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Husson College Bangor, Maine

First Blizzard '89

Let It Snow: Just not on our Vacation
by Viviana Altomari

The Monday of Thanksgiving Vacation, the entire college was in a frenzy. Students were eager to go home for the long weekend, and much last-minute packing was being done. Tuesday morning, however, all the activity came to a standstill. Students awoke to what turned out to be the first blizzard of 1989.

Television, and Radio both warned people not to travel on Tuesday if at all possible. Some students who did leave against this advice found that travel was more than they had expected it to be. Cars and trucks that had run into ditches were common sights. People who live north of Bangor found that travel time was double and sometimes triple what it normally was, the Interstate was closed from 9:00-12:00, and traffic was backed up for miles.

One student said that traveling to her home, normally a thirty-minute drive, took more than two hours. This was a story repeated by more than one student.

Some people were not lucky enough to leave on Tuesday. There was much activity in the dorms Tuesday night, as students tried to keep thier spirits up. Students spent a lot of time watching television and talking to people whom they hadn't seen before. In the end, people were left with their depression because they weren't able to go home. Many students wound up going to sleep early in the hopes that the night would end more quickly.

On Wednesday the all-clear was given for students to go home. The road conditions had improved and there was a great feeling of relief as students piled into their cars.





TKE Eliminates Pledging

by Stephen Novak

What is a fraternity without pledging? Well we'll soon find out. The Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE), the largst social fraternity with 16,000 active undergraduate members and over 177,000 initiated members, has voted to eliminiate "pledging" in all TKE chapters.

Pledgeship, which evolved in the late nineteenth century and was meant to be a "rite of passage" period for new recruits before they were initiated with full rights and privileges of membership, has become an issue of late, with hazing contributing to more than 50 deaths in the last 10 years.

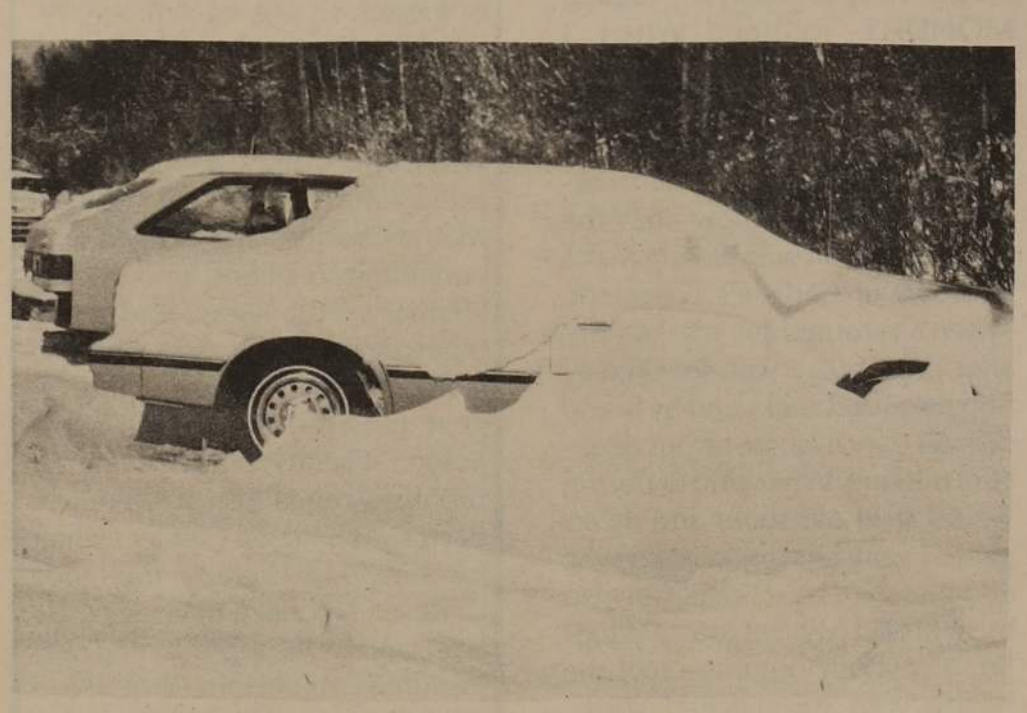
Just last year, the University of Maine was having a problem with hazing. While there hasn't been any here at Husson, the college is certainly not immune from it.

Asked how TKE was going to incorporate it in, Tyler Blake, President of the local chapter, said it would be worked in slowly. About the students who think that it will be easier to get into TKE, guess again! People think membership will increase but it won't because the frat will be looking more closely at the person beforehand and really get to know him.

Everyone on campus will be waiting to see how TKE does it and while TKE has taken the lead in eliminating pledging, they aren't the only ones. Other national fraternities are moving in the same direction. "We think that the elimination of pledging is the most significant event in the recent history of the fraternity system," said TKE's chairman of the board Bruce B. Melchert. "Our founding fathers didn't have pledging and so, in a sense, we are returning to our roots. I'm proud that our chapter leaders viewed the change as neccessary.

As Tyler Blake said, "The bond of old won't be the same but with a small school you know the person before."

Changes are about to happen when the chaper eliminates pledging and we can only wait and see if it is for better or for worse.



Can you identify this car?

Photos by Linda Eaton

Editorial Page

Letters

Dear Students:

You have plans for your life - goals to reach - a brilliant future . . .

So did Linda Lancaster, a doctoral candidate at the University of Maine, Orono, Maine. On February 18, 1989, the drunken driver of a pickup truck struck her down as she and a classmate walked along a sidewalk in the campus community. Linda died three hours later.

All her goals and plans for the future were wiped out in one senseless moment of drunken violence - a violence our legislatures have yet to recognize as murder - and our courts of law waver over justice for the victim.

You have plans for your life - but take a moment as you walk across campus to ponder on your chances of becoming the random victim of a drunken driver. We all carry the same risk, as did Linda. But with your help we can - and must - keep our streets and sidewalks safe.

Take a stand. Refuse to ride with an intoxicated driver. Volunteer to drive a friend who has partied too much. Write your congressman to initiate deterrent legislation against killer drivers: no time off for good behavior - no suspending half a sentence - no plea bargaining.

Do something positive, if not for yourself or for a friend, then for someone who loves you.

Keep your future alive!

Sincerely,
Russell and Eleanor Nicholson
Parents of Linda Lancaster

To the Laundry Bandit:

Recently is has come to my attention how dishonest and cheap some of the students of Husson can be. Last MONDAY morning I awoke early to begin my regular MONDAY routine. When I reached into my sock drawer, I discovered that I had no clean socks, so I decided to drop a load of laundry off on my way to breakfast. Little did I know that the Laundry Bandit was lurking in the shadows of Carlisle's basement. When I returned for my laundry after breakfast, I was shocked to find three odd socks and by brand new 64 ounce bottle of Surf detergent missing. What kind of person would steal old socks and detergent? I realize winter is coming and these are hard times, but give me a break! My feet are cold too! So, if anybody out there sees the bandit with mismatched socks, please contact Box 791.

Sincerely,
Maria "Cold Feet" Clyde

YOU WANT US TO DO WHAT?
by Viviana Altomari

Something very interesting happened November 28 that I think everyone should be informed of. People in this school were given the opportunity to help out the social committee and student government, participate in a school activity, and eat free pizza.

The free pizza alone should have sent a dizzying number of people to the Arrowhead at 7:00 to help make tissue flowers for the float that was in the Christmas parade Saturday December 2. However, this was not enough of an incentive, because only a small handful of people cared enough to show up.

This brings me to my favorite topic: people complaining that there aren't enough activites here at Husson. Yet another opportunity was given for people to participate and show their school spirit. Free food was also offered. Still, people did not participate. Some of the excuses were, "I was studying," "I didn''t know about it," "I have too much homework." Somehow, these don't seem to be adequate excuses. For one thing, the campus was just about wallpapered with posters advertising the event, and student senators told everyone they knew to attend.

I understand that people have tests to study for and homework to do, but come on, the people who were there probably had homework to do too.

I'm sure everyone who saw the parade on television and in person enjoyed seeing the float and told someone that this was their school. How many of you can honestly take credit for the float? How many of you can honestly say you helped out? We all like to take credit for something, but when it comes to working, it seems like everyone has gone on vacation. No one likes to do the work.

Folding and fluffing fifty flowers isn't my idea of fun, but the work had to be done. Tissue flowers can't fold and fluff themselves. After all you do have to crawl before you can run.

Some people weren't present that should have been. We do have ten student senators, don't we? I'm asking this because I think maybe 2/10 of these people showed up. After all the work they did telling us to help out, where were they?

There is a method to my madness. All I have to say is people who complain about there being nothing to do should participate when there is an activity, or keep quiet. At the very least, they should come up with better excuses.

On behalf off Student Government and the Coordinator for the event, Sheila Waycott, I would like to thank those people who helped out.

- In Memoriam -
Former Board of Trustees Member Recently Passed Away

James B. Coffey, vice president of Eastern Maine Healthcare, recently passed away. Mr. Coffey served on the Board of Trustees here at Husson College for many years. Mr. Coffey also served as president/treasurer of Eastern Maine Charities and worked with community relations, fund-raising, auxiliary, volunteers, and many other organizations, agencies, and legislators. Mr. Coffey's most recent projects include the Ross Manor Facility, now rising at Broadway and Husson Avenue in Bangor, the Rosen Cancer Center for Radiation Therapy, the Hilda C. Rosen Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and CON approval and raising funds to build the EMMC Heart Center.

He will be sadly missed by all those whose lives he touched.



HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

ALCOHOL AWARENESS
by Jack Slomback

Once Awareness of a drinking or drug problem has occurred, and some degree of Admitting and Acceptance has taken place, the final "A", Action, must be taken for successful recovery. There is a variety of possibilities at this point. In fact, the treatment and recovery from chemical dependency is one of today's growth industries in the United States. There are over 9000 treatment facilities, and an untold number of psychiatrists, psychologists, and counselors, all part of this growth industry. All of these can play a role in recovery, but the most successful method, the one with the highest success rate, is Alcoholics Anonymous.

More than 50 years ago, an alcoholic physician, who was frustrated by the lack of help available, decided to take matters into his own hands. The physician, affectionately known today as Bill W., saw that the medical and mental health fields were not able to help people like himself. Bill W. founded Alcoholics Anonymous with its 12 steps of recovery from alcoholism.

Alcoholics Anonymous, a self-help support group using the 12 steps, was and has been so successful there are now 149 other self-help support groups who use the same 12 steps. Overeaters Anonymous, Parents Anonymous, and Gamblers Anonymous are just a few.

Treatment centers and private counselors, for the most part, will admit that unless the patient or client is willing to go to Alcoholics Anonymous, recovery from alcoholism or drug addiction probably will be unsuccessful. In other words, the treatment center or counselor can show the drinker the path to recovery, but the drinker must walk it. And that path is Alcoholics Anonymous.

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Student Life

From Financial Aid:

Information has just been received from the New England Employee Benefits Council regarding a scholarship program aimed at advancing the knowledge and education of students interested in pursuing a career in the benefits field.

A full-time college student studying in an accredited academic program leading to a degree is eligible to apply, provided the student demonstrates an interest toward this objective.

An annual award of $2500 is offered, with sufficient time to earn a degree but not to exceed four years.

Selection based upon:

- Grade point average/rank in class
- School/community activities
- Work experience
- Future potential
- Specific benefits-related study, activities and goals

Application must be requested from the New England Employee Benefits Council.

Deadline date: Postmarked no later than April 1, 1990.

Additional information available in the Financial Aid Office, Room 216.

POETRY CONTEST

December 31 is the deadline for entering the American Poetry Association's contest. Entry is free and everyone is welcome to enter.

The Grand Prize is $1,000 and the first prize $500. In total 152 poets will win cash and publication prizes worth $11,000.

"Every student who writes poetry should enter this contest. Our latest $1,000 winner is a student. Students also won 24 of the other prizes," said Robert Nelson, publisher for the association. "December break should give students the chance to enter before the deadline."

Poets may enter the contest by sending up to six poems, each no more than 20 lines, name and address on each page, to American Poetry Association, Dept. CT-90, 250-A Potrero St., P.O. Box 11803, Santa Cruz, CA 95061. Entries should be mailed by December 31. A new contest starts January 1.

Each poem is also considered for publication in the American Poetry Anthology, a leading collection of today's poems.

During eight years of sponsorship the American Poetry Association has run 34 contests and awarded $165,000 in prizes to 3,100 winning poets.

The Greek Side

Delta's Annual Christmas Bazaar

- November 27 - December 8
- Time: 10AM - 4PM
- 5th level Carlisle
- Crafts and refreshments for students and faculty
- Everyone is Welcome!

KAPPA LAMBDA NEWS

The sisters of Kappa Lambda have been very busy this semester. Every Sunday morning we do a Campus Cleanup. We go through the dorms and pick up trash and bottles. The money we collect from the bottles is being put aside and will be donated at the end of the year to Pine Tree Camp.

We also have been working on improvements to our floor and lounge. We have got some new furniture in the lounge and we have just recently completed wallpapering the hallway. You are welcome any time to come up and see it.

Kappa Lambda recently participated in the Great American Smokeout by holding a raffle. We also participated in Alcohol Awareness Week. We held a Contempo Jewelry Party in our lounge which was successful. Kappa Lambda donated their time on Halloween to help out the Brewer Recreation Department with a Halloween party for kids.

Upcoming, Kappa Lambda will be selling Candygrams in the Wigwam December 11-14. The candygrams will be delivered on Friday, December 15. Also get ready for Kappa Lambda's Annual Mistletoe Madness. It's coming up real soon. Watch for signs or see any Kappa sister for details. CAN YOU SURVIVE THE MADNESS?

Lastly, Kappa Lambda would like to wish everyone luck with their finals and we hope you enjoy the rest of the semester.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM
THE SISTERS OF
KAPPA LAMBDA!

International Section

INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK

By Linda Eaton

Ozgur D. Yilmaz is in his second year of Business Administration at Husson College. He is from Istanbul, Turkey, and has traveled extensively throughout the world. It would be easier to mention the countries that he has not been to than the ones he has visited. Ozgur has studied in Switzerland and England as well as his homeland, Turkey, for his high school education. Later he attended pre-college in Italy. While studying in Paris, Ozgur met a friend and later visited in Long Beach, California. He loved the area and hopes to return at some point in the future.

Of all the places that Ozgur has lived, he says of Bangor, Maine, "Maine has been the hardest place to adjust to." He is used to a more metropolitan area. "Maine is a very laid-back place," Ozgur says.

Ozgur's father is a stock-broker in Turkey, and he hopes to follow in his father's footsteps and also become a stock-broker. Ozgur would like to work at the New York Stock Exchange before eventually returning to Turkey. Successful businessmen, such as Lee Iacocca, are much admired by Ozgur. He looks up to them and draws a sense of energy from them. As Ozgur says, "I believe in doing everything at 110%." He has set his objective to gain good results by gaining the best education possible and doing what is necessary to reach his prime objective: to be a stock-broker, involved in world-wide economy. Ozgur feels that a person can learn from each experience, and that experience usually contains something that could be helpful in the future. Besides enjoying reading about successful business people, he likes lifting weights in his spare time. Ozgur still considers America the "Dream Land" and is fascinated by its economy. He plans to visit as many areas in America as possible and work here before returning to Turkey.



Photo by Linda Eaton

THE KING OF THAILAND

The king of Thailand is both a symbol and a man. While the idea of kingship has faded in most other countries to that of a figurehead, in Thailand it remains the most powerful unifying force in the country, respected by all groups.

Over thirty years since his coronation, King Bhumibol has proved himself a worthy successor to his celebrated ancestors. With his beautiful Queen Sirikit, he has traveled to every part of the country and played an active role in solving many of its problems.

December 5 is the king's birthday and a national holiday. Most Thai people decorate with colored lights, flags, and portraits of the king in honor of the occasion. On this day Thai temples are crowded, and the faithful gain merit by such acts as releasing caged birds, turtles and fish.

The king is a symbol from the distant past; a man vital to the present. World opinion considered Thailand the next "domino" to fall to the communists, but the unity maintained by the king and the Buddhist religion prevented that from happening. In the words of the king: "We still stand here. We stand here for good of the world."

"Happy Birthday King of Thailand"

Pornimit Mettaprasert (Bo)
Sunee Honglawan (Ta)

Jumble

By Susan Mairhuber

Why the butcher left his job at the meat market.

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BOOKSTORE NEWS

Book buy-back is starting Mon. December 4, 1989, at 8:00 a.m. and will run thru December 22, 1989.

Sell your textbooks back for cash and enter our "Roadtrip U.S.A." sweepstakes game.

Stop by and check out our Holiday sale.

Sports

TV COVERAGE
by Pam Hennessey

The Athletic Department has again successfully negotiated for television coverage selected basketball games for the men's and women's programs. Also, both teams will be playing stronger competition than ever before and two tournaments have been scheduled which will be televised. The first tournament, the Paul Bunyan, has been part of the Husson tradition for the past 23 years. For the first time, women's basketball will also be part of the event. The teams involved are St. Francis Xavier, men and women; Atlantic Christian, men; Fort Kent, women; and U. ME Machias men and women. On January 12 & 13, the Husson Classic will be held with St. Thomas Aquinas, men and women; U. New England, men and women; U. ME Machias men and Western Connecticut women participating.

Answer to Jumble:
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Because he couldn't cut it.

Husson Men Lose Third Straight
by Stephen Novak

On Saturday, November 25, the Husson Braves were looking to end their 2-game losing streak against Colby and to do it in front of a live television audience. Colby's Matt Hancock had other ideas. Besides breaking his school record for most points in a career he also broke Husson's back many times. After Husson started a spurt, Hancock would hit a big shot and most likely get fouled too due to leaning on his defensive player. In fact that is how he scored almost half his 46 points. Going 20-20 on the foul line helps and you can tell who the referees were protecting.

Buster Frederick also had a record night for Husson, scoring 38 points but in a more exciting way than Hancock. Buster was 16 of 21 from the field, two dunks and 15 rebounds in a losing cause, but it wasn't over until the very end.

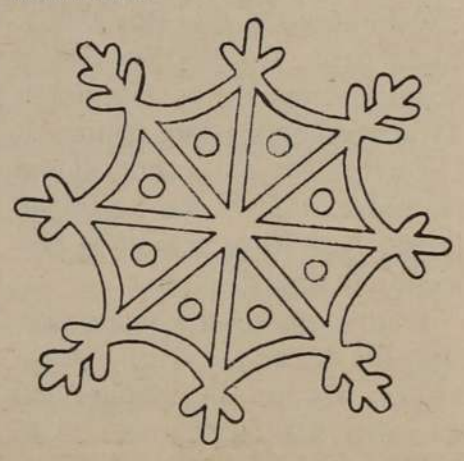
The Braves played even for the first half, and when half time arrived Husson was down by only 3.

After halftime Husson came back to within one (61-60) and all of a sudden Colby started to get easy shots and scored 19 points to 6 Brave points (80-66). This is where Hancock took over, connecting on several 3-point plays.

Early in the second half fouls become a factor. Husson's Bobby Campbell was robbed when they called a foul while he was sitting on the bench, and he fouled out early. Mamadou Kone was playing with 4 most of the second half.

The only good signs for the Brave's besides Buster's finest points were guard Kone who had 19 points and Mark Stillwagon who came off the bench with 13 points. His 5-of-8 shooting from the field sparked the Braves to a comeback that fell short, Colby won the contest 106-95.

Congratulations to Buster Frederick, who had his career-high 38 points even after missing precious minutes due to a foot injury. What he showed us all is how playing with heart helps. He was more exciting than Hancock would ever be and if it weren't for the missed minutes he might have had more.



JOINING HANDS
by Pam Hennessey

The intramural, recreation, and sports department recently joined hands with the nursing department to present a special day for the Girl Scouts. Totaling over 150 in number, Girl Scouts came to the college campus to partake in a day-long event held recently at the gymnasium. The women's soccer team and basketball teams put on sports clinics, and the nursing students presented health-related topics and displays.

The event was a great success due to the students and their advisors! A fine display of involved students presenting programs they enjoyed was evident.

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