.5 while keep- ing a balanced program. In clearer terms, the College hopes to reduce class size, which entails a balancing act of its own.

"It’s not a magic solution to the problem of class size," said Professor of Sociology Craig McEwen. "The tougher problem is how you distribute students among the faculty you have."

The CEP is addressing this issue in its curriculum review, and recently proposed to the faculty the option of reducing class limits incrementally to 200-level courses and to 50 students in introductory courses when feasible. The faculty approved the proposal incrementally, "but not sure the students will spread themselves evenly through the courses."

According to Riley, "that ratio isn’t neces- sarily the most important thing." Working with the resources it has, the College has to weigh the, "pedagogical benefits of smaller classes against the unpleasantness of closing students out."

Varieties of searches

Once the administration approves a pro- posal for the allocation of a new faculty mem- ber, the nature of the position within the department is subject to several more considerations. Especially as candidates with inter- disciplinary background are common, ed- ucative, the candidate selected will have something to do with "the lack of the search, the Wall says.

"There’s a catchphrase to these searches," said Wells. "We are always committed to going for the best person locked to specific fields. Wells offered the example of Riley, who was selected for her credentials in sociology and happened to have a background in China.

The nature of the search will also depend upon the type of position available. Tempo- rary positions, opened by professors leaving for sabbaticals, usually do not command as deep a pool of applicants as would a tenure- track position. According to Wells, "some- times we can string a few sabbaticals to- gether and try to get stronger candidates. But a tenure-track position opens later on, inter- nal candidates are encouraged to apply, but not usually in the strongest field of competitors. After being here, there is more evidence available on them. Sometimes that gives us a feel for what works against them," said Wells.

The easiest way to resist a department’s faculty is to raise the pay," said Edwards. "said Edwards. In that case, around $1.5 mil- lion is needed to generate the annual interest that Bowdoin has already committed Bowdoin: approximately $100,000, includ- ing the professor’s salary, benefits, office and equipment.

Under such circumstances, the donor may leave money to the discretion of the College in charge of the faculty, but the depart- ment might not have much say in the selection of the candidate’s field, but accepts any resources.
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stantially coeducational system." The achievement of these principles will necessi-
tate changes in the current residential and social system which the fraternity and sorority, dining arrangements, and other aspects of student life," the statement read.

The Trustees also encouraged the Adminis-
tration to "initiate immediately a set of conversations with all interested Dartmouth constituencies" for discussion on potential changes. The current plan is to begin consider-
ing specific changes over the next several months, with implementation beginning next fall.

"The Dean of the College has already es-

tablished and had the first meeting of a task force to begin collecting student recommen-
dations, in time to pursue implementation of these principles," said Roland Adams, Dartmouth's director of news and public information. Adams also said that the faculty voted 82 to 0 in support of the principles Thursday evening, and that he expects a report summarizing the Dartmouth community's ideas on the issue in late spring or early summer.

Adams emphasized that Dartmouth has not yet made any plans to force all Greek organizations to become coeducational; con-
tinued,енный harmonious relationship. "We're future will you find a statement that says fraterni-
ties and sororities must go coed," he said. "Now doesn't that have some plausibility? But the means to the end have not been set, and everyone says it has been.

Reaktion to Dartmouth's plans
In a survey by The Dartmouth, 83 percent of the more than 2,200 students who responded to an e-mail survey said they favored the contin-
uation of the single-sex Greek system. Members of the Greek Fraternity and Sorority Council met last Wednesday evening and voted to cancel all Greek-sponsored events for last weekend's Winter Carnival celebra-
tions. Formal Greek dances, to which the majority of Greek organizations marched to Wright's house, sang three verses of Dartmouth's "Treats," were cancelled without incident. At the Winter Carnival Opening Ceremony, both Greek members and guests were allowed to join the band in the current system gathered to protest at Wright's speech. A similar gathering of students oc-
curred in front of the Psi Upsilon house last Saturday to hear fifteen fellow students speak in favor of the continuing existence of single-
sex fraternities and sororities—including one unaffiliated student.

In response to the initiative, some alumni have withdrawn pledges made to the Alumni Fund, others have shifted their contributions to College funds that do not directly support the administration, while still others have

sworn never to support Dartmouth mon-
Sed 67-16 in favor of a pro-
posal to abolish fraternities and sororities at Dartmouth. The Booms finally drove that measure to a vote, and the alumni fund official sent misleading statements to alumni, stating that the College had "no plans to eliminate the Greek system," and that they "wouldn't even have the right to touch the national houses," contradicting Wright'sear-

The controversy has been featured in se-

veral national and international media out-

puts, including a front-page article in USA

Today, a ten-minute segment on ABC's'World

News Tonight,' and a mention by the British

Broadcasting Corporation. Many of the sto-

ries have mentioned the movie 'Animal House,' which was written by a Dartmouth alumnus.

Some of the reports have contained factually incor-

rect information, such as the Boston Globe's

assertion that the Greek system would be coeducational beginning next fall. Even Dart-

mouth has felt the repercussions of Dartmouth's consideration of a system similar to our own. As the Office of Communications has had numerous requests from the media for the

1988 fall survey recommending coeducational fraternities.

Several national Greek organizations with chapters at Dartmouth have come out in dis-

agreement with the move. Mark Williams, executive director of Phi Upsilon, said that his organization was working to avoid being in-

duced with the discussions. [The Trustees] came up with five points, all of which every-

one can agree are positive things. There will be

some who will disagree whether the system

needs to be substantially coed... We need an

opportunity to talk about this and find

out what's going on here. He also added that he had talked to several Dartmouth Phi Upsilon alumni who "are confused as to what this is all about and... affected personally by this decision."

"I wonder if every Greek organization and Praetor, even Sigma Phi Epsilon, made that statement. Such a Zeus Phi. He said his organization also plans on becoming involved in the upcoming talks and discussions. Williams added that Dartmouth & the Greek system does encourage "an environment on campus—there are fraternities and sororities—was fostering "a climate in which students could without hesitation join the social life of Dartmouth," and eventually led to the movement of the rush process to a student's sophomore year. At the time the report was released, McLaughlin said the administration was not seeking to eliminate fraternities, but that there were no improve-

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Lessons from us to Dartmouth

Dartmouth’s announcement last week that they intend to considerably alter the Greek system to make it "substantially coeducational" is troubling for several reasons. First, it is announced in response to a crisis that was never at the heart of anything the administration is trying to do elsewhere. There had been no community discussions, no committees to discuss these specific initiatives prior to their implementation. Second, no placing of students will be consistent with Dartmouth students and alumni have every reason to feel slighted. President Wright even had dinner with fraternity members the night before the Trustees' statement was released; his decision not to even mention the impending bombshell is particularly egregious.

When Bowdoin's Board of Trustees decided in 1991 to forbid students from partaking in the co-educational fraternities, students and alumni here were similarly angered. "The incompershion and anger precipitated by the decision are evidence of a real failure of process," wrote President Edwards in only his second Report of the President. "Devising more effective ways to engage students in the institution-defining and decision-making processes of the College remains unfinished and important business. Fraternities are only one example." In 1997, when Bowdoin began considering the dissolution of the fraternity system, students were given an opportunity to make their voices heard. Dartmouth learned the hard way that students need a hard decision in the process. Dartmouth has made the same mistake, and should learn the same lesson accordingly.

Another disturbing facet of Dartmouth’s initiative is the vagueness of the new residential and social principles. While the intention is clear that Dartmouth students will have opportunities to allow the community adequate input into the decision-making process, the Dartmouth principles go too far, creating more confusion than previously existed. With actions designed to create a "substantially coeducational" system planned to begin in the fall of 1999, it is understandable that media institutions like the Boston Globe jumped to the conclusion that the Greek system will not have a normal rush process. The Dartmouth report that an information session held by the President and other Dartmouth officials was filled with "vague generalizations and disconnections, leaving clouds of confusion in their wake before they even began." Some administrators have even delivered conflicting and at times leading statements to alumni. Dartmouth owes it to its constituencies to make clear what their intentions are.

But perhaps the most upsetting things about the Trustees' statement is the possibility of requiring fraternities and sororities to become coeducational. Dartmouth's Director of News and Public Information did not know if the Trustees examined Bowdoin's policy before deciding to make it their model. If they did, they certainly should have. It is common sense not to make a decision until one has the most information possible. Bowdoin and Dartmouth are already coeducational. To make any more sense, Dartmouth's policy in the early 90s. At Bowdoin, this system led to the loss of national affiliation and alumni support for several fraternities—both important and positive aspects of any Greek system. It took only six years for Bowdoin to decide the experiment in coeducation had failed by enough to necessitate the removal of the entire Greek system. While Dartmouth’s issue of是否have any problem had Bowdoin allowed more time, few would make the assertion that the coeducational system was stronger or better than the student body than the old one.

The problems with Dartmouth’s Greek system do not lie in the existence of gender-specific organizations, any more than they did at Bowdoin. To blame gender-specific organizations for any institutional activity is inexcusable and counterproductive to the interests of all the segments of the Greek system. If Dartmouth is serious about reforming their residential and social system, they need to fully examine every facet of the system—including, but not limited to, Greek organizations—and come up with a more comprehensive series of solutions. Dartmouth should learn from Bowdoin’s mistakes.

Lessons from us to Dartmouth

Gun makers bear the blame

Like most liberals, we ascribe to the belief that Republicans are essentially heartless and cruel. Yet, as much as we ascribe gun nuts to being heartless and cruel, we admit that there are at least one or two Republican positions which, far from being evil, are well-intentioned. In the debate over gun control, Republicans argue for the sanctity of the right to bear arms on the grounds that people need a way to protect themselves; we should, they propose, trust people to use guns (we're thinking of hangguns here) for this purpose. It's hard to argue with that proposition, grounded as it is in trust. Still, that is precisely what we intend to do.

National is a very wonderful thing, we'll admit that too. But trust is essentially a luxury. Deaths from firearms annually rank in the top ten causes of death in the United States. There were 11,000 firearms deaths caused by guns in the United States in 1993, an average figure. Bearing in mind these figures, and recalling the horrific schoolyard killings of 1996, blood begins to instinct that prided institution of trust. We’d love to know the United States trusts its citizens to use guns responsibly—but—and we can’t accept the idea that the thousands of victims of firearms violence would concur—we are comfortable trading trust for life.

This issue has come yet again in a head of a wake of a decision by a Brooklyn court to hold several handgun manufacturers negligent in the gun-shot wounds of seven victims. The verdict basically announced that we can’t trust people to use guns responsibly; if we want to stop the firearm homicides we need to rid of the guns.

We can’t say that the verdict is encouraging. We would not want to live in a society where we would trust people with guns. We’re realists and activists. We can’t trust people to use guns responsibly and the gun crisis is just too frightening. But we can’t do anything. Digging deep into the pockets of the gun companies is not a pretty nor a permanent response. Still, it is a response and it is realistic. We don’t have the luxury of inaction or idealism.
Anonymous Poetic Submission

To all the individual, anti-carbon-copyists of Bowdoin College; To those who feel they don’t fit.

As you walk by,
don’t “check me out”
I’m no library volume
and, even if I were,
I’d be ugly and poorly bound
as it is I’m ready to come apart at the binding.

I’m not to be read,
to be interpreted
no one writes analytical essays on me
if they dare.

I have no lines to read between
I’m covered in red ink
I’m not even a first draft
you can’t read me, you see.

I’m not written for $2,000 a year
I think you can see that in my stride alone
so don’t bother

don’t bother frowning in disagreement.

I’d make a good friend, really, but you want
only a library book
look at their pretty covers
shiny, brand-name new
some even have words beyond
“see spot run”

between their covers
but you only want one thing
between their covers
and it ain’t their words
so move along, little child
you’ll be stuck in the juvenile section
with your mommy’s or daddy’s library card
forever and I don’t even live on the shelves.

Advice for Bowdoin gentlemen
Excerpts from How to be a Gentleman: A Contemporary Guide To Common Courtesy by John Bridges

At the laundromat a gentleman never takes
another person’s laundry out of the washer
or the dryer no matter how long he has been waiting.
If he is in a hurry, he asks for the
attendant’s assistance. If there is no attendant,
he chooses another laundromat.

A gentleman may have friends and
acquaintances who live together in non-
traditional relationships. If a gentleman
decides to make these people a part of his life,
he accepts them as they are, recognizing
that their private life is their business and no one
else’s. If he does not approve of their behavior,
he does not speak to them.
Instead, he associates with them as seldom as possible.

In no case, does he mention their
relationship when introducing them to other
gentlemen. For example, a gentleman does not say,
“this is Mary Brown, and this is her live-
in boyfriend or her significant other or
“the father of her child”. Sam Jones.” Instead,
he says, “I’d like you to meet my friends
Mary Brown and Sam Jones.”

A gentleman does not assume it is the
other person’s responsibility to provide the
condom.

A gentleman does not pick his nose in
public. In fact, if he is wise he does not pick his
nose in private, since bad habits are far
too easily formed.

When a gentleman walks his dog, he
assumes responsibility for his pet’s poop.

At sporting events, a gentleman feels free
to stand up and shout during exciting
moments. Otherwise, he keeps his seat. He
does not begrudge the other team its victory.
If his own team is the victor, he does not taunt
the opposition.

A gentleman does not touch other people’s
children, unless he is invited to do so. Neither
does he overreact to them.

A gentleman does not adjust his crotch in
public.

Unless he is a Texas ranger or a cattle
 rancher, a gentleman does not wear cowboy
boots with a suit.

If a gentleman does not speak French, he
does not attempt to use French words.

Unless he is teaching an English class, a
gentleman does not correct another person’s
grammar. On the other hand, a gentleman
monitors his own grammar scrupulously.

When a gentleman has been subjected to a
conscious insult, either in public or in private,
his response is simple: because he is a
gentleman, he says nothing at all.

A gentleman does not give BYOB parties.
Neither is he particularly fond of potluck
dinners.

If a gentleman wants his guests to leave,
he puts the liquor away.

If a gentleman eats in bed, he always
changes the sheets.”

JON SPRAGUE ’00 & DAD
Kerblakistan
“This is my dad.”—Jon
“This is my son.”—Dad

BOB YOUNG ’99
Roseville, MN
“I still think there should be white
picket fence around the campus.”

JEN DECKER ’67
Jackman, ME
“Mine will never run out. HA! HA! HA!”

SARAH SHEMAK ’99
Reading, MA
“I’m going to forge sustenance
in the wilderness.”

GREIG ARENDT ’98
Philadelphia, PA
“Because you can’t buy beer with
them, the issue isn’t relevant to me.”

CASSIE BAIRD ’02
Darien, CT
“I’d reinstate them.”

BETH SHERMAN ’02
South Windsor, CT
“Actually, I was just talking with
my parents because I am half done
after a month with no intention of
slowing down.”

MARIA GALAZIDIS ’01 &
DANE BARCA ’99
New York, NY; San Francisco,
CA
“Eat Ramen or ask President
Edwards for a beer.”

Compiled by Jared Liu & Krista Friedrich; question compliments of Katie “Cupo” Joseph.
Poster vandalism demonstrates a growing need for discourse

By Larisa Reznik

During National Coming Out week, a poster taped to the window of the conference room at Smith Union was torn down. Apparently, someone was so uncomfortable with an intimate image of two men together, that such effort was taken to get into the conference room, pull up the blinds, pull down the poster from the inside, and watch to make sure no one was around to see the taking down of the poster. The week after that, BWA advertised a forum on abortion and healthcare in conjunction with National Young Women's Day of Action in a poster that said: "I was forced to have a back alley abortion due to lack of federal funding on account of the Hyde Amendment." The word "forced" was crossed out and the word "chosen" was inserted above. Last week of the twenty-some posters put up around campus advertising the Vagina Monologues, all but one, in the Women's Resource Center, was torn off. There seem to be people on campus who are uncomfortable with homosexuality, and one who believe back alley abortions are choice, and also those who are disturbed by clinical picture of vaginas. I don't know any of them. I haven't talked to a single person upset about discretion, disgust, or even outrage. I have met so many people who carry an ideological checklist for collegiate liberals. Pro-choice, check, pro-women's rights, check, pro-homosexual rights, check. I am the token of collegiate liberalism. I subscribe to the same ideology for genuine reasons: I believe all people are equal and deserved to be treated as such; I believe sexuality is a personal and fluid thing that should not be governed or judged by anyone; I believe in openness, awareness and education about health and sexuality. If I am convinced that everyone in this checklist subscribes to the same ideology, I would not be writing this article. As evidenced by the poster ripping, this is not so. What is it about this atmosphere that's not conducive to a variety of opinions? I feel cheated. I never had a conversation with the person who believes that back alley abortions are choices. I can't ask the person why he or she feels that way. I never got a chance to explain why, the case of the Vagina Monologues, put a photograph of a vagina on the posters and what it symbolized for us. More importantly, I never got a chance to question and reexamine my own ideas and values. Living in a community of seemingly one ideology is a disservice for all of us. Beliefs are nothing, if they crumble under examination. Unfortunately, because we never have to answer to any counter-ideology, we can neglect to question, revisit, and then maintain or reject our beliefs.

Perhaps because liberalism is so collegiate, conservatives fear judgment and labeling on campus. This is a small campus where everyone has at some point interacted with someone else and in a split second been categorized by that interaction. There's no appeal to disagreement. People are labeled politically incorrect because they subscribe to unpopular ideologies. I challenge anyone who is uncomfortable with homosexuality, abortion, vaginas or anything else to talk to me. I implore anyone to write in to The Orient. But please, please, please stop destroying posters and the ideas silently attached to them.

Larisa Reznik is a first year.

Whip out the celebratory cigars, the trial's finally finished

By Nick LaVecchio

As little inspired I am to write an article about President Clinton's impeachment verdict and contribute to the national glutony of stale and over-stated opinions on the subject, I feel a certain obligation to: That's not so much because I care about the whole mess; but because I think I probably should care.

Much of the media in the country is declaring that President Clinton's impeachment is easily among the most important events of the twentieth century, and maybe of all American history. In the scope of national attention, the Clinton sex scandal and impeachment surely rates as probably the most drawn out of events, and ranks with the Nixon scandal, the Johnson impeachment, and a host of others, insert any great event from history. As far as American history is concerned, of course, any impeachment is big. Look at the impeachment of Andrew Johnson: We all remember learning in high school about the corrupt politics and passions that motivated the Republicans of the day, and we know about that one Republican senate vote that saved not only the president, but the presidency as a whole. The Johnson impeachment seems important, in that it highlighted the still divided opinions of the country in the mid-nineteenth century, and because it nearly ousted a president on unfair grounds, at the hands of a corrupt congress.

It is perhaps for this reason that I expected the impeachment of President Clinton to be a big deal—to affect me Back when Ken Star was investigating him, when the idea of impeachment was only speculation, I thought that Americans would care, and care myself. I thought Clinton's reputation would be scarred worse than it had been; I thought that history in the making so clearly citable would stir up the country, spark our affections and might even be exciting (as much as a government spectacle can be). But I am glad to report that none of my preconceptions really came to be.

Despite the daily dose of Monica Americans got from the news, the impeachment was a non-event. On the national level, most Americans quickly changed the channel or turned the page at any mention of the name Monica Lewinsky. As the intern continued to scandalize our preoccupation with petty personal issues.

Here at Bowdoin, the characteristic bubble served more as a means of protection from the pervasive national issues than a wall of ignorance and apathy, which it is often accused of being. How often did you have the time to tune in on CNN or open the New York Times at breakfast in the middle of all your work, activities and relaxation? I know I never seriously discussed the impeachment with anyone, and I definitely don't remember hearing any. Frankly, I was more concerned with my next meal at Moulton than I was concerned with Monica.

Some might say such an insensitivity to the pressing national issue is an unforgivable apathy, but I think it was necessary for handling the situation sanely. The impeachment of Clinton, unlike that of Johnson, was unimportant. His actions were condemnable, yes, but not impeachable. Most of us have a clear understanding of the Constitutional issue, the process and the historical context surrounding the impeachment. We of course, loved Bill as president; but I have witnessed Henry Hyde's turkey-like demeanor as an appropriate precursor to his laughable inarticulacy. I suspect that most of us care to remember little more than this.

Except, maybe, for the Republicans. As part of their post-traumatic district, most conservative Republican congressmen have now decided to cling to the issue. They cannot seem to forget about it, and they think their supposed superior values will ultimately be the salvation of the country, or world, or something. They don't seem to realize that there just isn't too much more they can do to bring Clinton down. In fact, the Republican party has split over the issue, and they stand to lose in future elections if the more conservative ones don't get their need to be the unelected moral crusaders of the world.

But on another note, maybe we should applaud the Republicans for their relatively calm acceptance of the verdict. Judging from the persistence with which they pursued the President, I expected a national temper tantrum from them after the final vote.

Though I disagree with both their means and their ends, I can empathize with the Republicans' frustrations. They tried their best, but there was just no substance to their attempts. Clinton's actions were obviously reprehensible, they were sleazy, but they were not new and unique to him, and they obviously did not warrant his removal from office. The issue was dead from the start.

Sorry if it seems I lack civic virtue when I say that I find the ultimate outcome amazing. But the bottom line is that Bill Clinton, sleazy as he may be, is still our president; and we still love him, or so report recent national polls. After years of scandal upon scandal in the Clinton administration, it is still his desk in the Oval Office, and there is really no changing that now.

Nick LaVecchio is a first year.
On February 12, The Boston Globe ran the following story:

"A Brooklyn jury yesterday found several handgun manufacturers negligent in the gun-shot wounds of several individuals just as courts elsewhere have held tobacco companies liable for the deaths and illnesses caused by cigarette smoking. Despite the trial, lawyers for the victims argued that the entire handgun industry is guilty of negligence in the way it allows its products to be distributed."

**QUESTION:** What do you think will be the implications of this verdict?

Handguns are undoubtedly a dangerous product. However, we cannot fault the industry for the ways in which their products are used. The government long ago took the initiative and responsibility for governing our gun and ownership of firearms. The ATF was founded, waiting periods were established, and background checks were conducted. It is the industry that is responsible for the manufacture of firearms free of defects. As soon as they are sold to distributors, the industry should be held responsible for how they are distributed.

We cannot compare the tobacco industry with weapons manufacturers. Tobacco is dangerous no matter how it is used, unlike guns, which are harmless when handled properly. It seems like the next step in this sequence is to hold automobile companies responsible for accidents because they build the cars. Although automobile companies are manufacturing the product, they have not made it as dangerous as guns. We cannot blame the industry for the mistakes of their customers.

Pedro Salom '00

Considering that actual and punitive damages could run into the hundreds of millions of dollars, this verdict is one of the first steps encouraging their children to go through daddy’s closet when he’s not at home.

Tim Baird '99

I am not sure what the implications of the verdict regarding the lawsuit of handgun producers will be. It will only result in litigation through a customer check for people who wish to buy handguns. I personally am agnostic about the verdict. I think it shows a growing trend in our society of people who do not wish to be held accountable for their actions. The gun producers are not negligent, but rather the people who sell and purchase guns. People today all too often forget that while guns do kill, it requires a person to load the cartridge and then pull the trigger. I hope that the verdict will bring about more personal history checks. But I do not hope that it will threaten the right of reasonable United States citizens to bear arms. I am not a member of the NRA. I am just a responsible American who enjoys freedom, and I want to preserve that freedom for everyone.

Nathan B. Isserman '99

This question is quite misleading as it gives very little insight into the actual trial. There were 25 arms manufacturers sued for negligence, and 23 of them were not negligent. Now, these companies were not being sued simply for allowing their products to be sold, but for distributing them in such a way as to make them more accessible to criminals. As it turns out, a large portion of crimes are committed with guns purchased legally and then resold to youth gangs or felons. Some gun manufacturers intentionally flood some markets with far more arms than the area could possibly handle, given the local population, but these are areas that have loose gun control laws. Through this, it is easy for criminals to come into states with loose gun control laws to purchase firearms. In New York, a state with strict gun control laws, it was found that 90% of guns used in crimes were bought in such states with loose gun control laws. The aforementioned lawsuit is basically for this negligent distribution of guns which makes it far easier for criminals to obtain firearms. The actual implication of finding many of these companies guilty of such negligence is quite positive. This will tone down this absurd distribution of guns and make it more difficult for convicted felons to get their hands on firearms.

Matt Olliff '02

I am appalled at this verdict. As companies operating in a capitalist society, handgun (and tobacco) manufacturers can be expected to attempt to distribute their products as widely as possible within the law. If these manufacturers have not clearly broken existing gun control or distribution laws, then why haven’t we held them accountable? Everybody knows that handguns are designed only to KILL PEOPLE, a purpose for which they are not well suited, and everyone knows that tobacco is dangerous to your health. The companies that make these products are not responsible for the actions of the people who misuse them. Americans need to stop being pampered, and start accepting PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY. The world is filled with dangerous things. If you shoot someone with a gun, YOU are responsible, not Glock or Smith and Wesson. If you burn yourself on hot coffee, YOU are responsible, not Nestle. If you smoke cigarettes, YOU are responsible, not Philip Morris. The message here is clear: Go out and smoke cigarettes, and be aware of what you want now, while you still can. Just be prepared to take responsibility for your actions and face the consequences for how you use them.

Tom Ringle '00

I hope we all realize how ridiculous this decision is. If anyone is “guilty of negligence” it is clearly those who wish to make guns available, not those that produce them. For everyone who recklessly uses a firearm there are thousand who use them responsibly. Are we really to believe that firearm manufacturers are acting negligently if so many people are not killed? I don’t see how we can hold manufacturers responsible. A decision of this nature could have devastating implications. Perhaps the next step will be to prosecute paper manufacturers over a huge number of paper cuts or to sue Starbucks because their coffee keeps people awake at night. I think it is time that people take responsibility for their actions rather than attempting to find scapegoats.

Brian Levy '01

The idea that a company that makes guns can be sued when their guns are used in a crime is dumb. It isn’t the company’s fault that their guns are being bought and used by irresponsible people. The companies are being punished for providing a good that could, if used in an illegal fashion, cause harm to another person. Why then, shouldn’t we all be liable for the kind of people we sell products to? If, through the sales of guns, the companies are making gun crime easier. After all, only these companies had a tighter system of background checks and all that stuff, the problem could have been avoided. Give me a break.

Josh R. Weiner '00

The verdict issued by this lower court will have tremendous impact and, aside from making front page headlines, it will ascend quickly up to the state superior court, then federal courts, and finally the U.S. Supreme Court. Advocates of gun control and those of civilian weapons sales will have their case greatly advanced if they can show that the gun industry is in fact negligent in the way negligence as the tobacco industry, and perhaps they would choose to pursue a giganteous suit against gun manufacturers nationwide. It is an issue that strikes at the heart of the gun control controversy. The question is over whether or not the ordinary adult is permitted the right to bear arms, as decreed to us in our Constitution; or whether the sale and use of all firearms and/or weapons should/could be more controlled and restricted—if not outright prohibited, as are many other lethal substances like narcotics. If the gun control advocates cannot defeat the gun rights advocates on Constitutional grounds, then at least they will seek to strike where it hurts the most, in the pockets of the industry that fuels gun rights proponents.

Peter Hahn '01

In the coming months, all American cigarette smokers will be issued handguns, which they can use to shoot those jerks at Phillip Morris and be freed from the cancer stick. At least, that seems the most logical outcome of the verdicts.

Dan Farnbach '91

I think it is perfectly reasonable to hold the handgun manufacturers liable for gunshot deaths that occur. If I was the president of a manufacturing company released from cognizance of the fact that my product was killing people I would feel fully culpable. What dumbfounds me is how these manufacturers can be aware of such repercussions as death and not feel responsible for their actions. In court I feel that manufacturers should hold the burden of guilt just as much as the people who are killing. The manufacturers are not out to hurt people, I think that they should be responsible for everything that happens with their product. If their product, guns in this case, ends up hurting or killing someone then they should be able to accept the consequences. We have to ask ourselves when will justice served. Gun rates increase from guns, or when the gun manufacturers take responsibility for their actions will we be more careful in gun sales? I think the latter.

Stewart Steffey '01

What about alcohol companies? They advertise toward youth and intentionally push their products into neighborhoods that are proliferated with adults. Does anyone think they don’t see they are at fault. Guns are just tools. The manufacturers do not glorify their use in their advertising. It’s their society that gives that impression. The victory only found the manufacturers liable on one count, yet we blame them for that. People need a serious reality check. You have to start taking responsibility for your actions and not blaming someone else. If the companies were giving guns away to criminals or advertising them as a “good way to settle an argument” they would pay. But they don’t, and they never have.

Suyi Chung '01

The lack of accountability in American society today sickens me. What’s next? Are we going to sue the farmers because some people go hungry? There is a price to be paid for living in a society that grants the amount of freedom that is afforded to us in the United States of America. That price takes the form of a lack of social control, that may result in the proliferation of cigarettes, pornography, or guns. It may seem conveniently easy to heap the blame for social problems on the free market enterprises who make the products in question, but the ultimate effect of placing this blame is the clipping away of the fundamental freedoms which make the United States such a fine place to live. If blame needs to be placed, place the blame on those who rob and murder, not on the makers of handguns and the thousands of people they employ.

Peter Tatspratis '00

I think that the implications of this verdict can only be positive, as the ruling will compel a rethinking of the gun industry’s distribution policies. Illegal weapons on the streets can and have caused more harm to American society than ever before, and yet tobacco and the verdict rightly attempt to cut to the root of the problem: the manufacturers themselves.

Gerry May '99

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**Get on your funk**

**BY ANNA DORNBUSCH**

A&E EDITOR

At times it seems as though Bowdoin could be a center of the rest of the world. We are relatively secluded in the great Maine landscape, and we are small, both in physical size and the size of our student body. However, we must not despair. As a large, active and creative Bowdoin ego, we can celebrate the fact that this weekend, The band Funk Harmony Park is driving all the way from South Bend, Indiana to perform for two nights at our school. They are not stopping at Colby or Bates, just Bowdoin.

Okay, so you may be thinking, "Who is Funk Harmony Park anyway?" and "Why should their presence inflate our sense of worth in the grand scheme of collegiate importance?"

All right, so their CD hasn't sold platinum, but it may some day, and then you will be able to claim that you were a fan before anyone else. While this doesn't make you a better person, in some circles it may make you significantly "cooler," and we could all afford to be "cooler."

If your ego is secure and you're as cool as you ever wish to be, there are still reasons to attend the performances of Funk Harmony Park. The ensemble consists of 5 guys between the ages of seventeen and nineteen playing lead guitar, bass guitar, keyboard, the bongos, the harmonica and drums.

Their unofficial promoter, Bowdoin student Annie Gustafson, '01, is hesitant to compare their music to that of popular artists, because it "is so unique." Their music could be described as "funk" and is said to be "very danceable." As Gustafson said, "You will hear no sad love songs from this band."

Although they have more than forty original works, and recently released a self-titled CD, Funky Town, the band also does covers ranging from Bob Dylan songs to "Tutti Frutti."

This weekend, the band will be performing songs from their new album, as well as new songs that are not on the record.

Prior to their Bowdoin performance, the band has played at schools in Indiana, including Purdue, University of Indiana, and Notre Dame. They also perform at local music festivals in South Bend, Indiana.

In preparation for this weekend's performance, the band is bringing with them a smoke machine. Also, they have just purchased a new mixing board. If their inaugural Bowdoin performance works out, they hope to make it an annual event.

The members of the band will be staying on the Bowdoin campus through Sunday and will perform twice during their visit. They can be seen at 238 Maine Street this Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. and they will perform in The Pub on Saturday night at 9:30 p.m.

You look forward to meeting Bowdoin students and also hope to take a trip to L.L. Bean, visit Popham Beach, and eat some lobster.

In addition to the fact that Funk Harmony Park is a group of "really good entertainers who are responsive to the crowd," they drive all the way from Indiana in a motor home just to perform for us, according to Gustafson, let's show them a little love, Bowdoin style.

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**Fluffy pink bunny invades Brunswick**

**CHRISTINE LEHMANN**

STAFF WRITER

With Easter still a little over a month away, many students are wondering what a large bunny will be doing in Brunswick this weekend. Rumor has it that the fuzzy pink guy will be making an appearance this weekend in two of the Masque and Gown’s one act plays (well maybe not the actual Easter Bunny but at least a pretty similar looking representation). Stolen air fresheners, gas-pumping monks and a "liberated" narrator will also be encountered when you attend the annual "One Acts," a group of three plays that have been acted, directed, and produced by Bowdoin students. As the assistant director Brett Harte ’02 states, "all three are out there...but in a good way."

Earlier this year, students were encouraged to exercise their playwright skills and submit their work to Masque and Gown, the student theatre group on campus. Those original pieces were chosen, each with its own comedic flair and quick pace, catering to those of us with a shorter attention span. The performance has been produced by Bowdoin senior, Ben Tettelbaum.

The first show, entitled "A One-Cent Won- der Man, " is the story line, if one can forgive the cliched usage, slightly resembles the "non-pilot" approach of a Sentient show. Set in a convenience store, the play introduces Hairy Jay Roberts, the head mascot of the Rochester Rebels Football Team. Trouble ensues when a mischievous fresher procures Hairy Jay and his wife to take out their frustrations on a gas-attendent. Extreme wit and entertaining randomness promise to be major elements of this comical piece. (Directed by Max Leighton ’01). The cast members of this play are Jeff Gibert ’01, David Feirberg ’98, Kristina Balbo ’01, Aijalon Gomes ’01 and Tasha Cassamayor ’01.

"The Tragedy of Bti Hutbecomes," by Paul DeLuca ’02 offers a satirical look at society today. The play is composed of a string of short vignettes brought together by the comfortably dressed narrator.

A great deal of improvisation and composi- tion was required by the director and cast in each of the scenes and characters to fully develop. Polonii, modern theatre, gender wars and popular culture all turn up during this "in-your-face" parody. (Directed by Allen Baldwin ’99. The cast members of this play are James Nachiaur ’02, Lara Blackburn ’99, Peter Schmidt ’02, Jack Curtin ’01, Zach Tabacco ’02, Nick Knol ’01, Peter Sheridan ’01, India Hill ’02, Mia Rytkoski ’02, Hannah Ilen ’02 and Gemma Sanders ’01."

The final work in the collection was written by one of the student directors, Max Leighton. The play is titled "Stay Out of the Garden of Earthly Delights," a comedy with a philosophi- cal twist. A predicament reminis- cence of a recent film presents itself when two factory workers realize that they are being "watched." The employees deal with their newly discovered fate, as best as they can with the help of other key characters. This production will surely end up existing with an intriguing complexity. (Directed by Nina Pinchin ’01). The cast mem- bers of this play are Ian LeClair ’02, Matt LeClair ’01, Ellen Giffenbaum ’02 and Chris Murphy ’01.

The "One Acts" promise to be a highly entertaining production, boasting a cast filled with a considerable cross-section of the stu- dents. Population. All four classes are represented among the writers, directors, cast and crew. The range of experience and a wide range of viewpoints within the cast are sure to add to the energy and the variety of the performance.

Come to experience and admire the tal- ents of your fellow classmates this Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 8:00 p.m. The One Acts will be performed at the Theatre Project in Brunswick. Limited tickets are available at the information desk in Smith Union. The admission is FREE.

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**Ian Pace: Unique interpretations of folk music**

**BY JONATHAN L. KNAFF**

A&E EDITOR

The Bowdoin College Department of Music continued its Maine New Music Network series last Sunday when it hosted tal- ented British pianist Ian Pace. Pace's excel- lent performance certainly showed that his extensive musical training has been put to good use. He has studied at Cheltenham School of Music, The Queen's College, Oxford, and at the prestigious Juilliard School in New York City. Attending Juilliard as a Fulbright Scholar, he studied under Hungarian pia- nist Gyorgy Sándor.

Though his musical catalogue ranges from works of the 18th, 19th, and early 20th centu- ries, Pace focuses primarily on 20th century composers.

Based in London, Pace has enjoyed an international career and has been instru- mental in bringing the works of American and European composers to the United King- dom.

Not only has he been successful in live performance, but he has also recorded several CDs of works ranging from such com- posers as Deneck, Foss, and Michael Finnissy. whose piece "Foklore 1-4" was featured in Pace's performance on Sunday.

In addition to performing and recording, he also is the artistic director of the ensemble "Topologies," a faculty-member of the Lon- don College of Music, and a teacher for sev- eral different magazines, including "The Mu- sical Times," "Classical Music," and "World New Music Magazine."

Pace's Bowdoin performance consisted of two parts, the first of which contained works by four composers. Opening with Leon Janacek's "In the Mists," he set the pace for the rest of the concert's compositions, all of which contained soft, pretty folk-like melo- dies that quickly changed over to sporadic, almost improvisational outbursts.

The next piece, Bela Bartok's "15 Hungar- ian Peasant Songs," certainly did nothing to change this spirit. He closed part one with two more pieces, "Folklore 1-4" and "Finnissy's Page Sonata," by Arnold Schoenberg and Charles Ives, respectively.

Following these two pieces, Pace and the audience took a short break before the clos- ing hour-long "Folklore 1-4" by Michael Finnissy, the only living composer featured in the program.

Despite its length, the piece keeps the listener intensely attentive, with its numerous influences, which range from Debussy and Mahler to John Cage to Swedish fiddle playing and traditional Chinese melodies. The program's insert perhaps describes it most aptly. "[I]t is the love of melody, of the human voice, the oral tradition of so much folk music, a composer who is not ashamed of the sell, with all its vulnerabilities."

The first part of "Folklore," dedicated to pianist Edward Greig, references such things as Norwegian folk melodies and Greig’s com- positions. Part two, written in honor of Sir Michael Tippett, uses Romanian folk-melodies and Chinese folk songs.

Part three pays homage to Brian Ferneyhough with its use of French folk music and the styles of Swedish fiddle-play- ing. Part four is dedicated to Ravel. "Every- one has references to Korean music and List of the "Stones."

In a varied work, "Folklore 1-4" au- tomated the audience with its beautiful melo- dies and ecstatic outbursts. Altogether, Pace amased his audience with his startling interpretations of these unique, chal- lenging pieces.
"Vagina Monologues:” first of many?

BY JONATHAN L. KNAPP
A&E Editor

In what will hopefully become a Bowdoin tradition, seventeen women joined other female college students across the nation in performing Eve Ensler’s "The Vagina Monologues" this past Sunday at The Theater Project at 7:00, and in Smith Auditorium at 9:30. In celebration of Valentine’s Day and a national day to celebrate women, these talented and courageous Bowdoin students performed in front of two packed theaters to benefit MerryMeeting AIDS & Midcoast Sexual Assault Services.

Directed by Simone Federman and produced by Dara Slor ’99 the performance surely entertained the audience as much as it raised awareness about the problems with which women must deal, which range from rape to societal views of female sexuality. Though it contained elements of pure humor, it also displayed some of the most intense, passionate performances ever seen on a Bowdoin campus.

Playing the Eve role, Kate Enright ’00 began the show as she explained what caused her to begin work on this acclaimed, controversial work that has become known as "The Vagina Monologues.

She talked about the stigma surrounding the word "vagina," and cited riding the world of this as her main motivation for the show. After interviewing women all over the country, Ensler chose the stories of those women.

Following Enright, Jessie Lottie’s ’00 character proclaimed that "[women] have vaginas." She was shocked that women and men alike will not learn to respect vaginas, and, in turn, not respect women themselves. As she explained this, the entire cast came out and crowded around Elizabeth Hunt ’99 who formed the first of her two intense monologues. It told the story of a woman whose husband made her shave her pubic hair, for it was the only way he could find sex pleasurable. After doing this, she began to feel uncomfortable, and she left him and refused to stay any more.

After he began having an affair, a marriage counselor asked her why "[she was] unwilling to please [her] husband?"

Worried that it was the only way to keep her husband faithful, Hunt’s character then told that she had left, but still disliked it. Despite all this, he remained faithful. This was only half of the several monologues that seriously dealt with men’s insensitivity toward women.

Bringing some comic relief after this upsetting monologue, the Ensemble, consisting of Lara Blackham ’00, Jane Couts ’02, Megan Faughnan ’02, Christine Lehman ’02, Laura Collett ’00, and Anne Van Vollenhoven ’02, answered the question, "What would your vagina wear?" The answers ranged from such articles of clothing as pearls to underwear or Angela Ansley. For Ed Wood lover in all of us.

After Christine Lehman talked about women being accused of witchcraft in Salem, Katie Benner ’99 gave one of the night’s most charming and amusing performances as an elderly Jewish woman.

Her character told the story of why she no longer lets anyone go “down there.” The reason that “the cell is closed” regards a date that she went on as a teenager. The boy was seeing an unexpectedly leaned over and kissed her, causing her to become excited.

This excitement caused the “flood” to start. This involuntary reaction apparently ruined this boy’s car seat, but due to her apparent (though unnecessarily) humiliating experience, she has since not let anyone (including herself) do anything near her vagina. Sadly, this woman never came to understand and celebrate her sexuality.

Following Benner’s monologue, the entire cast came out and gathered to have their characters talk about their respective menstruation experiences. These women discussed cultural misconceptions and stigmas surrounding a girl’s first period.

Staying in line with “The Vagina self-disclosure of Melanie Race ’00 played a character who talked about, “The Vagina Workshop,” a workshop where she first learned about her sexuality. Rachel Stroud ’99 played the leader of this workshop, as she comically taught the entire cast how to explore their vaginas.

The comic scenes then subsided, as the night’s most intense performance came next. Hunt once again showed her unique talent as she played the titular Brazilian woman raped by soldiers. This monologue has particular social relevance, as this is a problem that has constantly been overlooked in the genocidal crisis that has ravaged the former Yugoslavian in recent years. Hunt’s character told to bow when once thought of her.

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Reflections from a French park bench

BY BEN PARSONS
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All languages are rife with euphemism, and French is no exception. During the unremembering effort to eliminate poverty that suspiciously comes to a halt over the holidays every year, the three letters SDF resound from every charity organisations and every political hopeful in France. One is obliged to toss a few hoar chilli cafe creations or so into a bin in hopes that the "sans domicile fixe" will miraculously find a dinner table surrounded by friends and family, and a bathroom to please see PARSONS, page 11

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vagina as a beautiful, pristine place; she now, after her brutal rape, thinks of it as diseased, disgusting object.

In an overly abrupt mood change, the Ensemble immediately followed Hunt’s monologue and came onto the stage answering the question of “What would your vagina say?” to the music of Dolly Parton’s “9 to 5.”

After this misplaced comic sequence, Ilten’s character told a story of her childhood in which she came to know her sexuality. Her mother certainly never helped her; she only referred to the vagina as “the little coochie snorecher,” and simply told her to keep everyone away from it. After realizing that she did not like boys at the age of fourteen, Ilten’s character had a relationship with a twenty-four year old woman; even though many would call this rape, she insisted that it actually helped her to come to know herself.

After a hilarious sequence in which Sarah Willot played a six-year-old girl answering questions about her vagina, Nora Pierson ’00 performed a monologue about a woman coming to appreciate her vagina through the assistance of a man. This character relayed the stories of a series of failed relationships until she met a man named Bob. Though an ordinary man in every other way, Bob found the vagina a beautiful thing; his appreciation for Pierson’s character’s body enabled her to gain a grasp of her own sexuality.

Producer Dora Sklar gave one of the night’s most memorable monologues, as she played a woman who discovered her true calling in life: a dominatrix. After working in law, Sklar’s character discovered that she enjoyed pleasing women, and eventually began to make a living doing so. She finished the monologue by brilliantly demonstrating the different types of moaning that she has encountered in her line of work.

The least monologue, performed by Bethany Timley ’01 involved the idea of reclaiming the word “cunt.” Traditionally, this word has had more negative connotations than “vagina,” this particular woman, however, prefers cunt, and has consequently turned it into a term of pride.

“The Vagina Monologues” certainly has brought a great deal of discussion to the Bowdoin campus. Despite the fact that some of this discussion is negative, at least it is bringing about some sort of interaction, as the Bowdoin campus is too often plagued by silence regarding pertinent issues. After the performance’s overwhelming success, one can only hope that this will be an annual event, here at Bowdoin and at other schools across the country.

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wash up in with all their new soap and toothpaste. Everyone seems to forget Maslow’s simple hierarchy of needs which demands food, clothing and shelter before one can experience life as the rest of us know it. Despite overflowing bins of food and accessories, over 150 homeless people in Europe died in a one week period this winter due to bitter cold. Here in Toulouse I read of at least five SDF’s dead from exposure.

The homeless problem is an old one, and there is no shortage of hypocritical commentary on the issue, such as I am voicing here. This year, however, my eyes have slowly started to introduce my heart and conscience to the problem. Due to the irony of one particular homeless man’s situation which I see every day, I have gone to bed at times feeling extremely lucky and selfish, and other nights helpless and horrid. This particular man has set up his belongings in the shadow of the Dickinson Study Center and within fifty feet of every form of transport imaginable, yet I have never seen him rise up off the ground. Less than a stone’s throw away, the Canal du Midi brings pleasure boats and cargo up the canal. The path which skogs its banks allows runners and strollers to exercise or simply admire the scenery. Overhead he has train tracks for a roof, and every five minutes or so moving chimneys let off smoke and a whistle, but the warmth of the fire escapes him. Opposite the canal lies a busy road carrying people and from their homes, to work, shopping, or holiday. On a clear day air-planes from nearby Toulouse airport leave zigzagging bands of smoke directly above.

While the world and all its opportunity whiz by this man, he finds no energy or desire to get up and follow. Who can assume the blame for such a travesty? In the basement of our Study Center there is a library with numerous copies of Hugo’s Les Miserables, as well as an adjoining apartment, vacant for the better part of the year. Our organization is probably one of the most affluent in all of Toulouse. This year, as a collaborative effort, we decided to collect personal hygiene items over the holiday because our director had heard that the need for these was greater than that of food. We got our name in the paper for going above and beyond what is required. I hope the man on the other side of the hedge was able to give his teeth a good brushing. I facetiously didn’t have to worry about making his bed or locking the door when he went out.
Information
(11:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)
Career and Internship Information Fair. Never fear fellow students! There are Bowdoin graduates who are gainfully employed. Meet some alumni/ae and gain information related to internships and careers. Smith Union.

Performance (7:00 p.m.)
Hip Hop Dance... Project Concern, presented by the Performing Arts Series. This non-profit organization serves inner-city adolescents through dance therapy. This event is sponsored by the Campus Activities Board and is part of Black History Month. Smith Union, Morell Lounge.

Feb. 19

Performance (8:00 p.m.)
Bowdoin first year students Jaime Bards on acoustic guitar and Christine Lehman on violin will perform. They have decided to move their performing venue beyond the 2nd floor bathroom in Winnthrop and reveal their talent to the entire Bowdoin community. The Pub.

Theater (8:00 p.m.)
Once again, the One-Act Festival takes place. If you missed it the first night, here is another chance to redeem yourself and support your fellow students’ creative endeavors. Tickets are available at the Smith Union information desk. The Theater Project, Brunswick. FREE.

Music (9:00-5:45 p.m.)
Funk Harmony Park performs. If you want the 411 on this band, refer to the article on the preceeding page. This is your last chance to hear them perform, and then they're headed back to Indiana. Don't miss out on the fun. The Pub.

Theater (4:00 p.m.)
Masque & Gown once again, for the last time, present the one-act plays. If you missed the first two performances, this is your very last chance to show your support for your fellow students and entertain yourselves at the same time. Tickets are available at the Smith Union information desk. The Theater Project, Brunswick. FREE.

Feb. 20

Discussion (3:00-5:00 p.m.)
The Joseph Campbell/Bill Moyers TV interview “Love and the Artist.” Panzo and Doug Hanson, Joanna Rowan and Paul D. Huss, all involved in the counseling field, will be present. William Coogwgan, professor of religion emersitus, will also be present for discussion. Visual Arts Center, Kregge Auditorium.

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Feb. 21

Film (6:30 p.m.)
Crows & Sparrows, presented as part of Asian studies 254, Art and Ideology in Chinese Film. This film takes place in Shanghai on the eve of the Revolution. Directed by Zheng Junli, this is a film of landlords, destitute tenants and left-wing radicals. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Film (6:00 p.m.)
The Magnificent Ambersons (1942). Presented as a Bowdoin Film Studies screening, this film is narrated by Orson Welles and stars Joseph Cotten, Agnes Moorehead and Anne Baxter. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Feb. 22

Discussion (7:00 p.m.)
Internships in the film and television industries. Christo Sims and Ben Tettlebaum present. Lancaster Lounge.

Film (8:00 p.m.)
"Black," written by Mike Miranda '98, opens in New York City, East Village.

Feb. 23

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Film (8:00 & 10:00 p.m.)

Feb. 24

Seminar (4:00 p.m.)

Film (8:00 p.m.)
Daughters of the Dust, presented as part of Black History Month. This film, directed by Julie Dash contains the most beautiful and striking cinematography of any movie I've yet seen. The story line is abstract and difficult to follow, but if you stick with it, the end result of the movie is quite rewarding. Russwurm Center.

Feb. 25

Seminar (12:00-1:00 p.m.)
Faculty Seminar Series, "The Institute International. A Cultural Center Representing U.S. Culture in Madrid." John Turner, professor of romance languages presents. Sponsored by the Dean for Academic Affairs and the Committee on Teaching, Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

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Beer (5:00-9:00 p.m.)
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Film (8:00 p.m.)
Amistad. In recognition of Black History Month, The Film and Video Society presents a film recounting the passage of slaves to America and the development of slavery in this country. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Feb. 21

Film (7:30 & 9:30 p.m.)
Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, followed by Ex's Bagu. In continuation of the Film & Video Society's Black History Month Weekend, these two movies, each focusing on African American families, are featured. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Feb. 22

Film (4:45-5:45 p.m.)
Although the weather outside is rainy and muddy and the ice skating rinks are closed and unattractive, don't despair students, you can still get in your weekly ice skating fix. Faculty, students and staff are welcome. Dayton Arena.

Feb. 23

Film (6:00 p.m.)
The Magnificent Ambersons (1942). Presented as a Bowdoin Film Studies screening, this film is narrated by Orson Welles and stars Joseph Cotten, Agnes Moorehead and Anne Baxter. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Feb. 24

Film (8:00 & 10:00 p.m.)

Feb. 25

Film (8:00 p.m.)
POLAR BEAR SPORTS

Skiers battle tough conditions on slopes

C.W. Estoff
STAFF WRITER

The University of Vermont Catamounts continued their domination on the college ski racing circuit by winning the Dartmouth Carnival, taking their fifth straight victory of the season. Dartmouth's Big Green, seemingly distracted by the recent troubles with their fraternity system, was not able to take the win on their own hill, finishing second. Unfortunately for Bowdoin, the team has come across hard times. Due to injury, Matt McGivens '02, Nate Vinton '01 and Jeff Nealon '99 were not able to compete last weekend. When asked about the current state of the team, Coach Martin Wilson replied, "It's tough to lose those guys. They are not only some of the best skiers, but also the leaders."

In the Giant Slalom held on Friday, unseasonably warm temperatures and soft snow made the difficult conditions for the racers. By the time the first fifteen racers had finished, large holes and ruts had formed in the course, making it difficult for skiers to start the run off of the back. Only three out of the six Bowdoin men made it to the finish line with the rough conditions. Mike Lieber '91 started 77th and finished 43rd, Jason Kim '01 started 82rd and finished 47th and Mike Prendergast started 78th and finished 49th. The women had better luck since their whole squad managed to finish the G.S. Captain Shalyn Yamanaka '00 started 59th and finished 48th and Meghan Cosgrove '01 started 67th and finished 54th.

On Friday night, a cold front came through the area, dropping the temperature well below freezing. The soft snow conditions of Friday's G.S. soon turned into bullet proof ice for Saturday's Slalom race. After inspecting the first course, Prendergast told Lieber, "These are some of the most difficult conditions I have ever seen. The only other time I have seen it like this was when I watched a World Cup race a few years ago." The Polar Bears fought a hard battle. Lieber started 72nd and finished 36th. Captain Ryan Hurley '99 started 60th and finished 35th and Prendergast started 75th and finished 38th. On the women's side, Yamanaka started 44th and finished 28th and Cosgrove started 64th and finished 47th.

Wilson pointed out how frustrating the season has been for the Alpine Team. "The school schedule is tough for training."

Bears take second in the State Meet

The men's track team placed second in the Maine State Meet this past weekend behind individual victories by Scott Scilling '90 in the 55 meter dash, Chris Downe '00 in the 440 yard dash, '00 in the shot put, and Rob Mandle '00 in the 600.

Bates won the meet with 179. Bowdoin was second with 147. Colby and the University of Southern Maine were 3rd and 4th with 117 and 77. Bowdoin was the defending champion and had some success in the middle distance races. Mandle and Zach Wheeler finished 1-2 in the 600 and Downe won the 800.

Mandle also took second in a spectacular photo finish in the 1000 meter run. Mandle was in 4th with 100 meters to go and then made a brilliant charge on the final stretch. With the support of a great cheering section, Mandle closed on the leaders and all 4 runners hit the tape at the same time in 2:41. The photo showed Mandle in second with a 2.41.17 while the winning runner from Colby had a 2:41.02. Mandle edged out both Bates and Dyer of USM who ran 2:41.54 and 2:41.68.

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Dave Lopes came through with a clutch performance in the triple jump. Lopes had a personal best of 60-7 to take third.

Other third places were earned by Josh Helfat in the pole vault, Matt Mellen in the high jump, Nick Lyford in the long jump, and Dwight Cassin in the hurdles. The best upset of the day was performed by Thomas Riday in the pole vault and John Yost in the 400. Riday was seeded 9th in the pole vault and captured 6th place. Yost was seeded 10th in the 400, and placed 6th.

Bowdoin enters the post-season championships tomorrow after finishing the regular season with 6 wins and 7 losses. They compete in the New England III championships tomorrow at Wesleyan.

Patrick Fleury '00 in competition in the Giant Slalom last weekend at the Dartmouth Carnival. (C.W. Estoff/Bowdoin Orient)

and the athletes are not skiing to their potential, but there is no excuse for the past performances. We need to focus on the next two races and get the job done with what we have.

The race will be held at Jimney Peak in Hancock, Mass/BenNetts, hosted by Williams College.

Here is an example of the five-clawed paw found on a Bowdoin sweatshirt. But does it have enough style? (Ghislay Maguire/Bowdoin Orient)

The bear paw crisis: Four or five claws?

Margaret Peachy
SPORTS EDITOR

It has come to my attention lately that there is a serious problem here at Bowdoin. Upon persuing the apparel and other Bowdoin merchandise at the bookstore, I noticed that some items bore a polar bear paw with four claws, while others had five claws. I was taken aback by this inconsistency. One would think that any school with school pride would have a consistent trademark. Here at Bowdoin, we seem to be experiencing an identity crisis of sorts. I decided that a consensus had to be reached on the Bear Paw Crisis.

The first people I spoke to were members of the Bowdoin coaching staff. Jane Peterson, head coach of the men's and women's tennis teams, was the first coach I happened upon. I presented her with the problem that we are facing. I asked her if the paw had four or five claws, and after some thought she told me that there were four claws on the paw. Having acquired one opinion on the issue, I moved on to Tim Gilbride, head coach of the men's soccer and men's basketball teams. I asked him the same question, "Four or five claws?" He came up with a quick answer and informed me that five claws is anatomically correct. He did show concern for the inconsistency that Bowdoin has been portraying.

Both coaches, despite having conflicting views on the issue, did mention one name to me: Bernie LaCroix. For those of you who have not had the pleasure of meeting Bernie, Please see BEAR PAW, page 14
The crisis continues ...  

BEAR Paw, from page 13

Senior Profile Stacy Barron '99:  
A Polar Bear on the court

JEN MALIA  SPORTS EDITOR

Showing her school spirit, Stacy Barron '99 sports a polar bear tattoo. It may seem as though the requirement to be featured in the sports profile is a surefire way to get a tattoo on your back. However, some students are tossing away the idea of a body modification to show school spirit.

Josh Hilderbrand, '99, is one of these students. His parents forbade him from getting a tattoo until he was 18. But after graduation, he was given the freedom to pursue his dream of a tattoo. Now, he proudly sports a Polar Bear tattoo that his parents approved of.

Barron is a junior Biology major and a member of the women's basketball team. She is also the captain of the women's basketball team.

Baron began basketball at a young age. Her parents were both basketball players and encouraged her to play the sport. She has always enjoyed playing basketball and has been playing for as long as she can remember.

When asked about the tattoo, Barron said, "I decided to get the tattoo because of my love for the sport. I wanted to show my commitment to the team and the sport itself." She went on to say that the tattoo is a symbol of her dedication to the sport and the team.

Barron also mentioned that the tattoo is a way for her to express her individuality and her love for the sport. She said that the tattoo is a permanent reminder of her love for basketball and her connection to the team.

When asked about the tattoo, Barron's parents were supportive. They understood her love for the sport and her desire to have a permanent reminder of her dedication to the team. They also respected her decision to get the tattoo, and they were proud of her for taking such a big step.

Barron's tattoo is not the only one on her body. She also has tattoos on her arms and legs, which she got to express her love for the sport and her connection to the team.

Despite the tattoo, Barron remains humble and dedicated to her sport. She works hard to improve her skills and to be the best player she can be. She is a leader on the team and a role model for other players.

In conclusion, the tattoo is a symbol of Barron's love for basketball and her connection to the team. It is a permanent reminder of her dedication to the sport and her commitment to being the best player she can be.

Stacy Barron '99 is the lone senior on the Women's Basketball team this season. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

Baron said, "I'm known to acquire technical fouls for odd reasons.

When asked to give advice on playing basketball, Baron took the opportunity to talk about her philosophy on playing sports. "I abide by the philosophy of playing within myself. I take it one day at a time. Taking the advice of her role model, Tracy Mulolland, Baron said, "I try to be secure. I do the things that I can do well."

Baron said basketball games are a great way for her to spend time with her family. According to Baron, basketball is generally a family atmosphere. "Everyone's parents are so wonderful. They support us at games."

In addition to being the captain of the basketball team, Baron is the rugby captain this past fall. Her responsibilities for rugby exceeded those of basketball in some respects. Since the coaches were only around three days of the week, Baron was in charge of rugby the other two days. She had to teach people that had never touched a rugby ball before.

"As a tutor for a local junior high school, Baron has the opportunity to assist a student with math, science, and writing assignments. According to Baron, the meetings involve a lot of time just talking with the students.

When asked why she came to Bowdoin, Baron said her college placement counselor, who was also her English teacher, prompted her interest in the school. In fact, claims her college advisor, being a Bowdoin alum, was "the biggest Bowdoin supporter I've ever met." When asked what she will miss most about Bowdoin, Barron said, "I'll miss the people, I've met, I've been really lucky in terms of the friends that I've made, especially my teammates and roommates."

A double major in government and sociology, Baron is pursuing an independent study on single parent families. She is studying the efforts that single parent families have on child development. Her study has special significance to her since her parents divorced when she was young. Applying her study to her own life, Baron said, "I'm taking my own experiences and looking at single parent families through that lens."

As far as plans for after graduation, Baron hopes to go to Europe for the summer with friends. After her trip, she wants to find a job for the year perhaps as a paralegal or working for AmeriCorps. Eventually, Baron plans to go to law school to study family law.

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Between the lines: Bostonian egomaniacs

By Justin DeGeorge

After watching free agent Mo Vaughn defect to the Anaheim Angels and then inexplicably making Jose Offerman the right utility man in Boston, the Sox's egomaniac Dan Duquette pompously declared that too many "chicken littles" in the media were running around proclaiming, "the sky is falling." With his metaphor about as well-conceived as his shrewd off-season acquisitions, propounding the Duke snatched up Mark Portugal and Pat Rapp before Steinbrenner had a chance to open his wallet, Duquette has painted a bull's-eye on his chest. As Spring Training begins this week, one fact is unmistakably clear: if and when the Red Sox falter in '99, the rifles of fans and media alike will be turned towards the reclusive GM.

A few miles away in Foxborough, the Patriots are following the Becks' lead as they bungle their way through the offseason. Rookie sensation Robert Edwards simplifies his game during a beach flag football game over Pro Bowl weekend, tearing, three of the knee's four major ligaments, severing an artery, and suffering serious nerve damage. With a return for the '99 season already ruled out, Edwards may face a premature retirement. While the Edwards situation is simply a bad break — no inappropriate pun intended — for all parties involved, the Pats have endured other losses as well. With the free-agency period not yet a week old the Pats have already lost two of their best players, center Dave Wohlabaugh and punter/back-up quarterback/fan favorite Troy Aikman. The New England Patriots are starting Heath Erwin in the middle of the line and Sedrick Shaw in the backfield, a combination that will doubtlessly result in the decapitation of Drew Bledsoe, once opposing defenses realize how one-dimensional the Pats will be.

As Boston sports fans stare into 1999, the prospects look bleak. With Vaughn's void still unfilled, even through his powerhouse cousin, Greg, was recently auctioned off by the sinking San Diego Padres, the Sox brass are praying somehow the team will compete. Offerman is an attitude problem without a position. During his one good season, the year he played for the minor league team that is the Kansas City Royals, and put up some solid numbers, Offerman, however, can't handle the big market pressure. He had to leave the Dodgers because of it, but the Duke is sure that Boston will be a perfect fit.

So the question inevitably becomes, why bounce around between the Red Sox and the Patriots? The first answer is that this was a poorly thought-out article. The second is that the similarities between these two teams are striking. Each has had a horrible offseason. The futures of both are being threatened by the egos of two powerful men: Bob Kraft who drove Bill Parcells out of town, and the Duke who sent the Rocket and Mo packing. Both overpay for mediocre talent (the Pats for Todd Rauch and the Sox for Troy O'Leary) and fail to take care of their marquee players (Clemens/Vaughn and Curtis Martin/ Wohlabaugh). Both fought their way into the postseason, only to be handily disposed of in the first round.

The comparisons go on, but the bottom line is that a few months ago people were excited about both clubs. No more. Who knows, the Celtics are beginning their abbreviated season, a 50-game sprint over a couple of months, and anything can happen. Antwone Walker’s been locked up for seven years, and Paul Pierce is Rookie of the Year material. It’s the Bostonian sports fan way to place unrealistic expectations on your team, setting yourself up for nothing but bitter disappointment.

Why stop now? Jordan’s retired, the talent up for grabs. Order that seventeenth championship banner, the Celts are bringing home some hardware.

March madness is coming!

By Tim DePeltaloe and Shawn Stetson

After going through four years at Bowdoin, we feel it is our civic duty to give back to the Bowdoin community. With this sense of community in mind, we are going to share with everyone the secret as to how to be successful in filling out your March Madness brackets. Floating around the college basketball world right now are some serious contenders for the National Championship as well as some serious candidates to be knocked out in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

At the top of the list of contenders for the National Championship rests Duke. Bear in mind that we hate Duke. This hatred is rooted in the fact that we loved the Fab Five more than many people love their families (if you don’t know what the “Fab Five” was, please stop reading now). The 1992-93 Blue Devils easily have more legitimate NBA players on their team than the artists formerly known as the Chicago Bulls.

Staying right with the ACC, we feel the next “real deal” is Maryland, boasting the latest version of the human highlight film, Stevie Francis. Stevie Francis has NBA All-Star written all over him. The Terps have lost a couple of tough losses lately, but they have the unique ability and energy to make their presence felt in the big dance.

Speaking of teams with ridiculous superstars, we feel it would be wise to mention Pac-10 juggernaut UCLA, starting Supersophomores Baron "Play of the Week" Davis and UConn, who may have lost its share of games, but we’ve seen a team loaded with youthful talent gallop all the way to the championship before (another blatant reference to Michigan’s Fab Five). With sophomores Davis and Earl Watson, and freshmen Jaron Rush, Jerron Moiso and DanGadzuric, the Bruins have the exuberance to string together six in a row come tournament time.

The Big East is back! Sporting teams like UConn, Miami of Florida and Syracuse, the once maligned conference has returned to national prominence. It would be a travesty, however, to speak of this conference without mentioning St. John’s University, our fourth pick for a true contender at the National Championship. Although they lost former S.I. coverboy Felipe Lopez, St. John’s has improved drastically. Value your chance to watch sophomore Ron Artest in a Johnny’s Uniform because we guarantee he will be wearing a NBA logo next year. Freshman Erick Buckley, straight from the streets of New York City (via Maine Central Institute), has given Coach Mike Gervais the guard play that is so necessary to go deep into the NCAA tournament. If you throw in Marvis "Booty" Thornton (he’s 40 against Duke) and tremendous re-bounder Tyrone Grant, St. John’s has as good a chance as anyone, including the Dukes, to cut down the nets in St. Petersburg.

Speaking of the Big East, one team we have an eerie feeling about is UConn. We are in no way denying the talents of "husky" Khalid El-Amin or "Rip" Hamilton. No matter how talented they are, Jim Calhoun’s squads always seem to find a way to lose the big games.

Next comes Auburn. These talented athletes have only scored four field goals that were not slam dunks this season. JoCo transfer Chris Porter can jump through the roof, but can he hit a clutch shot? Though Auburn has blown out teams such as Notre Dame and Arkansas, they have not yet faced top competition. In short, they’re unproven. It takes much more than mere athleticism to run the table in March.

Next come the Nittany Lions of Penn State. Though the Cardinal seems to be loaded on paper and filled with experience and a solid combination of guard and post play, we simply are sick of seeing Mark "Mad Dog" Madsen’s mug. While Auburn may have too much athleticism, Stoudt does not seem to have enough. They always seem to get beaten by more athletic teams.

Villanova presses out rounds on our picks, being the "sleepier" in the NCAA tournament. This Press export Top Ten team has floundered at times during the regular season, winning just enough games to earn a spot in the tourney. Their delicious combination of talented big men and experienced guards has led to victories over perennial powerhouse like Kentucky. Though the Vols may be known better for their Women’s basketball and football prowess, Tennessee’s Men’s basketball team should not be overlooked. Though they have "sleepy" written all over them, they just might make it three championships in Knoxville this year.

There are the pretenders. Please do not let them ruin the Final Four portion of your bracket. There you have it, sons and daughters of Bowdoin. In closing, God bless the Celts.
Polar Bears execute to perfection

The Bears improved their record to 13-7 last week with victories over Colby, Trinity and Amherst. These wins bring them one step closer to qualifying for post-season play.

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Bowdoin 64
Trinity 61

Last Friday, the Bears played Trinity, who had a record of 16-1 entering the contest. The game was close for the entire first half with Trinity leading 35-28 at halftime. Trinity had gotten off to an early lead but the Bears managed to catch up by the half. Trinity started the second half the same way they started the first, and the Bears found themselves in the hole once again. However, Bowdoin was able to come back into the game with a tremendous team effort.

The Bears sent the game down to the wire, tying the score with under a minute left on the clock. With 45 seconds remaining, Baranowski blocked a Trinity shot and the Bears managed to secure possession of the ball. The Bears then worked the clock in hopes of putting themselves in the lead with little time left for Trinity to respond.

They once again executed to perfection and Lovely hit a ten-footer and got fouled. Lovely proceeded to hit the free-throw and put the Bears up by good for three points. The final score of the game was Bowdoin 64, Trinity 61.

If that wasn’t enough drama for one weekend, the Bears and their fans did it all over again Saturday night. Amberst is ranked fourth in New England and was coming to prove to be an easier opponent than Trinity. Amberst made a run in the first half and led at halftime 38-32. Midway through the second half, Amberst had a run which gave them a 12 point lead.

However, the Bears continued to play tough with a physical Amberst team. Their consistent hard work eventually paid off and they were able to cut the lead to six by the two minute mark. This is when things started to get interesting.

With two minutes to go, Baranowski scored an inside bucket to cut the lead to four points.

Bowdoin 64
Amherst 63

Trinity did not score on their following possession. On Bowdoin’s next possession, Lovely stepped up and hit a huge three-pointer which brought the Bears to within one point of the Amberst lead.

Then, on Amberst’s very next possession, Hugh Coleman ’01 stole the ball, and scored on a breakaway to give the Bears a one point lead. Now Amberst had the ball with 30 seconds to go. The Bears managed to knock the ball out of bounds, but Amberst retained possession.

Amherst then started to work the clock in hopes of winning the game with a final shot. However, a foul to waste, Will Smith ’00 made a smart play and fouled Amberst just as they started to get into their offense with eight seconds remaining.

For the final eight seconds, Coleman played great defense up top and Amberst was not able to get a shot off. The Bears improved their record to 13-7 with their huge 64-63 victory over Amherst.

Gibbide was happy with the week and the great efforts contributed by everyone on the roster. “Different people are contributing and stepping up when we need them to,” said Gibbide. “We need to continue our intensity and hard play. The team is showing great pride and this is good to see.”

Gibbide was also appreciative of the crowd support that the team has been receiving. “The crowds have been great, especially in the last couple of games being real loud and vocal when it is needed the most.”

With four games left, the Bears look to be at the top of their game. With three away games this week against Maine-Farmington, Hamilton and Tufts, Saturday’s home game against Bates could shape up to be the most important game of the season with major tournament implications at stake.

We already out-played and out-cheered Bates once this season at Bates. Let’s do it again at home.

Will Smith ’00 puts up a shot in recent action. Smith’s leadership in the backcourt helped his team to continue this past week. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

Women’s Hockey

Bears win two more, eye post-season

SARAH JENNESS
STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin 10
Amherst 0

Saturday, the women’s ice hockey team gained the momentum needed to beat out the University of Southern Maine Huskies 5-1 last Sunday. The team improved its record to 12-6-1. However, the Bears’ record with ECAC is even more impressive (11-2-1), which will earn them a spot in post-season play.

When the buzzer sounded after the first period, the game appeared to be well-matched. Though Bowdoin seemed to dominate the Huskies, they could not “connect with each other” as Captain Laura Enos ’99 pointed out. Beginning thirteen minutes into the second period, the game changed drastically from the first period of scoreless action. On a power play, Emily Hineman ’99 connected with Amy Steel ’99 to put the Polar Bears up 1-0. Captain Jane MacLeod ’99 commented on the importance of getting the first goal. “The first goal is always the hardest to get. After the first period, everyone was confident. Emily started things off for us,” she gave us momentum.” Four minutes after Hineman’s goal, Steel followed with one of her own, tipping off a shot from Enos ’99 to score on Huskies goalie Molly Duer.

The second period was more equally successful for Bowdoin. After only three minutes, MacLeod ’99 drove the puck into the net over goalie Duer’s shoulder to increase the deficit 3-0. She was succeeded by Christine Chapin ’99, who strategically outmatched the Southern Maine defense for another score. Chapin ’99 was answered by USM’s Samantha Whitman, who best out Bowdoin in front of the goal. With nineteen minutes left, Steel came back to score her second goal of the game, securing the win for the Polar Bears.

Enos believes that Bowdoin’s strength comes from the amount of depth and flexibility they have on the team. “Most of our play and work as a team. Each person goes out and does what she needs to do, knowing that it’s in a team effort.”

On defense, Sue Bernard stopped twenty-nine shots on goal by the Huskies, while Molly Duer of USM managed to turn away twenty-two of the Polar Bears shots.

Both captains Enos and MacLeod agreed that the defense has tightened remarkably. “We put a lot of pressure on our defense,” MacLeod commented on the team’s aggressiveness. “We played very strongly. Being more aggressive and pressure-oriented. We play physical but we do not get many penalties.”

MacLeod ’99 said that the defense Bowdoin played in the USM game, which began with the old defensive coverage followed by the new defensive strategy, allowed for a good game with breakouts. MacLeod said of the Polar Bear’s defense, “They were able to get it out of our end and they kept USM to the outside so that they couldn’t get quality shots.”

Bowdoin will travel to Sacred Heart and Connecticut College on Friday and Saturday, respectively, for contests that MacLeod predicts will be challenging.
Assembly votes on NESCAC statement

KIM SCHNEIDER
MANAGING EDITOR

The Student Assembly voted 17-26 Wednesday night to support a statement criticizing the proposal of the presidents of the schools of the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) to restrict post-season play.

The statement was written by Williams College's student government, and has been approved by all of the other NESCAC schools, with the exception of Bates College, which is expected to approve it soon, according to members of the Student Assembly.

The presidents of the eleven NESCAC schools (Bowdoin, Bates, Colby, Amherst, Connecticut, Hamilton, Middlebury, Trinity, Tufts, Wesleyan and Williams) voted last April to adopt a new mission statement which, among other things, resolved to "allow only the conference champion to pursue post-season competition in one venue deemed appropriate—normally NCAA Division III" and to "no longer participate in ECAC competition, except in instances where we determine that ECAC competition is more appropriate than NCAA national competition."

The statement approved by the Student Assembly reads in part, "We do not believe, however, that restricting post-season opportunities to a NESCAC champion will advance the NESCAC’s dual commitment to high levels of academic and athletic achievement... The entire conference benefits when NESCAC institutions are able to demonstrate national stature that the finest students may also be the finest athletes."

David Lopez ’99, a member of the E9 who voted in favor of the statement, said that he had two main reasons for supporting the statement. "One, because I feel very strongly that the school should be allowed to go to post-season play... Secondly, I think it would look bad for Bowdoin to be the only one" of the NESCAC schools to not support the statement.

John Cullen, assistant director of the athletic department and coach of the women's soccer and softball teams, said that he was pleased with the Student Assembly's vote. "It think it's a great sentiment," he said. "What Bowdoin has always stood for is excellence... and to put any type of restriction on that show of excellence, I think, is counterproductive."

Lopes agreed, saying, "One of the presidents' main concerns is that post-season play cuts into academic time, and post-season play encourages competition, and that's not necessary. Bowdoin is first and foremost known as an academic institution. It will never be known as a huge jock school... If a NESCAC school is acknowledged for being not only a great academic institution but a great athletic institution, it makes the school less attractive." Steve Lee ’99, chair of the E9, said that if Bowdoin has always stood for excellence, "We commonly say to students here that 'you're a part of the best. You're the best. You should be proud to be here.' If you believe that, and you want to try to be the best, you should be willing to put in the money."

The new dorm will consist of two identical wings, connected by the common room and kitchen, pictured above. The dorm, being built near Coles Tower and Wentworth Hall, will be completed by this fall and is expected to be ready in time for occupancy by this fall. Please see related story, page 2. (Steve Brady / Bowdoin Orient)

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**STAFF WRITER**

Last week marked one of the best weeks in Bowdoin College sports history, and the men's basketball team led the way. The Polar Bears provided fans with back-to-back wins to the wire finishes.

The Bears executed to perfection last week, posting a record of 3-0. The wins came over Colby, who had beaten the Bears earlier in the year at Colby, Trinity and Amherst, who are ranked second and fourth in New England respectively.

On Tuesday, the Bears played Colby, an extremely important game since Colby had knocked off the Bears earlier in the year. The game was close the whole way. As the clock started to tick down, Colby started fouling the Bears and trying to hit three's, but their efforts were halted by good foul shooting from the Bears.

Head Coach Tim Gibilride referred to the game as a "hard fought, intense defensive struggle with both teams working really hard." Gibilride acknowledged the continued prominent play of David Lovely '99 who made some big plays and led the Bears on defense with 21 points. Gibilride also noted the play of David Baranoski '01 and Steve McKinnon '01, who "have stepped their play up and been doing a good job," according to Gibilride.

On Friday, the Bears played Trinity, who had a record of 16-1 entering the contest. The game was close for the entire first half with Trinity leading 35-28 at halftime. Trinity had gotten off to an early lead but the Bears managed to catch up by the half. Trinity started the second half the same way they started the first, and the Bears found themselves in the hole once again.

However, Bowdoin was able to climb back into the game with a tremendous team effort. The Bears sent the game down to the wire, tying the score with under a minute left on the clock. With 45 seconds remaining, Baranoski blocked a Trinity shot and the Bears managed to secure possession of the ball.

The Bears then worked the clock in hopes of putting themselves in the lead with little time left for Trinity to respond.

They once again executed to perfection and Lovely hit a ten-footer and got fouled. Lovely proceeded to hit the free throw and put the Bears up for good by three points. The final score of the game was Bowdoin 64, Trinity 61.

If that wasn't enough drama for one weekend, the Bears and their fans did it all over again Saturday night. Amherst is ranked fourth in New England and was not going to prove to be an easier opponent than Trinity. Amherst made a run in the first half and led at half-time 38-32. Mid-way through the second half, Amherst made another run which gave them a 12 point lead.

However, the Bears continued to play tough with a physical Amherst team. Their consistent hard work eventually paid off and they were able to cut the lead to under 15 points by the second minute mark. This is when things started to get interesting.

With two minutes to go, Baranoski scored an inside bucket to cut the lead to four points.

Trinity did not score on their following possession. On Bowdoin's next possession, Lovelty stepped up and hit a huge three-pointer which brought the Bears to within one point of the Amherst lead.

Then, on Amherst's very next possession, Hugh Coleman '01 stole the ball, and scored on a breakaway to give the Bears a one point lead. Now Amherst had the ball with 30 seconds to go. The Bears managed to knock the ball out of bounds, but Amherst retained possession.

Amherst then started to work the clock in hopes of winning the game with a final shot. However, with a foul to waste, Will Smith '00 made a smart play and fouled Amherst just as they started to get into their offense with eight seconds remaining.

For the final eight seconds, Coleman played good defense up top and Amherst was not able to get a shot off. The Bears improved their record to 13-7 with their huge 64-63 victory over Amherst.

Gibilride was happy with the week and the great efforts contributed by everyone on the roster. "Different people are contributing and stepping up when we need them to," said Gibilride. "We need to continue our intensity and hard play. The team is showing great pride and this is good to see."

Will Smith '00 put up a shot in recent action. Smith's leadership in the backcourt helped his team to success this past week. (Shelly Maguire/Bowdoin Orient)

**Women's Hockey**

**Bears win two more, eye post-season**

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**Bowdoin 5**

After skating past Amherst 10-0 Saturday, the women's ice hockey team gained the momentum needed to beat out the University of Southern Maine Huskies 5-1 last Sunday. The team improved its record to 12-4-1. However, the Bears' record with ECAC is even more impressive (11-2-1), which will earn them a spot in post-season play.

When the buzzer sounded after the first period, the game appeared to be well-matched. Though Bowdoin seemed to dominate the Huskies, they could not "connect with each other," as Captain Laura Enos '99 pointed out. Beginning thirteen minutes into the second period, the game changed drastically from the first period of scoreless action.

On a power play, Emily Himmon '99 connected with Amy Stee '99 to put the Polar Bears up 1-0. Captain Jane MacLeod '99 commented on the importance of getting the first goal: "The first goal is always the hardest to get. After the first period, everyone was confident. Emily started things off for us; she gave us momentum." Four minutes after Himmon's goal, Stee followed with one of her own, tipping off a shot from Enos '99 to score on Huskies goalie Molly Duer.

Prior to the game, Bowdoin head coach Mark Enos was ecstatically successful for Bowdoin. For only the third minutes, MacLeod '99 drove the puck into the net over goalie Duer's shoulder to increase the deficit. She was succeeded by Caroline Chapin '99, who strategically outsmarted the Southern Maine defense for another score. Chapin '99 was answered by USM's Samantha Whitman, who beat out Bowdoin in front of the goal. With nineteen minutes left, Stee came back to score her second goal of the game, securing the win for the Polar Bears.

Enos believes that Bowdoin's strength comes from the amount of depth and flexibility they have on the team: "Most of us play and work as a team. Each person goes out and does what they need to do, knowing that it's in a team effort."

On defense, Sue Bernard stopped twenty-nine shots on goal by the Huskies, while Molly Duer of USM managed to turn away twenty-two of the Polar Bears' shots.

Both Captains Enos and MacLeod agreed that the defense has improved. Enos '99 commented on the team's aggressiveness: "We played very strongly. Being more aggressive put us on top. We play physical but we do not get many penalties."

Bowdoin will travel to Sacred Heart and Connecticut College on Friday and Saturday, respectively, for contests that MacLeod predicts will be challenging.

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Assembly votes on NESCAC statement

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The Student Assembly voted 17-2 Wednesday night to support a statement criticizing the proposal of the presidents of the schools of the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) to restrict post-season play.

The statement was written by Williams College's student government, and has been approved by all of the other NESCAC schools with the exception of Bates College, which is expected to approve it soon, according to members of the Student Assembly.

The presidents of the eleven NESCAC schools (Bowdoin, Bates, Colby, Amherst, Connecticut, Hamilton, Middlebury, Trinity, Tufts, Wesleyan and Williams) voted last April to adopt a new mission statement which, among other things, resolved to "allow only the conference champion to pursue post-season competition in one venue deemed appropriate—normally NCAA Division III" and to "no longer participate in ECAC competition, except in instances where we determine that ECAC competition is more appropriate than NCAA national competition."

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David Lopes, a member of the E9 who voted in favor of the statement, said he had two main reasons for supporting the statement. "One, because I feel very strongly that the school should be allowed to go to post-season play... Second, I think it would look bad for Bowdoin to be the only one of the NESCAC schools to not support the statement."

John Cullen, assistant director of the athletic department and coach of the women's soccer and softball teams, said that he was pleased with the Student Assembly's vote. "I think it's a great sentiment," he said. "What Bowdoin has always stood for is excellence, and to put any type of a restriction on that show of excellence, I think, is counterproductive."

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Complaints may either be filed anonymously or formally, and are generally directed to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

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The second resolution is a hearing before the Sexual Misconduct Board, a smaller panel, or the Judicial Board. Proposed changes to the policy involve the hearing process as well as including the entire college community.

The recommendations for the new policy came from the Task Force on Gender Equality, in which is dedicated to the support and status of women on campus. Special Assistant to the President for Gender Equity Lisa Tessler said that the task force "wrote a more user-friendly policy."

The task force noticed that cases of sexual harassment were not being reported and hoped a revised policy would change that. Revisions to the policy include providing another alternative to the formal hearing or creating a smaller Sexual Misconduct Board for certain hearings. According to Tessler, the new policy also hopes to "involve all of the complex college relationships," instead of focusing primarily on student to student interactions.

The revisions to the sexual harassment policy are in the final stages, and a final copy of the policy is due out in the next few weeks.

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Next week the College will hold Sexual Assault Awareness Week activities, sponsored by Safe Space, to promote awareness and prevent survivors of sexual assault. According to one of the event organizers, Annie Powell '01, "Safe Space wants to heighten the awareness of sexual assault on campus."

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Safe Space has organized several events throughout the week. According to another of the event organizers, Sean McClead '99, "We wanted to get a chance to send the message out to people who might not normally be inclined to listen."

With that purpose in mind, Safe Space invited speakers whose talks might reach more of the campus community. On Monday, Jackson Katz will give a talk entitled "More Than A Few Good Men" that focuses on sexual assault and surrounding issues from the male perspective. In the past, Katz has spoken to professional sports teams, and he places emphasis on helping men become activists. According to Powell, Katz aims to "make men into protectors instead of perpetrators."

Tuesday features an open panel discussion with Sexual Assault Services of Mid-coast Maine, Robin Betlams from Dudley, and Health Center, and all of Safe Space. On Wednesday there is a presentation by Maria Falzone, a former comedian, entitled "Sex Rules!"

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Friday there will be a candlelight vigil and speak-out along with a showing of the film "The Accused," starring Jodie Foster, which is sponsored by SafeSpace and the Bowdoin Film Society. Throughout the week, Safe Space will have a table in Smith Union offering pamphlets and answering questions. All of the safety programs are well respected and have been well-received, and Safe Space encourages attendance.

Safe Space was originally founded by a small group of concerned friends and is now a student organization that offers support to survivors of sexual harassment and sexual assault. McClead pointed out that each year Safe Space is becoming more diverse, and we're trying to reach a more diverse audience.

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Lopes echoed this concern. "Even though most of the NESCAC schools are better institutions, if a student loves a sport enough...they will consider those other schools right up there with Bowdoin just because of the athletic aspect, which is unfortunate," he said.

Opinions differed as to whether or not the new presidential statement effectively penalizes or demoralizes NESCAC athletic teams. "I really wouldn't think it would make much of a difference," said Lee. "Students come to Bowdoin for the academics, and competing in NESCAC itself is meaningful... I don't think [restricting post-season play] would cause students to be less excited about their sport. Athletics don't do the purpose of making it into Division III national play."

Lopes suggested otherwise. "I think if a team is eligible and qualifies for post-season play and actually goes and wins it, it kind of discourages the team and makes them upset. If they're that good, why not let them go all the way? It can only make the school look better."

Several members of the Student Assembly said they thought the statement should not be construed as supporting athletics at the expense of academics. "There's a danger in the proposal we just passed without some sort of addendum addressing what we do and do not favor," said E9 member Jared Loo '99. "A simple vote of 'in or out' does not provide an accurate picture of the students we represent."

Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble

White supremacist James Byrd Jr., still maintaining his innocence, was sentenced to death by lethal injection Thursday for his role in chaining a black man to a pickup and dragging him along a Texas road until he was decapitated. State law requires all death penalty cases to be appealed, so even if the verdict is upheld, it will be at least several years before King is executed for last year's murder of James Byrd Jr.

Rescuers armed with floodlights searched late into Thursday night for victims after avalanches killed at least 33 people in the Austrian Alps. But despite their grim task, they had one thing to smile about: the story of a young boy's survival, known as the "miracle of Valtausen."

Yugoslav forces fought separatist ethnic Albanian rebels in northern Kosovo on Thursday, raising fears that a second international peace conference will be scheduled for next month, could be scuttled. A delegate of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe in Kosovo said that the fighting in the Bukos region started with small arms fire in the morning and later involved heavy weapons.

A Chinese airliner believed to have been carrying 64 people crashed during a domestic flight Wednesday in eastern China, airport officials said. They said the Russian-built Tupolev came down near Ruian, about 30 kilometers (18 miles) from Wenzhou airport in eastern Zhejiang province.

Attorney General Janet Reno is considering an outside investigator to look into allegations of misconduct by Independent Counsel Ken Starr's office. Options being discussed include appointing someone from a U.S. attorney's office outside the Justice Department headquarters to lead the investigation. A former or retired judge is also a possibility.

In what may be the Russian space station Mir's last manned mission, a three-man crew was lifted off Saturday to dock with Mir on Monday. The Soyuz TM-29 spacecraft lifted off from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan carrying a Russian, a Frenchman and a Slovak. It was a sign of tough times in Russia that two of the crew were fare-paying non-Russians.

Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura traded his old wrestler's tights for a tuxedo at his first visit to the White House, dining with Presi-
dent Clinton Sunday. Ventura joined 43 other governors at the dinner in conjunction with the winter meeting of the National Gover-
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tablishment with his win in the Reform Party banner in November.

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Security reports that several cars that were parked in the Coffin Street parking lot were vandalized on January 16, 17, and 18. Since then, cars have also been vandalized on Feb- ruary 4 and 22.

"Coffin Street is the most remote lot," said Director of Security Scott Kipp. "As a result, we always have the most incidents there."

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Because the location is so far from other school buildings, it is hard to find someone to put the camera," said Kipp. "Since the camera was installed at Farley, we have seen a decrease in crime at that location."

Because of the lack of a camera, Security patrols the Coffin Street lot more often, but safety there is still an issue.

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Be careful what you wish for

The creation of the new e-mail student digest has ignited considerable controversy on campus, much of which has landed unceremoniously in our e-mail accounts. Judging by both the messages on the digest and this week's Orient Forum, many students seem to have discovered a particular aversion for the new system. While we are aware that the digest is not without its significant flaws, students have to realize that the Administration is only responding to previous student input, and that they deserve more respect for the attempt.

One frequent complaint of the old all-students e-mail system was the number of messages sent out daily. Students often complained about the apparently insurmountable obstacle of deleting messages that one was uninterested in reading. As e-mail had already become the main form of communication on campus, there were indeed a large number of such mass e-mails—so many that at times the server would become congested and an e-mail might not be sent out to students for days.

Another criticism of the old system was the inconsistent moderation. Sometimes students were told that lost and found or ride-seeking e-mails were not allowed, only to see a classmate's similar missive posted days later. Opinionized statements that upset some in the community were submitted—in one case leading to a public apology from the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs. Moderating the alias was without question a thankless task, and so the decision was made to place trust in the student body and allow them to moderate themselves.

Unfortunately, recent events have proven that trust misplaced. The repeated requests for removal from the digest mailing list are the result of a more prolific example. While the first few can be excused as a misunderstanding, as the digest system was implemented several days before any explanation from CIS was posted, the remainder can only be seen as proving a lack of respect for their fellow students. It has been made clear that students can not be removed from the digest, and that replies to the list only serve to further waste the bandwidth and time of everyone concerned, yet the extraneous messages continue.

In addition, other obviously inappropriate posts—especially those insulting fellow students—appear daily, ruin the digest for everyone.

There are times when the Administration deserves praise for taking student opinions into account. The student digest came about because of student complaints on the old all-students system. Is the digest perfect? Certainly not. Is it preferable to the old system? The jury is still out. Any complaints, though, should be directed to the appropriate people—not to the entire campus. And students should respect the system for the three-month trial period.
Letters to the Editor

Assessing College Houses

I am writing concerning the article entitled "Students revise college house constitution with E9," which appeared in the February 19th issue of The Orient. As a member of the student committee which is in the process of drafting the new constitution, I would like to object to many of the points made by the writer. First and foremost, this process is not an E9 initiative. In fact, the E9 has had no input into this document; the student assembly was consulted and their opinion was solicited by the committee, along with several other groups such as the IHC, the Faculty, and the Committee of Student Affairs. The students had not "approached the E9 because they were unhappy with the vague nature of the house system," as the article states. This constitution is a Res Life initiative. The Residential Life staff asked for members from each house, as well as upperclass and independent representatives, to draft this document. Interested members were selected to represent each house.

The committee has been assisted by not only Nat Wyser, but Candace Crawford, both Assistant Directors of Residential Life, and they both deserve a lot of credit for what they have done with this document.

The constitution is currently in its fourth draft and seems to be nearing completion. It's purpose is to ensure that basic, organizational issues are run fairly and similarly in each of the college houses. It formalizes and elaborates on processes which were vaguely outlined by the ad hoc implementation committee. This document is a critical part of the new house system.

Many of the points in this article are not slightly misleading but obviously erroneous. It seems that credit should be given where credit is due, and in this case, the E9 has had no hand in the process. The office of Residential Life has organized this and the students on the committee have executed it under the direction of Candace Crawford and Nat Wyser. It is these people who should be complimented for their hard work and commitment.

Jon Staley '02

What about Miss Bowdoin?

I was quite shocked when I received an e-mail last week notifying me of this year's "Mr. Bowdoin Pageant", primarily because upon first glance I missed the title of the e-mail as "Miss," rather than "Mr." It was impossible for me to believe that on a campus like Bowdoin's, where excessive political correctness looms threateningly over everything that is funny, entertaining, or cultural, an event like that could occur. And then I realized the actual name of the pageant.

The fact is, I have no complaint about the pageant, which is slated to be held during Winter Weekend. I think it is a wonderful idea and will be quite entertaining. What strikes me, however, is the fact that were such an event planned featuring women, rather than men, in what is popularly known as a beauty pageant, the uproar on campus would be horrendous. Such events have drawn criticism from women's rights groups for many years because of alleged degradation of women into objects, and I have no doubt that certain elements on campus would grab this argument and run with it were the pageant one involving women. These protesters would throw great energy into fighting the pageant, without asking themselves if perhaps they were taking the issue a little too seriously.

Fortunately, we weren't faced with such a problem with the "Mr. Bowdoin Pageant" because its male participants have the mixed blessing of lacking such a vocal advocacy group. I look forward to the pageant, for I am sure both participants and observers will have great fun. As a final note, I would urge Bowdoin students to consider the chain of events which might have passed had the pageant actually featured "Miss Bowdoin." Hopefully such a point of view can help us get a grip on the hypersensitivity and excessive political correctness present on campus.

See you at the Pageant,
Andy Shaw '02
Solving the problem of communism in the next millennium

By Mark Turner

War to the hill between communism and capitalism is inevitable. Today, of course, we are not strong enough to attack. Our time will come in thirty or forty years. To wait, we shall need the element of surprise. The Western world will have to be put to sleep. So we shall begin by launching the most spectacular peace movement on record. There shall be electrifying overtures and unheard of concessions. The capitalist countries, stupid and decadent, will be so grateful to cooperate to their own destruction. They will lap another chance to be friends. As soon as their guard is down, we shall make it our material asset.

—Declaration by Dimitry Manuilski, professor at the Lenin School of Political Warfare in Moscow, 1930

I am probably a fool for calling attention to what might otherwise be passed unnoticed, but I found this quote posted in several places in the Union; and although I do not know the motives of the person who posted it, I do find two of its important points quite significant. First, communism and capitalism are irreconcilably opposed political systems destined to conflict. Second, communism will deceive capitalism with peaceful gestures and strike a fatal blow when the capitalists least expect it. In this article, I shall attempt to answer two questions about Manuilski's quote. First, what did it mean in the 1930s? Second, what does it mean today?

The first point seems to reflect Karl Marx's view of history and political change. For Marx, history rhythmically evolves toward a completely free and equal political system. The source of inequality throughout history is an upper class in every society which uses its control of the means of production to rule over the lower class. As the means of production advance, social and class structures change to meet the needs of the evolving society. Industrial capital, for example, required a division of managers to oversee production and workers to run the machines. The capitalist system of production and industrialization would increasingly divide all societies into a two-class structure of capital owners (bourgeoisie) and workers (the proletariat). Because the bourgeoisie uses its control of capital to exploit the labor of workers, Marx condemned the inequality of capitalism. According to Marx, history would evolve beyond capitalism when the proletariat would become conscious of capitalist exploitation and commence a worldwide revolution. Next, the proletariat would establish a dictatorship, abolish class divisions and establish collective ownership of the means of production. A communist revolution would collectively mean the means of production, thereby eliminating the source of inequality. Hence, according to Marx, war between capitalism and communism would be inevitable because the birth of communism (the best regime) would require and justify the death of capitalism.

The irreconcilable conflict suggested by Manuilski reflects a set of political circumstances quite different from Marx's expectations. Two of these differences had important implications for the USSR's external relations. First, Marx expected a worldwide communist revolution against worldwide capitalism. In 1930, Russia was the only communist country in the world. Hence, the Bolsheviks would have to find other ways of spreading communism worldwide. Second, Russia did not have a two-class system when the revolution took place. Workers constituted more than five percent of the total population. Peasants constituted the majority in a largely agrarian economy. The revolution had effectively destroyed capitalism before industrialization could take place. In Marx's vision of the transformation of capitalism, industrial capital would provide for the material needs of all people. The Bolsheviks needed industrial capital to attack capitalism and defend itself against capitalist attacks.

In 1930, the Stalin regime simultaneously sought peaceful relations with the West while preparing for war. The Stalin regime exported grain to fund industrialization and the technological development of the armed forces. The Soviet Union pursued peaceful trade relations with the West to secure markets for its grain. Within 30 to 40 years, Russia would have the technological means to destroy the West. By this time, the West would no longer expect communist attack. Hence, Manuilski could explain short-term peace as a long-term strategy of warfare. The USSR emerged from World War II with the industrial power to support communist revolutions all over the world. Contrary to Manuilski's expectations (or hopes), no final confrontation ever occurred between the West and the USSR. With the collapse of the Soviet Union in Eastern Europe and in Russia, no one expects a final confrontation between capitalism and communism. The Russians, once our worst foes, have become our democratic allies. Democratic movements and market reforms seem to foreshadow the fall of communism in China. North Korea and Cuba. America measures to ease the Cuban embargo, to sign a nuclear arms agreement with North Korea and to press for human rights in China signify a fragile hope for friendship. Manuilski's declaration sounds anachronistic in a post-Cold War world.

On the other hand, democracy may not survive economic turmoil, the death of Boris Yeltsin, and power struggles in the Russian legislature. Will the communists return to power in Russia? North Korea still has its nuclear weapons. China disagrees with the United States over human rights issues, Taiwan and Tibet, and ballistic missiles. Who will lead Cuba after Fidel Castro dies? Communists? Fascists? Dictocrats? The future of communism cannot be known beforehand. Should we seriously expect a communist threat from China, North Korea or Russia? Can we simply wait for communism to die? Can we peacefully coexist with communist countries? Should we struggle communism on its deathbed?

I think that America should encourage democratic reforms in communist countries without patronizing hostilities. We should encourage the growth of a civil society in Cuba. We should stop, for example, for the United States to sign nuclear weapons' treaties without economic or political coercion. We should continue trade relations with China while encouraging democratic reforms and respect for fundamental human rights. Peace with communism is a longer and more subtle strategy of war. I doubt that any communist country would contemplate attacking the United States because such warfare could only lead to mutually assured destruction.

Mark Turner wonders whether The Chinanews is a Marxist or a Fascist.

Hypocritical pageantry

By Hugh Hill

Last week, as I was pouring over the riveting activities section of that masterpiece of journalism, The Orient (no sarcasm intended), I noticed something about a Mr. Bowdoin Pageant. How cute, I thought. This looks like an actually entertaining activity. Obviously an unsavory character such as myself shouldn't enter, but maybe that guy who lives directly above me should (from the sound of things I hear on the weekend, he's quite popular with the ladies). I showed it to a number of my female acquaintances, who were equally enthralled with their own copies of The Orient. They all expressed varying degrees of interest in Mr. Camp Bo Bo (along with a chorus of pff to not enter, which I was more than happy to oblige).

At this point, I wondered aloud, half-seriously, when they were going to have the Ms. Bowdoin Pageant. I was greeted with shocked silence on the part of my lady friends and a few affirmative grunts from my male friends. "They would never do that; that's sexist," said one of my female friends. This was not why I was surprised. I was shocked. These were not psycho, man-hating, P.C. femi- Nazis (to borrow a term from a rather despicable film). These girls are my friends and I consider them to be pretty level-headed, open-minded, intelligent individuals. How could they express such, as it appeared to me, a blatantly unfair and hypocritical position?

Leaving the homely atmosphere of Westcourt behind, I returned to my dorm and polled a number of other female acquaintances. Surprisingly, the majority expressed similar sentiments. "Has everyone's brain taken a vacation?" I wondered. What could make people so blind?

The answer was on the table at Wentworth. There was a notice for some candlelight vigil that would take place against the treatment of women as objects. Now I don't disagree with this; this is a nice and noble cause. I've watched a bunch of similar events for various special-interest groups. But they are indicative of a double-standard that persists in the Bowdoin community. We become so wrapped up in making sure that certain groups who, in the past, have gotten the short-end of the stick, that we ignore blatantly hypocritical attitudes that persist at our institution. Any objective observer would be able to see this; but we, who are members of this community, become blind to this.

This localized hyper-sensitivity makes it almost impossible to even discuss these issues if one does not tow the ultra-P.C. line and qualify everything they say. Well I am going to stand up and say that this is unequivocally wrong. To illustrate my point, I guarantee that I will get at least one angry letter or individual response for defying the Party ideology. They hyper-sensitivity is not isolated to Bowdoin, or even institutions of higher learning in general. This is the same attitude that gets a Washington, D.C. city-council member fired for using the word, "niggerly" in a budget report. Or causes people to cheer for a Mr. Bowdoin Pageant while being rebuked at the idea of a Ms. Bowdoin Pageant.

Hugh Hill is a first year.
Question: Are you pleased with the new, unmonitored student digest e-mail system?

There is a system used at Wellesley College, where I spent a semester, called the email digest system, which is a reduction of messages that can be accessed by the students if they want to debate on an issue, sell something, or tell us everything. It's EXTREMELY well-used at Wellesley, and it would be so helpful to have here. The disadvantages is that it is not going on if only they want to see the messages, versus the system here where it is plugged into our email boxes.

Denise Gisham '99

Yes—I think the e-mail digest is a good idea. I don't really understand what everyone is complaining about.

Bjorn Swenson '00

I am very happy with the new digest system; it gives me one useless message to ignore instead of 10. I do not understand why so many people are complaining about it (and making their complaint to 100 people who have absolutely no way of helping themselves).

The college will never give up their means of making mass e-mail announcements to students; that would be like Student Records burning the file with your home address in it. They need to announce deadlines, parking barns and other official news. It also makes sense to allow students to send mass e-mails. This way, we do not need to make 1600 hard copies of a notice every time some club decides to rent a movie.

So, there will always be a way of sending e-mail to all the students here. Before the digest, that way involved sending a message for every announcement and provided the administration with a way to censor what we said. The new system is uncensored, but is freedom of speech such a bad thing? I find it interesting that some accused the move to an uncensored medium of being fascist.

I see ignorance as the biggest problem with this discussion. People get angry when they see unwanted e-mail and then blindly complain. They are getting a lot less unwanted e-mail now than before anyway. They probably deleted the junk mail CIS sent explaining the situation without reading it first. CIS also sends them notices on how the endless flow of student messages has slowed to a trickle of last minute announcements. If one message is so offensive, why do these people want to go back to ten a day?

I would like to see two things changed about the new system. First, I would like CIS to place a limit on the size of messages that will be accepted. This would prevent people from replying to the digest and quoting the entire message from the day before (which I find obnoxious). Thirdly, there should be enough space to make an announcement. Second, people really should not reply to the digest. CIS are saying, "I'm interested!" to 1600 people who really don't care. I think CIS should set the Reply-To field of the digest to an automatic account that would then send a message to the student explaining that they need to reply to the original person who sent the announcement instead of the entire college.

Ignorance and minor problems aside, I think this is wonderful. It's the same as the move to the old system. It gives people the best of both worlds, those who care can find out about messages, while those who can't care can delete all of their junk mail with a minimum of effort. The only mistake I have seen with the whole process is that CIS announced it with a mass e-mail—they should have known that nobody reads those anyway.

Doug Vail '01

As with all new things on this campus, we should let ourselves use what it has to offer before we use our benefit. The new unmonitored system, if used properly, may be the best answer to an information glut of campus-wide e-mails. I hope that students will act out consideration for others, and responsibly use the Digest. Besides, it's too hard to press "Q", and those students responding obviously had this more and more energy to take the time to write their complaints.

M. E. Crosby '00

I dislike the new system. I will soon be sending an e-mail, advertise a Baxter House Basketball tournament. Under the new system I'm sure a title like "Baxter House Basketball Tournament" will increase the interest of a lot of people. Under the new system all messages would come at all times of the day. But hey, if this new system has more technical problems, who cares. For the college, then it should be used I guess. Right?

Matt Clark '01

I think that the new e-mail system is appalling. The lists end up so amazingly long and so instead of a few e-mails with titles that you can screen by, you have to read huge long message that you have to hit space bar, for those of us with ELM, to proceed down the e-mail to see what might be interesting or of note. We risk important information not getting sent out to the campus, and have created a nuisance for those who would like to be able to informed about the goings-on at Bowdoin.

Dana Ostberg '00

The student digest system would be great in an ideal world. It reduces the volume of mass mailings students receive and condenses the information which prepares upcoming events and opportunities. The lack of monitoring allows the system to run more efficiently without additional bureaucracy. Unfortunately, our campus is not an ideal world. The student digest I received this morning did contain five useful pieces of information, but it also contained a duck joke sans punch line, an inside joke between two students about a third's gastrointestinal issues, and two requests by students to be taken off of the digest list. The jokes are obviously an inappropriate use of the student digest's resources, and the students who are requesting to be removed from the list should pay more attention to their email, as repeated mailings from CIS have stated that removal from the student digest list is impossible. Frankly, I'm surprised we haven't seen any dirty jokes on the student digest yet...I suppose it's a matter of time.

The student body here is not responsible enough to be granted the privilege of an unmonitored system. Many people today are information overreachers and start monitoring the student digest. I'm tired of wasting my time reading other people's e-mail garbage.

Andy Shaw '02

I don't understand what the student digest is. I thought someone was sending it to me accidentally.

Margaret Paz '02

The student digest is the worst idea in the history of mankind. It doesn't possess any tangible qualities that are not already possessed by every single student, it even equal to the all_student system we had before. Now I have to page through a barrage of complaints about this and just for something that interests me. Not to mention the fact that all any given digest contains is information from the last digest, a barrage of complaints, and the fact that information from the last digest has been generated should indicate to whoever is in charge that this really is a bad idea. I would be to go back to the days of unmonitored all_student system. Anybody who disagrees with me is a bad person.

Peter Tsapatsaris '00

To be honest, the student digest thing is kind of a pain. I don't have the patience to read it (and all those random replies) and I am yet to understand the point so I must admit that I just delete it automatically.

Tara Talbott '02

The new student digest e-mail system is a very good idea in theory but just cannot seem to make anyone happy—they get 5-10 all_student e-mails every day, they complain about the junk in their mailboxes. Now, when all those e-mails are compiled into one, everyone complains and insists on demanding to be taken off the "list" even though they have been repeatedly told that it is impossible. I think the main problem is that for some reason not many students really understand the concept that this e-mail is supposed to make their lives easier with only change in the system. Every e-mail per day, allow campuswide e-mails to go out much faster without the mediation, and take stress and traffic off the mail servers so they can move faster. Most seem to be complaining about the junk on the digest which consists of replies to individual parts of the digest that SHOULD have been directed to the writer of that portion. Instead, students again insist on replying to the entire digest and for a "yes, I'm interested in scuba diving" to the entire campus. There is a filter that is supposed to cut all reply to the digest (subject of Re: Student Digest 7) but many have never decided that they will not read the instructions to reply to the submitter of each individual portion (mailto: [author of new idea]). Believe that students who got in to this school should be able to read. It then follows that they SHOULD be able to understand what this email does and use it the way for which it is intended.

Rachel Senbury '00

Absolutely not; it is a worthless annoyance in my inbox. Why do we get this thing every day? All it does is go over what was said in the previous one, which no one read, and then tells us more worthless junk. The problem with an email that comes every day is that people quickly learn to just delete it, as most people do with emails from certain people to all_students, or, now, students@bowdoin.

Bryan Falchuk '01

Actually, I'm not pleased with the student digest, not because it's annoying, but because I like having the title of my e-mails be the title of the message. The problem is that the message is about without having to scroll down; it's much faster process for me when they are really my inbox. I don't mind getting all the messages.
Jaime Bard '02: bringing down the house

By Anna Dornbusch
A& E Editor

Gone are the days of first-year students cowering behind the imposing figures of upperclassmen and women. If you were fortunate enough to wander into the pub last Friday evening, you may have been taken aback by the scene: two first-year students on stage, a meagerly-crowed audience, and original music echoing through the walls. If you stayed for even a few moments, your feelings may have shifted from those of surprise, to admiration, to thanks for the sweet sounds reverberating through your ears.

First-year student Jaime Bard's inaugural performance is sure to be followed by many more if her newly acquired Bowdoin fans have anything to say about it. In addition to Bard's melodious mix of guitar and voice, the self-righting titles of her songs and her humble attitude endear her as a performer. She described her music as "folk-rock," or "folk with a beat." In addition to performing Amy Diffano concert songs, Bard referred to Diffano when asked to compare herself to other women musicians.

Bard, who hails from Newton, Massachusetts, began taking piano lessons at the age of 4. However, by the time she reached middle school, Bard was bored with classical music and discovered she was more of a "free spirit, an undisciplined musician." With this in mind, Bard began exploring the world of jazz and blues. While she tried to apply the principles of jazz and blues to her piano playing, the ninth grade Bard decided to abandon the piano in lieu of the guitar. At this time, she purchased "Camella la guitarra," as she affectionately refers to her guitar of five years.

Although she took a few lessons from a private teacher, Bard was more content learning chords on her own, and began composing original works, realizing her full potential to "play by ear." Among the first song Bard wrote was entered in an Earth Day Contest. Much to her surprise, Bard was awarded first prize. Following this success, Bard's song was featured in a public television and public radio commercial. Additionally, Bard was asked to perform at the Massachusetts Environmental Educators Convention. "It was great fun," remarked Bard, "and I got to miss a whole day of school!"

With these successes, Bard began to imagine that perhaps she had a future in song writing and performance. During her sophomore year in high school, Bard attended The Mountain School in Vermont for a semester. During this time, she wrote many new songs and performed each day for her small class during their morning meetings.

This experience helped her to develop more confidence in her playing, and upon returning to her high school, Bard performed at a Valentine's Day coffee house. In order to prepare for the performance, Bard had to write her first love song. With this goal in mind, she wrote and performed "Supermarket Novel Love Song," which is all about people taking love a little too seriously.

During her senior year in high school, Bard began writing even more extensively. Her songs cover an eclectic mix of topics. "Northwest Express" is about a guy she met on the train, who provided inspiration and prompted Bard to entertain the thought that maybe there is someone out there for her. "Exact Change" recounts the experience of the toll booth worker who, although in contact with thousands of people every day, is represented only by his hand as he continually makes changes for customers, never to see them again.

Bard's creative process is one that lacks formality. Although classically trained, she creates her songs by a trial and error method of finding the chords on the guitar. She doesn't write down the melody, but rather, has it in her head. She will sometimes write down a picture of the chords, but none of her music has been written down formally on staff paper. If Bard's music is great, the added component of first-year Christine Lehmann's improvisational violin accompaniment makes the music phenomenal. Lehmann and Bard, both of whom live in Winthrop, discovered their additive talents and began impromptu performances in the Winthrop fourth floor bathroom earlier this year.

Their dorm mates have enjoyed the practice sessions in the bathroom. "People will sometimes drop in late night to listen," commented Bard. She and Lehmann choose to practice in the bathroom because of the superior acoustics the room offers. Despite her obvious talent and love of music, Bard never considered attending a music school, and she has no desire to make a career of her musical performances. "My music is something I love to share with people, but I never want to do it as a profession." Bard said she is considering a double major in English and environmental studies, but, she added, "this changes every five minutes."

Bard and Lehmann hope to perform at the upcoming 238 Maine coffee house. They have already created three new songs, which they plan to perform. "My ultimate goal is to have a small group of people who know my music and enjoy hearing me perform, kind of like Dar Williams," Bard said. With her recently acquired Bowdoin devotees, Bard is well on her way.
Ask the Undergraduate Psychology Minor
Q: Dear undergraduate psychology minor, I have recently been having a recurring nightmare in which I am driving a large van down an icy road during a snow storm and I keep swerving to avoid hitting road signs that are continually changing. What does this mean?
- Confused in Brunswick, Maine
A: Dear “Confused in Brunswick, Maine,” I have four words for you: Take a load off! You are stressed out and if you don’t start taking some time for yourself, your “van” is going to spin out of control and you will hit the road signs and thus suffer irreparable damage. The changing road signs represent the conflicting aspects of your life. The icy snowstorm that is currently your life may soon turn to a warm, sunny vista if only you will take the time to eliminate any unnecessary stressors from your life and take some time for yourself.

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BY JONATHAN L. KNAPP
A & E EDITOR

Masque and Gown constantly demonstrates the talent of student directors, actors, producers, and members of the stage crew, but one group within this organization showcases the talent of student writers. This showcase occurred last weekend with the student-written One Act Festival, which featured three plays, "One Cent Wonder," "The Tragedy of Bitch 'N Habrocomes," and "Staged Reality." Though all dramatically different, each showed how students possess extremely talented writers, who often have no outlet to which they can display their work to the campus.

"One Cent Wonder," written by Seth Barnes '01, tells the story of the Jifty Stop, whose motto is "just pop in and go." Under the direction of Max Leighton '01, Jeff Gilberg '01 played Burt, the clerk, David Fabebr '01 played Harry, the mascot of the NFL expansion team, the Rochester Rattans; Kristina Balbo '01 played Harry's wife, Lujak; Alexie Gomes '01 played El-Eled, the monk; and Tasha Cassamajor '01 played a disgruntled customer.

The play opens when Harry, donning a pink bunny suit, storms into the Jifty Stop with his wife and daughter, who has an unusually profound obsession with something. Eager to help his valued customers Burt, the clerk, asks them how he can help them, which is met with looks of simple, but firm insistence that he help them. Finally, they tell him that because someone stole their limited edition rabbit afsir freshener, they are going to play the game, where Harry must work. Completely frustrated with the ridiculousness of their premise, Harry responds, "Explain it to me like I help, but he does not know how.

Eventually, Harry brings in the alleged thief, and sends him on his way. The play is a satire, a monk, that insists he absolutely did not steal the air freshener, because, as he says, "You may give them 800,000, but they charge you about four cents per hour."

Gomes stoles the show in his portrayal of the monk, who clearly has a dark side. He is most noted for behaviors that suggest that this monk could not have stolen the air freshener; while he tries to explain this to the Watchdog, the businessman who walks in and goes to the sluice machine.

Noticing this, the monk offers to help her make it, as he is knowledgeable in the art of sluice production. Harry also tries to help her, but she is too stubbornly a little girl. After stopping her, Burt gives a speech about sluice-making, which causes Harry, Ronda, and all the others to wonder if he admits he may have left the air freshener at home. The disgruntled customer is unimpressed with his answers and goes on an attack, and Harry, Ronda, and the monk, still prostrate.

The second play took the farcical nature of the first play to an extreme level, and was instead of a series of ridiculous skits, narrated by Nick Kro '01, who wore only a pair of underwear, sunglasses, and a hat. Written by Max Leighton and David Fabeber, the play, "Blowtail," in which Baldwin '99, "The Tragedy of Bitch 'N Habrocomes" contained the night's largest laughs, a play that is nothing but a bun who spews Marxist theory at a guy who wears a pink bunny suit, and displays a paper bag, in the middle of a large ball, which upon slamming or dropping, cause the dominant Patriarchus a great deal of trouble in the pelvic area. The play is a parody of the "mocked today's untalented rock bands, as Peter Schmidt '02, Peter Sheridan '01, and Mia Rydovsk '02, wearing a terrible clothes, sticker The Offspring's classic piece of trash, 'Sell Estem.'"

While they are doing this, India Hill '02, hopes toward them with only one crutch, as the other one is being used by Sheridan, the bassist. Taking advantage of her lack of attention, they knock her over and stomp on her. In the final part, Hannah Ilhen '02 played a representative of right-wing talk show host, "God of the night's presented left-wing ideology. As they bicker over unimportant issues, they argue about which is more, it becomes clear that DeLuca clearly means to mock both sides of the political

More Reflections from Abroad

BY ELIZABETH DINSMORE
CONTRIBUTOR

Things I have learned about American from English people who know:

- We are all very rich, and although we don't have a class system, our middle and lower classes do have the same attitude toward getting a good education (because hearing the cost of even our public universities, the collective French mind shrugs in horror). Life is good. "Maison," "scholarship," and "sugar daddy.")
- Texans are very short compared to other Americans.
- We don't know where France is (this is true—I thought it was studied in Paris, Texas, until I saw how tall everyone was here and knew I had been wrong)
- We're obviously an inferior race because we think/put that extramartial affairs are immediate and exciting (Jacques Chirac vs. our own beloved president)
- We're still only developing culture because we don't have a single word for things like "fish flavored toothpaste" (not a direct translation). I'd like to pause here for a moment to point out some of the French language's own shortcomings, "hamburger," for example, being "steak haché" "stewed up steak" 1 kg. Advertising roughly translated into French and back is an eye-opening and mood-enhancing picture of the wicked women and caty shotgun to seduce people into buying our product.

-The French are very talkative. And that is a direct result of the French being very yeast, I think. We are example, the French, I think that just because we are the number one world power we don't have to learn other languages and play with others. As a joke, we lack bread, kiss, Belgian waffles, Chinese take-out, English muffins, not to mention disco. (It's true, you get bored)

Before I get up on how brilliantly astute the French are about my motherland, a few facts about France:

- It is a small country, which might be why their unemployment rate in French is so high they have created respectable jobs such as "ramasse-crud" crusters. These are people who have little to do, and they walk along the sidewalks picking up dog excrement all day.
- French women are not, I repeat, not anorexic. They have a particular blood chemistry that, when mixed with the right proportion of barrel-skulled animal fat, Nautila crepes, and first-hand cigarette smoke, acts as a corporal aging-inhibitor, thus allowing them to guard their presid-iendum bodies until they give up one of the above-mentioned items, or achieve the age of seventy.
- In France, if you women only forget to wear black from head to toe/look pouty (i.e., if you stand out like a sore thumb) you are fair game for verbal, visual, and physical advances from even all French men and foreign women who emigrated here before reaching the age. And I mean all of them. You fall, you will only receive the visual. This means you have attained their respect that you are a woman, so it is easy to take

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The He Said/He Said Review:
Shakespeare in Love

BY TIFFANY J. HOWARD
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Forget the over-analysis, the staining critici-
s, and the Entertainment Weekly puns. Forget me. Shakespeare in Love is a hilarious, clever,Funny and sexy. Go see it because Joseph Fiennes is smoldering and Gwyneth Paltrow is breathtaking. I mean, the writer Tom Stoppard is a genius who knows his Shakespeare well enough to convince me he is the world's most eligible actor. I mean, I mean, I know you all want to know it all. Shakespeare in Love is a love story between Lavender and Juliet, she seems to become more talented with every role. Supporting two these are the sublime love story of Romeo and Juliet (absolutely, or better). Paltrow's Everything manages to make you laugh by portraying her with her portrayal of Viola, Shakespeare's award-winning to my Romeo and Juliet, she is absolutely

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**Week 4 Calendar**

**FRI**

**Fun & Games**
(9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.)
In celebration of Winter’s Weekend, free skating and karaoke are being offered. This could be a fun combination.

**Film**
(8:00 p.m.)
*The Graduate.* This movie is hilarious, in an intelligent fashion. The genius of the film lies in the fact that, in the end, Dustin Hoffman gets the girl. Everything "works out" for the most part, and yet, this harmonious ending is so creative and original that even the greatest cynic would be amiss to try and criticize the film.

**Gathering**
(7:30-10:30 p.m.)
Saamela's, an international festival featuring poetry readings in foreign languages, ethnic dances and musical performances. Several professors may also give talks. International food prepared by Dining Services and members of the Bowdoin community will be served. Maine Lounge and Lancaster Lounge.

**SUN**

**Discussion**
(3:00-5:00 p.m.)

**Meeting**
(9:00 p.m.)
WARRIORS meeting. Women's Resource Center, 1st floor.

**MON**

**Information**
(10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)
Safe Space and sexual assault awareness week information table, offering handouts, ribbons, video, and a quilt display. Smith Union.

**Film**
(6:30 p.m.)

**SEM**

**SEMINAR**
(4:00 p.m.)
The Jung seminars continue with "Walking the Labyrinth as a Method of Prayer." The Reverend Kerry Ann Maloney, chaplain of Bates College, presents. Visual Arts Center, Beam classroom.

**TUE**

**Lecture**
(7:30 p.m.)
"More Than a Few Good Men: A Lecture on American Manhood and Violence Against Women," presented by Jackson Katz as part of Sexual Assault Awareness Week. Smith Union.

**Application Deadline**
Sophomores, study abroad applications are due. Hurry!

**WED**

**Lecture**
(7:30 p.m.)
"Where Do We Go From Here?" The Gender in the Workplace Series continues. Contact women's studies department at x3834 for more info. Massachusetts Hall, The Faculty Room.

**Submission**
If you have a poem, short story, drawing, or photo you would like to share with the student body, Bowdoin's literary magazine, The Quill, is now accepting submissions. Drop them off at the Smith Union information desk.

**THU**

**Anna Dornbusch Day**
(8:30 a.m. until 3:17 p.m.)
Anna Dornbusch, taking a break to help Jon lay out, so she's the guest calendar guy for your Thursday. I take advantage of this rare privilege to thank Anna for her unique dedication to informing us of campus events. I hope I can live up to her standard, but we will see...

**The All-American Microbrew Showcase**
(5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.)
You can come to this thing and, umm, drink, beer or something. I really don't know what else there is to say. Jeez, I should give Anna more credit for coming up with such creative blurbs for every day of the week.

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**Read The Journal of Clinical Denstometry (all day long)**
Our very own Opinion Editor, Mr. Aaron Ross, has a chance to fame. His father, the notorious Dr. Clifford J. Rosen is the Editor in Chief of this respected journal. That means he's almost as important and influential as Mike Melia...almost.

**Dance**
(10:30 p.m.)
Saamelafest Priss Dance. Following the festivities of Saamelafest, international music will be played. Use the energy you acquired from all of the heavenly international food, and get your groove on. Maine Lounge.

**Happy Birthday Aaron Rosen**
Although Aaron's birthday is really in July, he is feeling a little sad because no one at school recognizes him. In an effort to placate Aaron and help him feel better about himself, humor him and wish him a happy early birthday if you see him.

**Lecture**
(7:30 p.m.)
Margaret Dengo, a member of the Zimbabwe Parliament and former freedom fighter will speak about her experiences. Visual Arts Center, Beam classroom.

**More information**
(11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)
Land conservation info. and letter writing table. Smith Union.

**Watch Party of Five**
(9:00 p.m.)
This week, Julia's conflict with Ned comes to fruition as Baily and Charlie find out that Ned has been hitting Julia and they get a little violent themselves. Go big brothers! Get 'em. That Ned is not a good guy and he deserves what is coming to him. FOX network.

**Faculty Lecture Series**
(4:00 p.m.)
Polar Bear Sports

Bears find competition on the slopes

C.W. Estoff  
STAFF WRITER

Last week, captain Ryan Hurley '99 summarized the state of the Alpine team best: "We'll try our best with what we have." Injuries have taken a toll on the team roster. Unfortunately, the Polar Bears could only carry a squad of four men and two women, half the size of a normal team, to last weekend's Williams Carnival.

The University of Vermont Catamounts once again dominated the weekend with a fifth straight win. Out of the eighteen competing schools, Bowdoin still finished tenth, managing to beat out Harvard.

The Giant Slalom was held on Friday under cloudy skies and moderate temperatures. The courses held up well this week on the moderately hard snow conditions. The race was won by UVM's Wiley Booker, who finished a full 1.37 seconds ahead of the pack. This margin of victory is nearly unheard of in the racing world. This accomplishment is comparable to winning a football game by ten touchdowns.

The women's race was intimidating competition, the men's squad tried to rally. The best finish for Bowdoin in the G.S. was Mike Liezer '01, who started 35th and finished 39th. Michael Prendergast '00 started 54th and finished 44th. Ryan Hurley started 49th and finished 46th. Jason Kim '01 crashed and did not finish the first run.

Liezer continued to have a good weekend as he was the top Bowdoin skier again in the Slalom on Saturday. He finished 32nd from a start position of 51. Hurley started 35th and finished 35th; Prendergast fell and did not finish the second run. Kim managed to put together two runs and finished 39th, from a start of 57th.

On the women's side in the G.S. on Friday, Captain Shelyn Yamana '01 started 50th and finished 33rd. Kat Crowley '02 fell and did not finish the second run.

The only women's start on Saturday was Yamana, as Crowley decided not to race because of a recurring ankle injury. Yamana started at 38th and finished 40th after falling and hiking to make a gate in the first run.

The team is looking forward to next weekend's New England Championships held at Middlebury College's Snow Bowl. Team slalom specialist Nate Vinton '01 will compete for the last regular season competition. Middlebury will be the last chance for the team members to shoot for a required top-twenty finish to gain points to qualify for the NCAA Championships. Vinton is the team's best hope for representation at NCAA's with our twentieth place finish this year.

Women's hockey skates past BU

Sarah Jenness  
STAFF WRITER

The women's ice hockey team skated past Boston University on Tuesday to improve its overall season record to 15-6-1.

Seven minutes into the first period, Emily Hinman '99 began the scoring. She scored on a face-off when she connected with a pass from Amy Steel '99 to tip the puck into over Bu goalie Christy Benoit's shoulder. The Polar Bears went into the second period up by one and came out of it with three more goals to maintain their lead. Just two minutes into second period action, Elizabeth MacNeil '99, assisted by Carrie Simonds '02 and Meghan McHugh '00, drove the puck to the net for another score. Eleven and seventeen minutes later, respectively, MacNeil was followed by teammate Corry Baumann '00, assisted by Hinman, and Caitlin Riley '00, assisted by McHugh and Kim Minnenga '01.

Before coming back out on the ice for the final period, the Polar Bears were busy pairing each other up in the locker room. As tri-captain Jane MacLeod '99 recalled, "Everyone was on fire. We all had a good feeling: things were going right, and a passing game was on."

The third period proved equally successful, as Bowdoin was able to garner four more goals to the Terriers' one to finish on top, 8-1. Simonds, who had an assist in the second period, came back to score twice, assisted once by Caroline Chapin '99 and McHugh. MacLeod mimicked Simonds' feat only minutes later, as she was able to score with assists from Steel, Hinman, and MacNeil.

In goal for Bowdoin was Kate Connelly '00, who turned away ten of the eleven shots made on goal by BU, while the Terriers' Benoit deflected 44 of Bowdoin's attempts. MacLeod said on Wednesday that the best part of the game was passing. "We found each other easily on the ice. The defense had good passes to the forwards, and Steel was on fire with her face-off, as well as being a great playmaker."

In looking past and forward, MacLeod agrees that the team's improvement over the season will help them to give Middlebury a run for their money when they face them at Dayton Arena on Friday. She remarked, "As a team everyone has stepped it up a level. You can see it in the minute-to-minute standings and in the ECAC standings. We began at a decent level and every week we have been moving higher and higher [in the ranks]."

The tri-captain predicts that undefeated Middlebury will be a challenge, but she says the Polar Bears are confident. "We're reaching our peak at the perfect time. It's a home game at night and everyone is strong and healthy [after having the flu last week]. Coach Amidon has been talking to other coaches this week and they said that if any teamns in this league can beat Middlebury, it's going to be Bowdoin. And I think we all believe that now. In the beginning of the season, Middlebury was untouched, but now everyone believes they are just like us."

After the contest with Middlebury on Friday, Bowdoin will take on UVM at Dayton Arena at 3 p.m. on Saturday for its last regular season game. MacLeod predicts that UVM will not be an easy opponent. "It will be even tougher because we will have just played Middlebury. We will have to dig deep and be strong. UVM is nothing to look past," she said.

"We are reaching our peak at the perfect time."

Jane MacLeod  
Tri-captain

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Senior profile David Lovely '99: the 1,000 point phenomenon

DEBORAH SATTER
CONTRIBUTOR

Before David Lovely ‘99 spent his entire first year on the bench, he had lofty aspirations for his basketball days at Bowdoin. But riding the bench was not something he had envisioned for the first time in his life was a harsh realization. It quickly deflated any dreams he had carried with him from his glory days at a small high school in his home state of Massachusetts and imagining himself as the next Larry Bird. In high school he excelled in every sport he played, earning varsity letters in soccer, basketball and baseball, along with a number of other athletic and academic accolades in his junior and senior years. But in Brunswick, he became just one of many highly accomplished first years trying to work their way into the lineup.

“When I came in, it was a huge wake up call. I really wanted to play. I never would have, but the thought crossed my mind because I had never sat on the bench before,” said Lovely. “The older guys made the transition a lot easier to get through because they were so encouraging.”

After a long season of watching his teammates earn Bowdoin’s first NCAA tournament bid, Lovely became determined not to sit any longer. Devoting himself to the weight room and the gym in the offseason, Lovely’s game dramatically improved, but the most obvious difference was his increased strength. He flourished from a 6’4”, 180-pound first-year to a 215-pound sophomore who started every game at small forward.

Lovely can now look back with a huge smile, reflecting on the memories of his four years on the Bowdoin basketball team, knowing he funneled his frustration from his freshman season to carve out a truly memorable career.

In his sophomore season, the team made it to the NCAA tournament. Lovely not only started every game and successfully fulfilled his responsibility of feeding the big man, but also was named first-team All-New England selections Chris Whipple ’97 and Chad Rowley ’97, but also managed to average ten points and three rebounds per game.

“That was probably my favorite year in a sense that I was close with everyone,” said Lovely. “And I was 21 years old, but we were winning and I was playing.”

Lovely was not able to get too comfortable in his role as assistant for Rowley and Whipple, though. The composition of the team changed dramatically his junior year. On a team with one senior on the roster, Lovely now became a captain and the obvious floor leader.

This young, rough situation even more difficult, Lovely was learning a new position - power forward - where his responsibilities changed from playing on the perimeter to working down low on the post. He rose to the occasion, averaging 15.4 points and 7 rebounds a game and sinking 84 percent of his free throws.

Lovely’s most important contribution to last year’s Polar Bear squad may not have been his quickness or scoring, but rather his ability to guide a team, in which first years saw a huge amount of playing time, to a 14-10 record.

“We had a great freshman class. They stepped right in and played, which was unusual, but there was a need for us to contribute. We did better than anticipated,” said Lovely. “I felt like I had a lot more vocal and take the lead, which was fine by me because I like to get people fired up.”

Though Bowdoin failed to make the tournament last year, the team’s accomplishments far surpassed anyone’s expectations, and they did not go unnoticed. Coach Gilbride was named Maine Coaches Writers Association Coach of the Year and Lovely was chosen to the All-Maine second team.

Lovely’s thoughts now turn to this season, for the team which entered with big hopes, as it first only a senior. “I think we have a lot of potential and are capable of doing a lot of things. It is a matter of putting it all together,” said Lovely, who has already been named NESCAC Player of the Week and Maine State Player of the Week.

“We are definitely more experienced, which is huge. This is my last go at it. I definitely want to make a tournament.”

Despite the fact that Bowdoin players in the most competitive Division III league in the country and started out a bit inconsistently, it is now on a seven-game winning streak, boasting a 16-7 record and is looking ahead to making a impact in the ECAC tournament this year. The season is 350 points shy of the coveted 1,000-point mark. Lovely slowly went about his business each night doing whatever it took for his team to pick up the victory.

Though Lovely anticipated the team’s success this season, he never could have scripted his personal achievements into a more perfect story.

The number of points needed to reach the milestone dwindled quickly until it reached 18 when Bowdoin was playing in a game against Middlebury. Since Lovely has been averaging around 20 points a game, his parents bought a cake saying "Congratulations," packed it in the car and made the trek up to Middlebury for the Saturday afternoon game.

The cake never left the car, though. Bowdoin won 85-52, but Lovely missed all eight of his shots from the floor and managed only to score seven points from the free throw line.

The Polar Bears’ next contest was at home the following Tuesday night against arch-rival Colby College, who was a "W" was stake - pride, bragging rights and tournament hopes were in the minds of all the Bowdoin players.

With Colby leading 32-31 entering the second half, Lovely began to heat up offensively and soon found himself in a situation many dream about while shooting baskets in their backyard, but that few ever make it to court.

He was standing on the foul line waiting to take two free throws, two points shy of joining the 1,000-point club. If he had taken time to look around the stands he would have seen his parents, all of his friends, his friends’ parents and even his professors. If he glanced at the opposing bench he would see the Colby coach, Dick Whitmore, a Bowdoin alumnus who himself had reached the 1,000-point mark in his career.

And to make the scenario even more perfect, sitting nervously in a Polar Bear uniform on the Bowdoin bench was David’s little brother, Greg, a sophomore.

Lovely sank the two shots.

“It was kind of emotional. I didn’t even know how to react. They stopped the game, and everyone is clapping for you,” said Lovely. “I was just kind of standing there, I didn’t know where to go or what to do. I wanted to smile but also wanted to maintain my composure and make it look like it was no big deal, but it really meant a lot.”

Bowdoin went on to win the game 68-58.

Lovely ended the night with 21 points, 13 rebounds, five assists, a place in Bowdoin’s basketball history with his two good friends Rowley and Whipple, also on the short list of 1,000 point scorers, a big slice of four-day-old cake and a memory that will last his lifetime.

As for where basketball lies in his post-college life?

With two cortisone shots in the last two years to his left knee, he will follow in the footsteps of Michael Jordan, trading in his bighoops for spikes to focus his attention on his golf game.

A double major in Sociology and Spanish, Lovely will turn next to his competitive spirit to the financial world with the possibility of business school in a few years.

“I love to compete no matter what it is,” said Lovely. “I think that is why I want to go into a financial field where it is competitive and there are day-to-day results like a scoreboard of sorts.”

Whatever his next venture may be, Lovely will surely rise to the top. As Coach Gilbride says, Lovely has worked as hard as any player I have had here. His success is all due to his work ethic, dedication and determination.

Bears advance to Nationals

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200, Evvard broke a 17-year school record in the 200. Yet, the .05 meter dash is considered her forte. Going into New England Division III, Evvard is only 15 seconds away from NCAA qualification. Although she wasn’t able to accomplish this at States, she was nevertheless dynamic, winning with a time of 7.45.

Other State of Maine titles included Jessie Gray ‘01 in the 1500 (5:04), Caitlin O’Connor ‘99 in the 1000 (3:08), the 4x400 team of Kara Angeloni ‘01, Christineen Conners ‘02, Larsa Pennington ‘99, and O’Connor (10:12); and Mecka Deyck ‘02 in the pole vault.

Deyck’s vault broke the State Championship record, but not her own. The prior week, Deyck took third at Open New Englands with a vault of 10’.

Notable performances that added to Bowdoin’s victory included Jen Nickerson in the high jump (second - 2), Shaina Zangari ‘99 in the 60-meter hurdles (6.3), Jess Tallman ‘99 in the 600 (second 1:43.6), Erin Lyman ‘00 in the 5000 (third 19:40), Kristin Pennington and Ali ‘99 in the 3,000 (third, 5:10) and Julie Costa ‘02 in the 3000 (third, 11:16).

“Lovely is bound to move into their most important part of the season, the Championship meets. This Saturday, the Lady Polar Bears travel to Smith for the New England Division III Championships. According to Coach Slovenski, he expects it to be a competitive and exciting meet. Last year, Bowdoin took second to powerhouse Wheaton College. Slovenski has been impressed with this year’s squad and remains optimistic about the Polar Bear fire. “We’ve always been pleased with how the women’s team rises up for the championship season,” noted Slovenski. “The athletes have a lot of confidence and poise, and it makes them very resourceful in tough competition.”

Captains Vicky Shen and Larisa Pennington are similarly impressed and optimistic. “Our biggest goal is to win, determination, and desire of the first half of the season are indicators, then the Polar Bears look to themselves and their goals,” said Shen. “The effort, determination and success of the women’s team can be summed up, not only in their efforts on the track, but in their personal lives as well,” explained Shen. “The team always shows their support for each other around every corner and on every straightaway. Everyone is supportive of each other and works well together in a sport that many people mistake as an individual one. I think this fire will translate into success in the next couple of meets.”

According to the Pennington, the State Championship shows that Bowdoin is thirsty for victory. "Friday night’s showing was not only indicative of the Bowdoin track team’s depth, but also commitment on the part of the Bears and Ali." They definitely be an exciting weekend as early seedings indicate a close battle between Williams and Tufts for second, third and fourth.
Between the lines: 
Random thoughts

By Justin DeGeorge

Another random outpouring of thoughts on the current sports world:

• Roger Clemens is a Yankee. The latest slap in the face of managers and players alike through 80 years of misery: while the Broncos Bombardiers, who last won 125 games and captured their second title in three seasons, acquire the sport's most dominating pitcher to virtually guarantee another pennant, the Red Sox run Mo Vaughn out of town in favor of him with Joe Offerman and address their pitching woes by signing Mark Portugal, Pat Rupp, and Kip Gross. God have mercy on this team.

• It appears more and more likely that Robert Edwards will never play in the NFL again. The outlook is so bleak that Pat owner Bob Kraft is begging the league for a supplementary first-round pick in this April's draft. New England already holds two first-round picks, their own and the Jets' (the final piece of compensation from the Bill Parcells debacle), and with a third they could be in prime position to package some players, picks to trade up and get a slot at one of the top running backs. Kraft's plea, however, will almost certainly go unanswered, and the team will have to make do with what they have. An early projection here is that they go for a guy like Miami's Edgerrin James (who will almost certainly be gone by the time they draft first) or Sycamore's Bob Konrad (a monster/phenomenal athlete in the Mike Abbott mold). O-line is also an area of concern with an aging Bruce Armstrong on one side, and an inexperienced Heath Irwin in the middle.

• The Patriots' defection to Hartford has also made recent headlines. Roadblock after roadblock has sprung up, and it seems as if with each new day comes a new problem with the potential of being a deal-breaker. Right now, the question is whether or not the city of Hartford will purchase its own new facility, an area currently contaminated with toxic waste in time to build the $300 million-plus stadium. I say the Patriots won't move to Hartford and Kraft comes crashing back.

• Mike Tyson was recently placed in solitary confinement after throwing a television against a set of bars. Tyson, who has returned to the ring after being convicted in an assault charge stemming from a minor traffic accident, may have jeopardized his chance at an early release to resume his boxing career. So, the public may have to wait a few extra months to witness his 65th comeback. Personally, I'm disappointed and shocked that the New Mike Tyson would ever act in such a way. Nevertheless, Dehenna Rodman just signed with the Lakers; it's good to know professional sports still offers so many quality role models.

• The Celtics are currently 3-5 and struggling to stay out of the Atlantic Division. As far as surprising, horrifyingly, or disappointingly, however, is that Paul Pierce is legit. The 6-7 rookie is scoring 20.0 FPC, and leading the league in steals, with almost three thefts per contest. While his pure shooting is no surprise to those familiar with the former Kansas star, few knew what kind of a defensive player he was, including Rick Pitino. In addition, Pierce is also pulling down about eight boards a game—definitive Rookie of the Year numbers. Granted, Boston has no chance until they get a decent big man (the Andrew DeClergy/Eric Sally/DwayneSchintzius rotation won't cut it come crunch time), but this year they could be looking at their first play-off berth since 1995. In a few years, once they've matured and gotten some help at center, the Celtics will be legitimate contenders.

• In a few weeks, the nation will be engulfed in March Madness. A period when college basketball takes center stage in the sports world. But before we debate about who among the ranks of Duke, Michigan State, Connecticut, Auburn, Maryland or Stanford will eventually prevail, let's turn our attention to some pretty good college basketball presently going right on here.

The Bowdoin College men's and women's teams are riding high and strong. The men's team, since opening season play, both having pulled off some amazing last-second victories at home in preseason games to roll with a perfect 7-0 straight wins, including eleven of their last fourteen to push their record to 16-7 (with know who loses coming against Division I opponent Davidson) and earn a #3 ranking in the NCAA Northeast Region poll. After beginning the year 2-4, they have gone 15-2, for a current rank of 17.5, recently topping Tufts in a dramatic overtime game. The teams split with Bowdoin skating to victory at a neutral site in Boston and losing 3-1 in Waterville.

Although the 1998-1999 season did prove to be disappointing, there were some bright spots. The obvious highlight of the year came in early February when the Polar Bears beat the then undefeated and number one team in Division III, Norwich, in Dayan. A simple glance at the scoreboard and the teams' respective rankings may lead one to surmise that the victory was merely a matter of luck, a win that did not reflect the true nature of the contest. However, a closer inspection of the game would prove otherwise. The Bears took a 4-0 lead at the beginning of the second period and went to the locker rooms for the intermission with 5-2 advantage. The final period saw a barrage of Newport Power action resulting in nineteen shots, but only a single goal.

This game reflects many of the attributes that the Bears should hope to continue next season, and also mirrors some of the tendencies that they should hope to avoid. For instance, Bowdoin amassed a 7-1-2 record when they tallied the first goal (including the Norwich game) but were only 2-1-2 when scored upon first. A team that loses its wind after scoring the first goal can have no hope of establishing a consistent winning percentage.

Furthermore, although the Bears' record was respectable at home (5-4-1), it was dismal on the road (2-6-2). This is another improvement the team must make if they hope to continue the storied hockey tradition that Bowdoin has established over the last three quarters of a century. In addition, although the Bears led opponents on goals scored in the second period (+1) they trailed by just as many (-1) in the third, a statistic that proved fatal in their final game. Sheehan, the fifth on the team in points, said, "It was a disappointing season overall, but I am not ready to repeat, but we believe that with our talent and drive, next season could be in incorporation of a stronger and better team this year." The future looks bright — the leading scorer this season was Mike Caroni '02 (ten goals and fifteen assists). In fact, the top five members of the team in points are all returning next year, excluding another first year, Busch, who was tied for third in scoring (nine goals, five assists). There are five seniors graduating, and although their leadership will be missed, it also means that there are plenty of returning guns to the team for the 1999-2000 season.

This weekend's games:

Friday, 2/26: Women's Hockey vs. Middlebury (H) 5:00, Men's Swimming & New England (Williams) 5:00, Men's Squash @ Team Nationals (Harvard) 9:00, Men's Track & Open New England (BU) 5:00, Alpine Skiing @ Middlebury Carnival

Saturday, 2/27: Men's Basketball vs. Bates (H) 3:00, Women's Basketball vs. Bates (A) 5:00, Women's Ice Hockey vs. UVM (H) 5:00, Men's Swimming & New England, Men's Squash @ Team Nationals, Men's Track & Open New England, Alpine Skiing @ Middlebury Carnival

Sunday, 2/28: Men's Swimming & New England, Men's Squash @ Team Nationals

Sports Shorts

Tennis Fundraiser

The Men's and Women's Tennis Team will be hosting a Junior Tennis Clinic on Sunday, March 7th. The clinic is open to getegete and ages 9-18. The clinic will be held from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in Farley Field House. The cost of the clinic is $15.00. To register call Debbie Miller at 251-5326 before March 16th.

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Women's fire burns bright

Caitlin O'Connor

Staff Writer

At the Maine State Championships this past weekend, the Bowdoin women's track team showed that it is the best track and field program the state has to offer. With few exceptions, the Polar Bears threw the farthest, jumped the highest and ran the fastest. Although the meet was hosted by the University of Southern Maine, Bowdoin looked right at home winning all but four events on its way to a 254 point victory. Their closest competitor was Colby with 215 points, followed by Bates with 70 and USM with 58.

The field events were Bowdoin's strongest suit, as the Bears took first in every event. As they have done for most of the season, the triple jumpers dominated their event, taking the top four spots. Leading the charge was Delia Van Loenen '01 with an effort of 35.5. She was followed by first years Karen Yeoman '94 (34.2), Casey Kelley '99 (33.4) and Erin Finn-Welch '97 (32.7). Van Loenen continued to impress all night, accumulating 66 points on her own. In addition to the triple jump, she won the long jump (17.1) and the 55 meter hurdles (8.79), while taking second in the 200 meter dash (27.3) to teammate and school record holder Kaitlin Evrard '99 (26.5). If that was not enough, Van Loenen also qualified for the high jump, clearing 5'6. The effort was good enough to qualify her for nationals.

That is not the only event, however, in which Van Loenen will be participating at Ohio-Northern (March 12). The week before the meet, Van Loenen took second place in the pentathlon at Open New England. It was during the pentathlon that Van Loenen qualified in the long jump with a reach of 18-1.75. Not only was that good enough for NCAAAs, but it also topped her own school record.

Van Loenen was not alone in her national qualification. Stacey Jones '00 was just as impressive in the weight throw, winning the event easily with an effort of 47-9. Jones also won the shot put with a heave of 38-8.5.

Already a national qualifier in the 800, Vicky Shen '01 easily captured the 800 at the State meet with a time of 2:24.6. But it was at Open New England that Shen truly showed signs that she was in championship form. Although she was not allowed to compete in the 400 final or the 4x400 relay. Stepping in for Schilling and giving the most gutsy performance of the day was John Yost '02. Yost ran the first leg for the 4x400 relay, which ended up scoring with a sixth place finish. This finish was good enough for the relay team to qualify for the all division meet this coming weekend.

Yost then found himself running a leg in the 4x800 relay after fifteen minutes after running the 400. The meet was a success for the team, finishing in eleventh place out of thirty schools.

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SPORTS

Men's Hockey

Bears end disappointing season

Patrick C. Marx

Contributor

The Men's hockey team fell 6-1 to Umass-Boston last Friday night and fought to a draw with the Babson Beavers the following Saturday afternoon. The single point earned over the weekend eliminated the Polar Bears from any chance of earning a bid to the ECAC East playoff tournament. It is the first time that they have failed to qualify for this tournament in 21 years.

On Friday, Bowdoin traveled to Boston striving for two league victories and hoping for some well-timed losses from their ECAC rivals in order to secure a spot in post-season play. Two minutes into the game, the Bears (9-11-2) established themselves, tallying the first goal against the Beacons (11-10-2). Jed Sheehan '00 opened the game to co-captain Jared Pfeiffer '99. Pfeiffer rocketed the pass to Robert Brown '99, who launched it past the Beacon goal tenders.

However, the Bowdoin lead proved short-lived when David Graham converted another four goals remaining from the first period. At the end of the period, the two teams were locked in a tie. In the first half of the second period, the Bears scored again and (Caitlin) Pfeiffer rocketed the pass to Robert Brown '99, who launched it past the Beacon goal tenders.

The next two goals were scored within a minute of each other and appeared to greatly deflate the Polar Bear fire. With about fourteen minutes left in the second period, A.J. Castles scored, followed by Jamie Graham. At this point in the contest, the Bears were trailing, 3-1. Although over half the game remained, Bowdoin was unable to rally, letting up their fifth goal with just 30 seconds left in the second. The final period provided no inspiration for the Polar Bears and Graham notched his third point of the night with a goal that resulted in a 6-1 final.

Despite the tough loss on Friday night, the Polar Bears entered Saturday afternoon's contest with an opportunity to gain a bid to the post season with a victory. The challenge of two teams competing for 60 shots on goal.

The Bears entered the game with a 5-9-2 record in the ECAC East, only a single win stronger than the Bears' record in the conference (4-10-2). Entering the game, Bowdoin knew that a victory would result in a tie among the two teams. Thus, in turn, would lead to a tie breaker which would depend on the head-to-head record among the competing squads. Thus, the Polar Bear win would lead to a berth in post-season play. This scenario was based on the assumption that two teams from the ECAC East would qualify for the eight-team NCAA tournament. The four-defending champions, Middlebury, and either Amherst or Williams, would require spots. Thus, there would be a pair of extra openings.

Coach Terry Meagher (16 seasons, 365-129-20) decided to use Joshua Clifford '00 (898.5, 3.54 GAA) in net for the final regular season match up. With less than four minutes expired in the first, Babson jumped out to a 2-0 lead with a goal of the 98-99 campaign over the next eight minutes.

In the first half of the second period, the Bears appeared hungry and eager to beat the Beavers, exhibiting some of the same style of aggressive play that was apparent in their February 6th 5-3 victory over the top ranked team in the nation, the Norwegians. They followed these goals with two more in quick succession one by Pfeiffer, his fourth of the season.

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Men's Track

Harriers advance to next level

Tony Small

Contributor

Last weekend, the men's track team ventured to Wesleyan to compete against thirty teams for the Division III New England championships. The meet, one of the most highly-competitive events of the year, was a great opportunity for many athletes to qualify for this weekend's All Division New England Championships. It was also an opportunity for many athletes to earn either an automatic or a provisional qualification for the Division III National Championships which will take place in Ohio in a few weeks.

The Bears turned in many strong performances last weekend. Eric Pontin '00 topped his personal best in the shot put and increased his national track and field provisional entry with a throw of 52'2.7. This throw was strong enough to earn him a second place finish.

Chris Downe '00 also qualified for the national meet with his third place finish of 1:54 in the 800. Josh Heil at '00 tied his personal best jump of 13'6" in the pole vault, which was good enough for a third place finish in the highly competitive pole vault competition.

Zach Wheeler '00 also scored with a sixth place in the 400. Perhaps the largest upset of the day was the situation that found Scott Schilling '00 eliminated from the 400. Schilling, after winning his heat with a 50.3 in the trial of the 400, found himself with the top time of the day going into the finals. However, after some complications and confusion, Schilling was disqualified from the meet for missing the check-in of the 200. As a result, he was not allowed to compete in the 400 final or the 4x400 relay.

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Town meeting addresses student involvement

**Students discussed the nature of student activism on campus and began plans to form a politically-minded student coalition.**

**Katherine Parker, Staff Writer**

The College’s second town meeting was held Tuesday, led by Jay Cushman ’99, and Katie Benner ’99, in discussion of student activism on campus.

One of the primary goals of the meeting was to develop a more organized approach to getting students involved in political and social change within the Bowdoin community. The meeting began with an outline of last month’s discussion in which students decided that future town meetings should be aimed towards finding solutions to the issues posed.

Students agreed that the problem with activism was that students either did not have the energy to make long commitments or lacked the information to get involved in existing clubs or programs.

Benner then asked what expectations students had regarding increased social and political activism at Bowdoin.

“It’s really discouraging when the same twenty people do everything on campus,” said Larisa Reznik ’02.

Claire Newton ’02, agreed that because of a lack of available information it was “very easy not to do anything.” Newton thought information on getting involved should be easy to come by. “Ideally, everyone should be able to give something to the community and take something from the community,” she said.

Suggested solutions for the problem of information included a pamphlet that publishes the mission statements and meeting times of all politically or socially directed organizations on campus.

Adam Zimman, representing the EQ, said that any club with a charter from the school is required to use publicity to attract participants, but that there is no way to efficiently promote clubs unless if they are fulfilling their obligations.

Another solution involved a regular meeting between the presidents of those organizations to discuss common problems or issues.

“I don’t think you can dissect that all these groups overplay,” said Corona Benson ’02. Benson pointed out that this sort of inter-club council has been attempted in the past without any real success.

The most popular solution became the idea of forming a new organization that was dedicated to social and political change within Bowdoin.

Benner expressed the need for a group of students that examined the college and asked, “How are we going to change this place here?” She suggested students coming together to discuss what they wanted from, and for Bowdoin and then, “trying to change what the offer of the college is so that it meets that.”

She went on to say that the coalition should understand the history of activism at Bowdoin, examine the current offer of the college, and form both short term and long term goals about improving the college and community.

She pointed out that, “students are as resistant to change as we claim the administration is,” and that changing the face of activism would be a long process.

The meeting ended with several students agreeing to begin forming the organization immediately.

Initiative is being taken and something might come from it,” Benner concluded.

The organization is beginning the formation process and expects to be in contact with the larger student body soon.

Female Trustees discuss personal paths to leadership

**Kelly Ricciardi, Staff Writer**

As part of a continuing effort from the administration to improve gender equity on campus, the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees held a discussion entitled “Pathways to Leadership.”

The talk featured a panel of successful women graduates of Bowdoin who wanted to share their experiences as accomplished women in various fields.

The panel included college trustees Marijanne Benner Browne ’83, Nancy Bellhouse May ’78, Carolyn Welch Skymann ’86, and D. Ellen Shuman ’78. Special Assistant to the President for Gender Equity Lisa Tessler ’79 was the moderator.

According to Tessler, this discussion came about as a response to a report from the Oversight Committee and data from Institutional Research that raised questions about the status of women at Bowdoin. It indicated that women here do not feel that they are full and equal partners in the educational experience at Bowdoin. The focus groups surveyed reflect that women here have the same sense that they are attending a school that still feels like a men’s college in some ways,” she said.

In a survey of the class of 1996 at the beginning of their first year, about sixty-eight percent of the male students thought that they had above average leadership ability. This was true for just under sixty percent of the women. After graduation, seventy-six percent of the men felt that they had superior leadership qualities while only fifty-seven percent of the women felt the same.

One of the ideas of the task force was to expose women to graduates who have excelled. “We want women to learn from these successful women graduates’ experiences,” Tessler said. “They need to hear the skills necessary to succeed and understand how to negotiate their positions when they are not of the dominant group, and see how to balance their personal and professional goals.”

She noted that there are sacrifices and trade-offs to having careers, but also that it is important to have role models.

The panel addressed a number of concerns of women at Bowdoin. As far as the task force is concerned, each of the panelists spoke of leadership roles they had taken, even in college. The women spoke about the differing styles of men and women in business. They said that women are more collaborative in that they tend to manage more as a team and they recognize the value of those who work for them. They also described the importance of seeing positive feedback and making sure that all the employees feel a sense of solidarity with regard to the company, that their voices have an impact on the company’s success or failure.

The women also stressed the importance of mentors. Each of the women said that having boards provided unique opportunities, and they were especially pleased that they had the opportunity to serve on Bowdoin’s Board of Trustees.

Benner Brown said she saw how her presence on the Board was making a difference through her efforts to diversify the school. She thought that she had truly made a difference in the college’s recruitment endeavors.

Shuman reinforced this sentiment that women at Bowdoin should join committees. She said that through these committees, women can gain a sense of what being on a board is all about, and that they can make valuable contacts.

She encouraged female students to join especially those boards that have been traditionally staffed by male students. Shuman cited specifically the investment and financial planning committee.

Students raised several concerns to the panel. When asked how they balance professional and personal commitments without losing their sanity, the panelists replied that it was crucial to take personal time each day. Another student asked the panel members how they would address the problem of low self-esteem in girls. The women said that it was important to hold a great role model and to demonstrate confidence and self-assurance in their own behavior.

“it was a wonderful group of speakers,” said Tessler. “They talked openly about the compromises and rewards associated with their lives.” Tessler said that she hopes that this meeting was just the first in a series of similar interactions between students and the Board. As for the gender issues at Bowdoin, she has hope for the future. “There are problems that still need to be addressed, but we are making a lot of progress,” she said.

"We thought that there was more that the College could do to support women here on campus and upon their graduation from Bowdoin.”

- Lisa Tessler Special Assistant to the President for Gender Equity
Margaret Dongo, a former freedom fighter and a member of the Parliament of Zimbabwe, was inspired to join the fight against the government and advocate for the rights of Zimbabweans. She has a strong spirit and a steadfast determination to help the people of her country as she spoke to an admiring audience Monday night in the Beam Classroom.

After an introduction by History and African Studies Professor Randolph Staken, Dongo focused on her difficult journey to a pivotal role in the evolving politics of her country and the importance of Zimbabwean women to become politically involved.

Dongo was born into a working class family in which both parents were involved in politics. Under the oppression of a white colonial government, her parents were forced to break the law by conducting political meetings in secret.

In 1995, Dongo chose to run for Parliament as an independent candidate. The ZANU (PF) party's attempt to manipulate the elections in favor of its own policies failed when she challenged the electoral system in High Court. Dongo regained her seat to become the only independent member of Parliament.

Dongo has recently formed a new political party, the Zimbabwe Union of Democrats, to support like-minded individuals who wish to contest the ZANU (PF) party in the elections of 2000. It is still very difficult for women to make a major impact, however, as they have no money and the ruling party still has a strong grip on the political situation.

Margaret Dongo plans to continue to fight for the rights of a suffering Zimbabwean population.

Despite attempts against her life and the stress put upon her family, it is clear that her country needs her leadership.

The Zimbabwean dollar has depreciated greatly in the last few years, many live in poverty and education and health care are reserved for those who can pay for it. In addition, the government decided outside of Parliament to intervene militarily in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The cost to Zimbabwe is great in terms of both lives and finances that could be used to help the Zimbabwean poor, and Dongo said that the war does nothing to serve the average citizen in her country.

Dongo also discussed how hard it is to be an active woman in a male-dominated government that she argues is being dictatorial.

"It is not easy to be a woman, and it is not easy to take up a political post when you are a woman," she said.

Yet Dongo said she believes excluding women from Zimbabwean politics is partly to blame for her country's political circumstances, and she said she feels that women can make a difference. This is obvious by the contribution she has made to her country.

"My role has inspired a lot of women to join in politics," she told the audience.

"Women, what we need to do is stand up for our rights. Women's rights are human rights."
Students discuss sexual assault issues at open house

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Over a dozen students gathered in Baxter House Tuesday night to discuss issues of sexual assault at the College as part of Sexual Assault Awareness week.

Lozann Dustin-Hunter, administrative and program coordinator for College Security, and Mysa Managawang, assistant dean of student affairs, and a representative of Sexual Assault Services of Midcoast Maine joined the students’ discussion, which lasted for over an hour.

The group explored various ways to increase support for survivors of sexual assault both among the student body and within the administration.

Several of the students said they were concerned with how rarely the existing services are used.

“We all know these things are happening. How do we make people know these things aren’t okay?” said Seth McLeod ’99. “We have all these venues, but they might as well not even be there. They just don’t get used.”

The discussion group also expressed concern with the attitude they feel is being taken by many Bowdoin students about issues of sexual assault. Many students said they thought other members of the student body tend to treat the issue as someone else’s problem.

“There is a definitely strong tendency to look, quickly evaluate, and come to the conclusion that this isn’t something you want to deal with,” said McLeod. “This is ignoring what the problem is: it’s a problem of violence.”

Laura Emerson ’01 said Safe Space was going to start publishing the statistics regarding the calls and reports of sexual assault they received.

“Hopefully by showing this problem is out there, more people will be comfortable coming forward,” she explained.

Other students expressed reservation at pushing survivors to report incidents. “A lot of people just want to heal,” said Adam Greene ’01. “There’s a concern about pushing people too early by making them go forward with their experience.”

Students also brainstormed actions the administration and campus security could take to increase awareness of these issues and make it more comfortable for survivors to come forward with their experiences.

Suggestions included allowing survivors to indicate on their anonymous report forms whether they would allow their reports to be published, and placing detailed sexual assault statistics in admissions materials.

Dustin-Hunter announced that security was going to include more specific statistics about sexual assault in next year’s student handbook.

But Managawang and several students said they believe such structural changes will only be effective after the mindset of Bowdoin students change. “People have to understand we are creating systems to deal with this,” said Managawang. “But it’s not about systems, or panels. It’s about changing the culture.”

The size of Bowdoin was an important focus of the group’s discussion. Some students said they thought the small, intimate campus feel prevented students from coming forward with incidents of sexual assault because they could easily lose their anonymity.

Conversely, others said the size of the student body could be more conducive to change than a larger campus.

Further topics of the included the role of alcohol in sexual assault cases and the division of sexual assault into issues of gender.

Students and faculty gathered in Baxter house last Tuesday to discuss issues of sexual assault, as a part of Sexual Assault Awareness week. (Peter Hill | Bowdoin Orient)

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Preamble

In the spring of 1997, a new and inclusive College House system was established at Brown University. This new system was conceptualized as "promoting the intellectual and personal growth of individuals and encouraging a fuller understanding and respect in the context of diversity" (Commission on Residential Life Interim Report, p. 14). The Interim Implementation Committee created basic structural guidelines for this new system. In conjunction with those guidelines and the mission set forth by the Commission on Residential Life, this Constitution seeks to further formalize and clarify "living community" as presented in the CIL Interim Report. The purpose of this Constitution is to structure the operations of the College House System and to provide guidance to house members as they work to integrate the system into their lives as students of the Brown College community.

Article I: Membership

A. Definitions
1. The brick residence hall - College House/Resident Hall are as follows: Appleton Hall-Quinn Hall Winthrop Hall-Burnett Hall-Howard Hall Zabriskie House-Quinby House Hyde Hall-Howard Hall Main House-238 Main St.
2. College House members are defined as all students who have ever lived or currently live in a house's associated first-year dormitory, as designated by their parents. No one may be assigned to that house by the Office of Residential Life.
3. Hall Residences defined as those who currently live in a particular house.

B. Rights of Members
1. All house members possess the following rights in their respective houses: right to access to the house facilities, including appliances, game tables, and space.
2. The right to attend all house functions.
3. The right to attend all house meetings.
4. The right to vote at house meetings concerning house affairs.

C. Responsibilities of Members
1. Inherent in the rights described in section B, all house members are expected to fulfill the following responsibilities:
   a. Represent the house in a positive manner.
   b. Respect house property, its members, and neighbors.
   c. Be responsible for the behavior of their guests.
2. In the event that egregious violations of house regulations result in the house member being subject to the standard college disciplinary procedures as outlined in the Student Handbook.

D. Additional Expectations of Residency
1. In keeping with the values of Residential Life and in addition to all previously mentioned responsibilities, any house residents, whether for members, house guests, or house residents are expected to contribute more to house affairs. The following institutional responsibilities are therefore acquired:
   a. Create a positive and welcoming environment for all guests.
   b. Participate in the Orientation of the incoming first-year class.
   c. Take an active role within the house and during house activities.
   d. Assist in the basic housekeeping, maintenance and appearance of the house.

E. Selected Positions of Membership
1. In order to run the house efficiently, the following positions have been recognized as essential:
   a. President - Responsible for organizing and overseeing the day-to-day activities of the house, acting as the official representative at College functions and meetings; and addressing the Representative to the Inter-House Council (IHC).
   b. Vice President - Responsible for acting as the primary house liaison to the President, to facilitate all elections; serving as one of two Student Assembly Representatives.
   c. Treasurer - Responsible for managing dues and financial resources provided by the College, allocating funds to officers/groups within the house according to voting procedures outlined above; and attending SACF meetings when appropriate.
   d. Secretary - Responsible for recording minutes for each house meeting and generally keeping members informed of things happening in the house; maintain a master calendar of events and house use that may be publicly accessible to all members.
   e. Program Chairs (2 minimum) - Responsible for selecting ideas and suggestions from house members for house-sponsored events; planning and organizing events. The weekly meetings of the Campus Affairs Committee (IHC) and the Student Assembly Council must each be attended by one chair.
   f. Historian - Responsible for coordinating official histories of events, including pictures and chairs.
2. First-Year Residential Representatives (2 per groctor group) - Responsible for facilitating, first-year student involvement and meeting in the house; attending all house meetings.
3. House President - Be present at all house meetings, help mediate disputes within house peer groups, and chair between house residents; serve as a resource for house residents in areas such as programming and dining for which information is provided during the fall Residential Life training; serve as a liaison to Facilities Management and a general contact person for errors, vandalism; help maintain a clean living space and to hold house residents accountable for any messes, especially in common areas (kitchen, bathrooms, etc.); run any mid-year housing lottery; serve as a liaison between the Office of Residential Life and the house residents; serve as a liaison between the house and its resident advisor.

Article II: Decision Making

A. General Decision Making
1. In keeping with the inclusive spirit of the Commission on Residential Life, the Office of Residential Life, all house members have a right to participate in all decisions concerning the house. Additionally, the office of the President of the House and its representatives will be reachable by general consensus and will be regularly scheduled, designated, published meetings.
2. In the event that general consensus cannot be met, members have a right to hold a vote according to the process outlined below:
   a. It is expected that the right to vote be extended for the good of the house and consistent with the values of our learning community.
   b. Voting can only take place at designated and publicized meetings.
   c. Members may only vote while in attendance at said meeting.
   d. Each house will adopt whatever voting method members feel fit except in the case of elections.
   e. Majority rules for any general vote except as outlined for special cases.
   f. The President has the right to post-pone a vote on an upcoming next designated and publicized meeting.
   g. Any necessary, last minute decisions must be approved by the President. In his or her absence, the Vice President will assume that responsibility.
   h. Expenditures Exceeding $150
   1. The following special procedures will apply to votes on expenditures over $150:
      a. Any house member seeking to propose an expenditure over $150 must submit a proposal on the designated form obtained from their house President.
      b. The expenditure must be proposed at a designated and publicized meeting.
      c. The President has the right to postpone a vote on an expenditure over $150 for a week from the meeting in which the original vote was scheduled to take place.
      d. In order to pass this expenditure over $150, a 2/3 majority of those present must be met.

Article III: Elections

A. In the spring semester, elections for the offices of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Programming Chairs and Historian will take place.

1. All officers elected are expected to be familiar with the House System Constitution and all other documents concerned with the creation and implementation of the College House System.

2. Any candidate may run for as many positions as he/she desires until he/she is elected. Officers will be elected in the following order:
   a. President
   b. Vice President
   c. Treasurer
   d. Secretary
   e. Programming Chairs
   f. Historian
3. In order to be elected to one of the offices, the following requirements must be met. The candidate:
   a. Must not have been selected as the house president.
   b. Must have been chosen to live in the house.
   c. Must announce candidacy one week prior to the publicized and designated voting time.
   d. Declaration of candidacy must be accompanied by a statement no longer than 2 paragraph inclusive of reasons for running for office.
3. The elected person will be chosen as follows:
   a. In the case of a two person election, the candidate who receives the majority of the votes will be considered elected.
   b. When there are more than two candidates, a ranking system will be used to determine the winner.

4. Voting will take place at the designated and publicized voting time:
   a. Voting will be done by secret ballot.
   b. Each position will have its own ballot.
   c. Voting members will rank candidates starting with 1 for first choice and following in ascending order according to preference.

5. In the fall semester, elections for Upper-class and First-Year Representatives to the Inter-House Assembly Representative will take place.

6. Elections must take place within the first full week of classes.
7. First Year Representative
   a. Two First-Year representatives will be elected from each pre-assigned group.
   b. Elections will be held at a formal meeting after being presided over by the vice president of the house.
   c. A person will be considered elected by joining the most votes cast by their proctor group.

8. Upper-class Representative
   a. One representative from each of the sophomore, junior and senior classes will be elected.

b. Spring Election Procedures will be followed.
   a. Student Assembly Representative to the Inter-House Council will be elected from among the general house membership.
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C. In the case of a position vacancy, the following procedure will be followed:
   1. The President will call for a special election to fill the vacant position.
   2. If the presidency should become vacant, the vice president will assume the office of President and a new vice president will be elected.
   3. Any current resident will be eligible to run for office.
   4. Elections will take place at a publicized and designated meeting.

Article IV: House Lottery

1. Each spring a house lottery will be held after the spring elections.
2. The Office of Residential Life will assign a room to the House Proctor prior to house elections.
3. The President elect of the house will be granted first choice of a room.

D. In the event that a house lottery is assigned, the assignments will be determined by separate lotteries according to class and in order of seniority. The winner of a house lottery, a member of the Office of Residential Life office shall be present.

E. Any person who will randomly assign each person a lottery number.

1. The individual receiving the lowest number will be assigned to the first room of any vacant room, followed by others in ascending order.

2. In the event that two or more residents of different levels of seniority choose to room together, the pair will enter the lottery of the older member.
3. In the case of vacant space at any point during the year before the spring lottery:
   a. If a single room becomes open, all residents of the house shall receive notice of the lottery to be run by the House Proctor. Should no resident choose to take advantage of the opportunity, the house shall seek to fill the room with a member of the specified house.
   b. If a suite becomes available, the remaining occupant should seek another roommate from among the membership. If unable to find an occupant, that remaining occupant should work with the Office of Residential Life to fill the space should it be necessary.

Article V: Amending the Constitution

1. Any such future time it becomes necessary to amend this constitution, the following procedure shall be followed:
   a. A House member may propose an amendment to their house's regularly scheduled, designated, publicized meeting.
   b. The President may, by majority vote, choose, by a majority vote, to recommend that said amendment receive further consideration by the other College Houses via the Inter-House Council.
   c. The President of said house will bring the proposed amendment to the next regular meeting of the Inter-House Council.
   d. The House President will then present the proposal to their general membership during a regularly scheduled meeting.

2. At the following week's meeting, a vote shall be taken of the membership.
3. In order for an amendment to be passed, it must receive a 2/3 majority. A copy of the House System Constitution will report the results at the next scheduled IIC meeting.

To be discussed at a forum next week.
Apathy rules!

It's hard not to feel apathetic about the issue of apathy at Bowdoin. What could be more drab, depressing, or obvious? Yet, in all our innumerable panel discussions, forums, columns and town meetings concerning apathy, there has been one aspect of apathy so far untouched — its benefits.

Let us not forget that we live in Brunswick, Maine, a place where criminal elements earn bragging rights by stealthily carrying Snapples and Skittles into Hawthorne Longellow, a place where the most important Security advice is to wear orange on campus so as not to be mistaken for deer; a place where Wentworth dining hall represents fine art, thrill-seekers ride the elevator up to the top floor of the Tower for adrenaline rushes, and Portland is generally referred to as "the City." If we didn't have apathy we wouldn't have anything. Apathy is an issue. It might not spark revolution, but at least it's something to talk about, even if it makes a boring dialogue.

And who can say it isn't fun to hop on the soapbox and make sweeping calls for the dissolution of apathy at Bowdoin? Nothing like self-righteous proclamation's to boost one's ego on a bleak March day. So stop complaining about apathy, you know it gives you a chance to declare: "I'm so involved, I just can't see why everyone can't care more." And even if you manage to discuss apathy without the aforementioned self-aggrandizement, at least concede that it's at least a little fun to kvetch.

Apathy might result in a paucity of student involvement but just think how easy it is to become involved when you want to. There's hardly a student organization on campus that's not on the market for a vice president, secretary, member, or columnist. So just wait 'til you're applying for a big consulting job, or looking to get into law school; you'll be singing the accolades of apathy then.

The pluses of a plus/minus system

Among the academic policies the Recording Committee has considered this year is the possibility of adding pluses and minuses to the current grading system. For example, a student who currently receives a B could receive a B-, B+ or B+ under the proposed system. This, of course makes sense and should be implemented as soon as possible.

One benefit to this system would be a more accurate depiction of a student's accomplishments in a course. Currently the grades at the lower end of a letter grade scale have no incentive to put in enough work to improve their grade a full letter, leading to students "sliding by." Conversely, a student who works very hard but whose final grade falls a few points short of the higher grade receives no recognition of their efforts. Assigning theses two students the same grade makes no educational sense.

Another advantage of a plus/minus grading system is that it would put us more on par with comparable institutions. Consider a graduate school or employer deciding between a Bowdoin student and a Colby student. The two could have taken comparable courses and put in the same amount of effort, but the Colby student could have received grades of B+ while the Bowdoin student appears to have a lower grade of B. The student policy forces graduate schools to look more at unkind standardized test scores, unfairly penalizing Bowdoin students.

An additional potential consequence would be an end to some forms of grade inflation. Currently, a professor who knows a student is scoring in the high end of a letter grade is tempted to "round up" to the next letter grade, moving a B-student to an A to avoid the situation discussed above. Probably most students either have benefited from this generosity or know someone who has. Creating a more accurate grading system with the addition of pluses and minuses would help curb the rampant grade inflation which has to a large extent spanned the current controversy surrounding academic honors.

Bowdoin's grading system has gone through numerous changes in its 200 years of existence. We have had a plus/minus grading system, two incarnations of the current A/B/C/D/F-system, and a "high honors/honors/pass/fail" system that was instituted to thwart Selective Service's use of GPA in deciding draftees. The changes are often accompanied by passionate emotions on both sides — ask any faculty or staff member who remembers the turmoil when the high honors system was eliminated in the early 1960s. This change will no doubt cause similarly violent disagreements, but we throw our weight behind instituting the plus/minus system.

President Edwards?

Congratulations are in order for the student who so cleverly assailed our e-mail accounts under the alias of President Edwards. Imagine the mifeulous planning required for this fiendish plot; establishing the off-campus address, drafting not one but several farcical statements, and carefully covering their tracks at every turn. Whoever managed to pull all this off must feel especially big.

The culprit succeeded in proving his point that the unmonitored student digest will not work as long as a few immature students insist on ruining for the rest of the student body an otherwise advantageous system. They have fulfilled their own prophecy by testing the limits of good taste and common respect within a community forum. Everybody enjoys a good joke, and Edwards' ghostwriter drew more than a few chuckles, but digest comedians have chosen the wrong stage. They have drawn the Administration back into the issue by demonstrating a dangerous capacity for indignity.

What might have been an opportunity for students to prove a certain sophistication by not abusing a system which has worked well for faculty and staff has become an example of the need for supervision. It seems only a matter of time until the unchecked inside jokes become harmful to individuals, beyond the annoyance which they already provide for everybody. Instead of continuing without restriction as it might have within a more prudent community, the digest will have to be revised.

It is unlikely that this issue will be resolved any time soon as the Administration and student government explore countless degrees of compromise. They will consider student monitors for the system, optional community bulletin board-like programs, and a complete reversion to the old ways.

The answer will never be entirely satisfactory because it will rest upon a fundamental lack of trust. Students invariably suspect the Administration while the Administration will have to be wary of students who sometimes challenge things for the sake of challenging them.

President Edwards;

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Student Speak

Do many students tan? How can you tell?

ARI WESSAL '00
Washington, D.C.
"They've got this carrot-orange tint to their skin."

MIKE ZACHARY '02
Walpool, NH
"This is Maine. They're all fake!"

MICHAEL MELIA '99
Manchester, MA
"Damn I look good."

DAN FARBACH '01
Boulder, CO
"I hear the Admissions Office bought a tanning bed to bust up their diversity numbers."

HOMA MOJTABAI '01
Wellesley, MA
"Spotty tan is a give-away."

SHAWN LEONARDO '01
New York City, NY
"I'd answer but I'd never get a girl again."

SARAH ROSE '01
Greenville, NC
"Five words: white tank tops in Wentworth."

GEMMA SANDERS '01
Buzzard's Bay, MA
"I do not see anyone around right now who is of the same white pesty overtones as me."

Letters to the Editor

Our unmatched manners

To the Editor:

Every so often, perhaps in the winter when folks feel trapped or bored, a letter finds its way into the local newspaper from a frustrated native who wonders annoyed about college kids invading Brunswick. It's easy for them to maintain their own favorable perceptions of Bowdoin students. I make a mental note to write and tell someone about my positive experiences, but then forget.

I recently suggested to a friend some public resources at the local library that he mentioned how friendly everyone is, both students and staff. So I'd better pause and put my thoughts to paper.

My experiences may be a bit skewed; they almost always take place on campus. But so do my contacts with college students in other towns. My encounters elsewhere are less impressive. Sometimes I am temporarily blocked by group of gossipy students who do not realize a visitor is trying to get by. At times they don't know where things are when asked for assistance or directions.

That's never been my experience at Bowdoin. On my frequent trips to the library and other campus facilities, young people look at me and speak in intelligent and polite ways. Students smile at me; I don't think it's because I'm much older than them. They are so approachable you might strike up a conversation while waiting in line. They are polite; they often hold a door because they notice I'm coming up the same way. That occurs much less when I venture onto other campuses.

I don't know if Bowdoin attracts a particularly friendly, amicable student population, or if they are just so happy to be here. But there is a conspicuous maturity among these sharp-looking young adults. I appreciate them. I'm mentally transported back to another time and place. Maybe I just don't hang out in the right place to notice any negative elements.

Annette Vance Dorey
Harpswell Resident

All e-mail is junk mail

To the Editor:

This hoopla over the unmonitored student digest e-mail system really has me chuckling. Never before have I realized the firm notion that e-mail has placed around students' necks. OK, sure, I know we are all communication-dependent. But students all yearning for at least some kind of mail (electronic or otherwise), but this surely does not warrant such a dramatic response from the student body over the new Student Digest.

Some students seem to feel it a personal assault to their e-mail box, and some really enjoy it. I would argue, however, that both these attitudes are merely testimony to the fact that most of us are e-mail fanatics. Yes, I'm sorry to say that I would have to include myself in that bunch. That aside, I suggest we justly grid of the whole e-mail system—trash the entire thing, and DON'T start over. What a quick and simple way to deal with the Student Digest.

I foresee several positive consequences of this drastic measure. First, students couldn't waste any amounts of time "checking e-mail." We all complain about the lack of available time to do things, and this would immediately free up hours. Second, we might all learn to write better if we were forced to communicate with friends at other colleges via pen and paper. Wouldn't it be a novel idea to think about something we actually wrote? Third, I think this would save the college some money. It wouldn't have to pay local mail carriers to deliver mail to somebody (i.e. CIS) to create or monitor the e-mail system. No paper would be wasted from people printing out countless pages of e-mail garbage, and we could even get rid of those nasty looking e-mail terminals.

Finally, this might force us as students into actually communicating verbally with each other. It is a sad fact that many of us do not feel the need to even say "hello" to a fellow Bowdoin student while walking along the paths or down hallways. God forbid we actually open our eyes away from the computer screens and look around us every once in a while! Has anybody ever heard of the "Bowdoin Hello?"

Please don't email me.

Ryan Woods '99

Be prepared for the Y2K bug

To the Editor:

I attended a performance event in Smith Union today. When one of the performers made a reference to "Y2K," a student standing near me asked my companion, "What's Y2K?"

I am concerned that many Bowdoin students are spastically uninformed about the possible difficulties related to computer inability to distinguish "2000" from "1900." I am particularly concerned about their ignorance of potential inconveniences or even hazards related to foreign travel during the upcoming year. Today's (March 3) New York Times cites the Senate Y2K Panel:

"American industry and the government are generally winning the race to fix year 2000 computer glitches by year's end, but the problem is likely to cause widespread civil unrest and economic disruption abroad, a Senate panel reported today... The nation's health care industry "labels significantly" in redressing the problem, as do millions of small businesses, and scores of state and local governments.

"More chilling are the findings abroad. Global communications, financial systems, airline transportation, and oil supplies could be interrupted for days or weeks. Important allies like Japan, Mexico and Germany are nine months to two years behind schedule."

Students should be informed that line "beyond the Bowdoin bubble," and especially outside the US, during late 1999 and early 2000 will certainly not be "business as usual." That fact should be carefully calculated into any plans for study abroad in the upcoming year. One of many websites available for parents and students who want to learn about the status of their particular country in Year 2000 Press Clippings at http://www.y2k.com/y2karticles.html where articles from different newspapers around the world will be found.

However, readers must keep in mind when reading articles that businesses or even countries may have a tendency to present a rosier picture than actually exists in order to inspire investor confidence. For example, China's assertion that its stock exchange is fully Y2K compliant might be taken with a grain of salt. A more realistic perspective emerges by reading several different sources.

Nora Petroff
Bowdoin College Dance Professor
This isn’t Berkeley in the 60’s, but activism can still thrive

By Brendan Hughes

"Then Jesus said ‘Father, forgive them, for they know not what they are doing.’" —The Gospel of Luke 23:34

In the Catholic Church, the time from Ash Wednesday until Easter is the season of Lent. Lent is perhaps the holiest of seasons in the Catholic Church. The best known characteristic of Lent is resisting temptation, which is expected of all Catholics. This is symbolic of Jesus’s forty days in the desert after his baptism, when he fasted and resisted the devil’s challenges. The most significant theme of Lent is forgiveness. Symbolic of Judas’s betrayal of Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane was the kiss. The kiss was expected “to forgive those who trespass against us.”

Facing someone is a very difficult thing to do. The Biblical concept of forgiveness is twofold: It is, in essence, turning the other cheek, and repaying to a “trespass” with unconditional love. Forgiveness, however, is not forgetting. When we forget, we learn nothing. When we allow a trespass to become water under the bridge, we are no wiser for the experience. We must always forgive, but never forget.

One month ago, the President of the United States was acquitted by a political jury on one count of obstruction of justice and two counts of perjury. The political process of impeachment cannot be frustrating, if one is to seek closure on an issue. The President, who was impeached, but not convicted, stands in a landscape of public opinion unphased by the blaze of publicity. The President is not guilty by the Senate of the charges brought against him, but at the same time, the House of Representatives is not guilty, that they impeached him. Here is a man whom so many vehemently prosecuted and impeached can in no way be unphased by the blaze of publicity, that he impeached him. It is a man whom so many vehemently prosecuted and impeached can in no way be unphased by the blaze of publicity. The House of Representatives and the Senate had the opportunity to have a major impact on the course of American history. We must remember, it is the American polity.

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Raised legitimate questions over the ethical role of the President, not only in terms his public and private morality, but also in terms of use of his power. However, the House managers’ case was a political one, intent on unseating a twice-elected president in order to gain political power. At best, they were doing the right thing for the wrong reason.

If we forget now, then there will be no lessons learned. There are men and women in our lowest ranks of government who are not ethical people, but if we closely examine any issue, we will find that the unethical parties sit on both sides of the aisle. If we forget now, then we will continue to be naive. We will continue to think that the men and women we elect to represent us are our betters. We will continue to think that they subscribe to a standard higher than our own.

Brendan Hughes is a first-year.
The Orient Forum

QUESTION: How do you feel about class participation at Bowdoin?

How many people participate in your classes? Is there a variety of students who speak? Do student comments enhance or hinder your academic experience? Have you increased or decreased in speaking confidence since you have studied at Bowdoin?

I feel discouraged from speaking in discussion classes more often than not. Usually the same people speak—you know the ones...those who are not shy. They are often in large fraternities. Usually the same people speak—the deep-voiced, senior male types with their own personal agenda for looking good and appearing to be brilliant; using words like amalgamating and pragmatic; words that I only use when writing papers. I feel that people are really egotistical when contributing to discussions. However, if it's the way they present what they have to say, then they'll be more accepted. Considering the general level of participation at Bowdoin, there is no reason for this profound superiority complex.

Cassandra Dragon-Archambault '01

There is not enough class participation here. Perhaps people think that the need to be right all the time and so don't speak at all. I hope that college would be a place where people would feel free to speak, and that my participation in class discussions is not the cherished small class size that Bowdoin is fortunate enough to offer.

James Nachbar '02

Unfortunately not enough students participate in class discussions. It seemed like people in high school had more confidence and were willing to speak more often. I can't believe that college would be a place where it's not the norm to speak in class discussions. I always expected more, especially since classes are RELATIVELY smaller here at Bowdoin in comparison to other schools. Take advantage and speak up.

Lowe Roundtree '01

Student comments in class are like offerings to the porcelain god. They are usually half-formed hunches and utterances that students simply feel they have to get out of their system. In the end, all people involved are ashamed, especially the student who "corrected," but at least it all gets flushed away by the next visit.

Dan Farnbach '01

Participation seems to depend on when it is not a part of the class. Similarly, floundering characterizes many of the attempts that students make to participate in class. It makes participation a graded component. My feelings on class participation are likened to reading, if it's not assigned, what's the point?

Tim Baird '99

Although I enjoy listening to my classmates comments in class, I'm not the kind of person who will deliver an opinion because it comes natural. In order for me to say something in class I need to feel fully comfortable not only with the teacher but also with my classmates.

Carol Castillo '99

I figure let them talk, even if it is the same person. If they're on a roll, let them go.

Brett Brown '02

I find it difficult to speak in many of my classes. The professors lecture down to their last two seconds and don't seem to encourage a word or a thought. This makes it difficult to participate because I feel I am not fully involved in the discussion.

Sarah Tapan '02

College Houses succeed

By Hugh Hill

Those who've actually read any of my previous columns know that I like to complain about Bowdoin. Though this place has some faults, it is fundamentally a good school. I would like to point out one feature that is often neglected but is actually doing rather well. That is the dreaded College House System.

When I first came to Bowdoin, I was admittedly disappointed by the lack of fraternities. They are positive organizations which Bowdoin is foolish to abandon (had to get my dig in somewhere). But their replacements, the College House System, are actually doing quite well. It is the CW among many students that the College Houses do not live up to their fraternal predecessors. In one sense this is correct. The fraternity parties have a certain degree of wilderness and enjoyability that is lacking at a college house where a hundred people are packed six-deep around the one keg. Bob Graves has raised it. It's a damn shame that this is the wave of the future at Bowdoin. However, the College Houses do a lot more than just throw campus-wide

HERB

After being dragged many miles by the thirty-old cars, trucks, and burning vehicles that lit him that death day, our hero awakes in a strange place...

In great physical pain but essentially unscathed, Herb looks around...

Where am I?

As the skydivers and fans, they find that destiny has called him yet again. (Snip in one day, no less.)

The SKYDIVING SCHOOL for American WILDLIFE

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NORTH AMERICAN WILDLIFE
Maria Falzone: But seriously, folks, sex rules!

JONATHAN L. KNAPP
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

In its sponsoring of Sexual Assault Awareness Week this past week, the campus group SafeSpace brought the energetic comedian/sex lecturer Maria Falzone to Bowdoin this past Wednesday. A fifteen-year veteran of the stand-up comedy circuit, Falzone "considers herself a sexpert," and consequently has been giving this talk to such diverse audiences as college students and Dutch stand-up audiences.

Though it certainly educates people about the art of enjoyable, safe sex, her talk, entitled "Sex Rules," also takes much of its style from Falzone's stand-up work. While talking about such difficult things as her unsuccessful early sexual experiences, she managed to keep the audience constantly laughing. Falzone claims to now have great sex; therefore, she feels that her talk is a way of helping other people achieve this pleasurable experience, as well.

Throughout her talk, Falzone spoke candidly about her sex life, enabling the audience to realize that they should be able to do the same. Falzone pointed out that at the age of twenty-two, she told the audience that [she] was certainly not ready...and never had a good experience; these seven years after that. Coming from a strict Italian-Catholic family, Falzone had been brought up thinking that "everyone who had sex before marriage was a whore."

At twenty-two, Falzone grew and thought this way, and thought [she] was the world's last virgin, consequently, she rushed out to have sex. After telling a counselor about her apprehensions, the counselor shocked her to "get drunk." "Though this was a great idea," confessed Falzone. "I was not there for my first sexual experience."

As a result of this terrible experience, Falzone could not have sex for the next seven years without being under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Her wake-up call occurred at the age of twenty-eight when she and her best friend decided to have meaningful sex. This "friend" neglected to tell her that he had herpes; Falzone unsuspectedly was infected. Of this incident, she said, "Thank God I got herpes and not HIV. This was perhaps the best thing that ever happened to me."

Obviously, the audience found this ridiculous; after Falzone asked the audience to tell about the sex talks that their parents gave them, however, it became clear that few people actually receive an adequate talk from their parents. Most students' parents never talked about foreplay, oral sex, anal sex, or masturbation; many parents only spoke of "intercourse."

Falzone especially has trouble with the stigma surrounding masturbation. ("You're going to go blind" or "You will grow hair on your palms"). As it is "the safest form of sex." After encouraging the entire audience to simply listen. Falzone insisted that women should become familiar with their own vaginas, as "men can certainly recognize their partners." "It is a woman loves and respects her vagina, so too will other people.

Falzone also talked about the cultural problem that women are "never told how amazing they are sexually. They can think themselves into an orgasm." Clearly, one of the main points of Falzone's talk was that people can have pleasurable sexual experiences with out actually having intercourse. "There are over three thousand ways to sexually satisfy yourself and your partner without having intercourse, [which is] the last place that you should go."

Falzone insists that "sex is a celebration," consequently, one would think that a person should try to make it as enjoyable and positive as possible. "The key to great sex is communication." In order to achieve this communication, partners should "talk about sex before they get into the bedroom. Open condoms a little, make them easily accessible, and look at the expiration date." People should also look into the female condom, and, for oral sex, should use the dental dam.

Many people foolishly think that their partners are too large for condoms (or at least say so to avoid using them). Falzone established that this is entirely untrue when she had one student put a condom on his head: it did not break. One important tip that Falzone insisted about condom use: never put oil on it, as it will break the latex.

In response to men trying to defend a rape of a woman with the statement, "Her mouth may have said 'no' but her eyes said 'yes.'" She aligned this with a woman holding a razor to a man's penis, asking him if she wants him to cut it off. Would any man then say, "Even though my mouth said 'no,' my eyes said 'yes.'"

Falzone's talk was certainly a success, as everyone left Smith Union smiling, yet thinking about the frank, honest nature of her message.

Maria Falzone fascinates Jorge Torres '91 and the crowd with her demonstration of the use of a dental dam. (Sherri Kies, Bowdoin Orient)

Babalo: "punk-mambo-hardcore-juju," and a kazoo

CHRISTINE LEHMANN
STAFF WRITER

As one of the few Bowdoin students from Massachusetts, I am conscious of Boston's history of turning musical geniuses. I am also mindful of the fact that some of the city's sharpest wit resides in red sweaters; if you can't prove yourself on a Boston stage.

The band known as Babalo came together over three years ago in Jamaica Plain, a section of the musically-charged city of Boston. It has received rave reviews from Boston's most renowned mainstream as well as "alternative" press. This initial evidence alone suggests that Babalo will be sure to blow the Bowdoin campus away this weekend. However, if you feel that you really need to be convinced in order to attend the show, do yourself a favor and keep reading.

Babalo is one of those bands that reviewers, fans and critics alike will struggle to categorize. Listeners want to describe what the band sounds like, what genre Babalo falls into or perhaps even which established bands it could be compared to. I, for one, fear that if I attempt to label this incomparable band, I will simply limit the expectations of the crowd.

Expect everything. The band is made up of seven members. During the band's set, you will hear six different languages (Spanish, French, Portuguese, English, Arabic and Swahili). Along with the expected instrumentations of guitar, bass and drums, the songs incorporate a diverse selection of percussion and wind instruments, featuring in many pieces the pleasant hum of a kazoo. With these musical tools, Babalo mixes up a concoction of sounds that the band itself has attempted to term as "Punk-Mambo-Hardcore-Juju." The off-beat lyrics, irregular beats and array of cultural influences make the music as enjoyable and interesting to dance to as it is to simply listen.

As I was reading the reviews from several notable sources, The Boston Phoenix, The Boston Globe and Chelsea Club Magazine to name a few, I could feel the shared enthusiasm pouring off the page from the critics. Numerous papers and magazines found Babalo at the top of Boston's local charts. All of the reviewers noted the high energy of the performers, and expressed delight when the vivacious crowds at each venue seemed to absorb and reflect the excitement given off by the band members—and these shows are no homogenous gathering. The fine range from mohawked punks to dolly-skirted twisters. Babalo prides itself on attracting the kind of an audience that consists of a wide spectrum of musical tastes. There is a connection within all of the band's music that seems to move a little something in everyone. It is apparent that Boston and many cities beyond have embraced this developing band with open arms. Cultural influences make the music as enjoyable and interesting to dance to as it is to simply listen.

So don't let the wacky name scare you. Babalo is a serious band with some serious talent. And if you don't want to take your word for it, go listen to them for yourself...Babalo will make its appearance on campus this Friday, March 5, at 8pm in Morrill Lounge of Smith Union.
Peel slowly and see: Brillo pads galore!

JONATHAN L. KNAPP  
ART & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

In its constant effort to cater to the artistically minded in the Bowdoin community, the art department sponsored its annual Lehman Lecture this past Monday and Tuesday. This year's lecturer is known for his work on Warhol and for his essays on Warhol's paintings. He is, as Robert Mapplethorpe and for such books as After the End of Art, Danto shared his expertise with Bowdoin students on the subjects of "Art and Meaning," and "Restoration and Meaning."

Danto focused primarily on modern art, as he attempted to explain the difference between art and non-art, as realized particularly by Andy Warhol's famous (or infamous) "Brillo Box." Before dealing with this recent example, however, Danto discussed the history of this heated debate. He argued that the distinction between art and non-art had always been obvious, as evidenced by the fact that, in ancient Greece, "there was no actual word for "art.""

Even as recent as the eighteenth century, "there was a sharp line between high art and practical daily life, and the problem that people have traditionally insisted that pieces of art can have no function; consequently, it had always been easy to determine what constituted art. The only true debate came about when one had to determine what was genuine and what was a forgery. Photography, he said, had never been considered art until the Museum of Modern Art opened a photography exhibit."

It had always been easy to make this distinction of art and non-art, but what about non-objective paintings? In order to make his various artistic distinctions, Danto has established two rules: "Works of art are always about something," and "The word meaning is not a fundamental part of the work." He used the example of several monochrome paintings, such as Malevich's "Black Square" and "Red Square," which Danto argued, "project inner reality" and demonstrate "a vivid sense of human meanings; there is no possibility to believe that these paintings mean nothing."

This debate becomes especially tricky for some people when dealing with the pop-art of such figures as Andy Warhol. Though clearly Warhol could provide numerous examples, Danto chose to discuss his "Brillo Box," a seemingly exact duplicate of a container for Brillo soap pads.

Warhol's piece certainly did stir up controversy in its day, as a sense of non-particular art gallery thought Warhol was being vindictive. Danto justified this piece as true art because Warhol was "making a statement about commercial reality being reality. He loved the poems of the commonplace." The "Brillo Box" was a reaction to the abstract expressionist. Many people would agree with Danto's assessment of Warhol's artistic vision, but how many people would agree with his statement that the original Brillo Box, that which was found in supermarkets, is art? What paradigm is used for a real object?

In order to determine whether these Brillo boxes were used to ship boxes or litter of kittens are art, Danto pointed out that one needs to know something about theory and history of art. Danto argued that Steve Harvey, the creator of the actual Brillo pad boxes, was creating a visual celebration of soap pads, a patriotic celebration of cleanliness and duty. The cartoon conveys excitement, even ecstasy.

Though he certainly meant to make light of the example, he insisted that in its own way, Steve Harvey's creation is a piece of commercial art that relies on its colors and design to convey certain ideas, to embody its meaning. It is also intended about something: Brillo pads. Therefore, it fulfills both obligations of his artistic model.

Danto then told a story of walking into an art gallery room that contained ladders and saws. After trying to determine its artistic function, he found that the room was being rented; the ladders and saws belonged to the construction workers. Yet, he assumed it was art. Danto closed his lecture with the statement, "It is the mark of our period that everything can be art."

He rhetorically asked, "What does it mean to live in a world in which anything can be art?" Many people certainly reject this idea, as they find it annoying that some people constantly try to analyze everything. While this opinion may have some validity, at least some people constantly think and wonder about life. This is certainly preferable to a world in which nobody questions anything, a world devoid of creativity and difference.

Revolutionary words: Sonia Sanchez delivers poetry with a punch

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ART & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Ask Bowdoin students why they are attending college, and the varied answers you receive revolve around a common thread: Bowdoin students, along with college students across the country, are preparing for their future. Every year, perhaps, after finals week, when students must sit down with only themselves, stripped of books and notes and increased academic concentration, the past becomes clearer, and the future more uncertain.

During her lecture yesterday evening, revolutionary poet Sonia Sanchez presented Bowdoin students with the disconcerting question, "How do we live?" Not quick to accept self- pitying claims of ignorance, Sanchez followed this question with an understanding but no-nonsense command to "find the answer."

As Sanchez continued her address, she explained why discovering how to live is not a luxury, but is, necessarily, not only for personal wellness, but for the collective wellness of future generations. "You are our most important generation," she asked, "and you know it." Sanchez's "civilization is going to rise or fall with your generation."

Sanchez, writer, lecturer and teacher for over thirty years, shared several poems, including works from her newest compilation of poetry, Shake Loose My Skin. As Sanchez admits, much of her poetry addresses harsh realities, but also, visions of freedom. To read Sanchez's work is a moving experience, but to hear her speak is transforming. Following each reading, Sanchez delivered commentary related to her poetry, and the state of our civilization. With these spontaneous expressions, it was apparent that Sanchez's genius expands beyond the paper and pen and into every thought she formulates.

While some lecturers attempt to inspire this generation of college students by delivering poetic but vague requests and instructions to "live," Sanchez concretely explained the challenges facing this generation, and suggested ways these challenges may be overcome. "I want you to understand that we know we have left you a pretty rotten earth.

You're going to have to involve yourself in political activism. At some point, you must engage yourselves."

Sanchez was specific in stating the issues that must be addressed and encouraged this generation not to engage in concern over such issues as what the President does in his bedroom. Instead, she encouraged students to concern themselves with the United States and the world. Please see SANCHEZ, page 11

Studying in Oxford

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A: In prime form, but not getting any love.

Several students came out to play broomball Winter’s Weekend on the ice in front of 7 Boody Street. The event was organized by 7 Boody Street and the proceeds went to the Red Cross. The Mountcastle brothers led the champion team, though according to most accounts, Andrew ’01 spent approximately 90 percent of the time on his derrierie. Good times! (Adam Zimm/0 Bowdoin Orient)

Sonia Sanchez inspires audience

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treatment of other countries, the problems of homelessness and poverty in this country and the likely demise of social security.

In addressing the need for activism, Sanchez emphasized that this activism must be communal. Specifically, Sanchez claimed, our country must get past differences in race and sexuality. “Yes, my lips, nose, hair, and skin are different from yours, but that shouldn’t divide us.”

The ephemeral combination of Sanchez’s soothing voice, inspiring words, and demanding commentary clearly affected the crowd, who delivered a standing ovation at the end of Sanchez’s lecture. Throughout the lecture, Sanchez approached her audience with a caring manner. She came to deliver poetry, not to heal herself or receive validation that she is a successful artist. As Sanchez stated, “Words can enter your bloodstream and make you feel human, make people walk upright like human beings on this earth.”

Her words were her gifts to the audience, and the gifts were well received. Sanchez presented Bowdoin students with challenges that, judging from their applause, they accept. “This is your world,” she said, “and you’ve got to demand that it’s a world you can live with.”

From the Career Planning Center:

“Effective Job Hunting Techniques,” a panel with
Bowdoin seniors Rahul Bajaj, Melissa Braverman, Tiger Craft, Doug Fleming, Josh Pacheco, and Pete Springer, all of whom have already secured job offers. This panel is catered to those who are interested in working in investment banks and consulting firms.

-Tuesday, March 9
-7-8:30 PM
-Hubbard Conference Room

All are welcome.
**Gathering (7:00 p.m.)**
Candlelight vigil and speakout, in recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness Week. Sponsored by Safe Space. Outside the Visual Arts Center.

**Film (6:00 p.m.)**
*Transformers: The Movie.* Everyone remembers the innovative toys that surfaced in the mid 80s. Although I didn’t own any Transformers of my own, I would play with my brother’s when he wasn’t home, and let me say, if you’re not acquainted with Transformers, they are amazing toys that will transform into a fine film. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Music (8:00 p.m.)**
*BABALOO!* This band, originating from Boston, has received rave reviews from various critics. Their 7 member band performs songs in several languages, using a diverse mix of percussion and wind instruments. The band categorizes their music as “punk-masquerading jazz.”

**Music (6:30 p.m.)**

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**Film (6:30 p.m.)**
*The DaPonte String Quartet.* Performs. This nationally renowned group whose Karke O. stationed in Maine will perform works by Viktor Ullman, Bartok, and Schumann. Sponsored by the department of music. The Visual Arts Center, Kresge Auditorium.

**Music (7:30 p.m.)**
*Show (6:00-8:00 p.m.)*
"That’s Entertainment," a musical ice skating show, directed by Linda Despres. Solo performances, group numbers and skater Aurelia Hall ’02. Tickets available at Shop ’N Save in Brunswick and also at the Smith Union information desk. Dayton Arena. $5 public, $3 children, $4 students.

**Music (7:30 p.m.)**
*Maine New Music Network Series* presents a two piano recital by A. I. Williams and Helena Bugallo. This recital involves the performance of two piano players, on two pianos. I would tell you what they will be performing, but I want it to be a surprise. Gibson Hall, room 101.

**Workshop (6:00-9:00 p.m.)**
Fly-tying workshop, conducted by Trout Unlimited. Individual demonstrations on making dry and wet flies, streamers and more for fresh and salt water fly fishing. This is an informal event and thus, people can come and go during the 3 hours. Druckermill Hall, room 222. Free.
**Onward to Ohio**

**CATHLIN O'CONNOR STAFF WRITER**

If courage and heart were factored into this past weekend's New England Division III Track and Field Championships, Bowdoin would have run away with the title. Heading into the meet, the Polar Bears were favored among the top three teams. However, neither WPI nor WPI was to be trifled with, and Bowdoin finished in sixth place. What the final scores did not show was the heart, soul and fire on the part of the women that resulted in many remarkable performances.

On the whole, Bowdoin walked away with two NCAA provisional qualifiers, one New England Champion, and twelve All-New England Performances. Added to these incredible statistics were several personal bests and performances that persennified the dedication and desire of the Bowdoin women.

Throughout most of the meet, the team was without the multi-event talent of Dela Van '01. On her first attempt of the triple jump, Van Loelen aggrandized an injury to her foot. She was sidelined for the rest of the meet mis-diagnosed with a sprain, which was actually a break. Van Loelen still managed to impress, as her lone jump was good enough for seventh place (All-New England).

Although it is unlikely that Van Loelen was able to compete in the meet at the NCAA Championships, two Polar Bears came a step closer to securing a spot in the meet at Ohio State University.

Most notable have been the efforts of Stacey Jones '00, Vicky Shen '00, and Kaifin Erazd '99. According to Coach Peter Skolnick, "We had a lot of remarkable performances throughout the day. Placing in the top eight is impressive in any event, but scoring twice is amazing. Stacey, Vicky and Kaifin are among the best track athletes in New England, and they are approaching national caliber at the right time of the year.

Jones was dominant in the throwing events, grabbing a first in the weight throw (64–9) and fourth in the shot put 39–9. Jones has consistently improved her throw each meet; her personal best of 65–10 and her weight throw qualified her provisionally for nationals.

Jones is the first and only one to be among the best throwers in Division III, but does not fit the stereotype of most throwers. Some play mind games with each other, in an attempt to

pay the competition out. Others choose to isolate themselves and think only of their individual performance. Jonesies chooses a very different path. According to Captain Jess Tallman '98, "Stacy goes out of her way to meet and know the names of everyone she competes with. She is awesome enough to be the most in-your-face athlete out there and people would probably let the cocky attitude slide. But she's not. She's incredibly supportive of everyone. I believe her positive attitude is in direct correlation with her success." Another athlete who has stayed humble and supportive of her competitors and teammates while having risen to the top is middle distance runner Shen. Already qualified for NCAA's in the 1500 and 800, Shen has proven to be a role model and inspiration to teammates both on and off the track. Shen has been hampered by a nagging knee injury through the second half of the season. Yet, her dedication, patience and positive attitude off the track have helped her stay successful and stay in meets.

Tallman said she feels that Shen, through her injury, has inspired a lot of team members to push with the program, despite being out on the road. "Her mindset has added a lot of fire to the track program. She has never convinced herself that her injury will hinder her in the next race. It's like she is motivated by a personal battle to overcome the injury. The team is there to support her as she produces better times. I think it inspires a lot of them.

Shen continued to impress on Saturday as she qualified in the 1500 and 1000. Shen's first time in the 1500 was a very fast race, but then Shened strong despite a sore knee, and finished fourth with an impressive time of 4:46. Her second race, the 1000, was even more impressive as she managed not only a third place but a personal best of 3:05.3. Her time is only two seconds off ten-time All-American and 1996 graduate Davey Storin's best.

As expected, Erazd proved she was NCAA material in the 55 meter dash. Her fourth place finish of 7.43 qualified her for nationals in that event. If given a straight away dash were a national indoor event, we can be sure Erazd would be matching NCAA standards. She placed fourth in a stacked final, clocking 26.5.

The first-year members of the track team have toasted continuous success in their inaugural collegiate season. One first year

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**Runners qualify for Nationals**

**TONY SMALLEY CONTRIBUTOR**

Last Saturday the men's track team traveled to The Armory at Boston University for the Open New England Track Meet, where the 45 New England colleges and universities had their best men competing against each other. Qualification standards for the event are set by the meet host for New England collegiate track athletes.

Eric Fortin '00 had one of the most impressive and dramatic performances of the day in the shot put. Fortin was in fifth place going into his final throw, but hurled the shot 64 feet, 9 inches, which moved him into third place, where he finished. Perhaps more impressive was that this was Fortin's first attempt as he was fresh from an injury. Coach Fortin an automatic qualification in the shot put for the Division III national meet being held in Ohio in a couple weeks.

Another strong performance was turned in by Chris Downe '00 in the 800. After being

pushed in the beginning of the race, Downe recovered and ran a time of 1:52. This time improves his provisional qualification in the 800 for the national meet and should be good enough to give him a chance to be a repeat All-American in the 600 meter run.

Scott Schilling '00 improved his personal best in the 400 meter run with a time of 49.99 seconds. Schilling missed the finals by one spot. Look for Schilling to compete at the East Coast Athletic Conference Division III meet this weekend at Boston University. He only needs a few more tenths of this time to qualify for the national meet.

The most historic performance of the day was the 4x4 relay by the Bears. The relay team, which consisted of Zach Wheeler '00, Rob Marselle '02, Schilling and Downe, broke thirty years of history in the relay with a time of 3:21. The time was also good enough to qualify the team provisionally for the national track meet.

The relay team should turn in a strong performance this weekend at ECAC's as well.

**Women's hockey update:**

The women's hockey team has qualified for the ECAC Championship. The Bears are the second ranked team in the tournament. They received a bye in the first round and will play in the semifinals on Saturday, March 6 at Middlebury. They will look to improve on their record-breaking season on Saturday. The team's 16 victories are the most in one season for the women's hockey team. Their final game of the regular season was victorious, defeating Vermont 1-0.
Senior Profile: Jess Tallman ’99

JEN MALLA
SPORTS EDITOR

In celebration of the track and field team's new "butt hugger" team uniform, Jess Tallman ’99 is still wearing an inked polar bear tatoo on her hip from last weekend's New England Division III Championship Meet. Known for having the ugliest track spikes on the team, Tallman gave a detailed description: "They are baby blue with Adidas stripes that are bowels and mustard and lemon yellow bases. These spikes are complimented well by my silver or pink spandex and my rainbow-striped socks."

In her eighth year of running track and field, Tallman is one of the three captains of the indoor track and field team along with Jenn Nickerson ’99 and Lara Pennington ’99. A middle distance runner, Tallman usually competes in the 800 meter run. However, at last weekend's New England Meet, she made her debut in the 4 x 200 meter relay.

Coach Peter Sovenski said, "She has been an important part of some of the best relay teams and cross-country teams in Bowdoin history. "Though impressed with her running ability, he finds her to be "very more valuable to the team for her spirit and poise. She makes great sacrifices for the team, and she is very cool under pressure."

Gaining extensive leadership experience, Tallman served as captain of the cross country team her sophomore year, but switched to track and field her junior year. Tallman has been to nationals as a top five runner twice with cross-country teams that placed 12th and 10th in the nation. She has also been on three New England championship 4 x 800 meter relay teams.

three EICAC championship relay teams and one school record relay team.

When asked why she enjoys running, Tallman talked about the challenge it presents for her: "I like to push myself. It's satisfying to have running as an actual measure of how successful I can be in something. I can push myself to do better."

Having a lot of respect for Coach Sovenski, Tallman commented on the great effort he always puts into his job: "He puts a lot of energy into the track and field program, which is reflected in the runners and their performances." Tallman said she believes Sovenski does a good job of balancing his time with the runners and their performances. According to Tallman, Sovenski's big man capabilities make him a unique coach: "The first time I heard about him, someone told me how he jumps from the balcony in a bat suit for freshman orientation. He has since lived up to this reputation." In addition, Tallman said Sovenski is known to do "coach tricks" at team meetings.

Being an important part of her experience at Bowdoin, Tallman commented on her teammates: "The team here is one of the reasons I came to Bowdoin and one of the reasons I've kept running for so long." Tallman said she appreciates the enthusiasm of her teammates: "I realized how many people were as excited about the team as I was." Believing it is important for a team to be integrated and not divided into cliques, Tallman said she is glad to see that the sprinters, throwers and jumpers are all making an effort to get to know each other better.

When asked about her role models, Tallman said they are the leaders of her team that she has run with for the past four years. Tallman has fond memories of them captured on film: "I still have photos in my room that I look at and we still keep in touch." When Tallman finds herself to be in a tough situation, she said she thinks about what her role models would have done if in the same position.

Taking an interest in the outdoors, Tallman has led a few first-year orientation trips with the Bowdoin Outing Club. Last summer, she had a job leading bike tours from Vermont to Montreal for a youth adventure program called Overland. Tallman found her leadership experience to be useful when working with teenagers: "The responsibility I've taken on as a captain really helped." She plans to hike in the Northern Rockies this summer, working for the same youth adventure program.

Having another opportunity to spend time in the outdoors, Tallman went on a study away program to New Zealand. She found the life style to be very different from Bowdoin. "Everyone is taking care of each other. It was exciting to really be on my own for once." Doing a bunch of things she normally wouldn't do, Tallman found time to try bungee-jumping, sky diving and surfing. Tallman believes studying away at a large university made her appreciate the smallness and closeness of a small college: "My semester ended early so I came back to Bowdoin to visit. Even though not everyone remembered my name, they remembered me and asked where I had been."

When asked why she came to Bowdoin, Tallman highlighted the food: "The second best food in the nation caught my attention. Bowdoin was the only school that gave out free meal cards." On a more serious note, Tallman cited the following reasons: her

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Between the lines:

BSY JUNE DEGEORGE

A shameless, second straight week of random thoughts on the current sports world.

Unfortunately, the Red Sox have just signed free agent Ramon Ramirez, brother of staff ace Pedro, to a two-year deal. The Dominican native is coming off rotator-cuff surgery, an injury that prematurely ended a promising '98 campaign in which he started 7-3 with a 2.88 ERA. Since he doesn't figure heavily into the plans of the Sox for this season, he is reportedly ahead of his rehab schedule and could be on the Boston debut later this summer. Red Sox fans have been down this road before with Bret Saberhagen, who one year ago was also picked up for relatively short money after arm woes and allowed plenty of time to get healthy. He then proceeded to provide a big lift for the Sox in '98, compiling a 15-8 record and stabilizing the clubhouse with his veteran leadership. Dan Duquette and Co. hope that Ramirez's story will have a similar conclusion.

A rotation of Pedro, Tim Wakefield, a healthy Saberhagen, a likewise healthy Ramirez and any one of half a dozen shifts in the fifth spot (feel free to choose from the likes of Mark Portugal, Pat Rapp and Kip Groves), would be a considerable upgrade in Boston's staff. Prediction for the '99 season? Last year, somehow, somehow, the Red Sox held the club together with a smoke and mirrors act that eventually got them into the postseason. I won't be too surprised if the month of April is... I already hate the Cleveland Browns. They will have, without question, the most successful season in their history in 1999. After Carolina and Jacksonville burnt onto the scene a few years ago — both reaching the conference championships in only their second season — other franchises complained about the piling up of teams with decades-long franchises at the bottom. This year, Cleveland's deal is even sweeter. They've already added six high-quality free agents, and traded for four other decent players. Right now, they have four-five of the very solid offensive line already in place (Lomas Brown, Dave Wohlabough, Orlando Brown and Jim Pyne); two feisty corners (Marquez Pope and Letroy Foster) who will add instant swagger to the secondary; Cleveland native

On the road to Nationals

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who has unassumingly climbed her way to the top has been triple jumper Karen Yeoman '02. In high school, Yeoman was a respectable 32' jumper but at Bowdoin she has become an All-New England caliber athlete. Yeoman is a perfect example of what hard work and dedication can produce. Within three weeks, Yeoman managed to improve her jumps from 33-3, to 34-3, to 35-3 this past weekend (5th overall) — an amazing feat for any jumper. Yeoman is just 9 inches away from the NCAA qualifying mark and still has an entire outdoor season ahead of her. At the rate she is going, good things are sure to come.

Other Bowdoin athletes who proved worthy of All-New England honors were Nickerson '99 (5th) and Kate Walker '02 (7th) in the high jump, Meka Deacy '89 (8th) in the pole vault and Caitlin O'Connor (8th) in the 1000 meter run.

Most of the Bowdoin track athletes will complete the indoor season this weekend at the Boston University track for the ECAC Championships. BU's track should prove to be the fastest surface the Polar Bears have run on yet, so hopes are high that the meet will prove to have the fastest, highest and furthest successes of the season for all.

Shalyn Yamanaka '01 at the Middlebury carnival last weekend. (Richard Yamanaka)

Alpine skiing winds down

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STAFF WRITER

The Middlebury carnival marked the end of a long season for the alpine ski team. The team faced many challenges this winter — injuries, long travel times, difficult training schedules and a full slate of all the athletes. Despite the tough times, positive team leadership by Captains Ryan Harvey '99 and Shalyn Yamanaka '01 kept the team motivated throughout the season. In addition, the team stood behind Bowdoin newcomer coach Matthew Wilson's approach to the sport. When asked about Wilson, Mike Prendergast '00 said, "I have trouble with my skiing in the past, but Martin has shown me a different way to think about skiing and now I am skiing as fast as ever. Wilson has been one of the big assets to Bowdoin ski this season and the team looks forward to working with him in the future seasons. Unfortunately, the season did not end with as much of a bang as the team had anticipated."

The ugliest spikes on the track

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love for Maine, a great coach and teammates, high academic excellence and close proximity to home. Though working toward a double major in biology and environmental studies, Tallman has a special interest in visual arts. In fact, Tallman often goes on independent studies in the visual arts department, photography and painting. In her photo study, she takes portraits of people. One of her goals is to make herself more aggressive: "I ask people

I don't know if I can take photos of them. I try to get to know them and find a photo that embodies who they are." Look for her art work, which will be displayed in a senior art show at the end of the semester. After graduation, Tallman thinks she will end up doing something with art. However, she doesn't expect to limit it to any particular career path for a long time: "I have a new idea everyday." When asked about long- term career goals, she just laughed and then added, "my parents will just love this.

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In the first ever women's basketball NCAA Division III game for the Polar Bears, the women triumphed over their rivals, Bates. The victorious team could not be determined until the very end of the game when the crowd erupted with loud cheers during the closing seconds. Bates was defeated by the Polar Bears, 49-43, the final score. The women's basketball team received the fourth rank, a ticket to Williamsport, MA to do battle with the number one seeded Williams.

The contest against Bates featured forward Monika Dargin '01 in the first half and guard Samantha Good '02 in the second half. Dargin was a main contributor to the team's scoreboard in the first half after they fell behind 20-11. Dargin scored in and around six of her eleven points during the Polar Bear's 12-2 run. The result of the Bears' ability to shut down Bates at the end of the half was a 23-30 lead for Bowdoin.

The second half of the game featured constant back-and-forth lead changes. Bates had the lead at 42-36 with just under six minutes remaining. Good's leadership, which has been a main element of the team's success throughout the season, once again helped to lift the Bears to victory. She scored six unanswered points to tie the game and to give her team the momentum they needed to put the game away. Good scored 10 of her game-high 14 points during the 13-2 run that the Bears executed to send the Bobcats crawling back to Bates. The final score of this historic game in the history of Bowdoin women's basketball was Bowdoin 49, Bates 44.

Other key contributors to the Bears' victory were Alii Marshall '00 and Jamie Bennett '01. Marshall pulled down a game-high 11 rebounds and Bennett netted five points each. Also, Lauren Meyers '01 and Cynthia Maxwell '01 scored six points apiece. To qualify for the NCAA Division III Tournament, the Bears first had to post a win over Bates last week in Lewiston. The Polar Bears dominated most of the game. The final four minutes proved to be the determining factor in the outcome of the game. The Bears held a six point lead, 49-43 when the battle began. Four minutes of steals, missed free-throws, break-aways and timeouts made the end of the game intense. The Bears managed to survive the Bobcats' attack and came out on top, 57-55.

Leading the way offensively for the Bears was Meyers, who finished the night with 12 points. Marshall also contributed 10 points and led all other players in rebounding with 12.

Stefanie Pemper: The new coach who taught the team to dance

This year the women's basketball team was under the leadership of a new coach, Stefanie Pemper. The expertise in the sport of basketball and coaching has made the difference that allowed the Bears to qualify for the NCAA Division III Tournament for the first time ever. Pemper had been the assistant coach of the Harvard Women's Basketball team for three seasons prior to coming to Bowdoin. During her time at Harvard, the team captured three Ivy League titles and three appearances in the NCAA Division III Tournament.

Pemper had previously coached at Idaho State University, where she graduated from. Pemper played on the varsity team at ISU for four years. She left her mark in the record books for freestyle percentage and three-point percentage.

Her background in playing and coaching has proved to be the difference in the program at Bowdoin. Pemper's skills will be put to the test next week when the Polar Bears travel to Williamsport to do battle against the number-one seed in the tournament, Williams.

Men's Swimming

Bears make splash at New Englands

Jeremy Streatfield
STAFF WRITER

When polar bears awake well-watered and revivified from their winter-long slumbers, there’s no saying what they can’t or won’t do. A dozen of these terrifying beasts stretched their limbs last weekend, showing the rest of New England that Bowdoin’s swim team was no longer hibernating. The average spectator at the Williams pool last weekend watched with interest as a handful of swimmers continued their impressive streak of wins in various events; those same spectators may also have witnessed the jocks and catchalls hurled by Middletown and Wesleyan at the perennial favorites from Williams. Interposed within these expected occurrences were twelve success stories that concerned the competition and vowed the crown.

When a dozen men boarded a Maineline bus outside Moulton Union last Thursday, fewponds expected them to make much of a mark at the New England Championships for which they were destined. They had finished a dismal eighteenth out of twenty-five teams last year and there was little indication that much had changed. The team was young this year, five of them being first-year students. However, it was these five first-years who led the team’s meteoric change up the scoreboard.

On the first day of the meet, Elliot Dickson '02 used his speed in the 50 freestyle to set an impressive standard for his teammates. He would go on to finish thirteenth in that event and fourteenth in the 100 freestyle. He also played an integral role in the 800 freestyle relay by dropping five seconds off of his previous best time. As an effective indication of how the team improved from last year’s performance, the 800 freestyle relay finished thirty-five seconds faster than the previous year’s relay. Andy Shaw ‘02, in a performance that followed closely on the heels of Dickson’s blistering performance in the freestyle events, dropped eight seconds off of his best time to place twenty-third in the 200 backstroke. Not to be outdone, senior captain, Josh "Woodman" Wernig ’99, cruised to twenty-first place finish in the highly competitive 50 freestyle. His performance continued the improvement trend as he closed out an incredible list of performances on the first day of the meet.

By the second day of the meet, the team had already eclipsed the total score from the previous year, but the ravenous Polar Bears were still pursuing more prey. Matt Hammond '01 led off the day with a new school record and a third place finish in the 200 freestyle. This nicely complemented his ninth place finish in the 500 freestyle from the day before. One more first-year rounded out the band of swimmers who left such an indelible mark on the meet last weekend.

David Frank '02 not only dropped over a second in his 100 freestyle but swam the second leg of the exciting 400 freestyle relay that brought a ninth place finish. Some uninformed spectators may have surmised that the Polar Bears had receded back into hibernation by the last day of the meet. If they had looked a little closer, they would have seen Jay Stull’s ’02 twenty-third place finish in the 200 butterfly and Dan Farnbach’s ’01 twenty-second place finish in the 200 breaststroke.

By the time the Maineline bus pulled out of the Williams fieldhouse, seven swimmers scored points in individual events for the team, a three-fold improvement from the year before. Since so many of these performances were turned in by first years, there is promising future success for this young team.

Swimming fans should expect to see many of these faces lead the team to success again next year. Stull should easily replace Jeremy Streatfield ’99 in the medley relays. The combination of Dickson, Frank and Hammond should prove powerful in the freestyle relays; and Farnbach, Peter Holman ’01 and Scott Fujimoto ’00 should add much needed depth. The loss of Thom Clark ’99, Robert Reiser ’99 and Wernig will set the team back, but a strong recruiting class will hopefully fill these voids.
Campus television station planned

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Homer Simpson once said, "Let's all flock to the television's warm glowing glow." Wouldn't it be great to turn on your television and find out what was going on this evening? There are many mediums for delivering information on Bowdoin's campus, but few of these media reach students with the proper information when they want it. Soon this will be rectified as Bowdoin will have its very own television station.

The Bowdoin Cable Network (BCN) hopes to be up and running by next fall, broadcasting on a closed circuit network to the Bowdoin community. The creation of the station is due largely to the efforts of Finn O'Brien '00.

"This college would greatly benefit from the addition of the medium of television," said O'Brien, adding, "It will allow groups on campus to better advertise sporting events could be taped and broadcast at a later time; students could create original shows with new episodes every week; and any over other ideas."

BCN plans on being on the air from 8:00 a.m. until midnight seven days a week while school is in session. Programming will include re-broadcasting of events, original shows, possible broadcasting of movies, local area shows, an events calendar that can be updated continually, and daily news bulletins. Small groups on campus will be able to use this as a medium of mass publicity, with minimal cost and the ability to reach the entire student body. The station is going to be run entirely by students, which will allow for the station to change with the student body. Because it will be broadcast over a closed network, the station will not be monitored by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission). Instead the monitoring of the station will be the responsibility of the programming managers.

The station will have three to five produc-
tion crews who are responsible for recording original programming. The crews will be trained to work with the equipment and also will be held responsible for inappropriate programming. This will increase accessibility to the equipment in a controlled manner, while ensuring that the equipment is well cared for. These crews will also help individuals taping sporting events to produce footage that is more aimed towards the viewer, rather than the coach.

Athletics will greatly benefit from a television station on campus. Sporting events are frequently difficult to attend, especially for individuals that are involved in another sport playing simultaneously. The re-broadcasting of sporting events could greatly increase school spirit because of the increased exposure to the games. This will also provide viewing of away games, which until now have been limited to only the most devoted fans. Players will also have the ability to watch themselves in the comfort of their own rooms.

Teachers will be able to use BCN as a supplement to mandatory film viewings or lectures. One possibility would be to run assigned movies numerous times during the course of a week, so as to provide multiple opportunities for students with busy schedules. Departments will also be able to use the advertising features of the station. The music and theater and dance departments will be able to broadcast shows and recitals.

Re-broadcasting of campus events could also be a function of the station. Burgess Howard, director of student activities, said he is supportive of the station. "Part of my job is to be skeptical," said Howard. How said his primary concern is longevity, adding, "I want to make sure that groups and programs continue after their founders graduate."

One obvious concern is the diminishment of attendance at events. "I want people there live, but want as many people as possible to participate," said Howard. Howard gave the example of the George Mitchell lecture last fall. The lecture was packed with members of the Friends of Bowdoin, but student attendance was limited due to scheduling conflicts and space. BCN would have been able to broadcast the lecture live, as well as re-broadcast it at a later date.

There are many possibilities for the future of the station. It may be possible at a later date to trade programming with Brunswick Cable to allow the town to have access to broadcast Bowdoin events. Some of the shows that are in the works are: "The Bowdoin Tower," Bowdoin's own television soap opera; "Fifteen Minutes of Fame," showcasing the talent of Bowdoin students; "Bedtime Stories," broadcast readings of bedtime stories; and "Bowdoin Panel," a discussion group dealing with campus issues. There is also a possibility of broadcasting satellite programming.

The station will have a tight budget setup in Smith Union on Monday from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. by the mailroom for individuals looking to get involved or who would like to show support.

Not quite Superman's Fortress of Solitude, but the sculpture class did erect an ice sculpture in the middle of the quad early Thursday morning. (Adam Zimman/ Bowdoin Orient)

CEP considers gay and lesbian studies minor

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A proposal for a gay and lesbian studies minor was brought to the College's new course subcommittee of the Curriculum and Education Policy committee.

The draft of the minor, includes a new survey course designed to introduce students to gay and lesbian studies. If the subcommittee approves the proposal, it will go to the CEP as a whole.

The Gay and Lesbian Studies Committee is planning to meet with the CEP sometime next week, and members hope the entire process will be completed by spring.

The proposal was brought to the faculty by a professor of English, but would draw material from a variety of disciplines.

The CEP reviewed a similar plan for a gay and lesbian studies minor in 1997 after several students pursued independent study projects in the subject. This previous proposal, however, did not pass and therefore the CEP did not institute it as part of the Bowdoin curriculum.

According to Professor of Art Susan Wegner, a member of the Gay and Lesbian Studies Committee, "Students in our major have said that there were enough courses to support the minor and that the minor needed a core, independent-study courses rather than one or two courses.

Following the rejection, supporters of the creation of the minor set up a table in Smith Union, where they acquired 300 signatures on a petition that was later cited by members of the committee as evidence of a high level of student interest in the subject.

This new proposal reflects the prior concerns of the CEP. An integral part of the current minor proposal is that the courses must be similar to the one that the CEP felt was necessary.

Wegner emphasized the importance of this new course. "I see the core class and the minor as two sides of an arch," she said. "You can't have one without the other."

According to Professor of English David Collings, the committee does not want to include further details about the proposal until after it is brought before the CEP.

While no minor currently exists, the committee has in recent years been considering studies courses as gay and lesbian studies courses in such diverse departments as music, history, sociology, and English.

Arguments for the minor in the past have included the popularity of queer theory and keeping up with the national and other colleges. Proponents emphasized the importance of understanding issues of sexuality in the study of social transformations and providing a new framework of analysis in existing academic fields.
Professors discuss pros, cons of Internet

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The Intellectual Life Outside the Classroom Committee and the Student Executive Committee sponsored a debate Thursday night titled, "The Impact of the Internet and Technology on Society." The debate featured sociology professor Craig McEwen and Allen Tucker, professor of computer science.

The debate began with introductory comments from Tucker on the positive impact the Internet has had on society. He briefly described the development of the Internet from its foundation in the 1970s when it was used primarily as a research tool for large universities and the federal government to its current use by an estimated 30 to 40 million people. He divided his argument into four points. In the first he explained how "the Internet tends to enhance the personal growth and productivity more than many other venues," such as online commerce. He then discussed the "virtual office" and its potential for professional and corporate growth. This led to his third point that the Internet connects people and cultures, impacting international relations. He concluded with the educational opportunities for colleges and high schools to engage in better communication and increased access to materials.

McEwen began by expressing that he had some ambivalence on the subject of technology and society, but he also had serious questions about the impact of the Internet and technology on the quality and enhancement of human life. He presented his argument in six points, beginning with the issue of deregulation on the net by citing a Harvard study that indicated excessive Internet usage led to diminished social interaction. He discussed the loss of face-to-face contact, and the potential for fraudulent schemes to mislead large numbers of potential victims. The increased pace of daily life, with e-mail and voice mail taking away the opportunity for "down time or quiet spaces," also worries McEwen. Another concern he expressed was regulation and the fact that one's actions on the Internet can be tracked easily by the government and business. McEwen said that his final and greatest concern with technology, however, was its impact on "cultural capital," or its ability to increase the discrepancy between the disadvantaged and the wealthy.

The debate also included a question and answer portion. One student asked about the impact of the Internet on a global scale, specifically its effect, or lack thereof, on the third world. Tucker acknowledged that the inequities seen in the United States were magnified across the world, and that "the third world is out of the ballpark completely." Another student asked what the impact of a paperless society would be on future generations should a crisis such as the Y2K bug strike. Tucker said that, "if computing is ubiquitous across the world I would argue it alongside television. It isn't a controlling element; we have the privilege to step away from it, to turn it off." He added that, "the fact that it reaches everyone doesn't mean that it is everything." McEwen, however, argued that there are already "real sectors of our lives that are substantially computer dependent," and he sees that dependence increasing.

Inaugural religion lecture explores Chautauqua

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Last night, Professor Burke O. Long of the religion department gave his inaugural lecture last night as the William R. Kenan, Jr., Professor of Religion and the Humanities. Long's lecture, titled "Lakeide at Chautauqua's Holy Land: A Bible Scholar's Journey into Popular Culture," focused on the nineteenth century Chautauqua Methodist community in upstate New York. Particularly intriguing about the community was its 75' by 300' topographical replica of Biblical Palestine. John Vincent, who spearheaded the efforts at Chautauqua, called the replica "our tiny bit of the Holy Land." Although the replica has fallen into disrepair in recent years, visitors to Chautauqua can still walk the shores of a scaled Sea of Galilee and other topographical features mentioned in the Bible.

Although Chautauqua was certainly a destination for amusement, Long maintained that the founders of Chautauqua had very serious religious intentions. Experiencing the geography of the Holy Land, in all its particular, fits a very American Protestant formula of personal experience of God mediated through scripture. In this paradigm, Chautauqua became for its visitors a new, very tangible scripture. In Long's words, Chautauqua was a "culturally produced Bible."

It is Chautauqua's "attemt at illusion rather than its success that is the telling truth," said Long. He placed Chautauqua in a larger scope of "culturally reconfigured Bibles" in settings as diverse as Latin America, South Africa and Hollywood films. How "the Bible turned, kaleidoscope-like, into different renditions of itself," has for Long a contemporary relevance that extends far beyond the accuracy with which John Vincent and his colleagues reconstructed Biblical Palestine. A North Carolina inventor and businessman, Kenan established the named professorship in the terms of his will with the intention to encourage "...a scholar-teacher whose enthusiasm for learning, commitment to teaching, and sincere personal interest in students will enhance the learning process."
Off-campus study programs, in recent years, have rapidly increased in popularity. The number of Bowdoin students studying away has increased by 20 percent since the 1992-93 school year, and next year's numbers are likely to top this year's.

This year, just over 50 percent of juniors chose off-campus study, a slight increase over the last year. For next year, over 270 of the 436 members of the sophomore class, or roughly 62 percent, have submitted applications.

Last year's first meeting about off-campus study for the Class of 2001 filled the Room Classroom in the Visual Arts Center; this year's meeting for the Class of 2001 filled all the seats in Kenge Auditorium, with over 75 percent of the class attending.

Off-campus study programs date back to the 1950s, when most of the students who studied away were language majors. Since then, off-campus study has increased in popularity to the point where director of off-campus study Steve Hall called off-campus study "almost an assumed part of one's college experience."

The Guidelines for Off-Campus Study published by the College states, "Off-campus study should always deepen and bring fresh understanding to your understanding of a field. It may also... give you field experience unavailable to Bowdoin and introduce you to different methods of instruction and learning."

With these ideas in mind, sophomores begin their off-campus study search. Most students who turn in proposals are ultimately allowed to study off-campus, with only a few denied permission. "We look for a connection between a student's off-campus study program and that student's studies at Bowdoin," said Hall. "Most students who choose to apply, however, provide sound academic reasons and are allowed to off-campus study."

Although off-campus study programs are increasing in popularity nationwide, the numbers are skyrocketing at many small colleges in the northeast. Bowdoin, Colby, Bates, Wesleyan and Middlebury all send about half of their junior classes abroad. Ambrose sends about 53 percent of its juniors. Yale University, on the other hand, sends only seven percent of its junior class.

Enrollment in off-campus study programs at colleges such as Bates and Wesleyan has nearly doubled in the past ten years. The programs at Bowdoin have increased in size more slowly, though programs at the College have consistently sent a larger percentage of student abroad. The years than have other colleges.

"I don't know... how to explain how something becomes a part of academic culture," said Hall. "Colleges in small towns without a graduate school and in cold climates tend to have more students off-campus study. I wouldn't take it as an implicit criticism, but it is a pragmatic recognition, even as this world shrinks, that there is a lot outside of Bowdoin. To some extent, we want to see students studying abroad. We understand that some departments are small and don't have the coverage."

"Studying away is also often less expensive than a semester at the College, students pay $600 to the college in off-campus study fees for a year and then directly pay the school at which they're studying. Some programs in foreign countries, however, as well as many of the programs in Japan, are actually more expensive than regular tuition.

For the three new programs starting next year, students will pay tuition to the College. Under this program, students would be able to study at programs in London, South Africa and Ecuador, where they would take classes from Bowdoin. Art programs abroad.

While the house will be not college property until the fall of 2000, Bowdoin will acquire the barn, located to the side of the house, next fall. Efforts to renovate the building will begin this summer and be complete in time for the start of the academic year.

A committee, chaired by Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley and made up of staff, faculty and students, has been meeting regularly for the past few months to plan the facility. In response to student interest, the committee decided to include a ceramics studio in addition to the new dark room. When an initial e-mail was sent out last year asking students about the possibility, the committee received over 100 responses. "There has been long student demand for this type of facility," said Jack Brown '01, a member of the committee. "It's about time that Bowdoin had this kind of resource."

The Barn is a two-story building built in 1994 with approximately 1100 square feet per floor, currently used by the fraternity as storage. The committee planning the renovations intends to use about 75 percent of the first floor for a ceramics studio, complete with a kiln and five electric wheels.

The second floor will become a dark room for students not involved in photo classes. Smaller rooms on each floor will be used for a multimedia center including jewelry making, fabric arts, stained glass, woodworking and other crafts.

"We can build up from this point," said Bradley. "It is the College's intention to run workshops throughout the year using this new facility. Bradley said he hopes to bring in artists from around the community to run extracurricular classes for students. Several community members and alumni have already volunteered to offer this type of program.

The idea for a new craft facility began 18 months ago with an anonymous gift of $100,000. The funds came from the parent of a recent graduate who stipulated that the gift be used to construct a dark room in addition to the one in the Visual Arts Center for non-curricular purposes.

The College has had this type of facility in the past, but it was lost with the renovation of Moulton Union four years ago. The grant money will go mostly to building and structural needs, while other sources will be needed to provide for equipment. An additional student fee will be required to cover materials.

Initially, the College intended to house the craft center in Chase Barn, behind Smith House. Because of structural and zoning problems, however, Associate Director of Operations George Vesper suggested the move to the Theta Barn, as the fraternity had been cooperative with the College in previous negotiations. Additionally, the committee felt that this was the best possible location as it is right in the center of student residences. The moving of the new craft facility is simply one undertaking in a continued effort on the part of the College to emphasize and strengthen the arts.

Other efforts include the new "black box" theater, improvements to Walker Art Museum and fundraising effort to establish a new performance center in the current Curtis Pool. "There are many of students seeking opportunities to do craft work," said Bradley. "The Administration is aware of this, and has ambitions to connect Bowdoin to the vast community of Maine craftsmen."
Editorials

Harvard, rape and Bowdoin

Following a debate which grappled with the most slippery issues of campus sexual assault, the faculty of Harvard College voted last Tuesday to disband a student accused of date rape. Several angry students have accused the nation’s oldest and one of the most male-oriented colleges of not acting sooner or stronger. Others, including a group of faculty, have spoken out against what they perceive as a politically-correct witch hunt.

The details of the actual event have remained unclear because of Harvard’s reluctance to release them, as well as the involvement of alcohol. What we do know is that the two students spent four hours together in bed after spending a night drinking. As the woman drifted in and out of sleep, the man penetrated her, according to an account in Tuesday’s Boston Globe. Afterwards, the woman was upset and the man apologized in writing and in person. The incident happened in April, but outrage within and outside of the campus flared once the woman complained of the administration’s lack of support in her pursuit to see the male student prosecuted and expelled.

Reactions, whether in support of expulsion or clemency for the male student, have tended toward extremes. Women’s rights groups and the student herself have expressed disgust at the decision to dismiss the man instead of outright expelling him, and marching students chanted “Stop rape” on campus. Others, however, have offered several arguments to the effect that the trend toward defending the victim has gone too far, citing the immediate criminalization of alleged rapists, the public relations need for definitive action and the mitigating considerations of alcohol and previous, consenting sexual activity.

The conflagration over what happened and what should be done in such situations has become so intense that the inevitable public scrutiny can discourage victims from coming forward. As the Globe quotes the female Harvard student, “I not only was the victim of a violent crime, but it’s a real challenge to speak out about these things. I don’t do it lightly. I’m doing it for the other rape victims on this campus who for many reasons can’t speak out.”

The heightened debate, though, has not reduced the threat or the presence of sexual assault on campuses. Rape happens at Harvard as it happens at Bowdoin. Though students can easily believe that it does not because of a lack of statistical information, this college has demonstrated a commitment to raising awareness on campus. Safe Space sponsored a successful program of events for Sexual Assault Awareness Week: Speakers such as Jackson Katz and Maria Falzone challenged students to rethink their own conceptions of sexuality. In recognition of the same event, Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley sent a letter to students which acknowledged the presence of the “date-rape drug,” rohypnol, on campus.

The College is also continuing to bolster its efforts of victims seeking support. Security has changed its policy so that its reports will reflect all reports of sexual assault, including the anonymous ones. The sexual harassment policy is also under revision. Beyond such preventative measures, the College can only handle each situation with unique consideration for the circumstances, the victim, and the accused.

Remembering the honor code

As first years, during orientation, all of us paraded into Hawthorne & Longfellow to shake President Edward’s hand, inscribe our names into the matriculation book, and somewhere along the way, sign the honor code. Easily lost upon many of us during those frenetic days was the significance of that last crucial document.

Cheating is far from rampant at Bowdoin; only the occasional rumor suggests large-scale deception on exams or major projects. An assessment of the presence of smaller-scale cheating, however, would depend upon the definition that one uses. As professors continue to issue problem sets, language drills, and take-home exams, not always clarifying their stance on group work, the line between collaboration and cheating grows blurry. Students know the trouble that plagiarism will bring them, but how many know what the punishment would be for seeking the help of another on a problem set? How many would consider that cheating?

Those who read the honor code closely before signing it know that the responsibility for upholding their academic integrity lies with them. Regardless of the punishments that the J-Board or the Dean’s office concocts for those who violate the code, students bear the burden of avoiding any compromising situations. And although the code does not insist those students who witness a cheating incident and do not report it, they too are guilty of academic dishonesty.

The honor code serves as one of the few moral institutions within the secular framework of our intellectual world. As we strive to better ourselves as academics, we must not neglect morality and idealism. To the extent that the challenges of Bowdoin will prepare us for the world beyond, the ability to maintain an integrity regulated by oneself and upheld by one’s peers is an invaluable experience. Chief among the lessons we might learn from it is an appreciation for the relative insignificance of grades.

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Student Opinion

Protecting the rights of students requires immediate action

By Kim Schneider

I could be expelled from Bowdoin for what I say in this column. There is no law, either nationally or locally, which protects students at private institutions of higher learning from being sanctioned by their college or university administrators for what they say or write either on- or off-campus.

Consider the “student conduct codes” and similar speech-restricting codes being enacted at schools across the nation, including the University of Maine (according to a recent editorial in The Maine Campus), which punish any offensive speech that is "based in bias"—a very broad statement that could easily be abused to include almost any "improper" opinion.

Think this would never happen at Bowdoin? Imagine if I wrote this column about my initiation into the Pi Mu Epsilon Society instead. Somehow I doubt Bobo would be quite so forgiving.

Alarmed at the increasing encroachment upon the First Amendment rights of Maine post-secondary students, several legislators have drafted a bill (L.D. 1264) that would protect students’ speech and association rights. It would prevent a student from being "excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, subjected to harassment, discrimination or intimidation in or denied any rights officially or unofficially sanctioned" by any public or private college in the state. A similar law has already been enacted in California, and the federal government also passed legislation guaranteeing these rights (albeit without any clear enforcement procedures).

This bill first came to my attention last Thursday when a group of alumni from the University of Southern Maine came to campus to encourage the approximately 25 Bowdoin students present to join those from USM in the journeying to the State House to speak at the public hearing on this bill. They offered ten seats from the bus they chartered to any Bowdoin students interested in attending.

I had never been to a state legislature before, and although I had never testified before one, in fact, I had never done any sort of public speaking. But as a journalist (of sorts), I believe very strongly that everyone should enjoy equal protection of their First Amendment rights. I went to a public high school in Massachusetts, the only state in the country that guarantees secondary school students’ freedom of speech. Until this bill was brought to my attention, I never realized that I had relinquished those rights by matriculating at Bowdoin. So despite my inexperience in public speaking, I signed up to speak in favor of the bill.

Monday afternoon a Bowdoin alumnus and I joined the USM contingent at the State House in Augusta. To my surprise, not a single other Bowdoin student came to speak, and only one (who is studying away in the People’s Republic of China) had prepared a written statement to be submitted into the record. In all honesty, I think that we could have put on much a better presentation to the Educational and Cultural Affairs Committee (the ones reviewing the bill). For one thing, many of the students and alumni who spoke focused only on the implications of this bill for Greek societies. That is part of what harmed the federal students’ rights amendment: the view of it as a "pro-fraternity" legislation. This bill, in fact, encompasses far more than just fraternities and sororities. Personally, I find the guarantee of freedom of speech—something all of us take for granted—very important.

Another problem I saw was that the bill was discussed in a way that implied that a college or university would be forced to recognize any protected organization (like fraternities) if this bill passed. My layperson interpretation of the bill is that it would only require the colleges not to take official action (like expulsion) against a student who exercised their freedoms. This would mean, for example, that Bowdoin could refuse to recognize fraternities, and could say that no such organizations exist in their admissions literature, but could not expel students merely for choosing to live off-campus with other members of the unrecognized organization. A similar policy has been enacted at Amherst College, sort of a “live and let live” policy.

I was also concerned that most of the commentators on the committee seemed apathetic at best and antagonistic at worst to the legislation. Two members—including the Senate chair of the committee—left before testimony began on L.D. 1264. One questioned whether or not there was a conflict of interest in that two of the sponsors of the bill who presented it to the committee were “non-traditional” students in the University of Maine system. At the conclusion of one USM student’s testimony, a member of the committee asked in a bored tone of voice, “Are you the last one?” The Representative chair of the committee repeatedly used the Ku Klux Klan as an inflammatory example of the dangers of allowing students to freely assemble. (It has been long established that the First Amendment protects even abhorrent groups like the Klan; we can’t pick and choose which organizations we want to exist or we are defeating the purpose of the Bill of Rights.)

Even though no one spoke out against the bill, it seemed as if we were fighting an uphill battle. All in all, I felt that we were not taken seriously.

A lot of these problems, I believe, could have been corrected if more students had been involved. Imagine if this legislation had been crafted by a coalition of Bowdoin, Colby and USM alumni to address common concerns about students’ rights. If more Bowdoin students had testified, it would have presented a more unified front that the Education committee would have to have taken notice of.

Until this law is passed, Bowdoin and other post-secondary institutions across the state can continue to infringe upon students’ rights. Several of the USM alumni called me "brave" for allowing myself to be interviewed by NewsChannel 13 and the Portland Press Herald. (Neither story was ever published.) They only half-jokingly promised to find me a place to live at USM if and when Bowdoin took action against me for speaking my peace. One lawyer gave me his card and told me I could contact him if I felt the school was exerting pressure on my professors to lower my grades. While the concern seemed to border almost on the paranoid and surprised me greatly, I realized that under current legal precedent Bowdoin administrators could do exactly what I so desired.

I am very glad that I testified in front of the committee, even if it felt like a battle in the right. I still remain utterly disappointed that no other Bowdoin students believe enough in their rights to try to protect them. I asked several of the students at the original meeting why they ended up deciding not to go. Some said that they had midterms, presentation or other class work that shouldn’t be missed. Some said they felt that the law wouldn’t be passed in time to help any of them, and so was not worth it. One said he decided not to go after discussing the matter with his fraternity’s alumni, why anyone would want to encourage fraternity members not to support a bill that could ultimately help them is absolutely beyond me.

So Bowdoin apathy has apparently worn out again. Students here no longer care about trying to defend their freedoms, attempting to put limits on what a college can tell a student to do or preserving the history of fraternal organizations.

Do you disagree with me? Then get involved! The bill hasn’t been killed yet; we still have time to win this battle. There is a public “work session” on Monday at the state house in Augusta interested student can attend. We can write to our Brunswick representatives, John Richardson and Thomas Davidson. Also, Mary Small of nearby Bath is one of the members of the Education committee. E-mail me (kschneider@bowdoin.edu) for contact information, or check out the Maine Legislature web pages at http://www.state.me.us/legisl/. Now is the time for us to protect our rights and those of college students for generations to come.

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OUTDATED SCHOOL COMPUTERS

Perhaps some of you, upon venturing to the basement of H&L or to the confines of Hatch, have noticed something about the computers that currently inhabit those spaces. I’m sure that all of us have at some point found ourselves face to face with a vile and evil computer at one of these locales that for some reason either ate a lab write-up, took half an hour to print out that last minute term paper, or just beeped and proceeded to melt down when you looked at it funny. The Student Computing Committee, a completely student manned and driven computing policy committee, has been looking into why this has come to pass.

The surest reason for this malady is a simple thing: Most of the computers, especially in the Mac part of H&L, are old. They are outdated machines that are continuously being asked to run newer, faster and more demanding programs that they just weren’t equipped to handle. The fact that two hundred students all want to do it at the same time doesn’t help either. A plan being currently proposed here at Bowdoin is to begin a four year replacement cycle for computers on campus.

While this sounds good at first, I ask you to consider computers from four years ago. My mind drifts to a wonderful little PC I had. Compared to today’s models, it had one eighth as much memory and was about one sixth as fast. Quite a jump in four years, and there is nothing to suggest that this trend will not continue in computer manufacturing. To myself, and to the rest of the SCC, it makes little sense to have a policy which allows computers that students need to use to get so far behind in terms of technology.

Another suggested plan would have computers in labs replaced every two years. This makes much more sense for these highly used computers.

At the end of two years these “old” computers could be given to faculty or staff who wouldn’t mind a slightly newer computer. Let’s not get into their computer replacement cycle. I’ve been there. It’s not pretty. This plan would allow the labs to be kept up to date with the latest computer advances, allowing Bowdoin students access to the resources they deserve. Bowdoin has stated that “there is no higher priority than computing at Bowdoin College,” but it has yet to agree to fund a program like the two year replacement cycle, which would allow CITS to keep Bowdoin students well-equipped. The SCC encourages all students to get involved with this. If you would like to see the computers at Bowdoin College significantly improved, let the administration know. Feel free to contact any members of the SCC (listed below), and let us know your views. We’ll also be printing future articles in order to keep you up to date on computing issues at Bowdoin.

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Preserving Maine Wilderness

To the Editor:

At Bowdoin, we have the great privilege of being a couple of hours from the largest continuously forested East of the Mississippi. As lovers of outdoor recreation and natural beauty, we cannot afford to take for granted the health and accessibility of Maine’s northern forest. With an unprecedented amount of land turnover in our northern forests these days, the future health, accessibility, and stability of these forests is distinctly at risk. In the past year, three million acres of forest land have been placed on the market by paper companies. That’s the size of fourteen Baxter State Parks! While this is a vulnerable time for the forests, such land turnover also provides the people of Maine with an opportunity to protect special places and to lay the foundation for a revitalized, sustainably managed northern forest economy.

Mainers have long had access to paper company lands, which cover about ninety percent of Maine’s northern woods, for hunting, fishing, canoeing and hiking. Historically, the forests have been under the stable ownership of large landowners, many of whom own family-run timber companies. The face of the timber industry, however, has been changing in the past two decades. Dominated by multinational corporations with more loyalty to their stockholders than to the land or people of Maine, the industry is cutting trees faster than they can grow back. Increased mechanization and clearcutting have left the landscape pounded. Most of us have stumbled upon these vast clearcuts on various “wilderness” trips and been startled, on summing a peak, to look down upon the patchwork of green and brown. Moreover, industrial forestry has turned wild forests into plantations of low-value, even-aged trees, rather than the diverse, multiple-use forests that once existed. Equally disturbing as reckless forest management is the recent trend of subdividing prime shorefront property for real estate.

So, what can we do to protect special places like Moosehead Lake, Maine’s Appalachian Trail and the Allagash region? The State of Maine can negotiate with paper companies and other willing sellers to place ecological and public ownership. With the heart of forests in the hands of the people in Maine, the land can be managed with the long-term interests of the state in mind. Maine currently has only five percent of its land publicly owned, which is 70% of the lowest percentage in the country. By passing a strong land acquisition bond in the order of $100 million, the State Legislature can make funds available to purchase some of Maine’s most precious areas for the public.

We can also express our support to Governor King, our state legislators, and the National Park Service to investigate the eventual possibility for a Maine Woods national park which would surround Baxter State Park and would include the one hundred mile wilderness section of the Appalachian Trail, Moosehead Lake, and the Allagash Wilderness Waterway. Not a competing plan, the National Park would be a more long-term goal for the region that could complement state-owned lands.

Thus, by all standards, an unprecedented period in Maine history. Anyone who enjoys these forests cannot afford to ignore the vast turnover of land. We must press our leaders to act with foresight and wisdom and acquire special places for the state of Maine. The Maine Woods, despite its name, are more of the treasures of its kind in this country. Let’s preserve these lands so that the forest may regenerate into a healthy, wild ecosystem once again and continue to sustain us in a morally, physically, and spiritually.

Rebecca Clark ’01
President of the Evergreens

CASSANDRA DRAGON- ARCHAMBAULT ’01 & GRETCHEN NEWBY ’01
Danville, NH; Portland, OR

"He’ll be at our party this weekend."

JOHN WILLETT ’01
Jupiter, FL

"I’d put him over my knee and tickle him ’til he’s purple."

JESSIE LORTIE ’00
Middleboro, MA

"With or without clothing? We’re talking Ajijon here."

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His Truck

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Maynard, MA; Weston, MA

"He’ll be our wardrobe fashion consultant and dress us for the gala."

CAT WHEELER ’01
Monrovia, CA

"Well, I did see him buy some Spree in the Convenience Store yesterday."

LIZ STEFFEY ’01 & KIYAH DUFFEY ’01
Los Alamos, NM; Fargo, ND

"Two words: sensation and perception."

IAN LECLAIR ’02
Goshen, NH

"Ajijon might come beat me up."

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Letter to the Editor
Peter Garcia, leader of the pack

CHRISTINE LEHMANN
STAFF WRITER

Monday, March 8 in the Beam Classrooms, Peter Garcia presented a lecture entitled, "Exoticism, Eroticism, and the Echo of Contemporary Mexican Popular Music in the United States." This fascinating discussion of music, culture and tradition was one in a series of lectures on Mexico that will be presented by Bowdoin College.

Garcia, who is a Ph.D. student at the University of New Mexico, began his lecture by discussing Latin Americans to cayoteos. In Native American and Latin American culture, the coyote has taken on many different identities and meanings. He is a trickster and a hero; he is animal-like and god-like; he displays a wild enthusiasm, an alternative way of living. The coyote lives on the edge.

In the context of the present-day world culture include those people who live on the fringes of two or more cultures. "Coyotes" must face the modern struggle of opposites by bridging the gap of cultural worlds. The people who are most often associated with the "coyote" are the communities that stem from a combination of Mexican and Anglo descent. As members of two distinctly individual cultures, many Latin Americans living in the U.S. are currently in the process of fighting to save their disappearing past. Many Mexican Americans are refuting to simply watch as their second-generation of children lose the concept of their history as well as the ability to use their traditional language.

Authors such as Gloria Anzaldua, a lesbian Chicana who wrote Borderlands - La Frontera, discuss the personal struggles of Latin Americans as they face many cultural contradictions. Richard Rodriguez hopes to see Mexican Americans form a culture within the United States that combines their presence in America with their past in Mexico. Rodriguez, along with other Latin Americans, sees the solution to these contradictions and losses of identity with the incorporation of the Spanish language into the American culture; yet, as Peter Garcia so aptly explained in his lecture on Mexican music, "Language is not only spoken, it is also sung."

Linda Rondstadt, who became popular in the United States as a 1970s rock star, is one example of an artist who expresses the Spanish language through song. Few people knew of her Mexican descent until she returned to her cultural and musical roots in the later years of her career. Rondstadt grew up to the sounds of Mariachi, a music from Mexico that helped her connect to a culture that seemed to be slipping away from her understanding and the understanding of other Mexican American citizens of her generation. Mariachi is a style of music that can actually be described as a way of living, the songs are often sad but the music resonates with a triumphant, proud, strong tone that is truly full of life. Mariachi incorporates small parts of Western culture through the use of guitars, violins, trumpets and operatic voices, however, these instrumental similarities cannot disguise the distinct emotions, history and language of the Mexican culture that permeate Mariachi pieces.

The combination of the Western and Mexican musical worlds assist in weakening the hegemonic, West-ern-based culture of the United States.

Linda began to create music in the traditionally Mexican style, often times using pieces originally performed in the earlier days of Mariachi. Although her pronunciation was not always perfect, the passion, emotion and style of Linda's music shone through. Linda helped to link a Latin American generation that was losing touch with its past back to its cultural foundation.

Another distinctively Mexican music emerged in a new form during the 1970s, appealing more to the younger generations of Mexican Americans as well as to many Anglo-American. This music became known as Tejano, the use of sounds and lyrics to reflect the emotion, pride and the multi-cultural reality of Latin Americans today.

A specific example of this genre of music can be seen with the pop diva, Selena. Selena was on her way to becoming an international star until her life was cut short by a brutal assassin. In her short life, Selena used music to continue building the bridge over the gap between the Mexican and American cultures. Truly, many people feel that some Tejano musicians such as Selena are not as true to their history as Rondstadt. Selena attempted on several occasions to sing Mariachi pieces and although her pronunciation of the language was beautiful, the passion and excitement behind the words seemed lost and transparent.

There are many who saw the Tejano music of Selena become tainted by the influence of MTV with its flashing images, bright lights, bland, poppy music and sexual overtones. Regardless of the obvious water-down of a distinct Mexican music, Selena was still a connection to the past of Mexico that was gaining popularity not just among young Latin-Americans, but throughout the world. Selena has been key in blurring the lines of Planes see GARCIA, page 8.
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**FRI Mar. 12**

**Workshop** (3:00-4:30 p.m. & 4:30-6:00 p.m.) Slam poetry with Samantha Coerbell of "Real Live Poetry." In these workshops, students will create poetry of their own to be performed in the Saturday slam poetry show. Sign up at the Smith Union information desk. Massachusetts Hall, Faculty Room.

**Lecture** (4:00 p.m.) "Wild Utah—America's Redrock Wilderness," presented by Dave Fasch of the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance. The Visual Arts Center, Beam Classroom.

**Music** (8:00-9:30 p.m.) Lynn Deves and her band perform. The Pub. FREE!

**Performance** (8:00 p.m.) Slam poetry by Samantha Coerbell. Hear original works from students created at the Friday afternoon workshops. If you're thinking "I would like to know more about this event. It sounds interesting and fun!", it's your lucky day! All muse on the previous page, you will find a related story. Enjoy. The Pub.

**Movie** (8:00 p.m.) "Ed Wood." This is one of Jon's favorite movies. It's about Hsly, a woman who was a film director, Ed Wood, thus, we have the title. Jon's a classy guy, so if he likes this movie, all I can say is: darn! I must be good. SASE Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Music** (9:00 p.m.) Surreal, a Bowdoin band, performs. This band performed during the Black Arts Festival and received rave reviews from fellow students. Among other works, they perform Laurnh Hill and Mariah Carey covers. Free, but bring your I.D. Chi Delta Phi.

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**SAT Mar. 13**

**Forum** (9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.) "Mapping a Greenway Vision for Maine," sponsored by environmental studies and Maine Greenways. Reservations required. Call 725-3629 for more information. Druckenmiller Hall.

**Meeting** (10:30 a.m.) Bowdoin Special Friends. Sargent Gym.

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**SUN Mar. 14**

**Discussion** (3:00-6:00 p.m.) "Naive in Facing the Good," a video presentation in which Hermann Strobel, WWII veteran, describes his experiences as a POW, analyst and lecturer of the Jung Institute in Zurich presents. The Visual Arts Center, Kresge Auditorium.

**Movie** (9:00 p.m.) "Kings of the Sun." Shakespeare in Love. Wait, if you're a junior, read on. If not, sorry, but this doesn't apply to you. For some reason I don't know of, the Eveningstar Cinema has been rented so juniors can watch this movie for free. It's a pretty nice idea...unless you're a first year or a sophomore or a senior. Evening Star Cinema, Terrace Mall. FREE!

**Relax**
I like to appeal to all facets of the student body. My "motivate" day is directed towards those who need that extra push, but I know there are those members of the student body who stress a bit too much, and for you, I say, what will any of this matter 100 years from now anyway? Take a break. No one's looking.

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**MON Mar. 15**

**Film** (6:30 p.m.) "The Terrorizer." This 1987 Taipei film directed by Edward Yang is designed to shock by revealing the real side of life in contemporary urban Asia. Sponsored by Asian Studies 254: Art and Ideology in Chinese Film. Sils Hal, Smith Auditorium.

**Motivate**
The week before Spring Break is synonymous with midterms. Although this week can be as unpleasant as bludgeoning yourself with a dull object, just think about where you'll be next week at this time. Somewhere warmer or perhaps somewhere cold but inviting...somewhere not here.

**Meeting** (8:30-10:30 a.m.) President Edwards meets with students. Would like to see a few less students or more students. The Pub. FREE!

**Lecture** (7:00 p.m.) "Flooding on the Kennebec," presented by Eleanor Everson, historian. Sponsored by the Friends of Merrymeeting Bay, Patagonia, Enterprise Farms and the environmental studies program with support from Brunswick-Topsdham Land Trust. The Visual Arts Center, Beam Classroom.

**Movie** (8:00 p.m.) "A Star Is Born." In case you missed it the first time...Sils Hall, Smith Auditorium.

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**TUE Mar. 16**

**Seminar** (4:00 p.m.) Jung seminar, "Noah's Ark: How Animals Enhance Human Experience," William Watsoner, English professor presents. Having only had negative experiences with my former flesh eating English Springer Spaniel puppy, Quinby, I am still searching for the answer to this question. The Visual Arts Center, Beam Classroom.

**Film** (7:00 p.m.) "The Sixth Sun: A Mayan Uprising in Chiapas," presented as part of the Mexican Pathways Series. Through interviewing Zapastistas and villagers in Chiapas, including subcomandante Marcos, this film examines events during and following the 1994 EZLN uprising. Hubbard Hall, Conference Room West.

**Film** (6:00 p.m.) "A Star is Born." This is a 1954 film, directed by George Cukor and starring Judy Garland and James Mason. Although we don't know anything about this film, did you know that Judy Garland starred in The Wizard of Oz? So, if you like her in that film...Sils Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Lecture** (7:00 p.m.) "How it Came to Pass," presented by Peter Sestak, coach of men's and women's cross country and track. Presented as part of the Faculty Seminar Series. Sponsored by the Dean of Academic Affairs and the Committee on Teaching, Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

**Music** (10:00 p.m.) Stringbuilder performs. You've almost survived this week. Go to the pub, have some free popcorn, and enjoy the music. I'm sure the music will be quite good, and yet I cannot promise this, because I can't seem to locate information on reviews on them. In any case, there will be free popcorn, The Pub.

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**WED Mar. 17**

**Discussion** (8:15 a.m.) Breakfast discussion series, topic and facilitator to be announced. Sponsored by the Women's Resource Center. Continental breakfast is provided. The Women's Resource Center, 24 College Street.

**Seminar** (12:00-1:00 p.m.) "Eating Disorders and the Selective Liberal Arts College," presented by Peter Sestak, coach of men's and women's cross country and track. Presented as part of the Faculty Seminar Series. Sponsored by the Dean of Academic Affairs and the Committee on Teaching, Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

**Meeting** (8:30-10:30 a.m.) President Edwards meets with students. Would like to see a few less students or more students. The Pub. FREE!

**Film** (6:00 p.m.) "A Star is Born." In case you missed it the first time...Sils Hall, Smith Auditorium.

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Although Tariq Mohammed '99 does not have a tattoo to keep up with the tradition of sport-profits students, he qualifies as eccentric because of his tiger claw scar on his back. Well, the scar is really from a car accident but Mohammed said he likes to tell everyone that he was trekking in the Himalayas and was attacked by a mountain cat.

In his sixth year of squash, Mohammed is co-captain of the men's squash team along with Josh Pacheco '99. For those of you who are unfamiliar with squash, and I don't mean the vegetable, Mohammed described the game: "It takes place in a small room. There is a net on the front wall. The idea is to hit the ball above the net." According to Mohammed, squash requires strength, skill, endurance, and a certain degree of intellect. "Squash forces you to think and make decisions quickly. It's all about strategy."

When asked what he enjoys about squash, Mohammed describes the dynamic game. Mohammed said he is impressed with the sportsmanship on his team and how his teammates works hard to improve their game. Feeling motivated by his teammates, Mohammed said, "Your team is an integral part of your game because they help you help yourself get better."

The squash team is currently in a transitional year as they have a new coach, Saturday Pacheco '99. Having a lot of respect for his coach, Mohammed said, "He's good at explaining the game in complex yet understandable terms."

According to Mohammed, the coach tries to help the team focus on shot selection, technique, and movement on the court. Mohammed said Coach Bajwa compares squash to a dance: "The better you can move, the quicker you can retrieve balls, hence more offensive play."

When Mohammed was twelve, he went on an exhibition squash match in Saudi Arabia to watch the first and second ranked players in the world in 1989, Jahangir Khan and Chris Dittma. Mohammed was inspired to play squash after "watching them play at that level, making everything look so easy."

He even had the opportunity to meet Khan, who serves as a role model for him, being "intense on the court and laid back off the court." During the summer after his freshman year, Mohammed was a coach at the Harvard Junior Squash Camp. He said teaching squash was an interesting experience, very different from playing it. Finding the experience rewarding, Mohammed said, "Teaching squash helped me to think about how I play and how I would like to play. It was also exciting to watch the junior players improve."

Mohammed expressed a special interest in teaching others to play squash: "I will always be close to a squash court no matter where I am in the world and help young people to pick up the game."

Mohammed said he had the opportunity to play squash in a number of international settings. He first learned the game in the United Arab Emirates, where he was born. Mohammed has also lived in England, Saudia Arabia, India, and Holland. Finding his experience to be beneficial, he said, "My international upbringing has given me a multi-cultural perspective. I've had the opportunity to meet people from many countries and learn about their cultures."

In the summer following his first year at Bowdoin, Mohammed spent his first time living with an American family on a farm in Freepoint, helping to mow lawns, feed chickens and paint a boat.

Though Mohammed came to New England to visit many different small colleges, Bowdoin was not a school on his list. In fact, he learned about Bowdoin from an Ambush Professor, who recommended Bowdoin. When Mohammed came to Bowdoin, he was impressed with the quad: "The quad made me think this place was for me. I had a gut feeling that it was the right place."

A government major with a concentration in international relations, Mohammed hopes to pursue international affairs after Bowdoin, either international business or international development. He studied away in Washington D.C., where he got a hands-on approach to policy making at a domestic and international level. In addition, he had the opportunity to do an internship with a private consulting firm that "broadened [his] understanding of philanthropy."

This semester, Mohammed is pursuing an independent study in sociology with Professor Joe Bandy titled "Post-Colonial Indentities and The Indian Subcontinent."

Relieving his project is self-reflective, Mohammed said, "I feint with my background and experiences as a migrant person with a nomadic lifestyle. It is interesting to read how others in similar circumstances cope."

When asked what he will miss most about Bowdoin, Mohammed responded, "The squash team, the quad, the food, the crisp air, and my host family."
Between the lines: March madness

Bears come home with six All-ECAC titles

By Justin DeGeorge

Break out the brackets — March has arrived. For the next three weeks, the nation will be inundated with college basketball. Six days after the Grizzlies took their three games last week, the smoke finally clears, a national champion will be crowned.

It seems the smart money is on Duke. Mike Krzyzewski's juggernaut hasn't lost a game in more than three months. Duke finished last season 32-1, closing out the twenty-seven straight victories after dropping a two-point loss to Cincinnati in late November. The trio of Trajan Langdon, Elton Brand and William Avery has been key, combining for fifty points per game en route to this remarkable season. When they all play well, Duke is virtually impossible to beat. Their first round matchup-up is 12-19 Florida A&M should be one of the ugliest games in the college basketball history.

We're most fans will safely scribble DUKE in the middle of their brackets, the real test is trying to guess who will be this year's Valpo. Last year, Bryce Drew led the Crusaders to the Final Four. Sixteen months ago, Drew was a near six-foot appearance after burying Mississippi at the buzzer in one of the tournament's most memorable moments. Picking that underdog can prove the difference between a big payday and weeks of frustration. (A quick note of advice for all of those filling out brackets: wrack your brain all you want; it won't matter. Actual knowledge of college basketball is vital. Actual knowledge of the process. I've long since given up trying to carefully select my teams, since it's the most classic game, to the one who always walks away with the prize.)

Here are a few underdogs to root for: George Washington. Point guard Shawnta Rogers is a joy to watch. This senior led the A-10 in scoring, assists and steals while being the Conference Player of the Year honors. He's possibly the most productive point guard in the country, despite missing most of his senior season due to a stress fracture in his right foot. His presence in the GW lineup causes headaches for opponents on both ends of the court, as he's a ball like no other and creates instant offense with his quickness and improved outside shooting. He's Muggsy Bogues with a jump shot. Besides, the fact that I could look this guy in the eye and makes his feats on the court even more remarkable.

Rice Island. They're a twelfth seed, but it seems everyone's picking them to upset UNC-Chapel Hill. A big reason is 6-10 sophomore Lamar Odum, one of the nation's best freshmen who set out his freshman campaign with academic woes. He will hopefully bolt after this year to become the number one pick in the '99 draft, but in the meantime Rice Island fans have the tournament to save his god. Odum can do it all, one of a new breed of players who can score (17.9 ppg), rebound (9.4 rpg) and create (3.9 apg). No one in the country can match up with him, and he's begun to accept and relish his role as a go-to guy. His three-ball at the buzzer to beat Temple and capture the A-10 title vaulted the Rams into the tournament, where they hope to replicate last year's improbable run.

Miami of Ohio. Two words: Wally Szczerbiak. The forward is forward is as pure a shooter as there is. Wally World poured in 24 points per contest, establishing himself as one of the most NBA-ready prospects in the nation. His summer during a scrimmage for the Goodwill Games, Szczerbiak dropped a 43 spot on the Orlando Magic's key-known opponents, proving that he has NBA range to go along with his NBA body. Number seven Washington is going to have to tough through a tough final season, offensive attacks, which he has been bothered by knee problems. He is not or not these players pull off their respective充当 as is good as anyone's guess, but since Rogers, Odum and Szczerbiak dropped so many colors for the last time, it's our duty to enjoy them while we can, before they're corrupted by NBA life. A big congratulations goes out to the Men's and Women's Bowling Basketball Teams. Both just completed their own journey into the NCAA limelight, bringing a little bit of March Madness to Brunswick after finishing off remarkable seasons. The men wound up 18-8, hosting and destroying a young Georgia Tech team in the postseason, before falling to a strong Trinity squad on the road. Likewise, the women ended at 19-6, treating the home crowd to a dramatic first-round victory over Bates (whose large contingent of fans brought nothing but棄 and support), before finally succumbing to Williams (by a score that was eerily similar to the men's 72-58 and 71-57).

CAITLIN O'CONNOR

STAFF WRITER

After the women's track team's performance at the ECAC Championships this past weekend at Boston University, the Polar Bears look ready to translate their success to the outdoor track. The women placed sixth out of thirty teams at the meet, which includes teams from New England as well as New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.

Boston University's men's track has been touted as the finest on the East Coast. While the Polar Bears look taking a liking to it, setting personal bests, reaching NCAA marks and placing among the cream of the crop.

The team walked away with six All-ECAC performances. The most notable individual of the day was Katrina Evrard. The senior ended her collegiate indoor campaign in style, placing second in the 55-meter dash and fifth in the 200-meter dash. Her time of 7.35 in the 55 dash placed her among the best in the nation. The time improved her provisional standing for the NCAA Championships, 14th, but it proved just shy of making the cut-off of 13. On the brighter side, the time tied the school record set by Kristi King back in 2001.

Without missing a step, Evrard was on fire in the 200-meter, burning up the track with a time of 26.3. The time broke her own school record in the event that was set at the State Meet back in February.

Although Evrard was disappointed not making the NCAA cut, she cited the team as a supportive factor in her success this season. "This is a team that has been very supportive of each other," explained Evrard. "When I missed going to Nationals, a lot of my teammates were really nice to me and helped me to remember that we have all had a great season.

The high scoring event of the meet for the Polar Bears was the 1000-meter run.

The middle distance duo of Vicky Shen and Callie O’Connor ‘99 both ended their All-Academic honors with their performances. The race was fast and furious from the gun, but the two always had plenty of fighting fire, with them placing 2nd (3.02) and 5th (3.03), respectively.

SQUASH

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number one or two spot throughout his four-year Bowdoin squash career, it seemed only fitting that it was Mohammed’s (15-7, 15-5, 15-4) triumph at number one that sealed Navy’s fate. McClellan and Smith both had stellar performances (5-4, 3-1) to ease the Bears to a 6-3 victory, thus solidifying the number ten spot in the nation.

By the way, like tennis, is viewed primarily as an individual, rather than a team sport. This past weekend, however, the squash team needed the hard work of all nine point players to grind out a 2-1 record for the tournament. But amongst all of the hoopla and hubbub, let us also not forget the contributions of Brian Willens ’01, Drew Hoffmann ’02, and Rich Calhoun ’00, who played with heart and intensity at the ten, eleven, and twelve spots throughout the season. Graduating three seniors in Pacheco, Mohammed, and Sandler, the Bears need the returning players to step up and contribute to the blossoming program.

A new squash facility containing seven glass-backed international courts next to the Farley Fieldhouse has been promised by Athletic Director Jeff Ward for the upcoming season. With the state of the art facility, the unsurpassed knowledge of Barry, the experience of Jeff Ward, and the skill and desire of several returning starters, the men’s squash team can look forward to an even more successful campaign next season.
Bears finish 10th in the country

ABEL McCLennen CONTRIBUTOR

You probably notice a few of them as you make your afternoon trek from Hatch or Druckenmiller, through the Morrell Gymnasium and on to check mail at the Smith Union. They walk out of the men’s locker room, a pair of protective glasses and a racquet that bears a striking resemblance to one used in tennis. They are the members of the men’s squash team. With hard work and very little fanfare, the boys of winter have finished the 1998-99 season as one of the top ten teams in the nation, all divisions included. At the National Intercollegiate Squash Championships last weekend, ten varsity players went down to Harvard to make their mark as the highest ranked men’s team in the illustrious 150-year history of varsity athletics at Bowdoin.

When the season kicked off in early November, the men barely had a set schedule and had just been introduced to a new coach, Satinder Bhajwa. A native of India, “Baj” is one of the most well respected coaches in the squash world. With the assistance of veteran coach Phil Soule, he immediately made an impact at camp Bobo. He transformed a team struggling for identity into one of the most well respected teams in the nation. With the leadership of seniors Tarig Mohammed, Josh Pacheco, Jared Sandler (i.e. the Sandman, Bagger, Sandbags, etc.), the men finished the regular season with a record of 11-3, suffering two tough 5-4 losses to highly-ranked Amherst and Dartmouth.

This past weekend the stage was set for the team to prove to the rest of the country that their regular season national ranking of ten was indeed no fluke. Located in the shadow of the hallowed Harvard football stadium, the university’s beautiful Murr center was chosen as the site for the National Championship of squash. Sixteen brand new, glass-baby courts would set the stage for some of the finest, most mentally challenging battles of the season.

Thirteenth-ranked Franklin and Marshall would be the first to challenge the Bowdoin squad who had prided themselves on strong play throughout the nine-man lineup during the regular season. With F&M’s first four players among the top players in the country, a victory for Bowdoin would most likely come with necessary wins at the five through nine spots. Tom Corwin ’02 and Sam Treherne-Thomas ’02 gave the Bears two crucial wins at the number six and eight spots respectively.

Costin played with the poise and maturity of an upperclassman as he squeezed out a 3-2 victory over a stubborn opponent. With the score tied at 14-14 in the fifth and deciding game, he put the game away with a forehand volley that seemed to elude the desperate reach of his flailing opponent. This brought the near capacity crowd to its feet, roaring in approval of the youngster’s gutsy play.

In order to clinch the victory, the Polar Bears would still need three clutch victories from Jeremy Smith ’99, Abel McClennen ’00 and Pacheco at the numbers five, seven, and nine spots, respectively. Pacheco and McClennen breezed to easy 3-0 victories, while Smith found himself tied at 2-2 with the overall match score tied at 4-4. With both teams exhibiting boisterous enthusiasm for the remaining two titans on the court, Smith demonstrated his superior athletic ability (he is a forward on the men’s soccer team) in dismantling his worthy counterpart 15-10 in the fifth.

As the team headed back to the “Amesties” hotel to retire for the evening, they had dreams of a number eight spot dancing in their heads. The next few matches would be against highly-ranked players. So too were number one Mohammed and number three Sandhu who both bagged “bogey” (3-0) their Naval Academy opponents. Having played at the University of Maine in the fall, Mohammed was well used to the winter environment and knew what to expect. The Bear’s second string, Tan and Smith, combined to defeat their Naval Academy opponents in an upset. As a result, the team moved a game closer to their goal of becoming one of the top ten teams in the nation.

The top of the lineup would rise to the occasion as numbers two and four, Jamie Shea ’01 and Wadid Khan ’01, each trounced their opponent, 3-0 and 3-1, to open the match. Both Shea and Khan seemed to be out for blood as they were flushed in previous matches by top ranked players. So too were number one Mohammed and number three Sandhu who both bagged “bogey” (3-0) their Naval Academy opponents. Having played at the University of Maine in the fall, Mohammed was well used to the winter environment and knew what to expect.

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Women’s Hockey

WOMEN’S HOCKEY

SARAH JENNESS STAFF WRITER

The women’s ice hockey team played its last game of the 1998-99 season on Saturday, after being defeated 4-0 by Sacred Heart at Vermont in the semifinal round of the ECAC Division III tournament.

Bowdoin 0
Sacred Heart 4

Though the women went into the contest with the second seed advantage, the eighth-seeded Pioneers managed to come away with the win.

The Pioneers initiated the scoring eleven minutes into the contest when they slid the puck past Bowdoin goalie Sue Bernard ’99 on a rebound. This put the Pioneers in the lead, 1-0, as they headed into the second period.

A tight contest ensued, as Sacred Heart garrisoned the last 15 minutes of the game. The Pioneers managed to get a 3-0 deficit heading into the final period.

In the locker room between periods, Jane MacLeod ’99 said that the talk was encouraging. "Coach [Michelle Amidon] reminded us of the three goals we scored in under thirty seconds [earlier in the season]. She told us we could do it; we just needed to get that first goal and the rest would come."

Despite a forceful effort, the deficit that the Polar Bears hoped to overcome proved to be too great an obstacle. The Pioneers sealed off their victory four minutes into the third period when they scored the final goal of the game. Bernard handled the goal-tending duties for the Polar Bears, turning away 14 attempts made by the Pioneers, while Sacred Heart deflected all 18 of Bowdoin’s shots on goal.

Tri-captain MacLeod said that the toughest part of the game was that the Polar Bears dominated the game but couldn’t seem to find the net. "We may have started off slower than usual. We had a hard time breaking out in the beginning, but then everyone stuck with it and fought hard. [The Pioneers] took a lot of shots from outside, they got goals on ourرون. We didn’t take advantage of putting the puck in the net whenever we could [in the last period]."

Though the team didn’t come out on top, MacLeod said that the team played well out of the Murz Center, suffering a 6-3 loss. The Bears were luckily able to salvage three wins from Costin (3-1), McClennen (3-1) and Treherne-Thomas (3-2) in the middle of the lineup. Frustrated, but far from beaten, a new day, along with the mighty Midshipmen of the Navy, were next in line on Sunday morning.

A perennial power in the intercollegiate squash circuit, the Midshipmen were poised by their inferior ranking to Bowdoin at the beginning of the tournament. It remained only fitting that a showdown between the two bitter rivals would end up settling the score. It was 11:00 Sunday morning. A well-rested Bowdoin team walked into the squash facility with only one thing on their mind: SINK NAVY.

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-Jane MacLeod ’99
Tri-Captain

"[Throughout the] whole game you could tell everyone was working as hard as possible. Everyone on the team goes hard through until the last second; everyone gives 110 percent and (you can tell) everyone’s heart is in it. The score doesn’t really reflect our efforts," she commented on Wednesday.

According to MacLeod, this season has been her best at Bowdoin. "Of the four years I’ve been here, this is the best year I’ve had," she said. "Bowdoin’s team is getting stronger, the league teams are stronger, and the spirit on the team is up. We have three solid lines and a lot of depth."

A team’s success depends on a good deal on the coach’s abilities, and for Amidon, MacLeod has nothing but praise. "The coaching brought new life to the team. [Amidon] has a lot of knowledge of the game as a player and as a coach; you can really see that in the team’s improvements." Overall, MacLeod said she is pleased with the 1998-99 season. She said the team’s success can be attributed to its perseverance and desire for improvement. Because of this work ethic, she said, "Bowdoin is definitely making its name in the league."
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SCHOOL BREAK
Depression resource organization founded

MICHAEL MELIA
EDITOR IN CHIEF

It wasn't until Bernstein '89 and Amit Shah '99 were awarded Thomas J. Watson Fellowships to fund independent study abroad that Sri Lanka and Buddhist culture became familiar to the Watson students. Sri Lanka, a Buddhist nation, is a fascinating place of intrigue and wonder. The Watson students were able to study the culture of Sri Lanka, to explore Buddhist temples, and to experience the life of the Buddhist monks.

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Students recognized for job-related excellence

This week is National Student Employment Week, and the College is honoring outstanding student employees at a reception on Wednesday.

Erika Leach
 Contributor

The College is recognizing National Student Employment Week from April 11 to 17. The purpose of this week is to recognize the important role that student employment plays in the Bowdoin College community. In the six years since the Student Employment Office was created by Lisa Folk, the present manager, the student employment program has been redefined. Job listings and applications are centralized and accessible via the web, job descriptions are regularly updated, and students have an advocate to assist them through the process.

Currently there are approximately 650 students working on campus, which means that over 40 percent of the student body is employed by the College. Not only do students financially depend on this program, but Bowdoin College could not run without its student employees. Computing and Information Services supervisor Ted Macy said of Mitch San Antonio '90, the Bowdoin Student Employee of the Year, "Mitch quickly became an extension of the permanent staff. He is a reliable worker who consistently turns in an above-average job."

Ecological Science

For the first time, the College has recognized an employee for being a leader in environmental sustainability. Erika Leach, a junior from San Antonio, Texas, is this year's Ecological Science Student Employee of the Year. Leach is the student worker for the college's recycling program, designed to encourage students and employees to reduce waste, recycle, and compost.

Leach has been involved in the recycling program since its inception in 1997. She has worked with the program to develop and implement policies and procedures for recycling on campus. She has also been involved in outreach and education efforts to inform students and employees about the importance of recycling.

Leach is a double major in Environmental Science and Geology. She is a member of the Environmental Science Club and has served as the club's president. She has also been involved in the Bowdoin College Environmental Action Team (BasteC), a student organization that advocates for environmental sustainability on campus.

Leach is a member of the National Association of Women in Geology and the American Geological Institute. She has also been involved in the College's Climate Action Team, which is working to reduce the College's carbon footprint.

Leach's work has been recognized with several awards, including the 2007 Bowdoin College Environmental Stewardship Award and the 2008 Bowdoin College Environmental Service Learning Award. She was also named a 2008 Bowdoin College Outstanding Student Employee.

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The E9 is continuing with the work that they have done throughout the year by examining the upcoming vote by the faculty on Latin Honors and Dean's list.

The E9 is composed of: Margaret Zimman, photo editor; and Joshua Weiser.

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Panel discusses juvenile justice

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SPORTS EDITOR

A panel discussion was held Tuesday evening on juvenile justice. It was cosponsored by Amnesty International-Maine and the Government and Sociology Departments. Lauren Webb '90, the Amnesty International coordinator at Bowdoin, acted as host and moderator for the evening.

Webb opened the meeting by talking briefly about the current condition of juvenile justice in the United States. She then introduced the panel: keynote speaker Thessi Moran, the AI Area Coordinator for Maine; Professor Craig McEwen of the sociology department; Eliza Townsend, a Maine state representative; Ramond Fife, an attorney who volunteered for seven years at the Maine Youth Center; and Joseph Field, a district court judge in Bath.

Moran, who was filling in for Northeast regional director Joshua Rubenstein, spoke about AI's stand on the issue of juvenile justice in the U.S., which has been the focus of one of its campaigns this year.

McEwen was the first of the panelists to speak. He presented information on the increasing numbers of prisoners in the U.S. He contended that we should push beyond the Amnesty model, which calls for the minimal use of incarceration. In the U.S. there are about 100,000 juveniles in state facilities. The question he presented was, "Are we making the right policy choices about instituting juvenile facilities?"

McEwen said he believes that we have to look beyond the rights of the prisoners and towards the structure of the institutions. The two problems faced by inmates in the youth facilities are the mistreatment by staff and the mistreatment by fellow prisoners.

In conclusion, McEwen proposed the challenge that we improve the conditions of the institutions, adding that "we know how to, we can, will we?"

Representative Townsend was the next panelist to speak. She was one of the state representatives who responded to AI's concern with the condition of the Maine Youth Center. She argued that the question of consistent, deliberate abuse was debatable. Her concern was with the lack of facilities and the lack of counseling and educational services. Townsend was concerned that the children were not being treated or given the opportunity for rehabilitation.

The next panelist, Fife, offered a personal view of the Maine Youth Center. She began her description by quoting Dante: "Abandon, hope all ye who enter here." In essence, she said, this is what is said to the children upon their entrance to the Maine Youth Center. All the girls are housed in one "cottage" and the boys in another, after they are stripped, shaved, and sprayed with disinfectant.

There are no written rules for behavior. The rules and consequences are set by the staff, whose only requirements are that the Maine Youth Center are a high school diploma, a valid Social Security number, and an arrest record. The children spend hours daily in silence; those who can, read and write. If the same sentence is extended.

Fife asked, "Is this the best that we can do?"

The problem with juvenile law, according to Field, is that juvenile cases are not who done it, but a who-done-what. He continued to outline the three cases of juvenile crime-family dysfunction, substance abuse, undiagnosed learning disabilities. The problem with the juvenile system is that it takes about four to five months to get the case into court. Therefore, the biggest prevention for criminal activity is human contact.

Editor's Note:
The conversation on class will be published in next week's Orient. We apologize to those who were expecting it this week.

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Editorials

Our obligation to Kosovo

Being a super power does not simply entail telling every other country how great you are; the title comes with responsibilities. Ending the Serbian sponsored genocide in Kosovo is the penultimate opportunity for the United States to demonstrate its willingness to assume such responsibilities. Our participation in NATO airstrikes is an acknowledgment of our international duty, but airstrikes still fail to conclusively demonstrate our commitment. It is neither a popular nor a pleasant decision, but the United States must commit ground troops to ending the crisis in Kosovo.

Unless you count the Iran-Contra Scandal and the heavy-handed intervention in Grenada, the United States has persistently shirked its international humanitarian responsibilities. Certainly the United States cannot be expected to intervene in every instance of brutality, but we have picked our battles not just carefully but sparingly. It is unfortunate that it takes atrocities in Europe, where the victims look like us, to muster American support for humanitarian efforts, but at least Kosovo is a beginning.

Republicans perennially complain that our military budget is too small. Yet for what reason should we expand an already enormous military if not to aid those countries without such vast economic resources? The cold war is over; Boris and his comrades are not exactly the threat they were in the 60’s, and the chance of any other country waging war on the United States is, to overstate the case, slim.

But there is one chance we will have to use our military for defense, and that is if we do not stop the Kosovar crisis in its adolescence, and if we wait for it to mature into a conflict that envelops all the Balkans and metastasizes through Europe. This sounds sensationalistic until we consider the fragility of Albania and neighboring states, also fragmented by ethnic diversity. Furthermore, there are reports that Milosevic will escalate the Balkan fiasco by overthrowing the government of the Yugoslavian province of Montenegro. By far the most ominous indication that unrest may spread is that World War I, another “European problem,” began in the Balkans.

If World War I is too distant a memory, perhaps we have a more firm recollection of World War II. The United States chose to ignore various reports of Nazi death camps, waiting until the bombing of Pearl Harbor, and the extermination of millions of Jews, before declaring war on Germany. Ignorance is hardly an excuse for not entering World War II earlier, but it is even a less an excuse in Kosovo. As thousands of ethnic Albanians flee the province reporting the cruel executions of friends and family members we can search for excuses not to aid the Kosovars to the best of our abilities but we can’t claim ignorance.

And if we admit to what is occurring, how can we, not just as a superpower, but as humans, do anything but commit the necessary ground troops to defeat Milosevic?

Identification crisis

The current trend—and potential future policy—of fraternities and College Houses requiring Bowdoin ID cards for admittance to all campus-wide parties was designed to prevent law enforcement officers, Brunswick residents, and “inexperienced partygoers” from entering, according to Leif Olsen, president of the IFC. The decision arose from several recent incidents where non-Bowdoin students have caused problems at social events. It is admirable that the houses decided to address this issue and come up with a solution together.

But the strictness with which the policy is enforced at many social activities has created unintended negative consequences. Anyone who cannot produce a Bowdoin ID is denied admission, even if other students are willing to take responsibility for the unfortunate ID-lacking individual. While this policy will keep out the undesirable elements, it will also keep out people who should be able to attend. For example, any friends from other schools cannot accompany their Bowdoin pals to the parties. Assuming most Bowdoin students have the good manners not to abandon their friends, they will most likely end up renting movies and eating microwave popcorn. The friends will return to their respective institutions shaking their heads at the lack of anything to do in the wilds of Maine.

This situation becomes more disturbing, however, if the friends were instead prospective students. The College is actively promoting the House System as an ideal social outlet. But with this policy, high school students considering attending Bowdoin are not allowed even a peek at what their future weekends would hold. They could very well decide that Bowdoin does not provide enough of a social life to justify $120,000 of their parents’ money. Is it really worthwhile to the College to lose potential students just to keep a few “inexperienced partygoers” from making fools of themselves?

There should be a way for Bowdoin students to allow their friends and pre-frosh to enjoy the social atmosphere Bowdoin has to offer. One possibility would be the creation of a “temporary ID” system, where non-Bowdoin students could acquire some sort of identification valid for a weekend that would gain them entry to all Bowdoin events. Conceivably each visitor could be required to be accompanied by a Bowdoin student to make sure Bowdoin policies are adequately followed. Social events should not be limited to just those who have matriculated here.

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The Christian Coalition is being naughty, not nice

By Larisa Reznik

My generation is plagued not so much by apathy, but rather by unawareness of the potential impact of their actions. I never knew Elisabeth Bowdell when I meet female pre-med students. Sometimes when I go to the polls, I become sentimental and patriotic and recall Alice Paul carrying Kaiser Wilson picket signs outside the congressional building. Mostly, I view my rights as standard, without consideration of time when it wasn’t so and without threat that it may be taken away.

As a woman, it is especially difficult to imagine a time when there was no access to contraception or abortions. That time, however, was only thirty some years ago. Since then, there has been an aggressive backlash, compliments of the Christian Coalition and other such organizations. This year is no exception.

Last year, The Christian Civic League of Maine and the Christian Coalition collected enough signatures to initiate a veto referendum against a passed Employment Discrimination Bill adding sexual orientation. This year, these groups collected signatures for a partial birth abortion ban. The Catholic Church, in fact, broke its own policy of not doing political and advocacy work within the church, and allowed the collection of signatures as people filed out of services. Interestingly enough, the term partial birth is a political one. There is no medical or scientific procedure that goes by such a name. The ban is unnecessary, as Maine law already bans abortions after viability except to save the life or health of the woman. The act is vague and allows claims to apply to late-term abortions, in fact could be interpreted to include all abortions. As the act creates ambiguous standards for doctors, which will lead to unwillingness to perform abortions, doctors would not know what medical procedures would be prohibited. Several leaders of the Christian Right have refused to refuse the act to a more specific one because they have said it is their intention to overturn Roe v. Wade.

There are also two more anti-choice bills on the docket. The Mandatory Parental/Judicial Notification Act would force minors to receive permission from parents. Reproductive choice is very private—even for minors—and should not require the consent of parents. Minors who have open relationship with their parents will confide in them. Forcing those minors who aren’t communicative (for whatever reasons) with their parents to obtain parental consent means putting them in danger of unsafe, illegal, and possibly abusive situations. The other bill, L.D. 2123, proposes mandated waiting periods. Waiting periods have proven to increase medical risk, emotional risk, and cost of an abortion.

The sponsoring of these bills is a symptom—one of many—of a greater attack on reproductive choice, privacy and ultimately individual liberties. I want to honor the precedents set by those before us. I will be attending the Legislative Public Hearing on Anti-Choice Bills on Thursday, April 15th at 1:00 pm. I urge members of the Bowdoin community to attend. Keep the choice yours! For information and transportation call 5219 (Larisa) or 874-1100 ext.333.

Larisa Reznik likes it when people call her Larisa.

Principle, poverty and giving back to Senegal

By Bobby Cuppall

100CFA is equivalent to 20 US cents—less when you accurately compute the exchange rate. Almost every day as I walk through Dakar, the capital of Senegal, I am approached by children dressed in rags, the table, who ask for this puny amount of money. Sometimes they hold out their hands and say, "mia;" sometimes they say, "donne moi cent francs," sometimes they just hold out their hands. Each time, I look away and keep on walking. If I'm with a friend, most of the time the conversation doesn't even skip a beat.

During my travels west through Africa, I have encountered various forms of this experience. In Daboy they ask for 100 francs; in Dogon country, the children chase you yelling, bon-bon bon-bon; throughout Mali and Senegal I hear cries of, "Toubab—donne une cadeau." In Timbuktu, children asked me for a bic, the pen. They pronounced it in a funny way, like bigue, and I don't understand what they were saying. I had already said that I didn't have any, however, without even knowing what it was they wanted.

The fact that I refuse to give such a tiny portion of my wealth to those who could obviously use it better than I often bothers me, so I find the need to justify it to myself.

I do this in various ways. A good portion of the money that a child on the street receives by begging is not kept by him. It goes, instead, to his "marabout," a Muslim spiritual leader. I could justify myself by saying that I'm not Muslim and thus am not obligated to do this. Moreover, one of the five pillars of Islam is to give alms to the poor. So I could justify myself by saying that I'm not Muslim and thus am not obligated to do this. Moreover, even if not, I could justify myself by the "principle." Because of the color of my skin, most people here automatically think that I'm rich, and, compared to them, they're right. The money that I brought on my last trip is probably more money than many people here will see in a lifetime. So they are right in thinking that 100 francs is nothing to me. The "principle" says that although the 100 francs may be nothing to me, by giving money or candies or gifts or pennies to children, they learn that the only way to obtain these things is to beg for them and we don't want them to learn this, even though it's probably the truth.

A good friend at Bowdoin wrote me a while ago and said much how he envied me for all the good that I must be doing in Senegal. That remark made me think a lot about exactly what I was doing here in Senegal. With less than three months to go, and more than six months behind me, I feel like I've accomplished a lot. Those accomplishments have been of a personal nature, however. I don't feel like I've done much, if anything, for this country or the people living here. I teach English at a school for Senegalese children, but that's about it, and even there, I don't feel like I'm accomplishing very much at all. So when a child holds out his hand, is this the way to "give back" to Senegal? I don't know. All I do know is that principle is a pretty rotten thing to rely on, when all you're justifying it are twenty cents.

Bobby Cuppall is a junior and is currently studying in Senegal.

In Orients past: headlines from the Spring of 1945

Student Council Rejects
Hawthorne Club Petition
Future Radar Experts: Four
Bowdoin Students pass Eddy Test

Kappa Sig will celebrate 50th
Hieroglyphics, Safaris, and
Lions Stroll Through Maze of
Academic Kaleidoscope

Works Stress Need for New
Improvements in Publicity and
Buildings
Reading Period Replaces
Cancelled Spring Recess

The Ever-growing Body of
Returned Servicemen on
Campus
North Winthrop Vies South For
Quietest End

Herb goes to skydiving school
Eager to meet his new
roommate, Herb goes straight
to his room to find...

Hi, I'm Al. The sadistic
gay in your new roommate.
Today, I'm upset because of
the genuine material
of American Culture. Let me
take your anger out on you.

NEXT: Herb manipulates

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**STUDENT SPEAK**

**What's your favorite 'bass fishing' tip?**

CHRIS GABRIEL'99
Los Angeles, CA

"After catching, rub lemon on it so it won't smell."

MIKE DIBIASE '99
Jamestown, RI

"You have to be a good master-baiter."

MIKE FISH '99 & MATT DAVIDSON '99
Simsbury, CT, Burlington, MA

"We don't bass fish; we bone fish."

DOUG CUTHBERTSON '99
Hamden, CT

"Eat bass, but never swallow."

NICK ALLEN '99
Waltham, MA

"It's all in the wrist."

ANA SCHALLER '01 & ADRIENNE OAKLEY '01
Vancouver, WA, Norwich, CT

"You have to be willing to get wet."

YOOON LEE '99 & SCOTT FUJIMOTO '00
Providence, RI, Philadelphia, PA

"If it's not big enough, throw it back!"

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**Letters to the Editor**

**Terror strikes the shuttle**

To the Editor:

After returning from break I learned of an incident that occurred here just before classes ended that, to put it bluntly, REALLY pisses me off. A student driving the Bowdoin shuttle was attacked and severely beaten while working a late shift during that week. While many of us were working on our taxa in warmer climates or at least trying to relax a little before the end-of-the-semester crunch, this student lay at home in extreme pain, enduring the side effects of various painkillers.

This act of unparalleled idiocy has me disturbed on several levels. The fact that the student was assaulted while working a campus job, and in such a manner, is almost more than one can take. As students, we each have some responsibility towards our campus community and its employees.

Bowdoin activists unite

At the last town meeting on March first, many students expressed their concerns about decreased participation in student organizations, inadequate information about activist organizations and activities, and the need for collaborative action concerning issues that affect Bowdoin students and their everyday lives on campus. In response, a group of students has formed a Coalition of Bowdoin Activists which aims to pro-actively identify, critically examine, and act upon issues facing the Bowdoin campus as a whole, while promoting a community that values and encourages a diversity of student interests. In order to begin working towards these goals, the Coalition has established the following guidelines for its activity as an organization:

- The Coalition will invite students to voice their opinions and concerns about specific campus-related issues at monthly all-campus forums (previously called town meetings);
- We will publish information that stimulates student activism at Bowdoin and in the larger Maine community;
- We will serve as a support and communications network for existing and potential student activist groups;
- We will bring to light the history and spirit of student activism at Bowdoin through an archival project;
- And above all, we will promote the discovery of our common interests as a community by acting on issues that affect the entire campus.

The Coalition consists of representatives from several campus organizations, as well as independent student activists. We meet weekly on Tuesday evenings, and welcome new members as representatives from organizations which may not already be represented, or as individuals who are committed to activism and community building at Bowdoin.

In the first three meetings, we have planned the next all-campus forum which will be held next Tuesday evening to discuss the role of student government on campus. We have also begun to serve our purpose as a communications network where several organizations and individuals are working together to raise awareness about and money for Kosovo's refugees.

In addition, we will begin publishing information about activist activities on campus and in Southern Maine next week in the Orient's Activities calendar. If you or your club have information you would like published in the calendar, please send it to Jon Knapp or your club's representative by the weekend. If you have any questions about the Coalition, its purpose, or how you may participate, please contact your club representative or Coalition Coordinator Claire Newton at cnewton@bowdoin.edu. Bring your questions, concerns, and suggestions to student government to the next-all-campus forum (aka town meeting) at 7:30 on Tuesday, April 13 in Hubbard Conference West. See you there!

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here&now: a word-of-mouth phenomenon

JONATHAN L. KNAPP  A&E EDITOR

To start off the celebration of Asian Week that will conclude with next Saturday’s fashion show, the Campus Activities Board will sponsor the renowned theatre company here&now tomorrow night. A non-profit group made up entirely of Asian Americans, the company tours the U.S. college and university circuit with their enormously entertaining and informative show.

Comprised of members ranging in age from 18 to 32, most of whom are college students, the group’s performance covers a variety of topics, including dealing with one’s ethnicity, gender identity, and childhood, all seen through the eyes of young Asian Americans. The show, which was entirely written and directed by the performers, has received rave reviews across the country, both in college towns and at various festivals.

With its combination of dance, comedy, and acting, here&now show enables these young actors to demonstrate their various talents—something that is often hard for Asian Americans to do today.

The American art scene leaves little opportunity for actors of Asian descent, as many of the roles, which are already scarce, consist of poor caricature and cliché. Because of this, in 1989, then twenty-year-old Jonathan Miyasaki began touring out of his friends. Now in his late twenties, Miyasaki still leads the group.

The cast of here&now brings their unique blend of comedy, poetry and dance to Bowdoin this Saturday to begin Asian Week. (Courtesy of We Tell Stories)

Many people tend to think of all Asian Americans as being of the same ethnicity; this, however, is clearly not true. here&now itself consists of people who are Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Indian, Japanese, Thai, Laotian and Vietnamese. The troupe’s performance itself deals with some of the conflicts that arise among people of different Asian ethnic groups.

Though Miyasaki is a trained actor, many of the group’s members have chosen other career paths.

It is the love of performance and artistic expression that brings together this unique group of talented people. Regardless of what actual training each of the cast members has, all certainly have interesting things to say about their experiences growing up as Asian-American.

As Miyasaki explained in a 1995 article from A Magazine, “These are real life stories of real life people; the actors often tell their own stories directly to the audience... We offer audiences as many forms of expression as possible, and, at the same time, let the cast members get involved with trying as many different things as possible.”

When here&now began their performances in Southern California ten years ago, they could only book about three shows a year.

With the tremendous word-of-mouth that traveled throughout college campuses, however, the troupe then began looking about thirty shows a year. Now they perform wherever the group’s members can fit into their schedules, sometimes for as many as 300 to 400 students, as they did at the University of Pennsylvania.

Though many people may assume that the show caters only to Asian-American audiences, this is certainly not the case.

In the June 1994 edition of Transpacifice magazine, Miyasaki said of an audience that was roughly half-Caucasian, “They were surprised to find things that they could relate to. They thought it just might be very ethnic.”

Following each performance the group conducts a question and answer period, during which the audience is invited to ask any questions that may arise from the performance. This shows the group members’ eagerness to entertain, as well as inform.

Yet another positive aspect of here&now’s performances is that they are almost always free. Tomorrow’s performance is no exception. All members of the Bowdoin community are encouraged to attend this truly unique event.

Turn off your light and score

JENNY SLEEFAN  A&E EDITOR EMERITUS

In celebration of this month’s Earth Day and all the conservation activities that accompany it, an energy-saving contest is being held in three of the freshman dorms. At the end of each month, facilities management will check the volt meters which are installed in Hyde, Moore and Winthrop to determine how many volt hours are used in each dorm. This simple action has inspired Wade Kavanaugh ’01 and Harriet Van Vleck ‘01 to start an energy saving program and related contest in the three dorms. A prize (which Harriet hopes will change each month) will be given to the dorm that uses the least amount of energy per person for the month. Unfortunately, the contest is limited to the dorms that already have volt meters, but Kavanaugh and Van Vleck are working hard to convince administration to put meters on every one of the bricks. It’s not an easy task, however, since each meter costs $2000.

The contest is a pilot program that will expand next year, eventually including the entire campus in an effort to reduce total spent energy. Harpswell ST Apartments, Pines ST Apartments and the Brunswick apartments also have volt meters and may soon be included in the monthly contest.

Kavanaugh and Van Vleck, who work for facilities management and Residential Life respectively, see this month’s winner a free night at Eveningstar Cinema with the dorm’s choice of a movie, free pop and popcorn. Van Vleck said, “We hope to encourage everyone to turn off all the proctors to put up posters and explain the program to their proctors, reminding them to turn off the lights, take shorter showers and shut off electronics before leaving their rooms. By the end of the month we expect to have significant savings in energy. Any drop is a good drop!”

WOR is certainly one of Bowdoin’s most overlooked and underrepresented assets. Tonight, however, the station has a chance to attract more attention with its sponsoring of a show in the Pub. In its tradition of bringing to campus some of the day’s best indie rock bands, such as Bedhead and Galaxie 500, the station brings Merge recording artists The Magnetic Fields. Essentially the output of Stephen Malkmus and what Merge describes as a Roomful of Keyboards and assorted instrumental contrivances, “the band surely will please fans of beautifully mellow, ethereal pop. Merge Records, the label started by the revered band Superchunk, has recently re-released two of The Magnetic Fields’ most obscure recordings, The House of Tomorrow EP and the Holiday LP, and plans to release a new Magnetic Fields record, entitled 69 Love Songs, in June. The House of Tomorrow will probably most closely represent what the audience can expect tonight, as it contains guitar, bass, drums, and cello. The show’s opening act, Spouse, an excellent band containing Bowdoin graduates, plays indie rock in the tradition of bands like Pavement. They will certainly be well-received by these upandcomers who fondly recall their numerous campus performances and by first-years who have heard so many positive things about them. A free show, this is not to be missed.

(Courtesy of Merge Records)
Gertrude Stein lives on in “Three Sisters”

CHRISTINE LEHMANN
STAFF WRITER

We can all remember back to the days of our youth when our imaginat ions ran free: the backyard became a fortress, a pebble the Himalayan Mountains, a branch the bridge to the great beyond. Our inhibitions would disappear and the reality around us would become a world of make-believe. As the years progressed, it seemed as though these lapses in our reality became fewer and farther between.

Gertrude Stein’s ingenious piece titled “Three Sisters Who Are Not Sisters” requires its cast to re-enter the imaginary world that they have nearly forgotten. Theater and Dance Lecturer and Director Simone Federman has taken on this challenge with her cast featuring Rob Najarian ’99, Elizabeth Hunt ’99, Kate Enright ’00, Chris Murphy ’01 and Nora Pierson ’00.

Like the conversation of children, the dialogue between characters is repetitive and simplistic, while its encompassing catchphrases and offbeat rhythm remind the audience of some of the world’s greatest literary masters: “Shakespeare, Stein and Seuss: three geniuses of rhythm and rhyme,” Federman aptly states. Stein originally wrote the play for the youth of a small town outside of Paris, while she was in hiding during the German occupation of World War II.

Although the rhythm and clarity of this play appeal to a younger audience, actors and actresses wearing adulthood find that working with her script is a true challenge. Federman stresses that the players must let Stein’s world encompass them in order for the play to be effective. The cast must work within the strict parameters of the script, while at the same time learn to play within Stein’s world and resist a natural urge of the more adult self to fight the rhythm she presents in her language.

The choreography of the actors and actresses visually complements the overall feeling that the actual words of the script present to the audience. In keeping with Stein’s language usage through the characters, all of the players’ motions are highly stylized. Their repetition in the dialogue becomes visible through the patterned physical movements of the cast.

This relatively short production (a mere 15 minutes in length) is intertwined with complex concepts and details that would normally go unnoticed in a longer theatrical piece.

The brief murder-mystery incorporates police brutality, sexual intrigue, power struggles, four murders and even a suicide—and all of these essential elements must happen very quickly and precisely within the short time frame of the performance.

Because the original script was written in French, and Federman has taken into consideration that she is working with a translation, she and the cast have made an effort to add their own interpretations and ideas between the written lines.

Moving beyond the actual subject matter of the work, the play could have been approached in numerous manners. Federman and the cast have chosen to shape the production in the classic etch of film noir. To heighten the feeling of intrigue and drama, the actors work with a highly exaggerated motion and tone, accentuating the play’s melodramatic feel.

The music incorporated into the performance was originally written for the film “North By Northwest” and was chosen with the direct purpose of keeping within the classic film noir style. The dramatic lighting creates a mysterious ambiance, and the characters’ forward projection of their words and bodies force the audience to constantly shift focus directly onto the character who is speaking.

The individuality and development of each character in the play along with the touch of French flavor allow for a lighter feel and comedic nature to balance the serious nature of the murder-mystery. The evident complexity of the play will surely surprise the viewer regardless of the production’s relatively short length.

Federman chose to work with a play by Gertrude Stein for many reasons, mainly because Stein is often overlooked as a significant and contributive member to 20th century literature. Many of Stein’s theatrical productions can boggle the mind with their complexity. “Three Sisters Who Are Not Sisters” was chosen from Stein’s numerous works because of its linear structure, making it an easier piece to work with in terms of expanding the capabilities of interpretation within the piece.

The play’s length was also a consideration and has allowed Federman and the cast to literally choreograph every motion that will be seen by the audience, even down to the precise motion of a character’s eye movement from left to right.

Because of the high quality of this production, Federman will be bringing the cast and crew to another venue in order to participate in the “Theater of the Unexpected” Festival. Because of problems regarding the rights of production, Federman will not be able to bring the earlier performed “Vagina Monologues” to this festival as well.

The strength and precision of the current piece with which Federman is working will surely impress the many participants in the festival this coming May in Portland. The performances will take place at the Portland Stage on Saturday May 1 at 5:30 p.m. and May 8 at 3:00 p.m.

The play “Three Sisters Who Are Not Sisters” will be performed at the Theater Project in Brunswick these coming Friday and Saturday evenings, April 9th and 10th, at 7:30. No tickets will be released in advance, so the seats will be offered on a first come, first serve basis on the nights of the show.
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Apr. 9

Performance (7:30 p.m.)
Gertrude Stein’s “Three Sisters
Who Are Not Sisters.”
Tickets are first come, first serve. Directed by Simone Federman, originally written in French! The Theatre Project
Length: 15 intervals of 60 seconds, so yes she has not best not delay on ye way to the great ol’ theater.

Band (9:00 p.m.)
Mergo Records recording artist
The Magnetic Fields, the brainchild of Stephen Merrit, brings their mellow intoxications to the Pub. Be there, because Jon Knapp will. Former Bowdoin band Spouse opens, sponsored by WBOB.

Film (Look the time up yourself, it’s in Thursday’s digest.)
"L.A. Confidential." Based on the novel by James Elroy, this film won Academy Awards for Best Adapted Screenplay and Best Supporting Actress (Kim Basinger, yum). Also starring Russell Crowe, Danny DeVito, James Cromwell, and that other Aussie.

Katie and Zach Day:
Jon would like to take this time to thank Katie Joseph and Zach for coming by last night and causing a ruckus. Without this amazing cadre, which involved a failed attempt to sabotage the wonderful page which you are now reading, Jon surely would have gone to sleep last night. Good times!!

SAT
Apr. 10

Band (6:00 p.m.)
Three Theives, the Bowdoin blues band, will make their first Pub appearance this evening. Hear songs such as Blue on Black, Pride and Joy, and other tunes sung by the blues men themselves, Conor McNenough ’99, Rob Najarian ’99, Mike Naess ’99, Jamie Walters ’99, Adam Schultz ’99, and Sam Nordberg ’99. The Pub.

Forum (9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)

Lecture (7:30 p.m.)
"Yin and Out of Politics." Hung Liu, associate professor of art from Mills College, of Oakland, California, will speak. Museum of Art.

Lecture (7:30 p.m. & 9:30 p.m.)
"Rope," and "Fatal Attraction" presented by the Bowdoin Film and Video Society. Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall.

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SUN
Apr. 11

Lecture (3:00 p.m.)

Music (7:30 p.m.)
Maine New Music Network Series, Vision Saxophone Quartet. Sponsored by the department of music. Drakenmiller Hall.

Music (9:00 p.m.)
Original Parliament Funkadelic. First, we though this was the band Parliament Funkadelic with George Clinton, but then we looked at the advertisement, and we think this is a different band, a band that we know nothing about, yet, I’m sure they’re good. Stone Coast Brewing Company, 14 York St., Portland. 723-2337.

MOON
Mont. 12

Show (8:00-10:00 p.m.)
The Student Art Show. Smith Union, Lamarche Lounge. As one may have guessed by the title, the show will exclusively feature the works of present Bowdoin students. This is an excellent opportunity to admire the talents of your fellow students.

Lecture (4:00 p.m.)
Mexican Pathways Lecture Series, "Visitors of the Chican Mural." Peter Winn, professor of history from UCSB University presents. Sponsored by the Department of Latin American Studies. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Film (6:30 p.m.)

MIDNIGHT
MON
Apr. 12

Anna Day (all day long)
Anna’s still writing that paper of her’s. A meaner editor might berate her for being gone on a Thursday night, but I instead take this opportunity to thank her for the stellar performance she offers on nearly every other Thursday night. Write on Anna, we’ll leave the light on for you.

Seminar (4:00 p.m.)

Film (6:00 p.m.)
"Imitation of Life" (1959), directed by Douglas Sirk and starring Lana Turner and John Gavin. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

TUE
Apr. 13

Talk (4:00 p.m.)

Music (8:00 p.m.)

WED
Apr. 14

Talk (4:00 p.m.)

Meeting (8:30-10:30 a.m.)
President Edwards meets with students. Smith Union.

Mike Melia Day
This week’s issue will be the last one to be graced by the tender authority of our fearless editor-in-chief. Mike will be going to the pasture of a senior editorship to wallow in the lack of career prospects for a Spanish major.

Thank you to Jenny
Does it seem like we are continually thanking Jenny for food and other nice gifts? Well, no one else is showing us any love, thus, we have thanks and praise for Jenny only. If you want your name in The Orient, you have to deliver the goods. Thanks Jenny, we send you all of our love.

Lecture (7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.)

THU
Apr. 15

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This Saturday:

Fun Run to celebrate girls and women in sports
Sponsored by the Student Athletic Advisory Committee
Fun Run/Walk (2 miles) starts behind Farley at 2:00
Free t-shirts for the first 100 participants. (Females only)
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Softball vs. Colby - 12:00

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**Between the lines: Baseball**

**BY JUSTIN DEGEORGE**

Somewhere Tuesday night, Dan Duquette, Red Sox GM/dictator, was laughing. After the first few days of the 1999 season, things couldn’t be going better for the reclusive front-office front man. Not only was his team 2-0 — albeit with victories coming over the small-market, low talent Kansas City Royals — but the two superstars and fan favorites he ran out of Boston over the last three years were enduring inauspicious starts with their new teams. Roger Clemens, in his Yankee debut (how it pains me to write that) left the hill in the seventh clinging to a 3-2 lead, only to watch old friend Mike Stanton blow the save. Clemens was hardly spectacular in his debut, walking five and picking up three earned runs, but he showed flashes of dominance throughout.

The very next night in Anaheim, Mo Vaughn opened his career as an Angel. In the first inning, the 250-pound first baseman tried to track down an Omar Vizquel foul ball, but wound up crushing into his new teammate's dugout, spraining his ankle. The $80 million man remained in the game for the first five innings, however, going 0-2 before the pain finally forced him to the hospital for X-rays.

In his first at bat, after already having taken his spill, Vaughn took a mighty cut at a Janet Wright pitch, missed, lost his balance, and collapsed into a heap of humiliation on top of home plate.

As if that weren’t enough for Duquette, Jose Offerman, the $28 million DH with 22 career home runs in nine seasons, went 4 for 5 in his Red Sox debut, sparking two singles, a double and a triple. Offerman, one of the most questionable signings in professional sports history, performed well against his old mates two nights later as well, going 2 for 3 and scoring another couple runs in the Sox 6-4 victory. Medical miracle Brett Saberhagen, whom Duquette plucked from the scrap heap a few years ago after serious arm problems, sparked for six innings, letting up only three singles, walking no one, and throwing better than he did last year when he went a surprising 15-8.

But Duquette better keep the champagne corked for now. Anyone watching either game was aware of two things: the Kansas City Royals would be a solid Double A team at best, and the Red Sox are seriously lacking in offensive firepower. While their 3-4 batters are decent — John Valentin, wonderkid Nomar Garciaparra, and Mike Stanley and Troy O’Leary — they’re not exactly Murderers’ Row.

To make matters worse, on any given night, the Red Sox have four number nine batters in their lineup with the likes of Darren Lewis, Scott Hatteberg, Jeff Frye and Trot Nixon. While they do play sound fundamental baseball as a team — a credit to Joey Williams — eventually in this league talent wins out. There is outside possibility that they could again capture the AL wild card spot, but they’ll never be able to beat a Cleveland or a New York with O’Leary in the heart of their order.

Across the league the season opened. Opening Day was met with increased anticipation, thanks to last season’s Baseball Bowl opener pitched by Sammy Sosa. Looking on the horizon, however, are some major issues the sport must deal with. From the throne of the nation’s undisputed team of choice.

The canyon dividing the big and small market teams only widens more and more each year, as was evidenced by the Opening Day team salaries. The opening day Yankees and Dodgers, picked by most to meet in October, led the way with payrolls of $85.1 million and $73.2 million respectively.

On the other side of the coin are teams like Montreal, Florida and Minnesota, who are struggling for respect and a decent portion of the million dollar market. Right now only a handful of teams have a legitimate shot at buying or making that winning a championship.

Unless the league steps up and does something soon, the sport is going to suffer, regardless of how many homeruns are hit.

Conor McDonough ’99: Speeding through the water

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memory with the crew team, McDonough told a story about a puddling fight. He described how Will Colvin ’00 managed to launch an opened puddling container out the window of one crew van into the window of another while the vans were moving at 65 mph. McDonough said the puddling surprise was received by the recent graduate, Melissa Martin ’98.

When asked why he came to Bowdoin, McDonough told a story explaining how he transferred here the second semester of his first year. He said he was considering Bowdoin and the Naval Academy in high school and decided on the latter. McDonough described the appointment he met with at the Naval Academy. “After going through the summer indoctrination program and part of the first semester, he was told his vision was ‘substandard.’ I always wanted to be a naval flight officer like Goose in Top Gun.” According to McDonough, the vision restrictions severely limited his career options as an officer, which ultimately influenced his decision to leave the Naval Academy and transfer to Bowdoin.

A major in neuroscience, McDonough did an independent study on the biology of depression, exploring novel means of detection and diagnosis in the field. McDonough is glad he decided to come to Bowdoin as he feels academically challenged. He said, “I was slow to develop socially because I’ve always been rather shy. My senior year has been a particularly good experience, being part of the Meddiehoppers and living with extraordinary roommates.”

As far as plans after graduation, McDonough’s immediate plans include working at Brigham and Women’s Hospital, doing pediatric brain cancer research. Afterwards, he said he would like to go to work at a biotechnology firm in Boston. Eventually, McDonough plans to go to graduate school in neuroscience.

When asked what he will miss most about Bowdoin, McDonough responded, “I will miss all of the friends I’ve made here. Inevitably, you lose touch with some people regardless of intent.”

Come see Conor sing in the band The Three Thieves, along with band members Rob Najarian ’99, Adam Schultt ’00, Sam “Swanny” Nordberg ’99, Mike Naess ’99 (yeah drums) and Jamie Walters ’00 on Saturday at 9 p.m. in Jack Magier’s.
The sailing team spent the last week of spring break in St. Petersburg, Florida where they began sailing again after a long winter off in preparation for the spring season. The team sailed daily out of the St. Petersburg Yacht Club. They used the club's 420s, small boats sailed by two people, and similar to FJs, the boats sailed by the team while at school. Thanks to an excellent training facility, the team made important improvements that will help in the spring season.

The first regatta of the season was held at the United States Coast Guard Academy last Saturday. The boats used for the regatta were J-22's, larger boats than those usually sailed on the college circuit. Oren Abeles '01, Mike Lampert '00 and Josh Halpern '00 teamed up and took their boat to a second place finish out of ten teams. "Mike drove extremely well, and Josh and I worked hard on keeping the boat going really fast. We were working as a team and that led to consistent finishes," said Abeles, commenting on Saturday's performance. The second place finish was a great way to start the season, and will contribute to the team's goal of being ranked in the top ten nationally. The first half of their week in Florida was marked by light winds in the morning that increased by the afternoon. Later in the week, the team enjoyed higher winds that lasted all day. The water the team sailed in consisted of an inner and outer bay separated by a break wall. The break wall protected the inner bay from waves so that in any wind condition the team could choose to sail with or without waves. This situation let the team simulate a variety of different sailing situations which they met while on the college circuit, from inland lakes, to ocean sailing, to the Charles River in Boston.

On an interesting note, for those watching the Final Four, the team was sailing in the water seen directly behind the ESPN outdoor broadcast booth. The team now has the opportunity to hold practice in the spring semester, and to the effort from the athletic department and the team to put the sailing docks in the water early. With this extended practice season and the spring break trip, the team looks forward to aggressively improving their ranking.

"We were working as a team and that led to consistent finishes."
- Oren Abeles '01

Polar Bears set sights on top ten

C.W. Estoff
STAFF WRITER

A portrayal of the Bowdoin sailing team. The team will be competing this weekend at Boston University (painting by Ronald R. Parry)

Senior Profile

Conor McDonough '99: the man

Jen Malia
SPORTS EDITOR

On Saturday mornings, Conor McDonough '99 is most likely watching cartoons. Any other day of the week, you will probably find him engrossed in conquering the latest videogame, against his arch nemesis, forward Sam Nordberg '99.

McDonough has extensive experience in the sport of rowing, having competed for ten years. He said in seventh grade he was "too small to play lacrosse and an utter failure in baseball." Hoping to get in shape and build confidence, McDonough began his rowing career. This season, he is the co-captain of the Bowdoin Crew team along with Sara Withers '99. According to McDonough, Withers is the "best dam co-captain you could ask for."

When asked what he enjoys most about rowing, McDonough spoke of the benefits of team dynamics in sports. "I've always had trouble with being on my own in athletics. There's something about being on a team that sits well with me. It clicks."

Describing his experience when rowing, he said, "I can't feel anything except the drive and the speed through the water."

Having high regard for his teammates, McDonough emphasized their tremendous effort despite less than ideal conditions:

"There are a lot of teams on campus that deserve praise for making do with tough conditions. The crew team is one of them. I'm proud to say I've been a part of this team."

According to McDonough, the team lacks the financial support and the varsity status that most competitive teams have, yet they remain motivated to do the best that they can with what they have.

In addition, McDonough pointed out how competitive his teammates are even though most of them join the team as walk-ons, never having rowed before. He wanted to recognize the seniors, Ben Martin, Sara Withers and Claire Adam, who have all worked hard throughout the past years to make the team a success. McDonough said he came from a really competitive high school team. In addition, he rowed at Yale on a recruitment squad and at the Naval Academy briefly. According to McDonough, he was "not impressed with the drive of the individuals [he] met at those places than [he is] with all of the individuals that make up the Bowdoin Crew squad."

Regarding him as a role model, McDonough talked about his cross-country skiing coach, Bill Yeo. Praising his philosophy of coaching, McDonough said "I felt like I connected with him in a way I don't usually do with other coaches. He is willing to accept failure and learn from it." McDonough said he hopes to achieve "the kind of satisfaction with life he seems to have."

McDonough said he is impressed with the crew coach, Gill Birney, because his coaching ability has developed tremendously over the past few years. According to McDonough, he was skeptical about the coach his sophomore year, feeling the team was disconnected. However, he said he now feels the coach has grown extensively. "He is inspirational, confident, building, and enthusiastic. I am impressed with his coaching ability."

When asked to describe his most humorous

Please see MCDONOUGH, page 11
New Dean of Academic Affairs will come from faculty

- None of the 125 candidates for Dean of Academic Affairs were chosen by the Dean search committee, so the committee intends to appoint a faculty member within the next few weeks.

JEB PHILLIPS
CONTRIBUTOR

Some seven months into the hunt for Bowdoin’s next faculty chief, the College is back at step one. President Robert Edwards and eight search committee members recently decided not to appoint any of the 125 candidates who applied to succeed Charles Beitz as dean of academic affairs. Beitz will step down from the position at the end of the academic year.

“The candidate pool wasn’t bad, but there was not a candidate that leap out,” said Edwards.

Next year’s dean will be a temporary one, drawn from the faculty’s senior members, and should be appointed within the next few weeks.

A second nation-wide search may begin in the fall.

This year’s effort fell flat due in large part to the dean’s wide range of responsibilities, according to Edwards. Beitz has done everything from leading the faculty to overseeing campus museums, from gaining foundation support to contributing to an international dialogue on curriculum. And because the dean deals with promotion and tenure, the college is looking for an established scholar.

Edwards also points to the importance of “those elusive qualities of fit” which show a candidate to be perfectly suited to Bowdoin at this time in its history, a time that will include a transition from Edwards to a new president.

Dean of Academic Affairs Charles Beitz will resign his post at the end of this academic year. He will return to a faculty position in the fall of 2000 after taking a year off.

SHERRI KIEN/BOWDOIN ORIENT

Recording committee makes recommendations for honors

KIM SCHNEIDER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Recording Committee presented its recommendations for changes to Bowdoin’s academic honors policies at this month’s faculty meeting.

The proposals include abolishing Dean’s List and changing the basis for Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholarship and General (Latin) Honors from the current GPA scale to a ranked percentage of students.

According to a memo the Recording Committee prepared for the faculty, Dean’s List and Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar’s overlap to the point of redundancy. The Recording Committee’s recommendation was to eliminate Dean’s List as of the fall of 1999.

“Sarah and James Bowdoin has a lot of historical significance here,” said Sara Carlston ’99, a member of the Recording Committee, explaining why the Committee chose to eliminate Dean’s List over the Bowdoin Scholarship; she added that since Dean’s List was more recognizable outside of Bowdoin, students could list the honor on their transcript as “Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar (Dean’s List)” to clear up any confusion.

The proposed changes, student must complete a minimum of 16 courses at Bowdoin. All three levels of honors would be determined from a student’s GPA before rounding. The GPA must be determined using the same formula as for the student’s GPA before rounding. The proposed changes, student must complete a minimum of 16 courses at Bowdoin. All three levels of honors would be determined from a student’s GPA before rounding. The GPA must be determined using the same formula as for the student’s GPA before rounding.

Faculty and staff felt each of the four finalists strong in some areas but couldn’t agree that any one candidate had the required veracity.

“The inability to reach a consensus made it impossible to announce Beitz’s permanent replacement this year. "When you get a division this substantial, it’s best not to proceed with an appointment, but to try again,” Edwards said.

This year’s effort, including marathon meetings, an extensive letter writing campaign and at least nine thorough interviews, was not for nothing. The search committee members were able to specify what they want in an academic leader, and they learned how hard it is to find one.

But that difficulty may have the faculty and staff debating the wisdom of a second all-out search.

With about a ten percent chance of failure in any academic appointment hunt, there’s no guarantee for a suitable candidate the next time around. The faculty may decide they don’t want to go through the labor-intensive process again this year. Edwards said.

In that case, the temporary dean would be asked to stay on, which could prove to be another problem.

“If you are a professor with a real interest in your discipline, you would find [a deanship] an interruption,” Edwards said. “Faculty don’t do this because they want the job, they see it as a duty to the institution.”

Once an acting dean is named, the current search committee will disband. A second search would require a fresh effort, including the selection of a new coordinating group.

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President of the College

As a part of Asian Week events, Professor Henry Laurence of the Asian studies and government departments delivered a lecture Tuesday night about the Yakuza, the Japanese mafia. Following his lecture, Mimbo, a film about the Yakuza, was shown.

(Peter Hill / Bowdoin Orient)
Asian Week Events Recapped

KELLY RICCIARDI
STAFF WRITER

Last week was Asian Week on the Bowdoin campus, and the ASA (Asian Students Association) is sponsoring several events to promote awareness of what Asian students have in their backgrounds and how they contribute to the college.

Jeff Clark, co-chair of ASA, says that it is important to expose Bowdoin students to different cultures. "ASA is a group where all people are welcome to come and have a good time and to learn about Asian culture. Every year in April we have this week to hold events like performances, movies, and lectures that are somehow relevant to Asian culture," he said.

"Asians are the largest minority group on campus," Clark stated, "and Asian Week is a chance to show everyone things that we have been exposed to that other Bowdoin students might not have seen." Events of the week included a theater group from Los Angeles, Honolulu, that performed skits that dealt with racial issues, as well as lectures from Professors of Asian studies Kidder Smith and Henry Lawrence, and a true Hong Kong film. Friday evening the ASA will present a Filipino dance troupe including a first-year student from Bowdoin, and Saturday night they will close out the week with the fifth annual fashion show.

A particular challenge, according to Clark, is incorporating all of the different elements of the wide category of Asian into one week: "It is hard to represent all of the ethnicities that 'Asian' includes, but we do try." For example, at the traditional fashion show that closes out the week, some of the fashions that will be modeled include East Asian, Korean, and Indian.

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The course will be taught by Drs. Peter Schilling, Susan Kaplan, Genevieve LeMoine and Carey Phillips.

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At approximately 2:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 14, a female student reported that she was sexually assaulted near the northwest corner of the Bowdoin College soccer field (the corner closest to the Farley parking lot and the Farley Field House).

The assailant was wearing a dark-colored ski mask with a single opening for the eyes. He was described as a white male, approximately 5'11" to 6'0" tall, with a thin build. At the time of the attack, he was wearing a light colored t-shirt, dark colored pants and white running shoes.

The Brunswick Police Department is investigating the incident.

Anyone who was in the area where the assault occurred between 1:00 a.m. and 3:00 a.m. on Wednesday or who has any information concerning this assault is encouraged to contact Detective Kevin Schofield at the Brunswick Police Department (725-5521) or Bowdoin College Security (725-3314).

Community Meeting

Regarding Security Alert
Friday, April 16 6:00 p.m. Lancaster Lounge

Members of the Dean's Staff, Counseling, Sexual Assault Support Services of Midcoast Maine, Brunswick Police, Security and Residential Life will be present.

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Jewish scholar delivers lecture

Aaron Rosen
Opinion Editor

Professor Arthur Green of Brandeis University delivered the annual Spindle lecture on Wednesday.

The lecture is endowed by Roselyn and her husband Samuel Bernstein in memory of Roselyn's father, a lover of Jewish history and theology. In his opening remarks Charles B. Brit, Brandeis' dean of academic affairs, praised Roselyn for her service as a trustee of the college and a personal role model. Asked her opinion of Professor Green's talk, Mrs. Bernstein said that it was an "extraordinary joy."

Green's lecture, entitled "Hasidism: the Liturgy of Modernity's Door," started by tracing the history of the Hasidic Jewish movement through its quarter of a millennium history. As scholars of Hasidism, Green proposed that the duty of his colleagues is not to postulate as to whether the controversial movement is good or bad but to "try to understand its goals ... to find out if it succeeded" and to decide how we might "measure that success."

Unconvincing that Hasidism began in response to persecution and messianic disillusionment, Green said he understands it as a reaction to the complex numerology and terminology of eighteenth-century Jewish mysticism. As a reform movement, Hasidism encouraged Jews to "open the inner eye and see the world is filled with divinity ... a simple, luscious presence." By drawing Jewish attention away from "all the glitter of the psychadelic universe," all that is petty and illusionary, the Hasidim hoped to reignite the sense of the world as divine.

Following the biblical paradigm of Elijah, Hasidics renewed the ancient regard for the holy man, capable of helping his followers to unlock the "secrets of their souls." Suspecting that the Hasidic holy man distracted from the worship of God, many Jews began denouncing Hasidism as heretical. Other, more legalistic rebukes, such as the impurity of reciting afternoon prayers in the evening, followed suit.

These attacks only stopped when the Hasidim and their opponents recognized a common enemy, modernization. Pressed by many to teach their children in languages other than the traditional Yiddish and Hebrew, the threatened Hasidics began to adopt the phrase "all change is forbidden."

The pogroms, attacks on Jews in the late nineteenth century, forced Hasidim to leave their traditional villages for western Europe and America, that great "unknown country."

The most devastating blow to the Hasidic came, unsurprisingly, in the Holocaust, in which the majority of Hasidim, over one million in number, were killed.

After the Holocaust, when the few remaining Hasidim migrated to Israel, then Palestine, and to America, the defiance of modernity became imperative. Green said there was a collective sense that "we're going to show Hitler." As a result, the Hasidim became even more orthodox than they had been in Poland before the war.

At this point, after examining Hasidism's controversial origins and its escalating orthodoxy, Green reiterated the question with which he began, "Did Hasidism succeed?"

Did it lose entirely its initial reforming ethos? On the surface, it is noted, it was very easy to say that the Hasidics, who accept as truth nothing past the words of the twelfth-century philosopher Maimonides, are wholly unmodern. But despite such evidence of Hasidism's withdrawal from modernity, Green said he is unwilling to believe that there is nothing modern about Hasidism. The early individualistic spirituality of Hasidism, he said, lives on through its relation to Buber and others; and it is in this retained sense of personal spiritual discovery which Hasidism, the apparent opponent of modernity, brushes shoulders with the movement it has avowed to disregard.

Committee moves to change honors

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top two percent of a graduating class would receive summa cum laude, the rest of the top eight percent would receive magna cum laude, and the rest of the top 20 percent would receive cum laude. These changes would go into effect for the Class of 2000, avoiding the controversy that erupted last year when changes to Latin Honors were applied to students already matriculated.

Carleton said that the decision to base Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholarships and Latin Honors on a ranked percentage of students rather than on a certain GPA was not taken lightly. "I tend to think it will only increase competitiveness if a student chooses to let it," she said, citing the criticism that a ranking of students would lead to increased competition. "It doesn't affect me, and I don't think it will generally increase competitiveness ... I think this is a good system and it should work very well."

According to the Committee's memo, the current system of judging honors by a fixed GPA benchmark is undesirable because it allows students to know in advance whether they will receive an award, and alter their academic program in order to obtain the necessary grades. By switching to a percentage-based system, the hope is that since students would not know what grades were necessary for honors and thus would not alter their course load. The memo did acknowledge that "such a policy could be viewed as pitting students against each other rather than encouraging them to achieve an absolute level of academic excellence." But added that "students who act in an undesirable fashion because of percentage-based honors would most likely act in an undesirable fashion no matter what basis is used for such awards."

Steve Lee, '99, chair of the '99, echoed this criticism of a percentage-based system. "What you're doing by changing to the percentage system is comparing students against each other rather than against a common measure of excellence."

The Committee cites the main reason for the changes to academic honors policies is the large number of students who receive them. Each semester over half of the student body qualifies for Dean's List. Nearly 350 students were designated as Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholars for their work during 1997-98. In 1994, 15 percent of the student body graduated with Latin Honors, whereas last year 60 percent received honors.

The Recording Committee has already presented these proposals to the Student Assembly. According to Lee, the recommendations were not well received. "The general sense of the students on the Assembly is that honors are important and they should be maintained—made a little more stringent, but maintained nonetheless," he said. "I think some people were frustrated, that student opinion seemed to be ignored. Students in the Assembly feel the reffrms are not positive."

Lee said that many members of the Student Assembly felt that the Recording Committee was not addressing the appropriate causes of the inflated honors. "If you're trying to lessen the amount of honors, it seems that what the real problem is grade inflation rather than the system itself," he said. "And we feel that [the recommendations] is a simple solution to a very complex problem. You're ignoring the real problem, which is grade inflation."

He added that the competitive aspects of a percentage-based system went against the grain of Bowdoin's liberal arts philosophy. "A college like Bowdoin prides itself on individualism and unconventional, engaged learning," he said. "I think these reforms represent the antithesis of that ... If I had known that this would be the result of the Recording Committee reforms I would have pushed harder for elimination of all honors within the Assembly."

The E9 and the Coalition for Bowdoin Activism are jointly sponsoring a forum for faculty and students on the proposed changes on Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. at a location to be announced. The faculty will make their vote at a meeting on May 3.
Dartmouth College assembly votes to support Coed Fraternity Sorority system

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THE DARTMOUTH

(U-WIRE) HANOVER, N.H. — More than two months after the Board of Trustees announced a revolutionary social and residential life initiative that threatens to end the Greek system "as we know it," an emotionally charged Student Assembly meeting Wednesday night ended with the passage of a highly controversial resolution opposing any major alterations to the Coed Fraternity Sorority system, such as co-education or abolition, without the consent of the CFS Council.

One amendment, that students should take responsibility to end problems of sexual abuse and alcoholism, was accepted with ease, while another — that the power to determine the future of the Greek system be given to all students and not just the CFS — was rejected after almost two hours of heated debate.

The composition and tone of the meeting — which was attended by 75 students and marked not only by dissent from within the Assembly, but also from non-members attending the meeting — showed the extent to which the Assembly has been altered by the controversy which has embroiled the campus since the Trustees' February announcement.

"It was the most intense meeting I've ever been a part of. Finally we are getting to the core issues that this campus has been dancing around," Assembly President Josh Green '00 said.

A landslide victory of 90 to three — with more than 80 percent of yea votes coming from Greek members despite the fact that the Assembly as a whole is only roughly 50 percent Greek — passed the measure, but not before a walk-out by several members threatened to table the resolution. The group of Assembly members walked out in hopes that the body would not have the requisite number of voting members present to take an official vote.

"We didn't get specific in the 'fundamental alterations' part because there are certainly things we can't foresee. Besides it would take a long time to list them. This does not prevent any changes to the system that the CFSG agrees [to]," resolution sponsor Alex Wilson '01, who was elected Secretary of the Assembly before the debate began, said.

"We're not saying no changes, but we want the basic nature of the system to remain the same," resolution sponsor Ryan Clark '01 said.

Green said, "The shape and structure of the Greek system affects everybody on campus. If the Greek system goes, it effects a lot more people than just the Greek system." Green stopped temporarily aside as president to propose the controversial amendment, and vice-president Case Darkey '99 led the meeting from that point forward.

Wilson said Green's amendment was "A terrible idea in terms of this resolution" and that "there has never been an explicit agreement of the student body, and the Assembly cannot speak for the student body [in that situation]."

On the other hand, the Greek system as an entity has shown it has more unified voice when it comes to the Trustee initiative, Wilson said.

"To deny the other students' voice in that seems naive to me. The Assembly should be fighting for the right of all students to have a role in the decisions that are made at the College," Green said.

"I think all students will have a voice, but I don't think, the entire student body has the right to make certain of the decisions the CFSG makes," Wilson said.

"The final decision on the administration's proposal to the CFS gets decided by the CFS. The student body doesn't get a veto on the CFS, and we won't support fundamental change without the consent of the CFS," Wilson said.

Hisjustification was that the Greek houses have a greater immunity to the possible co-education of fraternities and sororities than the campus as a whole, thus they should be entitled to the right of self-determination, Wilson said.

Much time was devoted to proposing and debating changes to the resolution, from substituting words to striking and adding new clauses. Despite a few changes, and more notably the rejection of Green's amendment, the resolution boiled down to issues of representation.

"It's in our best interest and duty to represent the campus [and send] a clear message to the administration that we want institutional authority. On behalf of students [the Assembly] should act in their interest of freedom and choice," Assemblyman Juan Gonzales '02 said.

Refuting some members who said the Assembly should remain in its role as a moderator, Chair of Student Services Beth Westman '99 denied that label and instead said "Our job is to act the students' advocate, and people support this [resolution] so let's be an advocate and pass this." A round of applause followed her comment.

A vocal minority of dissenters was also present at the meeting. "I'm embarrassed to be a part of the Assembly today because when given the opportunity to choose language that clearly indicates an interest in all student voice, the Assembly voted to marginalize all voices except those of CFS leadership," Assemblyman Scott Jacobs '99 said.

Tom Leatherbee '01, Chair of Working Group Two, said he was cautious about making a decision before the Trustees visit campuses on Thursday, when they might clarify their decisions to students.

"I was really upset by what happened. I feel cheated by the Assembly because had Green's amendment been included, it would have made the resolution consistent with the Assembly's goals," Jon Susman '02, a non-member of the Assembly, said.

Tensions peaked in the closing moments. Since the duration of the meeting had already caused people to trickle out, when a motion to table the resolution failed, several voting members left to try and table the resolution by not having quorum.

The group's effort to force a tabling of the motion by preventing quorum fell six absentees short.

"I think it was an inappropriate way to express a courageous opinion," Green said.

"I walked out hoping that this would not be the face of the Assembly the week the Trustees get here so that we could wait and see what the Trustees give us. The Assembly didn't take a stand up to this point, and this weekend they might clarify the Five Principles," Jacobs said.

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The housing lottery has always been a source of frustration and tension for students. Few things can more negatively impact a student's academic year than an undesirable living situation. Rising sophomores, in particular, have historically had the hardest time in the lottery because upperclassmen get first choice. In the past, sophomores who were unable to obtain housing in the lottery have been forced to live off-campus to a multitude of apartments and houses for rent. This year, however, the College has eliminated this option for the Class of 2002, as all are required to live in whatever on-campus housing is left over after upperclassmen take the pick of the crop. This policy, while designed to reduce the amount of "fragmentation" in the student body, will only lead to unfavorable housing situations for sophomores.

Bowdoin's limited housing for the growing student population has in recent years led to extensive waiting lists, where in some cases students have not learned where they would live until a few weeks before classes began. The College has openly encouraged students to study away during a fall semester rather than the spring to increase available housing. Even the first-year dorm rooms were originally designated as temporary doubles, although the vast majority now house three slightly cramped students. Bowdoin has been trying to meet the need for increased housing, with the recently constructed Hegner and Steven Halls and the soon-to-be-open Chamberlain Hall as well as the attempted purchases of the fraternity houses. Still, the demand outstrips the supply. In addition, the College's misspelled policy of forbidding the near-vacant fraternity houses to provide rooms to non-members outside of the senior class (as some have done for decades) rids students of other campus housing opportunities, while financially penalizing the struggling Greek organizations.

In past years, students who signed up for the housing lottery—especially sophomores—knew that there was a very good chance they would not get their top choices for housing. The benefits of living close to campus, with Facilities Management staff to take care of maintenance and Dining Services avoiding the need to purchase and cook one's own meals, makes living on campus worthwhile to many students. But some prefer the freedom of taking care of themselves. Others would rather suffer the inconveniences of living off-campus rather than put their future in the uncertainty of the lottery—a case of choosing the devil you know over the one you don't know. Requiring all sophomores to give up these options only leads to frustration and bitterness on the part of students who would like to consider them.

If the College wants sophomores to be satisfied with the requirement to live on campus, sophomores should receive first pick in the housing lottery—guaranteeing that all will have housing before worrying about upperclassmen filling the slots. However, this is clearly an unsatisfactory solution, as this will add to upperclassmen's disfavor with the College and be additionally lead to increased fragmentation of the student body as upperclassmen flee to more remote off-campus locations. So long as Bowdoin lacks a surefoot of on-campus housing, they should not infringe upon a sophomore's option to live elsewhere.

Academic honors proposals: a mixed bag

The Recording Committee has once again taken up the enviable task of proposing controversial alterations to the academic honors policies, which many students take extremely seriously and which are definitely issues which need to be addressed by Bowdoin's current policy, and we agree that changes need to be made. The Committee has made several wise recommendations, and several which we would advise against.

—The abolition of Dean's List: The argument that Dean's List and the Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholarship are redundant is a valid one. Preserving the historical significance of the Bowdoin Scholar designation is a noble goal. However, it would be nice if there was some sort of semestery recognition of academic achievement, rather than the annual Bowdoin Scholarship. A student who has one bad semester, perhaps due to personal or family issues, should receive some kind of credit for their better semesters.

—The changes in credit/fail courses for Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar: The current Bowdoin Scholarship policy penalizes students who take performing arts classes that are only offered credit/ fail. In addition, there are legitimate reasons why students might choose to take a course credit/fail. Allowing a limited number of credit/fail courses and differentiating between elective and mandatory credit/fail policy are reasonable additions to the policy.

—The use of percentage-based systems: We wholeheartedly disagree with this proposal. This change encourages students to compete with one another and not cooperate between students. We have all heard stories about students at other schools who steal a course's reserve readings to hurt other students' grades, raising their own standing in the class rank. While hopefully few Bowdoin students are that malicious and petty, the old system prevented this type of stunt from benefiting anybody. The former policy of using a concrete standard of excellence for the encouraged students to strive towards an achievable academic goal. The new proposal would send the message that only the top twenty percent of students are "honorable." For a school that prides itself on its individualistic and cooperative nature, this is a disheartening message.

—Grandfathering: If the proposals are supported by the faculty, then there will still be a Dean's List this semester; next fall's Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholarships will be awarded based on the current criteria; and the current Latin Honors system will remain in effect until the Class of 2003 graduates. The Recording Committee is right not to implement these changes immediately. They have learned their lesson from the change in academic honors policy last year, which the faculty rescinded after student outcry.

—Grade inflation: These measures are all meant to counteract the perception that too many students receive these honors, and the prestige is lessened. But no one seems to be addressing the question as to why this problem has arisen. Several members of the E9 have wisely suggested that the underlying problem of grade inflation be addressed. Are professors grading more leniently because of fear of disappointing students or negatively influencing future job applications? Is Bowdoin simply accepting smarter students than in the past, accounting for the rise in average grades? Is grade inflation as inevitable as monetary inflation, as some administrators claim, or is it a problem that can and should be dealt with? These questions do not fall under the purview of the Recording Committee's domain, but we would like to see the issue examined by some committee before any more drastic changes are enacted.

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**Why should I see “Pippin” this weekend?**

NOEL VERZOSA ’99
Pomona, CA

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THE EDITOR:

I love seeing “Pippin,” so why do I think it’s not the show for you? Let me explain.

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**Letters to the Editor**

CBA, Baha’i and ‘01 sponsor Kosovo discussion

To the Editor:

Kosovo: Approximately 500,000 refugees are without homes. NATO has been bombing the region since March 24th. Is the US going to send in ground troops? Is this another Vietnam? The Coalition for Bowdoin Activists, Baha’i Association, as well as the Class of 2001 are sponsoring an informal discussion on Monday, April 19, at 8:00 p.m. This is not a lecture where rigid points will be presented, but rather, an open arena where students with concerns as well as confidences will contribute to thoughtful discussion.

We have four confirmed informational resources attending the discussion: Professors Springer and Weigle from the Government Department, Rosalie Paul from Peace Action Maine, as well as Oleg Ruchchin, an activist from the Balkan area who has met with Serbian President Milosevic twice. These people will help initiate our critical examination of the recent events, and each facilitator anticipates helping Bowdoin students examine their own involvement ideas on the issue.

Again, we encourage you to assume an active role in formulating your opinion on the important developments in current events. We are looking forward to seeing you at the discussion.

Coalition for Bowdoin Activists

Baha’i Association

Class of 2001

The Orient is wrong over Kosovo conflict

To the Editor:

The Orient editorial on Kosovo last week was absolutely wrong. For starters, being a super power does not entail telling every other country how great you are at all. Such sentiment is a manifestation of the same arrogance that got us involved in this mess in the first place. We are not the world’s police. The United States, under the guise of NATO, did violate international law by attacking a sovereign nation in the midst of its civil war. Even so, we should have had a clear plan at the start, an exit strategy. However, this was not the case: at the beginning of the bombing, the Italian Prime Minister asked Clinton what he would do if the bombing didn’t succeed in bringing Milosevic to his knees. Clinton stood there, mute, shrugged his shoulders, and turned to Sandy Berger, who mumbled, “Well, I guess we just keep bombing.” This accurately illustrates the cluelessness of this administration on military matters and foreign policy.

But forget all that. Let’s look at Slobodan Milosevic. Before our attack, he faced significant political opposition in Yugoslavia, but now his people have united behind him. Ethnic Albanians are fleeing Kosovo by the thousands daily, which was, after all, his ultimate goal. To top it off, he has three American prisoners that he can dangle in front of the television cameras when he wants. Seen in this light, it looks like the bombing has helped him much more than it has hurt him.

John Gaspar ’99

Be passionate; vote for student government

To the Editor:

Is Bowdoin the utopia you’d always imagined? Or are you concerned about admissions and financial aid policies, diversity on campus, the effectiveness of the student digest, the cost of books, or just the selection of jellies at Moulton’s breakfast counter? Do you feel this is an administrative dictatorship, or do you acknowledge that democratic power you have to select student representatives who will proactively invite your opinions and represent your interests? Are you just here to build a resume, or do you want to make a difference in your own life and the lives of those around you while you’re here?

This weekend you have the opportunity to challenge the stereotype that Bowdoin students are apathetic. Seventeen students are running for positions on E9, the Executive Board of the Student Assembly. The positions they represent are posted in the windows of the Smith Union Conference Room. E9 will be holding elections from 9a.m. Friday, April 16 to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 21. You can vote by typing “vote” at the arctos prompt at any e-mail terminal, or by logging on through the Internet at www.bowdoin.edu/dept/conser/vote.html.

It doesn’t matter what your passion is for—whether it’s academics, athletics, or the right to assemble for a good party—show us that you’re passionate about something by voting for your student representatives. Empower your student government by giving them your vote!

The Coalition of Bowdoin Activists

IHC members defend Bowdoin ID policy

To the Editor:

Regarding your attempt to address the policy of fraternities and College Houses which requires a Bowdoin ID for admission to a party (Editorial, 4/9, "Identification Crisis") we found a few misrepresentations that deserve to be clarified.

First and foremost, Bowdoin College requires that all students who wish to consume alcohol at a registered party produce an ID. This is Maine law and it is Bowdoin’s law as well. If you have your own, Bob Graves, director of Residential Life, Craig Bradley, dean of Student Affairs, and Scott Kipp, director of Security consistently remind those of us who host parties that we MUST card all students who wish to enter a party at which alcohol is served.

Secondly, this policy of requiring specifically Bowdoin IDs is not enforced at all parties, only those at which an unusually large crowd is expected. At smaller parties, the decision of whether or not to require Bowdoin ID’s is left to the discretion of the alcohol host. Anyone who has left their room more than once this year should be well aware of the fact that unless a party is literally packed, they will have no problem gaining admittance without a Bowdoin ID. For the editors of The Orient to imply otherwise was a gross misrepresentation of the social scene at Bowdoin. At larger, campus-wide parties (of which there have been no more than five or six in this entire year) the decision was made by the IHC to recommend that each house require a Bowdoin ID of any student who wished to enter. The decision was the result of the success that Kappa Delta Theta had with the policy at their Halloween party, an unforeseen incident at Burnet House earlier this semester, and an overall concern about the presence of liquor inspectors on campus.

In response to the concern expressed about pre-party entering parties, we really have little to worry about. The Admissions office please see IHC, p.9.
The United States or its military alliance has no legal right to militarily intervene in the internal affairs of a sovereign nation, however grave be the situation. NATO action as a death blow to the remnants of international law and civility. The US interfering in Yugoslavia is a comparable to, say hypothetically, Russia interfering in the civil rights movement in the US during the 1960s. Would any have been permitted on humanitarian grounds?

Rahul Beijj '99

There has never been a situation quite like this, and there are no precedents to go by. I have no answers. The US government seems to be forced to take some of the initiative (especially the policy as such) and become the sole responsibility of the United States to mitigate cross-cultural tension, but the U.S. can be a very resourceful ally in the drive to end the Balkan slaughter.

Cristian O. Nitch '00

The United States must find a way to stop the genocide, rape, destruction, and general atmosphere of terror in Kosovo. After World War II, the Western world said that genocide would never happen again. Yet from Rwanda, to Bosnia, and now in Kosovo it is clear that these are simply empty words. The United States must find a way to stop the genocide occurring there and show the world that genocide will not be tolerated. Some people believe that we have no vital national interest to protect in Kosovo. To them I say that the United States is the wealthiest country in the world. Does not a moral imperative to care for those in life threatening circumstances go along with our privileged position? The greatest shame is that those who have the means to help the lives of the afflicted, and yet choose not to act. Do we really want to look back one day and realize that we allowed them to die so we did not wish to risk the lives of a few Americans? I sincerely hope that the answer is no.

Jonathan Cowan '01

Last I checked, we only meddling with countries that have valuable exports. The Yugoslavs stopped production years ago. I just don't understand.

Dan Farnbach '01

I am teaching French for this semester at Bowdoin. I am not an American citizen, and I don't really feel appropriate to be influencing the USA officials in their decision making process. Yet, since I have lived in Yugoslavia for the first 35 years of my life, and have spent the rest in North America (becoming a citizen of two different countries, of Canada in 1995 and of Slovenia in 1991, after this country seceded from the former Yugoslavia), this whole situation seems completely devastating to me. I do have strong opinions about anyone using force in anyone's country. No matter how horrible Milosevic's politics are, no matter what horror he is creating, place—if dear Mister President would only listen...

Metka Zupancic
French Department

I write as a professional Slavist, one who speaks Serbo-Croatian (how quaint that term sounds now!), visited Yugoslavia five times before the last war, and dedicate myself to studying the history and culture of the Balkans. I also write as a person who has suffered from an intellectual genocide in Serbia ever since my first trip there in 1973. I cannot guarantee which of these two people will present reality in what follows, and therefore I put forward two tables, prominently figured in my mind on the Yugoslav tragedy since it came to a head in the early '90s.

Within the old Yugoslavia, circumstances first led me to Croatia, and my heart eventually led me into Serbia, but my feelings for Serbia were always very warm, like those you feel for an attractive person you don't know well, but are always glad to see, nonetheless. The Serbs knew all were intelligent, passionate, yet at the same time down to earth, they seemed to be free of the mealy self-centeredness that so frequently seems to mar the Croatian national self-image, and had none of the wide-eyed naivete that one occasionally sees in the Slovenes. Realistic without being cynical, possessed of a dry humor and a wonderful openness to tourists, the Serbs I encountered were more like the most attractive of the Eastern Europeans I knew.

Tome, the unspoken, unspeakable tragedy of the present crisis is the desecration of that proud, dynamic, highly cultured nation into the same collective psychosis that the Germans lived through in the '30s and '40s. There is nothing in Serbian history, or in the Serb experience in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia that justifies what Serb armed forces did in Belgrade—sarajevo, once one of Europe's great cities, to the civilian population of Serbia and other Moslem enclaves, and to women and men throughout the republic; there is nothing that justifies the butchering of Kosovar people in Eastern Croatia, or the shelling of such coastal cities as Zadar and Dubrovnik; and nothing justifies the crimes committed against the civilian populace of Albanian Kosovo. Apologize for the Serbs (most notably A. M. Rosenfeld of the New York Times) can point to vague potential threats based on historical experience; and indeed I have heard no one mention Croat atrocities against Serbs, say in WWII, or Mr. Milosevic's mistreatment of the Albanian Serbs in WWII. But this ignores the present reality—the political activity of republican governments, and the many decades of peaceful coexistence since the crimes in question. And what kind of reasoning is this, anyway? Justifying current, real, atrocities in the name ofpotential, future crimes?

Vis-a-vis Kosovo, Serbs will tell you that the province is their Jerusalem, the heart of a great medieval empire, the cradle of Serbian nationhood. I would answer that that is true, very true, that the Turkish rout of the Serbian army at Kosovo Field in 1389 was not only for Serbia, but for all of Europe, that Kosovo should remain part of Serbia. That being said, the U.S. is now asking its own 100 years of peaceful population shift at gun point; or excuses murder, rape, or the forced eviction of a peaceful population from their homes. Some commentators have forgotten that the Kosovar Albanians enjoyed a limited autonomy within Yugoslavia, an autonomy that Milosevic unilaterally rescinded in 1989. (We might add "illegally" as well—this autonomy was guaranteed by the federal constitution.) Most Kosovars would have been happy with a return to this status.

As for the US/NATO response, I have to say I don't know. I have grave reservations about the operation. Allied forces; have a queasy suspicion that the people in charge are making up the policy as they go along. The intervention's aim, as far as I understand, is to protect physically ill when I watch the daily reports on the attack, and feel a deep sadness with every report, every time I see, for example, another child killed in the war. But there are some things that are not being mistreated! What is one supposed to do when one sees such a monstrous crime unfolding, in a time and a place as were? Especially when one has already been excommunicated for passivity and indifference in the past (re: Bosnia and the Holocaust). What if it is clear that the aggressors cannot be trusted, based on their past record and their present lies (re: Bosnia and Croatia)! What if the sense of impirorization is due to the simplicity of Serb's beliefs? We have never seen a situation quite like this, and there are no precedents to go by. I have no answers. No one is going to take the occasion to occassional occurrences to the contrary, neither does anyone else.

I want to say, that at these reflective moments, my Serb friends and acquaintances think back to what they had before the late '90s, to the old Yugoslavia, and to what they have now, under Milosevic. I hope that they feel the loss themselves, as much as I do for them. I have to hope that they can see that, despite the NATO bombs, and the against-the-world rhetoric, that Milosevic has almost single-handedly destroyed Yugoslavia, raped Bosnia, razed Sarajevo and Vukovar, murdered and raped scores of Albanians and Muslemics, all in their name, and all for no other reason than a personal, petty quest for more power. For their sake no ideology involved here, no higher principles that could conceivably justify the suffering. It's one empty man allaying himself to the cruder nationalistic voices of his country, for his own selfish ends.

I could go on about reasons that justify the bombing campaign, the aggression in Kosovo; crippling a military force that has been used almost exclusively against civilians, targeting civilians (and male stopping (so it can't create more mayhem elsewhere, etc.). But I need to stop. I have a house to clean, my head, and I have not had time to formulate them more eloquently. This I hope to do in the near future. They will have to suffer for now.

Raymond H. Miller
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Lessons from Bulgaria amidst the escalating Balkan turmoil

By Je安娜 Topalova

Having lived under a communist regime, I sometimes mistake the granting of human rights to every human being. I understood the indignation and protest of the Turkish minority and the moves of the names they were to bear. However, the upsurge that followed did not seem to reflect my expectations, but I tolerated it. Today my opinion self-governance does not seem to be an issue of human rights. Besides, who is a Bulgarian minority? Perhaps during the totalitarian regime? Was the Bulgarian government thinking of ethnic cleansing as claimed by British and French diplomats? I do not believe the government planned ethnic cleansing as it only attempted to assimilate the Turkish minority. There were advocates who claimed that the lack of differences between names would ensure equal treatment of all citizens in the country on entrance exams, in the services and in the field of employment. Yet I disagree that changing the names of the Turkish minority was a move to assimilation, believing that this was a simple Rambouillet Constitution (a fact which is concealed) is that the Rambouillet agreement constitutes to improve the relations between the ethnic communities in the western part of the country living in peace. They did not realize, however, that the two communities were not so different ethnically. Yugoslavia's political and economic policies make it impossible for two different ethnic groups to live side by side in peace. The ethnic animosity in Kosovo and Metohija required a substantiated and objective approach to the Kosovo conflict.

Humanitarianism provides the fundamental impetus for NATO intervention in Kosovo. Since the United States lacks the resources to intervene in every dangerous conflict throughout the world, we must choose our battles carefully. Although I believe that the intentions of intervention are quite beneficial, I have some reservations about the justifications and conduct of the war by the Atlantic Alliance. Why are we in Kosovo? Find the Clinton administration's justifications largely unsatisfactory. Although an internal war in Yugoslavia is not a threat to the United States, Clinton has presented two arguments explaining the Kosovo conflict as threat to American interests.

First, he argued that World War I and II began in the Balkans and that history must not repeat itself. However, the Balkans had a secondary role when compared to Western European countries during WWII. Even though the execution of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria by a Serb nationalist provided the catalyst for WWI, the intervention of other European powers internationalized the conflict.

Second, he argued that NATO should act to prevent the war from spilling into neighboring countries. This is a stronger argument and is based on a third and most important, the means through which the Turkish minority is set out to obtain autonomy and independence. Thanks to media propaganda words such as "genocide" in the last couple of weeks, and for this reason I will try to define the term "seek to assimilate through violence." In a number of incidents, Bulgarians of Turkish ethnicity attacked military barracks in order to seize possession of property, which is illegal. Moreover, there were other incidents in which hospitals and schools were attacked. What could the Bulgarian government do? Support a violent secessionist movement? Or ensure peace in the country?
What is the role of Student Government at Bowdoin College

To the Editor:

Student government on the Bowdoin campus is an elusive issue. If you ask students what the E9 does, you’ll get answers ranging from “nothing at all” to the ever popular, “who’s the E9?”

One problem that hits at the root of the E9’s lack of power is the paradox that is student representation. It is known that there are nine people on the committee, but what does the “E” stand for? For many students, the “E” has been interpreted to mean “Executive.” This has been the only interpretation that has been drawn based on the evidence, even the suggestion that the “E” be changed to an “I” to have it stand for “Investment Bank.”

Well, I’m here to tell you the origins. Yes, a little Bowdoin lore. Before the E, there was the Executive Board - “E” for E9. I do not mean to imply that this will clear anything up for any of you. As Dr. Snass once wrote, “Now I know as much as anyone knows, from beginning to end, from the start to the close.” In 1998 the E9 was designed to make it easier to make it more efficient and effective. After two years in existence it is making slow progress. Unfortunately, the E9 is encountering problems similar to those that caused its predecessors to fail.

The nine elected officials too often feel that their job is to do things for the student body, rather than to motivate the student body to do something for themselves. This is a mistake. The goal of the students of women and men wonder what you want when you open the door for them. Students of women and men, has been written, are the only representative from student government present. I attempted to explain the impact that the executive has on the effect on the campus. I managed to answer all questions that the twelve students had in regard to the campus, as well as to explain how the campus forum had to explain that there were some issues the student body had little, if any impact on. The campus forum ended with the upcoming vote by the faculty on Honors citing that it was doubtful that the student body would have any impact on the outcome. Indeed, it is entirely reasonable and narrow-minded to suggest that the student body is no longer the one that would be allowed to have the role of the mother’s body, the aborting doctor would have no control over the decision to have an abortion. It can therefore be argued that the line between partial birth abortion and infanticide is gray, and in addition, it is one thing for the procedure to be performed when the mother’s life is at stake. The social value of the baby’s head were to allow the mother’s body, the aborting doctor would have no control over the decision to have an abortion.

It is my hope that we can move beyond the political rhetoric and recognize that these proposed bills are hardly the oppressive tools of a right-wing minority; but are instead a reasonable and narrowly-tailored restrictions that support the people over political spectrum.

With regard to partial birth, Reznik notes that the term is “a political one. There is no medical or scientific procedure that goes by such a name.” While that may be true, it is unclear why we should care how the procedure is defined, for the substantive facts about it remain the same. The doctor incudes labor and delivers the living child feet-first only until the child’s head remains within the mother’s body. The doctor then pierces the child’s skull with a pair of scissors and vacuums out the brain. The skull collapses upon itself, allowing the now-dead infant to be removed. Indeed, it is entirely reasonable and narrow-minded to suggest that the student body is no longer the one that would be allowed to have the role of the mother’s body, the aborting doctor would have no control over the decision to have an abortion.

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Perhaps what Bowdoin students need to keep in mind most of all, is how much time it can be to live in one of the fraternities at the College that are known for theirricane and fraternities. But before you can register for admittance to any party, you must register for the event, and even then, you must be provided with a paper list of the events. This is unfortunate, but sadly necessary. If something goes wrong at a party and a Bowdoin student is involved, there is always someone who knows who that student is, and hopefully can help them when they need it. A student who attends a party has a responsibility to their friends, and can socialize with their friends—Bowdoin students or otherwise.

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There are certain moments when I see the world as a freeze-frame of a movie. These moments are surreal and rather ineffable, but mostly illuminate a hazy vision of the greater picture. Over spring break, I went to a protest against 10 years of war in the Amazon. There, I experienced one of these moments.

We arrived at the steps of the Philadelphia Art Museum a little after 4 p.m. It was a sentimental and patriotic article about Philadelphia, which became mine only three short years ago. She, my Philadelphia, exudes precedence and revolution. She is a pillar of inspiration with her imposing City Hall and anti-war South Street and writers and poets who grew in her womb, fed on her nourishment, and were delivered into the world. On her conscience, I see a heart of independence, solidarity, and unity. On the steps, there was a crowd. There were people and flags carrying signs to commemorate the death of Archbishop Romero. There were church congregations and Quaker groups and parish school, all wearing T-shirts with "School of Assassins" and holding banners and crosses. There was a group of high-school Goth kids with black eyeliner and Lucky Strikes. On the perfectly constructed stage with a shot sound system, there was a kid who was crying. He read from Guatemala and his struggle as an immigrant and a broadwinder in the family. Afterwards, with long blonde hair, wearing earmuffs, stood on the stage, idolizing Joni Mitchell and belting out liberty songs in Spanish, the song got lost in the wind and dissolved with the pungent fumes of cheese-steaks and buses. I was reading the leaflet on the gristy blue paper. It read, "The US and Latin America forces in America, based in Fort Benning, Georgia, train Latin American soldiers in combat, counter-insurgency, and counter-narcotics. Graduates of the SOA have been responsible for some of the worst human rights abuses in Latin America. Among the SOA's graduates are Gen. Manuel Noriega and Omar Torrijos of Panama, Leopoldo Galtieri and Roberto Videla of Argentina, Juan Velasco Alvarez of Peru, Guillermo Rodriguez of Ecuador, and Hugo Banzer Suarez of Bolivia. Lower-level SOA graduates have participated in human rights abuses that include the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero and the El Mozote Massacre of 900 Guatemalans. I read on while we assembled to march. We were processed through the street, angering cars and buses to the point of aggressive honking. I was wearing my red bandana, carrying my backpack and talking to people I didn't know.

When we came to the Cathedral, a woman stood with a loudspeaker slightly elevated above her head.

She yelled: "I have been doing active work in Latin America for 15 years. Each time I go back home, the elections will be my last, because I am sick and tired of my government, using my money, in my name to oppress people and commit violence, so that we can have cheap bananas and sugar and chocolate." She stepped off, losing composure and crying in the arms of her husband. The crowd clapped. I was angry. A million thoughts flooded my mind, but I couldn't express any of them. Then I realized why I was so angry. I was angry because my country practices selective morality as a political strategy.

A million thoughts flooded my mind, but I couldn't express any of them. Then I realized why I was so angry. I was angry because my country practices selective morality as a political strategy. The government, which suppresses its base of support, interferes in Latin America, bombs Kosovo, and yet does nothing in China. We intervene where it is convenient, when it suits our power and glory and illustrate that the American way is the right way. American tax dollars funded to ship Lat's veteran soldiers to go back to their own countries and assassinate people. I was angry — angry that I have become one.

I looked around me for validation. There were live faces of teenagers, nuns and activists of all ages. As a matter of fact, that moment, I saw the monumental protest of protest and anti-establishment which really only tells me how angry I am from powerlessness. This was one protest for a vast cause of many causes. I wonder how many protests I will have to attend before I see change. How far will my idealism take me?

Afterwards, we went to a potluck dinner at the Universalist church. People buzzed with chatter and children sang. A little boy not quite five, dressed up in a burgundy blazer, clowned around his mother. And he kissed her hands with such fervor and animation that I wanted to cry. Father Roy Bourgeois, founder of the SOA Watch, stepped up to speak. He was a healthy, Southern man with a tanned face and a gentle smile. He talked with a comforting droll. He spent several years in prison for this cause. He reached out to another man who is currently serving time in prison for being a nonviolent activist who has advocated people in a way I've only seen in movies. There was clapping and amens all around. This was when I saw the freeze-frame. People froze in their expression of laughter and joy and sadness that almost fused together. They were tears I had never seen before. I was moved. I found myself in a warzone. I felt stronger somehow, like I had a million people walking behind me. I was moving in a way that San Francisco would have seen if I ever saw change. I was willing to take that risk.

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Mark Turner is a junior.

**Student Opinion**

**Changing the world: protesting the School of Americas**

By Larisa Reznik

**Searching for answers in Kosovo**

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I think that the Serbians actually forced that NATO would use the peacekeeping force to host a plebiscite in Kosovo. However, during the peace talks, NATO pursued a policy of "peaceful presence"自主创新Kosovo which Milošević revoked in the late 1980s.

In light of air strikes and the ethnic cleansing, it seems more likely that NATO would now support an independent Kosovo and less likely that Serbia would accept a peaceful presence. The Serbs will not accept the peacekeeping force. As for the time being, the conflict is not yet resolved.

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**Short Term at Bowdoin**

By Hugh Hill

Many other liberal arts colleges across New England (and, increasingly, across America) have a short term. For those unfamiliar with this practice, it is essentially a two-week period during which students take just one class and enjoy college life. The courses offered during this period are a great and interesting subjects that students would not usually encounter during the normal course of college. Bowdoin would greatly benefit by adding this to its schedule, and it would increase the appeal of life here at Bowdoin.

Two other New England schools' models come to mind. The first is Dartmouth’s ExPerience Without Limits, which sends students on the bizarre aspect of their messed up scheduling (known as the "D plan"). Dartmouth has a ten-week period between the semesters where students take a course that is designed primarily for interest and not for credit or a major. This term is light-hearted and fun, with more attention paid to the extracurricular aspects of college life and less to serious academic. The other school that comes to mind is Bates. Instead of sandwiching their short term between semesters, they put their at the end of the second semester. Similar to Dartmouth's in style and structure, the Bates system also receives rave reviews from its students.

Where would the time for this course fit? For us, we could keep a week or a winter break. Even a longer time like that would be too little time. It would be too much time. There are certain other areas where time could be found. The second semester is a little longer than the first, and these two semesters could be regularized to add more time for a short term, though I think finding the time wouldn't be that tough.

These issues aside, I think Bowdoin would benefit a great deal from a short term. It definitely falls into the liberal arts area of learning for the sake of learning. But not only would students be able to explore an area they might not otherwise encounter in their Bowdoin career, they would also be able to more fully appreciate all aspects of the Bowdoin experience. We're pretty busy here, and some time to focus not just on the classroom would benefit all of us. So, for the sake of improving the quality of life around here, let's add a short-term to the Bowdoin calendar.

Hugh Hill is a first year.
"Punk rock for sissies" invades Bowdoin

LARA BLACKBURN CONTRIBUTOR

By now, you know that Ben Foldes Five is coming to Bowdoin. You couldn't have ignored that information for this long. And if you happened to glance at a poster, you might be able to gather that they are a piano, bass and drums trio. (Note the sketches of the trio by Adam Stevens '99 and Esther Kim '01, which you are thereafter more information, so read on.) Bowdoin released its self-titled debut in 1995. The song "Underground" was a moderate success with its unique take on finding happiness in an "alternative" world. The album gained popularity through word-of-mouth, and the band's extensive tour followed in support of this. Their self-proclaimed "punk rock for sissies" built up quite a devoted following, but it was only in the summer of 2000 that they released..."Punk Rock and Ever Am" that they really caught on. That album was more accessible, producing noise/cultural ideals such as "Who Could Care Less," and "Song for the Dumped" and the man, can't-escape-it-on-Mars "Brick," which benefited largely from heavy MTV rotation.

War, intrigue, jealousy, pastoral sex?!

CHRISTINE LEHMANN STAFF WRITER

Yes, pastoral sex. An appropriate theme for Spring as the "over the top" comedy, "Pippin," dances its way into Kresge this weekend. And apparently, the disclaimer on the posters throughout campus is no joke. "Some scenes may not be suitable for children." Pippin is a prince who is struggling to find his identity. In the hopes of discovering the meaning of his existence, the son of the Great Charlemagne heads out into the big world to learn how to live life to its fullest. With some amazing adventures, a little bit of music and a lot of laughter, "Pippin" guides the audience through every extraordinary quest and exploit. Each individual character in the production works on two separate levels: the musical is set up almost like a "play within a play," as a theatre troupe presents the story of "Pippin" to the audience. Despite the many individual performances, it is clear that the cast must work hard together to truly capture the energy and spirit of the show. The merrymaking and bustling of Wednesday night's dress rehearsal were instead energized as the cast took their places. The array of colorful costumes and playful props seemed to draw the audience along the stage. As the lights came up and the first song began, the hard work of many people came together and the playback cast of characters embarked on their melodious journey. The humor of the musical is enhanced as the upbeat songs and unusual visual effects (a Monte Pythonesque battle scene and, as promised, some very interesting sex scenes) unfold around the dialogue. The fact that "Pippin," as a musical itself, is actually mocking other musicals, simply contributes to the light-hearted feeling of the performance.

The different dimensions that the production portrays pique with an ending that is sure to surprise us all. (In order to alleviate any temptation I might have had about writing or hinting towards the twist at the end, I purposely left the dress rehearsal a little bit early. I'll obviously be making my way back to Kresge sometime this weekend.) "Pippin" is being directed by Rachel Stroud '99 and Amanda Day '01 with help from assistant director Jennifer Dodd '01. The musical was purposely chosen because of its off-beat humor and revealing nature. The fact that it can take place in nearly any time period leaves a great amount of room for interpretation and creativity beyond the music and the script. The cast and crew have spent innumerable hours working in the cramped conditions of Kresge Auditorium in order to make the show a success.

With the amount of effort and devotion that has made this production possible, there is no doubt that "Pippin" is sure to entertain Bowdoin this weekend. "Pippin" will be featured in Kresge Auditorium, Saturday and Sunday evenings at 8:00 pm.

Kung Fu and Drag at Bowdoin?

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To culminate this year's celebration of Asian Week, the Asian Student Association is sponsoring the Fifth Annual Fashion Show tomorrow night in the Pub. The fashion show began with the purpose, as director Jung Choi '99 said, of "bringing together cross sections of the Bowdoin community." Though the show may focus primarily on Asian cultures, it certainly has much broader appeal, as if it only has Asian fashion segments, but also an international and drag segment. The entire show, which will be MC'd by Adam Stevens '99 and Esther Kim '01, contains fourteen separate categories, all of which are coordinated by different people. The international section of the show will contain the fashions of different countries as Scotland, Haiti, Ethiopia, Hungary and various Asian countries. The show certainly will take great measures to disprove the misconception that people have about the fashions of certain countries. The show should certainly be an excellent way of, as Choi said, getting "Bowdoin students acquainted with different Asian cultures.

Contemporary American fashion will not be ignored, however. One category contains "Bowdoin wear," while another will feature the clothing of the famous Donna Karan, as Please see FASHION, page 13
A Bowdoin student gives the view from London

REBECCA NEEVE
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If a clock on a tower a short distance away from the police, and nobody hears it, does it make a sound? I have a feeling that if Victor Hugo (one of my personal unapproachable literary heroes) had been in Trafalgar Square (or, better yet, on the roof of the National Gallery or the Canadian Bank Building, among the forests above Trafalgar Square) on New Year's Eve, 1998, he might have been able to figure this out. Unfortunately, he was not.

At least I didn't see him there, but I wasn't able to see much of anything at that time because I was perched on the roof of the National Gallery or the Canadian Bank Building. I was standing on the edge of the base of the monument to Lord Nelson, about 5 feet above the ground, in the square.

In Trafalgar Square on New Year's Eve, without the kind of construction workers and with the closest fire escape way out of reach, the only things I could see very clearly at all above the currents of the crowd, was the pillar of Nelson's monument, and the roofs of the National Gallery and the Canadian Bank Building.

Also a man and a woman who had climbed onto one of the stone lions that guard the monument and the square. The man and the woman were sitting between the lion's two front paws. The man was pointing at the policians, who were there because they were required to station themselves in the square, and the lion, who would have found it (if it were possible to go somewhere else) were there to watch a large clock strike midnight. It's actually impossible to see the clock from the square, or to hear it strike, and as it doesn't have a second hand even if you could see its face the change between the last second of the old year and the first second of the new year would not have been discernable.

Besides, nobody could really see anything over the sea of the crowd, unless they were unusually tall or elevated in the paws of a large stone lion, and anyway most people there were drunk. After all the cheering and singing and shouting began, some cynic asked (I know not whether to another crowd or to the indifferent crowd as an undifferenti-ated entity): 'How do they know it's midnight?'

This is one of the problems of trying to write travel stories. I don't feel I know anything for sure about the whole of New Year's Eve, I'm fairly sure of a few things. I know there are no lions, very few people, the place I've lived in since late September. In fact, an English friend of mine who has a flat in central London below the roof of American national parks knows, I'm completely convinced, more about my native country than I do. I can only describe Eng-land from the point of view of one small (four feet eleven and three-quarters-inches) person in an immeasurably large crowd. The experience of being one of that crowd is fascinating, but you can't see much clearly.

This is why I think the Editor in Chief of this newspaper would have been better off asking Hugo for a description of the study-abroad experience. That writer was incompara-ably adept at two things I'm not so good at: creating cities out of words, and describing crowds.

He would have had the sense to arrive in London early, and to go to the Canadian Bank Building, sneek into the elevator, and ride up to the roof, where he might have a chance of seeing the Feast of Fools played out from above. He knew that there are two places that offered a writer a good view of a city: the towers of its tallest buildings, and the bry-linth carved out under its streets.

The first time I visited London (I'm studying away at St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, about an hour and a half by bus from London) it was cold, windy, and raining. If the rain had fro-nn the moment it hit the ground it would have resembled Brunswick in October.

I travelled all around the city by "tube" that evening, from attempt to stay under the ground and not under that heavy soggy colourless sky, and I soon figured out pretty much where everything was. London looked, to me, like a collection of disconnected dest-i-nations scattered across the clear evenly-printed intersecting lines of an Underground map. At that point, I could give directions to nearly anywhere to tourists more disoriented than me, but my mental map was a blueprint where nothing solid, three-dimensional, and real had yet been built, and where people perpetually waited on platforms or cringed to poles against the velocity of trains.

Several months later, when I visited Lon-don again, I had the amazing chance to see the city from a better point of view. A friend studying at the London School of Economics had moved into a flat on the top floor of a six-story building on the Strand, in the center of the city and not far from Trafalgar Square. A short flight of steep stairs up from his flat led to an ancient wrought-iron fire escape, which opened out on what I am going to call 'the roof garden.' I know that gardens usually have flowers or trees or something growing in them but it was the end of winter then, and I assume that very shortly all kinds of greenery, that has spent the winter germi-nating in the darkness of the house's crawl spaces, is going to burst forth through the red clay of the bricks and the cracking tiles.

Just past the pigeon box, the gingerbread roof of a shorter building, and a white stone archway, the city unrolls below the eaves of my friend's building, in mesmerising fine detail and a strange sort of random, still-evolving complexity. I was able to try on the eyes of low-flying airplane pilots, helicopter traffic reporters, construction workers, and Claude Frollo, the mad archdeacon who dabbles in the pursuits of magic and off-limits knowledge and peers at his panoramic Paris from a window in one of the towers of his cathedral. Few visitors, I expect, have been granted a glimpse of this very different city.

The people who were too close to see clearly on New Year's Eve are too far away to describe now, but other images reveal themselves in the pockets of this vast intan-gible advent calendar. The decoration on the undersides of oldrick leaves, the mother-of-pearl white dome of St. Paul's cathedral, the rude red intrusion of an electric XO billboard; the vivid, almost bluish green of a distant garden normally hidden from the street by a gateless wall. Nelson, standing on his pillar at Trafalgar Square, spots what appears to be a marble feather on his hard stone hat. This decoration, like the cold, slightly seasick expression on Nelson's face, is not visible from the ground. I pointed to a tall, narrow Dickensian gingerbread building a few stories below and away from the roof.

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ASA puts on fashion show

provided by the Donna Karan outlet store in Freeport. In order to help out those students who desperately need some assistance in picking out an outfit for the Gala, one segment will display the latest in Spring formal wear. The show will have two extremely unique segments this year: a Chinese Ribbon Dance, which will serve as an intermission, and a drag/Kung Fu segment, which will segue into the drag finale. The Kung Fu segment features the work of experienced Kung Fu master Alex Chu '02. The finale surely promises to be one of Bowdoin’s most unique and colorful experiences, as about a dozen students will "strip their stuff" in drag.

Following the show, all in attendance are welcome to stay around for a campus-wide party featuring refreshments and the DJ work of the prolific Steve Saxon '99.

A truly unique Bowdoin event, the fashion show, as Choi pointed out, "could not happen without the interest and involvement of the entire Bowdoin community." The show certainly promises to be one of the year’s most memorable events.

If you like arts or entertainment or Jon or Anna ...or if you just like to write, A&E needs you.
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FLEMING & JOHN: The Dynamic Duo

Anna Dornbusch
A&E Editor

Fleming & John is not the name of a law firm or a pharmaceutical company. In fact, Fleming is first name belonging to a woman, Fleming McWilliams. John Mark Paintner comprises the other half of this musical duo who describe their work as "weird pop."

Opening for Ben Folds Five this Friday evening, Fleming & John will perform pieces from their most recent album, The Way We Air. Their work cannot be easily categorized, as their songs range from the rock-influenced "I’m So Small!" to the spiritually soaked "Don’t Let It Fade Away."

After meeting at Belmont College, the two began collaborating on songs and recording on John’s four-track. They eventually solidified into a couple and a band.

During this period, they signed a major publishing deal and established a large fan base with concerts throughout the Southeast. John also began a side career as a session player, contributing to recordings by the Indigo Girls, Nanci Griffith and Jewel. The band does all of their own writing, producing, arranging and playing of all instruments, except the drums. This is an impressive feat, considering they use such instruments as the guitar, piano, pump organ, lute, and Indian sitar.

Their first album, Delusions of Grandeur, was released in 1995 and received rave reviews. Alternative Press described the album as "pure, heavy gorgeousness."

The single "I’m Not Afraid" was used by NBC-TV for their "Thirlby" promos. Upon the release of this album, their good friend Ben Folds dubbed them "The Carpenters of the ‘90s with Led Zeppelin’s rhythm section," and invited them to open a few shows for the band.

The relationship between the two bands has continued to flourish, with John co-producing, mixing and adding string arrangements and Fleming singing backgrounds on Folds’ side project, Fear of Pop, Vol. 1.

With Fleming’s extensive vocal and emotional range, and John’s instrumental prowess and lyric voice, the two form a highly effective combination. Fleming & John invest their individual personalities into their writing and performances.

Speaking of their newly released album, Fleming says, "I hope that people get some enjoyment out of the record and that it entertains them. We tried to put down different facets of our personalities in and, lyrically things we’ve been thinking about at the time. We tried not to hold back. It’s very much us. It’s the way we are."

Dessi enjoys the pleasure of sitting on what must be one of the world’s truly unique cars. (Courtesy of Dessi Dimitrova)

Appreciating the value of liberal arts education

Dessi Dimitrova
Contributor

"Congratulations for having chosen a liberal arts education," said Dean Steele to the Class of 2000 on our Convocation Day. Having spent all of my life in Bulgaria, I misunderstood this statement to mean that I had accidentally attended an art school, and panicked, thinking I had made a huge mistake. Prior to my acceptance, I had never looked at the school’s catalogue or web page. I chose Bowdoin because at the time it was ranked fourth in the nation, and I liked the spirit that came from the Admissions Office, including the sweet personal letters.

I also chose Bowdoin because I wanted to become an international lawyer. I saw corruption and embezzlement throughout my high school career in the post-Communist Bulgaria, and I wanted to stop it. Through my government, economics and language courses, I began to learn what it means to study at a "liberal arts" school. I realized that exploring different options is a big part of my education here.

Therefore, although I am already studying "abroad" in the United States, I decided to participate in a study away program to broaden my experiences. I spent last fall at Humboldt University in Germany. I had a wonderful time there. I met great people, visited amazing places, and took intriguing classes. But I hated the "mess education" that was offered there. The classes at Humboldt had 100 or more students. I never got to speak individually to a single professor. Even checking out books from the library was a hassle. I had to sign up two to three days in advance of when I could pick up the books I wanted.

Luckily, I only audited the university classes. I took my credit classes at an American study away program, IES, which provided faster library service and small classes that allowed personal contact with the instructors.

My experience in IES was much closer to Bowdoin’s system, but I still missed my "liberal arts" atmosphere. While Iсталю мин Germany, my study abroad experience taught me to truly appreciate everything Bowdoin offers.
Reflections from London

Danny Forinish
The Daily Athenaeum

(U-WIRE) MORGANTOWN, W.V. — Green means go. Well, at least for most people. Not me, though. Green means drive recklessly as usual, yellow means drive recklessly as well, as dangerously fast and red means do it without cops seeing you.

"Cause if those cops see you, you'll be in an all-out car chase. And if they catch you, they'll beat you like there's no tomorrow. Always remember, cops like injurious college students with weapons like pepper spray, police sticks and rabid police dogs. If you ever see a cop, scream to warn others and then run to the nearest crack house.

Getting back to the whole "go thing, there's a new film out called Go. It comes from Doug Liman, director of the super-bip eddy-hit Swingin', whose unique style of unstable cinematography and flashy footage shines through in his new creation. Go is an innovative and modern mix of dark comedy, action and ironic humor, somewhat reminiscent of the Tarantino style of filmmaking. In fact, it can be called Pulp Fiction on speed.

The plot is three different perspectives of an action-packed time-span full of drugs, sex and fast-paced comedy. Perspective one comes from Ronnie Martin (Sarah Polley), a grocery store clerk who is about to get evicted from her apartment so she can't come up with some rent money fast. An opportunity to get the dough comes when Simon Baines (Demos Askoff) offers to give her his shift at the store so he can go to Las Vegas with friends.

While working this shift, Ronnie遇到s Adam (Party of Five member Scott Wolf) and Zack (Jay Mohr), two gay soap opera stars. Adam and Zack are trying to help the police entrap Simon, a drug dealer, in order to get off drug charges of their own. Instead of Simon, though, they get Ronnie, so they decide to ask her for the "hookup" anyway. She agrees because of the money they offer her, even though she isn't experi- enced in the drug world.

Ronna decides to get the drugs, ecstasy to be exact, from the same dealer Simon gets them from, Todd Gaines (Scream 2 killer Timothy Olyphant). Unfortunately, she doesn't have enough money for the drugs, so she has to put her best friend, Claire Montgomery (Kate Holmes), up for collateral while she's out selling the drugs to Adam and Zack. These two perspectives come from Simon who is out on his Las Vegas romp with three others, including the stylish and spiritual Marcus (Taye Diggs, who helped Stella get her groove back). This wild night includes four women, a stolen car, more drugs and lots of shooting.

Perspective three is Adam's and Zack's on their freshman drug bust. The two are aided by Burke (William Fichtner), the policeman in charge of the operation. Unknown to the two soap stars, Burke and his wife Irene (Jane Krakowski), have a hidden agenda for Adam and Zack.

Go begins three times to cover each point of view, while all three stories intertwine and are skillfully drawn together in the end by writer John August. The plot is original and engrossing, while remaining uncomplicated. The camerawork is particularly noticeable, especially at a rave that serves as the center of the film. The in-focus, out-of-focus, color-splashing and erratic movement of the camera almost draw the viewer into the film and add to fast storyline. The cinematogra- phy is very effective with scenes like the one in which Ronnie's friend Manny is experi- encing the effects of ecstasy.

This fast plot is the film's biggest attribute, with characters in constant motion. In fact, the only drawbacks occur when the movie slows down. During these slow spans, Go branches off even more and detracts some- what from the realism. Every character is so unusual, it is hard to have them all interact and keep the story believable, and Go fails just a tiny bit in this area. Also during the few slow points, it gets a little dry. The witty dialogue becomes rare and some of the inter- est dies.

But for the most part, Go, as the title may tell you, is on hyper-drive, pulsating with excitement and the character interaction is as great as long as the pace is kept. The charac- ters are pleasingly complex and interesting in an intelligent and funny story, which is basically about people doing things they shouldn't be doing. The comedy is smart and sometimes hilarious.

The lineup of totally unlike personalities, which are developed very well, is another big plus. Diggs is especially likable as the levelheaded (mostly) Marcus. His presence on-screen can't be ignored and his sarcastic lines are some of the funniest. Holmes is also good, presenting a character who starts out as somewhat innocent and then gets caught in the tornado of mistakes made by others. Polly is effectively pessimistic as a girl who just can't win. Olyphant is really disturbing and demented. Askoff is another bright spot as the British wild child in his American debut. So, don't pass Go. It's an interesting kind of film that doesn't come along all that often, which is part of the reason it is so unique. For most situations, go means green, but in this case Go is good.

Modern dance at Bowdoin

Anna Dornbusch
A&E EDITOR

How often does one get the opportunity to watch people dressed in wax paper dance? Once, maybe twice, in a lifetime if you are very lucky.

Do not miss what may be your only chance to see such creative use of wax paper and other objects.

Next Friday and Saturday evening, the Bowdoin Dance Group will present the 28th Annual Dance Festival in the Whitney Room. The show will feature eleven pieces of a mixed variety, including six independently choreographed works. Vague will also perform a new piece.

The various dances will feature the music of such varied artists as Rosie Flores, Andy Statman and George Fredric Handel.

In addition to a piece performed in silence using wax paper costumes, the show will also feature a Chinese ribbon dance, a piece using balls and a sound collage of Ani DiFranco works.

For those that bullish out there, there's something for you also. A dance of chance operations will be performed in which dice are rolled to determine which dance step will be performed next.

Paul Sarris, chairman of the department, organized the performance. "The spring show exists as an open forum in which any Bowdoin student can present a dance and discover if he or she is in to take part in a fully produced show," he said.

Students in the repertory classes will per-
form works choreographed by instructors. The performance offers these students the unique opportunity to understand the experience of performing under a dance company, in which a performer must dance under close supervision.

The other independent works are choreo- graphed by students, some of whom dance as part of an independent study. One student is performing a dance part as part of an independ- ent study related to her women's studies major.

While the show is typically performed in Pickard Theater, due to the renovation, the show will take place in Sargent Gym. The show, which will run approximately 1 hour and 20 minutes, begins at 8:00 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

Jon's top five recent records:
1. Olivia Tremor Control's Black Foliage: Animation Music
2. The Beta Band's The Three E.P.'s
3. Sam Prekop's self-titled album
4. Sleater-Kinney's The Hot Rock
5. Trans Am's Futureworld

Jon E. Eisenberg, age 17
Event (11:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.)
Auction of items donated by faculty and staff. All proceeds will benefit Sexual Assault Support Services of Midcoast Maine. This is your opportunity to acquire some nice goods while also supporting a great cause. Smith Union.

Presentation (4:00 p.m.)
"Brown Crayons and Black Dolls: The Art of Coming of Age," presented by Lisa Collins, Assistant Professor of Art History and Africana Studies from Vassar College. In her presentation, Collins will address how 20th century African-American photographers explore black girlhood and intersect it in their art. VAC, Beam Classroom.

Music (8:00 p.m.)
Ben Fields Five. In case you missed the large article and picture on the previous pages, here’s an extra reminder. Having commented on the article in this issue, I will say, please refer to it if you would like any information on the band. Tickets are $12 with a Bowdoin ID, $20 otherwise. At the Smith Union info desk. Morrell Gym.

Discussion (4:00 p.m.)
"Spiritual Solution to Economic Problems," presented as part of the Bowdoin Bahai’s Weekend. I don’t know who the speaker is or what specific issues it addresses, but I can tell you this: Coffee and cookies will be served. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

Movie (5:30 p.m.)
Fireside Music, presented as part of the Bowdoin Bahai’s Weekend Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

More Music (8:00 p.m.)
Little, live from Boston. Presented as part of the Bowdoin Bahai’s Weekend. The Pub.

Discussion (8:00 p.m.)
This discussion addresses the current situation in Kosovo. Sponsored by the Bahai’ Association, the Coalition of Bowdoin Activists and the sophomore class. Moulton Union, Lancaster Lounge.

Concert (7:00 p.m.)
G. Love and Special Sauce. If you’ve never heard G. Love sing the line, “My baby’s got sauce,” you must. I wish I could tell you about other songs, but I liked the sauce so much that I made my friend play that song only on repeat for me. Damn my selfishness. Asylum, 121 Center St., Portland. 772-8274. $14.

Music (3:30 p.m.)
Dangerous Beauty and Orlando. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

Show (8:00 p.m.)
The 5th Annual ASA Fashion Show. See Jon Knapp, my fellow A&D major. He’s a good lookin’ guy, so I think he’ll make a swell woman also. Smith Union.

Discussion (8:00 p.m.)
"Post-Communism, Forest "in for some (7:30-9:30 p.m.)/
"Listening, Writing, and Knowing: Opera in Shawshank Redemtion and Pizziz’s Honor," presented by Professor of Music, Mary Hunter. Sponsored by the Dean of Academic Affairs and the Committee on Teaching. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

Lecture (7:30 p.m.)
"The Abrupt Flooding of the Black Sea in 5600 BC: Was Noah There?" Dr. William Ryan, marine geologist/oceanograpger, senior research assistant at the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University, presents. Druckenmiller Hall, Cleveland 151.

Film (6:30 p.m.)
"Yellow Earth," (Xian, China, 1984). Directed by Chen Kaige. This is your off-campus picnic and discussion in Elliot, ME, will follow. Sign up in advance by emailing Deasi at admistro. Meet at Moulton Union if you wish to attend.

Lecture (1:00 p.m.)
In case you missed my cameau at Bowdoin, George Mitchell will present as part of the Portland Public Library’s Brown Bag Lecture Series. Free. 871-1710. First Parish Church, 425 Congress St., Portland.

Seminar (4:00 p.m.)
Jung Seminar illustrated lecture. Mark Libby, artist of Brunswick, discusses his art work. Sponsored by the department of Religion. You ask, what king of art work does Mr. Libby create? Umm...it’s a surprise: Go and find out for yourself! VAC, Beam Classroom.

Forum (4:00 p.m.)
Faculty and students are invited to gather and discuss the issue of Latin honors at Bowdoin. If you feel passionately about this subject, this is a rare opportunity to collaborate with faculty to express your concerns, and look to finding reasonable solutions. The location is TBD. Look for fliers in Smith Union.

Seminar (Noon-1:00 p.m.)
"Licking, Watching, and Knowing: Opera in Shawshank Redemtion and Pizziz’s Honor," presented by Professor of Music, Mary Hunter. Sponsored by the Dean of Academic Affairs and the Committee on Teaching. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.

Lecture (7:00 p.m.)
"The Fates in Connection: MMB and the Gulf of Maine," Peter Shelly, director of the Conservation Law Foundation presents as part of the Friends of Merrymeeting Bay’s ‘98-99 Speaker Series. For more information, call 666-3576. VAC, Beam Classroom.

Good News for Bowdoin Students
Although people often stress the negative impacts of drinking alcohol, it may assure you to know that scurrvy can be prevented by consuming even small amounts of beer. Seeing as scurrvy is such a problem here at Bowdoin...
POLAR BEAR SPORTS

Bears struggle without stars

CAITLIN O'CONNOR
STAFF WRITER

In their first official track meet of the spring season, the Lady Polar Bears placed third with 127 versus Colby (139) and a much improved MIT team (140).

Although the final score may have been an indicator of Bowdoin's depleted and injured team, it was not indicative of the rapid improvement, fresh faces, and top-level performances that occurred within the active ranks of the team.

Most notable was the outstanding efforts of first-year distance runner, Stacey Jones. Jones, a spring track All-American last year, dominated the weight throws. She won all three events with a 37.75 in the shot put, a 124-6 in the discus, and a 136-3 in the hammer. Yet, what is perhaps more amazing is that Jones could only participate in her first event. A matter of hours before, she was giving a lecture at Bowdoin's sociology/anthropology conference. A renaissance woman, to say the least!

Following Jones' lead in the winner's bracket, co-captain Erin Winkler '99 upset the leading 100 with a time of 12.44. Errand also picked up a second place in the 200, in a ferocious meet in which her only 3/100th of a second out of first.

Along with these upperclassmen, first-year multi-event talent Casey Kelley showed championship form in the triple jump. Her winning leap of 37.37 meters leap was a huge improvement over her indoor performances. It left teammates and coaches, alike, very impressed.

According to Coach Peter Slovenski, "Casey's jump was one of the best performances of the meet for any athlete. Kelley also placed fourth in the javelin (28.62 meters) and fourth in the 100 meter hurdles.

Coming off a respectable debut indoors, first-year Shaina Zarnati found her niche in the 100 hurdles. Already a strong competitor in the open 400, Zarnatis has proven that her skills only increase when there are obstacles in the way. She hurled her way to a second place with a 9.20.

Another clutch performance for the Polar Bears was by new-comer Tesei Ng '02 in the long jump. Primarily a sprinter, Ng has converted to the jumping events with great success. His 4.11 effort was good enough for second place, and just 2/100ths of a meter out of first.

As exciting performances have shown, Bowdoin's jumping team has consistently been the top scorers for the team. At some meets, the Polar Bears were taking as many as the top five places in the events. However, a new NCAA rule, which permits any one team from scoring more than two places per event has negated some of those performances from happening in the outdoor season. A case in point was in the triple jump. Kelley '02 took first, Karen Yeoman '02 was second with a 10.34 effort, and Erin Finn-Welch '99 was the third top performer with a 9.70 effort. Yet according to the new rule, Finn-Welch was not awarded the points. Instead the fourth best performer, from MIT, with 9.62 effort earned the points.

Erin Finn-Welch '99 proved her worth in the high jump with a second place clearance of 4-10. Jen Ng, who also jumped 4-10, placed third. Kate Waller '02 placed sixth in the event with a 4-6, but was also unable to earn her point because of the new rule. Like Finn-Welch, however, Waller was able to capitalize her talent in another event. She placed third in the pole-vault with a 9.40 leap.

Bowdoin was able to make up for some of these lost points in the distance events. Placing second in the 5000 and 8000 were Erin Lyman '19 (9:40) and Christine Connors '02 (9:30), respectively.

Placing third in the 1500 and 3000 were Jesse Gray '19 (5:07) and Caitlin O'Connell '99 (15:55). Led by Kara Angeloni '09, Gray, Connors, and O'Connell put together a winning combination in the 4x800 relay with a time of 10:19.

Technically the meet was not a win for the Polar Bears, but a lot of positives came out of the weekend. According to Captain Vicky Shen '00, "I was most impressed with the older people on the team stepping up and taking responsibility and doing things for the team. Jen Nickerson '99 has picked up another event, while Stacey Jones helped out.

Caitlin O'Connell '99 does the tough 3000-4x800 double, Gray has made her place in the 1500 and the 4x400. The great leadership by the veterans has helped bring this team together, and as the season progresses, I think we will see great improvement from everyone on the team."

Although it is difficult to watch from the sidelines, injured superstars Delia Van Loenen '01 and Shen proved their worth off the track. Both were critical timers, coaches, and leaders at the meet.

Due to a serious set-back, however, Van Loenen has opted to red-shirt this season. For Shen, this absence of her track should soon be over. She will make her debut to the outdoor oval this week at the Aloha Relays. As Shen sees it, Aloha Relays are the perfect meet to come back for. "What I like best is that it is fun and competitive at the same time. I really enjoy the music that plays throughout the meet creates a more laid back atmosphere, while the opportunity to get exercises that helps keep the competitive edge in the meet."

Rain or shine, Aloha Relays will go on. So support Bowdoin women's track and see some great races, hear some great music, and find out how much 'mana' the Polar Bears have! Field events begin at noon, with races around 1 p.m.

Lacrosse makes strong showing at home

PATRICK MARX
STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin 15
Plymouth 4

On Tuesday, the Men's lacrosse team improved its record to 5-3 with a 15-4 victory over Plymouth State. This followed a hard fought 11-10 win over Wesleyan on a blustery day Saturday and a 15-3 thrashing of Tufts on April 6. These wins came after a pair of disappointing losses suffered in the return from spring break trip to Florida. The next seven days are of utmost importance to the Polar Bears with games on April 17 at Middlebury, April 21 at Bates, and April 24 at Amherst. The Polar Bears upset the NCAA quarterfinalist Panthers last year 12-8 on the back of goalie Will Cisella's '02 saves (second most in school history) and hustle and hard work.

In addition, if the Bears hope to galvanize the campus and make a solid run for the ECAC championship they must prove themselves over the next ten days and return to Brunswick for their Ivies weekend match against Trinity over the 500 mark.

The trip to Florida this year witnessed what may be the Polar Bears' toughest game of the year. On March 22, in Newport Beach, a 15-6 victory over Florida, Bowdoin opened the season against Salisbury State, then ranked second in the pre-season U.S. Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association poll. Going into halftime the Sea Gulls held a single goal lead, 4-3. However, during the third period Salisbury scored seven unanswered goals and the Bears were defeated 15-7. Although the score indicated a one-sided affair, co-captain John McAuliffe '99 said that, "In this game, the team played as hard as any team I have been on since coming to Bowdoin four years ago. We were not intimidated; we went out with nothing to lose and gave everything we had."

The Bears followed their opening loss with a 15-6 beating of Hamilton on March 22 in which Nick Rutherford '00 scored five goals and dashed out an assist and Wendell Simonson '01 had four points (three goals, one assist).

The following Wednesday, Bowdoin competed in their final game in Florida against eighteenth ranked Williams. They emerged with a hard-fought 13-12 victory on the shoulders of Nick Lehmann's '00 four goals, Alex Ellis '01's two goals and two assists, which was coupled with a strong physical showing from McAuliffe that included a goal and three assists.

The team returned to Brunswick to learn that they had replaced Williams as the eighteenth team in the nation. If the trip illustrated anything to the team about how they were going to win this season, it pointed to victories dependent on a wide array of scorers and the strong play of goalie Cisella who left the Sunshine State with a .65 save percentage.

The team is led this year by co-captains Leif Olsen '99 and McAuliffe. Olsen was a College Lacrosse USA All-American last year and was a member of the All-ECAC team which was added to the All-NEISCAC. He anchors the defense and acts as a stop against the opponent's most prolific attackers, often going one-on-one against them. Against Salisbury State, he limited potential Division I player of the year Peter Troupe to two goals, one of which was unsettled and the other man up. "He took Peter out of the game and provided inspiration for all of us," added midfielder Joshua Clifford '00. McAuliffe, an alumnus of Avon Old Farms, a school that had produced many of Bowdoin's finest athletes, is a gritty midfielder who recently emerged as a strong offensive force. In addition, he is known for his knowledge of the rules and in the locker room, supplying advice to many of the younger players. "As a team we look to Leif and McAuliffe as our leaders both on and off the field," added midfielder Sam Margolis '01.

In order for the Bears to flourish for the remainder of the season, it will be necessary for them to continue their strong play away from the region and not just all away and against traditionally strong league rivals. The 1999 season will be defined as either a success or failure in the upcoming weeks and indeed for the seniors, it is a final chance to win the ECAC championship which has alluded Bowdoin since since 1994. McAuliffe stated, "Our goal is win; matching the intensity, commitment and concentration that was exhibited in Florida and in the last three games."

Bowdoin 11
Wesleyan 10

Alex Ellis '01 dodging a defender in the Wesleyan game. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

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Polar Bear crew:
Rowing with style

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But wait — there's more. Recall "double-regatta, season-opener weekend," as if one race per weekend wasn't enough, the very next morning at 8:30 a.m., Bowdoin crew was bright-eyed and bushy-tailed on the banks of the Charles River in Boston to line up against Middletown, UVM, Brandeis and Boston College.

The conditions were cloudy, with negligible winds and a slight chop on the water. The Men's Varsity Four was just barely defeated by less than three seconds by Middletown, who finished the 2000 meters in 7:09.26. However, they crushed any hopes UVM had about taking second place. Bowdoin finished in 7:11.56, while UVM, 26 seconds back, settled for third place out of three boats.

The Men's Novice Four was the only boat to take first place that day. Taking on UVM and two Middletown crews, they finished with a time of 7:39, beating UVM by 13 seconds and the two Middletown crews battled each other for third and fourth places finishing in 8:22.43 and 8:40.55 respectively. Although they continue to be crushed by just under and just over a minute (see above times) the Middletown crews showed exemplary sportsmanship, presenting Bowdoin on the dock and handing over their shirts, which had been bet before the race.

The Women's First Varsity Four fared well against third place Brandeis, fourth place Middletown and fifth place Boston College, but succumbed in the end to a formidable UVM crew finishing 13 seconds back from their 8:18.48 finish. The Second Varsity Women, in a tough race against UVM, Brandeis, Middletown, claimed a third place by crossing the line in 8:51.44. Although they were not able to get past UVM, who dominated the women's division as a whole, and took second to Brandeis, Bowdoin left Middletown in its wake, beating their 9:36.75 effort by more than 45 seconds. The Novice Women, once again competing in the Varsity category, stayed competitive with the winning Middletown crew (8:42.74) turning their own time of 8:55.54, easily good enough for a second place finish over Brandeis' third place bid with 9:38.54.

What does it all mean? Well, racing twice in one weekend, spending long hours in rented vans, sleeping in sleeping bags on floors, and surviving Massachusetts drivers, Bowdoin crew came away from their first regatta with four first place finishes, three second places, and two thirds. How many teams can do that in a weekend? OK, track — but that's still pretty darn good.

This Sunday, Bowdoin will travel to take on Colby and Bates in Lewiston, ME. Our competition has reportedly been training hard in the off-season, so there should be some close races.

Eroticon takes over intramural hoops

In one of the more shocking upsets in intramural C League Division III basketball playoff history during the late 1990's, Team Eroticon defeated the Rugby Team by some large but ambiguous margin.

Although purportedly tough, the Rugby Team was handily outplayed severely by the loss of its premier ball-passing-person, Sam Arnold. Arnold '01, the captain of Team Eroticon detected from the Rugby Team for the intramural season because "that seemed tricky." Despite his remark, Arnold candidly admits that his trickiness is of small scale when compared to that of teammate Aaron Rosen '01, the team's multi-shooting, non-dribbling guard. Chris Murphy '01 contributed several flexible and seamless inside shots as well as consistent defense. John Lockwood '01 turned in a spirited performance as did the nearly debilitating Ricardo Delcid '01. The defensive superstars of the game were surely Henry "big crank Hank" Chance '01 and Patrick Thompson '01. Asked how he maintained his focus, Thompson remarked that reading Stereophiles before contests helps to calm his nerves.

The team is coached by Jake Brown '01, a veteran of the league known for his penchant for fine formaggio, cravats, and everything else that can be classily articulated in a foreign tongue. Kyle Durrie '01 is the team's official statistician and "girl." Her Lakeland Terrier, Bailey, is the team's as yet unofficial mascot. All are invited to attend Eroticon's next game, the Cleargaur Championship, on Sunday night at 7 p.m. in Morell Gym.

PORTLAND'S HIDDEN GEM:
THE PORTLAND SEA DOGS

MARGARET PACHY
SPORTS EDITOR

One of Portland's best features, besides the dusty stores and coffee shops in the Old Port, is its very own minor league baseball team, the Sea Dogs. They play at Hadlock field, conveniently located right off I-95 South. In my opinion, there's no better way to spend a beautiful spring afternoon away from campus than watching the athletes who still love the game that they play. These guys are not trying to show-off for the fans; they're just trying their best to catch a break and make it to the big time.

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Brooke Goodchild '99: Tearing it up on the fields

JEN MALIA
SPORTS EDITOR

Preparing to make the transition from Bowdoin to life after college, Brooke Goodchild '99 lives off-campus in Mere Point. Though she has to make more of an effort to see people, she spends a lot of time on campus for lacrosse.

Goodchild took up lacrosse in 7th grade and she had to pick a sport to play at her school. According to Goodchild, "I fell in love with it over the years. In high school, we had an amazing team."

When asked why she enjoys playing lacrosse, Goodchild simply started the experience of being part of a team. Goodchild said despite the young team, having ten first years, the players work really well together. She said she is especially happy with the successful season (8-0) the team is having: "This is the best team we've had talent-wise and everyone is getting along so well. Everyone loves the sport. People are only out there playing because they want to be."

Goodchild said that on many of the teams she has played only a couple of individuals are good, whereas on Bowdoin's team all of the players are strong: "The team has a lot of depth. We don't have to dependent on one person to do all of the work."

Wanting to highlight a key player on the team, Goodchild said, "Our goalie, Julia McCombs '02, is amazing," being ranked the best goalie in the NESCAC.

Having a lot of respect for her coaches, Goodchild spoke highly of both Head Coach Nick Pearson and assistant coach Kara Silberg. According to Goodchild, the former is especially good at reading character and has given the team more confidence.

Goodchild said the four seniors on the team are especially comfortable with Pearson as coach since they have developed under her allowing "the paths of communication to be more open." Goodchild said Coach Silberg being fresh out of college, adds an important perspective with her coaching since "she still knows a lot about playing on a team."

Over spring break, Goodchild said the lacrosse team went to Panama City when they played three games and did a lot of scrimmaging. According to Goodchild, "The competition wasn't that tough but we got a taste of some of the teams we will be playing later this year. The experience was also good for team bonding."

When asked to speak of a memorable time with the lacrosse team, Goodchild told a story from their spring break trip. She said Molly Scharle '99, who usually doesn't shoot because she plays low defense, was taking shots on goal. According to Goodchild, she insisted on taking one last shot and broke first-year Julia McCombs's finger. Goodchild said, "McComb is a really tough goalie. In fact, she used to not wear leg pads during practice. The broken finger wasn't a problem for her."

When asked why she came to Bowdoin, Goodchild said the small size and challenging academics were important in her decision. In addition, she said, "The other schools I looked at were not fit athletically. Going to a NESCAC school was important to me because of the great level of competition."

A major in art history, Goodchild first discovered her interest in the field when she took an AP art history course in high school. In her experience with art history classes at Bowdoin, she has found Professor Clifton Olds to be an "amazing lecturer." Goodchild has a minor in psychology for which she is doing an independent study on acupuncture, examining theories of pain to determine whether or not acupuncture treatment could be effective. In a photography independent study, Goodchild said she is working on close-up nautical images.

As far as plans after graduation, Goodchild is considering the field of advertising. She said she has spent the past two summers working advertising internships at Hill Holiday in the creative department, new business and art buying. She described the work atmosphere as a "fast-paced environment and a group effort."

During the fall semester of her junior year, Goodchild studied away in Florence. Finding the experience to be worthwhile, she said she had the opportunity to travel every weekend during her stay. Goodchild said, "It was a perfect place because I was surrounded by all of the art that I had been studying."

When asked what she will miss most about Bowdoin, Goodchild said, "Going into the real world won't be like Bowdoin. It's nice to be in an environment where you know familiar faces."

According to Goodchild, the lacrosse team's biggest competition left this season is with Trinity and Middlebury. Goodchild said the team joke is to "open a can of whoop ass," a reference to the Adam Sandler movie Waterboy, as motivation before games. Look for the lacrosse team to whoop ass in the rest of their season.

Women in Sports Day

DANA KRUEGER
CONTRIBUTOR

The Women in Sports event last Saturday was sponsored by Community Service Subcommittee of Student-Athlete Advisory Board. Female athletes visited the local elementary schools throughout the week of April 5 and talked to the gym classes of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades about what it means to be an athlete.

The kids were all very receptive to us, especially when they learned that we were all Bowdoin athletes. Our intention was to help every child feel that he or she is an athlete and that to be a good athlete one must take care of her body, practice, and must be supportive of fellow athletes. Then we invited them to participate in the activities of Saturday April 10.

We also went to Brunswick Junior High where we talked to the girls only about what it means to be a female athlete. At BJH we played a team building game which forced the girls to cooperate in order to overcome obstacles. We wanted them to walk away from the session with a feeling of self and team achievement. The activities on Saturday included basketball and soccer clinics for girls ages 7-14. Each clinic had over 40 participants and was run by the women's basketball and soccer teams. Then we encouraged people to support the women's lacrosse and softball teams in their home games.

Then at 2:00 there was a fun run/walk open to all community members. We also had over fifty participants in the race (primarily students). Everyone received a free t-shirt and prizes were awarded according to age groups. Hopefully, this event will become an annual celebration of the achievements of girls and women in sports.

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Between the lines: Draft day

BY JUSTIN DEGEOE

After poring over countless hours of film, timing endless yard-yards dashes and meeting and interviewing dozens of players, every team in the NFL has realized itself for one of the sport’s most anticipated events: the extravaganzia that is the NFL Draft. While over the last decade the talent evaluation process has evolved into a science — an inexact one that is driven by a player’s performance in workouts than on the football field — the NFL Draft annually provides an influx of talented new talent to the league, determining which franchises will comprise the sport’s elite. The two-day circus sees media outlets like ESPN providing pick-by-pick coverage, offering instant analysis, and serving up information on prospects that the players themselves don’t even know.

At about 12:15 on Saturday, Commissioner Paul Tagliabue will once again stride to the podium and announce the day’s first selection, double-dutying mangling the name (few can forget the Mike Mamula debacle a few years back). Self-proclaimed guru Mel Kiper Jr. criticizes every selection, drawing the ire of personnel guys who spend months researching players only to see Kiper's second guess rounded by Kiper only seconds after it’s made. In 1994, after watching Kiper attack the choice of Tree Alberts over Trent Difer (a well warranted one at that considering Alberts’ abbreviated and uneven pro-career), former Colts GM Bill Tobin unleashed a hilarious tirade against the slick-haired analyst, publicly questioning Kiper’s ability to judge football players since, as Tobin put it, “He probably never put on a pick-up-str in his life.” Cutting back for a response, the camera instead landed on the stunned Kiper virtually speechless, and Draft Day anchor Chris Berman unsuccessfully trying to suppress a chuckle.

While the omnipresent Kiper often shifts the spotlight onto himself, the intriguing questions of the day always reclaim center stage. Last year the first four picks were a lock, so the major story was how far Randy Moss would fall. Everyone’s opinion was heard on the matter, with few discounting his incredible physical ability but most expounding on his inconsistent ability. Hoping to avoid the next Lawrence Phillips, a number of teams took Moss off of their boards, placing him eventually landed in Minnesota. He then went on to have one of the most prolific seasons ever, establishing himself as arguably the greatest wideout in team. This year the question lies at the top of the draft with the expansion Cleveland Browns. Over the last month, speculation has swirled around their selection, moving from Ricky Williams to Tim Couch to Akili Smith. Right now, the choice appears to be between Couch and Smith, two members of a very deep and talented group of quarterbacks that has drawn comparisons to the Class of ’93 which produced future Hall of Famers John Elway, Dan Marino and Jim Kelly.

At one time, Couch was considered to be the consensus number one pick, seemingly cut from the same mold that produced Drew Bledsoe and Peyton Manning. But recently his arm strength has been called into question, and Cleveland has begun to lean towards Oregon’s Smith, a mobile athlete with a rocket arm. In private workouts, Smith wowed scouts with his remarkable power and endurance, growing stronger after 75 throws. However, Smith, a junior collegian a year ago, has only performed at a high level for a single season, making many wonder if he’ll be able to pick up an NFL team’s system with the ease Couch will, after spending four years in a pro-style offense at Kentucky. While the two are nearly neck-and-neck heading into the draft, expect Cleveland coach Chris Palmer (former Pats man) to make the harder play. Sitting in the second spot is Philadelphia, who is supposedly enamored with Syracuse quarterback Donovan McNabb. Despite the pleas of fans to take Heisman winner Williams, the Eagles will probably tab McNabb, leaving Cincinnati to pounce on Smith at number three.

The key to the draft most likely lies at the fourth selection, held by the Indianapolis Colts. The Colts are considering taking Williams, despite the presence of Marshall Faulk, who they expect to have difficulty re-signing. One scenario has them taking the Texas back, then dealing Faulk for picks, possibly to Baltimore. Another involves keeping them sticking with Faulk and dealing the fourth pick to New Orleans, where Mike Ditka is willing to package his entire draft this year and first round picks in the next two years with a number of veterans and his first born child to get a shot at Williams. Indy could also surprise some people, keep the pick and take Georgia’s Champ Bailey, this year’s Charles Woodson. Look for Williams to go here regardless, either to the Colts, Saints or Patriots (mostly wishful thinking). While it would be difficult to move up that high, it’s definitely not impossible, considering they have eleven picks in all, including two in the first round and two in the third. If Pete Carroll/Rob Grier/Bob Kraft have the guts to do it, they could somehow land Williams with a creative offer of picks and players. Otherwise, if New England stays put and remains at 20 and 28, then they would be in position to bolster a quickly deteriorating offensive line with a player like Damien Woody or the gigantic Aaron Gibson. With the need for a running back again at the forefront, a back could be a possible selection with their second first round pick, assuming they stay put. Names like Kevin Faulk and James Johnson have been mentioned, but I’d like to see them snag Rob Konrad, a Mike Alstott clone, who if given the change, could make well serve as a lead back. At 6-3, 250, he’s a load, but he has amazing quickness and speed. At 256, man of his size. Konrad’s been rumored to go anywhere from mid-to late-first to mid-second round, with Jim Kelly feeling the Dolphins at number 24 showing significant interest. Nonetheless, if the Pats decide to pull the trigger, his addition would be a nice upgrade from the current unit that includes Derrick Collins and the Shaw’s, Sedrick and Harold.

Come Sunday night, spokespersons from every team will announce that they have done better than expected, selected the best athlete available with every pick, and most likely landed a couple of gems in the later rounds. While the verdict for each team won’t be in for another few years, that won’t stop anyone from immediately proclaiming the winners and losers. It certainly won’t stop Mel Kiper.

The sailing team makes an appearance in St. Petersburg, Florida for spring training. (photo courtesy of Bowdoin sailing team)

Sailing on the Charles

C.W. ESTOFF STAFF WRITER

Last weekend the sailing team traveled to the Charles River in Boston to compete in two separate regattas hosted by Boston University. On Saturday, Mitch O’Neill ’01 and rookie crew Harriet Van Vleck ‘01 along with C.W. Estoff ’01 and Oren Abeles ’01 competed in the New England Series regatta against seven other teams. Sailing A fleet, the O’Neill/Van Vleck team managed to duel well with the gusty and shifty breeze that is characteristic of the Charles. After a number of top three finishes, including one win, out of a series of six races, the O’Neill/Van Vleck boat managed to tie MIT for first place in A. Van Vleck commented on her first regatta, “Saturday was really rewarding. I was nervous before the race, but Mitch’s patience and skill paid off and the results were exciting.”

Unfortunately, the Estoff/Abeles boat did not have as much luck playing the shifting breeze as did O’Neill/Van Vleck, and finished a disappointing seventh out of eight teams in the B fleet. Combined scores from the A and B fleets put Bowdoin fifth overall out of eight teams, but only after a successful protest by O’Neill.

A Boston College boat fouled O’Neill at a windward mark rounding and did not take its required penalty making two quick circles before finishing the race. O’Neill brought them in front of the rules judge of the regatta, won the protest hearing, and had the Boston College team disqualified from one race out of the six. Thanks to O’Neill’s keen sense of the rules, Bowdoin overall ranking improved from sixth to fifth.

On Sunday, another set of Bowdoin sailors traveled to Boston University to compete in the North Series regatta. Doug Stowe ’99 and Heather Hobs ’99 sailed A. Falmouth and Andrea Penalosa ’99 sailed B. Stowe and Hobs finished consistently in the top three and managed to win A division. The B boat did not have as good of a day, and overall Bowdoin finished fourth out of eight.

This weekend, the sailing team will send one freshman team to the Paddy Trophy, the New England Freshman Championship regatta at MIT. The team is relying on freshman star sailor Sam Treherne-Thoms to sail fast and have Bowdoin finish in the top. Also, two other freshman teams will sail in an invite regatta on UNH on Sunday.

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**Women's Lacrosse**

**Bears remain undefeated, 8-0**

Elizabeth MacNeil '00 receives a pass from her teammates to lead the Polar Bear attack. MacNeil contributed to the Bowdoin scoring column in both contests last week. (Shelly Magier/Boivdoin)

The Women's lacrosse victory over Connecticut College at Tufts on Tuesday improved the team's record to an impressive 8-0. The team, which is composed of four seniors, four juniors, two sophomores, and ten first years, is led by senior co-captains Kristen Doughty and Brooke Goodchild. Head Coach Nicky Pearson said on Wednesday that the season's outset is promising. "It's definitely a really exciting time for the team. We've never really had a start quite like this."

After defeating its first six opponents, the team took the field against Babson (2-5) on Sunday with confidence. The scoring was initiated by Goodchild, who garnered five goals, to win its second game. Adrienne Gratty '00 succeeded her for her first goal of the season, and two more goals in later periods.

Though Babson posed a threat at this point in the game, as they managed to slip a shot past Bowdoin goalie Julia McCombs, 2-0, the Polar Bears came back with more than the Beavers could handle. Four more goals, three of which were scored by Goodchild, put Bowdoin up 6-1 going into the second half of play.

The second half of the contest resembled the first, as Bowdoin was able to earn fourteen more goals to secure a 20-9 lead for the win. Scores were: Lael Byrnes '00, Gratty, Heather Hawes '00, Sage Orr '01, Kate Calise '02, Kate LaBella '02 and Doughty. Assist were contributed by Goodchild, Hawes, Liz MacNeil '00, Doughty, Whitney Church '02, Byrnes and Kathryn Crowley '02.

Pearson attributes the Polar Bears' seventh victory to a "really good team effort." Goal tending duties in this contest were handled by McCombs, who recorded nine saves for Bowdoin.

In most recent game action, Bowdoin captured its eighth win over Connecticut College at Tufts University on Tuesday.

The Polar Bear began the scoring once again in this contest with Whitney Church '02, who accused two goals in the first half of play. Faced with a 2-0 deficit, Connecticut College managed to answer with two goals of their own to tie things up. Bowdoin then answered with six more goals for a 8-2 advantage headed into the second half.

They managed to hold on to that lead in the final half, advancing to a 14-7 lead to beat the Camels. Contributing to the win with scores, in addition to Church, were Gratty, Goodchild, Hawes, Calise, Doughty, LaBella and MacNeil. Gratty, Hawes, Goodchild, Doughty and Calise all provided assists as well.

In the goal for Bowdoin on Tuesday was McCombs, who deflected ten shots. After eight games, McCombs has recorded 76 saves to bring her save percentage to .43.

Pearson said she was pleased with the result of the game against Connecticut College. "We know that they would be a real test," she said on Wednesday. "I felt like our players really got up for the game; and we had a good start, which we haven't had in earlier games."

Pearson attributed a lot of the team's success to its range of players. "We have four seniors and great leadership. We have some really skilled players and a strong freshman class that has given us a lot of depth."

As for the rest of the season, Pearson said she plans to stay focused on the present. "We're not looking ahead, that can be too dangerous. We're just taking one game at a time." The Polar Bears travel to Plymouth State on Saturday and take on Bates on Sunday.

**Crew**

**Crew conquers Quinsig in double regatta**

Mark Steffen

You very rarely hear people talking about how Bowdoin crew swept almost every category last Saturday at Lake Quinsigamond in Worcester, Mass. For that matter, you rarely hear anyone talking about anything Bowdoin crew has done anywhere. So let's talk about it.

As a matter of fact, Bowdoin did dominate the lanes of Lake Quinsigamond last week at their double regatta, season-opener weekend. The first of the two regattas lined Bowdoin up against the likes of Franklin Pierce, Clark, Assumption and Mass. Maritime. Though the lake was choppy, which made it difficult to come up to every next stroke, a powerful headwind contributed nicely to the generally low times overall.

The Men's Varsity Four was the first to race, arriving to the race in a mere ten minutes before they were due to launch. Despite this added stress and their subsequent lack of warm up time, they finished their 2K race in 7:01.04, soundly defeating Clark by more than 23 seconds and embarrassing Franklin Pierce and Assumption's boats who crossed the line more than a minute later (8:00:00 and 8:07.45 respectively). Assumption, who decided to enter their Novice Four in the Varsity race, was certainly not a feared competitor, but no one was sure about Franklin Pierce's crew. Though Pierce followed closely in Bowdoin's wake last season, they are currently suffering from the aftermath of massive graduations.

The Men's Varsity Four, whose time would have qualified them for second place in the Varsity Race, blew Clark's Novice Men out of the water. After a start, it seemed anybody's race. In fact, after 700 meters, though Bowdoin was clearly ahead, no one was sure winner. However, perhaps due to the choppy conditions, the stroke of the Clark boat completely missed the water with his sail, and the force of his stroke meeting with nothing but air laid him flat on his back bringing the boat to a very slow chug. After recovering, his crew started again, but by this time they were irrecoverably behind. In the end, Bowdoin cruised easily into first place, besting Clark's 8:07.76 time by more than forty seconds.

But enough about the guys. Let's talk about the girls. The Women's Varsity Four, who notably could also have taken second place in the Men's division, just edged out a very strong Mass. Maritime by less than two seconds to hang on to a first place finish. This place finish to start their sprint season off strong.
Socioeconomic class: An issue at Bowdoin?

Photos by Kate Maselli/Bowdoin Orient

A conversation with Joy Cushman '99, Sita Battle '02, Sara Edel '02, Wil Smith '00, Christine Lehmann '00, Melanie Race '00, Melissa Braveman '99, Maria Pistone '99, Paul DeLuca '02, and Michael Melia '99.

On March 7, a group of Bowdoin students gathered to talk about their experiences with socioeconomic difference on our campus and about Bowdoin as an elite academic institution. In the discussion transcribed here, these students articulate the feelings of alienation they experience at Bowdoin; the pressure they feel to "pass" in dress, language and behavior; the challenges they experience as they negotiate an intermediate position between two worlds of different classes; and the value they place on their working-class and lower-middle-class identities and communities. Above all, they begin to identify the ways class affects our campus through both larger structural means and the minutia of everyday interaction.

The students who offer their voices here challenge our Bowdoin community to recognize class as a legitimate factor in the structure of our intellectual and personal lives on this campus. They challenge us to rethink classroom pedagogy, admissions and financial aid policies, and the general culture of privilege at our school. Most importantly, they challenge us to think of class in terms of social capital as much as economic capital, and to think of how this social capital is reproduced both in and outside the classroom at Bowdoin. As individuals who have experienced both a world of privilege and a world of economic and social challenges, the voices heard here challenge Bowdoin College to set the standard for the true democratization of academic culture.

Take the time to read the discussion, to talk about it with your professors, your students, and your friends. But above all, think about your position in this conversation and what it demands of you.
Joy: Why don’t we begin today by talking about our experiences with class at Bowdoin. How do you experience it? Is it even an issue here?

Paul: I didn’t really notice it at the time. I noticed that he was acting kind of strange, but when I signed the book at matriculation and I went up to shake James Edwards’ hand, and he looked at me like he was at a loss for words. He didn’t seem to be as at ease around me for some reason. Granted, my hair was a little shorter then, but I don’t know what effect my appearance would have on his comfort level right now. I don’t know if that’s class or just because I look like a typical heavy metal freak.

(laughter)

Will: I think the class issue has worked both ways for me. My background is from a poor neighborhood in the south, and the ironic thing is that I came here as most of you guys have via the U.S. Navy seven years prior to coming here, and the elitist structure or the upper class atmosphere at Bowdoin (which is a university, and my daughter’s, right now, as a full time student and a single parent, this is the poorest I’ve ever been in my life. However, I don’t live in poverty. My yearly income is well, well, well below the poorest of the poverty level. People who get AFDC, and I think I was on that I don’t know for a year. I don’t get that, but because of the class of people and the atmosphere that I’m around. I live in Brunswick Apartments and everyone around me—it’s not poverty around me.

So despite my low income, I don’t live around other people who have the same income as me, and it has created a unique environment for me and my daughter. We don’t live in poverty, but we live in poverty because of the lifestyle of the upper middle class who is the majority of Bowdoin students, or the traditional Bowdoin students, the environment that they have produced has allowed me to live somewhat of a higher standard being around the Bowdoin environment and campus, whereas my income level definitely doesn’t indicate that this is the type of life I would be living. I don’t think I would be in an environment that’s been trash and not well taken care of. And everyone around me would not be well taken care of and trash and poor. It’s a very unique situation from my point of view.

I have financial aid and a financial aid package which has my family contributed to. If you get the financial aid, you’re supposed to be able to afford that much, really can’t. I don’t feel like it’s really my right to say, “well you have to put that much on the table.” So they agreed to give me a certain amount of money that they thought they could afford and I have to pay for that.

So that means that during the summer I was working 60 hours a week to meet my tuition bill and eat. I don’t go home very often because I’m from Minnesota. It costs me airfare, but many people here don’t think anything of it. For a lot of people who have AFDC or are friends for my friends who don’t have a lot of money and for people like me it definitely is an issue, which I think is important at about 50% of the campus walks around and they never think about it, but I think about it every day.

Joy: I think that that’s what my experience with class has been here too—that I’m constantly aware of how I fit in or how I don’t fit in, or the decisions I make between paying rent and buying books or getting groceries and having good friends. Those are difficult decisions that we make on a daily basis and I think the hardest part is to feel, until this point of the semester, that the majority of my Bowdoin career has ended. I haven’t been able to speak about those decisions, that they were very private, and I thought that no one else had them.

Melanie: I know what you’re saying. I have Hispanic friends, all those other than international students, but those from America are expected to...

I know other friends who could definitely compete in this arena and who have excelled at other schools or colleges, but would never be given an opportunity because they’re never have upper class sort of the content of their intelligence would have been measured by the fact that they live in a neighborhood where a different dialect of English is spoken. It’s been called Ebonics. It’s been called different names and given an inferior nature. It’s considered a secondary language and it’s a large indication to these types of schools of performance or intelligence, which I think is very true, and I’d like to see Bowdoin recruit more of those types of students to expose the upper class students to those types of people, as well as those types of people to the upper class atmosphere.

I think there’s a lot to learn from both groups, but I think it often just doesn’t happen.

Will: I guess I spoke about the positive side of class issues at Bowdoin, but there have been some negative sides too. One of the negatives that I notice crosses the race/class issue of the racial minority students who do matriculate here at Bowdoin are very selectively picked for certain reasons.

One of the things I notice is most of them, if not all of them, can speak the language of upper class America, and it’s probably the same with the white students who are lower class also. This is an element of exclusion to me, coming from the South and knowing how different dialect of English is there, and knowing that people who have been educated in lower class America, is it’s like a different dialect of language or ability to learn, or ability to succeed, it’s often taken as such.

I’ve had the advantage of traveling around the world and working with the Navy after leaving home and speaking and learning to speak and taking public speaking classes in the Navy, and being put in speaking positions to where I learned the language, but I didn’t always speak the language that made the upper class feel comfortable. And I think that’s the most important element for minority students—being able to speak the language that’s required. I think it’s required because I look at all my black friends or all my Hispanic friends, all those other than international students, but those from America are expected to...

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—Melanie

It’s really easy to forget where you came from. I find it hard sometimes to go home.

I come from a lower-middle class background, but now my yearly income is about $6,000 because I was taken away from home when I was in high school.

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Maria: My personal experience about class has been that I’ve gotten really good at hiding how poor I actually am, and that’s one of the reasons I come here. I’ve learned to dress the clothes that I wear, the extra hours of work that I need to work in order to go out for dinner on those Friday nights, the sacrifices I have to make. I’ve learned to be accepted. I have such a hard time with that, but I’ve managed to pull it all together, but it’s so much energy to pretend that “yeah, no problem, I can do this if I can do that”
"I've gotten really good at hiding how poor I actually am, and that's been really, really difficult." — Maria

"As the only remaining superpower the United States has the opportunity and burden of demonstrating the advantages of a free democracy. It is my belief that small liberal arts colleges will play an important role in the coming global debate about the successes or failures of American-style democracy."


I've worked for free during the summer. I think that is a class thing. I've tried to talk to my friends about it and they're like, "can't your parents just make up the extra so you can do the internship?" "Um, no..." (laughter) Even if my mom was paying for me to go to college she couldn't afford to pay an extra $3000 so I could work for free during the summer. Even if I did. Talk about working 90 hours a summer during the week, what about while you're here. Not only are you taking classes and doing homework and being involved in extracurricular activities but if you're working 20 or 30 hours a week, that's a lot. That's pushing you over the adult requirement for full time employment. Because being a student is a full time job. Even if you're working a half-time job, 20 hours a week, you're putting yourself through more than most Americans do every day. For one thing it's not healthy, and for another, nobody even realizes that you're doing it. It's like "where have you been?" "Well I was at work." "You work too much. You should cut down some hours." (laughter)

Wil: It's a big reminder coming up on spring break. A lot of my friends are going to Cancun, the Bahamas.

Steve: Try Brunswick. (laughter)

Wil: I can't even imagine. I know I'm working. Even the guys on my basketball team. We come away from away trips. We come home at 2 or 3 in the morning Saturday night days. I've got to be at work at 6:30 Sunday morning down at the Base. That's early in the day. And they're like "Oh, wow." But that's what I do. I've been doing it, and it's the only way I'm going to get through, so don't think about it. I marvel at the carelessness of the lives of some of the people at this school. Even some of my best friends are like, yeah we're taking off to go to other places or this, do you want to go to? Thank God I have Olivia. I don't have a babysitter and can use that for an excuse. I can't afford to throw a credit card on the bar table week after week. It's unbelievable.

To tell you the truth, I really never considered how many other students might be going through it. Especially white students, because as a black student, I have a tendency to think that, coming from the South, all white people have money and so do the white students here at Bowdoin. And I know that's not true. I know there are some poor white here at Bowdoin, but you can't really distinguish them. You just figure these all white kids here are rich and have money. But then, as the year goes round, you figure out who's really working when you look at Dining Services or you come to the Information Desk and you go to the President's Office and you see the same people holding down all the jobs. (laughter) You pretty much find out who's working their way through school. I have a lot of respect for all of you who are going through this. I have a daughter. I don't have a choice. A lot of the things I do are for her first and not me, and to see her working for herself is a testament. People there... People think of being a single parent as being a disadvantage. It's an advantage for me, because I don't know if I could do what you're doing if I didn't have Olivia. I would probably have been done by now and gone to a state school where the academics are easier and it costs less. To do what you're doing and working and doing the academics is unbelievable. It's a remarkable thing you're doing, for your family, for yourself, for your future, for your family, for yourself, for your family... I couldn't imagine doing it because it would for me totally selfish, having this opportunity and not taking full advantage of it for my daughter.

"... it's a really weird feeling because then you feel like you've betrayed your parents and where you've come from, because that's what you are, but you feel like you don't fit in there anymore because you've come to this supposedly higher level. At the same time, you don't fit in here, because you're not at that higher level. So you're in limbo all the time, and it's tough deciding when to tell the parents, when to try the two, and oftentimes you can't."

Melanie: Clothing. Two words: Goodwill and Walmart. (laughter)

Wil: I'm the clearance King! I tell everybody. I like to know where like where'd you get that? Three dollars, TJ Max. On the base they have things so long it goes down to get half price, I'm 75 off. I'm the 75 percent off rack man. I don't even look at the rest of the store. When I come down, I know exactly where I'm going. For myself and my daughter. I definitely know what you're talking about.

Sita: I think it's funny that as a first-year the first thing I see when I look around is Patagonia, Crew, LL Bean. Honestly, I come from a really poor background, and I'm not ashamed to say that my family lives in the projects, so LL Bean, what's that? (laughter) And I get it, until I know I was coming to school in Maine. Patagonia, wow, is that a different language? And Crew, that's stuff only rich people wear. I don't understand, and most of the people on campus wear it with no problem. And I look at it, like you're buying a pair of grants for $49. Go to TJ Max and get the same pair for $15. That's just the way I see things.

I'm sitting here thinking to you guys and everything you're saying, I'm nodding to myself, and I just realized that for the longest time, besides the other black students I know and I've talked with, it seemed like everyone else had this carefree life. Like someone else said, they don't go to classes, why Oh, because they got drunk the night before. And I'm thinking, I'm totally here on grants and scholarships. I can't afford that. I went to school and worked and worked and worked and worked and I went to school and worked and worked and worked and worked for a year, and I got that phone call from my mom — My mom is just starting to go back to work, and I'm so proud of her. She's the only one supporting us. He'd only work 12 hours a day, and he couldn't talk to her and say "yeah mom, I didn't go to class because I just didn't feel like it." That's what a University thousand dollar school and you're not paying for it. You'd better go to class. I don't have that option."

Christine: I don't have the same situation, but I feel that I owe something to my parents. I'd feel a lot of guilt if I wouldn't go to class. It sounds silly, but people just blow off class. They say, "I'm not going to go today." I'll just sleep through class. But I think, "Wow, that's a good chunk of money to the parents." Or do people go out to dinner Friday night and I might have money to put towards that, but I think, I pay for my dinner at the dining hall, I shouldn't go out to dinner, my parents paid for that. So a lot of class here at Bowdoin that I've experienced as a first year has a lot to do with guilt. And I also really feel guilty because my friends tell up things about my parents. You know, "what do your parents do?" and it's kind of difficult to tell them what my father does— that he works two jobs, that he's a janitor— when I hear people making comments about people working here, like janitors or cafeteria workers. I'm like, you don't understand. What's wrong with that? There's nothing wrong with that. It's a job, and people have to do in order to getby. My dad does that, and I'm going to Bowdoin.

I had a discussion about that with some— one of the other day and they were shocked. "You're going to work on your vacation?" It's weird, because you feel like you do have to cover yourself up. I came here and I felt like I was wearing a dress, coming from a different way and I came from a lower middle-class background, and I was very proud of that. I was happy about when we came from, but as the months have progressed, I feel myself more and more inclined to dress like the people here. Maybe if I did have that thought then I'd fit in more to the people. But it's really a weird feeling because then you feel like you've betrayed your parents and where you've come from, because that's what you are, but you feel like you don't fit in there anymore because you've come to this supposedly higher level. At the same time, you don't fit in here, because you're not at that higher level. So you're in limbo all the time, and it's tough deciding when to tell the parents, when to try the two, and oftentimes you can't.
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to school. I feel like I’m doing this in part for myself, but then when I really think about it, I’m doing this for my family, because my mom sacrificed so much to have a housekeeper staff for us, who in turn shape the person I am. I don’t want to make it seem as if I’m obligated to give something back, but in a way I am. I’m doing this, not because of myself, but for every person who has shaped me into the person I am. Being here, it’s easy to forget where you’re at. There is a Bowdoin Bubble here. I don’t worry about where rent is coming from, where my next meal is coming from—I can go to the dining hall, where my clothes are. I don’t have to really worry about those.

Maybe because it’s the class issue, because everyone else has money and they don’t have to think about clothing and fashion because it’s taken for granted. Because of that, I don’t really worry about my clothes. I do see the Crew boxes and think it’s a bit too much money for very little substance, but besides that, I don’t really worry about it. I’m glad my mom calls me every day, because when she does, it’s like reality hits. The reason why you’re here is to help everyone else get out. So it’s not hard to remember where I’m from, because my mom talks about when she comes home from work and the house isn’t clean. Or she calls me up to ask for $40 to pay the phone bill. I have to constantly remember that.

A friend of mine lives in Hawaii. For her to go home for spring break it’s like $1800. I wish I had that. If I lived in Hawaii, I would never go home. I’d be taking out loans just so that I could get back and forth to school. I’d be making $1800 instead of going home for two weeks. It’s that kind of thing like that that make me feel alienated on this campus, but then again, this campus gives me so much.

Joy: I’ve had the same experience that both you and Wil talked about—that we feel obligated to our families or to other people, but we don’t see that as a bad thing. Whether we enjoy our jobs or not, it’s working, and we’ve seen our parents work two jobs growing up, and it’s the

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—Joy

but the sense that I don’t feel I can be who I am here.

Wil: Yeah, I have the experience when I go home now. I hear people talking about these idiots they see on the news or drug dealers. I know people have their stereotypes about what goes on in poor black neighborhoods, but they don’t understand that there is a lot of love there. A lot of the reason I’m here is that there was a lot of love there, even from some of those forced into a life of crime for whatever socioecononic reason they did what they did. Being exposed to this type of education, this type of atmosphere, now when I go back there, I feel that I really don’t fit in there, but I feel that’s okay. It’s the same things like that that make me feel alienated on this campus, but then again, this campus gives me so much.

“I feel like sometimes I’m just drifting, trying to find a spot where I belong.”

—Wil

Sara: I totally felt that when I went home for break at Christmas. I have friends who went to college, and I have a couple friends who didn’t call the housekeepers white trash or call the cashiers at Shop ‘N’ Save white trash, because those are the people I identify with more than anyone else on this campus. And the feeling that I’ve had over four years that Goodwill has been good to me. It’s helped me pass here, but it’s taken four years to even have the money to buy those clothes at Goodwill. That’s what I find the most frustrating. It’s not the sense that I feel guilty about who I am, become more like them, but when I’m here I know I’m not like them. I know that I’m not in the upper middle class, but in comparison from where I come from it’s a world of difference. I do struggle with that. Unfortunately when I go home now, I spend a lot of time at home in the house. I don’t really go out with my friends, but they’re going through things or living lives that—I love them no less—but it’s hard for me to identify with them. But it’s hard for me to totally identify here. I feel like sometimes I’m just drifting, trying to find a spot where I belong.

“Bowdoin is changing me. I don’t know if it’s for the better or for worse.”

—Sita

You get all that from? You usually just ask for a turkey club sandwich or something. It did make me feel different from where I come from. It’s just a hard thing to say because my friends at home and where I grew up has made me the person I am. Being here, I wouldn’t say Bowdoin has made me better or worse. I’ve made a change, because I don’t think in a rush or something. I don’t think that I use with everyone else here—I’d hate to say it’s like high-class language or proper English. But when I answer the phone, if I know it’s one of my friends calling, I say “Yeah, what’s up?” I say that to someone here and they’re like “oh, what did you say?”

Steve: And you have to protect your identity.

Sita: I know people who say, “Oh, it’s just like street slang.” But it’s not street slang. It’s something that I was brought up with. It’s not spoken on the streets—it’s spoken in my house, in my bedroom, in my bathroom, everywhere. A friend of mine made a comment, and I guess it was a cute comment—I don’t think she meant it, but I think it was an insult. She said, “I love the way you speak when your friends call.” Why? To me it’s no different. If I’m talking to someone here, and I pick up the phone and say hello. When I’m at home or when my friends call, I say “hello,” and I say “OK.”

There’s no difference, but just the fact of her saying that to me made me realize that I do change the way I talk when I’m around Bowdoin people, or when I’m calling up places to get that internship that probably won’t make me a lot of money this summer, but I feel it’s necessary. I probably will be working an internship that doesn’t pay much, and probably at night I’ll be doing a job that pays a lot of money, but I won’t be getting a lot of sleep. This hearing other people say, “well, what are you doing this summer?” “Oh, well I’m going to...” or something? Or “I’m just doing nothing anywhere,” or “my dad is getting me an internship with IBM.” And I’m boosting my butt just to get through the door and support myself for the whole summer. That really makes class evident to me.

Whichever students are most affected by financial aid policy?

- 37.6 percent of all Bowdoin students receive aid.
- 50.9 percent of all students of color receive aid.
- 68.6 percent of all Maine students receive aid.

www.bowdoin.edu/dept/fir
From Lydia Bell '00, "Class Participation at Bowdoin: A Question of Gender or Class?" (A Research survey for Sociology 201, Spring 98)

Total percentage of respondents who participated in classes seven or more times each week: 40%

Gender:
- Males: 44.6% of males reported that they participate 7+ times each week.
- Females: 36.8% of females reported that they participate 7+ times each week.

The disparity between males and females is 7.8 percentage points.

Socio-economic class:
- Working Class and Lower-Middle Class: 15% reported that they participate 7+ times each week.
- Upper-Middle Class and Middle Class: 47.1% reported that they participate 7+ times each week.

The disparity between the two different class positions is 32.1 percentage points.

"For a long time, I didn't speak in class, because I didn't speak the proper English... That's one of the things my grandmother told me. She said, Maria, if you don't know the talk, just be quiet: Just be quiet and you'll learn.

—Maria
“Bowdoin has taught me what conformity means. It’s really hard for me to hold on to my basic core self, but try to conform enough that other people can feel comfortable around me.”

Steve: Going back to Wil’s question, I think it’s bittersweet what you get from this place. I mean, your parents send you here so you can get a better education so you can help yourself and move on and support your children if you have them. They send you to college so you can take control of your own fate, you can go, or choose the care you most think about. I think that’s the one great thing, like Wil said, you have so many opportunities here—getting to see a lot of things, getting to know a lot of people. But the bitter part is becoming the opposite of what you try to become—because you want to become more intelligent, you want to augment yourself, you want to make yourself better. But there’s the whole issue of disparity. Grant aid, I’m big on respect, but at a place like this you learn to disrespect so many things. You get it first, but then done to you, and after a while it becomes a part of you.

I think it’s good that people are actually struggling with the feeling of not belonging. I think that in the grand scheme of things, there’s a whole lot of people out there who don’t belong and a whole aspect of society that doesn’t even give a shit, that doesn’t even care. That’s one thing you constantly have to ask yourself. I come from a lower-middle class background. I happen to have had a lot of opportunities in my life to get scholarships and go to a boarding school, but at the same time, you come home and see your friends who were doing almost as well and now have to go through a big struggle and do things. It’s a weird world, but how else is he going to deal? You sit there and shun it because you go to a school where everyone’s talking about going to an internship and getting to do that. It’s little things like that that grow on you, that wish I could just shave off of me like hair and get rid of it. It becomes a part of you and the whole attitude—the same way that people in the cafeteria make mountains on their trays and see the plastic cleaning trays, busting their hump back there. You don’t really appreciate it until you’ve actually been in that situation and felt what it’s like to really, where it scared you in some way that you don’t forget it. Then people start to realize. It’s a sad thing that has to happen in a school of higher education.

National wealth distribution

Mean family income

| Lowest fifth | $12,057 |
| Second     | $28,252 |
| Third      | $44,575 |
| Fourth     | $65,363 |
| Fifth      | $134,285 |

Top five percent: $235,021

Median family income for members of the Class of 2002 receiving aid: $62,450.

- The average Bowdoin family receiving aid is in the top 40 percent of American families.

Student Financial Aid

Information compiled from Director of Student Aid Steve Joyce and www.bowdoin.edu/dept/ir

That’s something we need to think about when we ask ourselves what we’ve gained at a school like this. You gain more than just positive stuff. You gain negative things too. It’s like the tree of knowledge—if everything you learn is going to be able to help you in making yourself feel better about yourself. Sometimes learning things about yourself makes you realize that you’re very imperfect and really need to think about situations.

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—Steve

Wil: Back to the classroom, I had the privilege of traveling around the world and experiencing different things before coming to Bowdoin, unlike most of you. But I was angry my first semester here when I realized how well-prepared some of these students were based on their high school or prep school or boarding school education, and even my fellow black students compared to my public school education. Granted, my public school education was ten years before theirs, but I’m new to the difference. There’s already a difference between public school education in the North and the South to start with, but when I first came out of high school, there’s no way I would have been able to come to this school. They would have laughed at me. Ten years later, I wasn’t really prepared. There was a let I had to learn. I hadn’t done any type of critical writing for ten years. Then I come to a writing intensive school with critical thinking and I was angry that kids where I come from aren’t getting this.

They are teaching kids where I come from to be managers of Walmart and McDonald’s, and not CEOs or presidents of banks. It’s a totally different type of education. It took me a while to settle in and realize how important it was for me to get the most out of it—instead of being angry, to realize that I was extremely privileged to get this education. I was very lucky I’m in this higher class of people. I didn’t feel uncomfortable about speaking. I spoke up because a lot of the other kids that people where I come from deal with aren’t even consider in these types of classrooms. When they are, they’re just shrugged off. It’s almost an insult to me, and even as I grew as a student, I grew as a person in this atmosphere, I realized that I’ve exposed myself to an environment where I’m constantly outside of my comfort zone.

A lot of you have talked about being outside your comfort zone and having to make decisions. That’s something I felt I didn’t really have to speak about at the Am meeting today. There are kids who come here who will never be the type of people that I come from. We’re really outside of this. They’ve been to boarding schools, they’ve come to school, and they’ll go on to corporate America where their fathers, uncles, or relatives are. They’ll never have to step into a situation where they feel uncomfortable and don’t know what to do, unless a conscious choice to. But the people who are trying to get upper social-economic mobility have to move into a world we don’t know.

We have to move outside of our comfort zones all the time and into theirs. The reality of that, realizing that it’s a necessary thing for people of my socioeconomic background trying to get there to take.

I helped with an anger, but at first I wasn’t feeling angry—similar to the other students who are getting the type of education that I got, that’s only prepared them to work at the factory or the fishery, or construction, or at best as a secretary or medical assistant. Then that’s this whole other group of students who are being prepared to do the type of critical thinking that is used to make decisions about how the world works. So it took me some time to come to terms with that, and be able to realize what’s going on.

Joy: I think that’s important to address, because there are some classrooms where it’s okay to talk about class, and there are some where it’s not at all. But even in the classrooms where you can talk about class, if you start talking about the way it works in Brunswix or the way it works in your factory, people literally call you Communist. (laughter) I feel like it’s the way of dismissing me, of dismissing the fact that class is a legitimate category of difference in our country and at Bowdoin too.

Melissa: I’m glad this was brought up, because I feel immensely resentful. I’ve been lucky not to have the self-consciousness to not speak up in class, even though some people probably wish I did, because I’ve always spoken, even if tentatively.

But I’ve always held people who came from prep schools to a much higher standard, and some people don’t live up to it even though I expect them to be better than me. When they aren’t, I develop this anger that if it were someone from my high school I’d accept because we’re not supposed to know that, which is another indication of the problem.

I guess that kind of resentment is what makes me so concerned about my own future because I’m going into corporate America. I know that I’m going into an arena where I hold those people to a higher standard, and I know that I resent all of these things, but I know that I’m headed in that direction and that’s what makes me so unclear about my own identity. For example, I went this fall after I knew that I had the job, to buy a nice coat because I knew that I’d have to go to company events. I felt so uncomfortable in the clothes that I didn’t feel that was worse that I’m used to wearing that I just questioned how I could ever do this when I do have money. I don’t know what I’m going to do with it, because even though I may want certain things when I can afford it, I still can’t accept that it’s okay to have them.

These people who have never been outside their comfort zones, their identities are so much different than mine—they’ve never felt the boundaries of it. The other thing I think a lot about, when we’re talking about money. We’re talking about happiness and comfort for ourselves and our families. I don’t know how I’m going to raise a family to be conscious of these issues as I am for all the positive effects of being conscious of them, without being as uncomfortable or unhappy about these things as I’ve been at times. I’ve asked my kids about it, but in a lot of cases, they just don’t know what I mean. I mean, I want my kids to cut out coupons, because if you save a buck fifty, go buy some peanut butter and bread and make some sandwiches for the homeless person down the street.

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—Melissa

Melanie: I hear what you’re saying about anger. I hate to say this, but I get really jealous of people who have all these things. I’m taking a performance art class this semester, and on the first day of class the
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-Melanie

instructor asked what performances we'd seen. People said they'd seen "Phantom" and this show in New York. They made sure to say that they'd seen these shows in New York. (laughter) I was like, wow, I wish I could do that. I wish I could go to New York and see a show in New York. I feel really bad about being jealous of these people, because on the flip side I think that they don't know what it means to really have to work for something. I think I'm really terrible like that, saying you don't know what real life is like, you don't live in a real world, you have everything handed to you, you don't have to worry about these things. (laughter) I feel like it's wrong for me to be jealous and want these things, but to look down on them at the same time. I hope that I can remain conscious of it, but I worry that I won't. That I'll get these things and graduate and get a good job and forget what's really important.

Melissa: I was just thinking that I know a lot of second generation students. A lot of times, it's the parents who are immigrants, the parents who bustled their butts for something they didn't understand. My mom's done that. I don't know why she wanted to put me into college, because I never knew what it meant in terms of jobs until a year ago. I don't know how she managed, I don't know how these parents have the insight into what college can do for you, but it's those parents who work so hard and want to give their kids everything. I know some people whose parents did that, but they can't get a good job. So I won't take it for granted that I can raise my kids to be aware of these things.

Cost of one year at Bowdoin: $30,250, before travel, books, and personal expenses.

Median household income:
National: $36,656
Maine: $34,132
Mass: $41,212
Married with children: $54,518
Single mother with children: $19,752

"Sometimes we forget that a lot of those kids who are well-off, somewhere in their generation, they've probably begun like you and I are beginning now... They've just forgotten the struggle."

-Wil

"I don't think it has to be that way. One thing I've learned in my experience here at Bowdoin, even with my resentment at the beginning, I've learned not to blame those kids for being wealthy. They were born into wealth just like people are born into poverty. It wasn't their choice. They weren't just kids saying, 'I'm going to be wealthy, (laughter)' that's one thing I've had to learn. I've resented people for being wealthy—for their parents being wealthy, because most of the kids aren't wealthy. Their parents are wealthy. Sometimes we forget that a lot of those kids who are well-off, somewhere in their generation, they've probably begun like you and I are beginning now. Even if they're not struggling, or their parents haven't struggled, their parents' parents might have struggled. They've just forgotten the struggle.

For example, being ten to twelve years older than most of the students, I remember some things that black students now just don't have to deal with. I remember a generation before me who had to deal with things that this generation just couldn't imagine having to deal with. There weren't or grandparents were the ones who struggled, so they never really saw the struggle. They don't really hold onto the feelings we're feeling now, because of the environment. That's a risk you're going to take by moving up into the upper class. It's hard to hang onto your roots. But you don't think the two are mutually exclusive. For example, Olivia's grown up around here, and she's worried about what she's going to do here to start first grade, and she has to realize that she has to show the world with all the other kids. She thinks the world revolves around her. Because it is. When she's here, I want to be financially secure enough that Olivia and I can take trips and spend our summers helping out in communities that need help while she's young. Because she'll probably never live like I did. She's having younger siblings and she won't have to get hand-me-down toys and clothes. I want her to see people who do, and interact with people who do, so she doesn't grow up thinking that she's entitled to it. I think the most important thing is for them to realize that they're privileged, and they don't have a natural right to all that. Someone had to pay a price. As long as they know that and they're well-rooted in that, I don't think they should apologize. I don't think they owe me an apology for their parents' wealth, because they don't ask for that.

Joy: I think you've made a good point about the environment and our feelings towards them. We've talked about feelings towards them and how we feel alienated, so how do you think that we can create the trips and spend our summers helping out in communities that need help while we're there. Can we do it at Bowdoin while we're here? What do we want to come from this trip to? So we don't feel as alienated. How can we feel that we can be ourselves at Bowdoin and not feel that we need to pass as something else or feel that we need to resent others?

Paul: I think one of the big stumbling blocks that creates the resentment is the whole culture of conformity here. I'm just fed up with the idea that I have to pass— that I have to look in a certain way and act in a certain way, that I have to deny who I am to fit in here. I'm overturning that myself, but it's hard to see people who we think are successful. That we can do it at Bowdoin while we're here? What do we want to come from this trip? So we don't feel as alienated. How can we feel that we can be ourselves at Bowdoin and not feel that we need to pass as something else or feel that we need to resent others?

Christine: I think this is going to be a long process, but I think we're taking the initial step by breaking the silence and making people talk about this on campus. I think there are a lot of people here who are wealthy, people who don't recognize the fact that they're lucky for what they have and that there are people on this campus who have less than they do. But I know somebody who is wealthy who went to one of the town meetings about class. We were walking back and he was very well-dressed. He seemed to have realized how lucky he was and how many students have these issues. I think it's really important for us to make it apparent on campus, if we're not afraid to be honest with people about something that's very personal, something that's very deep within us that's difficult to talk about. Sometimes it will bring some people around. It will take time, but I think we have to be very willing to talk about it and make these people learn about the things that are going on.

Maria: I also think that there has been a change since I've been here. Four years ago, I was much more redundant, maybe because I was on my own and I truly believe that there is a difference on campus. There are more individuals, people who aren't as willing to conform, and that is creating a different type of community at the music store. That's where I hang out when I have free time. Not around here with people who sort of look at me or despise me or look at me, and don't understand because I don't fit in and I don't want to fit in.

I think it's not something you change overnight. We have to understand that we're living in a world that isn't ours, and it's not, it's their school. Just because it's their school, we don't have to look like them, we don't have to act like them. We're accepting their classroom ideas. But just tonight, realizing that there are other people who are experiencing this, it helps. Coming tonight has been great. I think you can talk with them and look and feel comfortable about it, being proud of our heritage helps. It's not the same thing, but as far as making a blatant change, I think we're outnumbered.

Bowdoin is most interested in those students who can pay the bills. Like it or not, it's their school. Those are individual issues when it comes to conforming in dress. I love to see people who dress differently and do their own thing. I think it's great, because I know that those people are just as, if not more intelligent than those other people. Everyone here knows that everyone in this room tonight is an intelligent person or they wouldn't be here. So it's nice to see when people are doing their own thing. Sometimes that all we can do, if you can hold on, is to choose not to conform. Or this group and our friends making people who aren't conforming feel like a comfortable person as everyone else.

"I think there are a lot of people here who are wealthy, people who don't recognize the fact that they're lucky for what they have and that there are people on this campus who have less than they do."

—Christine
Bringing minorities in record numbers. My problem is that they’re just bringing in a lot of thing. Associated atmosphere. And I’ve never brought it up on the campus.

Mike: I agree that they’re on the right track. And to get to this point there’s a lot of pride and a lot of strength that’s associated with coming from these kinds of people. And we know it’s there. We just have to do this. We can do this. And I think we can do it here and take it somewhere else. It’s not as easy to lose yourself in that experience. It’s got to be filled with something that has got to be filled. I have to lose myself in a certain extent, and it’s been a tremendous experience, but I wonder what we can do to open it up to more people here.

Wil: Recruiting is a big thing. I brought this issue up with Admissions. With the people they consider able to compete and perform at Bowdoin. I think they’re over looking a lot of people who have a lot to offer. I know why. It’s because they’re interested first of all in who can pay the bills, and the boarding school kids have parents who can pay the bills. But I think the boarding school kids are also being robbed of a true liberal arts education that entails learning from and about people from all different backgrounds.

By not going into a lot of the rural areas and the urban areas, and getting that straight-A student who, because they’ve only been exposed to their environment, don’t know there’s a lot of other things. Like I said, the high risk minorities they get are from geofrey Canada’s program or a program like that. You’re right, they’re being groomed at a young age to become Bowdoin students. Even though they’re not naturally from that environment, they’re put into these boarding schools programs and in eighth grade, and they’re being groomed for these liberal arts schools. By the time they graduate from high school, even though they don’t have the financial background, they are model Bowdoin students, or model minority students for the Bowdoin environment. When I think of recruitment, I think they need to go outside of these groups sometimes to find people. And there are people who have a lot to offer who are outside these groups.

Wil: I agree. I think we agree that it’s too selective to the point where it’s excluding people. Let’s consider. Like I said, the high risk minorities they get are from geofrey Canada’s program or a program like that. You’re right, they’re being groomed at a young age to become Bowdoin students. Even though they’re not naturally from that environment, they’re put into these boarding schools programs and in eighth grade, and they’re being groomed for these liberal arts schools. By the time they graduate from high school, even though they don’t have the financial background, they are model Bowdoin students, or model minority students for the Bowdoin environment. When I think of recruitment, I think they need to go outside of these groups sometimes to find people. And there are people who have a lot to offer who are outside these groups.

Maria: When they recruited me, they brought me to campus. I knew what I was getting into. When I came here and looked around, I said I don’t know if I want to do this. I don’t know how you were recruited to come here, but I was plucked down on this campus and really didn’t like it. But I realized that I had to decide I’m going to do this, because it was the best thing for me to do. I think that it’s important that you have a lot of people who really want to come will make the effort to visit.

Sara: Actually, when they recruited me they showed me an illusion that doesn’t exist. They had the Bowdoin Experience, and it looks like it’s all diverse, but it’s not. I guess when I say recruiting, I don’t think about them filling quotas. Being from Minnesota, I know they can’t visit everywhere. I’m very aware of that. But I see where they hold the information sessions. I got a postcard saying come to the information session, but it’s in Edona. Why haven’t I been in inner-city Minneapolis? There are lots of schools in Minneapolis. It’s those kinds of things. I didn’t come from this kind of background. I didn’t come from this kind of background.

Steve: We've got to realize that most other schools have something like the Bowdoin Experience or open house. No other school just jumps on campus and do this, do this, do this. We have to consider, being at a place like this, if you don’t go out and fill quotas. I mean, when I first came to this school I said Bowdoin? (laugh) Most people don’t read US News and World Report to find the four best liberal arts school in the nation. I hate to say it, but it’s a necessary evil. Right now what other alternative do we have? To bring people here who can’t necessarily belong, these are the people who will make change. When you’re a senior looking back, I mean I see Sila going through this thing. But there are some things she’ll probably never have to go through that Maria and I had to go through our freshman year. It’s because they get people like us and people who wouldn’t completely conform, so they could effect people who make decisions. If we were all the same, well, maybe enough changes will happen so that it doesn’t have to be an issue, or not at least to the extent that it is now.

Concluding statements
Mark Grasman: Class is starting, not in the big effects that it has when we become apparent to the socially affluent, provide a false sense of social consciousness. Rather, it is the extent to which classes play a role in every decision for some of us—the way that it requires of us a consciousness that other students don’t find. I think that makes me realize how present it is here.

For four years, I have missed dinners out with friends because I cannot justify or afford to go on campus. With a very small board, and there are some things she’ll probably never have to go through that Maria and I had to go through our freshman year. It’s because they get people like us and people who wouldn’t completely conform, so they could effect people who make decisions. If we were all the same, well, maybe enough changes will happen so that it doesn’t have to be an issue, or at least not to the extent that it is now.

Anonymous student: Since arriving at Bowdoin in August, I have noticed a lot of things at this school that I’m not proud of. And the more I discover these things, the more real I am to relate to the lack of diversity on campus. With a very small white heritage, Bowdoin has remained a school that feels dominated by the upper class, and sadly in our country, this means that Bowdoin draws very little diversity in race or ethnicity.

It doesn’t take an expert to realize that if Bowdoin starts to take the need in financial aid, the resulting class will be one that represents only a very small fraction of our population. And it looks like the population that can afford a $52,000 a year education. Bowdoin would also be rejecting those who are different with their unique life experiences.

It is in the interest of all Bowdoin students to be exposed to different views on life. This would not be like joining a country club of the elite upper class. A college should be a place where students are inspired and encouraged at all costs.

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Sexual assault leads to increased security measures

KIM SCHNEIDER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Last week's sexual assault on campus and attempted break-in at the off-campus residence of several female students has Brunswick police and Bowdoin Security stepping up their patrols around campus and urging students to be more aware of safety precautions to take.

The two disturbing—and possibly related—events have also led to some immediate changes in Security policy as well as discussions for changes to make it safer.

Some time between 1:40 and 2:00 a.m. on last Wednesday, April 14, a female student reported that she had been sexually assaulted near the northwest corner of the Bowdoin College soccer field, near the Farley Field House and the Farley parking lot. The student dialled 911, and the police contacted Bowdoin Security.

The assailant was described as a white male approximately 5'11" to 6' tall, with a thin build. At the time of the attack, he was wearing a light-colored T-shirt, dark-colored pants, white running shoes, and a dark-colored ski mask with a single opening for the eye.

Around 4:00 a.m. that same morning, a similar-looking individual attempted to break into a local off-campus house populated by several female students, according to residents. The residents described the perpetrator as a white male in his mid-20's, approximately 6'2" tall with a husky build and dark wavy hair.

One of the residents of the house who asked not to have either her name or the address of her residence released described the incident: "There was somebody making noises outside our house that night," she said. "They ripped our window screen out. So I'm assuming they were trying to break in." The house's residents also reported to police that someone they thought was the same individual had knocked on their door at 2 a.m. Monday morning and then run away suspiciously, but one resident said that they now believe it was a friend of a friend who had stopped by after a party.

Detective Kevin Schofield of the Brunswick Police Department is in charge of the investigations of both incidents. Concerning the investigation into the sexual assault, he said, "I have no solid suspects to which to speak at this time. There are some things I'm looking into in terms of leads, but that's really where I'm at right now. I don't really have an awful lot to go on." He added that the vague description given of the assailant would create problems in creating a photo lineup, standard procedure for this type of investigation.

When asked if the two incidents were related, Schofield said, "That is something that is very much in my mind; however, I don't have enough information to say that it is definitely the same individual. But just due to the circumstances of the timeframe, the area involved, that is something that I am keeping in mind and exploring." He urged any students who were in the area of Longfellow Avenue and Farley Field House at the time around the incident who noticed anyone hanging around or acting suspiciously to contact him at 725-5521.

A community meeting was held last Friday, April 16, in response to the sexual assault, moderated by Assistant Director of Residential Life Candace Crawford. The forum, held in Lancaster Lounge, had a turnout of over 40 students—so many that it was standing room only. Students spent much of the meeting offering suggestions for ways to improve safety and increase education and awareness of safety issues on campus. One was to add more exterior security cameras to problem areas of campus. Currently there is only one exterior camera on campus, located on the Farley Field House building.

In a campus e-mail, Director of Security Scott Kipp said that the addition of cameras to remote areas of campus is being considered, although in a later interview with The Orient he said that he personally harbored concerns regarding students' privacy.

Another major discussion at the community meeting was the shuttle service. Several students complained that shuttle service on weekend nights—when it is probably needed most—was intermittent, and frequently unavailable. A few also commented on how difficult it was to get Security officers to offer rides or escort services when the shuttle was not running. "You have to act upset to get a ride," said one participant.

Kipp said that Security is going to put a second person (in addition to the driver) in each shuttle after 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and after 10:00 p.m. the rest of the week. Other possible changes he said Security was considering was the creation of a standard shuttle route, the acquisition of new vehicles (a new minivan will be obtained this summer), and the possible elimination of the service in favor of an escort service that would walk students to their residences.

In Thursday's all-students e-mail, Kipp laid out the procedures for Security escorts for the remainder of this year: "Security will provide escorts to groups of three or less whenever the shuttle is not running. Escorts..." Please see ASSAULT, page 2

"I would guess that out of the total student population, anywhere from five to ten percent might suffer from an undiagnosed anxiety disorder." —Bernie Herschberger, Counselor

Counseling Services discusses anxiety disorder

Counseling Services will be holding a meeting about anxiety disorders on Thursday, and will be giving free screenings afterwards.

STACY HUMES-SCHULZ
STAFF WRITER

As a part of National Anxiety Information and Screening Week, Counseling Services will be holding an informational session on anxiety disorders and offer free screenings for any interested students next week.

That Thursday, Counseling Services will present an hour-long information session on anxiety disorders to students. Robin Belcher from Health Services, and local psychologist Charles Sturt, M.D. will present. Counseling Services will help answer student questions and discuss these disorders.

After the session, any student may call Counseling Services to arrange a confidential anxiety disorder screening test. The test, which takes approximately 20 minutes, will help to ascertain which students fall under the profile of any anxiety disorders and whether they would seek further help. Bernie Herschberger, a counselor with Bowdoin Counseling Services, said any student concerned about anxiety should set up a screening.

"Anybody with a level of anxiety that's interfering with their social or academic functioning should be screened," he explained. "A lot of people notice this in social situations. They avoid social situations and feel immense pressure in social situations."

For many students, Herschberger said an anxiety disorder can be masked by substance abuse. "We see people using alcohol or pot to medicate their anxiety and feel comfortable in social situations," he said. "That presents a double problem."

After screening, the student's test will be analyzed to see if the student's anxiety level is indicative of a greater problem. "Some anxiety is necessary, like in an exam situation, but an excessive amount becomes detrimental and prohibits you from doing what you are capable of," Herschberger pointed out.

If Counseling Services thinks it is necessary, they will encourage a student to seek counseling therapy. Additionally, they may have a student consult a psychiatrist to determine if medication would be helpful.

Treatment for anxiety disorders is usually a combination of cognitive behavioral therapy and medication.

"Anxiety disorders are very treatable," Herschberger said. "It's rare that anxiety persists after a combination of medication and therapy."

There are five general types of anxiety disorders: social phobia, obsessive-compulsive disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, panic disorder and generalized anxiety disorder. Phobias, which are specific fears, are also forms of anxiety disorders. Herschberger also noted that anxiety disorders often overlap with depression, and it is not unusual for students to experience both. Of the total of those who come through Counseling Services, Herschberger estimates that anywhere from 25 to 45 percent experience an anxiety disorder. "I would guess that out of the total student population, anywhere from five to ten percent might suffer from an undiagnosed anxiety disorder," he commented.

The information session will be held next Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Beam Classroom at the VAC. Confidential screenings, will be held in the Counseling Center any time thereafter.
Assaults lead to security increase

ASSAULT, from page 1
tof campus locations will only be provided
to the private residence of students, within a
definite distance of campus, not to bars or
stores.” The Polar Consulting Group is cur-
cently undergoing a thorough study of the
shuttle service, and should present a final
report with their recommendations before
February 21, the end of the semester.

One student suggested that anonymous
reports of sexual assault should be distrib-
uted via e-mail. Kipp said that these reports
are now directly turned over to Security rather
than going through the Dean’s Office, and
thus are not counted in the official statistics.

Security also held their semi-lerally walk-
ning on Wednesday. Kipp and Crawford,
who both participated, said that they made
sure to visit the dirt path that connects the
main campus with the area of the Farley lot
near where the assault took place. They said
several of the lights in that area had burned
out, and Facilities Management had been
notified immediately to replace them.

Kipp said that more lights will be added at
the Arctic Museum, a mask-making class
with a mask parade and alumni who have
written children’s books will have readings,”
Burns said.

Burns also said that there was an effort to
have more alumni speakers this year in their
respective fields of expertise. The group will
include Brian Allen ’94, the head brewer for
Boston Beer Works, come to give a presenta-
tion on the basics of brewing and differences
in beer styles, and host a group tasting.

People come from all over the world to par-
ticipate in this weekend for many rea-
sons. “I think that Maine is a big draw,” said
Burns. “Many people use this as an excuse
to spend time in Maine with their families and
their classmates. Also, people feel a strong
nostalgia for Bowdoin once they have left. It
is a really great weekend.”

Presently, the Office of Alumni Relations
experts over 1,500 people to return for the
weekend, and it is currently trying to hire a
large student staff. Students would be doing
a variety of tasks, from hosting on the boat to
checking people in at the beginning of the
weekend.

The students who attended wrote a letter to the editor expressing the conclusions
reached by the group. See related story, page 6. (Peter Hill/Bowdoin Orient)

There was a forum on Wednesday to discuss the upcoming Faculty vote on honors.

Reunion changes planned

KELLY RICCIARDI
STAFF WRITER

Each year, many alumni come back to visit
Bowdoin in early June to see old classmates
and to introduce their families to Maine and
to what college was like for them. For this
reunion, which will be held from June 3
through June 6, the Office of Alumni Rela-
tions has made some changes to the schedule
of events for the classes whose years end in
four, five or six. All the way back to the Class
of 1939.

According to Jennifer Burns, the associate
director of Alumni Relations, every reunion
has many different activities which are both
class-specific and more general.

One new event is a nature cruise leaving
from Bailey Island. This cruise will go by
many coastal points, including Eagle Island,
the home of Admiral Robert Peary. Bowdoin
Class of 1857 and explorer of the North Pole.
There will also be a lot more for children
to do this year. “We will have events like a craft
house, a party playhouse, children’s tours at

E9 & SAFC election results

These are the official results for the elections which closed at 5 p.m., April 20th.

736 students voted, the largest percentage of the student body in over ten years.

E9

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Store it at the Fort...Fort Andross
Student starts mentoring program for local youth

- The Tutoring and Guidance Program pairs Bowdoin students with students from Brunswick High School to help improve study skills and self-esteem.

CAROLYN LENKIE STAFF WRITER

This spring, after returning from studying abroad, psychology major Ben Gales ’00 has started a Tutoring and Guidance Program for local high school students.

The program allows students from Brunswick High School to receive mentoring and tutoring in all subjects from the 34 Bowdoin students currently involved.

After coming back to campus this semester, Gales noticed that the College had no tutoring program for local high school students, which he said he saw as consistent with the College’s traditionally criticized isolation from the surrounding community. He felt that such a program could improve relations by creating a bridge between the two communities and also provide a much-needed service to struggling high school students.

“A tutoring program seemed like a natural way for Bowdoin to serve the community,” said Gales.

Though the program is still in its infancy and its impact is yet to be seen, so far, the response from Bowdoin students and the Brunswick High School community has been positive. Gales noted that some high school students have already shown an improvement in their academic work. However, he said, “The program is not just about academics. In addition to good study skills, we try to help students develop motivation and self-confidence. I think it has meant a lot to the high school students to have a college student providing support.”

Teachers and parents at the high school have also shown their support of the Tutoring and Guidance Program. Through the help of the school’s counseling office, teachers have begun to refer their students to the program, and according to program tutor Meaghan Curran ’00, “A lot of parents have been really receptive to it.”

Gales said he hopes and expects the Tutoring and Guidance Program to grow substantially in the next academic year. He is currently introducing the program to the College and local communities through articles in the Orient and The Times Record, as well as through the counseling office at the high school.

Soon the program will go before the E9 in hopes of receiving recognition as an official campus organization.

As the program grows, so will the need for more Bowdoin students to become tutors.

“The Program is becoming better known at the high school, and I expect even more students to request tutoring next year,” says Gales. “I hope more Bowdoin students will become involved so that every interested high school student will receive tutoring.”

The program is currently associated with Baxter House, and will remain so, but this connection exists largely to provide a place for the Bowdoin tutors and the high school students to meet and should in no way discourage Bowdoin students affiliated with other college houses from applying.

It is especially attractive to busy college students because the commitment is as little as an hour a week, and provides flexibility in location and time. This semester, about one-hundred and fifty of all participants met at Baxter House at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday nights. If students do not wish to meet at Baxter, they may arrange their own schedules.

Weekly dinner meetings allow Bowdoin tutors to discuss important issues and share ideas about the program. Social events, such as the pizza party held this past Thursday, bring together the Bowdoin and Brunswick High School students in a non-academic environment.

Bowdoin students interested in becoming tutors may contact Ben Gales now or can wait until the fall. He can be reached by email at bgales@bowdoin.edu, by phone at 721-5374, or through campus mail at Smith Union box 246.

Wentworth hall renovation to be complete by fall 2000

- Wentworth’s seating capacity to be expanded from 250 to 855 students.
- The renovations will take place during the summer of 2000.

LAURA HILBURN STAFF WRITER

This summer, a major renovation of Wentworth Hall will begin, increasing capacity from around 250 to 855 students.

An addition to the facility should be completed in one year, and renovation to the current structure should be completed in time for the opening of the 2000-2001 academic year.

The $8 million renovation is funded through the recent capital campaign for residence halls and dining facilities. Money from the same campaign has been used to build the new Chamberlain Hall.

Discussions for this renovation began with the decision to eliminate canteens on campus. The initial influxed students into campus dining halls, along with a continued effort to bring more students to campus, will create a need for greater services.

The addition, for which construction will begin this summer, will be between the current Wentworth facility and South Street, filling in a pie-shaped tract of land. The finished room will be a large, two-story dining hall, with the capacity to hold large numbers of students.

Future class dinners and events will be held in this room, instead of having to erect a tent or other temporary structure.

Construction on the current structure will take place during the summer of 2000 and will be completed that fall. The current entrance to the hall will be almost tripled in size to account for the larger numbers of students.

The renovation will also consist of improved kitchen facilities and the transformation of the current dining room into a “servery,” making it closer to the current setup of Moulton Union.

The servery area will complement a change in the style of food service offered. The soup and salad bar will be expanded, and the deli counter will also be larger. New hot food stations will be added, for a new emphasis on display cooking. Other ideas are still being debated, including individual cooking and sit-down Stations.

The second floor of the current structure will be completely redone, and will house the new Dining Services offices, now in Coles Tower, and additional private dining rooms.

The kitchen in Wentworth Hall will also undergo a dramatic renovation with this construction project. The current kitchen is insufficient in terms of dining needs and does not have enough preparation or storage capacity.

An enlarged kitchen will alleviate these issues, contribute to a greater catering service and allow for more variety in the daily menus and food selection.

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Editorials

Lessons in leadership

The prospects look good for the newly elected E9. They bring a good balance of class year and gender to build upon the momentum built by this year’s committee. The positions, however, will not come without their challenges.

They will have to prove that they wanted to do more than just get elected, and they will have to demonstrate a commitment to improving Bowdoin. The recently formed Coalition of Bowdoin Activists held a campus forum early this month to launch a discussion of the efficacy of student government, and although the event was ill-attended, the question raised is symbolic of their challenge to the ways things work at this College.

The Coalition has targeted the issue of apathy and other complaints that many of us share without acting upon them. It resurrected the town meetings —since renamed “campus forums”— initiated a campus-wide discussion on student aid, and helped expand the Bowdoin bubble to include questions about Kosovo. The most encouraging aspect of their work, however, is the fact that it is motivated by a true concern for Bowdoin.

Students often question the significance of the work done by student government. Truth be told, their presence is underappreciated. As representatives on countless committees, they bring invaluable student perspectives to the subtle yet intricate workings of the College, offering their insights in ways that would not be noticed until they were missed. The officers also draw criticism because their work is self-fulfilling, in terms of the resumed and experience gained through being an insider. Our representatives simply need to ensure that the commitment does not go to waste.

The E9 and the Coalition do have different goals, and the existence of both as separate entities serves to enrich on-campus discourse. As the campus continues to share ideas and expect more of itself, however, the E9 might look to the Coalition of Bowdoin Activists for examples of not just student representation, but student leadership as well.

Awareness prevents best

The fictional boundary between us on the Bowdoin campus and the maladies of the outside world broke down last week when a student was sexually assaulted. A minute’s walk from her apartment, she was jumped by a ski-masked assailant who has yet to be identified. The implications of this incident within our snug community are terrifying.

It is easy to let one’s guard down in our small college setting in coastal Maine, where talk of danger can appear as paranoia. The emergence of crime stings like something that does not belong here. It is, however, an undeniable part of our community’s life.

Theft from locker rooms and cars occurs frequently. And although reports of sexual assaults are softened to protect the survivors, and incidents of violence are swallowed by the secrecy of the J-Board, these occurrences are also present at Bowdoin.

No preventative measure will protect us as much as simply remembering our vulnerability. No amount of self-defense courses, no increase in shuttle hours, and no quantity of whistles will go as far as a healthy measure of circumspection. The walls around our community are permeable, and we can’t even be sure about the elements within them.

The added lighting walks and other programs offered by Security and Safe Space are excellent shows of support, but it is up to the individual to always remain cautious. As Maine goes, Bowdoin and Brunswick are relatively dense centers of population. If any good is to come of the recent assault, it should remind us that we are not as isolated as it sometimes seems.

Get behind BCN

The newly chartered Bowdoin Cable Network, a student-initiated television channel, will arrive on campus next fall, bringing with it a new set of possibilities for campus communications. On campus as fragmented as Bowdoin’s —where information circulates at a much slower rate than at institutions of comparable size— its own television network could open new worlds of student opportunity and community development.

For students interested in the field of communications, the establishment of the network will offer experience otherwise attainable only through off-campus internships. This will prove invaluable at Bowdoin, where the liberal arts orientation has overruled all attempts at getting academic credit for vocational-related experiences.

The entire production process will be available, on campus, for interested students to experience.

For the community at large, the network will enhance better communication as a dynamic medium linking every dormitory room and office. It will help create a self-awareness as has never existed within the College.

News can be reported, athletic events can be televised, and issues can be discussed from a wide variety of viewpoints.

The possibilities inherent in the project test the imagination of the College. The Administration has made a strong commitment to the network, but it will depend upon student creativity and initiative to reach its potential.
STUDENT SPEAK

How would you like to be asked to the Gala?

LIZ BROOKES '99
Warwick, RI
"Come on Bowdoin... Surprise me!"

JETTE DUBA '02
Upstate New York
"With a case of beer."

SUZANNE YAU '99
Peabody, MA
"By Bob, since he turned me down for the Junior/Senior Ball, and now I find out he's going with Katie Joseph."

TASHA CASSAMAJOR '01
Cambridge, MA
"I just need to be asked, period."

VIDRIK FRANKFATHER '99
Oak Park, IL
"Care of a naked Jared Liu."

RICK CANE Arizona
"Over-easy."

Defend the right to assembly

To the Editor:

I would like to alert Bowdoin students of a bill in the Maine State legislature that directly affects their lives and their rights.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!! Please contact your Maine State representative in the House to ask for his/her support to send LD 1264: AN ACT TO ENSURE FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND ASSOCIATION ON MAINE CAMPUS, back to the Education Committee. LD 1264 is expected to hit the floor of the House on MONDAY, APRIL 26, 1999.

The representatives for Brunswick are: John Richardson 19 Juniper Road, Brunswick 729-1834. Thomas Davidson P.O. Box 446, Brunswick 721-0747

If you are a Maine resident, contact your hometown representative, too. If you are not a voter in Maine, you are still a student here and you still have a voice to speak out and defend your rights. To see the text of LD 1264 go to http://janus.state.me.us/legis/bills/billtexts/ LDI264011.asp

Speech and association rights on college campuses are under attack across this state and across the nation, and we as students must take a stand to see our rights protected. Being students should not mean we give up our basic constitutional rights. That is why I ask that all Bowdoin students join with me and their other classmates in contacting their representatives and urging them to support LD 1264, and ensure that our rights and the rights of future Bowdoin students to free speech and association will be protected. Rights that are not protected are rights that will be lost. If we will not stand up for our rights, then who will?

Thomas M. Clark '99

Letters to the Editor

Ending unhealthy competition

To the Editor:

On Wednesday afternoon, E9 and the Coalition of Bowdoin Activists hosted a forum for students and faculty to speak with each other about the Recording Committee's proposed changes to the guidelines for awarding Latin honors and other honors. The proposed changes, as carefully delineated in last week's Orient, would define Latin honors according to percentages (the top 2% of a graduating class would receive summa cum laude, for example) instead of according to GPA standards.

As students, we are concerned that the recommended changes to our honors policies will only encourage an academic atmosphere of competition at a college that claims to value learning for its own sake and the collaborative atmosphere necessary for such learning to take place. We feel that the new guidelines would only exacerbate the problem already existent on this campus where students choose professors, classes or majors according to their reputation for easy A's and guaranteed honors.

In addition, we believe that the underlying problem is grade inflation—a problem that is not easily solved, but that must be addressed immediately. After thoughtful consideration of the issue, we have concluded that the best option is for Bowdoin to follow Swarthmore's lead and abolish Latin honors. If we truly want to encourage learning for its own sake, if we want students to pursue their academic passions and continually challenge the boundaries of their intellectual capabilities even in the presence of interdisciplinary hurdles, we must encourage healthy academic relations and intellectual maturity.

We feel that competition for Latin honors only undermines the values of a true liberal arts education. While we understand the importance of recognizing academic achievement at an institution of higher learning, we believe that such recognition should be encouraged at the departmental level where grades are often less important than the cumulative growth and intellectual maturity of individual students.

We also realize that current students may be concerned that the policy would affect the honors they would receive. We remind these students that they would be grandfathered in under the academic standards by which they were matriculated, but we also suggest that current students set the standard for a post-Latin-honors collaborative academic environment. For those students concerned, although the resumes of future students under no-Latin-honors policy, we suggest that the Registrar's Office simply add a line to transcripts indicating that Bowdoin does not award Latin honors.

If we want to encourage Bowdoin students to take their time here seriously, and to challenge themselves to learn in meaningful and useful ways, we suggest that the College send this message by voting against the proposed changes and by eliminating Latin honors instead. In addition, we suggest that there be further conversation between faculty and students concerning Dean's List and Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholars.

Most importantly, we hope that the faculty will begin to focus on the very real problem of grade inflation at both the college and departmental levels.

The faculty will be voting on the Recording Committee's proposed changes to the College's honors policies on Monday, May 3rd. Next week we will circulate a student petition asking the faculty to take the aforementioned suggestions into consideration when they vote. A copy of this petition will be placed at the Smith Union Information Desk, and students around campus will also have copies for you to sign.

Tell the college that you value an academic culture of collaborative growth and learning by signing your name to one of these petitions.

Thank you.

Matt Reeder '02
Anne Gustafson '02
Larsen Bresnuk '02
Corona Benson '02
Paul DeLauer '02
Claire Newman '02
Cassie Flynn '02
Jack Woodcock '02
Jonathan Knapp '02
Zach Berus '01
Bev Gandland '03
Adam Zimmerman '00
Scott Roman '00
Kristina Nilsen '00
Sara Carlson '99 (Recording Committee)
Steve Lee '99
Joy Cushman '99

Fact: The common grey squirrel has the uncommon ability to lay eggs in early June.

For more biological timelines, a chance to write for the Orient, or a date to the Gala write fisher@bowdoin.edu.
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OPINION

THE BOWDOIN ORIENT

FRIDAY, APRIL 23,

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Searching for explanations in the wake of more violence
experience' with guns, grenades and
homemade explosives. General descriptions
from fellow students seemed to indicate no

By Mark Turner

manner of dress and
"anti-social" behavior.
From what have
read, they seemed nothing more than social

were generally white (if you
met enough of the other criteria, this might
be overlooked) and conformed to the lastest
fashions, you would never lack respect.
At my school, there was resentment
between the in and out groups but never
extreme violence. Other qualifications for
the murderers? Racial prejudice. A female
goth acquaintance spent a morning

outcasts before the massacre.

explaining to me why interracial relationships

reasons to predict the massacre. The targets
of the killings werejocks, preps and minorities
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life.

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Lakewood, Colorado for my

attended Lakewood High School

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and Columbine High School
was a competing school within the Jefferson
County District.
played varsity and club
soccer against Columbine High as well as
Club Columbine and Littleton United teams.
attended several Colorado Bandmasters
Association events with the Lakewood High
School Marching and Symphonic Bands.
Several family friends transferred to
Columbine because of its higher academic
standards and their superior soccer team.
Whenever visited the school, always felt
that it was a far better school than Lakewood.
It was far bigger, had better classroom
resources and teachers, its SAT scores and
graduation rates were superior. Most
importantly, at the time, their sports' teams
always defeated ours (which was often the
for four years

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case with other Jeffco schools). Qverall, the
Jefferson

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District has

always been

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relatively safe school district.

Until April 20, 1999,

exception. The massacre of over twenty
Columbine High School students by two
other students will change Jefferson County
forever. But this change is yet to come. am
more concerned with the events and my own
experiences as a high school student. The
two boys that massacred the students were
generally described as Goths who wore black
trench-coats year round with much
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To

Although

recently received the April 9th issue of
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late in

an editorial in it, would like
to express my opinion nonetheless. I am
writing to you from Galway, Ireland, where
I
am currently studying abroad. And
although am not on the continent, am still
very much a part of the European
consciousness with regard to the war in
Kosovo, being that have been a temporary
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European Community since

January of this year.
In response to the editorial titled, "Our
obligation to Kosovo," let me first correct the
writer of the editorial in stating that
a crisis but very

not well-versed in

it is

not

much a war - a war between

the KLA and the standing Serbian army.
Furthermore, in the writer's attempt to draw
comparisons between this military conflict
and WWI, WWII, and the Korean War, he or
she has failed to realize the true nature of this
crisis - if indeed one wants to call it a crisis.

to highlight.

war fought by a guerilla army (KLA)

— rightly seeking to protect

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against a Hitler-esque dictator

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well-armed, and fiercely loyal state army. To

commitgroundtroops,especiallyUSones,

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are British Television stations) or

any other European news channel, one would
know that this is a feeling shared by all
parties involved (NATO, Prime Minister Blair
and President Clinton). Indeed, in order to
oust a tyrant from his office one must forcibly
remove him. However, whether there is a
better administration and leader ready to
take the deposed tyrant'splace is the question
one then must ask, if one is willing to commit
a ground force to accomplish this task? This
is the problem currently vexing the Clinton
administration with regard to Iraq. But one
must remember, and remember well, the
mistakes of the past, i.e. Afghanastan and
Vietnam, when, contemplating sending in a
substantial

another

number of soldiers into a

region,

human

"Anti-social" behavior. Nothing more than
thepettycrimesof vandalism, loitering, petty

rarely motivate

our actions?
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Nevertheless, in these

two boys see some of
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high school friends and acquaintences,

and perhaps even myself. Many of my friends
in high school were outcasts: they would call
us stoners, dirtheads, goths, vampires,
smokers, nerds, fat people, punks and racial
slurs that I refuse to mention. If you were
physically lean, played popular sports
(football, baseball, and basketball), appeared

Kosovo

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appealing to intuition
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argument,

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is that some of the people I knew in
high school were not drastically different
than these boys.

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But behavior does not always belie
thoughts and motivations. My ugly
complexion, my nerdy behavior and my
unconfident behavior made me a good target
for bullies.
did not have a traumatic
experience in junior high but I had thoughts
and wishes of hurting my antagonizers and
myself. I have always had a slow temper and

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this to the writer of the
let

me make it known that

the author with this

comment

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—that the US

not worse, in Afghanastan.

Now

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ask the author, in light of these figures

and the general knowledge that the Vietnam
war was not a popular war - i.e. it had no
public support by the end of Johnson's
presidency and even Walter Cronkite said
that it was "unwinnable" - would you have
President Clinton commit forces to a region
that has every,

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they perceived as threats to their identities.

The "in" crowd threatened them by

Somehow

ridicule.

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do mean

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felt justified

removing the threat with murder. Protecting
their identities morally justified the
premeditated murder of threatening
individuals. Yet, they murdered themselves
probably out of remorse or the fear of facing
consequences.

When

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hear people discuss issues of gun

control concerning the massacre,

fear that

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been missed. Guns are means
ends which can be replaced by knives,

the point has
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bottles, rocks etc.

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since the

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am in favor of gun control

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effective

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more difficult since

instruments ever invented.

essence of the problem

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it is the ends and not the means. Although
and the two boys have both thought about
harming our oppressors, the boys
acted and I did not. Was I more sane, more
obedient or more virtuous than these boys at
the time? Perhaps, but we need to think more
about why the boys did not have voices in
their heads preventing murder and why we
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seriously

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Mark Turner

a junior.

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To

the Editor:

that

every,

potential of escalating into another Vietnam?

US accomplished nothing in

So here's how I would summarize the
furor over honors: administration, fearing
students are doing too well, want to make

honors more stringent, abolishing the
academic equivalent of five-star generals in
Latin American banana republics; students,
fearing that their resumes won't sparkle
sufficiently, want the status quo of everyone,

with a

little effort,

on

getting some sort of official

However, piled on top of
these elementary positions is official and
ridiculous rhetoric serving to couch these
arguments in noble morality; Administration
says it wants to make honors representative
of true achievement; students say they want
pat

the back.

honors manipulated so that they won't foster
competition between students.
This is such bullsh-t, and it makes evident
the sheer absurdity that

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caring about

is rampant, and
on average, gone up a

grade inflation really

that grades have,

death toll in Vietnam was close to 60,000 US
servicemen and servicewomen dead;
300,000 casualities; and over $150 billion
dollars spent fighting a war that had no
closure. The Russians suffered a similar

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fact

None of these behaviors

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do not act on my thoughts and
impulses. For some reason, the two boys had
thoughts of murdering fellow students which
action.

Honors unworthy of debate

not attacking but rather enlightening

fate, if

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music offensive to most

head of state.

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While

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cannot answer these questions, and am
asking
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wrong ones.

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people and fighting.
others.

often try to calculate the consequences of

killing

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suggests that they were disposed

why do these thoughts so

whole

grade.

letter

So, those

who would have gotten straight

average grade, now get straight B's,
the current average grade. Those who would
have gotten B's get A's, and those who got
C's, the

A's now get.
A's. Leaving aside the people
who once got A's for a second, let's consider
what these letters mean.
think we all
recognize that a B is now the average grade,
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mean, everyone knows

not a C.

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what's

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this.

problem? Though we've

essentially adjusted the grading system,

we

know who's getting good grades and
now we consider A's to be great

not, only

grades, not B's.

It

seems that the only people

who are really affected are those who would
have once gotten A's, and now are unable to
distinguish themselves from the rest of the

masses. Well, personally,

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academic distinction

is

think a lack of

honors. Doesn't everyone understand that
honors don't actually matter? Frankly, it

clear

born out by the people who would have once
gotten all A's. If we are to believe the grade
inflation worriers, A's were once s\rhard to
get that probably only a handful of people
got grades of mostly A's. These kinds of
people aren't your normal, I've gotta get that

until there is a

probably won't help you get a job, and even
if it does, that's a sh-tty way to approach
academic success. Whether you get honors
or not does not change your GPA Therefore,
the arbitrary changing of honors standards
should not really concern anyone.
Which leads to the main issue, grade
inflation. When I was studying in France last
year, the director of my study away program
tacked up a NY Times article about how
grade inflation is rampant in the U.S. Next to
it, she tacked up an article about how the
average grade in French universities is about
the equivalent of a low C. These two facts,
she thought, should prove to us how much
harder the French work for their grades. The
bullheaded stupidity of that is embodied by

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who think grade inflation is a serious
problem. First, anyone who thinks that an A

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it out of the car).
You may
condemn their interest in guns and explosives
but these people would never use them on

never brought

time or another about killing another person
or themselves, but

NEWS

It is

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shoplifting, drug use,

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not in the best interests of the powers that be.
If one has been watching BBC 1, 2, 3 or SKY

The war in Kosovo is more akin to the
Vietnam War and the Russian war in
Afghanistan, than any of those the writer has

But these are not thoughts of

had many friends who had access
to parents' guns who told me of the Anarchist
Cookbook which has plenty of recipes for
homemade explosives. A friend of mine was
expelled for having a sword in his car (he had
violence.

would
imagine that every person has thought at one

right response to their circumstances.

Vietnam. The North eventually overran the
South and then we officially withdrew at
the Paris Peace Accords in 1973, having
bombed the North into oblivion under
Operation Rolling Thunder but not
weakening the highly motivated, well
trained, and extremely aggressive Viet Cong
army of Ho Chi Minh.
do agree with the author that it is our
obligation, as a superpower, to safeguard
the rights of those being oppressed
throughout the world. However, one must
pick and choose - and know this sounds

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are immoral.

long troubled by ethnic wars, in order to

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explanations, they have always felt
inadequate to explain human motivations.
Although medical conditions such as
schizophrenia and certain forms of
depression may drastically affect the
capability of control over human emotions,
motivations and actions, this case seems like
a matter of emotion, intention, motivation,
and action. In other words, the two boys
somehow rationalized the massacre as the

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Columbine was no

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what conflicts to involve US fighting men
and women in. As Madam Albright and
Mr. Cook have stated time and time again,
"permissive" environment
Kosovo, then and only then, will
NATO troops enter the region on foot, to
escort refugees back to their homes. In the
future, the author of this editiorial should
use his or her head more than their heart
when deciding to support an initiative, that
would send US fighting men and women
into a hostile environment. Yes, it is our job
to help out those in need, but the US is not
the savior of the world.

Neil

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Clinton '00

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a learning

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consulting job, sickening strivers.

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because forty years ago a C was considered
a decent grade and now it isn't, and that

means we work

ridiculous competition.

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Willing Davidson '99

a stratified


All sprawled out

By Brendan Hughes

 Planned growth has done a place in 21st century American urban planning. It is a direct in the hands of the federal government. Though Washington should be involved and could be part of a funding and information, planning belongs at the state and municipal level. There, the importance of controlled growth is recognized and can be dealt with in a manner more sensitive to the needs of individual communities.

Suburbs is the American dream landscape. It is the house with a front yard. It is the picket fence. It is the green, quiet streets and the spacious houses. It is the suburb and it is sprawling. In the nascent 2000 presidential campaign, the problem of suburban sprawl will be one of the election's major issues. Sprawl is the problem of suburban communities growing outward instead of upward and so the biggest is the increasing density of development, the scope of the development is expanded.

The problem began in 1956 when President Eisenhower created the interstate highway system. The new highways brought smaller communities closer to big cities. Traveling time and distance shortened and such became more accessible by automobile. One of the results of the new highway system was a malaise of mostly middle class and white, mostly middle class city dwellers to the towns that surrounded larger cities. These towns were the suburbs.

Since 1956, the suburbs have been cast in many different lights. Richard Nixon cited suburbanites for being the "silent majority." Others have labeled suburbs as yuppie playgrounds: neighborhoods for the upwardly mobile. Whatever they have been labeled, suburbs have experienced nearly exponential growth since 1956. They now have a multitude of the problems of the inner city. It is sprawl they have not yet out larger amounts of land. It is this occupation of such large tracts of land that constitutes the problem of sprawl.

The most obvious problem of sprawl is environmental. Suburbanites consume gallons of gasoline to get to the place necessary to transport them everyday. Land is used virtually without restriction. Zoning laws are legislated on the basis of maximizing property tax values, and as a result, city planning is too often unimportant and local decision making, inhabited by only rich and poor, cities will be significantly destabilized. With a disintegrated middle class population, property values would go down and the city would lose much of its professional work force.

Over the last five years, suburban sprawl has become a popular issue. Such initiatives as "SmartGrowth" is a plan to arrest the suburban sprawl, initiatives have been adopted by cities and towns across the nation. The policies are geared to create one for city planners that promote dense, environmentally efficient growth. The political concept (aren't they all). After a smaller scale, focusing on quality of life and more compact design.

Vice President Al Gore has endorsed SmartGrowth. Gore, who is seeking the Democratic Party's nomination for President, regards the uncontrolled growth of the suburbs as a major problem. Gore's plan to reduce sprawl would be, essentially, a nation wide mandate of SmartGrowth.

Politically, Gore's support of SmartGrowth is consistent with his "we're from the Government and we don't work" approach to governing. However, His reflects a centrist Democratic party that doesn't want to alienate their base, or in any other aspects. Democrats that have championed for so long but have recently abandoned. Today, Democrats should leave well enough alone, allowing the program to work or fail. If they try to build upon more issues that Democrats have championed for so long but have recently abandoned. Today, Democrats should leave well enough alone, allowing the program to work or fail.
Dance on, Bowdoin

LaurA BlAkley contributor

This coming Thursday, April 29, Vagor, Bowdoin's independent dance group and Miscellania, Bowdoin's all-female a cappella group, will perform in Morrell Lounge of Smith Union at 8:00 p.m.

After hard work this semester, the group has successfully put together a diverse variety of dances ranging from New Age to hip-hop. They look forward to performing several pieces next Thursday in an informal setting aimed at entertaining students.

Lindsay Chavis '01, the leader of Vagor, emphasized, "This is the first dance show that the group has given in around three years. Thus, it has presented the dancers with new challenges. We have put in a lot of time learning new dances and working to coordinate the show. We've had a lot of fun, and we really look forward to performing.

The majority of the dances have been choreographed by dancers from the group. Vagor will revive "Amazon," a New Age dance that focuses on coordinated group formations from the 8th Annual Spring Performance. In addition, they will perform "Kinky," a hip-hop piece presented earlier this year in the fall. Other numbers being performed include another hip-hop piece entitled "Fantasy," as well as a more lyrical duet.

The tap dance group formed this year by Allison Robbins '02 will also be performing in Thursday's show for the first time, adding diversity to the Bowdoin dance scene.

If you enjoyed the 8th Annual Spring Performance and the soothing melodies Miscellania, come to Smith Union Thursday for an hour of fun and entertainment.

Another teen movie?!

Tiffany J. Howard contributor

Drew Barrymore has never been quite as endearing on screen as she is in the new romantic comedy Never Been Kissed. This film tells the story of twenty-five year old spinster-in-waiting Josie Geller (Barrymore), a newspaper copy editor whose Saturday night entertainment consists of embroidering pillows and talking to her pet turtle. Josie's safe world is challenged, however, when she gets her first assignment as a reporter. Her mission? To probe the psyche of the American adolescent by going undercover as a seventeen year old high school student.

In my humble opinion, Never Been Kissed is a teen flick for anyone, even those over sixteen. These films—with their nubile heroines and their MTV soundtracks—are all about hero worship, fantasy, recasting and therapy. They appeal to us older and wiser folk because they so often show us the way high school should have been.

The reason that Never Been Kissed is the epitome of this ideal is that it offers its main character the opportunity to truly do what we pretend to do every time we buy a ticket to a teen flick—re-live those four all-important years.

I know what you're thinking—who would really want to? What a nightmare! And for Josie, it is truly. But when her brother (played by the scene-stealing David Arquette) follows her back to school to help her gain popularity, Josie finally gets to be the girl she never had been before.

What ensures is a surprisingly clever and satisfying film. The monologue Josie delivers in the prom scene towards the end of the film is everyone we have always wished we had the opportunity and guts to say. The column that results from her undercover assignment pretty much hits the high school nail right on the head. The conclusion of the film is as charming as those in the romantic comedies of yesteryears, and the last line is a keeper if I've ever heard one.

So, if you still haven't gotten over the trauma of high school, or if you're just looking for a fun night out, I suggest you get yourself to Never Been Kissed—you won't be sorry you did.
**Week's Calendar**

**FRI Apr 23**
- Performance (8:00 p.m.)
  - If you missed the 8th Annual Spring Dance Performance on Friday night, you get one last chance to see ribbon flying, people dressed in wax paper, and women in black dancing to Mariah Carey. Sponsored by the department of theater and dance. Sargent Gymnasium.
- Party (evening)
  - In celebration of Earth Week, 238 Maine is hosting a party. In typical Bowdoin style, every cause deserves a party and in recognition of the importance of saving the earth, the party is BYOM (bring your own mug). Three Thieves is also performing, because Conor McDonough wears Birkenstocks and wants to save the earth, 282 Maine Street.
- Lecture (7:30 p.m.)
  - Kenneth V. Santagata

**SAT Apr 24**
- Race (11:00 a.m.)
  - Road War II: Bike Race to Benefit United Way. This race of various categories and distances begins and ends at Baxter House. Those who enter the race will receive t-shirts. Refreshments will be available and prizes will be awarded. All proceeds benefit United Way of Midcoast Maine. Baxter House, 10 College St., $15.
- Seminar (4:00 p.m.)
  - Jung Seminar, "To Establish Righteousness Among Men: Chamberlin, the Civil War, and Civil Religion," presented by Julia Oehnig, Joshua L. Chamberlin Scholar from Brunswick. Yet another chance to learn about one of our own. Sponsored by the department of religion. Bean Classroom.

**MON Apr 26**
- Seminar (12:00 noon-1:00 p.m.)
  - Faculty Seminar Series, "The Sexual Child," presented by Peter Covelo, assistant professor of English. Although I have not had the pleasure of taking a course from Professor Covelo, word around campus is he's a truly engaging and interesting lecturer and personality. Moulton Union, Main Lounge.
- Lecture (4:00 p.m.)

**TUE Apr 27**
- Lecture (4:00 p.m.)
  - National Anxiety Information Program, facilitated by Bernie Herschberger, counselor from Counseling Services. This lecture will address 5 different types of anxiety college students tend to experience. Sponsored by Dudley Coe Health Center and Counseling Services. Bean Classroom.
- Lecture (7:00 p.m.)

**WED Apr 28**
- Call Mike Melia (all day long)
  - Mike Melia owns a Camaro with a "scoop" and he really likes to talk about his car and give (girls) rides, so, if you find yourself somewhere on campus, say, the library, the Union, a friend's house, and you need a ride or you just have a secret crush on Mike and need an excuse to talk to him, call: 798-5235
- Beer (5:00-9:00 p.m.)
  - Thursday Showcase, featuring Shipyard, a local Portland, Maine, Alan Pugliese & company will be pouring Sirius Summer Wheat and all other Shipyard beers. Featuring $1.99 pints and "fab" prizes. If only I weren't hard at work at The Orient... Great Lost Bear, 540 Forest Ave., Portland. 772-0300.

**THU Apr 29**
- Lecture (1:30-3:30 p.m.)
  - AIDS Peer Education is sponsoring a speaker from the Red Cross on facts about AIDS and AIDS prevention. Although you may think you know enough about this subject, prevention and awareness reaches far beyond using a condom. Refreshments will be served. Massachusetts Hall, Faculty Room, Third Floor.
- Films (7:00-9:30 p.m.)
- Meeting (10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon)
  - Bowdoin Special Friends. Sargent Gymnasium.
- Meeting (9:00 p.m.)
  - WARRIORS hosts an important meeting in which they will discuss leadership changes for next year. The Women's Resource Center, 1st floor.
- Workshop (9:30-11:00 p.m.)
  - The Writing Project. The Afro-Am house.

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The course will be taught by Drs. Peter Schilling, Susan Kaplan, Genevieve LeMoine and Carey Phillips.

Please submit a one page description of why you would like to participate in the summer seminar to Peter Schilling, Manager, Educational Technology by May 1, 1999.
Joan Benoit ’79: The twentieth anniversary

DEBORAH SATTER
STAFF WRITER

The magnitude of the previous day’s events finally hit Joan Benoit ’79 when she walked into the tower dining hall the night after her victory. Everyone laid their forks and knives down, stood up and clapped. They were acknowledging the accomplishment of their classmate. She had done nothing less than cross the finish line of the 1979 Boston Marathon, sporting a Bowdoin running singlet and backwards Red Sox hat, ahead of any other woman in the race.

“That was a great moment in my life; not because I enjoy being celebrated, but because it showed me that my Bowdoin friends respected my running,” said Benoit. “I didn’t even know anyone knew I was running Boston. It blew my mind that these people thought my performance deserved such a warm reception.”

Before returning to campus, unknowingly about to receive the standing ovation, Benoit attended a slew of celebration events the night of her victory. The only problem was that the champion did not have the proper attire, so she was forced to borrow clothes. Benoit then flew back to Portland the next morning and did what the majority of college students continue to do when given the opportunity — she went home to do her laundry.

Though she was overwhelmed with her greeting at the tower that Tuesday night in April, it took several more weeks before she realized the full extent to which her victory affected so many people. The requests for Benoit’s time and presence were relentless. Suddenly her mailbox, which had been frustratingly empty for four years, was now overloaded. Letters from all types of places and written by all types of people wanting to congratulate her filled her box.

Four days after the marathon, Bowdoin President William Enteman gave a reception for her at the College. Suddenly, a student ran into the room to tell the guest of honor that the President was on the phone. Benoit pointed to President Enteman and said, “He’s right there.”

“No, I mean the President of the United States.”

Not only was President Carter on the phone congratulating the young woman from Cape Elizabeth, but days later she found herself sharing a table with the President, the First Lady and Prime Minister Chirac of Japan at a White House dinner. Topics of discussion included nuclear power and the White House refinements.

In the midst of having to adjust to all of the attention and publicity created after her victory in Boston, Benoit also had to maintain her academics and prepare for finals. Her world, which up until Patriot’s Day had been tightly organized, was suddenly turned upside down.

“Running was my primary focus then. I told people that I used to plan my day around my running. I would run twice a day. I ran about 100 miles the week leading up to Boston that year,” said Benoit. “I found that the busier I was, the more successful I was on the roads or on the track. All of this attention was overwhelming. I was emotionally run out.”

Benoit’s goal entering the race in 1979 was simply to run in the Boston Marathon and see how well she could do if she trained seriously. She was not without some further motivation, though.

“What really motivated me was a story I read in the Boston Magazine a couple years before I entered,” recalled Benoit. “I remember my father laughing about it because there was a picture of a Bowdoin student running in the Boston Marathon in a Bowdoin singlet and the comment in the article was, ‘Hey Bowdoin, you are a long way from Waterville.’ I just remember wanting to go to Bowdoin at that time and wanting to let people know where Bowdoin was.”

Benoit’s victory in the 1979 Boston Marathon was just the first of many major triumphs in her career. She went on to break many American records, and then, at the first Olympic marathon for women in Los Angeles in 1984, Benoit’s hard work and discipline paid off as she passed the finish line, taking the gold medal with her. She certainly has done more than her part in “setting Colby fans know where Bowdoin is.”

Though she is far from being out of competitive running, it does fit into her life in a different way. The darling of New England that the running world fell in love with two decades ago resides in Freeport with her husband Scott Samuelson, another Polar Bear, and their two children.

Instead of trying to balance her workouts with tests and papers like she did while at Bowdoin, she now plans her running around other obligations. Benoit sees her running secondary to her role as mother and wife but still manages to run 50 to 80 miles a week.

“It doesn’t seem like twenty years since that race, because I am still at it. I still have goals as a Master’s athlete,” said Benoit, who last Monday opted not to barrel through the Heartbreak Hills but rather stood on the sidelines doing TV commentary. “I think I will run Boston again in the year 2000. Running, in many ways, is addictive. It’s like a student needing coffee or orange juice in the morning to really get going. I need running. It is part of who I was then and part of who I still am.”

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Between the lines

BY JUSTIN DEGEORGE

While today's professional sports headlines are often littered with tales of economic disparity, labor unrest and substance and/or spousal abuse, occasionally the spotlight rightfully focuses on a player whose ability and character make him genuinely worthy of the hero label so frequently slapped on athletes. After a week that saw changed-man and cancer-recovery poster-boy Darryl Strawberry arrested for possession of cocaine and solicitation of prostitution — an incident that disturbed but didn't shock most fans familiar with the much maligned outfielder — hockey legend Wayne Gretzky zeroed attention by announcing his retirement after dominating and revolutionizing his sport for two decades.

In January, the world paused to bid Michael Jordan goodbye after the Chicago Bulls' guard chose to exit on top after securing his sixth championship. Four months later, we rise once again to salute Gretzky, a man whose contribution to his sport — and to sports in general for that matter — rival and possibly exceed Jordan's. While that debate will continue for years to come, the parallel between the two is a strong one, with both names acting as virtual synonyms for excellence.

For most of his life, "The Great One" has dazzled crowds and frustrated opponents with his unmatched skill and grace en route to redefining his sport. As the legend goes in his native Canada, everyone knew Gretzky was special when, at the age of ten, he netted an unbelievable 72 goals in 32 games. Nearly thirty years later, Gretzky holds or shares 61 NHL records, including the career marks for points — eventually surpassing the previous record holder Gordie Howe by over a thousand — goals and assists. He's the only player in history to ever tally 200 points in a single season, accomplishing the feat four times in the five year stretch from 1981-1986 — finishing with 196 in 1980. To non-hockey fans such as myself, the magnitude of such production cannot be fully understood until it is equated in other sports.

As was recently explained by some analysts in trying to put Gretzky's greatness into perspective, it would be similar to five straight seasons of Wilt Chamberlain averaging 50 points per game, or Mark McGwire hammering 70 homers. Before Gretzky came along, 300 points was unimaginable: this year, only three players even broke the century mark.

In addition to the mind boggling point totals, Gretzky stockpiled four Stanley Cups in a span of five years with the juggernaut Edmonton Oilers and collected nine Hart Trophies as league MVP. But much like Jordan, the effect he had on the sport and the league can't be quantified.

The Great One molded the game of hockey around his own skills, using his speed, creativity and flair to establish a more exciting, up-tempo mode of play. It was a style that captivated fans, drawing worldwide attention to a sport that, while always popular with our neighbors to the north, had failed to seize center stage here in the American sports sphere. On August 6, 1988, however, Gretzky was dealt to the Los Angeles Kings in a blockbuster deal; and a national hockey revival — especially on the West Coast — was well underway.

In his seven plus seasons with the Kings, Gretzky not only resuscitated a struggling franchise but also laid the foundation for a new hockey hotbed. Magnified by the lights of Hollywood, Gretzky's legend grew, inspiring countless kids on the West Coast to try their hand at hockey, and eventually triggering the rollerblading phenomenon that exploded in Southern California during his tenure. Like Jordan, Gretzky was his sport's greatest spokesperson and ambassador, complementing his on-ice talents with a charisma and class that established him as an icon and a deserving role model.

Once in a lifetime, a player comes along who redefines the landscape of his sport. But ironically, in a span of four months, rare such players rode off into the sunset, leaving their respective fans and leagues to wonder how long it will be before someone else can take their place. After surveying the current sports scene, one thing is clear: it's going to be a long wait.

**The Week In Sports**

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Bears host 11th annual Aloha Relays

Caitlin O'Connor
STAFF WRITER

This past weekend, the Bowdoin Women's Track team hosted its 11th annual Aloha Relays. The forecast called for showers and raw temperatures. Yet even for the Polar Bears, it seemed more like a tropical paradise. With the Bear Bats blasting, and 10,000 meters races (first year) Julie Costa and Erin Lyman '00. Crazy could also be used to describe this race of 6.2 miles, which is 25 laps around the outdoor track. One of the premier events of the meet, it can also be the most painful and the most heartbreaking. Many times competitors that don't gear their pace to the long distance go out too quickly, crash and burn. But that was not the case for Costa and Lyman. They ran very smart races, switching pacing duties every lap, running negative splits and showing off their kicks at the conclusion. The end result was a positive one -- as Costa, a novice to the distance, placed third with a 40:07.4 and Lyman placed fourth with a 40:37.5.

Two other Bowdoin athletes who rounded out the scoring in style (yes, they got 'led-' were Meka Decy '92 in the pole vault (6th), 8-6) and Jen Nickerson '99 in the high jump (4th, 5-1 2). Nickerson also proved her worth as a multi-event athlete, trying her hand at the heptathlon and earning enough points to advance her to New England Division III's. According to Jumping Coach Lynn Rudy, "Nickerson showed an amazing ability to jump 5-1 in the high jump and come back four events later the next day and jump 5-1.25 again.

With the positive momentum gained from Aloha relays, the Polar Bears seem to be looking now better than ever. According to Coach Rudy, "Everyone is improving, yet this is only our second meet. I think two more weeks will make even more of a difference." For team members such as Captain Vicky Shen, the success was a result of a solid team effort. "Everyone really stepped up this week, and as a team, we really came together, and it paid off."

Although it seems like the season just began, the championship season has fallen upon the Lady Polar Bears. This weekend, they travel to Connecticut College for the NESCAC Championships. After that, it is New England Division III and ECACs.

The Polar Bears rounded the bases several times during the second game in their doubleheader against Bates last Tuesday. Kristie Miller '02 hit two home runs and Emily Rizza '02 hit one. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)

Bears sweep Bates

Margaret Peachy
SPORTS EDITOR

The Polar Bear softball team is enjoying its most successful season in the team's history. They topped the number of wins in a single season last Tuesday when they swept a double-header against Bates. The Bears now have a record of 15-12.

After suffering four losses earlier in the week, the Bears were able to bounce back to defeat their rivals. In the first contest, Gina Laugelli '02 pitched a one-hit shutout. The game was scoreless until the sixth inning. Kristie Miller '02 walked and stole second base to get into scoring position for her teammate Kristen Marshall '00 to hit her in. Marshall went through with an RBI single, her second of the season. This one run would suffice for the Bears in game one, as neither team was able to produce any runs in the last inning. The Bears came alive for the second game of the day, hammering three home runs and putting the eight-run mercy rule into effect. Emily Rizza '02, the lead-off batter, set the tempo with a shot over the leftfield fence. If that wasn't enough for the offense in one inning, two batters later, Miller took Bates deep to rightfield.

In the second inning, Rizza once again flexed her muscles at the plate, delivering a two-RBI double to put the Bears up 5-0. Miller tacked off the Polar Bear rally with her second homer of the game in the fifth. On the mound for the Bears, Julia Jussaume '01 pitched five innings. She surrendered two runs and four hits on the way to picking up her sixth win of the season.

The team’s newfound success can probably be attributed to it's new coach, Dawn Strat. Strat, who is also the fitness director/ strength and conditioning coach at Bowdoin, served as the assistant softball coach under Howard Vandenbos last spring. She brought her expertise as a coach to the program from her days as a scholar-athlete at the University of Maine-Orono.

The Polar Bears tried to collect the most lei this weekend at the Aloha Relays. (Shelly Magier/Bowdoin Orient)
Leaders address NESCAC’s future

Among the topics discussed were post-season competitions and alcohol abuse among athletes.

JEB PHILLIPS
STAFF WRITER

New England Small College Athletic Conference presidents, deans of students, and athletic directors moved toward what they believe are two kinds of unity at their seasonal meeting last week. Gathering in Boston on April 22, member schools took their first look at a revamped competition system, developed in part by Bowdoin Athletic Director Jeff Ward. College officials began a discussion, organized by Bowdoin Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley, on a conference-wide effort to address student binge drinking.

Ward and his counterparts at the ten other NESCAC schools (Amherst, Bates, Colby, Connecticut, Hamilton, Middlebury, Trinity, Tufts, Wesleyan and Williams Colleges) have nearly completed a plan to increase inter-league games and restrict post-season competition. The system, said Ward, will be phased in by 2001.

With conference athletic directors still hammering out specifics and exceptions, the current proposal suggests scheduling regular season games round-robin style, so that each conference school plays every other conference school. After the regular season, teams will participate in a NESCAC tournament instead of the larger East Coast Athletic Conference tournament. The regular season winner will host the post-season contest, and only the tournament winner will receive an NCAA birth. For the last few years, multiple NESCAC teams could make one NCAA tournament. "We really talked about this for ten months, and we believe this is a good compromise," said President Robert Edwards. Edwards chaired NESCAC’s executive committee last April when the decision to modify conference play was made.

The compromise, said Edwards, is between NESCAC’s beginnings and what it has become. Please see NESCAC, page 3

“Date rape drug” incident reported at campus party

Roohypnol and GHB are rumored to have been slipped to Bowdoin students in other social situations several times in the past few years.

KIM SCHNEIDER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

On Saturday, April 24, a student submitted an anonymous report to Bowdoin Security that a friend had blacked out the previous evening, possibly due to a drink spiked with one of the “date rape drugs” such as Roohypnol or GHB. The incident follows on the heels of several other disturbing incidents recently reported to Security, including a sexual assault near the Farley Field House and an attempted break-in of a local off-campus residence housing several female students.

According to information released from Director of Residential Life Bob Graves, the student accepted a beer at a campus-wide party from a stranger. Two hours later, with no memory of the preceding events, the student awoke vomiting, despite consuming only two beers. This is not the first time the so-called “date rape drugs” have been associated withBowdoin social events. Graves cited several reports of other such incidents happening at local bars and off-campus parties. “I hold that the people in public letters sent to all students. The drugs have been increasingly found on college campuses across the country, including the University of Minnesota, the University of North Carolina and Pennsylvania State University. The University of California-Davis held a forum on Wednesday about the ‘predator drugs,’ with speakers ranging from the local district attorney to a student who was drugged at a bar but whose friends brought her home safely before anything happened. Students are urged to be aware of the alcohol they consume and to take precautions. Do not accept drinks from others, but get them yourself. Keep your drink in your possession at all times. If you put your drink down, do not pick it up again. If you are hosting a party, do not allow any bottles or cans to be brought into the party. If you experience any unexplained blackouts after consuming alcohol, Security urges you to file a report. Any questions about the “date rape drugs” can be directed to Security or Safe Space.

The Theta Delta Chi fraternity, which has been in existence at Bowdoin since 1854, is shutting the doors on its McKean Street house this fall. With only members of the Class of 2000 allowed to reside in the fraternity houses, the TD alumni decided it was economically unfeasible to continue to maintain the house. See story, page 2.
The Theta Delta Chi house at 5 McKee Street will most likely not be open next year for housing the members of the Class of 2000.

With Bowdoin's boss on pledging new members and housing non-member underclassmen, the number of students available to live in the house is too small to financially support the house, according to James Baird '00, president of TD. "It's not going to be open next year because we don't have enough people," he said. "We don't have any new pledges coming in, so we don't have the money to keep it open."

Chris King '90, a member of TD, estimated that fewer than twenty TD's in the Class of 2000 remain to populate the house, making its continued existence unfeasible. He added that, "The house will most likely stand empty next year."

Gene Boyington '62 president of the Theta Delta Chi House Corporation, the board of Bowdoin TD alumni who make the decisions regarding the house's future. He said that the TD trustees have not yet determined what fate awaits the house. "The situation is unknown at the moment. We are in the process of looking at options that we have for doing something different with the ownership and management pattern of the house. The expectation is that the house will not be open for members next year."

"The College has stated that it wishes to purchase as many of the fraternity houses as possible to convert into College Houses. When asked if TD was still involved in nego-

"The expectation is that the house will not be open for members next year... The current plan is to find a way to see the house used, and preferably for the benefit of students who are attending Bowdoin College."

—Gene Boyington '62 President of Theta Delta Chi House Corporation

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Committees currently seeking student representatives:

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Professor declines extension as ES director

Professor of Economics David Vail has decided not to resume his position as director of the environmental studies program. This decision comes after being persuaded to reconsider his resignation, which he announced in November.

Vail announced his decision in a fax dated April 25 that was sent to President Edwards. His reasons as to why he is not suited to direct the ES program include the new proposed requirement that all ES majors have additional core courses in a science and the addition of more bureaucracy for the director.

Vail began his letter by stating, "I want to explain why I am the right person to direct a program with the curricular orientation and administrative structure that have been adopted during my absence." Vail went on to thank Rick Freeman and the ES Committee members for their work to keep the ES program focused on the mission they charted in 1997 and 1998.

According to Vail, the new proposed ES major diverges in spirit and content from the proposed written in 1997 and 1998 to the point that he said he feels that he is no longer the best person to oversee the department.

In his letter, Vail first stated that, "We did not invent the Environmental Studies course or the first step in that direction," he wrote that the current coordinator major proposal will not attract as many students. Furthermore, he states that the current 11 required courses in ES and two science core courses will deter many students from choosing ES as their major.

In his closing comments about the process of the decision, Vail commented that though he has been �the �professor for the first time, he has tried to explain the events, he wanted to make a few comments from afar to "reinforce his certainty that something already would not be done.

Vail's main concerns were "the tactics that preempted the kind of full and open discussion I believe are right and necessary. He cited that "it is troubling that the group of scientists waited until I left the country to make a compelling case for a new major... it is troubling that they went directly to the CEP Committee with the proposal rather than first bringing up ideas and concern to the ES committee."

Vail said that the hopespeople in charge of the proposal "also skipped a step where people in the orbit of the proposal share their views about the events and how they unfolded. He closed by stating that "It is deeply disappointing to me that cannot resume the ES directorship under the current circumstances."

NESCAC meeting explores post-season competition, alcohol abuse

NESCAC, from page 1

come. The schools joined in 1972 with the belief that "the value of competition is more important than environmental victory" and an explicit prohibition on post-season play. But the colleges have participated experimentally in post-season NCAA tournaments for the last six years.

During that time, according to Edwards, the schools have been having a "very productive" -- and an explicit prohibition on post-season play. But the colleges have participated experimentally in post-season NCAA tournaments for the last six years.

"Some schools in NESCAC were spending too much time on athletics, and it was disruptive," he said. "The serious principles of selecting students as students and not giving athletic scholarships can fray badly at the edges."

Student governments of the NESCAC schools, though have been unanimously endorsed the new proposal, saying that post-season restrictions will only increase disruptive competition and that they ignore NESCAC's commitment to both academic and athletic excellence. In February, the Bowdoin Student Assembly voted 17-2 in favor of a statement of criticism. With his stance, which athletic directors paid attention to the criticism, but the changes were inevitable. Even if NESCAC did nothing, he noted, "the NCAA's legal position is not inviolate to post-season tournaments. The conference's statement, he said, act as a reminder to not nurture a sense of conference identity."

Steve Lee '97, chair of the ES, said that the Student Assembly doesn't favor restricting athletes, but "you have to compromise. We think it's a good compromise. While NESCAC officials meet primarily to discuss athletic issues, they used their spring meeting to approach another conference-wide concern: binge drinking on campus. NESCAC members are exploring a survey of their student populations' alcohol use patterns, according to Edwards, to try to see how they conform to national averages. The data would be shared among the schools with a view toward policy and increased understanding.

The move sprang from a presentation of national research by Henry Wechsler, Director of the Harvard School of Public Health. Among Wechsler's findings:

- Twenty percent of college students binge drink—defined as consuming more than four or five alcoholic drinks (depending on gender) in one hour.
- One third of students drink two thirds of the alcohol consumed on campus.
- Students and fraternities and sororities are more likely to binge drink than other students.
- Students who don't binge drink overs一定能 number the 219 students who do binge drink.
- Those statistics, if true, would suggest actions for Bowdoin to take, Bradley said. The College would consider "a student public campaign" to educate students that binge drinking is not the campus norm, and coaches would

Correction: In last week's article titled, "Sexual assault leads to increased security measures," it was incorrectly stated that the lighting walk discovered lights were out near where the assault occurred. Lights were only found to be out on Coleman Hall, Moulton Union, Dayton Arena and in front of Cleveland Hall.
Campus Crosstalk

From Daily Pennsylvania, University of Pennsylvania: The provost-appointed alcohol task force submitted a 10-page list of recommendations to University of Pennsylvania President Judith Rodin on Monday, prompting her to end the nearly five-week ban on alcohol at official undergraduate events.

Several members of the community have called for or stopped the ban to be lifted because of concerns at the loss of culture and tradition. Students who have been denied alcohol at other events of the same type have also called for the ban to be lifted.

From Daily Bruin, University of California: The three events of the week were attended by more than 1,000 people, according to a university spokesperson. The events are open to students and staff members of the school.

From The Stanford Daily, Stanford University: Stanford University officials have confirmed that a blood worker at a Smith-Kline Beecham blood drawing station reused disposable needles on patients in Stanford facilities. The case is said to involve one client each at the university and the Bay Area. The university has been seeking living wages and collective bargaining rights for all blood bank employees, and has been accused of discrimination against pregnant women and full, public disclosure of operating practices and addresses from the manufacturer.

From The Stanford Daily, Stanford University: The university's thirty-five-year-old tradition of alcohol consumption at official undergraduate events has been lifted.

Dormitory e-mail aliases disabled following abuse

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—Margaret Hazlett
Dean of First-Year Students

After approximately 40 e-mail messages were sent between members of the first-year class, many of them harassing and personal in nature, the e-mail aliases for the six first-year dorms have been suspended indefinitely by the office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

Last Tuesday, Vice-President of the first-year class David "Zeka" Yusah '02 sent out an e-mail message to all first-year dorms asking first-year students to participate in events held for the first-time. Several students responded to Yusah's e-mail, but instead of simply replying to Yusah, the students responded to all recipients.

Shortly after the first replies were sent, other students began to reply to the messages they received; however, instead of commenting on Yusah's message, they began to attack each other. The attacks centered on a few students at first, their conflict being placed in a larger context of the whole class, but more students became involved.

Over twenty messages were sent between the hours of 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. By that point, several students were so upset that they decided to stop or at least take the conflict to private e-mail messages. Shortly after 1 a.m., Resident Hall staff member Richard Homa Mohabat '01, a proctor in Winthrop, wrote in to remind people that the Residential Life staff members in each dorm got copies of all the messages being sent.

Soon after, a student established an account with Hotmail, a service that provides free e-mail access via the World Wide Web, and established the alias Mike Greene. Using this anonymous account, the student sent several messages, some of which attacked the football team and members of the class of '02. A student found out the identity of the user and sent his name, phone number and campus dorm location to the whole list; however, it turned out that it was simply the student's computer that was used by another student in the same building.

A few minutes after the first messages were sent from Hotmail, another student set up several accounts and impersonated President Edweard, Dean of First-Year Students Margaret Hazlett and Dean of Admissions Richard Reinhart.

Another student, impersonating the Mike Greene alias established at Hotmail by the first student, sent pornographic pictures to the whole group.

Hazlett sent a letter to all first-year students the next morning announcing that the e-mail aliases for the six freshman dorms would be "shut down indefinitely." She wrote: "What is most disturbing to me about this event is not that there was heated discussion about a specific campus topic, but that the discussion turned personal and abusive."

Dean of First-Year Students Margaret Hazlett, who was one of the administrative figures impersonated in the e-mail flacks, informed first-year students this week that their dorm e-mail aliases were no longer active due to the inappropriate messages. (Peter Hill/Bowdoin Orient)

The Hewlett Working Group on Pluralism and Unity is holding a discussion on "Class Issues in the Classroom" on Tuesday, May 4, from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. in Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union. Some questions that might be addressed include: How do we bring issues of class into the classroom? Do students have to abandon their working class identity to succeed at a place like Bowdoin? How do social networks replicate themselves at elite institutions like Bowdoin? All members of the campus community are welcome to attend.

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Discouraging double majors

As the Curriculum and Educational Policy Committee and the Dean’s office consider changes to the curriculum and academic advising, they should seek ways to put the brakes on the proliferation of double majors. It has nearly become a standard to major in two disciplines, as if the extra concentration were proof of a more rigorous course load or the ticket to more opportunities after graduation.

In actuality, pursuing two majors takes away from the intended purposes of a liberal arts education. It forces students to narrow their focus early on in their academic careers, when they should still be challenging themselves with new ways of looking at the world. Several argue that Bowdoin is not high school, that students coming in with defined interests should be able to pursue them without interruption. One who has taken high school courses in Spanish or Biology, however, cannot assume that he or she commands an understanding available to them within the more complex framework of a college classroom. Students owe it to themselves to explore the ominous contradictions revealed by a world explored through the laboratory as well as a poem as well as a textbook.

There exists a tension at the College between a certain libertarian tradition, to let students make of this place what they would, and certain liberal tendencies, which would decide for students what this place should be. A student’s autonomy in selecting a major is sacred, but the College must recognize its responsibility to prepare students for a quickly shrinking globe with a corresponding mindfulness of differences. For these reasons, as it prepares to propose a newly revised curriculum, the CEP should implement more sweeping distribution requirements and force students to fulfill them by the end of their sophomore year, the time when they should select a primary field of concentration to delve into with vigor.

As an additional measure, the CEP should also consider increasing the amount of requirements necessary for the completion of each major. This would reduce the number of students who, upon realizing how few classes they need beyond the ones they have already taken, go for another major just because they can. How many times have students been heard saying, “Well, I only needed two more classes for a major in X”?

This dilutes the community that should exist within a department between professors and students who share a genuine interest in the field. More stringent requirements and fewer majors would help bring departments closer together, increasing the likelihood that students will go on to do an advanced project in their major in their senior year.

Comparing with the last valued of a rounded liberal arts education, the seeming practicality of a double major is elusive. It is a way for students to appear relatively skilled coming out of a debtingly anti-vocational college. Such thinking, though, deprecates the learning for learning’s sake that, in theory, is the College’s main attraction. And even those cynics who do prefer qualitative labels will tell you that ten years from now, no one will care what your majors were.

Teaching examples

The event held yesterday to honor some of Maine’s best high school teachers serves as a brilliant example of Bowdoin’s potential within the Maine community. The College honored with Distinguished Teaching Awards 30 teachers nominated by the Bowdoin students they inspired.

Within the college community, the event highlighted the continuity that exists between learning at the secondary and collegiate levels. It helped us remember that secondary school teachers who first introduced us to an appreciation of learning, so easily forgotten as we refine our academic powers. The professors we admire now are tapping the enthusiasm instilled by our high school teachers. Most importantly, however, it helps to re-situate the island of Bowdoin within the state of Maine.

It is Maine which gives Bowdoin a philosophy so distinct from the vast morass of liberal arts colleges. Bowdoin’s environmental studies program follows a great Maine tradition of conservation punctuated by such influential environmental advocates as Rachel Carson and Governor Baxter. Beyond being an impetus for environmental studies, the state’s spectacular coast has convinced many a fence-sitting prospective to matriculate. There is also a fundamental notion of individuality that Maine bequeathed to Bowdoin. On Ivies’ Weekend we might chastise Bowdoin’s decision not to join the Ivy League, yet it is that very spirit of distinctiveness which has made Bowdoin Bowdoin.

The event gave Bowdoin a chance to show its appreciation by illuminating some examples of those values which it, in turn, would like to represent within the state. It is an example of the power which the College can wield in helping Maine to overcome the plaguing dichotomies between northern and southern, rural and urban Maine. By reuniting Maine teachers with Bowdoin students, the occasion has established a medium between the College and the many corners of the state. Hopefully, through more of these events, a dialogue will develop to help soften the fragmentation of the state and Bowdoin will continue to play a part.

Editorials
Victory in Columbine High School

By Pedro Salem

On April 20th I came back from classes to news of a school shooting in Colorado. By the end of the day there were twenty-five people either in the hospital or dead. The media calls it a tragedy. It is. But it is also a victory. It is a victory for the students who have put up with physical and mental abuse in our schools for years, while nothing was done to help them.

My first reaction, like everybody else’s, was shock. But that wore off pretty quickly. After all, why should I be shocked? I’ve been put through a pretty well-traveled school system with an incredible amount of abuse. And it’s not like I went to a unique or troubled school. It happens everywhere. That is the real tragedy. By requiring attendance in our school systems, we submit students to abuse by their peers and in front of their peers for 180 days a year, for 13 years. Some of them make it in the end. Some drop out. And some take their own lives, because they find themselves in a position so awful, they would rather die than face continued abuse.

I had a friend from high school who killed himself in the first semester of his freshman year at college. And it’s not that uncommon. I would make the unhappy guess that most people here at Bowdoin know or know of a peer who took his or her own life. And then there are those who have tried, and bear the scars on their wrists or have been to the hospital and had their stomachs pumped clear of bottles of Tylenol.

I had only met Colín in high school, and therefore can’t testify about the abuse he was subjected to in middle or elementary school. It never seemed that bad, but then I wasn’t the one being called “fag” and shoved around. I was part of the brainwashed majority who believed that this was part of high school and that boys will be boys. Sure he was different. Sure he preferred the stage to the playing field. Sure he was gay. Sure he got along better with the librarians than the coaches. But why did that merit abuse?

After his death, I was talking with a faculty member who had heard that his complaint about college was that nothing was different. And when you think about it, those kids in middle school were where most of the kids were out of public schools and many probably assumed that the status quo from their high schools would carry over to college life. For some it must have been an easy transition, but for others, like Colín, it was a nightmare. The hope of escape, the hope of change, all for naught.

These two Bowdoin students had a few more years of high school between them. Every night they went to bed with the realization that the abuse would continue indefinitely.

Our society looks for an explanation, a scapegoat. We like to believe that the violence in our schools can be traced to video games, Marilyn Manson and Neo-Nazism. Others blame the NRA and the availability of firearms. But how many parents have the courage to say, “I wonder if my children are giving other kids a hard time?” How many teachers think, “Why didn’t I step in when I saw the abuse? Why didn’t we stop this?” Nobody wants to blame himself or herself. And so the tragedy will continue. Until we realize the abuse that some of our children go through throughout all of their adolescence, these events will occur.

In class my professor suggested that I might be sympathetic for the shooters. I’m definitely sympathetic. To me, they were the real victims. The abuse they faced led them to believe that there was no alternative other than to take their own lives and take some of their abusers with them. And although I hate to admit it, there are positive repercussions. There are thousands, if not millions, of kids who have gone through the same experience. I’ve read accounts of kids in the hallway, locker rooms and cafeterias of our schools. Maybe now one of them can point his or her finger at an abuser and say, “Bang. You’re dead.” Maybe this could scare those who have long held power over them enough to stop years of abuse. Maybe Colín had been able to do this, he would still be alive.

I have to speak for Eric and Dylan, because they have lost their voices. But just imagine waking up one morning and coming to the realization that your best alternative is to plan on taking weapons to school, shooting those who have mentally and physically abused you, and then turning the gun on yourself when you can’t escape.

Pedro Salem is a junior.

Government Department in urgent need of more international relations professors

To the Editor

The Government Department is one of Bowdoin’s brightest stars. Our government program is one of the best at any college or university in America. Hence, it is one of the most popular majors here at Bowdoin. Unbeknownst to most, all is not right in the Government Department.

Bowdoin needs a tenure-track international relations professor in the Government Department. This is not unknown to Prof. Weigle and the rest of the Government Department faculty. After a lengthy search process, a candidate was selected. He was slated to fill the spot now occupied by Prof. Lieberfeld, a visiting professor who was planning on leaving after this year. Unfortunately, the candidate (who was one of the rare few to ever receive the unanimous approval of the Government Department) was not acceptable to Prof. Edwards, thus negating any possibility of the candidate being hired.

There is no reason to criticize Prof. Edwards for this. Though in the autumn of his term here at Bowdoin, he still has the ultimate decision making power when it comes to hiring and firing faculty. However, his decision leaves the Government Department in a bind. Prof. Lieberfeld will have to stay at least one more year and Prof. Springer will continue to have to spread himself thin to cover all the international relations classes.

What is needed to ameliorate this situation is another search process, the funding for this and most importantly the motivation for another search. Only this way can the need for another international relations professor be filled.

Outside of simple faculty replacement issues, the need for more international relations courses grows greater each year, particularly those涉及 the rapid spread of international relations technology. Given the increasing importance of international relations, for anyone to succeed in the global economy, they need to have a firm grasp on international relations. By offering more courses in this arena, Bowdoin would be better serve to prepare its graduates for the world of tomorrow.

But to offer these courses, Bowdoin needs to add another international relations professor. For those of you not interested in government, I’m sorry for wasting your time. However, for those government majors out there, or anyone merely interested in government, please show your support for Department faculty. Our faculty are highly competent, intelligent, and motivated people.

If we show them that we are genuinely interested in more international relations at Bowdoin, they will gladly undertake the arduous search process and find more professors for international relations. Even ones that are acceptable to Prof. Edwards. But the key thing is that we have to let them know that we actually care.

Hugh Hill ’02
Apolka Toth ’01
Mike Shaugnessy ’00
Mark Turner ’90
Jenny O’Connor ’02
David Butler ’02
Margaret Paz ’02
Nathaniel Fellers ’02

Spread Peace

By Mark Turner

Finally, I have the opportunity to write the column that I had intended for last week. By responding to the Columbine High School killing last week, I was unable to submit my reaction to the Kosovo forum. I have grown somewhat weary of the topic, although I am hopeful that a diplomatic solution can be reached without ground forces. I wanted to write something less coherent and more cohesive for this week. Several conversations I had at the Kosovo forum inspired me to write a poem.

I like to write poems often, but lately I have not had the right inspiration. It is still a work in progress but I think it has potential enough and expresses my amicable reaction to Kosovo and life. I call it “Spread Peace.”

Shudders; as I sketch,
yeilds over your
concealed white
beneath, Yet, warmer than your
still-life frame.

Your eyes I would close
so not to see,
else I would die,
or kill, so that the face
will not be you.

Pedro Salem
Question: Do you feel a sense of community at Bowdoin? How do WBOR (the college radio station) and The Orient affect this sense? What will be the impact of the proposed college television station?

The sense of community at Bowdoin seems to me elusive. I do not believe it could, be, or should be affected much one way or the other by such things as radio, TV, or newspapers.

In general, alas, the sense of community is created by limitation, restriction, enclosure, etc. It is not reasonable to expect it to have and at the same time to have a wide array of individual freedoms, a wide diversity of living arrangements, etc.

Thus, junior year abroad is obviously detrimental to such a community. Off-campus housing likewise. It is to say that those things exist in tension with the ideal of community. Much of the trouble could be said of the great autonomy that faculty enjoy here.

Franklin Burroughs Professor of English

I think that a television station at Bowdoin is long overdue. There are several students here who are considering a career in television and I believe that this project would be an invaluable resource for them. Also, a television station here on campus would lend itself to most exciting and interesting programming (produced by students), announcements, etc. would probably build and promote a real sense of community here.

I am all for a television station on campus, my only regret is that I will not be here to experience the benefits of such a development.

Laurel Paltage '99

We can't all hide out in St. Andrews, Scotland forever

To the Editor:

Greetings everyone from warm and sunny St. Andrews, Scotland, a place where the golf flows as freely as the alcohol, while the schoolwork flows as a trickle as we all live our lives within the splendid beauty and isolation of Scotland's green rolling countryside.

Yesterday, 8:15 in the evening, as I and three of my friends strolled up the 18th fairway of the New Course, a rainbow shone brightly over the horizon as the setting sun imparted a vibrant pink hue onto the low-lying clouds. The majesty of ancient St. Andrews. Andrews filled my view along with the low waves of the incoming tide from the North Sea slapped gently on the sandbars and sandy beaches. Many times during my short tenure here I have witnessed scenes such as this, and each time, the majesty of Scotland's God's work, trying to appreciate my good fortune.

Consumed by my surrealistic experience, enraptured by my own joy, in moments like this, I have forgotten about the Balkan war, the school shootings in Colorado, or Monica Lewinsky (whom I met at a book signing in Edinburgh). Perfect moments like this, which are not necessarily exaggerated, are spoiled by only two things: a loud four-inch approach to the 18th green, and of course, reality. And yet, for me, reality is pretty damned good too.

Reality for the families of the twelve dead Bipasha Bachhri, an Indian school teacher, in Kickapoo Salad in Colorado, is an entirely different matter. (This is the point at which the letter moves from reference to the event and into personal indignation.) Today, I read from the New York Times webpage that police found the slaughtered teacher's body. The bombings were not limited to the school in Kickapoo Salad in Colorado, but were very much widespread and deadly throughout beaches. Many times during my short tenure here I have witnessed scenes such as this, and each time, the majesty of Scotland's God's work, trying to appreciate my good fortune.

Jeffrey Bedrossian '00

abroad? I'm not saying I don't watch TV. I do. But with limited resources, many other entertainment options, plenty of non-college students watching television in the library, and people don't even seem to be suffering any harm. One of them are university-funded, produced, or broadcast, but often times, with a spasm of apathy and spavonousness that has been complained about in many town meetings (two years ago, before stations were cancelled for reasons I cannot untangle) that can only be exacerbated by this.

Before TV, if you wanted to see the news, entertain your children with cartoons, and watch films, you went to the cinema. Now all these things are additionally (in the case of 'newsreels', they are no longer in the cinema) on TV. As we do (I hope) a well-informed community that reads newspapers, watches national local TV news, listens to the radio, and goes to Smith Auditorium (or at least MathDavis) for films and to where plays are put on before the new theatre building opens, for plays and dance, and listens to music in a variety of places around Bowdoin, then we don't need a TV station. We have an event opening next year. Its realization involved a lot of effort, sacrifices and time. In other words, a lot of administrators, faculty, staff, alumni, students, and members of the Brunswick community. Let's face it. Personally I would like to see such productions in there that would utilize technology such as TV screens and film projection. Let's make all the media choices we have in this age work together, instead of creating competition, friction, and everkill.

And why waste everybody's time and money on something we don't need, that exacerbates pre-existing problems and is a substitute for things we have plenty of, if people choose to pay attention to them? I realize a lot of people may disagree with me over this one, I will be told that my views are outdated or I'm not taking account of the technological possibilities of the age, or of the ways TV is unique, or of the fact that many television actors work in TV. I don't think we need to have two television stations. If anybody has any good reasons please feel free to let me know at benedec@wesleyan.edu.

Rebecca Neveot '00

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**Letters to the Editor**

**A pointed rebuke of pens**

To the Editor:

I have heard the saying that the pen is mightier than the sword many times. Aha! But where does that leave the few of us who do battle with our trusty yellow Tungstergrip? It has become increasingly apparent to me how non-pencil friendly this campus has become in the four years I have been at Bowdoin. Essential machinery has been neglected in all of the recent buildings on campus, leaving many of us who toil through long problem sets into the wee hours of the night in a terrible bind.

Druckmuller has one, if you can find it. Both Hatch Science Library and Smith Union have one. Still used to have three until they remodeled the women's bathroom—and I can already picture a shiny new Searles opening next fall, without the one thing that makes Searles Searles—a pencil sharpener.

When I first came to Bowdoin, I took my notes and examinations in pen. In four years of college though, I have learned that my problem solving skills are, well, shall I say, far from perfect. The need for an eraser forced me to toss away all of my pens and adopt a writing instrument that would allow me to correct my mistakes on paper. Please don't think I'm old fashioned or too cheap to buy one of those fancy mechanical pencils - it's just that the eraser and point of a true wooden pencil cannot be beat. That is, unless it is duffed to the point of uselessness. In the middle of exams, I have tried sharpening my pencils with anything available, including keys, belt buckles and teeth. I have tried to mold a point onto the end by madly scraping the blunt end onto a piece of scrap paper. Why, Bowdoin, must you suffer this humiliation in front of others who are haplessly clicking away on their fancy upper-class pens. Why must I run into five different classrooms on three different floors before an exam, just to find a place to prepare my writing utensil? I hope the next time Bowdoin remembers the true roots of academic learning, for without pencils, there would be no academia.

In fact, I am positive that the rough draft of Shakespeare's plays, the early sketches of Frank Lloyd Wright's buildings, the freebody diagrams describing Newton's Laws and the complexity of Schrödinger's equations were all first drawn out with sharpie and lead. It is true that we put aside all the differences in how we choose to express ourselves and end this discrimination against the working brothers and sisters of America. Only then will there be fairness for all, and everyone will be able to learn from the same plane of understanding.

Evan Jochnowitz '99

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**Apathy, activism, and email: where do we draw the line?**

To the Editor:

"Dispel the criticism that Bowdoin students are apathetic! How many times have we heard the phrase "I'm not going?"? I am sure the answer is quite a few. The quest to eke out a bit of activism among the student body seems to be the Holy Grail of many Bowdoin students.

But my question to you, oh fearless activists, is this: "Are Bowdoin students truly as apathetic as one portrays them to be?" As far as I can be seen, we are not the fact. The matter of which is a question.

Just because students may choose not to vote in elections, take part in student government or participate in class activities does not necessarily mean that they are apathetic. To be apathetic means to be uninterested or unconcerned with anything at all. This being the case, I believe that you would be hard pressed to find a single person in this school who fits that description; we all have something we care about.

Just look around you. Over 80% of our student body participates in athletics. A vast majority participate in volunteer work and community service. And just last week, $519.85 was raised in the union by our very own student body to help the refugees in Kosovo. Certainly these are not indications of apathy. Rather, they show that our student body cares and takes an active role in a variety of activities an cause.

Furthermore, would it really be an immense problem if some people were not activists?

**James "Daddy J" Fisher's top movies of '98-'99**

1. "She's All That" ... soundtrack rocks!
2. "How Stella Got Her Groove Back" ... you go girl!
3. "Message In A Bottle" ... Kevin's back!
4. "Never Been Kissed" ... no particular reason.
5. "Vanity Blues" ... whipped cream.

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**Jared & Krista**

**SPEAK**

**Zach Tabacco versus Mr. Potato Head... Who'd win?**

**KRISTA**

"Mr. Potato Head. I don't think Zach can reposition his teeth all over his body."

**MR. POTATO HEAD**

"You leave my wife out of this."

**KRISTA**

"The real question is who would win in a bass fishing contest."

**JARED**

"Mr. Potato Head... bob but never sink."**

**KRISTA**

"Well, Mr. Potato Head is for kids; Zach is recommended for ages sixteen and up."

**JARED**

"Then Zach would win. I like a dirty fighter."

Compiled by Jared Liu & Krista Friedrich
Bowdoin's artistic talent

JENNY SLEPIAN A&E EDITOR EMERITA

Walking through the upper level of Smith Union, one is surprised by images of Maine winters, portraits, extensive landscapes, expressions of love for climbing gear and natural landscapes. A few students this year took the chance to escape from the glass cage referred to as Druckenmiller in order to put their hands and eyes to a different, more personal use.

The result of this is the wide variety of paintings, drawings, etchings, photographs and sculptures which is now being shown in the Smith Union.

The Art Club, formerly known as Brunswick Power and Light, sponsored the Spring show, which has been on display since early this month.

This is the first year the Art Club has been together, with all new students involved in bringing creativity and appreciation for the arts back to Bowdoin. The show features student work, mostly from those in art classes and declared majors, but not all works were created in the classes.

We wanted to share art work with the community so everyone can see the talent at Bowdoin. We have mostly student work, but we wish we had more to share. It's something the Art Club will have to be dedicated to all year," explained Robin Koe '01.

"People are intimidated to submit work of their own. They face the question of it being good."

Many students shy away from art classes, feeling that they do not have the skill needed to participate in the classes. The Art Club is hoping to address these concerns by creating informal opportunities for everybody to explore a creative side.

Although the Art Club has admitted that they need a place to exhibit their work, and the new show is directed toward everyone, they are looking to expand the show to include a broader range of Bowdoin students in the future.

Dave Gurney, the rock star

JONATHAN L. KNAPP A&E EDITOR

Is Dave Gurney '00 the most courageous man on campus? Duh! He will show without a doubt tonight that he is not only the most courageous, but also the most "rock and roll." As Dave said, "I am such a tender- and true rock and roll that even though I have a spained ankle and a busted eye, I will still give 110 percent at the show." To what show does Mr. Gurney refer? Why, to the Satellite Lot/Baby Ray show in the Pub tonight, of course.

Satellite Lot has only been together in its present form for about four months, but all the members, known each other since high school. The band has five members: Dave Gurney doing vocals and breakdowns, Travis on guitar, Jason on drums, Aaron on keyboards and Mickey on bass. Though Gurney is the only one who goes to Bowdoin, the band surely will feel at home, as they are based in the Portland area.

Gurney, Jason and Aaron have been in bands together since their freshman year in high school, they have changed drastically since this time, however. Originally playing Fugazi and Black Flag-influenced punk, the band then evolved into a band that contained more elaborate song structures. As Gurney pointed out, "We no longer really had verses—verse-chorus structures. We were more into dark and heavy music, with a smoother rhythmic background. Lately-sounding guitar riffs like Nirvana's, for example."

In addition to the more complex mixes, Dave Gurney explained, "As we have gained more as a band, songwriting has become a more collective process." Gurney writes his own vocals, though he frequently takes input from the other members. In reference to his actual vocal performances, he said, "I may not be the best classically trained vocalist in the world, so I come across largely in my facial expressions, in my conduct and manner on stage." Since this is Satellite Lot's first true public performance, Gurney surely wants to impress people with his tremendous stage presence. The music should surely entertain as well, however. "We really look up to bands like Phish, therefore, we will do a set composed entirely of Phish covers."

This summer, the band plans to hone its craft by playing gigs in Portland (and hopefully elsewhere); they also hope to write new songs and possibly record sometime next year. Before any of this happens, however, they will, of course, play at the Pub tonight, as they open for Boston's Baby Ray. Gurney wants "people to come out ready to party. Please do not disappoint him."
The Bowdoin Chorus, which recently returned from performances in New York and Massachusetts, held their first director, Professor Antolini, on their shoulders. As they still manage to stay in tune, fantastic (Adam Zimmam/Bowdoin Orient)

Chorus goes to New York and Massachusetts

Anna Dornbusch

Last weekend, the Bowdoin Chorus traveled to New York City and Massachusetts to perform Sergei Rachmaninoff's "The Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom." This was a long one and a half hour unaccompanied piece performed in Slavonic. Under the direction of Bowdoin's Anthony Antolini, the Down East Singers combined with the Bowdoin Chorus to form the 120 member Rachmaninoff Festival Choir.

The Chorus departed Friday afternoon and traveled to Rockville Center in Long Island, New York to perform at St. Agnes Cathedral. After spending the night in Long Island, the group departed for New York City. Saturday evening, they performed for a crowd of over 2000 at St. Patrick's Cathedral on 5th Avenue, one block from Radio City.

This performance actually took place during a mass. During the performance, the group had the unique opportunity to hear a sermon which compared the spread of the church to the spread of the Slavic Crown of Wheat. This performance presented a unique challenge to the group.

Because they were unable to speak during the mass, Antolini held up large cards with directions for the group to follow. After the mass ended, the Rachmaninoff Festival Choir performed for quite a while because, as Antolini said, "no one on the audience left." Members of the choir enjoyed their evening in New York City; some went to the Metropolitan Opera, others saw shows on Broadway or enjoyed the diverse cuisine of the city.

They concluded their tour with a Sunday morning performance in Salem, Massachusetts at Grace Church, where there was standing room only. After performing in Salem, they departed for Bowdoin, arriving home around 11:00 p.m. Professor Antolini was pleased with the tour. "This was the best concert tour yet. It's doing the difficult to top this trip," remarked Antolini, Jenny Freundlich '01, a member of the group, exclaimed, "all we had so many laughs on tour, it's a wonder we used to sing." The Chorus has some exciting tours planned for the coming years. In May of 2003, they will perform at Middlebury's bicentennial celebration, and also in Montreal.

In late May of 2001, they will depart on their "top of the world" tour, traveling to San Francisco, Alaska and Siberia. Throughout all of these tours, they will perform Rachmaninoff's "The Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom," with the Down East Singers. Antolini encourages all interested students to audition for Chorus next fall, as they always welcome new members.

The Chorus and Chamber Choir will perform a joint concert on the evening of May 8 at 8:30. The Chamber Choir will perform in the first half with the Chorus following during the second half performing all 20th Century music, including some jazz pieces for chorus.

Bowdoin's newly formed tape dance group performed Thursday night as part of the dance performance hosted by Vague. Miscellania also performed as Vague's guest. The show, which lasted an hour, was held in Smith Union's Morrell Lounge and featured four dances by Vague, with Miscellania appearing between each dance number. Vague performed an eclectic array of dances to upbeat pop music, calm female soul music, and one more exotic piece. Miscellania performed pieces from Tracy Chapman, Billy Joel and others. In this female only event, the Bowdoin women once again enriched the campus with their diverse and widespread talent and energy. Laura Blakey '01 and Lindsay Chaves '01, the leaders of Vague, organized this well-attended event.

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A study abroad experience in Sri Lanka

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Outside the windows, the view sliced by the vertical iron bars, a smooth round roof curve sensually along the ground, slumbering in the half shade of the sugar bananas tree. The paddy fields slope silently under the sun, a leak from a rusty pipe drips silently into a puddle. Around, there is only the rise and fall of voices and the furious drone of machines and the strands of Sinhala music and American pop tops from the speakers. Inside, the heat swells up in billows, sluggishly spun in concentric circles by low hung ceiling fans, then descends with soothing power. By two o'clock, the heat seeps into the brain by the ear canals, pulsating within the right temple to the drumbeat from an unrecognizable source. The fans circulate to its rhythm, the brain simmers, dragged from the hot air, and remnants of hot tea and spicy lunch coat the stomach lining. Consciousness blows in through the clothesline like an undesired companion.

She looks up from the Durklopp with steady cat's eyes. A barrel of sweet rolls along her cheek, brushed off with the side of her palm. She flicks the two white cotton scraps together, smooths down the surface and feeds it the vibrating blur of the needle in one fluid motion. Her hands tap the back stitch lever; her foot paws in mid air. Another flick of fabric and another pocket is formed underneath her chipped copper glazed fingernails and the thickening needle and the spinning white thread. The row of white pockets hang from the machine off the edge of the table, connected to one another by a slim thread. They vibrate from the buzzing of the Durklopp, shiver, sway stiffly like starched underwear on a laundry line. Then a clip of scissors and another batch of pockets is tossed onto the table. Across from her sits the satiny stretch pocket well sewer, who grabs the pockets, cuts the slender thread spanning the long distance of white, and presses beige colored scraps onto the edges of the pockets. Above them, a fan spins lazily, drogued into stress by the afternoon heat and the warmth of 46° baby's rusting. The three-thread spools atop the Durklopp vibrate, still vibrate, the thread pulled off in jerks with each pressure of the foot pedal. The slack in the thread billows in the air, white wisp-like spider webs hovering above each machine, forty machines a line, six lines in the factory. The air is thick with vibrating, still spider webs.

For my two weeks of independent study on the ISLE Program in Sri Lanka, I lived in Kaggala, a small rural village an hour and a half from Kandy, and home to the PTK garment factory. At the time that I worked there, they were exclusively producing Columbia wear. In the midst of palm trees and rice paddies, tan golf shorts and white fishing vests were being sewn for international export. The price tags I stuck onto the plastic bags containing ladies' hiking pants read $49.99 US dollars. Each pair of pants took about 50 minutes to complete. At the rate of 5 cents per minute, the price that Columbia paid for the labor for each pair of pants came to $2.50. The average monthly salary of a machinist at the factory is a little under $47 US. The less skilled workers, who assist the machinists, or work in touring or packaging, receive the equivalent of $35 per month.

She flips the shorts so that the front is facing upwards, steps on the foot vacuum lever, which drons on a crescendo, and sucks the fabric onto the board. She lifts up the waistband, irons the inside back pocket, the shorts over and iron the insides of the two front pockets. The fingers are constantly moving, skipping over the fabric from the inside, which scalds with its mere breath. In the hotness of the air, the steam hisses, wetseness clings to the arms, and neck and then the back, ironing along the bottom hems, sides, waistband. Fold the waistband so that the tabs meet, lay the shorts down on the six seams straight in the middle, flip up one leg and iron the crotch and hem. Flip down the leg—from the side seam and up to waistband. Shake out shorts and lay with the front facing upwards. Iron side seams. Smooth down the pleats, iron pleats starting at waistband going down, iron fly, quickly touch tabs with iron—and shorts to stack on the left. Repeat process.

The average worker is an unmarried female, age 18-24, from a rural village. She will work approximately 10 hours a day, 6 days a week, although Sundays are also required if the production schedule demands it. Her education will stop at the end of high school, and because the university system in Sri Lanka is free, the competition is intensely fierce, admitting only students who score in the top five percent of their enrollment. Even then, there is an average two year wait for accepted students because of the overcrowding in the universities. Rural, economically disadvantaged students have little to none of a possibility of attending the universities, in which they and their families cannot afford with high schools, which gear their students exclusively to scoring well on university entrance exams. Without a university education, females are trapped within the still traditional and sexist expectations of their families and society.

A typical rural woman will find employment after high school in a hand loom factory, a clothing export factory, or another female-oriented job. As she has no parents to support her, she will continue work at the factory and attempt to balance the responsibilities to her job and her family. There is a high rate of alcoholism in Sri Lanka among males, especially in rural areas, which links domestic abuse and, oftentimes, the dependence of the entire family on the mother’s wages and duties in the household. Still, many young female garment workers are live-in servants in middle- and upper-class homes, which prevents them from visiting their families more than a few times a year.

There is an incredible variety of dimensions to the world of Sri Lanka, the little tear drop island off the coast of India. Nowara Ella, known for its large glass waterfalls, and perpetual lush green, may be one of the most beautiful spots in the world. Sigirya, an ancient palace on top of a mountain, is officially the wonder of the ancient world. I have touched on but one of Sri Lanka's facets, many more weeks I spent at the Kaggala clothing factory.

I have not mentioned the warm southern beaches of Calle, the intense ocean-colors of the sea, and the warmth of a culture that holds hands and stops for tea breaks five times a day. Things are impossible to describe. And what is left, finally, but lari, layni, haru, not all, as should always be.

Summer Research Project in Educational Technology

The Educational Technology Task Force and the Hearst Millenium Arctic Museum will sponsor a 10-week interdisciplinary summer research project using a variety of technologies to develop new course materials.

First year students, sophomores and juniors are invited to apply for five positions earning a stipend of $3,000. Students will participate in teams to learn all aspects of designing and making quality educational software and web applications. These will include: graphics, CD and web authoring, animations, video editing and digitizing, learning and teaching theory, among others. We expect to complete the development of a complete set of course materials by the end of the 10-week period.

The course will be taught by Drs. Peter Schilling, Susan Kaplan, Genevieve LeMoine and Carey Phillips.

Please submit a one page description of why you would like to participate in the summer seminar to Peter Schilling, Manager, Educational Technology by May 1, 1999.

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Summer Bowdoin play goes to Portland

JONATHAN L. KNAPP
A&E EDITOR

As everyone who went to the April 9 and 10 performances of Gertrude Stein's "Three Sisters who are not Sisters" can attest, it is a highly challenging piece. The production demonstrates some of Bowdoin's best theatrical talent. Directed by Simone Federman and starring Kate Enright as the title character, the production was "the first time that any Bowdoin performance has been expected," which is described as "a series of staged readings and theatrical performances on the forefront of American theatre." Sponsored by the Portland Stage Company and running from April 28 through May 8, the festival will take place at the Portland Performing Arts Center on 25A Forest Avenue. It features one solo performance and six collaborative plays from across the United States. This is the first national festival's history that it has invited performers from other groups in the Maine area, and it is the first time that any Bowdoin output has been featured.

This year's festival, in fact, will contain three different local, young, thespian groups and a dance/rock organization. When the play ran at the Theatre Project a few weeks ago, it entertained audiences with a combination of simple dialogue and imaginative staging. It was an excellent choice to perform and an excellent chance for these students to gain some excellent acting experience and showcase their talents to the Portland audience.

They perform on Saturday, May 1 at 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 8 at 3:00 p.m. Both performances will be at the Oakes Studio in the Portland Performing Arts Center. All members of the Bowdoin community are invited to attend and watch some of the school's most talented performers in their element.

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THE BOWDOIN ORIENT ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 1999

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Weekly Calendar

**FRI**

**Music (9:00 p.m.)**
Satellite Lot. Dave's Journey '90 is a member of this Portland based band. Come and see Dave rock out, even though he has a split personality and a "bowed" eye. What a trooper. For more detailed information, please refer to one of the many quality pages of our section for an exclusive article on the band. The Pub.

**More Music (8:00 p.m.)**
Les Kottis, acclaimed guitarist, has been at it for over 30 years. With the release of his latest album Standing in My Shoes, Kottis produces a blues, funk, folk mixture of music. Joe, perhaps the biggest music snob I know, approves of this concert. State Street Church, 159 State St., Portland. 729-6514. $23.

**Much More Music (6:30 p.m.)**
Dick Dale, legendary surf guitarist whose song "Miserable," is used as the theme song in Pulp Fiction, will perform along with the Fillmore Drifters. Country rockers Say Suzi. Jon also approves of this band. Asylum, 121 Center St., Portland. 772-8274. $15.

**Theater (5:30 p.m.)**
A group of students will be performing scenes from various Shakespeare plays. The Quad, the Museum steps.

**Sat**

**Music (12:00 Noon)**
Various chamber music ensembles from Bowdoin will be performing. Although these groups often don't receive much publicity around campus, we have some very talented individuals who, when they combine their talents, produce exceptional music. Gibson Hall, room 101.

**Films (7:30 & 9:30 p.m.)**
Bowdoin Film and Video Society's "Westerns" will include the movie Silverado, followed by The Good, The Bad and The Ugly. A Clint Eastwood film. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Writing Workshops (8:30-11:00 p.m.)**
Organizing for Choice, a gathering of progressive activists from Bowdoin, Bates and Colby. Campus organizing skills, reproductive freedom issues and alternative violence and other issues will be discussed. A light lunch will be served. RSVP to Lauren Green at 874-1100 x302 or laureng@jrnyme.org

**May 2**

**Film (6:30 p.m.)**
To Live (Aran, China, 1994). This film is an epic of the twentieth century history and addresses the issue of how to run between major historical catastrophes, usually caused by political regimes. This film features beautiful cinematography. Sponsored by Asian Studies 254. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Presentation (7:30 p.m.)**

**May 3**

**Seminar (4:00 p.m.)**
Jung-Sem Jung, "Journey Toward Oneness," presented by Tony Orr, an artist from Franklin, Maine. Sponsored by the department of religion at the Visual Arts Center, Bean Classroom.

**Films (5:30, 8:30, and 10:30 p.m.)**

**Study (all night long)**
Although I don't like to encourage excessive studying, on this particular evening, there really is no excuse not to study. There's music happening on campus. Thus, there's no reason not to head over to H&I and hit the books. Socializing you say? Let's remember why we're here, folks.

**May 4**

**Discussion (8:15 p.m.)**
Women's Resource Center
Breakfast Discussion Series. The facilitator is TBA. A free continental breakfast is served. Sponsored by the Women's Resource Center, 24 College Street.

**Seminar ( Noon-1:00 p.m.)**

**Films (5:30, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.)**
Once again, the Bowdoin film studies program presents Parting Glances, followed by Maurice and The Deer Hunter. Note that the order in which the movies are shown has changed. Do you see? They are now in reverse order. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**May 5**

**Beer (5:00-9:00 p.m.)**
Shipyard Brewing Company of Portland, Maine. Alan Pugsley company will be pouring Sirius Stout and all of the Shipyard beers. There will be a mountain bike giveaway. The Great Lost Bear, 540 Forest Ave., Portland. 772-0300.

**More Beer...**
As usual, the Pub will have beer. Lots of it. I don't know what kind, because my entire sleep cycle is thrown by staying up all night Thursday, every Thursday, at The Orient, thus ruining any social plans for the weekend, thus resulting in no consumption of beer for me. All the more for you, kids.

**Pop**
That's right, for the last time, that sweet, carbonated drink that comes in brands such as "Coke" and "Pepsi" and "Sprite" is called pop, not soda. Anyway, keeping with the beverage theme of today, you can get some pop from a vending machine in Smith University and have a wild time.

**May 6**

**Coffee/Tea**
If you're more partial to a hot beverage that doesn't contain alcohol, might I suggest coffee or tea? Also, if there's a special someone you've been wanting to know better, or just a friend you want to chat with, ask them to get some "coffee." This is a generic term that implies consuming a beverage, but, also talking.
POLAR BEAR SPORTS
Women's track collects individual championships

This past weekend, the women's track team traveled to Connecticut College for the NESCAC Championships. With eight places scoring in each event, Bowdoin earned 80.5 points to take fifth overall.

The Polar Bears really pulled together as a team and produced a lot of personal bests, a few individual championship crowns and a school record for the Bears.

According to Senior Captain Katlin Evrard, the spirit of the team made the weekend bitersweet. "The overall feeling from the weekend was a team spirit," explained Evrard. "This being our last NESCAC Championship, it really made me think about what track means to me and why it is important. Team camaraderie really makes a difference."

Evrard certainly had a hand in making this NESCAC meet one to remember for the Polar Bears. For the second year in a row, Evrard took home two individual championships — in the 100m (12.86) and the 200m (26.63). She also anchored the 4x100m relay team to a sixth place finish (52.37).

Each of Evrard's races truly equated to art in motion. Her maturity, patience and strength helped her to both wins. Coach Peter Stolvenski was impressed with her accomplishments. "Katlin had to come from behind to win both dashes," said Stolvenski. "She has a lot of heart and courage for championship meets."

This sentiment was doubly noted by Coach Van Evard. "Katlin is an important part of this team, not only because of her contributions on the track, but also because of the great contributions off the track," said Shen. "Her wins were no surprise to me. Katlin has a great attitude towards track, both in her hard work ethic and in her enthusiasm for the team. She has really stepped it up and become a great leader."

Bowdoin's other NESCAC Champion was also a winner last year. Stacey Jones '00 took first in the discus for a second year in a row with a throw of 41.36m. Jones also took fifth in the hammer throw (41.20) and sixth in the shot put (11.27). Evrard had nothing but praise for the talented thrower. "Stacey was impressive as usual," said Evrard. "Not only does she have awesome throwing ability, but she adds great dynamics to the team. Her energy and attitude is contagious."

Karen Yeoman '02 added to Bowdoin's list of amazing performances. A first-year, she is already jumping herself right into the record books. On her last jump of the day, Yeoman leaped from fifth to third with a 11.07m triple jump effort — an effort strong enough to break Bowdoin's already strong school record set by Caroline Chapin '99 in the 1997 season. With graduating senior Chapin by her side, the moment seemed like a symbolic passing of the torch from old to young. Yeoman took whole the experience in stride. According to Coach Stolvenski, Yeoman is well beyond her freshman year. "Karen has incredible poise as a competitor," said Stolvenski. "She has improved her personal best five times this year, and three of those times she's done it in big championship meets."

Other top performances of note included pole-vaulter Meka Deyck '02. After an impressive indoor season, Deyck has once again proven she can vault with the best. After tying for first, Deyck had to compete in a vault-off. Her last attempts were good enough to take second in the competition, clearing 5' 4" successfully.

Jennifer Nickerson '99, who has been putting her various talents to good use in the heptathlon, placed eighth in the two-day competition, despite troubling back pain. In that competition, Nickerson dominated the high jump — chalking 5' 9" and missing the provisional qualifier of 5' 4".

According to Evrard, Nickerson's competitive enthusiasm in the heptathlon has been a great boost to the team. "Nickerson was a great asset in the heptathlon," said Evrard. "She just started competing in this year and has made some great improvements in times, distances and heights." Nickerson was even more impressive in the open high jump placing fourth overall with a height of 5' 1". She had to leave the event early, due to slight injury.

This year's team has been led by some outstanding upperclassmen, but following close in their footsteps have been the determined efforts of the first years. Along with Yeoman and Deyck, Shaina Zamaris '02 has proven her talents in the 400m hurdles. As Evrard points out, "Shaina has really been improving throughout this season and showed her abilities in some strong 400m hurdle races this weekend, she proved worthy of NESCAC honors with a fifth place effort in 1:08.41 — her best of the season."

Other Polar Bears grabbing important points were the 4x400m relay team of Zamaris '02, Sarah Hardy '02, Yeoman '02 and Kayma Croker-Liburd '00 with a fifth place finish (4:12.39), Kate Waller '02 in the pole vault (fifth -2.44) and high jump (seventh -5.00), Shaina Zamaris '99 in the triple jump (sixth -10.72) and Sarah Tappan '02 (sixth -2.14) in the pole vault; and Caitlin O'Connor (eighth -5.41) in the 100m run.

The women travel to Springfield College this weekend to compete in the New England Division III Championships.

Tennis nets win against Colby

MARGARET PEACHY
SPORTS EDITOR

The Bowdoin Men's Tennis Team improved their record to 4-5 last week with a convincing win over Colby, 6-1.

Bowdoin 6
Colby 1

The first singles position, Adam Schwartz '01 defeated his opponent 6-2, 6-2. Patrick Fleury '00, Evan Klein '01, Jeff Gilberg '00 and Chris Laureen '01, third through sixth singles respectively, all defeated their opponents easily in straight sets. The only loss for the Bears came at second singles, where Tyler Post '99 took the second set from his opponent, but couldn't hold on for the win.

In the doubles competition, the teams of Fleury, Gilberg and Klein, Earl Gilbegge '00 both dominated the courts, with final scores of 8-4 and 8-5, respectively.

This season the Bears have also recorded victories over Sewanee, Hobart, MIT and Tufts.

Schwartz has been competing at the tough position of first singles, and has compiled a record of two wins and eight losses. Gilberg, who has filled the fifth singles slot, boasts the best personal record on the team, 7-2. In the two and three slots, Post and Fleury are both 5-4. Klein, like Gilberg, also has seven victories so far this season. Rounding out the singles roster, Laureen has a winning record of 6-4.

The team is under the direction of a new head coach this season, Jane Paterson. Paterson comes to Bowdoin with seven years of coaching experience under her belt. She also has the experience of playing number one singles for Northwestern State University. Paterson also competed as a tournament player in England, where she toured with the British Isle Circuit for two years.

The Bears end their season this weekend with the CBC Championships. The winner of the bracketing rights will be determined on the Polar Bear courts.

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Crew
Sailing
Sailing knots up with Tufts

C.W. Estoff
STAFF WRITER

The sailing team sent three different teams to three different regattas last weekend. On Saturday, Doug Stone '99 with crew Melissa Bailey '01 and Mitch O'Neill '01 with crew Andrea Penalosa '01, traveled to Yale for the B.U. Trophy. Eleven of the top teams from the Northeast were there. Both A and B divisions sailed together, totaling 22 boats at the start line. This proved a challenge for the Polar Bear boats, for a typical practice has less than half that number at the start. Due to a pending protest, official results are not yet available.

Also on Saturday, Bowdoin hosted a regatta. Three other teams competed, including Tufts, Dartmouth and the University of Southern Maine. Sailing A fleet was tri-captain C.W. Estoff '01 with crew Oren Abeles '01. Sailing B fleet was rookie skipper Chris "Fred" Murphy '01 with crew Harriet Van Vleck '01.

Facing 20 mph winds gusting to 30 mph, the Estoff/Abeles team managed to finish consistently second in a series of six races. The Murphy/Van Vleck team was not as consistent, but combined scores from both divisions put Bowdoin tied for first with Tufts. With one point deciding third and fourth places, it was a close regatta. Abeles said, "It was one of the windiest days that I have ever raced in. Lots of boats were going over, we did too, so the key was staying upright, and if not, getting upright again fast. It was survival sailing out there."

On Sunday, first-year teams Bridgid O'Connor with crew Allison Quade and Simon "G" Gerow with crew Eric Beardsley traveled to Tufts for the Gibbons Freshman Trophy. The small-boat sailing proved to be a challenge to the first years who are used to the more constant breeze found on the ocean here in Maine. Out of eleven teams, Bowdoin finished seventh.

This weekend, teams will be traveling to UNH and Dartmouth. Also, Bowdoin will host an invite regatta.

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Also, remember that the climbing wall is open Monday-Thursday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

If you have any questions or want to become a member, just stop by the office in Smith Union. (At the top of the stairs, on the left.) This is also where you sign up for trips. "If you ask me, the outing club is pretty boss." - Andrew Mountcastle '01

The sailing team prepares for the tough competition that lies ahead. (Courtesy of the Sailing Team)

Don't forget to register your softball team for the 38th Annual Pete Schuh Memorial Softball Tournament. Sign up in the Residential Life Office in Moulton Union.

Each team should consist of at least ten players. There is a registration fee of $75 per team, but you get a free tournament t-shirt for participating. The tournament is double-elimination and the action begins Wednesday, May 12, in the morning.
Between the lines: show me the money

BY JUSTIN DEGEORGE

Over the course of its 162-game, seven-month marathon season, Major League Baseball produces more than enough stories to fill the daily headlines. So far this year, baseball fans have already read their share of scandalous stories. Darryl Strawberry's arrest on charges of prostitution and drug possession solidified his position as one of the sport's biggest scumbags only months after he had been inexplicably elevated to hero status after he was stricken with cancer.

Also making an appearance on the police blotter was Minnesota Twins assistant GM Jim McIlvaine, whose attempt to erase his tax frauds on a public beach in Florida resulted in his arrest for indecent exposure. The Twins organization concluded that the embarrassment McIlvaine had suffered was punishment enough.

Hat-monger Marge Schott, the source of many scandals over the past few years, finally left a positive mark on the sport by leaving it. After over a year of refusing, the 70-year-old complied with a league demand by selling the controlling interest of the Cincinnati Reds.

Not every story that's bombarded baseball fans, however, has been one of crime or hate. Earlier this month, for the first time in his 17-year career, Iron Man Cal Ripken found himself on the disabled list, nursing a sore back. His teammate, fan/media darling Albert Belle, was also making headlines as he announced plans to market his own cereal.

Inspired by the success of Flutie Flakes in the Buffalo and Boston areas, Belle and his handlers decided to throw their hat into the breakfast ring. Coming soon to Baltimore area supermarkets is Albert Belle Stinger Cereal—an 18-ounce box of plain corn flakes. If kids collect enough box-tops, they can send away for an Albert Belle figurine that spouts prosperity, wields a courted bat and refuses to talk to the media.

With the constant stream of games and little stories such as these to keep their attention, baseball fans seldom step back and ponder the greater issues looming over the sport. This Friday in Kansas City, however, that could all change, at least for a night.

If all goes according to plan, and that's a big if, then Royal fans will stage a protest to call attention to the widening gap between baseball's big and small market teams. A local radio station has organized the protest for the first of a four-game series against the deep-pocketed New York Yankees. Those fans participating in the display will reportedly fill the stadium's left-field general admission seats wearing T-shirts that read "We love the Royals" on the front and "Share the wealth" on the back. Each time the Yankees come to bat, the group is supposed to turn their backs to the field, displaying their desire for league-wide revenue sharing. At the end of the third frame, they're then prepared to attach skeletons to their empty seats with signs reading "Small markets are dying" before finally marching out of the stadium.

While the protest won't exactly send league officials and owners scrambling back to the bargaining table, it will push the sport's biggest problem into the national spotlight.

This season, the economic disparity between franchises has reached an almost intolerable level. The Yankees entered the season with a payroll of over $85 million. The Royals? A shade under $24 million. Five teams this year (Yankees, Dodgers, Orioles, Rangers and Braves) checked in with player salaries of over $70 million, while three others (Twins, Marlins and Expos) didn't even crack the $20 million mark. While those teams that shell out the big bucks don't always reap the rewards in victories (see the Orioles), the league's most frugal rarely finish near playoff contention. Last year, every team that made the post-season was among the league's wealthiest.

The simple reason this is a problem that won't solve itself is that each year more small-market teams realize that they can't compete. For a few years, many played under the delusion that somehow they could make a miracle run for the pennant. Finally facing today's harsh economic reality, owners are realizing that if they're not going to win anything with a team payroll of $40 million, why not cut salaries down to $20 million and save some money? As the small markets cede off their best players to their wealthier counterparts, the division widens, and the quality of play plummets. While excitement over individual and team records is a peak, the overall competition level is down. Would the Yankees have set the overall win record last year if one third of the league wasn't Triple A quality? Would McGwire have smoked seventy dongs? Probably not. But those records don't make today's game more exciting; they make it less competitive.

Over the last few years, World Series titles have been bought, not won. Unless something is done soon, team owners and accountants are going tostart receiving votes for league MVP. Granted, a few thousand skeletons taped to seats in Kansas City probably won't solve the problem, but hopefully for the future of baseball, it will open some eyes to an issue that threatens the survival of the sport.

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**Men's Lacrosse**

**Polar Bears head into ECACs**

**Patrick Marx**  
STAFF WRITER

With 1:12 left in the game, Colby College senior Mark Melander scored the go-ahead goal for the Mules, and sealed a final 8-6 victory over Bowdoin on Wednesday.

The game, played on Colby's home field in Waterville, pitted the thirteenth ranked Polar Bears (6-5) against the twentieth ranked Jacks (6-4). Bowdoin goalie Noah Speare '00, Chandler Verrone '99 and Alex Ellis '01 kept the game close throughout, but in the end, only a Colby college senior by the name of Mark Williams, may have cost the Bears the game.

If anything has been proven by the lacrosse team over the last fortnight, it is that they have been unable to exhibit consistency. Victories over traditional rivals: Amherst, Bates and Babson help solidify the Bear's record; however, they are interspersed with losses to Middlebury and Colby. The final regular season game for the team is tomorrow against Trinity and represents an opportunity for Bowdoin to enter the ECAC championships with both a high seed and a little bit of much needed momentum.

On April 17, Bowdoin traveled to Middlebury, hometown of middle Perine, to face the sixth ranked Panthers. At the time, the Bears were ranked twelfth in the USILA weekly poll, and it was the first time that the teams had faced each other since Bowdoin had defeated the Panthers last year in Brunswick, the first such victory for the Bears since 1994.

Middlebury jumped out to an early 3-0 lead on the back of David Sealy's goal with 3:34 remaining in the first, an auspicious start for the Bears who were underdogs. However, Bowdoin was able to reply, scoring two goals before the quarter buzzer sounded, the first on a shot by Nick Rutherford '00 and the second on a snip from Captain John McCulliffe '99.

As the Bears grouped up for the second quarter, they felt their chances were strong for a victory and came out firing at the net. With just under eight minutes left before the half, Ellis scored to give the Bears a 5-4 lead. Unfortunately, this lead was short-lived, as the Panthers reeled off goals in a row to take a 9-5 edge.

Ellis added another score, and Nick Leibman '00 racked one up to leave the Bears trailing 9-7 in the middle of the fourth quarter. This was the closest Bowdoin was to come to victory, and as the final buzzer sounded, the scoreboard read 13-10.

Although the game was close, it was not what the Bears were looking for, and as they boarded to bus home, they knew that the remaining four games would define their season.

The Bears stormed back against CBH rival Bates the following Wednesday, April 21, defeating Bates 13-4.

The game was never in doubt as the Bears jumped out to a 5-0 lead and went into the half up 7-2. The third quarter saw a plethora of action: three goals by Rutherford (who currently leads the team with 45 points) and the Polar Bears stretch the lead to 12-2, and when the game ended, Bowdoin had won by nine goals, only a goal off their most dominating win of the year, a 15-5 victory over Tufts on April 6.

Of interest was junior Will Cassella's 19 saves, followed by first year P.J. Prest's six scoreless minutes in the net.

Three days later, the Bears boarded the bus to Amherst, which had a .500 record at the time, for a crucial matchup in determining ECAC bids.

Leibman scored a career-high six goals and added an assist in leading Bowdoin to a hard-fought 14-11 victory. Amherst jumped out to a 6-4 lead after the first period, but the Bears responded, and the teams headed into the locker rooms at halftime knotted at eight goals a piece.

The teams both scored two goals at the start of the third, but Bowdoin went on a four goal spree and Amherst was only able to add one more as the Bears cruised to a 14-11 win.

The game represented what the team must accomplish in order for the season to be a success. Superb individual play by Leibman, Rutherford (four goals and an assist which gave him 104 career points) and goalie Cassella (18 saves) combined with a resilient attitude when down two goals in the first, characterize the type of play the Bears must display in order to hear the final buzzer in victorious.

In addition, the game pitted twin brothers, Amherst goalie Corey Simpson and Bowdoin's Wendell Simpson '01, against each other, with the latter walking away with bragging rights.

Yesterday, the Bears faced interstate rivals Colby in Waterville. The final, an 8-6 victory by the Mules, erased the chance that Bowdoin had at hosting the ECAC championships here in Brunswick next weekend. However, it did nothing to decrease the importance of tomorrow's game against Trinity.

The Bears are playing at home for the first time in two weeks, and nothing less than a solid victory is expected. With numerous illustrious alumni returning to their places of birth, the game could go a long way to defining the season, and more importantly, determining the Bears seeding in post-season play. The field should be full of spectators for the twelve o'clock start, and hopefully a victory will be the start of a weekend full of Ivy festivities.

**Men's track shine at NESCACs**

**Tony Small**  
STAFF WRITER

Last weekend the Men's Track team traveled to Connecticut College for the 1999 NESCAC meet. The meet is traditionally a strong performance and a highly competitive event. It lasts for two days, and many of the strongest performances are found at the meet every year.

The Bears, led by the strong performances of captains Chris Downe '00 and Scott Schilling '00, scored 84 points, which earned them a sixth place finish in the meet.

Captain and All-American Downe contributed largely to the Bears' success in the meet. Downe, who won the MVP award for men last year at the NESCAC meet, repeated in both his races this year, winning the 400m and 800m races. Downe's time in the 400m was 49.82 seconds and his time in the 800m was 1:55.35. Downe also anchored the men's 4x400m relay team, which finished third. Schilling was the highest point contributor to the team at the meet. On the first day of competition, Schilling set the school record in the 100m dash with a time of 10.94. After his first-day performances, Schilling came into the second day seeded first in the 100m and second in the 200m. In a gutsy performance, Schilling was on both of the events, running into a serious head wind all day. Schilling's win in the 200m was one of the most exciting of the day, where he edged out a very talented Eric Zwick of Bates right at the finish line and finished with a time of 22.32. Schilling also ran the anchor leg of the 4x100m team that finished fifth and the third leg of the 4x400m team that finished third.

Dave "Mad Dog" Wall '02 finished third in the 1500m, running the fastest time of any first year ever at Bowdoin who has competed in the 1500m or mile. In an exciting end to the race, Wall pulled through and beat a Middlebury runner at the finish line by .01 seconds.

Senior Matt Hyde also had a strong second day of competition, finishing fourth in the 400m. Hyde's time was 2:09.13.

Also contributing a good portion of points were the always reliable Eric Fortin '00 and Jason Fortin '01. Eric, who has already qualified automatically for nationals in the shot put, finished second in the event with a throw of 16.00m, and Jason finished fifth in the event with a throw of 14.05m.

Josh Helfli '02 also turned in a good day of performances, finishing fifth in the 100m and also running a very impressive lead-off leg of the 4x100m team that finished fifth overall at the meet.

Nick Lyon '02 also had a strong meet, placing in both the high jump and the javelin. Lyon finished sixth in the high jump and eighth in the javelin, earning the team a good amount of points.

The meet saw many strong performances and impressive statistics amassed by Bowdoin runners. Bowdoin runners finished first in the 100m, 200m, 400m and 800m, and third in the 1500m.

Look for the track team this weekend at the Maine State Meet being held at Bowdoin this Saturday. The meet starts around 1:00 p.m. for those interested in attending and seeing more strong performances this weekend.

Scott Schilling '00 in the 100m dash. (Courtesy of Men's Track team)
Underclass advising to undergo changes

The proposal seeks to add more structure to the program, with more scheduled meetings between students and advisors.

Carolyn Lenske
Staff Writer

Changes to Bowdoin’s current pre-major academic advising program, which seeks to improve the experience for first-year and sophomore students, will go into effect next fall. The changes have already been approved by the Students Affairs Committee and are awaiting final feedback from faculty in June. Dean of First Year Students Margaret Hazlett and Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster have been working since November to decide how to improve the pre-major advising program to better serve incoming first-year and returning sophomore students.

A working group of faculty and students was assembled in November to discuss the current advising program and possible ways to improve it. Participating were Associate Professor of Government Paul Franco, Associate Professor of Chemistry Elizabeth Stemmier, Associate Professor of Sociology Nancy Riley, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of History Allen Wells, and students Jessica Rush ‘00 and Arund Mahabedv ‘00.

Based on suggestions made by the working group, Hazlett and Foster brought together several focus groups and conducted an e-mail survey of faculty and staff. In February, the working group met again to review the findings and make further recommendations.

“As a college, we haven’t done much to talk about this,” said Hazlett, adding, “The response was wonderful. What I found was that students came with some expectations [of their advisors], and faculty had a different list of expectations of that role.” In some cases, she said, “The perception with a lot of students is that faculty aren’t interested in advising.”

Yet, according to Hazlett, faculty members affirmed their interest in the system, but found that many students did not make the effort to initiate meetings and discussions with their advisors.

Hazlett said that this partly due to the fact that many students come from secondary schools with highly organized advising systems.
Res Life and E9 sponsor conversation on alcohol

**DAVID LOPES**

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During this last year there has been much talk concerning the consumption of alcohol. In recent years, alcohol-related problems have been a serious issue in Bowdoin. This year, attempts have been made to shed some light on this issue, on Sunday, April 18, several students assembled to discuss this issue and its given at Bowdoin. This conversation was a collaboration of the E9, and Residential Life.

Students participating in the discussion represented a diverse cross-section of Bowdoin students: athletes, members of all four classes, members of student government, faculty, non-drinkers, Res Life members, fraternity as well as college house members and students from both private and public schools. So what was the consensus? Here are a few of the questions asked and the overall response.

**Is Bowdoin a drinking school? Yes, to a certain extent.**

First years often come to college expecting to drink. They don't know what to do on weekends if they don't drink. Is there a phasing out of fraternities helping to eliminate part of the drinking problem? To a certain extent; yes, however, without the large campus-wide parties fraternities had in the past, students are now drinking more privately perhaps more often.

Is there a stereotype on this campus that athletes are drunk? Yes, there is. There is a common thought that bowdoinians are drunk all the time. Is this true? Yes, with the phasing out of fraternities, weekday drinking has moved off campus, and many people head downtown.

Is there pressure to drink at Bowdoin? No, not exactly; but it seems as though students want to party. The "fun scene" is one of the best reasons kids come to Bowdoin. People who don't go to parties might feel like they are out of the mainstream social activity on campus. Is this thought true? Yes, Bowdoin tries, and in a way succeeds, of offering alternative activities, but those damages are general for all of us, and what is important is that they are not to do afterwards. The only options are to party or just go back to the dorms. Since there is a lot of drinking going on, that's not the only way of enjoying the party. Students are trapped on campus. The school should do more in trying to get students into Portland. This would eliminate some of the problems associated with drinking.

Do people watch out for one another at parties? Yes, if you see your buddy drinking too much you can always help look out for him. Are there any students that drink excessively? Yes, even strangers will go up to students that look like they need help and offer it to them.

The recent rise in alcohol-related problems on campus has led to increased concerns regarding students' drinking habits. (Adam Zimmerman/Bowdoin Orient)

**Beyond the Bowdoin Bubble**

Yugoslav officials are responding with mixed signals to a peace plan for Kosovo put forward Thursday by foreign ministers of the Group of Eight countries, which calls for an international "civil and security presence" in Kosovo. Government sources in Belgrade suggest that the Yugoslavs might accept an international military presence. However, they have said they will not withdraw their own forces from Kosovo until NATO bombing stops.

Okloklahma's death toll from its deadliest storms in decades rose to 41 on Thursday, with more than a dozen people still listed as missing. After Red Cross officials on Thursday turned over the names of people housed in its 13 shelters, the number of missing was narrowed from 50 to 14. After Red Cross officials on Thursday turned over the names of people housed in its 13 shelters, the number of missing was narrowed from 50 to 14.

Amazing stories of survival and death are emerging from the tornado-brutalized landscape of Oklahoma. A sheriff's deputy chasing a tornado was killed while trying to help a man wandering down a road in shock. The man told him that the twister sucked his daughter, son-in-law and baby granddaughter out of a closet where they had taken shelter.

Britain's ruling Labour Party on Friday claimed victory in Scotland's historic vote for its first parliament in three centuries, threaten-

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Learning and Teaching Center director selected

Kim Schneider
Editor in Chief

The committee to choose a director for the new Learning and Teaching Center has selected Marka Foster, who will decide by Monday whether or not she will accept the offer.

The new director will have the responsibility for guiding the development of the LTC in its inaugural year next fall, when it joins the quantitative reasoning program, the new Center for mathematics and computer science departments in the newly-renovated Searses Science Center.

"The individual who takes the directorship will have to shape it," said Kathleen O'Conner, director of the Writing Project. "We're hiring a director who we feel can shape it in a intelligent and thoughtful manner.

No information was available on the candidate other than her gender, as she has not yet addressed the campus community. If she declines the offer, the committee will have to reevaluate to decide what the next step is.

The idea of a Learning and Teaching Center is not new. The faculty had been discussing it before Linda Baldwin '73 offered her grant which allowed for its construction. "At that point, we were looking at students who were falling through the cracks," said O'Conner, "and we thought students rather than they were falling Bowdoin ... Out of that has grown a vision of a place where people can learn in different ways.

Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster said that similar programs at other colleges and universities were examined, both with personal visits and Internet searches. They also talked with faculty, staff and students about the Center. At various planning stages, Baldwin was consulted for suggestions and potential changes.

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When asked what services the LTC will provide next fall, O'Connor said, "That really is something we've left to the director." Foster said she saw two main purposes for the center: a more effective coordination of learning services, and the identification and addressing of gaps in the learning and teaching processes.

While no programs have been specifically identified for moving to the LTC next fall, the committee has discussed several possibilities. The teaching of study skills was one potential area. "Right now, Bowdoin brings in a commercial enterprise called Learning Skills, Inc," said O'Connor. "Students have to pay for that. We should be doing that ... Let's bring it in ourselves, without charging them," Foster added. She cited this as an important component, noting that, "We don't offer programs in these 'self-management' skills.

Another possible service for the LTC is an English as a Second Language (ESL) program. "We don't have any official ESL program on campus right now," said O'Conner, who said that international students and domestic students for whom English is not their native tongue often find that "language and cultural expectations are obstacles when they first come to Bowdoin."

The LTC might also become the central location for coordinating services for learning disabilities on campus. "The faculty has been asking the administration for a couple of years for guidance in this area," said O'Connor. "We provide some, but we should provide more."

O'Connor also referenced the original goal of incorporating academic life into the College Houses so they would provide more just a social environment, "It comes home to the residential life goal of incorporating academic life into the college," she said. "We hope the center would be a part of that."

Both O'Connor and Foster mentioned the centralization of tutoring services. Foster said that when Bowdoin had a Dean of the College (as opposed to the current division between the Dean for Student Affairs and the Dean for Academic Affairs), tutoring was centrally coordinated and funded by the College. O'Connor said that the budget crisis of the 1990s caused the elimination of that funding. Some departments continued the tutoring on their own, like the mathematics department's Subspace calculus program, but many eliminated the programs. The eventual goal is that a central tutoring program for all disciplines, including tutoring, will be added into the operating budget and coordinated through the LTC.

O'Connor acknowledged that not all faculty members have warmed to the idea. "Faculty have this concern sometimes that supplanting students is tampering with the standards," she said. However, as a counterexample, she discussed the quantitive skills program. "In all its efforts, they have allowed many disciplines to return quantitative discussions to their courses in a manner that might otherwise be impossible in the syllabus. She described the goal of offering student support services as existing to "keep students on track, high, offer support to help students get through.

Foster identified two concerns he had with the LTC. One would be that the diverse groups of student support currently available might eliminate their programming pointing students exclusively to the LTC instead of continuing to offer their efforts. "It doesn't rest or emanate from one place," he said. He also said he was concerned with a possible stigma students might have for participating in the LTC. "It's not a remedial center," he said, saying that the brightest students should find it as useful as the struggling students. He cited the currently outsourced Learning Skills, Inc. draws such a variety of student levels, from those who seek help for general courses to those seeking to learn such skills as speed-reading.

Advising program altered

Craig McEwen, Daniel B. Fayerweather professor of political economy and sociology, has been named the temporary Dean for Academic Affairs. McEwen will serve for one year, following Dean Charles Betz's resignation which takes effect this month. The committee charged with selecting a replacement dean came up empty handed last month, and will resume its search in the fall.

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Dean of First-Year Students Margaret Hazlett has been involved in the changes to the pre-major academic advising program, which affects first years and sophomores. (Peter Hill/Bowdoin Orient)

Coming first years with a member of the faculty that teaches in an area of academic or extra-curricular interest to a particular student, and no changes will be made to the present matching process.

Students who are not satisfied with their appointed pre-major advisor have the opportunity to change advisors by submitting a request to the office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

Bowdoin in Brief

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Four Bowdoin sophomores have been named Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellows. Marka Belinfanti, majoring in English and African studies, Nefedda James, majoring in religion, Eloi Pope, majoring in government and art history; and Anotnio Guarnerio, majoring in visual arts and French with a minor in art history, will all receive stipends to support research projects within their majors. The program is designed to encourage African-American, Native-American, and Latina/Latino students to pursue advanced degrees, gain teaching and research experience in higher education, and to build a pipeline of students seeking to learn such skills as speed-reading.

LeRoy A. Geeson, president of the college emeritus and professor of English emeritus, is being honored by Wesleyan University with a Distinguished Alumnae Award. The awards are granted each year at the annual alumnae assembly during Wesleyan's reunion celebration. They are given for distinction in one's chosen field of endeavor and reflect either sustained accomplishment or unusual achievement. A citation will be read in Geeson's honor.

Enrique Yepes, assistant professor of Romance languages, has been awarded this year's Sydney B. Karsovsky Prize. The prize was established by members of the Karsovsky family, including Peter S. Karsovsky '62, Paul I. Karsovsky '95 and David M. Karsovsky '90. It is conferred to honor distinguished work by untended members of the faculty. The prize is awarded annually to a teacher who "best demonstrates the charity to the teaching of knowledge, inspire enthusiasm and stimulate intellectual curiosity." It is awarded on the basis of student evaluations of teaching.
From The Daily Aztec; San Diego State University: One-third of the 75 students enrolled in an upper level business management class were found to have cheated on a recent exam by their professor, a trip from a student in the class who had been approached about purchasing the answer key. The incident has an ironic twist: the course was in business ethics. All 25 cheaters received an F in the course.

From The Stanford Daily; Stanford University: A Stanford law professor and Republican California representative in congress filed a lawsuit April 30 against President Clinton with sixteen other Congressmen to force the president to either declare war or stop the bombing. The House gave Campbell standing for his lawsuit last month by rejecting, 427 to 2, a resolution he had submitted to declare war. Had the House voted in favor of declaring war, his suit would be moot. Campbell is invoking the Vietnam-era War Powers Resolution, which says the president must get congressional approval to wage war if hostilities last more than 60 days.

From Daily Briton; University of California, Los Angeles: Members of the Jewish Student Union approached the Undergraduate Students Association Council (USAC) on Tuesday, asking it to withdraw its sponsorship of a program they said is anti-Semitic in nature. The program, which is sponsored by the Muslim Students Association (MSA), is called "Anti-Oppression Week" and takes a stand against Zionism, and ideology MSA members said is oppressive to Palestinians. At the USAC meeting on Tuesday, JSU members were upset that the flyers and advertisements that equated the word "Zionist" with the words "hate," "racism" and "oppression" also had the words "paid for by USAC" in the lower right-hand corner.

From Daily Californian; University of California, Berkeley: University of California police officers raided the makeshift tent city in front of California Hall early Tuesday morning, arresting 83 protesters who were pulled and dragged away in a three-hour ordeal while tearing down the makeshift camp. At approximately 3 a.m., police moved to take the demonstrators to jail, including five student hunger strikers, two elderly women and students from Stanford and San Francisco State University. The incident capped five days of camping out in front of the chancellor's office in protest of budget cuts within the ethnic studies program. The arrested protesters, who included five of the hunger strikers, were told by a UC police officer through a bullhorn that their campsite had been "declared an unlawful assembly," and that they were to be arrested for lodging on university property.

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Faculty discuss potential elimination of Latin Honors

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—Pedro Salom ’00

from the current GPA standard to a ranking of students, with the top two percent receiving summa cum laude, the remainder of the top eight percent receiving magna cum laude, and the remainder of the twenty percent receiving cum laude. At Monday’s meeting, however, Professor Franklin Burroughs of the English department offered an amendment that would eliminate Latin Honors entirely.

The actual language of Burroughs’s amendment called for changing the percentages for the three tiers of Latin Honors to “zero percent, zero percent and zero percent,” according to Professor William Barker of the mathematics department, the chair of the Recording Committee.

Pedro Salom ’00, a student member of the Recording Committee, said at this point that the decision is up to the faculty. “We’ve had our last meeting for the year. It’s going to the faculty meeting later in May.”

Currently, the vote on Latin Honors is scheduled for the next faculty meeting, which will occur towards the end of May. Barker said that the vote could conceivably be pushed back to next fall.

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eventual goal is to have 15 National Merit Scholars a year; this is the first merit-based (as opposed to need-based) scholarship Bowdoin has offered to incoming students in years. Steele said he supports this program because of the $750 cap for non-need students, but added that, “I would be opposed to other merit-based scholarships.”

Steele said that Bowdoin is not the only college in the east to have more students accept than expected. Trinity, Colby, Bates and Connecticut Colleges have all reported similar over-enrollments. Several midwestern colleges, however, have reported declines. Steele speculated that the health of the stock market may have convinced many families that they are in a better position to pay for the more expensive private schools of New England.

Bowdoin, Bates and Colby participated in a joint program this year to reach students who might otherwise consider Maine too remote, which Steele said might have accounted for some of the increase. The three colleges conducted searches in Atlanta, Chicago and Washington, D.C. They created a brochure which highlighted the fact that, with the Portland Jetport, Maine is “very accessible compared to Ithaca or Williamsburg,” said Steele.

The Admissions Office is looking forward to the Class of 2004. “We’re already well-launched on the next season,” said Steele, noting that on Thursday afternoon six of the eight Admissions staff members were at high schools across the country encouraging juniors to consider Bowdoin. In addition, they are planning the creation of a “Chamberlain leadership program” for socioeconomically and racially diverse group of first years that would involve high-powered paid summer internships.
Editorials

Bring on the LTC

With the establishment of the Learning and Teaching Center, to be inaugurated next fall, the College is taking a significant step toward fulfilling an obligation to its students of varied backgrounds and learning styles. As both a center for the tutoring programs that already exist and a resource for students whose challenges are not as easily categorized, the LTC deserves the campus’s support in terms of space for its physical center and encouragement for the students who seek its help.

The creation of the center is an acknowledgment of the fact that, year after year, students scrounge through Bowdoin without getting the academic attention they need. They may come from non-English speaking countries or high schools that did not teach them the critical writing skills that Bowdoin expects of its students. Whatever a student’s background, professors can sometimes dismiss difficulties with academic conventions as a sign of lesser intelligence or carelessness. The center can help redeem the academic experience of these students who would otherwise fall through the cracks. As Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Kathleen O’Connor explains, “Bowdoin was failing them rather than they were failing Bowdoin.” An unwarranted stigma accompanies students who seek help from resource centers. The services offered, however, should not be considered remedial, nor anything that will lower the College’s academic standards. They represent an effort to fill gaps not covered by the curriculum, and often taken for granted by instructors.

Another advantage of the LTC will be the establishment of a reliable spot for all tutoring relating activities. Residing in Seawell, it will offer a central campus spot for the services currently spread throughout the campus, creating a more consistent meeting point for programs like the Writing Project’s drop-in conferences, the math department’s subspace, and the Quantitative Skills Project. Most importantly though, the center will create a pocket on campus featuring the unique energy that can only come of students helping students.

Now that the sciences have been sufficiently bolstered at Bowdoin, the administration should start to focus again on enhancing the humanities and teaching. A commitment to the needs of the Learning and Teaching Center would be a good step. The LTC does not represent a depreciation of Bowdoin’s standards, but rather its dedication to maximizing the academic experience of every student here.

The value of Latin Honors

For the second time in two years, Bowdoin’s faculty face a difficult decision regarding the future of Latin Honors. The existence of honors is a way to recognize students who have excelled during their academic careers here. Proponents of the abolition of Latin Honors suggest that students put too much emphasis on acquiring the distinction, sometimes altering their course schedule to achieve certain goals. But this argument—that a few students choose to misplace their priorities, to their own educational detriment—does not support abolishing honors for the vast majority of students who do not engage in such petty calculations. While we still believe that Latin Honors should be awarded on a standardized GPA benchmark rather than a percentage basis, we support the Recording Committee’s proposal over the amendment for elimination.

One of the goals of any institution of learning should be to encourage academic achievement. Honors are one way to recognize those whose efforts have awarded them success in the academic sphere. Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar designations are nice, but they are done on a yearly basis. Latin Honors are based on the full four years of a student’s career here, and are thus far more prestigious. They are also extremely helpful to students applying for work in the business sector or further studies in graduate school, since these institutions often look down on liberal arts institutions for their lack of business and graduate-level courses.

Latin Honors also have a long tradition here at Bowdoin. At a time when so many crucial Bowdoin traditions seem to be thrown by the wayside, it is important that we try to keep at least some of our history alive. Many of the old Bowdoin fighting songs have been rewritten with new, less “offensive” lyrics. The eradication of the Greek system is probably the prime example—besides their own traditions, fraternities often provided recognition of students’ academic, athletic and community service-related feats, leading to the elimination of other types of “honors.” Even James Bowdoin Scholarships were eliminated within the past few semesters, replaced a year later with the more politically correct “Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholarships” with little explanation as to the change. The awarding of Latin Honors is one tradition that should be saved at all costs.

The next faculty meeting will be held at the end of May, after most non-grading students have left campus. If the vote is not postponed until next fall, as some have suggested, the decision will be made when students are not around to learn about the decision. Students who have opinions on the proposal to abolish Latin Honors should make their voices heard now, while there is still a chance. If the vote does occur in the next few weeks, we would urge the faculty to support the Recording Committee’s original recommendation.

Announcing next year’s staff

Next semester at the Orient, Jeff Bedrosian ‘00, former Opinion Editor and Business Manager, will return from Scotland as co-editor in chief with Kim Schneider ’00. Pedro Salom ’00, another former Opinion Editor, will come on as Senior Editor while continuing as Circulation Manager. Vir Kashyap ’02 will join the staff as business manager.

Our triumvirate of first-year copy editors will be promoted to bigger things next year: Belinda Lovett ’02 will step up as News Editor; Nick LoVecchio ’02 will take over the Opinion Editor’s spot, vacated by Cambridge-bound Aaron Rosen ’01; and James “Daddy J” Fisher ’02 will join Naeem Ahmed ’00 as co-Web Manager for the Orient. Anna “Calendhar Girl” Dombusch ’01 will be training up once again with Jon Knapp ’02 as Arts & Entertainment editors. Margaret Peachy ’02 will return as Sports Editor.

Positions are still available for copy editors, staff writers and photographers. Check out page 5 for more information.
QUESTION: Is Bowdoin a better place today than when you first arrived here?

Before I enrolled as a student at Bowdoin, most of my knowledge about the school came from the view books, course selection catalogs, and college fairs. I never met a student that I inquired about the school. However, after nearing the end of my first year, I have realized that Bowdoin is not a better place now than my initial impressions of it. I have experienced the "real" side of the school that is not glorified in the view books and I have heard the stories that are not printed in the fact sheets. For instance, after being exposed to several cases, my confidence in the objectivity, capability, and validity of the J-Board has been shattered and leaves me questioning if this is the most effective type of justice system and one that Bowdoin ought to continue. In addition, there is the infamous accusation against students for being apathetic, of which I still wonder how several Bowdoin administrators have also chosen to remain apathetic by failing to address the issues of religious, sexual, and racial discrimination and student complaints.

When choosing to attend Bowdoin, I never expected that this would happen; however, I do expect the school to uphold and abide by basic standards of fairness, justice, and equality towards all students. While I have focused only upon negative issues the school faces, these are the College's focal points that I believe are critical to the school's stability and the happiness of everyone at Bowdoin.

Christiane Connors '02

I find it hard to sing the praises of my 'Bowdoin Experience' as I approach graduation. Enduring a social life which the administration has dictated for the last three years has been very frustrating. Yes, in an aspect of social life the administration did implement the social house puppet regime. And nearly as fun as the social house puppet regime was the campus forums which were held to discuss the future of fraternities at Bowdoin. As a Bowdoin student, I was not in support of the movement to ban fraternities here at Bowdoin, so be it. However, those anti-fraternity students won't be hard-pressed to admit that a social life which reflects a certain president's knowledge of a good time leaves a lot to be desired.

Craig Stasulis '99

The points of reflection through the years are many and I am still a year away from graduating. The glossy viewbook has long been retired to my bedroom back home. The photos highlight the smiles of friends and the truth about college life. We dash across the quad, just in time to hear the professor announce a weekly homework assignment that was not posted on the syllabus. The bell chimed, and no, they do not tell us for. Are these things really any different for those who have come before us? Is it our hope that we expect Bowdoin to have changed during the course of our years—could we have done such a great job when I remember being the last biology class in Seabees Hall, being one of the first to enter "open buildings"? And so it was that on my Sunday afternoon walking across a snow-covered quad, I remember the exams, the papers, and all of the running around for musical concerts. I am not sure that any of this is really different from any other Bowdoin student, or any other college student nationwide from the fact that the buildings might be named differently. We expect these things; they are unchanged but in the face change. The face of change is not in the classes we take, or even the grades for which we work. Bowdoin's change is not characterized by the things that we know and expect. We could never plan to meet such individuals who are altered. The College With the administration in regard to the Social House System, I'd have to say no. Bowdoin was a better place when I first entered. As before the new college housing system was implemented. I look back now, and feel that was actually more cohesive and community on campus among the different classes (freshmen, sophomore, junior, senior) than now. This move in administration who most wanted this social house system implemented it very badly... by an institution, and conveying the message that the upperclassmen 'didn't count' in the system, which was a great blow. As a junior upperclassman last year, I was very alienated by the social house system even though it was originally one system that ended up getting very badly burned because of the ineptness of some in the administration. I had a great deal of power in the system's success. No point in getting into that very long story here. Suffice it to say that some in admissions with an array of choices. Students could choose to associate with people with whom they shared common aspects or the flavor of each different house. All the fraternities had their own distinct character, with the different types of people they were there to hang out with. The old system of fraternities and non-college social houses, such as the Out-House, represented a unique form of social structure. One that would be easy to associate with a different house, student could choose to associate with people with whom they shared common aspects or the flavor of each different house. All the fraternities had their own distinct character, with the different types of people they were there to hang out with. The old system of fraternities and non-college social houses, such as the Out-House, represented a unique form of social structure. One that would be easy to associate with.

With the new College Housing System, students are offered one cookie-cutter family, with the chance to get to choose from a variety of interesting options. I think the system itself reflects a real tradition. This situation is intrinsically built into the system itself, with the arbitrary nature of membership. How can a house build a character and tradition if it is unable to select who can join? The answer is that it can't, and unless the system changes, the Bowdoin social scene will deteriorate into small groups of friends that will result from the tradition that the Bowdoin has. That is no longer the case, and I feel that the social life of Bowdoin students has gotten worse since I've been here.

Josh Weiner '00

I write this forum response with some sadness, for it may be my last one ever. You see, I graduate next year to see the world with a perspective on the very question that this forum poses. I believe that Bowdoin is a better place now than when I found it; I believe my ideas have improved the campus. But the true test will not be my effectiveness in redefining what the fraternities, the true test will be when I take my revolutionary ideas to cities and countries around the world. Will my message resonate with as much clarity in Bolivia, Bangladesh and as it did at Bowdoin? WILL NAKED BIKE RIDING INSPIRE CROSS CULTURALLY? Only time will tell.

Dan Farnbach '01

My answer to this would be qualified. One from my perspective as a Senior who has attended Bowdoin since the administration in regard to the Social House System, I'd have to say no. Bowdoin was a better place when I first entered. As before the new college housing system was implemented. I look back now, and feel that was actually more cohesive and community on campus among the different classes (freshmen, sophomore, junior, senior) than now. This move in administration who most wanted this social house system implemented it very badly... by an institution, and conveying the message that the upperclassmen 'didn't count' in the system, which was a great blow. As a junior upperclassman last year, I was very alienated by the social house system even though it was originally one system that ended up getting very badly burned because of the ineptness of some in the administration. I had a great deal of power in the system's success. No point in getting into that very long story here. Suffice it to say that some in admissions with an array of choices. Students could choose to associate with people with whom they shared common aspects or the flavor of each different house. All the fraternities had their own distinct character, with the different types of people they were there to hang out with. The old system of fraternities and non-college social houses, such as the Out-House, represented a unique form of social structure. One that would be easy to associate with a different house, student could choose to associate with people with whom they shared common aspects or the flavor of each different house. All the fraternities had their own distinct character, with the different types of people they were there to hang out with. The old system of fraternities and non-college social houses, such as the Out-House, represented a unique form of social structure. One that would be easy to associate with.
STUDENT SPEAK

Letters to the Editor

Columbine a tragedy, period

To the Editor:

This is a letter in response to last week's opinion article written by Pedro Salom. I would like to begin by saying that I have many problems with Mr. Salom's position on this issue. In fact, I find some of what he is saying to be not only absurd but also insensitive. I can see that his strong feelings about this matter are rooted in the suicide of his friend who was homosexual and for that reason, is wrong. I am sorry that Mr. Salom's friend committed suicide; truly it is a terrible waste of a life. But we are not talking about the general treatment of those who don't fit in or those who are ostracized because he or she is not appealing to the popular majority. The two young men who killed thirteen peers are an exception that goes way beyond being the unpopular kid at school.

The fact that these two young men were ostracized and abused at school is the tip of a very large iceberg. The bad problems that went way beyond anything we can understand (unless you have considered shooting your peers and blowing up your school). I am no expert in psychology, but I have known a good number of people of varying backgrounds and status on the social spectrum. These young men were not mentally sound. If Mr. Salom has read anything in the newspapers, this would be obvious. Mr. Salom mentioned that our society looks for an explanation, and I think I might have one.

He is right about scapegoating in the sense that immediately people identified the shooters as "Neo-Nazi" because they chose Hitler's birthday to attack. They were fans of the group Marilyn Manson, a less-than-mainstream band, as well. In regard to the NRA, availability of guns and the second Amendment, Mr. Salom is correct again. These kids were going to do whatever they were going to do regardless of whether or not guns were available. Yet, it is scapegoating that, in another form, is still being used to justify their actions. They were beat up, teased and maltreated. So they shot up the school? No. I don't think so. It is not the fault of the student body of Columbine High that these kids went to the extremes that they did.

I have no doubt that their parents ignored them. Instead of a hug they got a BMW or a stereo. They were obviously searching for identity and love that was absent in their families. So they turned to each other for a support system and the "Trenchcoat Mafia" was born. I have seen groups of friends like this before where because their family life lacks, they become each other's family. They identified themselves as one and no doubt rejected everything else. People, generally and even in high school, do not just beat people up for the hell of it. They are provoked in some cases. I am excluding hate crimes, of course. These young men wanted everyone to know that they were different. They resented those who did succeed and were popular because they were not. On the flip-side, the popular and successful kids resented those who did not fit in with them and antagonized them as well. In most circumstances, this is high school and for some of us, college. But does this justify slaughtering their peers?

Another possibility to consider is the dynamics within the group that led to this action. There was, as always, a ring leader. I might be wrong about the name, but Beliefe

it was Eric Harris who was the mastermind of this plan, and his plan, among others, was detailed in his diary. The others, out of fear of rejection from this group, went along even though they instinctively knew what they were doing was wrong. Within every group, even oppressed groups, there is a hierarchy and a leader. Enough of my ramblings through. Let's get to Mr. Salom's article. He writes, "To me, they were the real victims." Really. Let me enlighten Mr. Salom, if I may. The real victims are the parents and friends of all of these dead kids. They are the people who have to pick up and go on. So what if their kids were jerks. Kids are kids and we all, at one point or another, maltreated someone under some pretext. Now there is a difference between alienation and abuse. It can be hard to put up with someone's abuse but does the end result need to be death? Mr. Salom claims that for these two young men, death was the only option. He continues by saying, "The abuse they faced led them to believe that there was no alternative other than to take their own lives and take some of their abusers with them." I do not think the young man was damaged and it was not because he was beaten up by the school jock. The plan was so elaborate and premeditated that they had planned to take out everyone. After all, a teacher was shot and killed. What would he have done to the rest? It was so unbelievable that it warranted his death?

What disturbs me the most in this comment: "There are thousands, if not millions, of kids who face abuse every day in the hallways, locker rooms and cafeterias of our schools. Maybe now of them can say that their friend was the one who shot at an abuser and say, "Bang. You're dead." Is Mr. Salom for real???????? I understand that Mr. Salom hopes to prevent the tragedy at Columbine, that others will now think twice before abusing someone, but that comment is just ludicrous. To even suggest that this type of behavior be condemned or encouraged is insensitive to the families whose children died, regardless of whether or not they mistreated anyone. Maybe he is right about his friend possibly being alive today if he had been able to fight back, but sadly, I sincerely doubt it.

Mr. Salom goes on to say, "I have to speak for Eric and Dylan because they have lost their voices." Hey, they spoke louder in death than they ever could have in life. Yes, they had no other alternative but to lose their lives, because by doing what they did, they forever alienated themselves from society. Their actions were a choice made out of anger, hate, whatever you want to call it, but not desperation. Rigging explosives to propane tanks is a choice, not an alternative. Placing motion sensitive bombs underneath the bodies so they go off in the face of whoever turns the body over is a choice, not an alternative. Putting pipe bombs in bags of nails is a choice, not an alternative. Stockpiling assault weapons for over a year is a choice, not an alternative. Are you all with me? Everyone was picked on by someone in varying degrees in high school. I am not defending the abusers, but to call this a "victory" for those who put up with abuse is going a little too far. Mr. Salom is entitled to his opinion, of course and I respect that. Maybe if Mr. Salom has children in twenty or so years, he should re-read these articles and then call me up and tell me if he still considers kids like Eric and Dylan "victims" as his kids head off to school.

Heather Knowles '99

In Orient's past . . .

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REACH out and help

To the Editor:

Some of you may remember the good old days of the help desk in CIS. You could email or call and expect a reasonably quick reply to your plea for help. You did not have to break down and start screaming on your phone mail in order to elicit a response. There was also the side benefit that they could actually fix your machine.

But then someone came up with the brilliant idea to create a help desk that would address student needs. This new branch of CIS (which would soon be christened with the name REACH) would be run entirely by students. It would offer “friendly, professional and timely customer service.” I doubt that many people have actually experienced any one of those three. Just to give you a flavor for some of the services that REACH has provided, we would like to share some of the experiences of students we have spoken to.

For those of you who enjoy an ethernet connection from the comfort of your residence, the annual return to campus in the fall and setting up of your connection can be a frustrating event. But then you call REACH to talk to a friendly representative of REACH. You get their phonemail. So you leave a message assuming that someone will call you back in a reasonable amount of time.

A day passes—you figure that they are busy. A week goes by—calls have been made, so you assume that they are still understaffed and send another email. Two weeks—now you are starting to wonder, but by now, you have already solved the problem on your own. Finally, after a full four weeks, you return to your residence to discover a message on your phonemail—the person apologizes and said that they “misplaced” your messages.

Then there are the few examples where you actually do get to speak to a person in REACH within a reasonable amount of time. Your ethernet connection has suddenly stopped working and you would like to know why (especially considering how much you paid for the ethernet hardware). So you call x5050 and, surprise, surprise, someone actually answers the phone. This person (who actually is friendly) tells you a bunch of different things to try before suggesting you hold tight and help solve your problem. When it becomes obvious that none of the simple solutions will fix this one, he gives you the name and phone number of a REACH representative who is assigned to your residence hall—this person is supposed to come to your room and try to figure out the problem and what can be done to solve it. So you call and leave a message on this person’s phonemail. No one calls you back for a week. So you send an email, hoping that this will prompt a response.

Nothing. So you call back REACH and they promise to contact the person for you. Another week passes and finally the person calls you. So you try to set up a time for her to stop by and try to help you. But she tells you how busy she is and how much work she has to do (as if she is the only one taking classes) and that she will not be able to help until two weeks later. You give up and ask yourself, “what exactly are these people getting paid to do?”

How many times have you managed to crash your computer while you were reading email in elm? Then you try to boot back into your account and receive a lovely error message that tells you that you are not allowed to run two copies of elm simultaneously (because the network still thinks that you are using elm from the first time that you logged in). You know how to fix this problem—but you cannot remember the whole client command that allows you to do so. So you call REACH (you cannot email them because you cannot access elm) and leave a message. Then when you realize that you have a snowball’s chance in hell of getting an answer before you graduate, you start asking your friends, people you work with, random students who choose to walk by you in the public labs. Finally someone has the answer—you type in 
- (stands for remove) and the filename...and off you go, back to the wonderful world of elm.

Someone from REACH emails you a week later to give you that very same piece of information. If you cannot read your email, sending the “fix” for your problem over email probably will not help very much.

We hope that this will shed light on some of the problems with REACH. We do not deny that the idea of REACH—a help desk run entirely by students for students—is a very good idea. But the system needs a great deal of work. After about two years in existence, one would hope that they could have sorted out some of these problems. But the service is constantly slow and unexpected, so we would ask that the service procedures and policies of REACH be reviewed so that it can live up to its potential to serve the students of the Bowdoin community in a “friendly, professional and timely” manner.

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Bowdoin College dining employee continually and senselessly harassed by campus security officers

To the Editor:

Bowdoin is an organization that suffers from poor relations with its surrounding community. Administrators are seemingly concerned with so-called "town-gown" relations. For this reason, myself and other members of the Bowdoin track team had a difficult time understanding a story we heard from one of our favorite dining hall employees. This employee stated to us that she was often hassled by Bowdoin security when walking across campus, and that security even threatened to call the police if she continued to walk across campus. She further stated that when security didn't stop her, they made her feel extremely uncomfortable by watching her closely as if waiting for her to do something wrong. This simply doesn't make sense, and reveals a serious contradiction in the policies of this college. Bowdoin exists in Brunswick tax-free and as a result claims to, and should, administer every effort to make members of the Brunswick community feel comfortable within the confines of Bowdoin property. This courtesy should extend to members of all ages, sexes, colors, and creeds— and should especially be extended to a member who is also a college employee. The Bowdoin track team spends long hours in Wentworth often times remaining long after the dining hall has closed, and is treated with nothing but respect by the always helpful and hard working dining hall staff. Bowdoin attempts create as an open and free environment where students become to enjoy congenial relations with fellow students and members of the Bowdoin community. While Bowdoin is technically private property, this is not grounds for administrators and Bowdoin security to act arbitrarily and make policy not consistent with the Constitution, local laws, or even common logic. This story of senseless harassment directed towards a friendly and well-liked college employee illustrates a need for this college to examine discrepancies in the theory and actuality of its policies.

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The loss of a loved one and the passage of time

To the Editor:

Throughout the course of my life not once did I ever believe that life after death would be possible. I had always imagined what it would be like and how difficult it must be but not that I would ever have to deal with it. I think such a thing could be possible for me. But as I sit here and look back at all that I have experienced in the two years since the death of my father, I realize I have accomplished just that. It isn’t ever easy dealing with the loss of a loved one, no matter who you are. Nothing seems real at first, as though a certain numbness has suddenly seized your entire life. It’s a very painful experience but the real pain doesn’t even begin to strike you until you make the changes do. It’s when you realize how your life has become entirely different that the pain intensifies, finding quickly that it gets harder far before it gets any easier. Separation, conflict, anger, confusion, instability, and pain become an everyday part of your life as you try so hard to make the world the way it used to be before and you hold onto the past so tightly it’s impossible to let go.

As more time passes, though, you find things becoming a little bit easier. Not everything is as it was in the past but slowly you recognize the instability in your life is an important role in the development of the new person you have to become. When the day finally arrives where you accept this new part of your life and the changes that have occurred along the way, only then do you really feel at peace with yourself and the new world that surrounds you.

So, whenever my friends say to me, “I don’t know what I would do if I ever lost anyone close to me,” I always say, “you’re right” because you never really do know what you will do until you are placed in such a position. For many people it takes less time than it did for me, whereas for others it takes a great deal longer to come to terms with your new life and who you have become as a result.

Life is never easy and I must admit I am quite proud of the person I have become since my father passed away two years ago. I will say, though, that as much as I love who I am and all that I have accomplished, there isn’t a day that goes by that I wouldn’t give it all up to have him back in my life, even for just a minute or two.

Catherine Luce ’00

Seeing as it’s too late to solicit writers... Damn you for being worthless and not joining the Orient sooner.

Catherine Escamilla
Anti-discrimination petition "too complicated" for Edwards

By Larisa Renzik

The American Red Cross uses a questionnaire for everyone giving blood. The aim of the questionnaire is to eliminate people who have even the slightest potential of exposing blood recipients to any type of infection. Thus, people who have had body piercings within six months, people who have traveled to tropical countries within a certain timeframe and people who are intravenous drug users are disqualified. These questions are also helpful in reducing the cost of screening, because they reduce the amount of canisters that pose even the slightest risk.

There is one question, however, that is particularly disturbing. The question asks: "are you a person who has had sex with another male since 1977." If the answer is yes, a person is automatically disqualified from giving blood and put on a list of people who cannot give blood. There is also a question of whether you’re a woman who has had sex with a man who has had sex with another man since 1977. If the answer is yes, again this person cannot give blood.

What is interesting in such petitions is most likely to eliminate any potential risk, what is problematic is the criteria for what is considered a risk. According to the magazine gay and bisexual men. The Red Cross does not have a working definition of sex, whether it is recognized as sex or not is of no concern. While it is true that certain sexual practices expose people to a higher risk of contracting HIV than others, donor acceptance or rejection is sexual-orientation-specific rather than behavior-specific. It does not pose the question "are you a person who has had unprotected sex" or "are you a person who has had a specific type of sexual contact." Rather, this question is derived from the legal sort of stereotypical perception of what gay sex is, and also from the 80s lens of AIDS. The gay community was not allowed to take many steps to educate and protect themselves.

Thus, legally, in the heterosexual community, there’s still a stereotype that AIDS is a gay disease, and thus the levels of heterosexuals contracting HIV is increasing.

Final reflections on the quad

By Michael Meila

It’s past midnight, Wednesday, and on my way home from the library, I just took what I remember as one of my last walks through the quad. The air was warm and buoyant with mist, and the lanterns along the path stretching from the front door of Massachusetts Hall cast the kind of spherical glow that you rarely see outside of the College’s viewbook. I was struck at once by the melancholic beauty of the scene and a premature nostalgia for Bowdoin. I remembered similar trips my first year, when walking across the quad after a final exam’s end seemed lighter and the trip home was shorter. Back then, it didn’t bother me that I didn’t own the town. After all, I was a freshman, unburdened and naive. I assumed, though, that as I moved through the ranks, and certainly by the time I was a senior, I would have conquered the essence of Bowdoin. I would have experienced the College in some definitive sense that would make me feel entirely at home while strolling through the quad.

Yet tonight, a few weeks before my graduation, I still felt far from commanding that sense of possession. But beyond the palpable emptiness of the quad, I looked over at the brightly lit windows along the brick walls and the gentle hum of the noisily busy, but too busy doing other things to even think about Bowdoin, and I saw a light.

But instead, I will tell you about my own Bowdoin experience. Do bear with me; this is the first time I’ve ever written a column for the Orient. I’ve preferred to tell other people’s stories and make my suggestions from behind the anonymity of the editorial page. To be honest, I have always been partial to the columnists, but wanted to wait until I had really figured Bowdoin out before I made an appearance in this particular venue. And now, with one issue to go in my Orient career, convinced that I cannot peg Bowdoin within a ten inch column, might I suggest that nobody will ever entirely understand this College.

I came to the Orient my first year, seeking out something that seemed like a viable core of the community. (Several people, many of whom I have had the pleasure of conversing with this year, would disagree on that point, but that’s a whole other column.) Eventually I came to realize for myself, though, that the news gathering is not a hub, but an abstraction in and of itself.

Meanwhile, staying up all night Thursday’s I began to find the center of the Orient, just as those hundreds of first years I wondered about in the bricks have probably found their part within a part of Bowdoin. The Orient has been making runs to Dunkin’ Donuts at a.m., just in time for the fresh-made donuts, discovering new abilities to solve computer crises at a.m. and pumping through all with the same group of friends, frantically that I probably never would have made if not through the paper.

These experiences will be among the ones that I will associate with Bowdoin. Cranking out paper after paper on this time limited computer, pounding out countless trips up 95 in the IROC, saying that sweet statements at the air of Stills Hall, eating pizza, and procrastinating with friends. These are the things that I did and that I will remember.

The trouble with the quad is that it removes all of me the other all I could have done. On my walk home, I pass two students in bed and others, but somehow it seems to me that I am not talking about other kids that I have never met. I have no idea how many others are on the quad at the time, or how many can be seen as I leave. Lit windows tell me that people are still at work in the VAC, and music is coming out of a window in Appleton. People are everywhere defining Bowdoin for themselves.

By Dave Edwards

The talk of our community’s death as a political system pervades newspapers, magazines and discussions in government classes around the world. The lack of economic incentives, as well as the personal economic crisis of those dancing and starve, under past and present communist regimes has led most national leaders to adopt democratic and more economically liberal ideology. Even Mikhail Gorbachev, the former leader of the Soviet Union, has expressed interest in a “pizza hut” model in which he offered a group of young people slices of pizza. In gratitude for the pizza, the regime has gone on to proclaim: "Better a little democracy than 100% Gorbachev who made Pizza Hut possible." If creative and effective ever convinces Chinese President Jiang Zemin or Cuban President Fidel Castro to dress up as the Noid for a Domino’s Pizza commercial (though the red 帝国 Americans can finally celebrate communists’ fall. But many communist ideology simply has not been applied to the appropriate context. Though communism failed at the level of the nation-state, why couldn’t it work at Bowdoin College?

First, communism could solve one of the administration’s time-honored, unfaithful ideological dilemma. Communism could fulfill the administration’s desire to justify the implementation of a non-residential life program, the search for a new dean of academic affairs, or further recruitment in the dean of student affairs’ office. Bowdoin could also distinguish its four-year academic and extra-curricular experience from that of other colleges in the college association group. The administration could end its current practice of “participative budgeting” and gain real leverage over chronic departmental over spenders and student aid.

Of course, a new “Office of Public Safety,” “Security” to the old bourgeoisie would be outfitted with a powerful array of “smart” weapons to effectively implement the administration’s policy. The Communist Manifesto would serve as Bowdoin’s mission statement.

Second, communism would end socio-economic differentiation among the student body. No longer would students cruise around in Land Rovers or take spring break trips to Cancun. Instead, they would spend long hours in the sun on the quad planting cash crops for the administration. During the winter, they would work in the newly renovated Farley Field House “factory” producing cheap lobster keychains for Maine tourists. Instead of the bookstore, Professors in the economics department could examine opportunity cost systems. Communism would allow the productive capacity of the students. The bourgeois student would no longer find it necessary to appeal to the protection of the Democratic Republic of Bowdoin; all could speak up with a sense of true equality in class.

Communists must be able to communicate back into academic debate at Bowdoin by means of what the Chinese during the Cultural Revolution and “all of the struggles sessions.” During these debates, a member of the Bowdoin Community would be chosen at random to do the necessary duty of the community and communist ideology. Sitting, in the center of a crowded Smith Union, fellow students, faculty members, staff and the administration would ask questions specific points in “Das Kapital” or in any of Marx’s works. The various members of the faculty members could be those students “lacking proper commitment to the revolution” and would then take a bath of hard labor at the Coastal Studies Center.

Of course, this article misses many other potential benefits of a communist Bowdoin College. For example, the collective spirit of communism would strengthen the personal bond between all members of the community: student, professor and administrator alike. In addition, faculty would be substantially less wary with the students that they knew they received the same amount as everyone else. Thus, Bowdoin’s potential for solving the problems demand the communist solution.

Dave Edwards is a disgruntled senior.

As a result of this, a petition was drawn up to be sent to the FDA to encourage reconsideration of this question.

On Wednesday morning, when several students tabled at the Union, flashed President Edwards to sign the petition as he was walking by. As I was explaining the nature of the petition, he said, "that's too complicated. I would have to read that," and walked away. The petition itself consists of one paragraph of reading. I felt frustrated that we couldn’t even read President Edwards’ attention let alone support, for two minutes. Student support has been invaluable. Many stopped in to express their hope and hope that the policy will change.

Blood donation is an extremely important act, and I will continue to do so. I am in no way advocating censure of blood donation. What I am saying is that the rules and criteria for "risk y people" and allow more healthy people to donates blood. Information and the petition is attached at the Smith Union Information Desk.

Larisa Renzik is a first year; but she’s managed to overcome that.
Calling Dr. Kevorkian: a critique of CIS

By Doug Fleming

Upon my graduation, I would like to leave this school with one tidbit of parting advice. Please call Dr. Kevorkian and put our computer systems out of their misery. What if you have witnessed over the past four years at the hands of the College’s Computing and Information Services department has been nothing short of a total disaster.

Let’s start with last week’s CH Bobyn/virus. A plethora of Bowdoin students, in the midst of term papers and final exams, experienced the digital equivalent of Ebola at the hands of this school’s computer network. The Bowdoin network, which had once hosted this virus to student-after-student-after-student. On April 26th, 1997, there are six bowdoin students and/or faculty members lostentine hard disk space due to the virus. They happened to attach their PC to the Bowdoin college computer network. Yet, CIS will not admit that its own network caused the problem. How do I know it is?

I have several computers that are not connected to the Bowdoin network, all running the latest copy of Norton AntiVirus. Two weeks prior to April 26th, I used a disk that had been used on Bowdoin college lab computers. Norton immediately detected the virus. I cleaned the disk and then called CIS to report that school computers were infected with the CH Bobyn/virus. Nothing was done, because at 12:00 AM on 4/26/97, the PC meltdown began.

Second, CIS handled the situation in a horrendous manner. The virus struck at 12:00 AM. It took CIS 14 hours and 35 minutes to warn people not to turn on their PC’s for it was only at 2:35 in the afternoon that a campus-wide e-mail was sent to all students. At that time, most students would already have been infected.

Within two days later, CIS sent a campus-wide e-mail telling students unaffected by the April 26th epidemic supposedly how to fix their PCs. For many students, the “solution” did not work.

Third, there are five more viruses lurking on the Bowdoin network, each waiting to either create a frenzy or major havoc. Again, my personal copy of Norton AntiVirus detects them all. On 4/28/97, CIS said in an email: “Additionally, CIS has negotiated a sitelicense for F-Proect,” anti-virus program. If this is true, why aren’t the five additional viruses on the lab computers removed yet? My version of Norton is still detecting the F-Proect.

The latest version of F-Proect should too, as they are common viruses. There is no telling how many problems—in addition to the CH bobyn meltdowns—have resulted from these viruses. For example, on a recent personal note, I went to print a series of pages in the computer labs at 8:00 AM on (Summer, 1997)

- Experienced frequent network failures and system crashes—enough to make any commercial internet service provider run out of business.
- Failed to add dial-in ports for off-campus students. As of now, nearly every other College and University in America provides such services to its students. Bowdoin, unfortunately, does not, despite the big tuition bills we pay and the large donations that they receive/offers. Off-campus students must pay twenty dollars per month for an outside internet provider.
- Allowed the occurrence of incessant individual e-mail mishandling and failure, with so much noticing the problem.
- Failed to provide adequate security to student e-mail and faculty computer accounts.
- More than one occasion, people have been able to break into the school computing system and wreak havoc. Personally, I have noticed security holes in a lab computer.
- If I wanted to do so, I could break the system in ten minutes and not be noticed.
- Ladies and Gentlemen, these are not small issues. These are major structural deficiencies that will ultimately cause severe problems for Bowdoin College I suggest a thorough review of the performance of CIS and the Bowdoin network. Outside providers, like IEEE and other networks of which I have used, do not have 1/50th of the problems I have witnessed at Bowdoin College. I hear the reader with one final question.

If six people can keep mail, news, and web servers running at GWI with six-thousand users, (and that includes all the support, which Bowdoin doesn’t have to do), why can’t twenty people keep the students and faculty connected for a college of approximately twenty thousand?

Doug Fleming is a senior.

Wake up, Bowdoin!

By Hugh Hill

For those of you brave enough to consistently read what I have to say on these pages, you will know what I’m talking about. For those lacking such fortitude (or actually possessing a life), I often try to stir up a little controversy or debate with most of my pieces. By offering different ideas, opinions and criticism, I hope to try to shake people into maybe, just maybe, quitting the apathy that way we can make things. This is all aimed at bringing to life that elusor creature, debate.

Debate is useful and helps us clearly lacking from the student body. People are unwilling to debate, or lack the interest in debating/confronting issues at Bowdoin. Part of this is definitely the tyranny of political correctness. This ill-guided movement has served to codify and regulate thought, word, and deed. Under the slogans of “diversity,” “freedom” and “open-mindedness,” a new absolutism based on the Orwellian “big-lie” principle is created. One has the freedom to talk, think and act in one uniform, codified way; espousing diversity and open-mindedness while not tolerating discourse of the non-liberal ilk. Many consider it not worthwhile to express a dissenting opinion, especially when they run the risk of being ostracized for being different.

But the stifling effect of PC is not alone the cause of the lack of debate on campus. It seems to be heavily rooted in our “Bubbling,” which stands isolated from much of the outside world (even that a hundred yards away on Maine St.). This is not to dismiss apathy which plays a key role in our lack of debate.

So what? Many people have been so kind in the past to write to me about everything that I’m saying right now. However, what I ask you to do is merely to express your opinion in this piece. If you feel that something I or someone else says offends you, write back to the Orient and explain why you take umbrage with the person’s views. Don’t just sit there! Make yourself heard. Respond to what you see and hear. If you disagree, please feel free to say us why. Because only through unfiltered discussion can the best truths be arrived at.

Hugh Hill is a first year.
Looking at the Tibetan conflict through photography and video

Christine Lehmann
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"It is hard for anyone to clearly explain what is happening in Tibet today," said photographer Kevin Bulski. "The delicate balance of an agricultural society has been fractured by the overwhelming influences of Communist China. The 1960s have seen a distinct Tibetan culture that seemed to have all but disappeared before the 1960s and the present day, beginning to re-emerge—but why? Is the 'Cultural Renaissance' of Tibet merely an exercise enacting the Chinese to give the country an appearance of order, peace and freedom? How do the native Tibetans feel about this influence?"

Kevin Bulski successfully complicated and left unanswered all of the above questions, as well as many more inquiries regarding the ever-present concerns in today's Tibet. His lecture on Monday encouraged controversy that stemmed from already present and penetrating questions; yet, it wasn't his words that puzzled the viewers. It was Bulski's portrayals of Tibet that interested and sound that simultaneously averted and beguiled a captive audience.

Bulski began his presentation with a series of black and white photographs, each capturing a different aspect of a culture too complex to understand in a brief one-and-a-half-hour discourse. Because he has been visiting the country for over ten years, the photography aptly demonstrated that the perspective from which Bulski was working moved beyond a superficial observation of Tibet. Bulski's work was effective in its honesty, its personal touch and its incredible ability to reach the viewers.

By the time Bulski began his work in April 1987, Tibet had already become greatly assimilated in Chinese culture. China had occupied the small country for over 30 years, and very little remained of what had once been a richly diverse culture. Images of prayer flags, people hanging on to cherished photographs of the Dalai Lama and devotees pedaling in prayer displayed a desperate attempt to hold on to what little the Tibetans could salvage from the ruins of their past civilization. Many of these pictures were taken in the so-called Tibetan ghettos within the center of the country's larger cities, the areas where traditional ways can be seen most prominently. In recent years, China has allowed for religious pilgrimages to worship at the few remaining stupas and monuments of devotion, creating a steady stream of devout sojourners. Monks have been given permission to beg outside these holy structures in a move to collect money for the rebuilding of the 15-15,000 monasteries that have been destroyed during the last half century of Chinese occupation. Bulski's photographs truly captured these key moments in history as they unfolded first-hand before him. With the present Chinese tightening of religious controls throughout Tibet, such images can rarely be seen in the present day.

The negative influences of China and the West on the country of Tibet became apparent through the slides. Pictures showed main roads lined with karaoke bars, shopping complexes, bright lights and prostitution houses. The young men focused their attention on alcohol, cigarettes and pool tables. Stoves were filled with Westernized clothing, dresses, dressed on male and female Caucasian mannequins. Children would be playing on an empty playground, draw the ditch except for the aging pair of basketball hoops. The sense of emptiness and confusion that filled these visibly busy scenes created an atmosphere that simultaneously drew in and frightened the viewers.

Bulski proceeded from his collection of photographs to a video entitled Seven Days in Tibet. The movie seemed to present the congregation with even more dilemmas regarding the situation in Tibet. In the entire length of the film, there were not more than a few sentences uttered by the figures that passed by on the screen. The bright colors of the Tibetans' clothing moved at different speeds before the viewers' eyes as the natives participated in horse races, in various dances and in song. Between each individual performance, a division of the Chinese military would march by in formation, attempting to impress the more silent audience with their drills. Bells on homes and cattle as well as the beautiful melodies of people's voices made the air thick with sound. The "fruits of modernization" seen in the bright billboards, Chinese vendors selling soft porn and the blowing smokestacks gave a sense of the harsh realities faced by the natiens of Tibet.

It was unclear for the duration of the film exactly what was taking place before the viewer. Were these people singing native Tibetan music and dancing to native Tibetan songs? Were they dressed in traditional fashion? Had they learned to accept the sight of Chinese military drills at a peaceful gathering? How much of these scenes were influenced by the Tibetans themselves? Not one of these queries could be easily answered. In fact, Bulski himself pointed out that the main concept behind his project was to portray the conflict within present day Tibet by creating doubt and bewilderment within the audience. The double entendre within Bulski's presentation left a sense of wonderment, amazement and discomfort amongst the gathering.

The culmination of photography and video in Bulski's lecture gave a candid yet still narrow view of the wide spectrum of problems presented in the clash of the Tibetan and Chinese cultures. As China now tries to re-build and modernize Tibet in its own perception, the native Tibetans must find a way to keep their society, culture and religion intact. The overwhelming ambiguity of the presentation effectively presented these dilemmas and raised further questions so that the audience was left to fathom the innumerable possibilities of the future of Tibet.

The interview went well; at one point Andy showed Jon the proper way to, uh, drink from a straw. (Lindsay Sznajek/Bowdoin Orient)
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the piece "self portrait," an oil on canvas, the image of Paeuper is reflected over half of the canvas, as though he were looking in a mirror. Paeuper likes to emphasize reflections in his work because he believes they provide the viewer with a glimpse of the world outside this which allows the viewer to dig his own conclusions about the piece. For ex- ample, in his piece "eye objects," a study in black and white, Paeuper painted sunglasses wich reflect images from the outside world. In his piece "iron boots," an oil on canvas, the various and gradient shades of yellow, along with the life reflections of the piece, are striking. "Kimiko," perhaps the most effect- 
ive piece of his exhibition, portrays with beautiful detail and texture a woman and her reflection, so it appears as though she is staring into herself.

In his exhibition "Another Brick," Lief Olson features charcoal pieces along with oil on canvas. These additional charcoal pieces in his exhibition features a series of bricks pieces. "Bricks during Day #1" and "Bricks during Day #2," both oil on canvas, consist of brightly colored, concrete images, while "Bricks at Night #1" and "Bricks at Night #2," both of which are also oil on canvas, utilize darker colors and shadows.

Janet Beagley's exhibition features photographs from Botswana and Kent Island. Also featured were photos during an independ- ent study this semester. Beagley's photos feature people, nature and people interacting with nature. In her writing about and exploring environments that differ visually, and also, the relationship between people and their environment. One of the most striking compulsions of her exhibition are the photographs of her "Children, I-VI" series, which consists of photos of children from Barcelona, Brunswick, and Gaborone, Botswana. In this series of photos, despite the different environments and races represented, each child seems to radiate in- nocence and vibrance. Beagley captured the essence of each child and, in preparing children from around the world, demonstrated the universal character of children. The series "Fish 1-V" features dead, raw fish from around the world. Fish from The Portland Fish Ex- change, Barcelona, Brunswick, and Kent Is- land are all represented. Also particularly effective is the series "Smile I-III," which features a smiling mother and her two children in Botswana, a smiling young bride from Vermont, and a male store clerk from Brunswick.

Several different media are featured in Chris Reed's exhibition. "Male Torso Study" and "Female Torso Study" are both oil on canvas pieces, along with "Harvest Friends," which features vegetables.


Jessica Tallman's exhibition consists of both photos and some oil on canvas. In the photo "Wolf's Neck," a father, mother and child are featured. The child's candid expression and the parents' reactions to the child are priceless, and Tallman captures these expressions effectivly. In "Mom," the black back- ground offsets the clear image of a woman's contemplative face. "Begonia," an oil on canvas, captures the eye with its striking shades of pink against a clear green stem.

Several other seniors have exhibited their works earlier in the year, and regretfully, we were unable cover these exhibitions. How- ever, we would also like to extend our congratulations to all seniors who have exhibited their art. In visiting the current exhibition at the Visual Arts Center, the commitment and talent of the senior artists is apparent.

A& E, a year in review

ANNA DORNBUSCH, A& E EDITOR

Another year at Bowdoin is coming to an end. As the closing of this school year, so must the era of Jon and Anna, A& E co- editors, come to a temporary halt. When Jon and Anna decide on the first day of the semester to experiment with a new format for next year's A& E section, drafting initia- tives, constructively criticizing, envisioning the world of A& E, covered about the arts and entertainment culture at Bowdoin this past year.

While performances such as The Capital Steps, Busta Rhymes, David Dorfman Dance, and most recently, Ben Foldes Five and Dar Williams were exciting additions to campus life, some of the most striking and entertain- ing performances at Bowdoin have been by our very own students. From a capella to folk to classical, our campus reverber- ates with musical energy and talent.

Miscellania once again soothed our souls with their dulcet and melodious voices, while the Meddies rocked our souls with their exult- erance and jovial stage presence. First year Jaime Baird made her Bowdoin debut, awakening the crowd with her honest lyrics and spirited voice, while Soreuil continually packed the packed house on their feet with the Meddies. Three Thieves demonstrated that Bowdoin men do have soul with a superb combination of music, dance and humor. Lead singer Connor McDonough with his flashy shades, deep voice and energetic rendition of "Ain't Going to Give You None My Cherry Balls," made the ladies' hearts beat a little faster.

After the club music groups, along with the Bowdoin Orchestra and Concert Band, performed. The Chamber Choir embarked on a European tour, while the chorus re- cently traveled to New York City and per- formed at a huge crowd at St. Patrick's Cathedra-

formed fall semester and also this spring, Vague, our student run dance group, along with the department of theater and dance, delivered shows filled with variety and talent. The most recent show, students danced in wax paper costumes, manipulated rubber balls, dressed up to hip hop and jumped into the crowd with striking imagery. Miscellania and Vague, along with Bowdoin's recently formed hip-hop dance group, combined their talents to perform last week to a crowded Smith Union. Students demonstrated their musical talent along with a sense of adventure in the spring performance of the musical, Pippin.

WBOR, the campus' (according to Jon) greatly underappreciated radio station, brought renowned indie rock band The Mag- netic Fields to Bowdoin. Bands have battled, fashion has been shown, and most recently, money was raised for a good cause during Bear AIDS while students enjoyed a day of continuous music on the Quad. On the sunny Saturday of Bear AIDS, Dar Williams was greeted by a large crowd of students who, singing along and dancing to Dar's soulful music, couldn't help but move. Thanks that many college is all about.

Currently, five seniors are displaying their work in the gallery. A student's work in the gallery while Adam Zimmam '00 has photographs on display at Scarlelt Begonia. And let us not forget the Tappings, unorganized students that lurk behind every comer of this campus. There is the student who can occasionally be seen at the top of the hill with his bag pipes on Maine Street, an artist sitting on the Quad, sketching a scene, or a student sitting in a dorm room and painting a meticulous Woods Hathaway. Having stated my piece, I must say to those who insist Bowdoin students lack initiative and energy, call us out of tune, off beat or washed out, just don't call us apathetic.

Rave Reviews for Wild Kingdom

"Come for the seat. Stay for the show." - Brunswick Chiropractors

"A real show. Really. Even if it's only half an hour." - Friends of the Author

"Wild Kingdom delicately probes the line between man and beast. So come! Be probed!" - Protological Veterinarians

"It's Adam. It won't be funny. But you go to support." - Robert Young, International Rabbinical Association

A glimpse of the crazy happening that was the Jaguar House. Man, these cats partied like it was a... save. Good times! (Courtesy of someone who was there)

Jaguar House erupts on Ivises

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CONTRIBUTOR

This past weekend, the usually serene (bor- ing) Jaguar House campus engaged in the de- based orgy of self-destruction that is Ivis weekend. However, at a campus which in the Eighties was renamed up and down the Eastern seaboard for its outrageous, beer- sgujed festivals of sin, things just ain't the same. In an effort to improve school rank- ing, the administration has ushered out the era of the fraternity basement stocked with keys (multiple, cheap and domestic), leaving the students of the Nineties to founder in the void between social establishments. The cur- rent issue of apathy on this campus can be directly attributed to this lack of a unifying bond among the student body. In the age of the fraternities, students better know their places in the Bowdoin social structure; now, this structure eliminated, a new structure needs to be built, a new social scene must replace the old. This Saturday, at the unlikely location of the Tower's Daggett Lounge, the first in a long line of steps was taken towards a solution to this problem.

Under the moniker "Jaguar House," the Tower was host to an event of extraordinary magnitude. Josh Sandler '01 deserves our gratitude. With reluctant help from the office of Residential Life, Joshiah threw togerher a progressive dance music event the likes of which this campus has not seen before. It is not that others have not tried to kick- start the flat line of the Bowdowla social scene. In past years Christopher "Topb" Nemeyer '98 applied the paddles of house music to the lifeless chest of this campus with some suc- cess. Without his efforts, Jaguar House would not have been the great success many witnessed on Saturday. It was fitting that he returned from the great wide world to per- form keyboard during the funky LF Sound set which closed the show. Along with his partner, Michael Montgomery confidently overeating the beats from behind the wheels of steel, the Philhaly-paired pair cared the
"Josiah's opus?"

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happy and energetic crowd into a frenzy. Eyewitness accounts described people screaming, whiskies blaring and irresistible smiles all around.

Before this explosive climax by P.S. Souza, Boston's own Matt "Dee" Dwyer and Brandon Coy performed formidable sets. This pair displayed amazing professional skill and programming acuity. Their polished, blending sets built up the emotion of the crowd as the high energy of their tunes made the Maine air seem a little less like Brunswick and a little more like London.

The quality of the music had a direct effect upon the mood of the night. People were not just occupying space per se, the usual, within their comfortable cliques. They were interacting, bumping to the sounds of the underground dance scene in a place notorious to this point only for a wicked "make-your-own sundae" bar twice a month. In this mass of people, I had no problem receiving instant feedback from the revelers. A wild-eyed W. Christopher Lee '00 related the following: "This is the first of school sponsored events which I have attended where people have actually enjoyed themselves. It's amazing what one person can do to benefit the whole, this is Josiah's opus." Anthony Dalseth '01 called Jaguar House "A very special night, it has broken down barriers between students...This is a good time for people not to be afraid to be themselves."

A mysterious character who would only identify himself to me as "Zak from Connecticut" took a less touchy-feely approach when I asked for his response to the event.

Over the six eighteen-inch subs I barely made out what sounded like: "The hollowed halls of Jaguar House is currently drilling these lily white boys in the A&E! I apologize for any possible misquote, Zak, but I think your message survived despite the background noise."

Hannah Abara '00 had nothing but positive things to relate about the night. "This is something that had to be done...it's been a long time since something like this has been done...it's the type of thing that if you missed it you would have regretted it...it was tons of people, from both in and out of the school, that does not happen often." Abara continued to talk about the timing of the party, calling Josiah's idea to have the party on '99 "ambitious, but really good...these two nights everybody has dropped everything and acted completely carefree...he could not have picked a better time."

When the thing was all said and done, the quote which best summed up the night comes from Brandon Coy, spotted dropping his science at an off-campus after-party. "I met a lot of cool people tonight," Coy stated as the sun began to peak its corona over the horizon. Hopefully, the relationships formed Saturday night can be built upon for future events. As a socially retarded Bowdoin stargazers into the new millennium, perhaps the driving siren's call of disco derived four to the floor beats can save us and those after us from nights spent in beer-soaked, stank-suffocating basements listening to Eighties rock.

Mattheo Bivioni '00 daydreams of turning Smith Union into a multi-million dollar nightclub.

Last night the Atrium hosted 238 Maine's Talent show, which undoubtedly showcased some of Bowdoin's most talented individuals. One can only wonder, however, how these people (and the plethora of people in the audience) found the time to attend this event, as the editors of the A&E section find themselves completely loaded down with work.

While we would have loved to have been present at this event, we are committed to producing what is arguably the greatest Arts and Entertainment section of all time (or perhaps, more accurately, that is the greatest A&E section to presently be found in this fine publication). Nevertheless, we would like to congratulate all the performers at the show, and demonstrate our envy to those who were fortunate enough to do something other than work last night. But, of course, there is no bitterness. None at all.

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May 7

**Theater (8:00 p.m.)**
Honors project performance of "Oleanna," directed by David Mamet. Sponsored by the department of theater and dance. The Theater Project, 14 School Street, Brunswick.

**Lecture (4:00 p.m.)**
Robert Eriksen of the University of Houston delivers a talk titled "Are Voters Rational?" He is an expert in political behavior and methodology and is one of only ten living members of the American Political Science Review Hall of Fame. Hubbard Hall, Conference Room West.

**Art (4:00-8:00 p.m.)**
"Figurescapes," an exhibition documenting the Egan form through vintage and contemporary prohitrs, nude, and documentary photographs by photographers such as Tom Adams, Annie Liebovitz, Reed Masielli, Lucien Clergue, Jock Sturges, and Susan Meiselas, among others. Radiant Light Gallery, 142 High St, Suite 315, Portland.

**Reminisce**
Although by the time this issue comes out the Museum Steps performance will have already taken place, we were supposed to cover the event. However, we didn't. To make up for our lack of an article, let's take all some time to reminisce about how much we enjoyed the performance. Wasn't that Laura Blakely '01 the best in Fantasy?

May 8

**Music (7:30 p.m.)**
The Bowdoin Chamber Choir and the Bowdoin Chorus perform in a joint concert. Robert Greenleaf, associate professor of music, and Anthony Antonini direct their respective groups. Go see Jenny Freidlich, among other great students, sing their hearts out. The Chapel.

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**Film (7:30 p.m.)**
The Bowdoin Film and Video Society presents Steven Spielberg Weekend, which begins with this evening's showing of Close Encounters of the Third Kind. All we have to say on this one is, mashed potatoes, baby. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

**Film (9:30 p.m.)**
The Bowdoin Film and Video Society's Steven Spielberg Weekend continues with The Color Purple. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium.

May 9

**Happy Mother's Day!**
(To my mom: I love you.)

**Music (4:00 p.m.)**
Repeat performance by the Bowdoin Chamber Choir and the Bowdoin Chorus. If you missed this performance on Saturday, this is your lucky weekend because you now have another chance to hear Jenny Freidlich, along with many other talented Bowdoin students, perform. The Chapel.

**Go to Hawthorne Longfellow Playground**
The most extensively well-equipped playground across the street from Howard Hall. Go for a ride on the swings, and if the elementary kids laugh at you, ignore them and keep swinging. Then, go and perform acrobatics on the monkey bars to show the kids how cool you really are.

**Visit Photo Exhibition**
The Orient's very own Adam Zimman curates a photographic work on display at The Bohemian Coffeehouse. Run down, get a cup of joe, and admire Adam's photographic skills. The Bohemian Coffeehouse. Maine Street, Brunswick.

**Seminar (4:00 p.m.)**
Jang Seunah, "How Has Mother Teresa Changed My Life?" presented by Father Hill McIntyre, Maryknoll missionary to the indigenous peoples of Northern Bangladesh. Sponsored by the department of religion. The Visual Arts Center, Beam Classroom.

**Last Day of Classes**
In case anyone failed to look at their school calendar, it's over. Baby. Classes officially end today. Enjoy yourself on the quad for a bit tribal peoples of N-Boor, Bangladesh. Sounded to by the department of religion. The Visual Arts Center, Beam Classroom.

**Relax (5:00 p.m.)**
You worked hard all day, and now, you deserve a little break. It's important to find balance, even during reading period, so that one does not burn out by the time exams roll around. Enjoy a leisurely meal with friends and prepare yourselves for the emotional rollercoaster we like to call Party of Five.

May 10

**Utilize Brunswick and Surrounding Area Day**
Although it's not that, with impending finals and the end of the year, anyone is sitting in their room twiddling their thumbs, it is my job to provide you with entertainment options if you so choose to partake. I know of nothing occurring on campus today, so... (To be continued)

**Independent study project, "Wild Kingdom," directed by Adam Blackman. Our very own Jon Knapp is participating in this performance. He is responsible for the sound. Go Jon, go. Work the sound booth. The Pub.

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May 11

**Reading Period Begins**

**Finals**
I realize that, in planning your Thursday night activities, you may, due to routine, pencil in a time to stop by The Orient and deliver some lovin' in the form of food, beverages, or verbal compliments and physical affection, but remember, it's over folks. No more Orient. The lovin' will have to wait until the fall.

**Reading (5:00-9:00 p.m.)**
Set that alarm, jump out of bed, take a shower, get dressed, eat some Wheaties, don't walk, but run to H.A.L., or Hatch for the atrium and crack open those books, uncaps those pens, sort those notecards, type those paragraphs, memorize those facts, theorize those theories, wear those brains, then...

**Read (5:00-9:00 p.m.)**
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**Party O'Five (9:00 p.m.)**
Oh God, Dafny's back, and she's back strong. Will she want Diana back? What will Charlie do? Is the flame really dead? Julia continues to explore her sexuality, and thus, this show continues to gain a new male viewer. So what do you say about dear, sweet, naive, Claudia. Where is Owen?

May 12

**Howard 3rd Floor Ladies Day**
Who are the funniest, sweetest, smartest, baldiest, and, okay, cutest girls around? That's right, the 3rd Floor of Howard Hall. Meet them, women. If you have the pleasure of knowing one of these ladies, buy her flowers because, they on the 3rd Floor like flowers and deserve them. Phenomenal women, they are.

**Good-bye Mike, Aaron and Christian**
Mike is on to bigger and better things, Aaron is off to Cambridge, and Rob Howard Christian will see Rome. Under superb leadership, business management, and opinion editing, espresso and Cheez-It, it's been a "strong" year. We'll miss you, guys.

May 13

**Congratulations Class of '99**
If you have some extra time on your hands next year, you're looking for something to do, Jon and I will be back on the job next fall, and we can always use some A&E writers...
The spring season is all about the 2000-meter sprint, and coming into the Championships, Bowdoin had met with success in the event. Head coach Schwartz's women's boat had four very strong crews in Amherst, Middlebury, Holy Cross and WPI. The Bowdoin men were not given a top seed in the qualifying race and were not expected to medal. In what was expected to be a toughest qualifying heat with Franklin Pierce, Tufts, UMass- Amherst, Trinity and Holy Cross, the Bowdoin men separated themselves early as one of the two dominant crews in the morning race. Stroke Dave Thomas '90 set a solid pace, while the engine room of Ben Martin '99 and Will Colvin '00 provided the raw power and Will LoVerme '02 was in the bow, just trying to keep up. We finished in second place, seven seconds off Holy Cross, and qualified for the Grand Final. The Grand Final was seeded as expected, with Middlebury, Holy Cross, Amherst, and WPI in the favorable middle lanes. Bowdoin and UVM were stuck with the outside lanes. The entire season was at stake and only a medal would be acceptable. The starting commands at 4:12 signaled the beginning of the most important seven minutes of our rowing careers and our Maureen "Mo" Wynne '99 gave us the commands. Early in the race, WPI separated themselves, but four crews were battling for silver and bronze. Bowdoin fell behind at the halfway point, and were two spots out of a medal coming into the sprint.

Mo calmly told us that we were behind and that this was it, the final race of Ben's career and the goal of our entire season. Thomas took up the stroke rating, and the boat followed in sync. Heads up, legs driving, and I stopped hearing Mo. It did not matter that Middlebury had defeated us twice, or that Holy Cross had defeated us 12 times that morning. It did not matter that we were behind, because, according to Colvin, we have been the fastest for the last 24 hours. Colvin was out to prove that he was better than everyone else on the water. And Ben Martin, looking as calm as ever and showing why he is the leader of this team, simply took the top 20 hardest strokes of his life.

We crossed the finish line and slowly lifted our heads to see the other boats. There was no way to tell who had medaled. It was obvious that we had rowed through Middlebury, but Holy Cross and Amberton were too close to call. Colvin screamed at Mo, "Did we do it? Did we win?" My said she didn't know, so we sat for the next two minutes. Then, over the silent Quinsigamond lake, one of the words, "Bowdoin, please row up to the medal dock." Beating Holy Cross by 58/100 of a second, Bowdoin medaled 3rd in the closest race of the day.

The Bears' season was a breakthrough performance for theBowdoin Crew program and it was a great final race for the seniors. With the novice men undefeated in competition thus far, and three returning on the men's boat, next year looks to be just as promising.

The members of the first varty women's boat and first varty men's boat take a moment to show off their shiny medals. (Courtesy of the Crew team.)

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SARAH JENNESS STAFF WRITER

For the first time ever, the women's lacrosse team has earned a spot in the NCAA Division III Championship.

After fourteen games in the regular season, the women fell only once, to Middlebury College, closing out the regular season with an impressive 13-1 record. Bowdoin heads into the championship, which is led by the College of New Jersey, the fourth seed, followed by Middlebury and William Smith Colleges.

Going into the Championship, co-captain Brooke Goodfield '99, Adrienne Gray '00 and Heather Haves '00 led the team in scoring, with 54, 51 and 59 points, respectively, for the season. These players are not alone, however, as they have a strong team following closely behind them. Each team member has scored at least once during the season. Other forces have been senior co-captain Kristen Doughty and Laila Byers '99.

Coach Nicky Pearson said earlier in the season that she was particularly pleased to have "some really skilled players and a strong freshman class that has given [the team] a lot of depth."

The defensive line of Polars Bears has proven equally strong. Senior sisters Molly and Gretchen Sarfield and Julie McCombs '02 have been strong agents throughout the season, combining to allow only 6.08 goals per game. McCombs herself has garnered 116 saves for a percentage of .794.

Doughty said on Wednesday that the team has a great attitude going into the Championship game against Amberton College, which will be held at Pickard Field on Sunday at 1 p.m.

"We're very confident in our abilities coming away from the Trinity game with a great win. We enjoy playing together and work well as a team," she said. As far as preparation goes, Doughty says that the team is perhaps strongest mentally. "We are very tight and we are good at each game as it comes. We will go on the field and have fun, just as we have done all season.

The team has made substantial progress from its 5-7 record last season. Doughty attributes the success to teamwork and mental attitude. "We have a strong work ethic and are a team out there working for every one of our wins," she said.

Additionally, Doughty says both head coach Pearson and assistant coach Kara Silsby have helped him "helping us to believe in ourselves this season and to believe in our team."

Post will be sorely missed

PATRICK FLEURY CONTRIBUTOR

The Men's Tennis season began after a terrifying plane ride aboard Southwest Airlines with a Spring Break trip to sunny Virginia and Hilton Head, South Carolina. With the addition of "freshman sensation" Tom Comin and the world renowned BALD MAYO to be played between Shigeki Mani '01 and Earl Gillespie '00, the team was eager to reach their destination. As always, it was a trip that the Bears welcomed after having three weeks of 6 a.m. practices. Over Spring Break, the Bears established a 2-2 record, with losses to two nationally-ranked teams, Averett and Washington and Lee, and wins over Hobart and nationally-ranked University of the South. As the Bears prepared to return to campus, the season looked promising, and captains Tyler Post '99 and Patrick Fleury '00 believed that the Bears could obtain their second NCAA bid in the last three years.

Prior to the start of the season, the Bears' were ranked fourteenth in the East and by mid-season had risen to six. This was largely due to the strong play of Chris Laurery '01, making his first appearance for the Bears at the number-six singles position.

Further improving the doubles unit, during the collision of the Adams 'San Diego Sun' Schwartz '01 had earned a ranking of five in the East in mid-season. After Schwartz's 'San Diego Sun' season took a turn for the worse—a loss to Bates. The fast courts and the loss of the doubles point were too much for the Bears to overcome.

Schwartz suffered a heartbreak loss at the number-one position in a third-set tiebreaker.

After the Bates loss, the Bears rebounded to beat Tufts in a match that stretched into the wee hours of the morning. Jeff Costin and Peter Withers's bow with their strength and speed kept the Bears in the game.

The Bears entered the season with only one All- New Englander, senior David Adams. Adams went on to score the singles point, which clinched the victory for the Bears over Bates, 6-3, 6-1, 6-1. After Adams had won, the Bears fell in two of the four remaining singles matches and two of the four doubles matches.

The Bears entered the season with only one All-Bowdoin singles final last year between Gilberg and Fleury, bragging rights were on the line. Yet the famed match-up did not occur as Schwartz defeated Fleury in the finals 6-3, 6-1, 6-1.

As the season came to a close, the Bears were reluctant to see Tyler Post, four year letter winner and two year captain, depart the squad. He will be sorely missed both on and off the court for his leadership and charisma.
Members of the All-Orient Team

Sarah Buckley '00 led the volleyball team in setting this last fall. Buckley was one of the main reasons the team enjoyed a 15-14 record for the season.

Mike Carosi '02 was honored as the NESCAC Rookie of the Week and ECAC Rookie of the Week for his outstanding performances on the ice for the Bears.

Matt Hyde '99 served not only as a leader for the men's cross country team, but also as a leader on the indoor and outdoor track teams.

Dave Lovely '99 made history this season when he surpassed the 1000 point milestone. He led the Men's Basketball team to an NCAA Tournament berth.

Lauren Meyers '01 led the Women's Basketball team in scoring, averaging 15.6 points per game. She also led in rebounding with 6.9 a game.

Kristie Miller '02 led the Softball team offensively this year. Miller, who stroked five home runs this spring, will continue to rattle opposing pitchers in her three remaining years.

Scott Schilling '99 is in the Bowdoin record books three times for the Men's Indoor Track team. He holds the records for the 55m, 200m and as a member of the 4x400m relay team.

Vicky Shen '99, to cap off a great four years of running at Bowdoin, finished twentieth out of 122 runners in the NESCAC Championships last fall.

The Men's Soccer and Women's Lacrosse teams enjoyed the most successful seasons this year for the Polar Bears, both making strong showings in the NCAA tournament.
Sailing divides forces

C.W. Estoff
STAFF WRITER

Last weekend, the sailing team sent a team to compete in the Reed Trophy, a two day all-women's regatta held at Dartmouth.

Sailing A fleet was Kate Mendenhall '01 with crew Andrea Penalosa '01 and sailing B fleet was Bridgid O'Connor '02 with crew Holly Noble '01. Saturday brought light, shifty winds that challenged the Bowdoin women after practicing in windier conditions the previous week. Sunday-morning brought similar conditions, but by the afternoon the breeze finally picked up. In one race out of a series, the Mendenhall/Penalosa team managed a second place finish out of a fleet of sixteen teams. Overall in the regatta, Bowdoin finished eleventh out of sixteen schools.

Bowdoin sent a team to another two day regatta last weekend, the New England/Dingy Tournament held at the University of New Hampshire. This regatta was the qualifier for the New England Championships to be held at the University of Rhode Island against twenty of the best sailing programs in New England.

Sailing A fleet was tri-captain Mike Lampert '00 with crew Eric Beardey '02 and sailing B fleet was Susie Oliver '99. Crewing for Oliver was Melissa Bailey '01 on Saturday and Harriet Van Vleck '01 on Sunday. The Bowdoin team at U.N.H. saw similar conditions as the team at Dartmouth, with Saturday bringing light winds and Sunday starting light but with stronger breeze filling in the afternoon.

The Lampert/Beardey team had the best performance of the weekend and won A fleet. Overall, Bowdoin finished third out of seven which qualifies them for the New England Championships if Bowdoin sails well at New England. If Bowdoin sails well at New England, they could qualify for Spring Nationals hosted by Eckerd college in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Finally, Bowdoin hosted a regatta last Sunday. Sailing was graduating-tri-captain Doug Stowe with crew Jack Curtin '01. Also sailing was rookie-tri-captain C.W. Estoff '01 with crew Oren Abelles '01. The University of Southern Maine sent a team up to fill one boat, while Colby sent a team to fill three boats. With only six boats on the starting line, the Bowdoin team was able to focus on sailing faster than Colby. After a series of eight races, the Stowe/Curtin boat finished first with a total score of 18. The U.S.M. boat finished second with a score of 19. The Estoff/Abelles boat finished third with 24 points. The Colby boats finished fourth through sixth, with scores of 29, 37 and 42, respectively.

Approaching the last mark in the eighth race, Estoff was trailing Stowe by three boat lengths. In a symbolic gesture, Stowe, knowing that he had secured an overall win, let Estoff pass and win the last race. When asked Stowe said, "I knew it was my last race of my college career, and thought it would be nice to "pass the torch," as senior captain to next year's captain."

This weekend Bowdoin will be competing at the New England Championships at U.R.I. Also, the team will go to Dartmouth on Saturday to compete in the North Series 5 regatta and Bowdoin will host an Invite regatta on Sunday.

Special Olympics comes to Bowdoin

Anne Powell '01 is the coordinator of the Special Olympics being hosted at Bowdoin this year. Powell has organized a team of volunteers to run the all-day event. The opening ceremonies will begin at 9:30 a.m. The track and field competition will be held on the football field. Bring some cash to support this wonderful event. (Sheri Embry 2000)

Congratulations to all athletes and coaches on a great year in Polar Bear Sports! Good luck in the fall.

This week in the Outing Club:

Thursday, May 13:
Popham Beach Clean Up!!!
This is going to be really fun; we will head to Popham and do some clean up work and then have a BBQ. Bring a Frisbee and some friends! Leaves at 2:30 from the Polar Bear.

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Which one would you choose?

The elephants? The whales? The clean air we breathe? Maybe the choice isn't so clear.
Maybe you'd like a way to keep them all. Now the world's leading environmental groups are working together. To find out how you can help, look for us at www.earthshare.org.
By Justin DeGeorge

On December 1, 1997, Latrell Sprewell attacked his coach. The Sprewell incident was immediately international news, as captured by television cameras and broadcast for a swift and severe punishment. NBA Commissioner David Stern promptly complemented the harshest penalty in league history: a one-year suspension.

A little over a year later, Kevin Greene attacked the referee of the same game. A tip of the scuffle aired on most sports shows that Sunday night and the following Monday, but within a few days, the incident was forgotten, leaving many sports fans ignorant of its occurrence. While the Carolina Panthers suspended Greene for one week, the NFL took no action, with a league spokesperson commenting, "We're really not involved in it at all."

Sprewell's suspension cost him over $6 million and his reputation; Greene's suspension cost him a mere $900,000, a mere pocket-change for the 14-year veteran. Both men physically attacked their coaches, yet one was made into a public target and the other was quickly forgiven. Why is that?

Grants the incident aren't exactly the same, but how could two actions committed nearly simultaneously receive such different punishments? The answer is simple, sometimes, the problem was, and still is, that the players themselves continue to be shrugged off by ignorant fans: Sprewell is black and Greene is white. That's the simple answer, and both men received the treatment, the media attention, they deserved.

In discussing the Greene incident, Boston Globe Sports columnist Michael Holley decided to write a piece comparing the two situations. The core problem, he was, in fact, to write another column until the Friday of that week, which, Holley thought, would be too late since the topic would most certainly be snared by a number of journalists earlier that week. Come Thursday, however, Holley was shocked to see that not only had the sports media failed to pick up on the Sprewell-Greene similarity, but it had also allowed Greene to slip by, virtually ignored. Holley, a young black journalist who, after a few years as strictly a Celtic beat writer, had finally gained some column space of his own, seized the opportunity and penned the article "Is sports thuggery color-coded?" Why is Sprewell vilified, Greene ignored? which appeared in the Globe on December 18, 1998. (It really is an impressive column, and the only criticism I have of it is the oversight of tracking it down; I strongly recommend it.)

In the article -- which the first paragraph of this column draws almost entirely from Holley -- tries to awaken a sleeping sports world to a problem that pervades it. Why was Sprewell immediately labeled a "thug" or "hoodlum" after an altercation that not mere than a couple of dozen people actually witnessed? Why did both fans and backers of the media describe the details of attack as if they were true? As Holley writes, "The story of what really happened lies with each individual who was in the gym that day. Everything else is lore, the result of innuendo and biases projected onto events that were never seen."

On the other hand, millions watched as Greene, a 6-3, 247-pound rough, sprung from his bench, grabbed linebackers coach Kevin Steele by the jacket, and drove the much smaller man back about ten feet before his teammates and coaches separated the two.

Immediately following the incident, excuses were already being made for Sprewell. "It was an accident. There is a severe emotion in the heat of battle. Anyone can react like that."

Sprewell was branded a "thug" and Greene was termed "emotional." You'd think that people would be more willing to give someone the benefit of the doubt if they didn't witness the incident, but exactly the opposite happened. Why is that?

The reason can be clearly seen in the manner in which the media dealt with both. In discussing the Greene incident, his "emotions" were enough to account for his actions. But when analyzing Sprewell, people immediately attacked his character: he's a "thug" and "punk." As Holley points out, "We're far less critical of Sprewell's physical appearance, referring to him as a 'corn-rowed punk.' (The comment was made in Time magazine.) What exactly does that have to do with his hair color or his character? Greene's long, blond hair also serves as his trademark characteristic, so how can no one refer to him as a 'corn-rowed punk'?"

Maybe a lion isn't a "emotional" enough animal.

The undeniable truth is that the men were treated differently because one is black and the other is white. Sprewell, a young, black, angry man commits a violent act and he's a horrible person, a "thug." He fits into a certain stereotype and the media instantly runs with it. Could Sprewell be just as "emotional" guy? Nope, they say. He's a punk, just look at him. If Rex Chapman had committed the same act and was a white man, a "thug" and "punk," he'd just look at him. If Rex Chapman had committed the same act and was a white man, he'd be treated exactly the same manner and under exactly the same circumstances, within a couple miles they're just the same animal. Sports fans would have witnessed the same scene.

This year, the we should be more aware of this, of what has happened. In 1997, the world was, and Greene's less, the number of similar incidents, the number of memories. Greene's week, but compare the number of similar incidents this week with the number of similar incidents last year, and you can see a huge drop in the number of similar incidents this week. It's obvious that the media is more aware of this, of what has happened.

This is certainly not an isolated incident in sports. Ever since Jackie Robinson turned baseball's color barrier a century-ha, racial issues have permeated the playing field. Recently, we've seen the effects in the media. In 1996 Robert Alomar was caught on tape spitting in the face of umpire John Hirschbeck. Lee Suttles was immediately labeled a jerk, and a cry went out for a stiff penalty. A few years ago, a couple cameras caught Big Country spitting into the face of J.J. Sticken after a play, and the incident passed virtually unnoticed. Like Greene, Romanowski was considered an "emotional" guy whose competitive spirit overcame his senses.

This past summer, Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa raced toward immortality, a nation was divided. Media outlets mercilessly covered every swing McGwire took, cutting into their regular programming to air batting practice. Not until Sosa had nearly caught and passed McGwire was he finally given similar coverage. As Holley said in a recent interview (which will be aired tonight; see below), "The difference between how the baseball community treated McGwire versus Sosa, and the difference in the way the media treated McGwire versus Sosa, is a real stinger."

Tune in to WIBOR 91.1 FM tonight, Friday May 7, from 6:30 to 7:30 and listen to Sports Hour to hear an interview with Boston Globe Sports Columnist Michael Holley. In a lengthy and candid conversation, Holley gives his opinion on a number of issues in the sports world, including race and the Sprewell/Greene incident. Listen and call-up with comments or questions 725-3256.

Between the lines Schuch memorial tournament

Dave Lovely 99 and John Paquet 99 are the coordinators of this year's Pete Schuch Memorial Softball Tournament to be held on Wednesday. (The Fall Bowedin Orient)

DAVID LOVELY AND JOHN PAQUET

Tournament

On Wednesday, May 12 at 10:00 a.m., the first pitch of the Pete Schuch Memorial Softball Tournament will be tossed. This event will mark the fifth annual tournament held in memory of Pete Schuch, who died tragically during the summer of his sophomore year.

Each year, the tournament has continued to grow into what has become a memorable day, and coordinators John Paquet '99 and Dave Lovely '99 hope this year will be no different.

"This year we're going to do something special, something special, to show how much we care about Pete," commented Lovely. "We've worked hard to put on shows that this year's tournament will provide a more lively atmosphere. By providing food, music and other forms of entertainment, we are hoping to attract a greater number of both participants and spectators than in previous years."

Papa Ginos, Fruit of the Loom, Goodwin's Volvo and Play-At-Play Sports have been especially generous, donating everything from pizza to T-shirts, with all proceeds going to the Pete Schuch Memorial Scholarship Fund.

In addition, DJ Shaun Leonardo has volunteered his equipment and services in order to ensure that everybody will have a good time.

"I'm really excited about this year's event. The Pete Schuch Tournament has proven to be an integral part of my Bowdoin experience, and I know this year will be no different," said Chris Day '99, Bowdoin College Congressional Candidate.

"Hopefully my staff and I will be coming off a big win at the polo match on Sunday so we can enjoy the day even more."

This year's unoffical count is expected to reach upwards of 300 participants. Tournament format will be double elimination style, and everyone will get an official T-shirt commemorating this special event.

Team entrance fee is $75, and sign-ups are going on until Monday, May 10 at the Residential Life Office in Moulton Union.

Begin the reading period with a bang by coming out to support this year's Pete Schuch Memorial Softball Tournament. If you have any other questions or concerns, please feel free to contact John Paquet or Dave Lovely at 729-1624 or via e-mail.

New squash courts proposed

Construction on new squash courts is set to begin this June and should be completed and ready for use by January of next year. This $215 million project was made possible by a $5 million donation from an avid squash player.

The squash courts are needed because the facilities for the college have changed to adhere to those of international "soft ball" style squash, which requires a different court dimensions than the American "hard ball" style played previously.

Bowdoin's men's and women's squash tours were ranked among the top 10 in the nation last year, and the new courts are needed to remain competitive and maintain this high national standing, according to Jeff Ward, athletic director at Bowdoin.

The plans for the new courts also helped to attract the new squash coach, Satinder Bajwa, who is internationally renowned, Ward said. "This link is the cornerstone of the future development of the athletic department," he said.

Soft ball" squash is generally more appealing to people, Ward said, so the change will likely encourage greater involvement from students and alumni members of the Bowdoin community.

The new courts demonstrate Bowdoin's desire to have athletic facilities of a quality similar to those of other major universities and to commensurate with its academics, said Craig Dean, dean of student affairs.

The reconstruction of the first-rate squash facility reflects Bowdoin's commitment to providing our student-athletes with the best opportunities -- in terms of world-class coaching and facilities -- to learn and compete," he said.

Construction of the new courts marks the first step in plans to eventually locate all College athletic facilities in the area near the Farley Field House and Pickard Field, rather than having some facilities there and some on the main campus.

"The needs of the athletic department really mesh well with the needs of the College," Ward said.

The move will help the athletic department use the facilities more efficiently and will free up space on campus for residential and academic buildings.
SPORTS

The All-Orient Team

Sue Bernard '99
Women's Ice Hockey
Goalie
31.8 saves
93.4 save percentage
6-4 record

Sarah Buckley '00
Volleyball
Setter/Hitter
NESCAC All-Academic Team
Tied two Bowdoin setter records
Set three Bowdoin setter records

Mike Carosi '02
Men's Hockey
Forward
Led team in scoring with 10 goals
and 15 assists

Pascal Chiasson '01
Golf
82.6 stroke average

Matt Davison '99
Golf
82.6 stroke average

Dave DeCew '99
Men's Soccer
Defender
First Team All-American
3 goals, 2 assists
Baseball
Shortstop
.553 batting average
Led nation in batting average

Chris Downe '99
Men's Indoor Track
NCAA All-American in 800m

Katlin Evrard '99
Women's Indoor Track
NESCAC 100m and 200m champion

Eric Fortin '00
Men's Indoor Track
NCAA qualifier
Top 3 Open N.E.
Team high scorer

Matt Hyde '99
Men's Cross Country
#1 runner

Stacy Jones '00
Women's Outdoor Track
All-American in discus

Dana Kreuger '99
Field Hockey
Goalie
147 saves
.902 save percentage

David Lovely '99
Men's Basketball
Guard
Over 1000 points in career
Academic All-American

Hayes MacArthur '99
Football
Quarterback
NE Gold Helmet Award
Career touchdown passing record
Career passing yards record

Kristi Miller '02
Softball
First baseman
Led team in batting with .452 batting average
Hit five home runs

Lauren Myers '01
Women's Basketball
Leading scorer
Leading rebounder
First team All-State

Leif Olsen '99
Men's Lacrosse
All-American (1998)
All-League

Brendan Ryan '99
Football
Linebacker
All-NESCAC line backer
Led team in tackles

Kevin Saxton '99
Football
23 sacks, career sack record
NESCAC Player of the Year

Scott Schilling '00
Men's Outdoor Track
NESCAC 100m and 200m champion
Team high scorer

Vicky Shen '99
Women's Cross Country
#1 runner

For more pictures of the All-Orient Team, please turn to page 17.
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