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LEWISTON, MAINE

## Critical Blood Shortage In Maine

by DAVID WELIVER  
NEWS EDITOR

The American Red Cross is reporting a blood shortage across Maine and New England this month. To counter the slim supply, Bates Emergency Medical Services will be organizing an important blood drive on the Bates Campus on February 5th, from 3 to 8 p.m. in Chase Hall Lounge. While blood drives have been held at Bates for years, Bates EMS has only recently begun organizing the events.

The Red Cross says blood shortages are common during the winter when demand for blood is up but donations are down. During the months since September 11th, the Red Cross estimates that 50% of blood donors were first-time donors. The charity urges those donors to come out again and for regular donors to keep giving. Each donor must wait at least eight weeks between donations.

Questions regarding the shelf life of blood have arisen since the large demand and donor turnout following September 11th, and the Red Cross confirms that much of the blood given immediately following the September tragedy is no longer usable. Because three different components of the blood are used, blood drawn has a shelf-life of between five days for platelets and one year for plasma. Red blood cells can last for 42 days.

According to the Red Cross, over 300 blood donations are required every day from donors in Maine to meet the demand of local hospitals. It is estimated that somebody needs blood every ten seconds and that one out of every ten hospital patients will require a blood transfusion.

The blood drives are a large amount of work for Bates EMTs, who volunteer to work at the drive checking donors in, giving pre-donation screening, and hand handing out complementary juice and cookies. "I'm asking for a lot of time and service," says Mary Elizabeth Begin, who is in-part coordinating the drive. "[Our EMTs] are really good about helping out. Those who can't work generally come donate."

## Students Build Art Gallery In Lewiston

by LISA NAGER  
STAFF WRITER

Paint cans, power tools, hammers, and nails are strewn across a counter top running down the left side of the room. The hardwood floors are half covered with remnants of tile and tar paper; the drop ceiling is partially ripped out revealing the original molding high overhead, freshly painted metallic silver; and fluorescent lights lie haphazardly on the floor, illuminating the blue scaffolding that occupies the center of the room. The space is a work in progress.

Inside the glass store front of 167 Lisbon Street is the making of Lewiston's future artist's cooperative. Kristine Kimball, who moved here from Iowa City just three and a half years ago, has taken it upon herself to renew interest in Lewiston as a destination city for artists by creating The Art House of Lewiston/Auburn.

Last Thursday, January 24, a group of Bates Students joined Kimball in her efforts to renovate the space, which she intends to have completed by mid-February.

Kimball hopes that everyone in the community of Lewiston/Auburn, local citizens and Batsies alike, will respond to the city's need for cultural enrichment.

"I don't want it to be just a gallery, I want it to be a space where people can gather for salon-style book discussions, poetry readings and even music," said Kimball, who came to Lewiston when her husband, Tom Schipper, accepted a job as the Media Coordinator at Bates College.

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## HANSEN CONFIRMED AS BATES' 7<sup>TH</sup> PRESIDENT

President-elect Will Focus On Academic Excellence And Endowment; Shares Opinions On Honor Code, Alcohol

by DAVID WELIVER  
NEWS EDITOR

The Trustees of Bates College unanimously confirmed Dr. Elaine Tuttle Hansen on Saturday as Bates' seventh president and the first woman to hold the institution's top job. Hansen, currently Provost and Professor of English at Haverford College outside of Philadelphia, will replace outgoing President Donald H. Harward when he retires in July.

"I'm very, very excited about becoming the president of Bates," said Hansen following a brunch honoring her confirmation. "The reason I'm here is because the search committee represented what I think the real strengths of Bates are. I do think one is the way Bates seems to take people and make them loyal members of the Bates family forever."

At Saturday's press conference, Trustee Chairman Burton Harris '59 introduced Hansen as Harward's successor. "She clearly has an intellectual capacity that is, you know, awesome," he said. "I think we found the very best person in the United States for this job."

Following her introduction by Harris, Hansen praised Bates generally as an outstanding liberal arts institution and specifically as a school respected by her peers. "Since the news of my appointment was leaked on the Haverford campus I've heard from so many people who have a [Bates] connection...what a wonderful institution I'm coming to."

A number of challenges await Hansen when she inherits the helm from Harward in July. One task she will face is the question of whether to implement an honor code similar to that which exists at Haverford. The Haverford honor code is highly nuanced and requires students to report breaches made by peers. In place of an honor code, Bates has a "statement of community principle," which broadly addresses the needs for



Christina Dove/The Bates Student

Board of Trustees Chair Burton Harris introduces Elaine Hansen on Saturday as the new president-elect of Bates College.

honesty and responsibility both academically and as a community.

"I would be happy to talk about what an honor code could do for Bates, but it would have to be a Bates honor code growing out of Bates traditions and Bates, issues and needs and wants." What works for one school, she said, might not for another.

Another Haverford policy that Hansen will consider implementing at Bates is a required class addressing the issue of social justice. "Obviously you want everybody to graduate from Bates having been exposed to injustice in the outside world, but I want to have a conversation to figure out the best way [to ensure that happens]." Hansen also noted that she "would imagine it's hard to graduate from Bates without having a course dealing with diversity."

Hansen said her number one priority will be upholding Bates' reputation for academic excel-

lence. She is impressed by Bates students' academic qualifications and is drawn to the commitment of faculty at Bates who she says balance teaching with high quality research that is widely respected. Hansen says "Bates faculty members' ability to help students find special projects they want to work on...is both unusual and exemplary."

Hansen believes that upholding Bates' academic reputation is vital because liberal arts colleges face increasing competition among each other and with larger, more specialized universities. "Some say we have an endangered species," Hansen said. "That's why Bates must uphold the gold standard of higher education while staying flexible."

Hansen admits that her "most overt challenge is raising the endowment. Bates is underfunded."

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## Surdukowski Says Goodbye, Hopeful Candidates Speak

by DAVID WELIVER  
NEWS EDITOR

Outgoing Representative Assembly President Jay Surdukowski received a standing ovation after delivering a farewell address at Monday night's informal meeting and election forum. Following Surdukowski's remarks, vice presidential candidates Tashin Alam and Andrew Simon and presidential candidates Graham Veysey and Kate

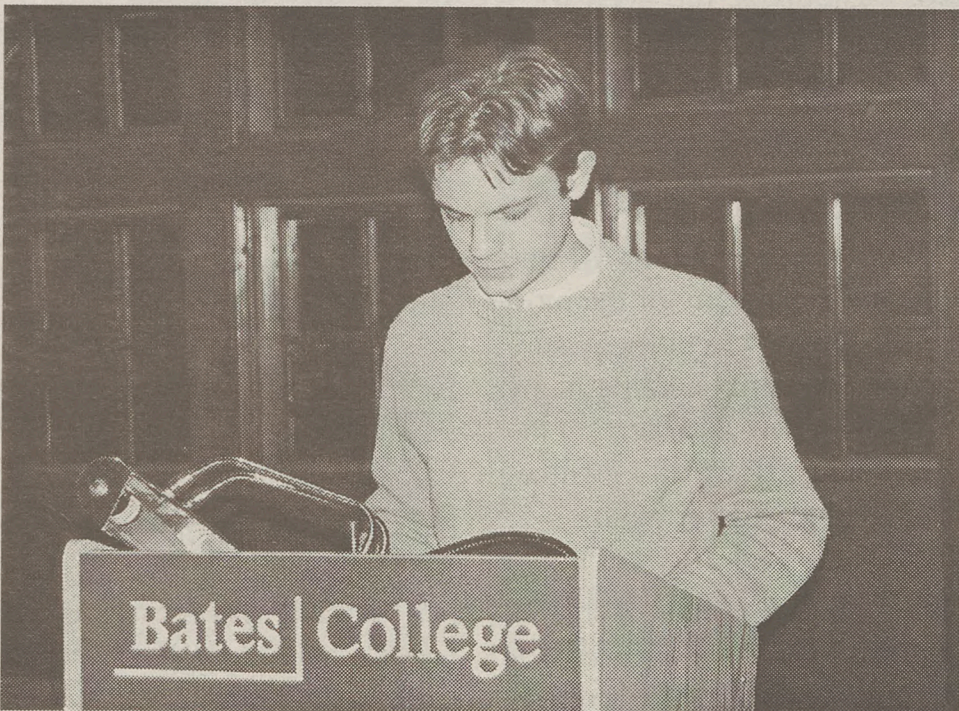
Walker gave campaign speeches and answered questions from the crowd. Voting for the president and vice president began immediately after the forum and will continue through dinner on Wednesday. Parliamentarian Dan Barsky and Vice President Simon Delekta also stepped down from their posts with brief remarks.

Surdukowski leaves the RA after three years of service as either president or vice president. During his tenure, the RA influence a wide vari-

ety of campus issues including the distribution of student parking permits, the allocation of space and funding to campus activities, student election reform, and even electing two students to help choose Elaine Hansen as the seventh president of the College.

In his speech, Surdukowski thanked a num-

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Christina Dove/The Bates Student

A solemn Jay Surdukowski reads a poignant farewell address to members of the Representative Assembly last night.

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# FORUM

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## Editorials

### Thanks, Jay

On Monday night, Jay Surdukowski stood before the RA and delivered his farewell address some 1100 days after being voted to the RA executive board. In early 1998, Jay was the leader of a group of rowdy freshmen who took the RA by storm and had the gall to demand respect and recognition from seasoned upperclassmen who were unprepared for the change these Frosh had in mind. Surdukowski's entrance was seen by many as selfish—he sought out power and was ruthless in his pursuit. But since taking over, Jay's administration has been characterized by the generosity, compassion and humbleness for which he is known by all who come in contact with him.

In his tenure, the RA has done some truly great things, all the time having to cope with the apathy of the greater student body. Thanks largely to efforts started and nurtured by Jay himself, the role of students in the governing of the College and its business has expanded exponentially. Students now have the power to control parking. The Student Conduct Committee now has a student co-chair to speak for student concerns in the area of discipline and the application of college's code of conduct. The RA president now commands the respect and time of the College President and the Deans. It is a safe bet that Dr. Hansen will enter office recognizing that positive relations with the RA is a necessity for a successful presidency.

But for every move towards greater influence and power for the Assembly, Surdukowski's agenda has been equally devoted to missions of mercy and acts that aimed for the greater good. While so many around him were questioning the very relevance of the RA's existence, Jay was busy using the power and voice of the Assembly to comfort the victims of homophobia and racism on campus. While critics sniped at the RA for its elitism, Jay labored tirelessly for 3 years to convince his friends in the Body to pass an effective Election Reform Amendment, finally succeeding this year in allowing entire student community unfettered access to the voting table. While many around him cared more about hard alcohol bans, Jay promoted issues that really mattered—the abuse of custodians, the need for a Women's Resource Center and the importance of greater community relations.

In his last real act as President, Jay's speech to a packed Skelton Lounge was a tribute to the RA and his friends. What he failed to realize was that their presence was a tribute to him. An Assembly that used to fit around a conference table now fills an entire Lounge and spills out into the hall. So many of the most active members owe their entire service to the recruitment, support and encouragement of Jay. Most amazingly, while many have been critical of an action he has taken here and there, at the end of the day, Jay has managed to make a decidedly positive impression on each and every person he has worked with.

We expect great things from Jay and look forward to the day we can tell our friends and family that we knew him when. But in the mean time, we simply want to thank him for a job well done and an honest day's work—1000 times over.

## From The Editor's Desk

To Our Readers:

It's surprising how fast things can change. In what seems to us the very recent past we were only first-years, Harvard would be President forever, and Jay Surdukowski made us proud with his election as RA Vice-President. Now we know for sure who the next College President will be (and frankly, we're darn happy about the selection), we graduate in only a few months, and Jay just gave his last speech in front of what has become, by all accounts, *his* Representative Assembly. It can be easy to lose ourselves in the seemingly grandiose scale of our magnified lives at Bates. As Jay reminded us in his farewell address, perspective is essential.

For the most part, we evolve through a Bates lifespan in four short years. We are told that we will always be Bobcats... if only it was that simple. Life at the intersection of College and Campus Avenues is deceptively complete, and as Jay pointed out in his farewell address, those things that don't fit into the picture of the 'good life' of a college student are too easily forgotten. Like black ice on a winter road, there have been obstacles we didn't see coming, and hazards that will surely stall us in our progress towards the 'real world.'

You can plan for anything, but in the end, surprises can always send you sliding. The lesson, we've found, is not what your plans are, but what happens when they get tossed out the window. Here at *The Student*, we've become accustomed to this. In any given week, stuff happens. As often as we try to plan our paper on Wednesday, things change. This is not unique to newspapering. Far be it from us to use a cliché in our letter, but change is the only constant we've seen while we've been at *The Student*. As deadlines approach, flexibility is far more valuable than the ability to nitpick and second guess. You can stay up all night pulling out your hair, or you can stand behind the work you've done. While another day could always make anything better, we're proud to present you another issue of our newspaper. We're proud of our staff and their excellent writing. While we all work hard, we have a good time while we put this paper together. We hope you have as much fun reading this as we had putting it together – that means we're doing our job.

Thanks for reading,  
Will and Dan

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# Hazy Talk In The Smokey Room

by PROFESSOR MARK SEMON  
GUEST FACULTY OPINION WRITER

It is ironic that last week's edition of "Smokey Room Talk," entitled "Misleading Arguments of the Gun Control Debate," should itself contain so many mis-statements about guns, gun control and gun statistics. Of course the issue of who should possess firearms is a heated one, complicated by the fact that each side often quotes only its own studies and surveys. There are, however, certain points beyond doubt, and others for which one can find data taken by neutral parties such as the Department of Justice, the FBI, etc. Perhaps some day we can have an informed, reasoned debate about firearms, but certainly that can't happen as long as serious misconceptions remain uncorrected. Without arguing for or against firearm possession, my purpose in writing this opinion piece is simply to correct some of the misconceptions and inaccuracies that filled "the Smokey Room."

First, although the Brady Gun Control Law was passed in 1992 as that article says, it didn't go into effect until February 28, 1994. Consequently it could not have played any role whatsoever in a "decrease in gun violence" that began in 1992, as the article argues.

Second, the argument that "the actual context of the Second Amendment... [is] ... talking about the 'regulation' of a 'militia'" and not about the right of an individual to own firearms, was completely discredited by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in *United States v. Emerson* (2001). In its over eighty page opinion, the court analyzed the Second Amendment and the underlying intent of the framers of the Constitution. It concluded "All of the evidence indicates that the Second Amendment, like other parts of the Bill of Rights, applies to and protects individual Americans." As the opinion goes on to point out, the ruling is in complete accord with the position of the U. S. Supreme Court in *U. S. v. Verdugo-Urquidez* (1990), *U. S. v. Miller* (1939), *U. S. v. Texas* (1894), *Presser v. Presser* (1886), and *U. S. v. Cruikshank* (1876). In fact, in *U.S. v. Cruikshank*, the Supreme Court recognized that the right of an individual to bear arms in our country predates the U. S. Constitution and Bill of Rights.

Third, the statement that "Attorney General Ashcroft ... continued in his pledge to change Department of Justice regulations to reduce the amount of time the government and law enforcement officials can retain records of a gun purchase" is inaccurate and misleading. In fact, the length of time gun purchase records can be retained is specified in a law passed by Congress, not in "Department of Justice regulations." What Attorney General Ashcroft said was that unlike Attorney General Reno, he was going to have the Department of Justice follow the law passed by Congress and keep records only for the time limit specified by law.

Fourth, the article says "closing gun show loopholes ... work[s]." Since it hasn't yet happened, it's hard to understand how the authors can conclude it "work[s]." In fact, looking at the facts makes the "gun show loophole" appear to be just a piece of rhetoric, since the Bureau of Justice Statistics reported in 1997 that after interviewing over 18,000 inmates, it found that about 1% of guns used in crimes came from gun shows ([www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/fuo.htm](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/fuo.htm)). Apparently, if this "loophole" exists, it isn't very large. Rather, 39.6% were obtained from family or friends, and 39.2% came from "the street," or illegally. Similarly, the Bureau of Justice Statistics Report for 2001 reports that only 1.7% of guns used in crimes came from gun shows. Apparently "closing the gun show loophole" would have no effect on over 98% of the guns used in violent crimes. How would the "loophole" be closed? By requiring private citizens at gun shows to run background checks on buyers of their firearms; sales by gun dealers already are regulated by the same laws that regulate gun sales in stores.

Fifth, the article says "The truth of the matter is that if you have a handgun in the home, the probability that there will be an accidental discharge resulting in the death of a family member is higher than the probability that you will successfully use the weapon to shoot a bad guy." This statement most likely is based upon several articles by Arthur L. Kellermann, M.D. (e.g. *New England Journal of Medicine*, pp. 1557-1560, 1986, and October, 1993; *Journal of Trauma, Injury, Infection and Critical Care*, Aug. 1998), which conclude that a gun in the home is much more likely to be used to kill a family member than an intruder. However, Dr. Kellermann himself warned that "Mortality studies like ours do not include cases in which burglars or intruders are wounded or frightened away by the use or display of a firearm. Cases in which would-be intruders may have purposely avoided a house known to be armed are also not identified. We did not report the total number or extent of nonlethal firearm injuries involving guns kept in the home. A complete determination of firearm risks versus benefits would require that these figures be known."

Also, Dr. Kellermann's studies have been widely criticized for using a very small sample size (a selected group of citizens in only one county), for failing to account for confounding variables (such as prior criminal record or prior record of violence), and because only 14% of the handguns involved were actually owned by the people in whose homes the events took place.

More importantly, however, the only measure Dr. Kellermann used to assess the protective benefits of guns was the death of the criminal. Several other studies have concluded that only 0.1% to 0.2% of defensive gun usage actually results in the death of an intruder. More commonly, when guns are pointed at another person, or referred to, or displayed, that is enough to deter a crime. In fact, these studies estimate that guns are used for protection in this way in between 400,000 and 2.5 million cases annually (See, for example, "Armed Resistance to Crime: The Prevalence

and Nature of Self-Defense with a Gun," *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology*, Fall, 1995). Finally, after reviewing Dr. Kellermann's work and the many criticisms of it, Northwestern University Law Professor Daniel D. Polsby wrote "Kellermann's data simply do not allow one to draw any conclusion." (D.D. Polsby, "The False Promise of Gun Control," *The Atlantic Monthly*, March 1994) Apparently this includes the conclusion expressed by the authors of "Misleading Arguments of the Gun Control Debate."

Sixth, "Misleading Arguments of the Gun Control Debate" states that "Guns are the only product in the world that, when used exactly as intended by the manufacturer, have the express purpose of killing." "Only" is perhaps too strong a word here, but more importantly, there is a popular international competitive sport called "target shooting," which does not involve any killing. Furthermore, perhaps not all killing is "bad". For example, all of the meat and vegetables we eat are obtained by killing, the paper we write on is obtained by killing, World War II was won by killing, and people sometimes kill in order to prevent themselves or their loved ones from being killed. Arguments against firearms such as this one, that they should be banned, or are "inherently defective," or are a "public nuisance" because their "primary purpose is killing," form the basis of most recent lawsuits brought by various parties against gun manufacturers. Although some still are pending, in every case heard so far these arguments have been rejected by the courts as fallacious.

Real debate over firearms and their possession only can take place when it is based upon a careful and accurate analysis of the issues involved. I hope this opinion piece clears some of the haze in the "Smokey Room" and moves us a step closer to that place.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Student Editors-In-Chief Overstep Their Role Changes To Creative Articles

To The Editor:

I have only 500 words or so to say my piece on Freedom of Speech and Misinformed Editors so this will be quick. I assure the reader that any shortcomings in this letter are due to the constraints of brevity imposed upon me rather than any weaknesses in my argument. This brouhaha began when I discovered, much to my amazement that Co-Editors in Chief Dan Neumann and Will Coghlan had edited (for content) a creative piece I wrote for *The Bates Student*. Their main argument being that certain passages (which I guess I can't print here because they were edited from the original) were ones which, as Will said, "appeal to the lowest common denominator." Of course, Will's comment is not based on a baseline of where "dick humor," begins and ends, but is his opinion. Because my article was a features piece, Will and Dan's opinions are irrelevant. Of course the collective opinions of the editorial board of the newspaper are hardly constant. I've run pieces referencing the enslavement of the Israelites, the horrible deaths caused by anthrax, and the dilapidated socioeconomic situation in Lewiston. However, the question of the integrity of my humor is moot. It is my belief that Will and Dan are not entitled to edit features and opinion pieces, and if they are, they themselves don't know where their authority is grounded.

My thanks to Will and Dan for referring me to "page two." In their attempts to further their arguments, they have done nothing but solidify mine. On the second page of the paper every week, and probably since 1873, one can read, "views expressed in individual columns, features, and letters are solely those of the author." Therefore, anything printed in my article could not detract from the integrity of the newspaper. Taking this disclaimer into account, I cannot understand why the editors' opinions on a features piece hold any water. The views expressed in the article are not theirs, but solely mine. I suggested that perhaps if they didn't like my article they could leave

it out altogether from the paper, instead of printing bits and pieces, but this idea was shot down as well because, "[the newspaper's] editors rely on writers to come through with their work, and once it lands on our desk, you've given us the right to print the piece edited, un-edited, upside down, or backwards if we so choose." Once again, I refer to "page two" where the founding fathers have written, "*The Bates Student* reserves the right not to print letters, and to edit letters for length and Clarity." Regardless of the fact that "clarity" is capitalized, I maintain that editing my piece for content is neither editing it for length nor for clarity. Of course, this part of "page two" is referring to the "letters to the editor" section of the paper, but I further maintain that my article could never be seen as anything but a fictional account, an opinion just like a letter to the editor. Regardless, nowhere on "page two" do the editors address their absolute power concerning the editing of non-letters.

Furthermore, when I suggested that the editors print a small disclaimer next to my article, Will resisted, saying, "we just don't do it - nor does any publication of merit." Of course, the statement on "page two," i.e., "views expressed in individual columns, features, and letters are solely those of the author," is, in my opinion, an attempt "to deny or repudiate interest in or connection with; disavow; disown" (Webster's). That is, it is a disclaimer, so transitively and by Will's logic, *The Bates Student* is no publication of merit.

This letter is in no way an attempt to defend my article or the original edited statements; I am only attempting to defend my right to say what I wish in the proper venue. I have also written this letter to express my concern about the judgement and motives of the Co-Editors in Chief. I have referred heavily to that which is printed on "page two," but only because I was only referred there by Dan and Will as an explanation as to why the editors' decisions were valid.

-Chuck Antin

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## BATES RATES

**Students Debate  
End of Football  
Program**



Hey, if the Pats go from worst to first, why can't Bates? Now if only we could find our Tom Brady... or our Drew Bledsoe.

**Surdukowski's  
Farewell  
Address**



Not Since Richard M. Nixon have we heard such an inspiring presidential goodbye.

**Trustees Confirm  
Pres. Hansen's  
Nomination**

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In a shocking turn of events, despite infinite other options, the one "finalist candidate" was approved.

**Outing Club's  
Version of the  
Puddle Jump**



It's St. Patty's day already? Crap! Thesis is due in two weeks and I haven't started yet.... Wait a second...



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Surdukowski Failed Barsky When He Was Needed Most

Letter to the Editor:

People often ask why organizations fail. What went wrong? Where were the people who had kept it running smoothly for so long before? What made them stop caring? For the past four years under the leadership of Jay Surdukowski, the RA has proven to be one of the most successful student run organizations on this campus. And for three of those four years, there has been one in the background who has contributed greatly to not only to the organization's well being but to the success of Surdukowski as well. Dan Barsky has given more than just time to the RA during his matriculation at Bates. Barsky has dedicated his heart and soul into the organization by way of a freshmen rep and three consecutive terms as an RA officer. While I believe Dan Barsky would have made an excellent RA chairman, my concern is not with his dismissal in the primaries. Both Mr. Veysey and Ms. Walker are excellent members and no doubt wonderful candidates for the position. My disgust with the RA is solely focused on Jay Surdukowski himself. It is the duty of a chairman to both publicly and privately praise and truly appreciate all the work members do. Ultimately it is your success they are building whether you draw on those accomplishments now or in the future. What I have seen this past month is disappointing.

It should have been an honor and a privilege to endorse Dan Barsky as successor to the chairman position. In the spirit of political correctness one of the most active, most experienced, and hard working members of the RA has been thrown to the wayside. I am personally enraged that someone's hard work and three year committed efforts have been unrecognized and unappreciated by the one person who it has benefited the most. I as well as others have personally seen Dan put in long hours in that office. Now whether he expected to be rewarded in the end is null and void.

I strongly urge everyone to really think about becoming involved and deeply committed to a student organization that will throw up its hands when faced with problems and turn its back on a member who has given its soul to help it breath. If and when the RA begins to decline, please note that it is due to this type of behavior in its leaders. It makes me physically ill that this was ignored and/or dismissed by the rest of the assembly.

Sincerely,  
Erica Loftis



## Vote In The Election This Week!

## LETTERS OF ENDORSEMENT FOR RA VICE PRESIDENT

### Former VP Endorses Andrew Simon

Fellow Students:

Without hesitation, I would like to fully endorse Andrew Simon for the position of RA Vice President. Along with the other officers and members of the Student Body, he is most qualified to aid in drafting effective legislation, seating appropriate committee members, and running orderly and informative meetings. By far, he is the best suited for the job.

As a past RA Vice President, I know that the job is not one to be taken lightly but is one with far-reaching consequences. As the Chair of the Committee on Committees, the VP is responsible for helping to seat committee openings ranging from the Student Conduct to Parking Appeals. It is a task that requires thoughtful organiza-

tion, an objective personality, and oftentimes a quick wit. Andrew already has served on this committee when I was in office and was one of its greatest assets. He would be an ever larger asset as its Chair. In addition, the RA VP must be someone who can be a leader and a team player. Andrew's past experience, both on and off the RA, clearly labels him as such. As precedence has shown, the importance, appearance, and influence of the RA has grown with every year. It is my sincerest hope that the student body will do the responsible duty of electing Andrew Simon as the Representative Assembly's next Vice President. As this new year unfolds, we will all be thankful that we did.

-Brent Jarkowski

### Simon's Diverse Involvement In The Community Has Prepared Him To Lead

To The Editor:

Those of you who have had the opportunity to work or play with Andrew Simon are familiar with the vigor and enthusiasm which he expends for both. There is no doubt that Andrew is a team player as can be witnessed in his participation in the Committee on Committees, Rugby, Budget Committee, and countless other campus activities. Andrew is a leader, yet his listening skills and thoughtfulness are unpar-

leled. When the hours grow short, and extra time and work is required, Andrew is a willing and ready volunteer. As hours grow long and frustration rises, Andrew's lightheartedness brightens the mood. The combination of Andrew's vast RA knowledge, compassion, motivation, thoughtfulness, and enthusiasm will allow him to help continue the RA's tradition of success through his role as Vice President.

-Melissa Wilcox

### Andrew's Strong Character Has Been Tested And Proven

To the editor:

Every Bates student can agree that walking from the Village to Frye Street on a cold, dark, snowy afternoon is not fun, and something that is often complained about. However, many of us take for granted how truly simple a task it is. Try to imagine being forced to travel the campus and maneuver through commons at 6pm on crutches for the better part of a semester. Andrew Simon, candidate for R.A. Vice president, was forced because of a rugby injury this fall to depend solely on his crutches to get around campus. You may have noticed Andrew last semester as he hobbled across the quad, or through the library. What you do not know is that while Andrew relied on his crutches and friends to help him out, he never muttered one word of complaint or negativity about his handicap. While most of us would have been frustrated and annoyed by this inconvenience, it only seemed to make Andrew's outlook more positive.

For surgery on his ankle, Andrew needed to return home. After missing three weeks of school many students may have been forced to discontinue their studies for the semester. However, Andrew returned to Bates and with hard work and determination completed all missed tests and assignments, successfully finishing the semester. This exemplary effort is seen not only in the way Andrew treats his friends and classmates, in the way he manages

his time and is involved in the Bates community, but more importantly in the way he lives his life. Something such as his attitude and effort this past semester could easily go unnoticed. And while it may seem minor, it is truly telling of his strength of character in general. Surely when you hear from Andrew he will share with you what he has done for the community thus far. However, we thought it important to show those that are not fortunate enough to know Andrew, what a reliant, caring and selfless person he is. We sign our names to this with pride, because we have no doubts about what a wonderful job Andrew will do as R.A. vice president. Having known him for a year and a half, it is easy to say what a committed, hardworking, leader figure Andrew is. Andrew will surely do everything he can to better the Bates community for our entire student body. With your support, Andrew will represent us with dignity and professionalism. Next time you see him hobbling from class or Commons on his cane, realize he has set such a wonderful example for his friends this fall, and in doing so has become a quiet leader to us. Please join us in helping to make Andrew Simon our next R.A. vice president in the upcoming election, so you too can experience Andrew's exemplary leadership. And remember "the cane is able."

Kelly Bachman  
Ginger Reading  
Lizzy Sall

### Tahsin's Concern For Fellow Students Allows Him To Stand Out

Fellow members of the Bates Community:

We are now upon a critical time where the leadership of the student body is changing completely. Recent changes have made elections more open to students than ever before. Reforms are passing, critical questions are being asked, and the Representative Assembly must be strong in leadership and membership to succeed.

No doubt everyone has heard of the RA. This very paper covers the blow by blow actions of the legislative body, with many articles beaming on the front page. What do you want those pages to reflect - progress or failure?

Success and failure: things which hinges on those we have in roles of leadership and the Vice Presidency is not an exception. In fact, it bears quite a great deal with how the RA functions and prospers, on behalf of the students. Everyone wants a strong and capable person in that position. And before us, as a candidate, comes Tahsin Alam.

In one way or another, people have come across Tahsin, whether through his work on the Committee on

Committees, the Presidential Search Committee, on the floor of the RA, or even on campus, receiving one of his cheery greetings. I have had the personal honor of working with Tahsin, both on and off the floor, and have been impressed time and time again.

I have met a person genuinely concerned with the student body and its affairs. Even in asking why he would run for the Vice President and not the Presidency itself, he looked at me and replied, "I prefer that role - it has less talking and more work to do. I would rather do the work." From experience in municipal government, the role of the Vice President is a demanding one that requires dedication. By his own words, Tahsin is ready to ascend to that kind of a level of dedication.

When you go to the ballot box, remember that you now have the power to choose your leadership in its most open form. Do so wisely, and remember the honor, dedication, experience, and will of Tahsin Alam. The RA is reaching a pinnacle - let Tahsin keep raising the bar of standards for us in the next year.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Solomon M. Berman

### Alam's Hard Work And Dedication Are What The RA Needs

Listen- Tahsin Alam is running for RA Vice-President. You should vote for him.

Tahsin is a scrap dog fighter. A steadfast and driven individual who will work tirelessly to extend the ever-growing, insidious reach of the RA. He is a man of his word, and an attractive individual as well. I want to be Tahsin Alam.

I'm not going to lie to you. I'm not going to tell you that Tahsin Alam can eat steel, or is mostly made out of robot parts. These would be exaggerations at best. What I will tell you is that Tahsin took over the position of Programming Director for WRBC at the beginning of this year with little to no training. He put together a great schedule, and has covered empty spots throughout the entire semester. Here's the clincher- WRBC runs 24 hours

when school is in session. Throughout the day and night Tahsin receives pages telling him that people have not shown up for their shows. It is his job to cover these empty spots. People, if you're anything like me, a 3:46 AM wakeup call is a legitimate excuse to commit murder. Tahsin gets them all the time, responds like a saint, and keeps the station rocking.

Tahsin volunteered to be Programming Director. We asked him to do us a favor, he did the job, and he did it well. Remember that Tahsin is RUNNING for RA Vice-President. This is a position he actually wants. If elected, consider the dedication he will bring to not only his position but to the RA as a whole. Don't consider too hard, it might cause a seizure.

-Gregory Weaver

### Tahsin Alam Represents Committed And Experienced Leadership

To The Editor:

I have known Tahsin Alam chiefly through his activity as an RA representative and he has always impressed me with his reasoned and witty approach to student politics. Tahsin is a highly principled individual who never hesitates to defend his views even when they happen to be in the minority. Thus, I trust him to resist political fads and to work for the benefit of the entire assembly and of the student community in general. Tahsin has done just that since his early days at Bates, as a member of the Presidential Search Committee and other RA-appointed bodies such as the Committee on Committees and the Parking Appeals Committee. His

record as programming director at WRBC also testifies to his ability to cope with high levels of stress and to successfully manage a position of great responsibility (he is the one who makes sure the music keeps playing day and night). Tahsin has the necessary experience to be an RA leader, but also the personality and people skills to go with it. He is a great communicator (a skill he has honed as a DJ) and all those who know him praise his openness, friendly nature and distinguished manners. In sum, I encourage you to vote for Tahsin Alam because I strongly believe he will be a dignified, efficient and considerate vice-president.

-Radu Costinescu '02



# Faulting A Mismanaged Organization

by SOLOMON BERMAN  
OPINION WRITER

Members of the Bates College Community:

Once again, an election of the leadership of the Representative Assembly is upon us. This is a critical time to take stock of what the Assembly has done and what the Assembly is now. We are choosing the leadership and, in turn, the future of the organization that is in place for us, the student body. In this time of intro- and retrospection, I must say that I am less than pleased and much further away from being content.

To begin, one must only take a look at the current election and a small bit of history to gain a solid perspective on the Representative Assembly. An Election Reform Bill was introduced on the floor of the RA with the intent to open the elections of the leadership to a greater scope. After further amending of the bill, removing the last vestige hold of the RA to select candidates, the bill passed...or failed...no one knew. A flurry of debate erupted both in conversation, over the RA-Talk e-mail string, and in the camps of the Rules of Order. Apparently, the bill had sixty-seven of sixty eight Constitutionally needed votes, but the membership was directed at that only sixty votes were needed for passage. On a technical level, the bill failed, and that was the way it should have been entered – however, in the true spirit of the RA, the Constitution and the Rules of Order were ignored, the vote was re-

done (where it was apparent that the bar of sixty eight was the core issue) and the bill passed. The leadership gave the authors two additional weeks of campaigned on behalf of their bill, something that no author had been afforded and, in their own way, handed the passage of the bill to the authors.

Fine, so we violate our own Constitution, deny members the right to even voice an opinion on the Constitutional Quagmire, and furthered the RA's objective under what once was truth, but now a façade with the slogan, "By the people, for the people." And the RA marched towards an election.

Remember the entire notion that now is a good time to take a look at the RA? The Election Reform Bill gave the Elections and Bylaws Committee of the RA sole control and jurisprudence of the election under the edicts of the Constitution and the Rules of Order. But there was a snag – the Chairperson of the EBC was running for the Presidency and the EBC was, in essence, chairless. So what happens now? The current President and Vice President decide to take control of the EBC – a clear violation of the Rules of Order. Moreover, the President himself decides to run the entire election from top to

bottom and to completely control the EBC by removing those members from the Committee that are versed in the Rules of Order and could derail all plans of conquest.

For those witnessing the election forum, it became very clear that the President and Vice-President were controlling its every move, even prohibiting those that wished to speak on behalf of a candidate. The madness did not stop there... The President decided to run the count of the ballots with members of the EBC acting as "puppets." It is very clear that the President, an ex-officio member of the EBC, cannot be a chair of any Committee, including the EBC – but he assumed the chair anyway. Counted the votes...sealed the

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votes...kept the votes with him – the sheer number of ethical violations up to this point is astounding! But wait, there is even more to this mess! Members of the EBC, both in presence and in statement, wanted the count of the ballots to stop and the Executive to step out of the election. The majority of the EBC wanted to take control of the election and fulfill the duties of the Committee under the Constitution. Members

stood in front of the counters and the President and registered their objections – all that was wanted was for the EBC to meet and sort everything out – too many procedural, Constitutional, and ethical violations has been committed. The President outright ignored the majority's objections and request and controlled to count. When the EBC tried to meet a second time after the recount was completed, the President stated that the meeting, "...has no consequence whatsoever." Even at this moment, the Executive continues to control every facet of the election, knowing full well it cannot, and silencing members from speaking.

Shall I even dare mention the additional problems of abroad students voting? Another fine mess to add to the mix? Or how about what occurred during the entire fall semester...?

Tell me, am I the only one that finds the controlling faction of the RA to be corrupt and, in turn, causing the organization to be corrupt? Am I the only one that finds the vehicle that is now the RA a complete waste? What student is being represented?! A group with its own agenda and own desires, not the desires of the student body, drums out the few members that actually do try tenaciously to fight for student rights and represent! I read the *John Galt Press*, for example, and came across article after article about apathy towards the RA – I wonder why this apathy exists! How can we be interested in an organization so corrupt? Now is the time for the students to seize control and send representatives that care, that shall make a difference. Now is the time to hold the membership and, especially, the leadership, accountable for their actions and policies – to have them attain the higher level. Perhaps we can change this corrupt and derailed system into what it was designed to do – to be there and fight for the student body. I mean, just look at what we have for leadership now.

## Smokey Room Talk

## Washington's Role In The Enron Mess

by DOMINICK & MATTEO PANGALLO  
OPINION WRITERS

The Bedfellows show had just gotten out and the Ronj was quite crowded. It was the night of the alleged *John Galt Press* RA candidates' forum, which, as we later learned, not even the candidates attended. The Bedfellows had been in rare form, and everyone was milling around with satisfied grins on their faces and soy chais in their hands. I took my

coffee and skittered off to mine and my brother's usual table, away from the teeming masses. I sidled by and got to the table; someone had left a *Newsweek* out on it. The cover story was, of course, the Enron scandal – a troublesome mess that very few Batesies seemed to care about. Did it bother people that this incident had all the markings of a potentially crippling crisis for the Republicans in 2002 and even, if things went really bad for them, in 2004? Why was no one else as visibly distraught at this blatant example of how money operates in politics? Where was the liberal outcry, the conservative pre-emption? I needed to rant. Badly.

Fortunately, my brother plopped down in his seat across from me just in time. "Ha ha!" he guffawed, "A child! Get it? A child, and he said 'they don't come with receipts, they come with certificates.' Ah," he wiped a tear of mirth from his eye, "A classic."

"Indeed. Meanwhile, you ignore the ramifications of the Enron collapse, the shafting of the middle managers and workers, the surreptitious dealings with the White House, their involvement in Dick Cheney's shadowy 'Energy Task Force.'"

"Will you lighten up for once? Geez." He grabbed the *Newsweek* from me.

"What about the Maine connections?"

"Enron has Maine connections?"

"Sure. Senator Olympia Snowe is one of many House and Senate Republicans that has taken campaign contributions from the energy corporation. Of course, she did the honorable thing and turned the money over to a charity for the Enron workers."

"And the other one, Susan Collins?" he asked.

"Ah, a more interesting case. She received \$1,000 from Arthur Andersen Enron's sketchy accounting firm. She hasn't given any indication

that she will return it or give it to charity or anything."

"Why should she? It's not like everyone else is."

"How about this for starters. Collins is the ranking Republican on the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations for the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs. And, as such, she will be up to her neck in Arthur Andersen and Enron legislation and testimony. Now, don't you think it's a slight conflict of interest to have an elected official making a decision on a company that has contributed to her campaign? This should disgust people on a bipartisan basis. Even if the contribution doesn't impact her decisions, there is the appearance of

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corruption. She should return it."

"But she won't. Because she's going to need it," Matteo pointed out. "Her race for re-election this year may not be close, but it sure is going to be messy."

"Right. And it's not like Arthur Andersen has clean hands in this whole business. Eli Gottesdiener, who's the attorney for the Enron employees, has pointed out that Andersen is 'entirely complicit' in the bilking of the employees. And here's Senator Collins, sitting in judgment of policy that will directly impact Arthur Andersen, and her campaign coffers for this year's election have Andersen cash in them."

Matteo let out a low whistle. "My goodness, how come no one else on campus is up in arms about this?"

"Well, the *John Galt Press* ran a column by a writer from Bowdoin, defending the Bush administration from any presumed guilt in the scandal.

What's interesting about her column, though, is that she states the Enron scandal shouldn't get any press, because the Democrats' fund-raising scandal the Buddhist temple and the Lincoln Bedroom didn't get any press in the 'liberal' media. The reality is that Clinton probably should have been impeached, but for his campaign finance abuses not for his sexual dalliances. However, the GOP was afraid that going after him on that issue would open up a Pandora's Box of trouble for them, too."

"It's kind of ironic that by pursuing the whole sexual dalliances option, the Republicans got burned regardless what with Gingrich, Livingstone, and Hyde. Anyway, what that columnist writes, that's a pretty lousy reason not to investigate something. Beyond the campaign contributions question, what about Enron's involvement in the energy policy task force?"

"Those are probably linked issues anyway you give to the campaign, you get a seat at the policy-making table. It's also interesting that in the *Galt's* column, the author only lists the small contribution Enron gave to Bush as if that's all the money the Bush campaign received from Enron sources. She neglects the cash that Enron president Kenneth Lay raised and contributed. Not to mention the globs of dough from other Enron executives, giving as individuals. Then, you also have to consider the massive and unregulated Enron contributions to the Republican National Committee, which make their way into those phony 'issue ads.'"

He leaned forward, "That's what drives me nuts. Lay was one of Bush's biggest individual financial backers. Of the \$1.1 million Enron and its executives gave to the GOP in 2000, Lay was responsible for the largest single portion of that about \$325,000. They spread out soft money throughout Washington with the sole intention of protecting their asses."

"You mean assets."

"I mean asses. I hope this brings about some change in the campaign finance system."

Just then, Bedfellow Dave Brusie walked up to the table. "Geez, will you guys give it a rest?"

Matteo raised an eyebrow. "You seem awfully uncomfortable with this topic, Mr. Brusie. Is there something you're not telling us?"

Dave gave him a solid glare, "Yeah, I contributed five hundred grand to the Committee to Elect Veysey."

My brother's jaw dropped, "My God. You corporate scum."

"Actually," Dave replied, "'Now I'm broke and he's got some new pink pants.'"

Visit the Smokey Room online at [www.SmokeyRoomTalk.com](http://www.SmokeyRoomTalk.com) and be bewildered.

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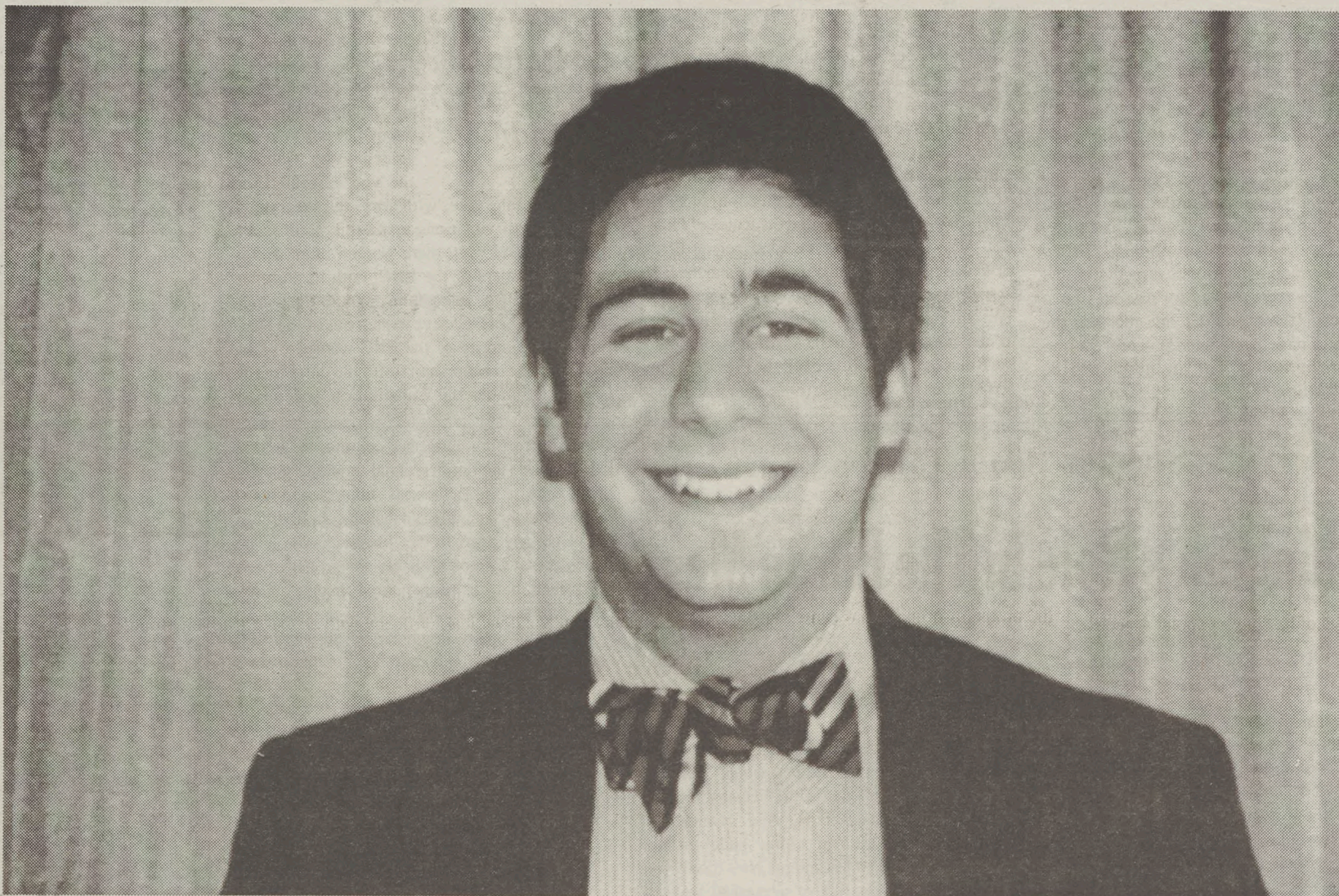
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## Good Eats, Good Vibes At Annual International Dinner

by COLLEEN MALONEY  
STAFF WRITER

This past Sunday, the Bates International Club hosted their annual International dinner in the Gray Cage. Organized by sophomore Swita Charanasomboon, the dinner served to promote awareness of the diversity of the Bates student population. Over forty authentic dishes from places such as Jamaica, Japan, Jordan and many other countries, were prepared and served by Bates students.

Charanasomboon told *the Student* that her goal for the dinner was "to show that the students from these foreign countries are proud of their nationalities and are very willing to share them with fellow Batesians from the USA." Standing in line for the sold out dinner and strolling among the varied dishes was proof enough that the international population at Bates is indeed eager and willing to share their heritage. Japanese Kimonos, and other sorts of less seen apparel decked the cage Sunday night, as many of the students shared another aspect of their culture by coming in the traditional dress of their homelands.

Jordanian native Jamil Zraikat and first-generation American Nour Ziyaeh ladled out the traditional Middle Eastern salad Tabbouleh and hummus to eager food connoisseurs of the Bates community. Ziyaedh told *the Student* that she found this particular dinner "an exciting was to show my culture that I never got to do in High School". She went on to say that she thought that this year in particular, the Middle East needed to represent some of its "more popular aspects". Zraikat agreed that Middle Eastern cuisine was probably the region's most popular cultural claim. He predicts that, "even if the whole Middle East goes out of business, the food will survive". After sampling their offerings, one would be inclined to agree.

While most of the servers were natives of the country from where their dish originated, some, like Jill Murawski of Falmouth, Mass., instead brought dishes from a place whose cuisine and culture they found interesting. When asked about her dish, (Hot and Sour soup from Japan), Murawski said, "I just really like to learn about different cultures and foods, and making a dish was a good way to do that." Other students brought entrees that they had discovered while studying abroad, or from exchange students they had hosted who had left behind a bit of their culture.

The dinner was a great success. For a mere six dollars, one could travel to 40 countries and share in their delicious (and sometimes spicy) foods. Though the dinner was attended by a wide variety of students, it appeared as though more Americans were interested in sampling different cultures than were international students. Sophomore Mike Philbrick spoke for many of the Americans attending when he said, "Americanized international food just can't possibly be as good as the real thing. I am interested to know what the real thing is". Many faculty and students (American and international) mingled together chatting, eating, and proving once again that it is the diversity of the Bates population that often pulls it closer together.

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## Eating Well, Eating Globally



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Dean of Students James Reese and students helps themselves to some ethnic dishes at Sunday's international dinner.

## Hansen To Become Seventh President

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Scoffing at U.S. News and World Report rankings, Hansen said "In many ways, those rankings are financial." She said that Bates' academic reputation keeps it high on the list but speculated Bates cannot climb the ranks without more funding. Additionally, Hansen pointed out that a higher endowment is the direct way to improve the quality of faculty, services, and facilities available to students.

Discussing alcohol at Bates, Hansen realized the problems drinking has caused at Bates. She described speaking with the parent of a first-year student at the bed and breakfast where she was staying. Not realizing who Hansen was, the parent said his daughter loved her classes, activities, and being able to escape to the Maine woods, but was shocked by Bates' overwhelming drinking culture. Hansen's eyes were opened by the discussion and later said "I think if [drinking] is the first thing you hear about from a parent then it's a problem...but I don't think Bates is unique...it's a problem everywhere."

Hansen said that her perception of the drinking climate at Haverford and possibly also at Bates is that the three or four percent of students who are heavy drinkers spoil it for everybody. Hansen suggested more college-sponsored "legal" parties where students 21 and older could drink "...in a socially responsible way while people who cannot or choose not to drink can have fun without alcohol." She noted that since programs began at Haverford, fewer students

have been transported to the hospital for alcohol-related emergencies.

Asked how Hansen plans to "leave her mark" on Bates, she reiterated her first priority at Bates will be "sustaining and increasing the College's academic excellence." Hansen went on to say, with a smile, "From everything I've heard about the loyalty of the Bates family, I'm sure Bates will also leave its mark on me."

Saturday's visit to Bates was not Hansen's first. Hansen endeared herself to students and faculty when she toured Bates on December 7th, displaying a warmth and wit that left many with a positive, if fleeting, first impression. Before her visit, she was known to most students only through hearsay and a bio on the Search Committee's web site.

Since the announcement of the search committee's initial recommendation of Hansen in November, many students had taken for granted that she would be Bates' next president. However, if the Trustees had voted against Hansen, it would not have been without precedent: in at least one instance in Bates' history, the Trustees have voted against the presidential search committee's recommendation.

Suspense was not an element of yesterday's announcement. Indeed, it seemed unlikely that the Trustees would invite Hansen to Lewiston and publicize the event to the media, only to vote against Hansen's appointment.

Never the less, to those who attended the brunch, yesterday's announcement had all the pomp and excitement of a landmark occasion in a college's history.

## RA Says Out With The Old, In With The New

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ber of people including the custodians who work at Chase hall, members of the administration, and fellow students. He specifically thanked Simon Delekta, also departing the RA. Of Delekta, Surdukowski said "Simon is the R to my A...He's suffered everything from sharing a bed with me (a grim experience I assure you) to having to explain away my snorting of powdered sugar, my affinity for the good night's sleep to be had in my coffin, and my New Hampshire citizenship."

Surdukowski punctuated his address with advice. "I do hope folks will keep this room as light-hearted as I have tried to make it," Surdukowski suggested. He cautioned students to view the limitations as well as the strengths of the RA. "After you go to Africa, which I urge you to do, you may put this Assembly into perspective...But ardent devotion to this campus and these causes is not ill placed. It is a decent thing to be a global citizen, but also to act here, to make our community the best it can be." Surdukowski said he hoped his service has been an example of being both global and local in perspective.

Surdukowski concluded by remembering Jessie Withrow and Merrick Ryan, two RA members who have passed away since his time in of-

fice. In his last words as RA President, Jay recalled brief moments of Withrow and Ryan's service in the RA, and he whispered to his admiring subjects: "My notorious heart of granite warms and I am mildly choked up (for once) when I think of these two tiny little moments. Two among many. Inconsequential things. Bits of mica in the rock, clapboard on a barn, a thousand pines on the side of the road. Little things really. But, they are the nothing, and they are the everything, of love—"

Candidates for the RA presidency and vice-presidency realized they have large shoes to fill after the warm applause washed over a somber and ponderous Surdukowski. Each candidate gave a brief speech and later answered questions regarding their experience, personalities, and agendas for the RA.

In the vice-presidential race, voters debated the pros and cons of Simon's rapport with different kinds of students versus Alam's more reserved stance on campus. There was also discussion of the presidential candidates along the same lines.

While Walker comes across as soft-spoken but articulate, Veysey is always vocal and charismatic. Walker played up her quiet personality and

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## BATES IN BRIEF

### Nuyorican Poet To Perform At Bates

Poet Jaime "Shaggy" Flores, known for his work with the new generation of "Nuyorican Poets" (the term referring to a Puerto Rican living in New York or one who has lived in New York and returned to Puerto Rico), will give a poetry performance titled "Diaspora in My Art: Artistic

Perspectives on Africa in the Americas" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, in Room 104 of the Olin Arts Center at Bates College. The public is invited to attend free of charge.

The founder of the Urban Arts Project and the Dark Souls Art Collective, two groups that serve as a network for African Diaspora artists, Flores refers to himself as "a Nuyorican, bilingual, Spanglish-speaking, AfroTaino, revolutionary and santero." He is also the founder of the annual "Voices for the Voiceless" poetry concert that unites the most recognized black and Latino poets from throughout the United States.

Flores follows in the tradition of poets Arturo Schomburg and Louis Reyes Rivera and has performed with such poets as Sandra Maria Esteves, Tony Medina, Carl Hancock Rux, Steven Bonafide Rojas and Edward James Olmos.

### Portland Rabbi To Discuss 'Faith In A Broken World' In Bates Series

Rabbi Alice Dubinsky of Congregation Bet Ha'am in South Portland will present a talk titled "Holy Fragments: A Rabbi's Faith in a Broken World" at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, in Skelton Lounge, Chase Hall, at Bates College. Part of the series "Spiritual Journeys: Stories of the Soul 2001-02," sponsored by the chaplain's office, the talk is open to the public free of charge.

"In a world that is incontrovertibly in shambles, does religious faith make any difference?" asks Dubinsky. "Why bother believing in, let alone praying to, a divinity when things don't seem to get better?" In this presentation, Dubinsky will share her own spiritual journey through these questions and will explore the Jewish concept of "tikkun olam," the repair of the world, as a personal and religious practice. Believing that the shards around and within us are "holy fragments," she pieces together a faith that endures and helps to transform the brokenness of the world. Before joining Bet Ha'am as its spiritual leader in 2000, Dubinsky served as associate director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Pacific Southwest Council, in Los Angeles from 1996-99. She also served as associate rabbi at Congregation Sherith Israel in San Francisco from 1992-96.

Dubinsky received her ordination from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion the academic, spiritual and professional development center for Reform Judaism and a bachelor of arts in French language and literature from Boston University.



# BATES COMMUNITY HELPS REFUGEE FAMILY IN NEED

by **HEATHER BENNETT**  
STAFF WRITER

The Bates community collected donations recently for a local Somali woman and her newborn son. Bates employee Kathy Peters organized the collection after coming into contact with the woman through her sister, who teaches English as a second language to a group of Somali women.

The Somali woman underwent a normal

delivery but later hemorrhaged and required a hysterectomy. After many of the women's peers expressed concern that the child and mother may not have any supplies needed for a newborn child, Peters' sister appealed to her and the Bates Community for help. Peters has had previous experience collecting donations for the Abused Women's Advocacy Project in Auburn.

Peters put out a call for help to the Bates community, and the response was overwhelming. Cribs, bassinets, car seats, strollers, dia-

pers, warm winter clothing, blankets, socks, hats, brand new, as well as used items, were all collected and brought to the family.

Peters was even able to collect the donations that people had no way of getting to campus and deliver them directly to the new mother. Peters remarked, "Things are still coming in as of today." She has even had people offer furniture, a washing machine, and a high chair, among other items.

Peters and her sister are now in the process of getting in touch with the Bates Office

of Service Learning in the hopes of finding some students to assist with the project as it rapidly grows larger than the two can handle.

When asked why she originally took on the project, Peters responded by saying, "I hate to see anyone go without. If there is something I can do about it, I will." Peters praised the Bates community for its consistent support in helping those who are in need and will continue to keep the community updated with the efforts put forth to help the woman and her baby son.

## Fall 2001 Student Conduct Committee Report

**Date:** September 14, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with academic dishonesty by virtue of attempting to cheat on a final examination.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge. The student is placed on disciplinary probation for the 2001-02 academic year with one semester's suspension held in abeyance if the student is found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee for academic misconduct.

**Date:** October 12, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with unacceptable social behavior by virtue of disorderly conduct when the student fled from Lewiston Police after the officer stopped his police cruiser to investigate alleged liquor law violations on September 23, 2001.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge and a Disposition by Agreement was accepted by the co-chairs of the Student Conduct Committee. The elements of the agreement stipulate that the student is placed on disciplinary probation for the remainder of the 2001-02 academic year, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance if the student is found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee for any alcohol-related violation.

**Date:** October 25, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with unacceptable social behavior by virtue of disorderly conduct when the student was verbally abusive toward and yelled profanity at a Bates Security Officer when he was dispersing an unregistered party at a College residence in the early morning hours of May 26, 2001.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge and a Disposition by Agreement was accepted by the co-chairs of the Student Conduct Committee. The elements of the agreement stipulate that the student is placed on disciplinary probation for the remainder of the 2001-02 academic year, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance if the student is found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee for any alcohol-related violation. The student is also referred to the Health Center for an evaluation of alcohol use by the Bates, substance abuse counselor.

**Date:** October 26, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with academic dishonesty by virtue of taking information from another source for the completion of a laboratory write-up in Chemistry 107, contrary to the instructions provided for the assignment.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge and a Disposition by Agreement was accepted by the co-chairs of the Student Conduct Committee. The elements of the agreement stipulate that the student shall receive a letter of censure, a copy of which will be placed in the student's file, and the contents of which will be disclosed to Student Conduct Committee should the student be found guilty in the future of another charge of academic dishonesty.

**Date:** October 26, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with academic dishonesty by virtue of taking information from another source for the completion of a laboratory write-up in Chemistry 107, contrary to the instructions provided for the assignment.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge and a Disposition by Agreement was accepted by the co-chairs of the Student Conduct Committee. The elements of the agreement stipulate that the student is placed on disciplinary probation for the remainder of this academic year, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance to take effect should the student be found guilty

of academic dishonesty in the future by the Student Conduct Committee.

**Date:** November 1, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with socially unacceptable behavior by virtue of assaulting another student while under the influence of alcohol on College Street in the early morning hours of September 28, 2001.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge. The Student Conduct Committee requires the student to write a formal letter of apology to the student who was assaulted. Further, the Committee places the student on disciplinary probation for the rest of the student's academic career, with dismissal held in abeyance to take effect if found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee of any social misconduct. Finally, the student is required to undergo counseling for anger management and alcohol abuse through the College Health Services until the counselor determines that it is no longer needed. Failure to meet any of these requirements will be considered a violation of this probation.

**Date:** November 2, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with unacceptable social behavior by virtue of dangerous and disorderly conduct when the student operated a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and possessed a fictitious identification resulting in the student's arrest by the Lewiston Police at the corner of Frye and College Streets on September 28, 2001.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge and a Disposition by Agreement was accepted by the co-chairs of the Student Conduct Committee. The elements of the agreement stipulate that 1) the student's privilege to possess or operate a motor vehicle in the vicinity of the Bates campus as defined by the area bounded by Main Street, Russell Street, Lafayette Street, Campus Avenue, Central Avenue and Sabattus Street is revoked for the remainder of the student's undergraduate career; 2) the student is placed on disciplinary probation for the remainder of the student's undergraduate career, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance to take effect if the student is found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee for any alcohol-related violation or operating a motor vehicle in the area defined above; 3) the student is to continue substance abuse counseling at the Health Center until the counselor deems complete.

**Date:** November 8, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with socially unacceptable behavior by virtue of harassment and disorderly conduct when the student placed their feces in between two slices of bread and placed it in a junior advisor's refrigerator located in the junior advisor's room in a College residence.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge. The student is placed on disciplinary probation for the remainder of this year and the first semester of next year, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance to take effect if found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee of social misconduct during this period.

**Date:** November 29, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with socially unacceptable behavior by virtue of assaulting another

student outside of a College residence in the early morning hours of October 14, 2001.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge. The student is placed on disciplinary probation until the end of the 2002-03 academic year, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance if found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee of any act of socially unacceptable behavior and expulsion held in abeyance if found guilty by the Student Conduct Committee of assault.

**Date:** November 29, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with socially unacceptable behavior by virtue of assaulting another student outside of a College residence in the early morning hours of October 14, 2001.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of a lesser charge of initiating a physical altercation with another student. The penalty of the Committee is disciplinary probation until the end of winter semester, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance if found guilty of socially unacceptable behavior by the Student Conduct Committee.

**Date:** November 29, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with socially unacceptable behavior by virtue of assaulting another student outside of a College residence in the early morning hours of October 14, 2001.

**Outcome:** The student was found not guilty of the charge.

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**Outcome:** The student was found not guilty of the charge.

**Date:** December 7, 2001

**Charge:** A student was charged with unacceptable social behavior by virtue of disorderly conduct when the student, on November 15, 2001, on the 2nd floor hallway of a College residence, placed a note threatening that a white powdery substance was anthrax which disrupted normal functions of the College and local municipal authorities.

**Outcome:** The student was found guilty of the charge and a Disposition by Agreement was accepted by the co-chairs of the Student Conduct Committee. The elements of the agreement stipulate that the student is placed on disciplinary probation until the end of the 2002-03 academic year, with one semester's suspension held in abeyance to take effect if the student is found guilty of disorderly conduct in the future by the Student Conduct Committee. In addition, the student must prepare a summary of anthrax hoaxes nationally and the manner in which municipal or other government authorities have responded to those incidents.

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touted herself as a listener who "doesn't want to be in the spotlight, but just wants to make sure the spotlight is there for anybody who wants to use it." While many students praised Veysey's wide range of commitments on campus and in the community, others felt he may already be over-committed. Some accused Veysey of bringing too much of an agenda to the table and expressed interest in Walker's ability to let the students shape her administration.

At the end of the forum, there was certainly no clear winner in either race, and it will be left up to voters from across the student body to decide the future leaders of Bates' student government. Parliamentarian Dan Barsky clarified the point that caused confusion after the primary election—students studying abroad will be allowed to submit their votes to the election and bylaws committee until voting is closed Wednesday evening.



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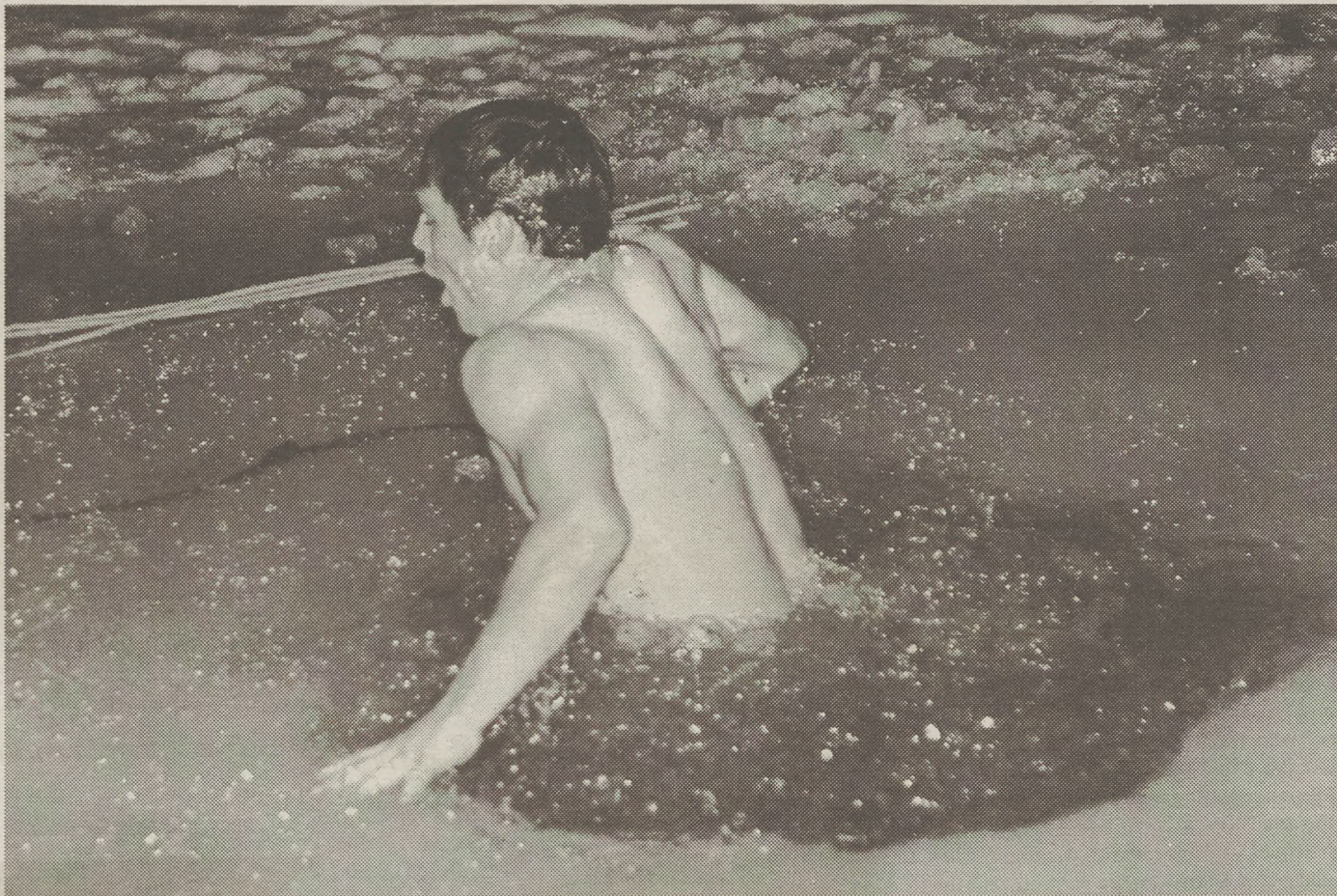
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A brave Batesie emerges from the frigid water of the Bates' Puddle Saturday night after a shrinkage inducing dunk through the ice

## STUDENTS TAKE THE PLUNGE

by TIM AYERS  
FEATURES EDITOR

You might have seen a strange sight Saturday night if you happened to be walking behind Smith or Pettengill. If you were not in this part of campus around 6:00, you missed out on the humorous sight of many scantily clad people huddled around a roaring bonfire. The reason they were standing around on the snow covered ground in bare feet? They were all recovering from an icy-cold bath in the Puddle minutes before.

The annual puddle jump, organized by several Outing Club member, was a chilling success, with an estimated 40 people taking the plunge, and at least 100 people in attendance.

One of organizers, Josh Harris, says, "We were excited at how many people did the puddle jump naked this year."

Fortunately for all, Saturday was the warmest day of the New Year, but the air temperature was of little concern to the swimmers. The ice was more than a foot thick, and Outing Club members had to hack through the ice with pick axes.

To the non-jumper, the puddle jump offers a perfect opportunity to get a good laugh. The pattern that jumpers followed was pretty much the same every time. First, the jumper would strip to either a bathing suit, underwear, or in some cases, just a birthday suit. They would then proceed to hop up and down and swear rather loudly as they made their way across the snow to-

wards the hole in the ice. The brave person would then take a deep breath and leap. It is expected that the jumper will fully submerge their head before pulling themselves out using the rope dipped into the water. One jumper, much to her dismay, fell back into the water three more times before finally climbing out. The thoroughly chilled Batesie then ran to the bonfire where he or she would stand shivering, but not without a huge grin.

The planning for the event began several days before when Harris and Chris Guiterman collected a fire permit as well as a huge pile of wood in anticipation of building the roaring inferno.

"We had enough wood to build a house," said Harris.

## Just 'Scoping Around

by CRYSTAL BALL  
STAFF PSYCHIC

### AQUARIUS (JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18)

You'll experience a slight overload of work this week. However, the most important thing to remember is to stay positive because the weekend is almost here. Recover from the week by having a night out with your partners in crime and keep the night open to all options.

### PISCES (FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20)

Struggling with your relationships, take a step back and analyze the situation. People who are true friends will accept you "as is" and will stand by you through your decisions. Try to chill out and dismiss unnecessary stress. Take the weekend to rest your spirit and be selfish with your time for once.

### ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 19)

It's time to refocus on the gym, work, friends, and significant others. This week is the time for action. See that fine body across Commons, take a chance and see where it goes. I definitely see some sparks in the air and

smell the smoke because you're on fire.

### TAURUS (APRIL 20 - MAY 20)

Feel like your parents are meddling in your college life... again; let them know how independent you are by managing your finances to the last cent this week. Stay away from that over priced Panera coffee and hop out to the Den for some chai. Towards the end of the week, they'll surely know who's in charge. Also, don't worry, there'll be some flavor added to your soup really soon.

### GEMINI (MAY 21 - JUNE 20)

You might be feeling a little disoriented in your week, like constantly forgetting, tripping over your own feet, and putting your foot in your mouth too often. Well, take a minute to stand up straight and look ahead to where you're going. All you need to do is develop that plan that's been floating around in your head for sometime now, but keep Saturday open for a steamy night to unwind.

### CANCER (JUNE 21 - JULY 23)

Be careful not to trample too harshly on someone's feelings and pride. There are always more creative ways to say what's really on your

mind. While remaining truthful, an observer will acknowledge your honest effort, which will be the beginning of a very long-lasting friendship.

### LEO (JULY 24 - AUGUST 22)

Try to keep the personal conversations in Ladd to a minimum this week. We all know how many ears exist in the walls. Also, take the time to figure out what you really want before you set out to get it. It's common knowledge that being in a lion's den can be enthralling and a workout, but don't let them bite off more than they can chew.

### VIRGO (AUGUST 23 - SEPTEMBER 22)

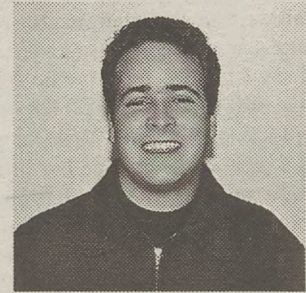
Maintain a positive work ethic this week and encourage your peers to do the same, especially if you have to work together. By midweek, everything should be running smoothly and you'll feel relieved because of a job well done. Work on clearing the air with your partner(s) and take a brisk walk across the Quad during a snowfall. The cold, crisp air will encourage you two to enjoy each other's warmth.

### LIBRA (SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 22)

Rather than doing things your way this week, try out a new philosophy and you might like

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## Big Cat On Campus



Congratulations to Sophomore Eduardo Crespo, who is this week's Big Cat on Campus.

Eduardo was chosen for his dedication to his class and to his school. He represents the class of 2004 in the RA as the at-large class representative. He also serves as a member of the President's Advisory Committee, the Dean's Advisory Committee, and the Curriculum & Calendar Committee. Last year, he sat on the Parking Appeals Committee.

"He is very hardworking, and he is one of the more thoughtful members of the RA," says former RA President Jay Surdukowski.

From his first moment on campus last year, Eduardo was becoming involved, running in the first at-large election.

He recently stepped up to serve as one of the Co-Cordinators of the Student Philanthropy Initiative, to raise the college's endowment with the Development Office.

On top of all his other commitments, he is double majoring in Economics and Political Science, and he is a Teaching Assistant for Spanish department. Eduardo also helped form the Volleyball Club.

## Attention All Beer Aficionados... So Sorry!

by ADAM STERN and DAN DRISCOLL  
CONTRIBUTING DRUNKS

Wow, what a weekend! For those of you who made the trek over to Village I on Saturday night, thank you for your support as you made it a wicked ripa! Unfortunately it ended earlier than expected and a few of the residents who will remain anonymous on the second floor will face higher authorities in the coming days for their actions and stupidity. It was extremely crowded but from what we heard the majority of people had a chill time and an enjoyable night. Additionally, for those of you who are Patriots fans including us, what a way to end the weekend...Bring on St. Louis!!!

Regrettably, we were unable to successfully review a quality brew for this week's installment. While we sampled 420 IPA from Stone Coast Brewing Company based in Portland on Saturday, we couldn't ascertain a solid quantitative and qualitative analysis. However we can tell you that 420 IPA is an American style India pale ale, with a light copper color, and is quite high in alcohol with an insane drinkability...hence our lack of an accurate review. If you head up to Sunday River to ski this weekend in Bethel, and are of age, stop in at the Sunday River Brewing Company where you can sample this beer among many others, and see if you agree with our critique when we do rate this beer. We plan to write about this delicious beverage, and perhaps a sub-premium brew for next week's Student, and please accept our apologies. As always, please drink in moderation. Cheers!



# Bates Students Help Create Artist's Community

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Kimball, 33 years-old, serves as an enthusiastic member of the Lewiston Planning Board. "The mayor at the time [Kaileigh Tara] appointed me last summer because I approach her about all these different ideas I have about the city. I think she got tired of listening to me so she said, 'Get this woman something to do!'"

"People are so approachable here, they are willing to listen, and it is a slower pace of life. Even someone like Peggy Rotundo, who's a state legislator, I can find her walking down the street and say 'Hey Peggy! What do you think of that issue or this issue?'" said Kimball.

Kimball's involvement with local politics put her in a position to indulge her interest in the arts. Last spring, Kimball went on a road trip with her children to a wedding in Iowa. She took a detour to Minneapolis, where she knocked on the door of Artspace Projects, a [non-profit] developer that builds large scale live/work space for artists. She left them with maps of the mills and information on the city of Lewiston.

"They get 30 requests a week from all over the country, so they have a lot of people beating down their door. That's why I wanted to approach them personally. I invited them here, then later on in the summer the national director, Chris Velasco, called me and said, 'I was really happy to see the information. It looks like there is a lot of potential in your town. When can we come out?'"

Artspace builds 1,700 to 2,000 square-foot apartments, spending upwards of \$200,000 per unit, then rents the spaces for half the market value in the area. In Lewiston, an artist could rent this space for \$3-500 a month, said Kimball, adding that this was an artist's dream come true.

"The next step is a market analysis, the city of Lewiston, along with LA Arts and LA Ex-cels, is raising the money for that. We also have to have a core 25 artists to do the first building. But I think it's a situation where 'if you build it they will come' because who else is going to get a 2000 square foot apartment for \$3-500 a month in an old mill that has been completely renovated?" said Kimball.

"At the end of November [the Planning Board] hosted Artspace Projects of Minneapolis. They are looking at the Avon Mill, several sites in the Bates Mill Complex, and the Great Falls School in Auburn," said Kimball.

Although Artspace was serious about developing in Lewiston, there were some issues Kimball felt needed attention. "One of the problems I heard voiced by a lot of the artists that came to our meetings with Artspace was that Lewiston is not someplace they would care to live because there is no art community," said Kimball.

"So I just happened to talk to Norm Rousseau, one of the landlords downtown, and asked if he had open space available to have a cooperative art gallery. He showed me this space. I saw the potential of it, so we started working on it in the beginning of December."

"There have been so many ideas for Lewiston/Auburn over the years, so much talk of 'We should do this, we should that.' After I took the developer back to the airport I thought, 'We need to do something so that people can see it's happening, that we're not just talking about it anymore, we're actually getting the ball rolling,'" said Kimball.

Many artists are interested in what Artspace Projects has to offer. "I stopped in at the Udder Place in Portland and there were some kids in their early twenties with a calculator figuring out square footage in the newspaper. I said 'What are you guys doing?' They said, 'We're multi-media artists and we're looking for really cheap live/work space, do you know anything really affordable down here?'"

"This one painter in particular was thinking of moving to a town where Artspace had already developed because she knew how reputable they were and they really have a corner on the market. Since they are a non-profit developer they are not trying to make money off the artists, they are just breaking even. They do it the right way, with all the technology that artists need and the type of buildings that attract

artists. You know, the original brick interior/exterior, the original timber in the old buildings, the nice floor to ceiling windows."

Until the space is up and running, Kimball is bartering with the landlord, rent for renovations, she said. "I figured while I'm doing the renovations other artists that are interested can wander in and become a part of the group, just like Bates students did yesterday."

Kimball has a variety of people interested in volunteering: people of all ages, artists of all media, and community members of many different professions including a psychiatrist who wanted to donate money and a business

owner who wanted to donate some furniture. "There are a lot of people from really diverse backgrounds getting together and coordinating for the arts."

High School Students James N. Keinitz Wilkins, 18, and Aaron Frank, 16, are working on a mural for a wall in the Art House, side-by-side with Bates students and other community members, like Walling Lopez, a local contractor volunteering his time to complete the necessary construction.

Not only is Kimball trying to get Bates Students get involved with the community, but she is involved with Bates. Once a week, she sits in on a course taught by Jananne Phillips, "the sociology of place." She is also participating in Dean Carignan's Civic Leadership Forum, an out-reach program designed to teach residents leadership skills.

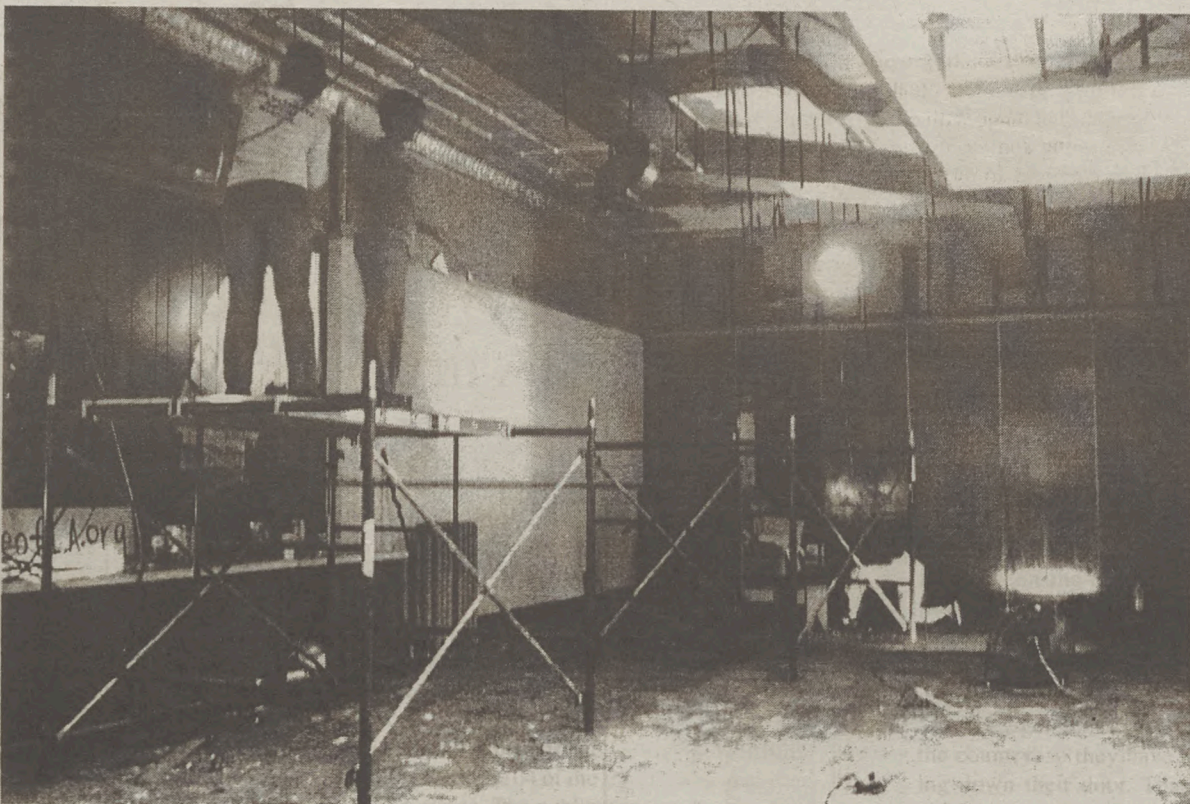
Kimball hopes more Bates Students will want to become involved with The Art House. "I was thinking that this would be a great way to bring more of the Bates community downtown. Iowa City was a university town which had cultural events happening every day of the week. I was finding it difficult to make the transition to a small college town where the college is not as present in the community. In the university town, the town is the university and the university is the town - there's no separation between the two."

"I was born and raised in Waterloo, Iowa. The arts in Iowa city are really alive and well but not in Waterloo. [Lewiston] kind of reminds me of my hometown because Waterloo is one of the headquarters for John Deere Tractor Works. It's a very blue collar town with lots of old, abandoned buildings like Lewiston. So in one sense I'm dissatisfied living here but in another sense it reminds me of my hometown. I feel like these are things I could have done if I stayed there."

Kimball, who has a 9-year-old daughter and a 6-year-old son, both students at Pettingill Elementary School, views Lewiston and the Art House as a long-term commitment. "My kids are really committed to Lewiston, they have their friends here now. Besides I always feel like part of the problem, and this is something that we will approach in the sociology of place class, is that it takes time to build a community, it takes time for people to feel rooted where they are," said Kimball.

"Americans move so much and I feel like I'm part of some sort of thirty-something backlash against the constant movement. So I've decided just to stay put even though it's not my ideal town and not my ideal atmosphere. Rather than sitting and complaining about it like I did the for first year I was here, I've just decided to change it."

Kimball is starting with small projects, like The Art House, to meet the community's long-term goal for revitalization of the downtown area. The Art House is a stepping stone to greater goals like bringing in Artspace Projects, which will bring Lewiston one step closer to



Above: Two Bates students paint the ceiling of the Art House

JAMES N. KEINITZ WILKINS

Below: The front of the Art House

Sam Goldman



preserving the character of the city.

In addition to political involvement, Kimball also expresses her thoughts on Lewiston through visual arts. "I call myself a salvage artist because all the things I use in my art are things I found in the street or decaying next to garbage cans in town. I've got the small scale and then the large scale salvaging going on... small scale with my art and The Art House, and then large scale with the planning board. Some people say to me, 'Well, it sounds like you're

trying to salvage all of Lewiston.' So I think that's pretty accurate," said Kimball, who hesitates to call herself an artist. "It's almost on the same wavelength as calling yourself a god... because I really look up to artists."

Kimball worked for a year and a half selling furniture for Thomas Moser cabinetmakers. Moser, who used to be a professor at Bates, designed the furniture in Pettingill Hall. Kimball was able to use their wood shop, and became

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## Did You Know...

In 1874 the first African-American graduated from Bates. Henry Wilkins Chandler went on to study law at Howard University. He practiced law in Florida and served in the Florida Senate.

"Any student who married without first obtaining the sanction of the President severed his connections with the college."

from the Bates Blue Book 1936-37

In 1943 Bates began offering a B.S. degree in nursing. The five year program included three years of college work and two years of hospital training; it ended in 1958.

from the President's Report 1942-43 and 1957-58

From the Muskie Archives and Special Collections Library



## Dedication Pays Off In Lewiston

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interested in coordinating wood working with photography, she said.

Her most prominent creation is in the display window of the Art House: an American flag made with Al Gore campaign poster stakes and Polaroids. "I've been noticing some flags up in some really bizarre places lately with all the flag waving and so those are some of the Polaroid's. For example, Gerard is this guy who stands out on the porch almost every single day on the corner of Maine and Pine. He has an oxygen tank and he has had severe lung cancer for 15 years and he just stands there leaning against the porch," said Kimball.

"I see him ever day so finally I said 'Oh my gosh, Gerard has a new leather jacket with a huge American flag on the front.' I stopped and took a couple photos of him and there was a flag waving in the background behind his head... that's one of the images I chose to use to make people aware that there is beauty in Lewiston. People are always putting it down for being such a grungy place, but there is a lot of beauty here, too. Not necessarily your typical description of what beauty is, but beauty is different everywhere. As they say, 'it's in the eye of the beholder.'"

Interested in volunteering? Email Kkimball@bates.edu. For more information visit [www.artspaceprojects.org](http://www.artspaceprojects.org) and [www.theartshouseofla.org](http://www.theartshouseofla.org).



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## Horoscopes; Do You Believe There Is Love In Your Future?

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what you see. Keep your conversations light and stay positive. Discard the attitude of "there are 10 weeks left in the semester" and adopt a new one, "there are 2 weeks until break!"

### SCORPIO (OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21)

Normally calm and collected, don't let the little things like your neighbor's stinky breath push you over the edge. By the end of the week, you'll be completely booked with plans. Scorps in need of some healing, I'm sure there are some Capricorns around that can fill that prescription. Live it up!

### SAGITTARIUS (NOVEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 21)

You're hungry for novelty and adventure this week so don't be afraid to step outside of your comfort zone. Stand firm on your issues and opinions even if you find that our standing alone. You'll be surprised how many people realize that they're on the wrong side of the fence. Finish out the week with a jam session, but be sure to end up in your own room.

### CAPRICORN (DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 19)

Try to keep your promises this week so you can maintain your reliability. Tired and cranky, make it through the week, but take Friday off because your body has yet to recover from Newman Day. Stay in and chill so you can enjoy the nightlife on Saturday like the free spirit we know you are.

### CAMPUS WIDE SCOPE

This week is all about having your cake and eating it too. If you have a party to go to but too much work, find a natural balance, but be sure to get out to the party and have some fun. See a potential crush, take advantage of the salad bar lines in Commons and ask them out. The moral is, basically, we live only once. So while we're here Batesies, we sure as hell better have a kicking time. Have fun this week and keep it clean. Until next week... stay cool!!

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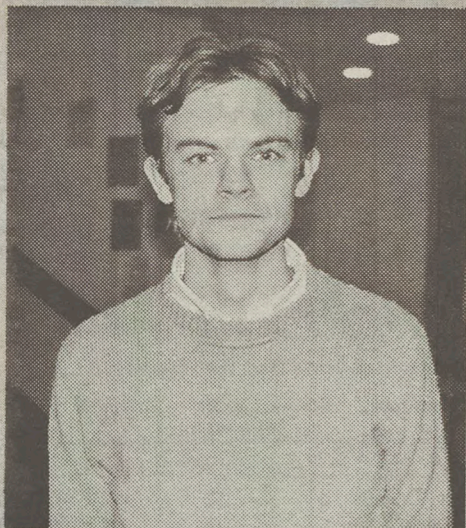
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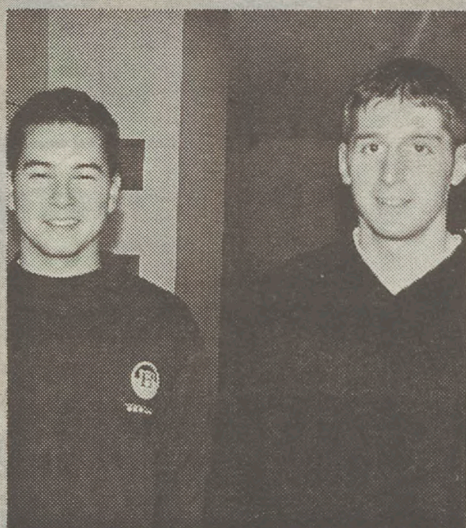
# QUESTION ON THE QUAD

On Sunday, should it be Bledsoe or Brady?



I'm a Rams  
fan...

Brad Proctor '04



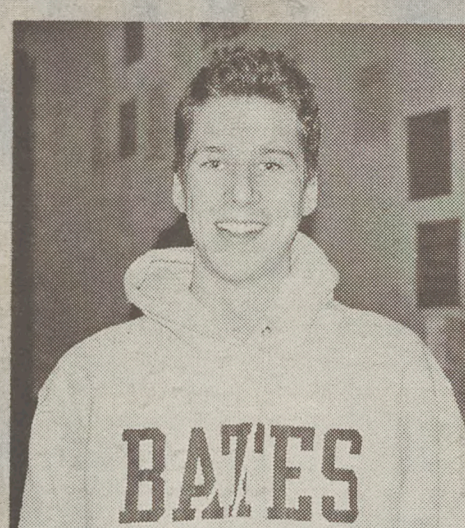
Dan  
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Jay Surdukowski '02



I think  
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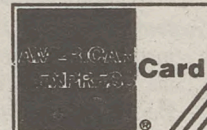
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**Nordic Skiing****Bobcats Steady At Home**by **PAT QUIRK**  
STAFF WRITER

Coming off a strong performances last weekend, the men's and women's Nordic ski teams did an excellent job protecting their home turf this past Friday and Saturday. Racking up a total of 416.5 points over two days of competition the Bobcats finished a solid 6th in the field of 11, ahead of both Bowdoin and Colby.

The Bobcats are looking solid, placing ahead of many top tier schools at each of their first two carnivals. Both the women and men yielded tremendous individual performances on Friday, competing in 5k and 10k skate-style races, respectively. A course which proved difficult for many competitors generated a number of spills for skiers throughout the field.

Topping the leader board for the Bates women at 8th out of a field of 52 was Haley Johnson. This hardworking and consistent sophomore was followed by Abbie Harris (31st) and Kat Bennett (37th). Captain Jane Marshall was very pleased with how her fellow teammates performed, stating that despite the fact that many of the women were battling illness, everyone performed very well overall. Marshall gave her all to defend the home territory, finishing up at a respectable 35th.

A superb effort by men's captain Justin Eas-

ter was well rewarded, landing him a top ten finish in the 10k skate. Following Easter's 9th place performance was junior Nate Rogers, whose rigorous off season training regimen paid off, getting him across the finish line at 35th. Sophomore Andy Hardy gave a strong showing (51st) after being sidelined with an injury for the past few weeks.

The joint-team relay, a 4 x 5k skate on Saturday, was entered by two Bates teams. Each co-ed grouping was made up of two men and two women, a 5k leg being skied by every participant. Finishing 7th out of 18, the team of Justin Easter, Abbie Harris, Nate Rogers, and Haley Johnson crossed the finish line with a time of 1:12:48.2. Finishing a strong 16th was the other Bates squad of Andy Hardy, Jane Marshall, Corey Bergad, and Kat Bennett.

Following a week where both teams saw a good number of skiers go down due to illness, captain Justin Easter had the following to say about their 2nd carnival of the season. "I think after a plague of sickness ripped through our team during the week we rallied back pretty well. We pulled together as a team on Saturday to make it happen in the relay."

After a successful showing close to home, both Nordic teams travel to Stowe, VT next weekend to once again take on some of the best competition in the nation.

**M. Squash****'Cats Prepare For Bowdoin**by **MATT MEYERS**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Bates men's squash team continued their strong showing this season with two impressive wins this week over NESCAC rivals Colby and Tufts. Their record now stands at an impressive 9-3 and they are looking to improve on last season in which they finished the ranked 15th in the country.

Their victory over Colby came last Wednesday in Waterville by a score of 7-2. Although the score appears lopsided, most of the games were close as three of the top nine matches went to five games. "Coming in, I knew the match would be tough," said Coach John Illig. "Colby recently got their top player back from abroad and this obviously makes their team a lot tougher. I actually thought that this would make the match closer, but the score was somewhat deceiving because most of the matches were pretty close."

The highlights of the match were turned in by Ben Schippers, Eric Lopez, Chad Mountain and Sam Kieley. Schippers was able to outlast his opponent in the number spot in five games by a score of 6-9, 9-2, 1-9, 9-1, 9-8. Lopez continued to show that his top form is returning as he won three games with ease after dropping the first. Mountain fell

behind 7-9, 1-8 before rallying to win 7-9, 10-9, 9-7, 9-0 and Kieley showed excellent mental toughness in coming back from a 5-0 deficit in the fifth game to win 9-5 in the fifth.

On Sunday the Bobcats took on Tufts at Bowdoin and won with relative ease. Tufts showed why it is not a historically strong squash program as Bates won 9-0 and took 27 of the 28 games that were played. Schippers was in top form as he dropped only two points in a 9-2, 9-0, 9-0 victory. Alex Wolff and Andy Roberts were also dominant as they won 9-0, 9-1, 9-0 and 9-2, 9-0, 9-0 respectively.

The Bobcats will take on Bowdoin this afternoon at 4:30 at Bowdoin in what should be an extremely close match. "They are a good team," commented Illig. "But so are we so we'll just have to duke it out. By getting to play on their courts two days before playing them gives us a lot of help because we can get a feel for how their courts play."

The Bobcats fell to the Polar Bears 5-4 last season during the regular season but beat them 5-4 at nationals so we can expect to see a close match once again. The 'Cats will be aided by the help of captain Ethan Kerr who has missed the last few matches with a knee injury and will be playing in the fifth spot. After that, the 'Cats will take on Dartmouth at Bowdoin on Sunday.

**M. Hockey****Bates Destroys The Pride**by **SAM KIELEY AND JON BOGNACKI**  
HOCKEY ANALYSTS

"Greg, in my house its my way or the Long Island Express Way."

The Bates Men's hockey team had its way this weekend against Hofstra who made the long trip from Hempsted, Long Island. The Bobcats beat the Pride (formerly the Flying Dutchmen) 9-4 on Friday and 10-1 on Saturday. For many members of the visiting team it was the first time all year that they had been with the same partner two consecutive nights.

The Friday game was close until the end. Aron Bell scored two goals and Scott Sheridan added 2 goals and one assist to give the Bobcats a lead going into the third period. Late in the final period Hofstra pulled their goalie in a last ditch effort to tie the game. The strategy was unconventional because the team was down by five goals. When asked about the maneuver Charles Engasser stated: "Their team motto is pull and prey...that's what they're good at." The plan didn't work as the 'cats skated to victory.

The Saturday session was even more lop-

sided. Freshman wrestler and wingman Charles Engasser scored four goals and Jeff Vachon added three. This was the first time this season two Bobcats had two hat tricks in the same game. Freshman Josh Schneider played goalie and held the opposition to one lone goal. Although no Hofstra player had a hat trick on the ice they all had high hopes for Saturday night back home.

One Hofstra player stood out from his lackluster teammates. This diamond in the rough was allegedly a 34-year-old graduate student in Hotel Management. "He was a great player with an erie resemblance to senior doubles specialist Chris Callagy," said Riley. The older man was overheard saying that he is "in the game for the bag lunches and the chicks are great too."

The Bobcats now face the toughest part of their schedule. The team travels to Franklin Pierce and WPI this coming weekend. The following weekend the team will face Daniel Webster away before heading out for the last time against Bridgewater State. The final home game is February 17th at home against Holy Cross. We wish the 'Cats best of luck with their final games of the regular season and into the playoffs.

**M. Basketball****Heartbreaking Loss  
Caps Tough Weekend**by **MATT MEYERS**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Anyone who has competed knows there are many ways to lose a game. This weekend the Bates men's basketball got to experience two types of losses that are on the opposite ends of that spectrum. On Friday night they got outclassed in the second half in a 92-69 loss at Amherst while on Saturday they lost a 105-96 heartbreaker to Trinity in overtime.

In the opener against Amherst, the game was extremely close throughout the first half. During the first 16 minutes there were 11 ties and 8 lead changes alone. Amherst was able to extend their lead to five at that point but Bates trimmed it to one at the end of the half on three free throws by Ed Walker.

After shooting close to 50% in the first half, Bates came out ice cold in the second missing four of their first five shots. Taking advantage of this cold spell the Lord Jeffs were able to extend their lead to eight. Bates was able to bring the gap back to two points once more on a three pointer from Ramon Garcia and a three point play the old fashioned way from Alex Wilson, but that was as close as they could get.

Bates would shoot only 32% in the second half with nine turnovers while Amherst shot 67% in outscoring the Bobcats 52-30 in the second half. The Bobcats were lead by Walker with 20 points while Wilson added 19 while grabbing 6 rebounds.

Hoping to bounce back from this loss, the Bobcats headed down to Hartford to take on the Trinity Bantams. The Bobcats came out with their guns blazing as they scored 49 first half points in taking a ten point lead into the locker room. In

the first half the Bobcats out-rebounded the Bantams 25-15 as Wilson dropped 17 points.

For the second straight game, the Bobcats shooting went cold in the second half which allowed the Bantams to crawl back into the game. Despite this, the Bobcats were still up by three points as time wound down when the unthinkable happened. Trinity forward Darren Baker received an inbounds pass at half-court in the closing seconds and avoided two Bates defenders before knocking down a half-court shot as time expired to send the game into overtime.

Trinity took advantage of a shocked Bobcat squad and came out smoking in the overtime period. Matt Jones hit a trifecta to start the extra session and never looked back as they went on to win by nine. This was the second overtime loss for the Bobcats in the NESCAC as they saw a similar result last weekend against Tufts.

The Bobcats will need to regroup quickly as they face two enormous challenges this weekend. On Friday night they will travel to Brunswick to take on Bowdoin and on Saturday they will play at Colby. Although they beat these two teams already this season, they are both playing better. There is not better evidence than Bowdoin winning two NESCAC road games this weekend including a 84-54 victory over 13th ranked Williams.

These two games will not only decide the CBB title, but they will also play a large role in the NESCAC standings. The first two games Bates played against Bowdoin and Colby did not count towards the NESCAC standings, so Bates is still winless in the conference despite being extremely competitive. Hopefully the breaks will start falling their way this weekend.

**W. Track****'Cats Fall Short  
To White Mules**by **KEN WHITNEY**  
STAFF WRITER

The Bates' women indoor track team lost to the White Mules of Colby in a dual meet at Bates held on Saturday. In the Bates Coed Invitational, Colby defeated the Bates women one hundred four to seventy-seven.

Despite many victories and strong performances in the track events at the meet, the Bobcats could not overcome Colby's strength in the field events.

Christina Rivard, a freshman from Auburn, won the 400-meter race with a finishing time of 1:03.46. She defeated second-place finisher Theresa Leyro, of Colby, by nearly nine-tenths of a second. In addition, Rivard placed second in the women's 200-meter dash. With a time of 28.44 seconds, she was 0.71 seconds back of the event's winner Elizabeth Frederick, of Colby.

Bates sophomore Julie Dutton, however, was the top performer for Bates. She won both the 800-meter race and the mile run. In the 800, she finished with a time of 2:27.73, over two seconds ahead of her nearest competitor, and fast enough to qualify her for the New England Division III championships. In the mile run, Dutton crossed the line at 5:21.41. She defeated second-place Gayle Pageau, of Colby, by over fifteen seconds. Dutton qualified for the New England Division III championship with her mile performance.

A Bates athlete also won the 600-meter dash. Sophomore Catherine Crosby won the event for the Bobcats, with a time of 1:43.45. She edged out freshman teammate Laura David by less than one-tenth of a second. Both Crosby and David qualified for the New En-

gland Division III and the ECAC championships with their performances at the meet.

Bates runner Kelly Puglisi handily won the 1000-meter event with a time of 3:04.17. With her performance, she qualified for the ECAC, New England Division III, and the Open New England championships. Rebecca Hakala, a senior captain, placed second, over seventeen seconds behind her teammate with a time of 3:21.33.

In the field events, Jen Strahle had the most impressive performance for the Bobcats. The Bates senior, in the twenty-pound weight throw, was just two and one-quarter inches short of qualifying for the NCAA championship. She placed fourth with a throw of forty-five feet, one and one-half inches. Despite failing to qualify for the NAAs, she set a lifetime best, and qualified for the ECAC and New England Division III championships.

Also in the weight throw, Tonya "Bam Bam" Taylor set a lifetime best, just short of forty feet.

Liz Wanless placed second in the women's shot put event. With her throw of forty-two feet, nine and three-quarter inches, she was just under five inches behind event winner Connie Beal of Colby.

Any Belanger took second place for the Bobcats in the triple jump. She finished with a jump of thirty-two feet, four and one-quarter inches. In the same event, Lauren Atkinson, a Bates sophomore, jump a lifetime best thirty feet, eight and one-quarter inches.

The Bates' women's indoor track team next competes on Saturday, February 2nd, at the Tufts Coed Invitational before they compete in the Maine state met on the 6th.



# FEELING SPECIAL

by MIKE LOPEZ  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

As a football addict, let me start by saying I am quite possibly the most biased person that ever could attend a debate titled "What would Bates be like without a football team?" I started competing in the sport in fourth grade and have played ever since. My father coaches football. I am consumed by the New England Patriots and Nebraska Cornhuskers, among other great teams. I have a Vince Lombardi poster above my desk. In fact, for my family Christmas picture in 6th grade I wore a sweatshirt stating

'Football is life, the rest is just details.' Needless to say, just the thought of attending a school without a football team was enough to entice me to write this article.

Deep breath, here I go.

The anti-jocks, led by Dan Dargon, Whitman Holt, and Ryan Shepard, started by bringing up a host of points centering around resources, respect, and relevance, relating to the football team at Bates, as reasons the team should be eliminated. Few, if any, of their points made sense. None mattered.

Relating to resources, Shepard noted how much money Bates would be able to spend on, among other things, a new student center. He should have realized a new student center is in the works and does not need money that is used on the football squad. Secondly, Shepard pointed how a distinct improvement in other athletic teams, like men's and women's rugby, would come about if football was eliminated. Well, I don't care how much money the football team would save Bates, it is not enough to improve the fact that women's rugby uses a tackling dummy from the 1800's [possibly from the Colonial Days, no one is sure], plays on a field smaller than my backyard, and has to be careful running down the sloped field next to Rand because too much momentum would land players on the street.

Next came the argument of respect. Unfortunately, by having the debate in itself, the debate team as a whole was showing a lack of respect for the players, coaches, and alumni who have worked tirelessly to improve the football program. And debate team members claim our recent record has nothing to do with the debate? If Bates College was 8-0 this past season not a word would have been spoken. That cannot be argued.

Also relating to the respect argument is how by admitting enough players to field a football team, the academic reputation of the school as a whole suffers. Perhaps, just perhaps, if you had

shown the Bates College football team is a black eye in the academic achievement of our oh so popular school, could this argument have been merited. But, as my friend and Bates athletic supporter Marsha Graef [who never receives enough credit for her help] proved, the GPA of the football squad as a whole equals the school average, and, in fact, athletes as a whole have a higher graduation rate than non-athletes. Think that helps the schools academic reputation?

Lastly, while I still had some sense of sanity left in me, Shepard, Dargon, and Holt, the three stooges of the Debate team, tried to tell me that Bates College, playing in the NESCAC in Division III, is not "relevant." They argued, that by playing in the conference and division in which we exist now, Bates College has nowhere to go and nothing to prove. Well apparently, if the football team is not relevant, neither is any other athletic team at Bates, as certainly the Division III championships matter nothing in the whole scheme of things. Dargon goes as far to claim winning in the NESCAC is "like winning the special olympics, no one cares." Well, if the Bates win over Bowdoin on historic Garcelon Field on a crisp October afternoon this past fall is anything like the Special Olympics, buy me two tickets, a poster, a nifty seat pad, and reserve my airline seats for the next games.

Approximately 50 members of the student body witnessed the event, which I have no doubt is the largest debate crowd. Ever. All in all, they witnessed a well constructed debate, which, although ran long and cost me my 4:30 dinner, still managed to evoke emotions.

In retrospect, both sides did their best to make valid points, and, maybe my biases got in front of me. Undermined in the arguments heard Thursday afternoon by the side supporting the banishment of football was the ever growing difference between jocks and non-jocks at Bates. The football team could have been easily replaced with another losing Bates athletic male team and the arguments would have been the same.

Furthermore, maybe jocks, like me, are stupid. I am the one working out every day in the weight room even though my team struggles to win each year. Maybe my friends and I get caught up in too many Geology, Rhetoric, and Poli Sci classes to know how dumb we really are. We are at a NESCAC school, which does not say much compared to schools like Harvard and Yale. Not only do I go to Bates, but I play a Division III sport! I write for *The Bates Student*! Talk about going nowhere in life. But I type, I lift, and I study, and will do so with a smile. After all, I still have my seat at the Special Olympics.

## Weekend Split In NESCAC Play



Katie King shoots over two Amherst defenders

Christina Dove/The Bates Student

by TARA DEVITO  
STAFF WRITER

It was an intense weekend for the women's basketball team. They had two exhilarating games, against two competitive NESCAC teams, within two days. It was a lot to take in and although both results may not depict it, they played some tremendous basketball.

On Friday, the women's basketball team defeated Amherst 71-58. Down 16-6 with 8 minutes left in the first half, the Bobcats picked up their game and made a rapid turn around. It took a little while to get into the zone but once they were there, the girls were unstoppable. "Our defense created some better shot opportunities and tired the Amherst players out. We kept up the pressure in the second half and were able to win the game," commented Coach Murphy.

As usual, there were many shining stars of the game. Kate Dockery made seven out of 12 shots leading the team with 18 points. Scoring 12 points, Lauren Dubois had a team high of 10 crucial rebounds, making her first double-double game of the season. Also with 12 points, Lisa Globoski opened several doors with her sly assists. Carla Flaherty made an impressive seven out of the eight shots taken from the line adding to her total of 11 points. In addition to these four double figure scorers, all the players contributed

to this success.

Unfortunately, this weekend did not end as a complete success for the Bobcats. The team lost to Trinity in a close 73-65 game on Saturday. Though they were behind for much of the first half, the girls fought back and with the help of two baskets by Heather Taylor and the game tying basket by Olivia Zurek the buzzer marked the first half at 32-32. It was a very nerve wracking "fall behind and catch-up" game.

"Trinity played a fantastic game," said Murphy. "They shot 53 percent from the floor and an impressive 91 percent from the free throw line. We had trouble putting the ball in the basket and missed 14 shots from (a range) 5 inches and less."

Though they played well, the team could not break the tie to take the lead. With 15 points each, Dockery and Flaherty were both on top of their game. Zurek led the team with 9 rebounds and added 11 points to the scoreboard. Overall, Murphy thought the girls battled hard the entire game, they just weren't able to overcome the great shoos made by Trinity.

It's all part of the game. You win some and you lose some. Hopefully no matter the outcome, something great can be extracted from every game. They played well and should be proud. The team will be playing with pride as they challenge Bowdoin this Friday at 7:30 in the Alumni Gymnasium.

### W. Squash

## Bobcats Keep On Rolling

by MATT MEYERS  
SPORTS EDITOR

In the immortal words of Rodney Dangerfield "I don't get no respect." Despite a 10-4 record and cruising through their NESCAC schedule it still appears as though the Bates women's squash team gets no respect. You want evidence? How about the fact that after defeating the University of Pennsylvania (who at the time was ranked 9th in the country) the Penn web-site referred to Bates as "Baiter College." In spite of this slight the Bobcats have remained unfazed and continued their winning ways with two victories this past week over Colby and Tufts.

On Wednesday the 'Cats traveled to Waterville to take on their arch-rival Colby. In a pre-season exhibition the Bobcats defeated the White Mules 8-1 so it appeared as though this match would not be too close; however, this was not the case. The Bobcats needed victories from their top five players in order to secure a 5-4 victory.

The match was quite suspenseful as the Bobcats were down 4-3 with two matches still going on. The players who were still left were Kristen Brush and Liz Wagoner in the third and fifth spots respectively. These two players were able to overcome the pressure and pulled out

victories as Wagoner won 9-0, 8-10, 9-6, 9-6. Brush's match was even more successful as it went to a fifth game which Brush won with ease by a score of 9-3.

"We are missing two excellent players right now in Katie Austin and Maggie Smith," said Coach John Illig. "We are still winning and we

*"Our top five have been great," commented Illig. "They have been carrying us the last couple of matches whereas earlier in the season it was the middle and the bottom. This shows our great depth."*

are still deep, but to be missing players is extremely hard mentally because it puts pressure on certain players who feel like they need to win for the team to win."

This past Sunday the Bobcats took on Tufts and although the Jumbos are not a traditionally

strong team, the Bobcats were even more short-handed as captain Jess Greslick was also unable to play due to illness meaning the 'Cats were three players short of their top line-up. Once again it was the top five players who picked up the slack as they were all victorious. "Our top five have been great," commented Illig. "They have carried us the last couple of matches whereas earlier in the season it was the middle and the bottom. This just shows our great depth."

Not only did the top five players win win, but they did so in impressive fashion as none of them dropped a game. The most impressive of these victories was posted by Brush who did not drop a point in winning 9-0, 9-0, 9-0. Aisha Shah dropped only six points in the top slot while Wagoner only lost five. Another impressive performance was posted by Caryn Repaci who won in five games in her first match ever in the eighth position.

The Bobcats will take on Bowdoin today at 6:30 at Bowdoin and Dartmouth on Saturday at Bowdoin as they gear up for nationals in a few weeks. "These injuries have been tough on us," said Illig. "But we have been mentally tough and it has not been that big of a factor. By nationals we should be at full strength and hopefully we will be peaking at just the right time."

## Bobcat Of The Week



Kyle Hildebrand

Last week Kyle Hildebrand could've easily won Bobcat of the Week when he won the slalom and finished third in the Giant Slalom at the St. Lawrence Carnival.

This week Hildebrand took 2nd in the slalom and sixth in the Giant Slalom and we decided we did not want to make the same mistake. Although he did not win this week, Hildebrand's performance over the last two weeks more than merits his selection as Bobcat of the Week.



**BOBCAT OF THE WEEK**

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**M. Track**

## Bates Defeats Colby

by KEN WHITNEY  
STAFF WRITER

At the Bates Coed Invitational Meet held this weekend, the Bates men's indoor track team defeated Colby 91 to 77 in the dual meet.

Sawler won two events at the meet on Saturday. He won the thirty-five pound weight throw and the shot put. In the weight throw, Sawler had a life-time best toss of sixty feet, seven and three-quarter inches, which is currently the top throw of the season in NCAA Division III. Greg Hurley of Bates placed second in the event with a throw of fifty-three feet, four and one-half inches.

Sawler also won the shot put event, with a throw of forty-five feet, nine inches. Greg Hurley was the next-best Bobcat finisher. He threw forty-one feet, two and one-quarter inches to finish third.

Matt Ondra, a Bates sophomore, won the pole vault event with a clearance of thirteen feet even. He defeated fellow Bobcat Patrick Cunningham by six inches.

Bates junior Brian Luoma won the high jump event with a clearance of five feet, ten inches. He was followed by teammates Jesse Carney and David Hurley. Carney, a senior, cleared five feet, ten inches. Freshman Hurley was four inches back, at five feet, six inches.

Bates junior captain Stephen Gresham won the 600-meter dash. His finishing time of 1:24.68 was three and one-half seconds ahead of second-place Nicholas Hanson, also of Bates. Hanson finished the race at 1:28.33. Gresham's performance in the 600 was Bates' only individual victory in the sprinting events.

Malcolm Gray, another junior captain, won the 1000-meter race in 2:37.02. He won the event by more than four seconds over Eric Reinauer of Colby.

The mile was won by Bates freshman Joel Anderson in 4:27.90. He defeated teammate Robert Gomez by nearly nine seconds.

Robert Gomez, also a Bates freshman, won the 3,000-meter race with a time of 9:17.93. His finish was nearly nineteen seconds ahead of second-place finisher Justin Sukiennik of Colby.

Bates defeated Colby in the four by four hundred-meter relay. Their finishing time of 3:38.44 was nine seconds ahead of the White Mules' team.

Greg Whelan, a Bates freshman, was second in the 400-meter race. His time of 52.90 was just four-tenths of a second back from Justin Fried.

In the 800-meter run, the Bobcats placed two in the top three. Eric Knackmuhs, a Bates junior, placed second in the race, with a time of 2:03.17, just eight-tenths of a second behind winner Rich Dowling of Colby. Joel Anderson placed third at 2:06.05.

The men's team will next compete at the Tufts Coed Invitational. The meet will be held on Saturday, February 2.

## Bates Takes Sixth, Hildebrand Places 2nd At Bates Carnival



Kyle Hildebrand shoots through a gate

The Bates Student

by CLAIRE CUNO AND JOSH LEVIN  
STAFF WRITERS

Bates hosted the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association's second carnival of the year last weekend with the Alpine half of the competition held at Sunday River. The Alpine team sent 12 skiers to compete in the field of 140. 10 other schools made up the rest of the pack.

The women kicked off the carnival Friday morning in that day's race the Giant Slalom. Kim Rogers 103 was the highest finishing Bobcat. She finished 14th with a combined time of 2:50.27, 8 seconds behind the top finisher from University of Vermont.

Bates senior Jo Ellen Rowley was right behind Kim in 16th place.

Senior Kyle Hildebrand was Bates highest male finisher in the Giant Slalom. He finished in 6th place with a combined time of 2:35.93, just over a second behind the first place finisher again from the University of Vermont. Five other Bobcats finished in the men's top 45.

Saturday morning the course at Sunday River was set for the Slalom. The women were first out of the starting gate. Bates top women skier Kim Rogers finished in 16th place. Coach Rogan Connell was very impressed with Kim's finishes as she "is battling an ankle injury that has been really bothering her since the first day

on snow this year. She is only skiing at about 70%."

Kyle Hildebrand amazed the crowd as he flew through the course to finish in 2nd place with a combined time of 1:43.19. Coach Connell was very happy with the Kyle's results, "Kyle is looking to win every race and with the way he has been skiing he has the ability to do that."

Both the Bates Alpine and Nordic ski teams combined to finish off the weekend in 6th out of the 11 teams in competition. The University of Vermont won the carnival with Dartmouth a close second. Coach Connell said he was "really happy with the team's performance. I am impressed by the women's team and the way they keep improving from week to week. And on the men's team Kyle's performances have been great. I am looking forward to Dan LeBlanc and Dave Baker coming into their own and starting to ski as fast in races as they do in training." Next weekend the Bobcat ski teams go to Stowe where University of Vermont hosts its ski carnival. Coach Connell predicts that "if the Nordic team gets healthy and we get our best results in Alpine we should at least get 5th place. It would be nice to bump Williams down a spot or two."

Coach Connell says he was impressed by the support of the Bates students this weekend. "There were probably a couple hundred people spread out along the course, that support was great for the team." Although Bates only hosts a carnival every three years Coach Connell hopes some Batesies will roadtrip out to the other carnivals, which generally coincide with the other colleges winter carnivals, to support the Bobcats and just to have a good time.

**Swimming**

## Women Get The Win, But The Men Come Up Just Short

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Last weekend in a key NESCAC matchup, the Bates Swimming and Diving Teams took on the Jumbos of Tufts University. The women defeated Tufts 192-106, moving to 7-2 on the season while handing the Jumbos their first loss to drop them to 5-1. The Bates men were defeated by a narrow margin of 22 points, 161-139, to fall to 5-4 on the year.

The Bates women won 13 of 16 events, and featured a triple winner and three additional double winners. First year Vanessa Williamson won three individual events for the second week in a row, placing first in the 200 yard butterfly (2:10.05), the 200 yard IM (2:18.09) and the 100 freestyle (56.44).

Junior tri-captain Meg Ferrari captured both the 100 and 200 yard breaststroke, while also placing third in the 200 IM with a time of 2:24.34. Another multiple winner was senior Megan Simmons who won both the 100 (1:03.54) and 200 yard (2:16.31) backstroke. Rookie Nicole Sparks placed first in both the 50 (26.28) freestyle and 200 freestyle and took second in the 500 free with a time of 5:27.96.

In the 1000 freestyle, rookie Jackie Donnelly placed first with a time of 11:10.82 and classmate Allison Wensley took third (11:25.00).

In the 100 butterfly, senior Liz Horan captured first in a time of 1:04.12, while junior Jill Kopicki placed second (1:05.97). First year Kara Seaton took first in the 3M diving

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with a score of 236.18 and second in the 1M with a score of 223.35.

In the team events, the 200 yard medley relay team of Simmons, Ferrari Williamson and Sparks took first place in a time of 1:56.29. The team of McConnell, Simmons, Balicki and Humphrey also took second in the 200 free relay.

On the men's side, despite the loss, there were several impressive team and individual

finishes. The 200 yard medley relay team of senior Andrew O'Donnell, rookies Sao Hseng and Craig Legault and sophomore Todd Bretl captured first with a time of 1:42.59. The 200 free relay team of Bretl, Guerette, senior Steve Imig and junior Adam Bowden also took first place.

Dave Bear took home a victory in the 1000 free (10:15.43) and 500 free (4:57.15), while also posting a second place finish in the 400 IM. Senior Dan Heneghan placed just behind Bear with a time of 10:30.59 in the 1000. Bretl turned in a first place finish in the 50 free (22.96), while Imig took third (23.28). In the 100 backstroke, Legault placed second (57.08) and O'Donnell followed him in third (57.10), while in the 100 free, Bowden took second (50.16) and Guerette placed third (50.95).

Senior Andrew Hastings swept the 1M and 3M diving events with a score of 261.23 and 285.90 respectively, while classmate Nick Holquist placed third in the 1M (188.78) and second in the 3M (210.65). Next up for the Bobcats is at home this weekend against NESCAC opponent, Connecticut College which will be there last home meet.