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Student Government hopefuls debate on Thursday

By Dylan Riley
News Editor

Student Life

The University of Maine Student Government presidential and vice presidential candidates sparred Thursday during the 2009 election debates, covering issues from dining prices to apathy toward Student Government.

Presidential candidates Ross Wolland, Brian Harris and Zachary Jackman squared off first, followed by vice presidential candidates Timothy Smith and Nyssa Gatcombe.

Harris said he believes the most important issue facing Student Government is student involvement. He said there is much more to gain from UMaine than attending courses and Student Government needs to reach more students and increase support for it to be more effective.

Jackman rebutted Harris, saying Student Government's efforts haven't worked. He said Student Government needs to do more than hand out pens with the organization's logo on it.

"We've been doing these things ... working with the administration to make small changes within, you know, the [Memorial] Union, bringing the Bear's Den back, but it hasn't worked. ... We need to be the institution that fights against the administration because that's our job; we're students," Jackman said. "We don't work for the uni-



Student Government presidential candidates Ross Wolland, (left to right) Zachary Jackman and Brian Harris debate in the Memorial Union Thursday evening. Student Government elections will be held Nov. 12 on FirstClass.

versity. We pay the university."

Harris responded, saying Student Government's past efforts haven't worked because it hasn't engaged students enough. Harris said Student Government needs to go to students face to face and ask them what they want, not to "wait for them to come to us."

Wolland, speaking after Harris, disagreed with Jackman.

"You don't want to ruin your relationship with the administration," said Wolland, who goes by the adage "you catch more flies with honey."

"You don't want to cut your

ties with the board of trustees, because then they're not going to respond positively to you. Yes, that's great that you want to fight for the students, but that fighting doesn't necessarily have to take such hostile tones," Wolland said. "And yes, I'm there advocating, but I don't do it in an unprofessional manner, in a manner that is disrespectful of the administration."

Harris, responding to a moderator question, said his presidency would focus on holding student senators to their responsibility to go out and engage students in

government and seek out their opinions. When asked how he would accomplish this, Harris said he would lead by example and require senators to report on the number of students they talk to, as well as encourage them to table in the Union, speak at classes and write or speak to campus media more often.

"No organization is legitimate without the support of its constituency," Harris said.

Wolland reproved Harris' assumption that student senators aren't already held accountable for their responsibility to engage

students. He said senators spend hours making sure the money Student Government allocates to student organizations is done responsibly.

Jackman said Student Government's most powerful tool is the student body, whose members feel they aren't getting enough of a return from the student activity fee and Student Government.

Harris responded, saying, "Zach said, 'We are the voice of the students,' ... but we're not the voice of the students if we only have 12 percent of their

support behind us."

Wolland said he would, as president, advocate for more affordable campus dining with more choices. He said he lobbied the deans and other UMaine administrators last year to create a peer advisor program, which he would aim to implement as president. The program would be a system for first and second-year students to meet with third and fourth-year students to discuss courses as a way to augment the traditional faculty advisor. Wolland said it would provide the "thorough sort of advising you need." He said he would also work to improve the Bear's Den to help it reach its full potential.

"My plan is to make the lives of students on campus better," Wolland said.

Jackman said his presidency would focus on keeping the student activity fee — which funds Student Government — from increasing. Student Government spends three quarters of \$1 million each year, according to Jackman who said, "We need to change the way Student Government works" by cutting its costs. He said he would wager most students are apathetic toward Student Government or don't know what it does.

"I think that this is the biggest problem that Student Government faces: that students have this animosity toward this great institution that could be potentially very powerful," Jackman said.

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Vice presidential candidates discuss their SG platforms

By Kaitlynn Perreault
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Student Life

On Thursday the student body at the University of Maine will hold elections to vote for the new positions in Student Senate. The two vice presidential candidates are Nyssa Gatcombe and Timothy Smith, who both flaunt experience and passion as their defining factors.

Nyssa Gatcombe

Gatcombe is running with a platform of previous experience and involvement.

"Vice president is kind of in charge of running meetings, all that fun and stuff. You have to



Gatcombe

be able to lead people because you're in charge of all those 35 senators on track and schedule, making sure they're doing their job," Gatcombe said.

"I'm president of a couple of organizations, like the Student Alumni Association and all sorts of others. You also have to be able not to just lead, but also



Smith

help people when they fall down or are struggling."

If elected, Gatcombe plans to use the first month before taking office to figure out what procedures work as vice president and which do not.

"Well, we have a little over a

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Penobscot County man dies of H1N1

Swine flu vaccines administered successfully at University of Maine

Health

The Maine Center for Disease Control reported Friday a young man from Penobscot County died earlier in the week because of swine flu.

The man, who was between the ages of 18 to 24, had an underlying medical condition that contributed to his death, according to John Martins, director of Employee and Public Communications at the Maine CDC.

The man was not attending any colleges or universities at the time of his death. His death marks the second swine flu death in Maine. The Maine CDC is not releasing his name and date of death. An autopsy confirmed the man's death was the result of swine flu.

A 50-year-old York County man who died in August was the first Mainer to die of swine flu. In June, the World Health Organization declared swine flu a worldwide pandemic.

The University of Maine has seen no deaths related to swine flu. It vaccinated approximately 350 students Thursday and Richard Young, director of the Cutler Health Center, said UMaine was well on its way to duplicating that number by Friday's end.

"We're on target to do the same today," said Wayne Maines, director of Safety and Environmental Management.

Thirteen childcare workers at the six children centers on campus were the first to be vaccinated on Thursday. Children under the age of six months, such as the ones at the

Children's Center at the University Park, cannot be given the vaccine, and so the people who care for them were vaccinated to protect them.

Students getting the vaccine expect for it to take about 35 minutes, including wait time.

Young said university health officials will meet next week to schedule further student clinics.

Currently the university is administering the vaccine to students in high-risk groups, such as 18- to 24-year-olds with underlying medical conditions such as asthma. The university had originally planned to hold clinics Nov. 9 and 10, but after being told by the Maine CDC the university would only receive 1,000 doses — not the 6,000 it requested — UMaine rescheduled.

Delta Rho 'beads for life'

By Rhiannon Sawtelle
Features Editor

Since Delta Rho Epsilon was founded three years ago at the University of Maine, the sisters have been looking for a unique cause to support. They found their cause in recycled paper jewelry.

Tuesday through Thursday, the sisters will be hosting "bead parties" for BeadforLife, an organization that works to create job opportunities to eradicate poverty in Uganda.

The program sells beaded jewelry the families make out of recycled paper and uses the majority of profits to assist them in supporting themselves. BeadforLife works to teach Ugandans how to run their

own businesses and facilitates savings accounts for the beaders.

"When a sister told us about this program, we knew this event would have great potential and it was something we

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Kristen Kuhns
Director of Community Service for Delta Rho Epsilon

were all passionate about," said Kristen Kuhns, director of community service for Delta Rho Epsilon.

"We were excited to do a program that was pretty different from any of our past

philanthropy," said Stephanie Kiss, social chair of the sorority.

"I heard about this program while I was participating in Semester at Sea this summer. There were several bead parties aboard the ship and students and teachers were encouraged to support the cause," Kiss said. "Surprisingly, the turnout was huge. The sales started out slowly, but within a week, most of the items had been sold."

BeadforLife was founded in 2004 after three American women met an impoverished Ugandan woman, Millie, mak-

ing beads outside her mud hut. They bought some of her beads and received a great reaction to the jewelry when they returned home.

The women realized there was a market for the beads in the United States and began to work with

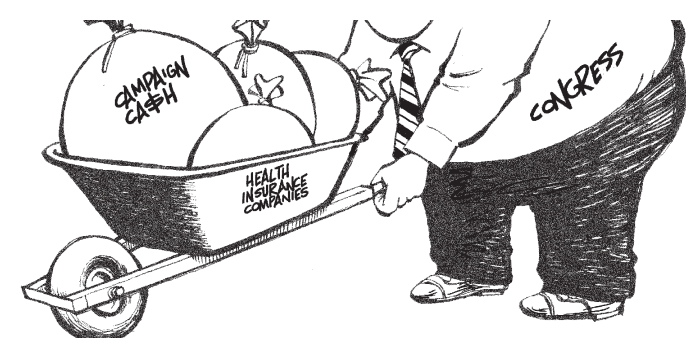
Ugandans to sell their product and help alleviate poverty. The sisters of Delta Rho Epsilon will continue this work by

hosting their own bead party. On the day's event the sisters will host the bead party in the Spirit Room in the Memorial Union from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Student employees work their way through university life



Amy Brooks • Photo Editor
Ashley Pratt's job doesn't confine her to an office all the time. Saturday afternoon, Pratt was part of the crew keeping the tailgating group organized for the hockey game against Boston (right). Pratt directs one of the hockey-goers Saturday afternoon while working the Satellite Lot as part of her job with the athletic system here at UMaine (above).

By Jennifer Vincent
For The Maine Campus

Eating in the dining commons, using the Student Recreation and Fitness Center, studying in Fogler Library — students at the University of Maine use campus services daily. They may not realize these services are made possible by other students who work on campus, balancing the demands of schoolwork with the responsibilities of a part-time job.

Ashley Pratt, a third-year nursing student, is one of these students. Pratt is a student administrative aide in the athletics office. She handles event RSVPs and parking passes as well as working at games and tailgating events. Pratt chose a job on campus because she has work study.

"I love my job, and I think if I lost it, I wouldn't work anywhere else," Pratt said.

Pratt feels her job adds another dimension to her experience at UMaine. "The coolest thing about my job is that I get to work with people who care so much about the university and have so much pride in it — generous people," she said.

Many students hold jobs on campus simply because they need the money. Fiona McMahon, a fourth-year biology student who works for dining services and the Recreation Center, said most of her motivation is financial. McMahon has worked in food service and as a swim instructor on campus. Currently, she is a student administrative aide for dining services and does CPR audits and safety testing at the Rec Center.

"I also work off campus. I technically have four jobs," she said.

McMahon said it can be overwhelming to balance multiple jobs and schoolwork.

"There is the challenge of time management and not getting too caught up in making money for the present, realizing that an education is more important," she said.

Pratt agrees time management becomes an issue when full-time students take on jobs.

"It mostly gets difficult around exam time and with clinicals when I have to be in the hospital," she said.

She said working on campus is convenient for busy students.

"One of the good things about my job and with work study in general is that bosses are lenient with time off," Pratt said.

Third-year forest ecosystem science student Amy Becker, who works in the Sawyer Environmental Chemistry Research Lab as a student lab aide, agrees.

"On campus they know that I'm a student, and they tend to be more understanding with schoolwork than a retail store might be," she said.

In the lab, Becker analyzes samples from bodies of water around Maine to determine their phosphorus content. She feels she is learning valuable skills from her campus job.

"With my major, it's good to have experience working in a lab, which could be a future job of mine," she said.

Becker started working at the lab two years ago because she had work study and lived on campus. Although she now

lives off campus and no longer receives work study, she continues to work for Sawyer lab.

"At least here I'm contributing to a greater cause," she said.

Pratt also feels she takes valuable experience from her campus job.

"I've learned that networking is important — making connections with people. I think that's an asset of my job," Pratt said.

She feels holding a job adds to her education, rather than taking away from it.

"I think that having a job on campus, something like athletics especially, gets you so in touch on campus," she said.

McMahon feels her work experience may help her in her future career.

"Right now I'm hoping for a career in

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Jackman said Student Government has the potential to be more than a money dispensary for student organizations and can represent students more effectively.

"We're going to be knocking on the president's [Robert Kennedy's] door every year saying, 'This is unacceptable' — 6 percent tuition increase this year, 6 percent the next year and 6 percent the next," Jackman said.

Jackman said Student Government can keep tuition and student fees low by cutting its costs and becoming more efficient. Jackman said students' interests should not coincide with the administration's and that "we see that more and more often now."

The three candidates agreed the university's budget is the most important issue to students but disagreed on ways to approach improving its impact on students.

Harris said he, as president, would talk to the chancellor and

try to get more of a student voice into decisions. He said there probably isn't much Student Government

can do to affect budget cuts, but that he would still try to influence them.

Wolland said he would let the administration know what Student Government thinks of budget issues; what students agree is OK and what OK in terms of cutting funding, and work with the administration to make sure important programs don't get scrapped. He said he wouldn't be able to change a lot, but he will advocate for students as president.

Jackman said Student Government can provide a student voice to the university administration more effectively than it is now.

Student Government has taken stances on political issues twice in the past two years; first on Power Vote 2008 during the U.S. presidential election, and this year concerning TABOR II. The candidates were asked whether they felt such stances are part of student government's prerogative.

Wolland said Student Government advocates for students "on many levels," whether statewide or national, and should take stances on various issues. He said he would be shocked to hear a candidate running for SG president disagree with him, which represents a turnaround from a stance he took Sept. 29 during a General Student Senate meeting where he argued political stances were not part of Student Government's prerogative.

Harris and Jackman both agreed Student Government must advocate on behalf of students when dealing with political issues.

Jackman was asked how Student Government would decrease its costs while still increasing services. He responded by saying Student Government can become more efficient, and GSS can put more of its paperwork — such as the student organization approval process — online.

"I don't understand why this doesn't happen now," Jackman said.

Wolland countered Jackman's statement, saying he thinks the student organization process works fine as it is now and he is not in favor of changing it. Harris agreed, saying he feels the student organization approval process should be difficult, to prevent an excessive number of student organizations.

Jackman said he hopes to make Student Government students' No. 1 choice for problem solving.

Walter Lazarz, former president of the Green Team — UMaine's student-run energy-efficiency organization — asked each candidate to describe the advantages they have that their opponents don't.

Wolland said he has two and a half years of experience in Student Government and has served as the vice president of Students on Campus and Residents on Campus.

Harris rebutted Wolland's statement, saying his experience could work against him because it's been entirely within Student Government. Harris said he is a fresh face and knows a lot of people on campus from various organizations including Greek Life and Student Government.

The vice presidential candidates, speaking after Harris, Jackman and Wolland, were asked how they would make Student Senate more efficient.

Smith said he would enforce the rules of procedure to make senate meetings more efficient.

Gatcombe said she would

"No organization is legitimate without the support of its constituency."

Brian Harris
Student Government
Presidential candidate

increase the power of senate committees to take the workload off of senate and avoid long meetings.

Smith can do to affect budget cuts, saying he feels the committee structure works well the way it is now.

Gatcombe and Smith were then asked what makes them better than their opponent.

"I compete in speech and debate; I'm used to getting up and delivering speeches and being able to hold myself well in front of a group of people," Gatcombe said.

Smith said he has more experience with senate rules and procedures than Gatcombe because he is chairperson of the senate Policy and Procedures Committee.

An audience member asked how each candidate would work to increase university recruitment.

Wolland said Student Government doesn't address student enrollment often, but UMaine does and he would try to help the administration with its efforts. Harris said he would work to increase school pride to make UMaine a more desirable university to attend. Jackman said Student Government would set the bar "for student governments across the country" through efforts to increase enrollment. Gatcombe said she has worked as a campus tour guide and blogs for university recruitment. She said she would bring potential students to the Wade Center for Student Leadership and talk to them face to face about UMaine.

One audience member asked what extracurricular activities each candidate does outside of Student Government that would potentially make them a better candidate. Wolland replied it was unfair to exclude Student Government, because it's something he is involved in outside of the classroom.

Harris criticized Wolland, saying the vice president of Student Government won't be able to reach out to students if it's all he or she is involved in at UMaine. Wolland replied it's unfair to assume his time spent in Student Government would preclude him from reaching out to students.

Rebecca Dyer, the student representative to the board of trustees, asked each candidate to describe their leadership style in one word.

"Driven," Jackman said.

"Example," Harris said.

"Awesomeness," Smith said.

"Empathy," Gatcombe said.

"Passionate," Wolland said.

The entire debate can be viewed at mainecampus.com.

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A table will be set up outside the room with information about the program and stories about some of the beadwearers. The sisters will provide African food they cooked for the event and will play Ugandan music to set the mood. A computer with the BeadforLife Web site will be set up for people to find out more about the organization.

The beads will be displayed inside the Spirit Room and available for purchase.

"Something we are also very excited about is we can take credit cards. A secure Web site will be set up for individuals to submit their information through the

BeadforLife program," Kuhns said.

According to Kuhns, for every \$10 spent on the beads, \$7.52 goes to community development for the beadwearers, \$2.01 goes to education programs and \$0.47 goes to administration and fundraising.

The sisters have been trying to spread the word about the bead parties, which are open to everyone.

"We have been advertising for this event for about a month on FirstClass — we are trying to go green," Kuhns said.

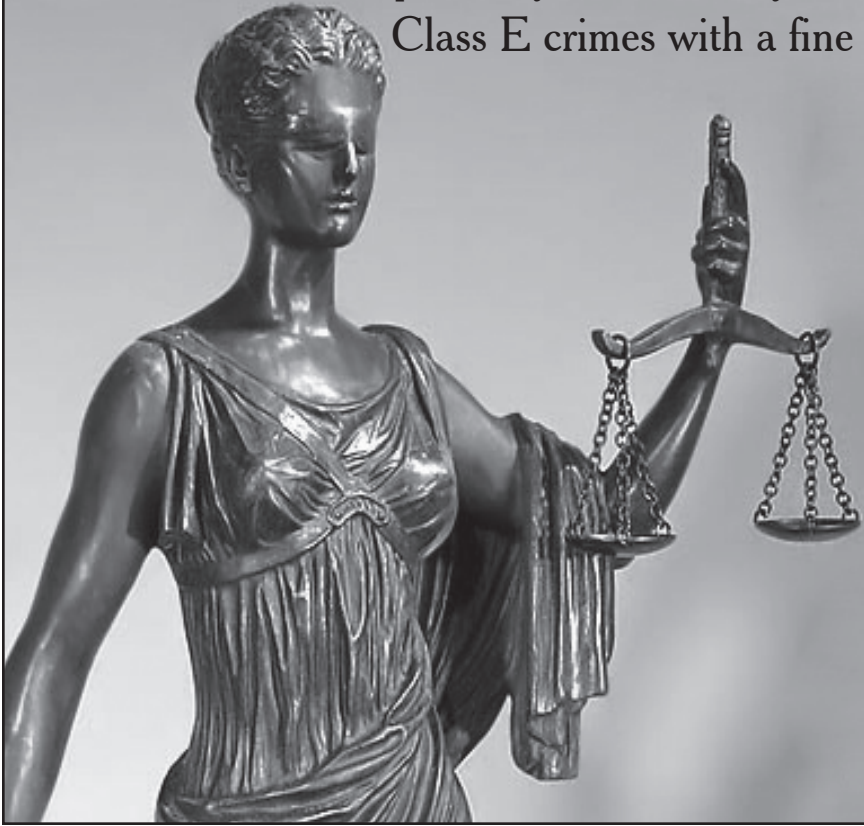
According to BeadforLife.org, jewelry prices range from \$5 to \$30. The products range from small bracelets and necklaces, to earrings, note cards and loose beads.

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Maine saves 98 jobs using ARRA funds

By Dylan Riley
News Editor

Budget

The Department of Education released a report on Nov. 2 detailing education jobs created and saved by American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds. The report states Maine saved 98 jobs in education through stimulus funds and created eight more since the beginning of 2009.

U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan held a conference call with reporters Nov. 2 to discuss the report and its implications.

“The numbers in today’s report come directly from states,” Duncan said.

States are required to report to the federal Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board about how they spend their stimulus funding. Maine reported it augmented its higher education budget with nearly \$18 million of stimulus money in fiscal year 2009. Maine’s higher education budget topped off at nearly \$253 million for 2009 — including stimulus money — according to the report.

The jobs retained include 97 teachers and one guidance counselor. The eight jobs created are all educational technician positions.

“With this first payment to schools, in partnership with the federal government, we are helping relieve the fiscal burden for school districts at a challenging time,” said Governor John Baldacci in a June press release.

The report states the federal government awarded Maine just over \$106 million in stimulus funds to help the state augment its education budget.

“We will be able to see its effects for years to come,” Duncan said.

Duncan said the federal government has awarded \$35.4 billion in state stabilization funding nationwide so far and expects to spend another \$34.2 billion before Sept. 30. He said the government does not distribute stimulus funds based on need, but rather on the merit of each state’s application. In response to whether states should be concerned once the stimulus money dries up, Duncan said, “We should absolutely be concerned.”

Duncan said every school leader “has to be thinking about this in the long haul and plan accordingly.”

Deputy Secretary of Education Tony Miller, also speaking to reporters, said the report bases the jobs created and saved on states’ best estimates of salaries, not necessarily individual jobs. Duncan said the report does not foreshadow

job cuts in the future.

“We have to continue to put resources where they’re needed,” said Duncan, who added states and schools need to find where they’re most dramatically affecting students’ lives and use funds accordingly.

Maine spent none of the stimulus money on educational technology or homeless youth programs, according to the report. The state’s second biggest job savings area was in Individuals With Disabilities Act programs — the report states Maine retained six disability service jobs with stimulus money and created 12.

Maine expects its fiscal year 2010 higher education budget to include \$11.14 million of stimulus funds, according to the report.

“When a district invests in a new boiler or energy efficiency improvements, they are generating savings in future years,” stated Maine Education Commissioner Susan Gendron in a press release. “And when they invest in professional development, training, laptops and educational planning, they are making wise, limited-duration decisions that will pay educational dividends for years to come.”

Duncan said the report helps keep the government and Department of Education transparent.

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environmental policy, and my job gets me in touch with the basics of technology in general,” she said. “As a safety committee person, I’ve learned to be proactive and to see and predict problems before they happen.”

Whether they feel they are gaining new skills or just a steady

paycheck, on-campus workers recommend the experience.

“I think I would recommend it because you can work your hours around your class schedule,” Pratt said.

McMahon agreed campus jobs are a good option for students, especially if they live on campus.

Becker urged other students to look into the various opportunities for working on campus.

“A lot of people don’t know

these types of jobs are available. This campus offers a lot of jobs that people aren’t aware of,” she said.

McMahon would like to see more appreciation and respect for students who already work on campus.

“Especially having been a food service worker making sandwiches in the Memorial Union, I want people to know how difficult it can be to work on campus,” she said.

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month from when we’re elected to when we take office officially. So in that time I will be working closely with current Vice President Ross Wolland and trying to learn the ropes about what he’s doing. I’m friends with quite a few former vice presidents so I plan to sit down with them and be like, ‘What did you do that worked and didn’t work?’ See how exactly I want to run the meetings and how exactly I want to do everything,” Gatcombe said.

Twelve percent of students voted in the election last year. Gatcombe has a plan for raising that percentage.

“I think the best way to get students to vote is to run the best and [most] effective campaign as possible. I’ve been up here tabling and speaking to students. I’ve gone around to meetings, just trying to get out there and meet as many students as possible. The more students we as candidates meet and tell them to vote Nov. 12, the more likely they are to vote. I mean, there’s only so much we can do via Facebook or flyers and all that stuff,” Gatcombe said.

If not elected, Gatcombe plans to keep her current positions in the organizations she is involved with, as well as remain a senator.

“I’m at the moment considering whether I can do more good as a senator or putting all my effort into being president of Student Alumni Association. Currently I am doing both, and I feel like, though I am giving 110 percent to both, that if I wasn’t giving so much [to one] as compared to the other I would be excelling in the other,” Gatcombe said. I do know that if I win vice president I will be quitting senate, obviously, because you can’t be both.”

Timothy Smith

Smith stands on a platform of accessibility and passion.

“I’m accessible. I’m user-friendly to the average student, and I am passionate about representing their interests. I have things that are concrete, things that will happen if I am elected.

I think this makes me distinct from any other candidate for vice president right now,” Smith said.

If Smith is elected, his first move would be to submit informative articles to The Maine Campus describing what is going on in senate to hopefully inform students of Student Government’s actions. He also plans to draft a pamphlet on using the rules of procedure to create quicker senate meetings through a stricter adherence to those rules.

“I would get started right away on the articles to prevent people from coming in and feeling like they can’t be [there] because of this strict procedure,” Smith said. “I would draft [them], with [help from the] membership committee, probably more informative pamphlet on how to use the rules of procedure. What will be used, what’s going to change from Ross’s Vice Presidency to my own if elected, and what they can expect.”

Smith feels getting the word out to students is the most important part of increasing student voting in SG elections.

“Twelve percent of people is just underwhelming. I mean, we really need more student participation, and I think the way we can do that is by putting information out there,” Smith said. “When I was tabling this past week, I took the time to talk to people. My favorite people to talk to about Student Government are people who do not like Student Government and who are so upset about it, because these are the people we need to get in touch with. I think the problem is that those who could be involved don’t have enough information and analysis about what is important about Student Government and what is going on.”

Smith also plans to stay involved if he isn’t elected by keeping his position as a senator.

Smith said if he’s not elected he “will keep working as policy and procedure [chairperson] because I really like policy and procedure. I love the way systems work. I love rules. I love making them work for certain people I like following discourse.”

UMaine students can vote through their FirstClass accounts.

Police Beat



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Looking for the wrong shots

A Cutler Heath Center employee reported a male loitering inside the building Nov. 6 at 8:09 a.m. He stated he was waiting for a flu shot, although the clinic didn’t start until 10 a.m. He was asked to leave and to return at 10 a.m. The day prior, the same male had been seen trying to obtain a flu shot while intoxicated.

Hit at Hilltop

A student parked her vehicle in the Hilltop Parking Lot on Nov. 1 and upon returning to it on Nov. 5 at 4:43 p.m., she

discovered it had been struck. The rear bumper was hit on the driver’s side, leaving a two-foot scrape and approximately \$900 worth of damage. The case is under investigation.

Snatched signs

Parking and Transportation Services reported on Nov. 4 at 1:12 p.m. a “yield to pedestrians” sign on Long Road was stolen. The sign had an estimated value of \$150. Six minutes later, they reported that another sign had been stolen. This one was a parking lot sign from the Student Recreation and Fitness Center. The estimated value is

\$65. Both cases are under investigation.

Lights out

Public Safety received a report from the University of Maine electric shop Nov. 4 at 12:31 p.m. that two lights in the Steamplant Parking Lot had been shot out with a pellet gun. The estimated total value of the lights is \$96. The case is under investigation.

Headlight trouble

Public Safety received a report of a damaged vehicle in the Collins Center for the Arts Parking Lot Nov. 4 at 11:36 a.m. A student reported she parked her car on Nov. 3 between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., and when she returned, she found a headlight damaged. The estimated damage is \$75. The case is under investigation.

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Editorial: Wolland, Gatcombe for SG leadership

The Issue: The election of president and vice president of University of Maine Student Government Inc. **What We Think:** Ross Wolland and Nyssa Gatcombe are the best candidates for the job.

In three days, students at the University of Maine will vote for who will represent them at the highest office of Student Government. Of the three candidates, all of whom are strong contenders for the position, current Vice President of Student Government Ross Wolland has risen above the rest.

While the other candidates have made promises to change student government, Wolland has quietly stuck to his less glamorous goals of revamping the Bears Den Pub, improving dining services, and connecting with his constituents.

Wolland’s most ambitious, admirable and achievable goal is the creation of a peer advisor program. Should the program be created to Wolland’s current vision, younger students would have the opportunity to meet with upperclassmen within their major for advice before meeting their advisor. This program would help students pick classes and advance their academic careers without having to guess.

The other factor putting Wolland ahead of the rest is his frank assessment of the role of Student Government. When asked in debate what he would do to counter the image of student government as nothing more than an ATM for students, Wolland reminded students not to make Student Government out to be more than it really is. He commented on the importance of making sure the student activity fee — a total of \$750,000 per year — is spent responsibly, in a way that benefits students, citing the Collegiate Readership Program among other programs under Student Government.

Along with the office of SG president, vice president is also being contested in a two-way race between Nyssa Gatcombe and Tim Smith.

While her opponent seemed to say that his focus would be on the rules of the General Student Senate, Gatcombe pointed out that while she knows Student Government’s structure well, just knowing the rules isn’t enough to qualify one for leadership. And she is right. Leadership comes from experience.

During the debate, Gatcombe clearly laid out the leadership experience she brings to the table from her role in the Speech and Debate club and as chair of Student Alumni Association and others. That experience is what makes her the best candidate for vice president.

Readers Speak:
Best of Web comments

RE: Wilde Stein remains vigilant ...
I’m just curious why there is a LG-BTQIA flag being hung and not an American flag?

Aren’t we all American? Why was that flag not hung in order to unite the campus and rather a flag with the goal of dividing it?

I feel sorry for those who because of their religious beliefs now must suffer from an unsafe learning environment. We have had many people complain of hate speech being used against them at USM and it takes away from what college is there for: an education.

— Brad, via Web

RE: Revs —A team without a home
Excellent article. As a Revs season ticket holder, it is hard to look at what other teams have in MLS, and then keep a happy face when I go to a game at Gillette Stadium.

— Mike

RE: ‘Yes on 1’ voters mummified ...
In the United States, religious officials can perform marriage ceremonies, however without a signed government-issued marriage license, neither spouse can take advantage of the legal benefits of marriage such as being included on one spouse’s health insurance policy, tax breaks, the ability to speak on behalf of the spouse should the other become incapacitated in some way, etc.

That’s is what [Question 1] was about, not whether two homosexuals are going to “besmirch” your religious institutions with their taboo union.

Samantha is right; this [vote] has driven another nail into marriage’s coffin.

— Robert

Opinion
Monday, November 9, 2009



Student Government is your problem

At last Thursday’s Student Government Presidential and Vice Presidential debate, the topic of student apathy — or maybe ignorance — toward the organization was mentioned. Students should take more interest in the elections, as well as the organization in general.

Here’s why: First off, SG elections — which are being held Thursday — are easy. A little box will pop up on all FirstClass desktops, where students can quickly vote for one of the three presidential candidates and one of the two vice presidential candidates. It’s that simple. It takes seconds.

Second, though students may feel SG representatives are far removed from their own University of Maine experience, it does affect them. True, General Student Senate has just been the allowance-provider for student organizations for too long, but the campus community got the downtown Orono shuttle, medical amnesty, free newspapers and Zipcar — admittedly, that last example failed miserably — because of efforts by Student Government. The organization provides a service to students.

Lastly, regardless of the success of Student Government to improve students’ lives, the elected members of the organization do try, often with great diligence, to make campus life better for undergraduates. Not making an informed vote in the elections this Thursday is an insult to everyone in Student Government that is and will continue trying to make the community a better place for students.

Student-elected representatives take their job seriously. They just don’t have the student support that could make Student Government a much more powerful tool. We should vote Thursday, and then we should start thinking about going to the Wade Center for Student Leadership once



Dylan Riley
News Editor

in a while and actually talking to the people we voted for. We should tell them about our issues with on-campus dining, or tell them what they should do to influence the administration on pricing, fees, tuition, parking, events or any number of aspects of campus life students feel should be changed.

The elections won’t be like state or federal elections. You don’t have to drive to get to a polling location and then wait in

line to fill in a bunch of circles or connect some arrows. It’s simple, easy and quick and if students don’t take the time to vote, then they have to be the most lazy and apathetic collection of people on the planet.

Last year, 1,351 people voted for the presidential candidates, a number that can be improved. Strangely, people get adversarial or heated whenever someone recommends they vote for a SG candidate.

Students call it a waste of time, as if a few seconds is such an incredibly vast expense for them.

Whether Student Government is as significant an organization as it could be doesn’t matter. But students have an opportunity to make sure it is all it should be available to them. What’s better, it requires very little effort and has plenty of potential of positively affecting them.

Last year’s election was Rick-rolled by write-ins after a student encouraged others to vote for Rick Astley instead of Ross Wolland, nearly de-railing the election. What else do students not care about? Getting an education? What a joke. Fantasy football, beer pong or even studying can wait for a few minutes of research and a few clicks of the mouse.

Choosing not to vote means Student Government will continue to represent only a minority of students. This may not mean much to many students, but it

Last year’s election was Rick-rolled by write-ins after a student encouraged others to vote for Rick Astley instead of the lone candidate. I think we can do better than that.

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Dean Dana inhibits dialogue with pro-tolerance speech



Regardless of your opinion on the question of same-sex marriage, the solution is not to suppress discussion, but to promote it.

Michael Hunter

Our state is divided. One would hope that at this time our colleges and universities would be a place where there could be a free exchange of ideas, where people could come together to discuss and debate the nuances of the arguments for and against same-sex marriage. Unfortunately, in his speech on the mall at the University of Maine, Vice President of Student Affairs Robert Dana demonstrated that UMaine will only accept those who agree with one side of the debate. In his speech he labeled everyone who voted yes on Question 1 as intolerant and hateful and was clear there was “no room here” for people with opinions he views as hateful. “We will not tolerate it,” Dana said.

Gay marriage is a difficult issue. It is one that has constitutional, legal, moral and spiritual implications. Making it even more difficult is the fact that many on both sides view the issue as black and white — and understandably so. Supporters of same-sex marriage view it as a civil rights issue and one that raises equal protection concerns — to oppose gay marriage is to oppose equality and support discrimination. To opponents of same-sex marriage, the right stance is equally clear. To them it is a matter of morality, not hatred, discrimination or civil rights. A civilized society must be careful not to endorse something that is morally wrong.

The fact that both sides see the issue so clearly makes the issue more difficult and nuanced, and makes the need for an open and honest dialogue on the issue more necessary — not less. However, the clear implication

of Dana’s speech is that those who disagree with his viewpoint on this political issue are haters and intolerant — something the university will not tolerate.

It is ironic Dana condemns hatred and intolerance as he commits the university to suppressing the viewpoint of the 18.8 percent of the campus with whom he disagrees. It is distressing he does not even seem to notice the blatant hypocrisy of this view. As an alumnus of the University of Maine, I am saddened to see a member of the administration use his role in such an inappropriate manner.

Our universities should be places where free speech is celebrated and all ideas, no matter how unpopular, are allowed to be expressed and argued — so that they can survive or die in the marketplace of ideas, not at the whim of anyone’s political or social agenda.

Supreme Court Justice John Harlan articulated this point beautifully when writing the majority opinion in *Cohen v. California* in 1971: “The constitutional right of free expression is powerful medicine in a society as diverse and populous as ours. ... To many, the immediate consequence of this freedom may often appear to be only verbal tumult, discord and even offensive utterance. These are, however, within established limits, in truth necessary side effects of the broader enduring values which the process of open debate permits us to achieve.”

The principle is no less true today than in 1971. Regardless of your opinion on the question of same-sex marriage, the solution is not to suppress discussion, but to promote it. Public universities should be bastions of free speech, regardless of how offensive those ideas may be to some. I understand how Dana feels. It is only logical to feel angry and hurt — and those ideas and feelings should be expressed. Dana has a right to express his opinion. What is inappropriate is him using his position as a member of the administration to make his personal views on a difficult and nuanced issue a matter of university policy. The result is to make it official university policy to marginalize a minority of UMaine students simply because they have a different view than the majority.

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Marriage debate is only latest skirmish in road to secularism



Believers who voted no on Question 1 distanced themselves from extremists, and in the process loosened religion’s grip on our lives.

Jeremy Swist

The church triumphantly crucified Lady Justice last Tuesday. Proponents of equality were quick to point the finger, while good-intentioned Christians, regardless of which way they voted, suffered a storm of atheism-fueled enmity.

But when thinking of the threats religion may pose to society, it’s important to remember to hate the game, not the player. Billions have been born into the faith — they had no choice. It takes great effort to drag them into the light of reason. Our republic was founded on such rational principles, yet most of its population learns biblical laws before those of their nation. I find this paradox at the root of every issue, from abortion to evolution.

Many of the Founding Fathers and the Enlightenment philosophers who inspired them were Deists. They viewed God as the creator but of no further influence. For the most part, these men held a purely scientific view of the universe. They forbade the establishment of a state religion, assuring that no religious law would corrupt the principles of the Constitution. But they didn’t foresee the wave of zealotry that would wash over the country: first with the Evangelical movement and later with the influx of Catholic immigrants in the 19th century.

Demographically speaking, this is a Christian nation. Religion influences people’s moral judgment, which in turn influences their political thought. Believers won’t simply disregard their beliefs because they’re voting on a legal issue. Asking religious people to ignore their faith at the ballot box is to make them hypocrites, living in two different worlds. In the same way non-religious people do, believers shape policy according to their will.

The effect of referenda is the majority opinion ruling as a state religion, like letting the pope enact a secular law. This works when a monarch is head of both church and state, like Xerxes or Henry VIII. But when the two institutions are separate, you don’t want a tyrannical mob voting to join them back together. The main reason people didn’t vote for Obama was his alleged atheism. Never mind his stance on issues having nothing to do with God, like health care and the economy. Religion has no business with government, yet everything to do with most of the governed.

This paradox has two solutions, both of which are extremely offensive to either side. We could stop kidding ourselves and adopt a state religion so that legislation and the beliefs of the people are consistent. History has proven this method to be successful, if you don’t mind burning a few million heretics. Or we could eradicate religion entirely. But this parasite cannot be destroyed without losing the host — another cure worse than the symptom. All we can do is cope with the sacred-secular divide that tears apart the psychological and social fabric of Americans who hesitate to choose between God and their fellow human beings.

Plenty of God-fearing Christians voted no on Question 1 but they consciously chose to contradict their own holy text and step into an objective realm where one can more clearly see justice unviolated by medieval bigotry. They distanced themselves from extremists and I applaud them. Their concessions and compromises are loosening the grip of religion on our lives in favor of a clear conscience.

Perhaps religion will one day evolve into a benign appendage of the body politic. Belief may continue, but the doctrines of archaic institutions would crumble into dust.

The gay marriage controversy is merely a skirmish in Christianity’s losing battle against a secularizing society — a war that began when popes and emperors fought for control of Europe in the Middle Ages. Then came the Renaissance — the rebirth of the pre-Christian world. In its wake, the Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment dethroned the divine and founded a new Roman Republic across the Atlantic. Once again a mighty empire, overwhelmed by Christianity, is showing signs of decline.

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Calif. rape voyeurs may not serve time due to law loophole



Michael Shepherd
Columnist

Richmond, Calif., the San Francisco suburb with a population of just more than 100,000 people, is a high-crime area. In a 50-day period from Sept. 17 to Nov. 5, there have been eight armed robberies and four assaults with a deadly weapon within less than a mile of Richmond High School, according to Richmond Police crime mapping technology.

The night of Oct. 24 marked homecoming at the high school. A 16-year-old girl went to the dance

An age difference of barely more than a year is all that is separating these young men from prison and, well, nothing.

that night, and around 9:30 p.m. she left alone. She walked from the school, intending to call for a ride home. She made it no more than 400 feet when a classmate called to her from behind a fence separating a school courtyard from the street. He climbed the fence and accompanied her to a dark area with a bench.

There, a group of people were drinking. She chugged a bottle of brandy, quickly became heavily intoxicated and collapsed on the bench. Semiconscious, she was beaten, robbed and raped repeatedly by as many as seven men for more than two hours.

Police say up to two dozen bystanders witnessed the crime at close proximity. Some allegedly pointed at the victim. It’s been reported some laughed while others used cell phones to take pictures and rooted for the perpetrators. As word of the attack spread, more came to the scene and watched. Some of them may even have participated in the attack.

Thirty or more people may have been involved in this crime. It must have been mob mentality or the fear of being a snitch that

silenced the voyeurs who watched. As for the perpetrators, a perverse notion of power must have rushed over them. They knew the attack would be easy, especially with such a crowd behind them. This is the most heinous type of crime.

It wasn’t until a nearby resident, 18-year-old Margarita Vargas, heard about the girl from her boyfriend, who did not witness the crime, that police were called. After the call, Vargas courageously went out to the scene to check on the victim.

“I could tell that she had been beat up because her face was swollen,” she said to a CBS affiliate in San Francisco. “She was naked, didn’t have shoes. They just covered her up and stuff.”

Police came to the scene to find the girl as Vargas had. She was taken to the hospital in critical condition. One suspect fled the scene and was arrested soon thereafter. Five other suspects have been arrested, as of Nov. 7. Four of them face life in prison.

In California it is illegal to witness a crime committed against a child and not report it. Sadly, the law only applies to children 14 years old and younger. The victim misses the cutoff by less than two years.

The perpetrators of the crime should receive life sentences for this cowardly and brutal assault on a helpless young girl. A judge giving them a lighter sentence irresponsibly ignores the victim and the safety of the public. But because of a legal technicality, the not-so-innocent bystanders can’t be charged. That year and a few months are the difference between jail time and total freedom for those who stood by and watched, doing nothing to stop this heinous crime.

Regardless of whether they are charged, I hope those voyeurs live out their lives with a wracking guilt worse than any jail sentence. At best, they are guilty of dawdling during the attack. At worst, they ridiculed and recorded a broken, battered victim of a horrific crime as it happened.

The victim was released from the hospital on Oct. 30 after a remarkable physical recovery. Emotionally, she faces a much longer road. I urge University of Maine students to show support for the victim of this crime by sending cards to Jane Doe, care of Richmond High School, 1250 23rd St., Richmond, CA 94804-1011.

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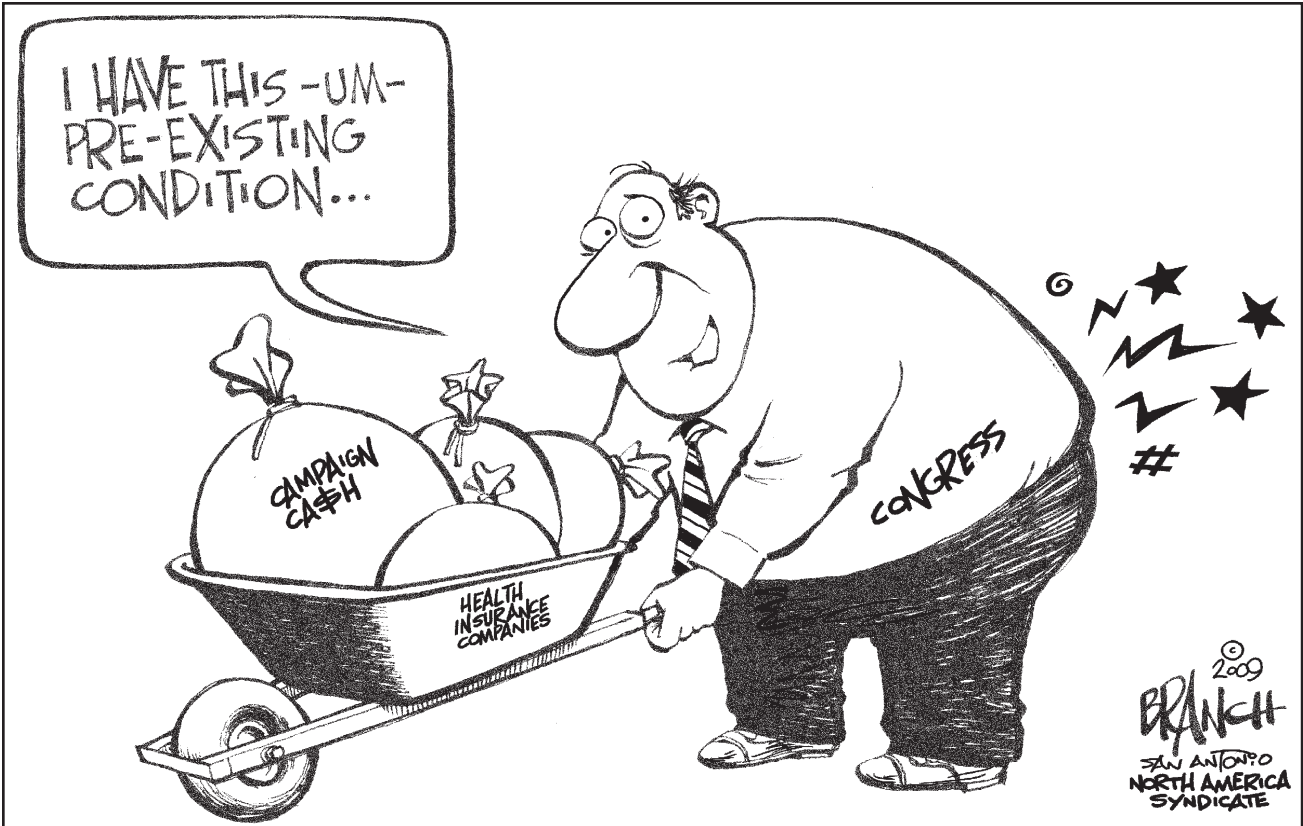
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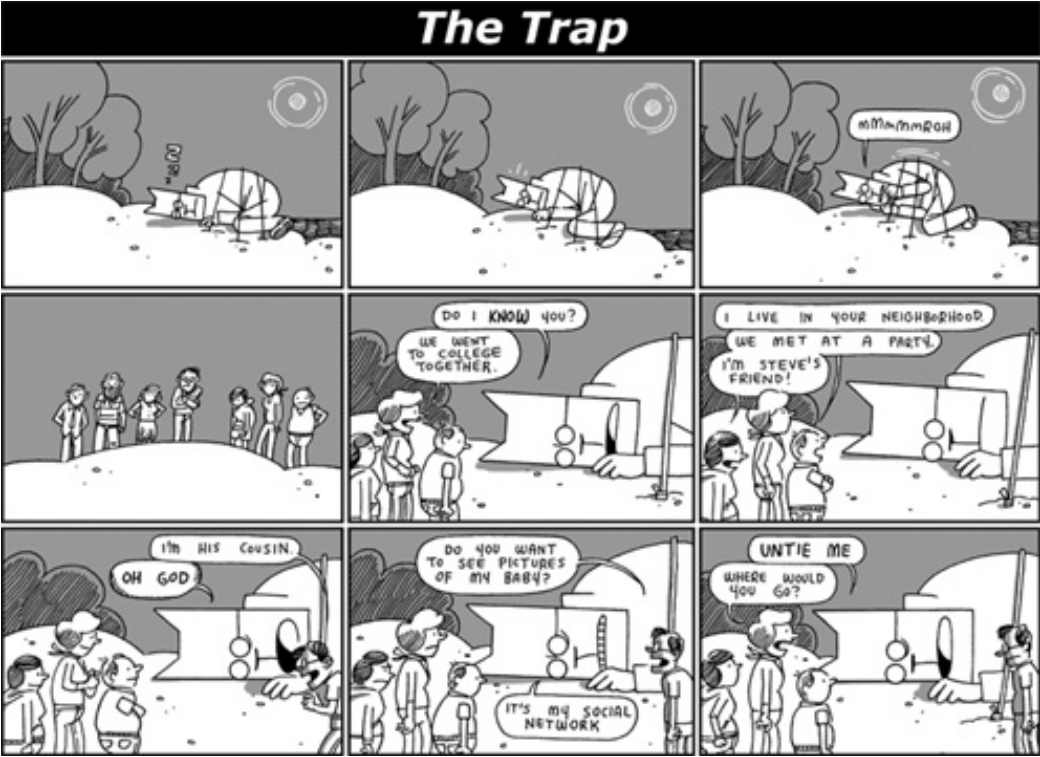
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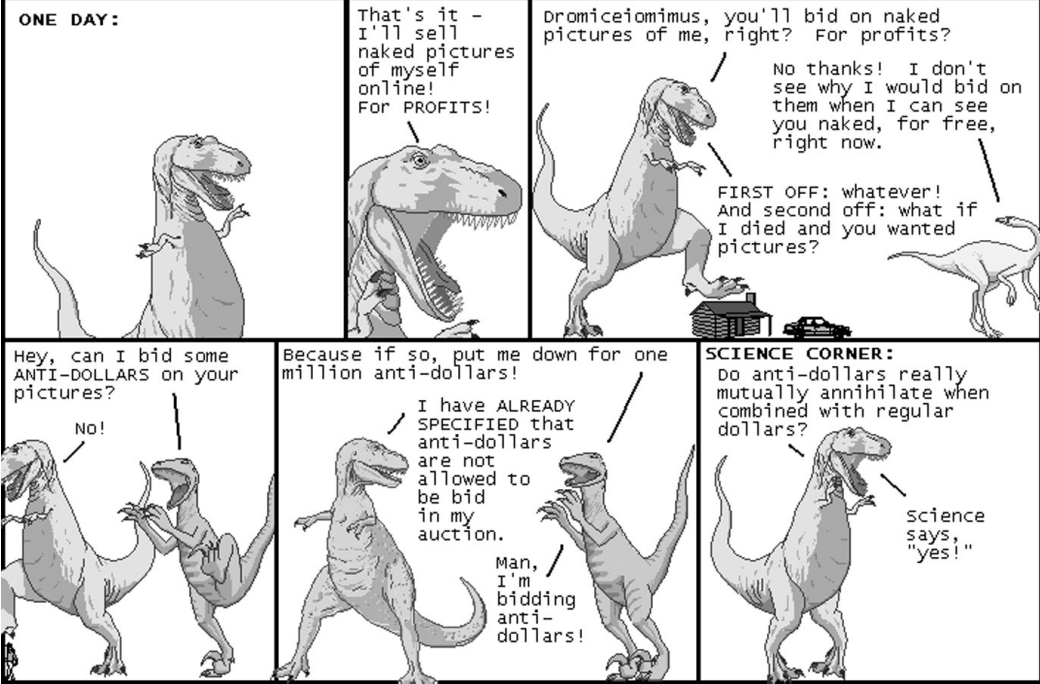
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By Dorothy Gambrell

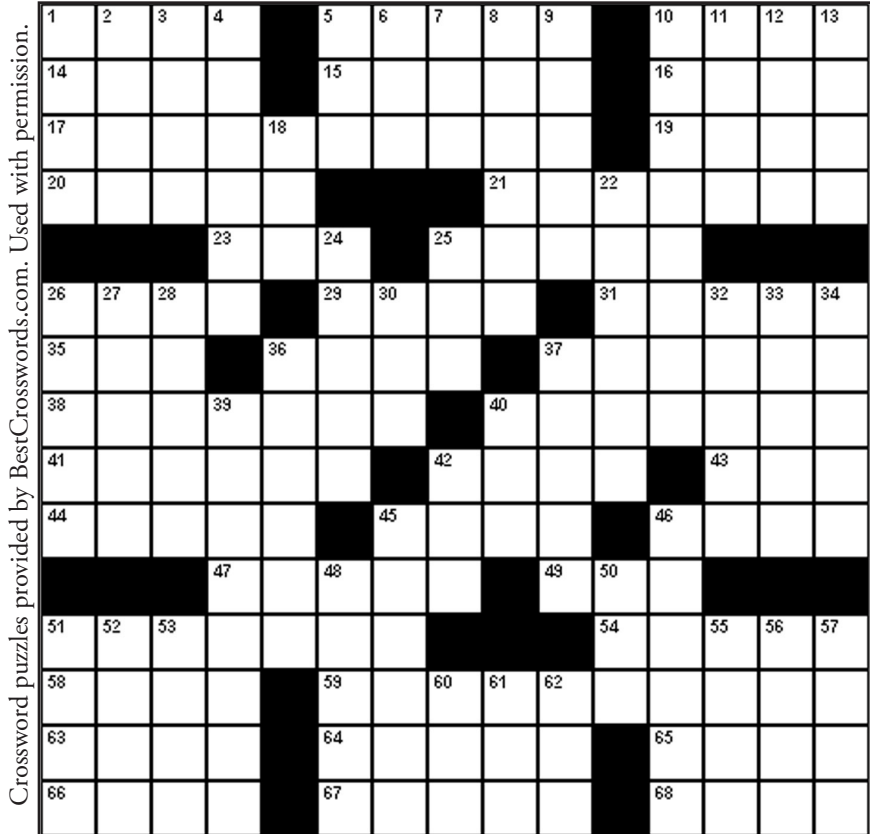


Dinosaur Comics

By Ryan North



Crossword Puzzle



Answer key in Sports

- Across
- 1- Part of Q.E.D.
- 5- "Peter and the Wolf" bird
- 10- Small brook
- 14- Hourly rate
- 15- Cornered
- 16- Actress McClurg
- 17- Worldwide
- 19- Deep unconscious state
- 20- Oozes
- 21- Arranged in a table
- 23- Aurora's counterpart
- 25- They've got something coming
- 26- Boris Godunov, for one
- 29- Jail
- 31- Oohed and ____
- 35- And so on
- 36- Oxidize
- 37- Picture theater
- 38- High-spirited horse
- 40- Regulate
- 41- Tissue in the cavities of bones
- 42- Small horse
- 43- Suffix with Capri
- 44- Perspire
- 45- Bunches
- 46- Change for a five
- 47- Actress Spacek
- 49- Dusk, to Donne
- 51- Soup made with beets
- 54- Percolate
- 58- Inter ____
- 59- Talk with extravagant enthusiasm
- 63- Back
- 64- Eskimo boat
- 65- Purim month
- 66- Not fearful
- 67- Light wood
- 68- Dextrous, lively
- Down
- 1- Farm females
- 2- Contest, ethnicity
- 3- A shivering fit - often a precursor to malaria
- 4- Heat of mind
- 5- RR stop
- 6- Jackie's second
- 7- Brief instant
- 8- Vehement
- 9- Two-time loser to Dwight
- 10- Refuses to submit
- 11- Billy ____ had a hit song with "White Wedding"
- 12- Bean town?
- 13- Goneril's father
- 18- That, in Tijuana
- 22- Intellectual
- 24- American Indian woman
- 25- Darlin'
- 26- Crews
- 27- Dry stalks
- 28- Without ____ in the world
- 30- Coffee container
- 32- Wading bird
- 33- Chew the scenery
- 34- Valleys
- 36- Pertaining to life
- 37- Fable
- 39- Plate armor for the arm
- 40- Bill's partner
- 42- Layer
- 45- Respiration disorder
- 46- Eventually
- 48- Small tree
- 50- "Hold On Tight" band
- 51- Sharp bristle
- 52- Bread spread
- 53- 100 dinars
- 55- Verdi opera
- 56- Emperor of Russia
- 57- "You are ____"
- 60- Afflict
- 61- Ballet step
- 62- Jamaican popular music

Sudoku Puzzle

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• Each 3x3 box must have numbers 1 - 9 in any order but each digit can only appear once.

There is only one correct answer.

Difficulty level: Medium

Horoscopes

Aries - March 21 to April 20 - This morning you may be in a state of apathy and unable to focus. You are advised to avoid taking chances in business today. If you are invited to pay a visit, you should accept without hesitation.

Taurus - April 21 to May 20 - Your state of confusion might affect all social relationships as well as the income opportunities. You would better avoid getting involved in business activities today. In the afternoon you will be in a better mood, and your communication skills will improve.

Gemini - May 21 to June 21 - Your financial situation could be rather frustrating. However, the relationship with your loved one is excellent and you will spend a romantic evening together.

Cancer - June 22 to July 22 - Today you might not be in your best physical and intellectual shape. You seem to be confused and in a bad disposition. You are advised to avoid business meetings or seeing your friends. You are running the risk of losing money or quarrelling with a good friend.

Leo - July 23 to Aug. 22 - You will tend to have your head in the clouds. You are advised to postpone any business meeting. Even if you are in no mood to talk to anybody, you shouldn't avoid communicating. It's time you paid more attention to your loved one's needs.

Virgo - Aug. 23 to Sept. 22 - In the morning, your morale might run quite low and you could be facing difficulties in focusing. Avoid getting engaged in activities you are not sure you can complete. People dear to you will pay you a visit in the evening.

Libra - Sept. 23 to Oct. 23 - This morning you will tend to be somewhat of a dreamer and have communication difficulties. Your intuition is likely to be less-than-reliable today. You are advised to stay to routine activities, or at least not very challenging ones.

Scorpio - Oct. 24 to Nov. 22 - Your sentimental relationship will be good today. You might even be willing to declare your love. Avoid any business activities today. Luck is not on your side. You should remain cautious and observe the law in everything you do.

Sagittarius - Nov. 23 to Dec. 21 - This morning you might not be in a very good disposition and nothing will please you. Your family will not agree with your intention of cancelling a trip. You are advised to listen to what others have to say and reach a compromise.

Capricorn - Dec. 22 to Jan. 20 - You may experience health problems if you don't pay due attention to your need for rest. A controversy with an older person in the family may give you food for thought. You are advised to remain calm and cautious in order to avoid a scandal.

Aquarius - Jan. 21 to Feb. 19 - You will feel inclined to overestimate your resources. Don't be so stubborn. If you won't moderate your self-pride, you may have a quarrel with friends and family. You need to rest more.

Pisces - Feb. 20 to March 20 - This morning you will receive a significant sum of money and will start making daring plans. Don't rush. Seek for your loved one's opinion on the subject. Together you will manage to find the best solution. You may want to avoid exaggerations.

Beatles Theme

- ANOTHER GIRL
- ASK ME WHY
- BIRTHDAY
- BLACKBIRD
- CRY BABY CRY
- DAY TRIPPER
- DEAR PRUDENCE
- DIG A PONY
- ELEANOR RIGBY
- FIXING A HOLE
- FLYING
- GET BACK
- GETTING BETTER
- HELLO GOODBYE
- HEY BULLDOG
- HEY JUDE
- HONEY PIE
- I ME MINE
- I WILL
- IF I FELL
- IN MY LIFE
- JULIA
- LADY MADONNA
- LOVELY RITA
- MICHELLE
- NO REPLY
- OH DARLING
- PLEASE PLEASE ME
- POLYTHENE PAM
- SEXY SADIE
- SOMETHING
- SUN KING
- TAXMAN
- TELL ME WHY
- THE END
- TICKET TO RIDE
- TWO OF US
- WAIT
- YER BLUES
- YESTERDAY

Word Search

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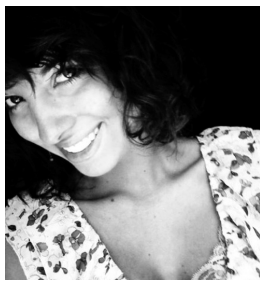
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Lonely girls should heed Hepburn's classic role

Henry Mancini's "Moon River" plays mesmerizingly in the background as Audrey Hepburn appears on screen. She is wearing her classic black dress and eating a danish while staring at Tiffany's department store. Although she has on a pair of large black sunglasses, shadowing her eyes, you can still see the emotion hidden under them as she stares hopelessly at the diamond studded necklace she will never be able to afford.

"Breakfast at Tiffany's" is a movie about a lonely girl — a role Audrey Hepburn plays with ease. Her character, Holly Golightly, holds a spontaneous and bright personality throughout the film, puffing away each regret on her long cigarette, as more of her is unveiled.



Vintage Corner
By Jamie Dandreta

In "Breakfast at Tiffany's," Hepburn meets a young man in the apartment next door, Paul Varjak, played by George Peppard, and unexpectedly falls for him. It soon becomes apparent he is not the only man in her life, as she moves quickly from man to man, fully unable to commit to anyone.

When my ears first heard the distressing score, and when my eyes first caught view of the permanent heartbreaking look on Holly's face, my heart immediately followed her throughout the film.

I was 17 years old and I didn't believe anything anyone told me. A boy — one of many — had broken my heart and I thought the world had stopped turning. I was staying home "sick," lounging around in my sheep pajamas and smudged makeup, when I turned on the Turner Classic Movies channel and "Breakfast at Tiffany's" was on. I couldn't take my eyes away from it because I saw every bit of myself in Hepburn's character.

Even with every bit of comic relief that was present, all I could see was how sad this girl's life really was. Holly poured all of her love into only one thing, Tiffany and Co., which left her with no love to give to anyone, not even herself. Then, as Paul insists on staying in her life, she tries constantly to push him away. Paul doesn't run away, though.

She explains to him that her cat has no name because she feels like no one belongs to anyone, and she wears the same black dress whenever she goes out to make the deception that she is wealthy. She isn't, though, and as the ending nears, we discover that she isn't even Holly Golightly. It is the common tale of false identity and lack of trust. She doesn't know who she is.

As I watched her slowly push away her true love Paul, calling herself a "wild thing" that no one can catch, I realized what everyone was trying to tell me. To live in a cage by yourself, to push away boy after boy just because you are afraid to trust, is not the way one should live. I realized that if I were to continue going through life crying on the kitchen floor because I couldn't trust a boy, I would end up just like Holly; afraid, lonely, nameless and in love with a jewelry store.

As a female, I hear so many stories just like Holly's and mine. Girls constantly push away the ones who get too close to their heart because they are afraid to get too attached and in the end get hurt. Instead, they choose to live their lives as independent women who will go through life boy to boy, never knowing why they aren't happy.

"Breakfast at Tiffany's" is a marvelous film that every young girl should watch. It portrays a life without trust will result in a life without love.

Paul Varjak: I love you.

Holly Golightly: So what.

Paul Varjak: So what? So plenty! I love you, you belong to me!

Holly Golightly: No. People don't belong to people.

Paul Varjak: Of course they do!

Holly Golightly: I'll never let anybody put me in a cage.

Paul Varjak: I don't want to put you in a cage, I want to love you!

Club Ice owner does it all

Eddie Hunt is a former UMaine student-athlete and doctor in training

By Maddy Glover
Staff Reporter

Edward Bernard Hunt of Tampa, Fla., is the owner of Bangor's newest nightspot, Club Ice: located at 190 Harlow St. in downtown Bangor, where Club Gemini used to be. But there's more to him than his new club. Hunt is a former University of Maine student-athlete and is currently enrolled in medical school.

Hunt is completing his doctor of medicine degree through a now-defunct dual program between St. Joseph's College in Windham, Maine, and St. Matthew's University School of Medicine, located on the Cayman Islands. Only one Orlando, Fla., address is listed for St. Matthew's University.

Hunt is in the process of achieving

his doctor of medicine degree. He said he will begin his residency training in March, but is currently completing the clinical clerkship component of his degree at Penobscot Pediatrics in Bangor. This is part of St. Joseph's College and St. Matthew's University School of Medicine program, which he was grand-fathered into.

The length of his work day fluctuates as he works with pediatric outpatients on a daily basis. He said he sometimes has a traditional 9 to 5 workday, while other days he has time to go home and study before going to the club.

Club Ice has been a long-time dream for Hunt, whose late father owned a Florida restaurant and pub-style bar.

"Growing up in that environment, it made me want the same thing," Hunt said. "It has always been a dream of

mine, and of my father's, and I'm bringing it to reality, both for him and myself."

According to Hunt, he was a free safety on the UMaine football team under Coach Jack Cosgrove during the '00 and '01 seasons — his junior and senior year. Hunt transferred to UMaine from Alabama's Troy University in 1999 and graduated from UMaine in 2002 with a Bachelor of Science in psychology.

Hunt pursued his post-undergraduate medical career at the for-profit St. Matthew's University School of Medicine. With the knowledge of area student night life and entertainment, Hunt decided to start a night club while still in medical school.

Club Ice opened its doors seven

See Club on **B3**



Laila Sholtz-Ames • The Maine Campus

Ogheneovo Dibie and brother Oghenetega Dibie, students from Nigeria, took part in Culturefest on Saturday.

Culturefest: It's a small world

By Joshua Gaylin
and Laila Sholtz-Ames
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine is home to students from over 70 countries and 49 states; individuals with diverse histories, religions, beliefs and ethnicities. Culturefest is an annual event dedicated to celebrating the melting pot at UMaine. Sponsored by the Office of International Programs and the International Students Association, Culturefest is a worldly exhibition of traditional singing, dancing, clothing and cuisine from countries ranging from Korea to Nigeria.

People from all over the world helped spread cultural awareness in one of the country's least diverse states. The event included activities for children, a talent show, stands for various internationally oriented organizations and cultures, international food and a fashion show for native garb.

The event is held annually in the UMaine Field House on the first Saturday in November. Culturefest attracts hundreds of visitors and allows UMaine's student organizations and international students a chance to showcase their talents and traditions. The afternoon began with African drumming and soon progressed to German dances, salsa dancing and a belly dance performance. Several cultural instruments were shown, while maps and pictures helped many students relate to the various cultures.

With food booths set up around the field house, visitors had a chance to savor food from all around the world, including India, China, Mexico, Ecuador, Peru, Saudi Arabia and the Philippines.

Some other cultures accounted for included Japanese, Chinese, Canadian and German.

Awards for food were given for the categories of best display, healthiest dish, best dessert and best all-around dish. The cultural representatives of Venezuela, Centro Espana, Germany and Sri Lanka received these awards, respectively.

"I really love the amount of ethnic food available," said David Welch, a UMaine graduate student who sampled several dishes. "I especially love the Sri Lankan food. It's a really great chance to sample a lot of different things."

Sushi Khadka, a Nepalese student,



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Ncamiso Dlamini, UMaine student from Swaziland, dressed up in traditional attire. had books and postcards from his native country and said he was pleased with the event this year.

"I think Culturefest is very important because it gives us a chance to talk about our country and really educate people," Khadka said. "It's really hard because in Maine a lot of people don't know about other countries."

Along with Nepal, the Japanese table featured postcards of ancient temples, Peru had a display of native handbags and China said good luck ornaments.

Many attendees were from other countries and spoke in their native languages.

In the back of the Field House, an area was set up to entertain and educate chil-

dren about culture. Andrea West, who lived in Mexico for six years and works as an assistant community coordinator in Residence Life, helped entertain the younger fairgoers. "We had games from around the world, origami and a story time section so children would hear stories from around the world," West said.

One man said he thought the festival was "awesome."

"I enjoyed the sights and the sounds, the music, the smell of the food," one attendee said, adding that he particularly liked the belly dancers.

"I've been to Culturefests before and remember eating a lot of international foods that made my stomach feel ... international," said one female attendee.

Admissions Open House

Collins Center for the Arts and Hudson Museum
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dreamweaver Basics Part 1

Faculty Development Center, Memorial Union
2:30 to 4 p.m.

Lidral Duo

Union Central Memorial Union
4:15 p.m.

Campus Activities: Karaoke

Knox/Androscoggin Complex
8 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 10

Gary Clegg and The Slanket

Foster Student Innovation Center
4 to 6 p.m.

The Prehistory of El Nino in Ancient Peru

Hutchins Hall
Collins Center for the Arts
7 to 9 p.m.

Java Jive: Briann Finnegan

Bear's Den
Memorial Union
8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 11

Veterans Day

How to turn your favorite recipe into a business

Foster Student Innovation Center
4 to 6 p.m.

Darwin After Dark: A Night of Film and Discussion

Hill Auditorium
Barrows Hall
7 to 9 p.m.

Kickin' Flicks: Julie & Julia

Collins Center for the Arts
9 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 12

NASA Murals Unveiling

Jordan Planetarium
Wingate Hall
11 a.m. to noon

Social Networking Support Group

Target Technology Center, 20 Godfrey Dr. Orono, ME
noon to 2 p.m.

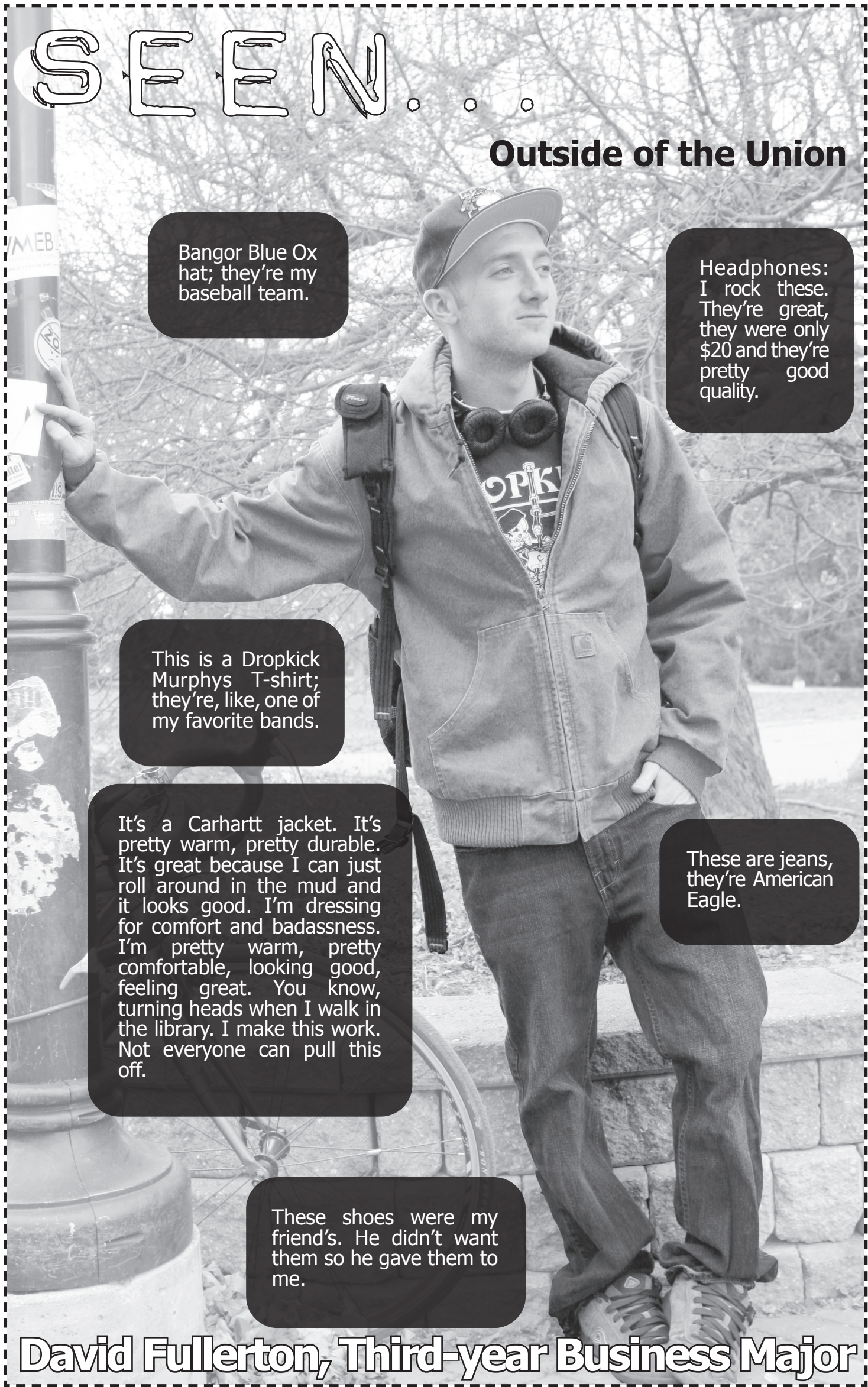
He Saw the Cities and He Knew the Minds of Many Men: Landscape and Character in Plato's Laws and Homer's Odyssey

Bangor Lounge
Memorial Union
4 to 5 p.m.

Research Café-Does stress add bite to appetite? Examining the role of stress reactivity in comfort food eating.

University Club, Fogler Library
4 to 5 p.m.

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David Fullerton, Third-year Business Major

Old play gets makeover in “The Birds”

By Billy Roy
For The Maine Campus

With its array of poetic verses, crowd-directed dialogue and birdlike behavior in a grim, post-apocalyptic set-

ting outside of Athens, Greece, “The Birds” is not a typical play. According to the program, director Tom Mikotowicz and the performers sought to integrate contemporary analogies

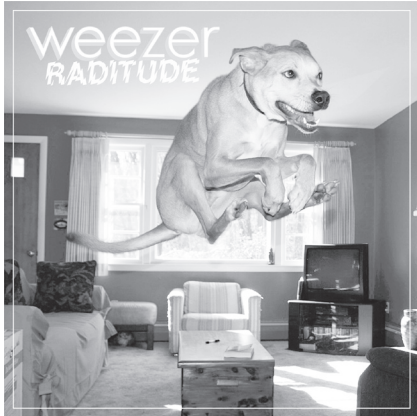
to Greek elements of production. The play won second prize in an Athens festival of plays in 414 B.C. It was customary at ancient theater festivals for characters to beg, threaten or demand the audience recognize “The Birds” as the best play. This explained many of the comedic asides where characters rallied the audience for approval. “The Birds” is described as a modern, punk adaptation of Aristophanes’ ancient Greek comedy and was first directed in Athens over 2,500 years ago. The play stretched from modern theatrical conventions, combining old and new. Performers and spectators were challenged to take ancient poetic verses and place them in an alternate, modern reality. “This production was rather challenging and the students had to work very hard,” Mikotowicz said. “The performers had a hard time understanding the text at first because it is not naturalistic or realistic in any way. They had to reach out to understand it.” The production begins with the main characters Pisthetairos, played by Paul J. Koroski, and Euelpides, played by Anthony Arnista, two young stoners frustrated with the monotony of human existence in Athens. They are presented as dreamers and idealists who wish to escape the hustle and bustle of city life with the intentions of finding or creating a modern utopian society. Their journey leads them to cross paths with “The Birds,” a cast of colorfully dressed, wacky-haired characters representing the natural world. Pisthetairos rallies “The Birds” together and motivates

them to create a community by the name of Cloudcuckoo-land. They assure themselves the development of this community would stop at no cost, even threatening to challenge the gods should they get in their way. The pressures of humanity begin to impede upon the development of this utopian community with the emergence of an urbanization process. Poets, evangelicals, construction surveyors and lawyers are among the people complicating the plot by attempting to cater the city’s needs to those of humans. The impediments accounted for much of the laughter shared by audience members. Performers had to leave their comfort zones to try and find an accessible middle ground between an ancient text and a post-apocalyptic setting. “The Birds” were characterized by performers flapping their arms, bobbing their heads as they walked and making sudden turns of their necks. This kind of performance had to be met with a great deal of imagination, but performers helped bridge the divide with comical and exaggerated body language. Roles were played passionately, showing the result of an intense and successful eight weeks of preparation. “It allowed students to be creative,” Mikotowicz said. “It was a lot of fun.” Spectators were impressed with the student creativity exhibited in both costumes and character personalities. “The Birds” will continue in Hauck Auditorium Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

CD: Raditude

By Kegan Zema
Style Editor

I was once hanging out with some music geek friends of mine, talking records, when one of them made the snide remark, “Hey remember that Weezer band? Remember when they died in that plane crash after their second album? That was terrible, huh?” The comment was brutal but the point was taken. Since the release of “Pinkerton” in 1996, Weezer’s output has come to repeatedly disappoint and their latest album “Raditude” (a title given by TV’s Rainn Wilson) may be the low point of their career. The album does not start off too terribly. Having at this point accepted that post-“Pinkerton” Weezer will always seem comparatively sub-par, a song like “(If You’re Wondering If I Want You To) I Want You To” is not necessarily a deal-breaker. In fact, it is somewhat of a return to form for singer Rivers Cuomo and company. Cuomo sings of a nerdy dude who is hanging back waiting for the girl to make the move, a situation with which many guys whose pubescent awkwardness and consequential self confidence issues in middle school can probably identify with. Unfortunately, the song contains lines like “I took you to Best Buy, you took me home to meet your mom and dad” which make it more laughable than sentimental. After the opener, all hope for “Raditude” is lost as Weezer take a real nose dive with “I’m Your Daddy.” Cuomo employs a cliché idiom years after anybody has used it with any seriousness as he talks about partying and getting with the girl. It is in this song that the central problem with “Raditude” is first made apparent: throughout the album Cuomo comes across like Michael Cera’s character in “Superbad” – he’s a sensitive nerd trying to hang out with the cool kids. Maybe it is a matter of age, but where Cera became the underdog hero, nice guy Cuomo consistently seems like a traitor, the guy who gave into popularity and left Jonah Hill behind. From here things just go from bad to worse. “The Girl Got Hot” is a power chord laden romp full of “whoa ho hos” that can only be taken to be Weezer’s attempt at sounding like an ’80s hair band, a spectacle made complete by mention of the girl who has the hot’s satin pants and leopard skin top. “Can’t Stop Partying” is repulsive to the point of offending the ears. Rivers has sold out to the point of writing what sounds like a contemporary hip-hop song done by a 12-year-old. The chorus contains the words, “Gotta have Patron, gotta have the beat, gotta have the pretty girls around me.” The line cannot be taken seriously out of the mouth of a bespectacled 40-year-old white boy. The track seals its own fate with a nonsensical guest spot from Li’l Wayne. Sure the world’s biggest rapper is featured on every other single to come out these days and an absurd match-up like this one was only a matter of time, but Weezer? The guys who sang about looking like Buddy Holly and playing D&D in their garage? Really? Any hope for the remainder of the album is never made good upon — the second half of the album being just as bad as the first. Sapphires “Put Me Back Together” and “Trippin’ Down the Freeway” are lame to the point of annoyance. I suspect Cuomo fancied song “Love is the Answer” to be Weezer’s “Within You Without You” with its sitar opener and unintelligible Indian vocals. The track lacks both flow and sincerity though, ending up sounding like a parody of world music rather than a respectful nod to it. “Let it All Hang Out” sounds like a bad OK Go track in which Cuomo sings of just “chillin’,” doing things like “sharing chicklets” before “going out with [his] homies.” The following track dates Weezer a bit as Rivers sings of hanging out “in the mall.” A song about a distinctly ’90s pastime would not be so bad were it not for a line like “take the elevator to the escalator, ride it down and start again.” “Raditude” closes predictably with a mopey ballad like virtually all of Weezer’s previous work. But where final track “Only in Dreams” on Weezer’s self-titled debut was an eight minute, primarily instrumental tear-jerker about a dude who only has the courage to go after the girl in the safety of his own imagination, this album’s “I Don’t Want to Let You Go” is a cheese-fest of lines like “the pain is killing me,” “I know it isn’t right,” and “I have to let you know, I don’t want to let you go.” The song is an unfortunately appropriate ending to a terrible record as it solidifies the sad truth: Cuomo just isn’t even trying anymore.



Interscope

Grade: F

FILM: A Christmas Carol

By John Shannon
For The Maine Campus

It used to be that the Christmas season began once Thanksgiving was over, with Santa bringing up the rear of the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade; but not anymore. A mere six days after Halloween, the season kicked off with Disney’s “A Christmas Carol” hitting theaters. There have been dozens of adaptations of Charles Dickens’ famous tale, and aside from “The Wizard of Oz,” it may be the best-known story in the world. Such familiarity demands that a new adaptation bring something unique to the table. Rather than re-imagine the story or approach it from a new angle, this version strives to set itself apart by using motion capture technology as well as 3-D effects. “Carol” is directed by Robert Zemeckis, the director of “Who Framed Roger Rabbit?” and “Forrest Gump.” The motion capture technique is the same Zemeckis employed to bring “The Polar Express” and “Beowulf” to the screen, and his efforts improve with each outing. The characters have become more refined and the zombie-eyed look is nearly gone this time, but there is still an eeriness to it all. Perhaps the theory that humans will be repulsed when adaptations look too lifelike still holds true. Scrooge looks fantastic — he is a fully re-

alized character who feels like a genuine performance — but none of the other characters look nearly as good. The most challenging part when it comes to tackling “A Christmas Carol” is selling Scrooge’s transformation. Unfortunately, Jim Carrey can’t match the best of his predecessors: Michael Caine, Patrick Stewart and Bill Murray. Carrey’s Scrooge appears to transform not to celebrate the human spirit or good will towards men, but merely out of want of heaven and fear of hell. Tiny Tim, one of the main reasons Scrooge traditionally changes his ways, is given hardly any screen time and his famous line is said not once but twice. The real kicker is that this sentiment makes up all of his dialogue. He doesn’t have a single other thing to say. Why bring out a story that has been done to death? Zemeckis adds nothing new to it, save for some slightly cumbersome chase sequences. The 3-D effects and motion capture are nothing but new wrapping paper that hides the fact that he’s regifting us a story we know better than the back of our hands. As a technical exercise it’s visually arresting and interesting enough, but as a compelling narrative it’s a failure of epic proportions. If these motion capture films prove anything it’s that

See Carol on B3

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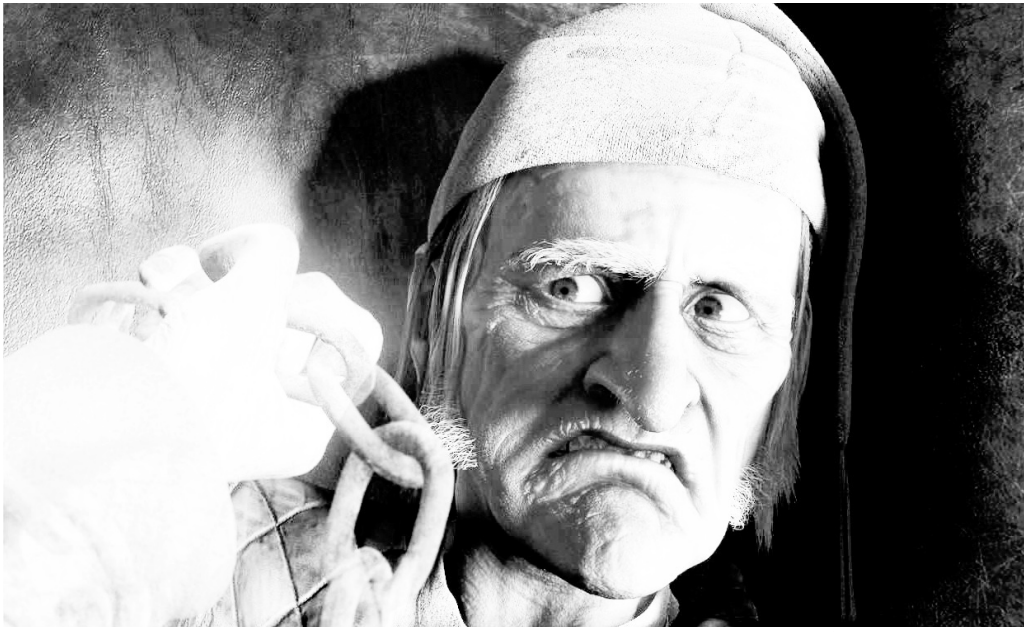
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Carol
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Zemeckis, like George Lucas before him, has lost his mind in the depths of a hard drive, putting visual splendor over narrative intelligence.

Ultimately, “A Christmas Carol” commits the biggest cinematic sin of all — it’s boring. Not overly ambitious and not a missed opportunity, it feels as though it is destined to sit on the shelf at Wal-Mart for many Christmases to come, passed over for better versions of the same tale, stewing in its own mediocrity, forgotten like the many attempts that came before it.

Grade: C



Walt Disney Pictures



Lisa Roth
The Maine Campus
The University
Singers performed on Sunday in Min-sky Recital Hall. The group tours New England each spring in addition to their several on-campus concerts.

Club
from Page B1

weeks ago and has experienced difficulties, but Hunt hopes to establish the club in downtown Bangor as an essential alternative to traditional pub-style nightlife. Hunt leases the club from Patrick and Matt Brann, owners of former Club Gemini, which once occupied the space.

Facing the Kenduskeag River, the industrial-looking building is shared by the newly-relocated Diva’s Gentlemen Club and Diversified Ink, a tattoo parlor. Hunt agreed the businesses share a

mutually beneficial relationship and customer base.

“[The club is] the biggest venue in Bangor,” Hunt said. “It’s been a rocky, slow beginning, but it’s starting to pick up.”

Downtown Bangor’s revival is something Hunt wants to take part in and use to Club Ice’s advantage.

“Downtown Bangor has blossomed, new restaurants and better stuff have opened up,” Hunt said. He acknowledged that the Pickering Square area has the most to offer, but hopes Club Ice becomes a competitive option for food, drinks and entertainment.

Boasting a jazz martini lounge, a VIP area and one of the largest dance floor spaces in the Bangor area, Club Ice is attracting attention. The club is modeled after nightclubs in Las Vegas and Miami. The lounge is separated from the main club by a soundproof door and offers “a more elegant feel,” according to Hunt, where patrons can enjoy appetizers, martinis and live jazz. The lounge opens at 6 p.m. while the main club opens at 9 p.m. every night but Monday.

Hunt manages the club and is in charge of most of its marketing and advertising — along with friend Darron Jeffries, a regular disc jockey at Club

Ice, also known as DeeVeeJay. Hunt maintains a base staff, including him, two bartenders, two security guards, guest disc jockeys and shot girls, but is looking to increase the number of his employees. Employees and patrons must dress in a manner that reflects the elegance of the establishment, according to Hunt. Barstaff, security and disc jockeys must wear black or white shirts and black dress pants, while shot girls are required to wear Club Ice shirts and heels.

“I want Club Ice to be entertainment for the Bangor area, not just what college students would like to have, but work professionals, too,” Hunt said. “I want to

offer something for everyone.”

Hunt acknowledged that typical college-age bar-goers frequent Club Ice’s main club, while the martini lounge and its live jazz acts bring an older crowd. Hunt is trying to change this social structure.

Club Ice’s location is adventurous. The venue is spacious and the dance floor well-lit and exciting. The rear entrance can be located by thumping bass from the music. The drink specials are cheaper than comparable clubs and bars but paired with the drive to Bangor and the advanced planning needed to enjoy a real Club Ice night on the town, some students are likely to stick to the Orono nightlife.

For those interested in downtown Bangor entertainment, Club Ice’s newest upcoming weekly event is “Alternative Wednesdays,” a night geared toward the GLBT community.

Club Ice also hosts “Twisted Tuesdays” (a reggae themed evening), “Thirsty Thursdays,” “Fall Back Fridays” and “Dance Party Saturdays” on a weekly basis. Every night features drink specials like \$2 “Sex on The Beach” drinks and \$2 drafts, as well as guest disc jockeys.

Club Ice’s Grand Opening concert is Friday Nov. 27, featuring Lil’ Scrappy with Boy Hunt.

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UPCOMING GAMES

FRIDAY, NOV. 13

Women’s Basketball
vs. Central Connecticut State
University in Orono
7 p.m.

Men’s Ice Hockey
at Northeastern in Boston, Mass.
7 p.m.

Men’s Basketball
at Fordham in Bronx, N.Y.
8 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOV. 14

Men’s and Women’s Swimming
vs. Vermont and Keene State in Orono
10 a.m.

Football
vs. Rhode Island in Orono
Noon

Women’s Ice Hockey
at Northeastern in Boston, Mass.
2 p.m.

Men’s Ice Hockey
at Northeastern in Boston, Mass.
7 p.m.

Men’s and Women’s Cross Country
NCAA Qualifier at Franklin Park in
Boston, Mass.
TBA

SUNDAY, NOV. 15

Women’s Ice Hockey
at Northeastern in Boston, Mass.
2 p.m.

UVM rallies past club football

Field hockey eliminated in AE semis, swimming and diving drop meet to SBU

By Adam Clark
Sports Editor
and
Matthew Ducharme
For The Maine Campus

Club Football

The University of Maine club football team spent their bye week getting acquainted with a future rival, the University of Vermont.

In the first-ever National Club Football Association game, the Black Bears fell just short against their future conference foe.

Doug DeLuca scored on a 1-yard rushing touchdown late in the fourth quarter and Vermont converted the extra point to edge UMaine 21-20 Saturday evening at Alfond Stadium.

The exhibition does not count toward the Black Bears’ New England Football League 2 record. UMaine is the top seed in the East Division with a 5-1 record and will host a playoff game next Saturday at 8 p.m.

UMaine struck first on John Goulette’s rushing touchdown for a 7-0 lead before the Catamounts answered just before the half to tie the game.

In the third quarter, UMaine scored on a Brett Davison pass to David Searle for 23 yards and hooked up with Searle again with just over three minutes left in the fourth quarter for a 20-7 lead.

With a seemingly insurmountable lead, Vermont responded quickly on a 52-yard tipped pass for a touchdown.

UMaine only had to run out

the clock on their final drive for the victory, but an Eric Bezanson fumble at the Vermont 25 set up the Catamounts with great field position.

The drive nearly killed the rest of the time on the clock and DeLuca’s 1-yard score tied the game. Josh Kenshaw kicked the extra point, which proved to be the difference.

Field Hockey

Boston University jumped out to a 3-0 lead and the UMaine field hockey team couldn’t respond as they fell 5-2 in Friday afternoon’s America East semifinal.

Courtney Veinotte cut into the 3-0 Terriers lead with a goal on a penalty stroke at 38:25.

The Terriers scored two

more goals to extend their lead to 5-1 before Veinotte capped the scoring with a goal at 69:50.

The Black Bears finish their 2009 campaign at 12-7.

Swimming and Diving

The UMaine swimming and diving teams lost their meet at Stony Brook University over the weekend.

The women’s team fell 164-131, while the men’s team dropped a 151-101 decision.

Yuri Chornobil, Brian Landry, Alicia Hahn, and Samantha Graham were standouts for the Black Bears, winning two events each.

UMaine hosts a meet with the University of Vermont and Keene State College next Saturday at 10 a.m.



Courtesy of Tony Llerena
A UMaine club football player is tackled in Saturday evening’s game against Vermont. Vermont upended the Black Bears 21-20. It was the first-ever sanctioned NCAA game.

Martel from Page B6

the honor.

“There’s been some great forwards that have come through our program, and she leaves as having received and garnered that award,” Atherley said.

With experience lost in the midfield due to the graduation of veteran Kim Stephenson, Atherley made Martel an attacking-mid to start the season while younger players developed into their roles. Atherley knew the midfield position did not utilize Martel’s breakaway speed though, and was able to move her back up top after a few games.

“Part of the reason that we changed our formation was just to get her closer to goal, to have her play to her strengths, which is running past defenders, taking players on and scoring goals,” Atherley said. “We needed her more up front.”

Since soccer is not a prevalent high school fall sport in Maine, to gain exposure Martel played stints on every club team in Maine, along with leading the Lewiston Blue Devils with 87 goals and 33 assists in her four years. Martel gave up playing basketball in high school to play on multiple soccer teams at once.

“The competition I was playing against, I felt like I could compete with them,” Martel said. “I maybe wasn’t the superstar of the team or the camp, but I could compete. My speed, my skills were OK, they were mediocre, but I was able to compete with them. So I knew I was ready for a challenge.”

Martel credits her dad, who coached her in the Lewiston-Auburn Youth Soccer Association and middle school. Atherley feels Martel’s decision to commit to UMaine hinged on a desire to be successful in her home state and playing close enough for her parents to watch.

“One of the reasons that she wanted to come here, in addition

to getting a good education, was the fact that she wanted to be the best soccer player that she could become,” Atherley said. “She felt that this was the best place for her.”

Martel graduated from Lewiston in 2006 and was an NSCAA/Adidas Girls High School All-American as a senior and Maine Class A Player of the Year. To Martel, all the recognition she has received in her career comes secondary to her teammates, who she considers “a second family.”

“I think what I’m most proud of is seeing all of the potential that we knew about academically and athletically when she came in, and knowing that when she leaves she will have fulfilled and exceeded that potential”

Scott Atherley
Women’s Soccer Coach

“Coach said to us, ‘You’re not going to remember the score of the game in 10 years, you’re going to remember the players,’” Martel said. “I’m going to remember my senior class, everybody that I’ve played with. Those are the things that are going to mean the most.”

Atherley felt Martel was full of potential when he recruited her due to her natural athletic ability and tenacity, but she lacked knowledge of soccer tactics that are essential at the college level.

“We just knew that if we could really polish her up and teach her a lot of the tactical things about the game that she would have the potential to really have an impact at this level,” Atherley said.

Martel quickly realized at the D-1 level she could not simply run by people and score at will.

“My whole life I was like, ‘I’ll just keep the ball. I’ll do a few moves, but I’ll just run by you,’ because I was faster than

everybody else,” Martel said. “Then I got here and people were fast too, so [Atherley and assistant coach Jackie Gebhart] had to teach me skills.”

Atherley did not identify a particular moment from Martel’s career he was most proud of, instead reflecting on her growth as a player, person and student. Martel will graduate with a degree in kinesiology and physical education.

“I think what I’m most proud of is seeing all of the potential that we knew about academically and athletically when she came in, and knowing that when she leaves she will have fulfilled and exceeded that potential,” Atherley said.

Atherley feels Martel’s leadership will be missed as much as her ability to put the ball in the goal.

“She just really was kind of the heart and soul of the team,” Atherley said. “She’ll do anything for anyone, which makes her the consummate team player.”

Martel’s “all-out” approach to the game of soccer has brought more than her share of bumps, bruises and worse, but that is what got her to the level she has reached. Atherley would like to see Martel continue playing after college but is unsure how much longer her body will allow her level of physicality.

“One of the reasons we decided not to redshirt her last year is I really questioned whether or not her body would make it another year,” Atherley said. “I think that’s the only thing perhaps that’s standing in her way potentially to further her career, is whether or not she can stay healthy.”

Martel is looking at her future in soccer the same way she began her inspiring final season at UMaine — with uncertainty, but with the willingness to take on the challenge.

“I don’t want to be done, but you never know what tomorrow brings you,” Martel said.



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Mike Cornell guards the front of the net with a Boston University player in front of him. Cornell and the Black Bears upset the Terriers on Sunday afternoon.

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“One of our goals of every game is to not beat ourselves,” Parker said. “I thought we beat ourselves tonight pretty good with some of the stupid penalties we took.”

BU freshman right wing Alex

Chiasson was the first to solve Darling near the end of the first period with a power-play goal. He appeared to tie the game 2-2 with a tip-in at the start of the second, but was called for a foot in the crease as he screened Darling.

Tic-tac passing set up Connolly’s one-timer in the slot with 6:59 left in the third period. Ju-

nior defensemen Colby Cohen and Kevin Shattenkirk started the play.

BU’s two power-play goals came in nine opportunities. UMaine went 1-for-6 with the man advantage.

The Terriers limited UMaine to just 18 shots on goal, and Milan stopped 15 of them while falling to 2-5-0.

Yanks win compromises MLB

No salary cap allows N.Y.'s endless spending, '09 payroll exceeds \$200 million

By Michael Pare
For The Maine Campus

Column

Championship No. 27 is in the books for the New York Yankees, and SportsCenter has been officially ruined for me until at least the middle of next week. I, like every Boston Red Sox fan, cannot stomach watching ESPN drool over New York and tell me how great a guy Joe Girardi is because he "froggered" across the street to help a woman who was in no way in need of his assistance after the game. I refuse to believe anyone whose teeth are as hideous as his is a good person.

Convincing myself of this about Girardi, muttering obscenities whenever I see a story about the Yankees and taking jabs at Alex Rodriguez makes this situation easier to deal with, but this championship is more than just an annoyance to Red Sox fans. It is a message to the rest of the league that money really can buy you a championship. I am not saying the Yankees did anything reprehensible. They operated within the boundaries of Major League Baseball's salary cap-free structure and used the resources at their disposal to put a winner on the field. The problem is with the system. It allows for too much trial and error, too much groping at chemistry, too much winning ugly, overpaying and not being penalized for it.

In the NBA, a few bad personnel moves can put a team in the cellar for years. Just look at the New York Knicks. In the 2005 offseason, Isaiah Thomas decided to pay his "roly-poly" front line of Jerome James and Eddie Curry by weight rather than basketball ability and placed the team in financial

purgatory until those contracts came off the books this summer. When the Yankees make personnel mistakes, they can simply eat the contracts because they have the revenue and financial backing to make as many mistakes as it takes to get rewarded. It's like a boxer going out wildly throwing haymakers just waiting for one to land a knockout blow with no fear of vulnerability. Even Yankees fans should be able to admit they have been a sinking ship since they won their last championship in 2000. They have been calling in big-name free agents to bail water for the past nine years and finally plugged all the holes with the offseason acquisitions of C.C. Sabathia, Mark Teixeira, A.J. Burnett and Kate Hudson — to hold A-Rod's hand and wipe the tears from his eyes when the New York media hurts his feelings.

Any Red Sox fan who has grown up to hate the Yankees with the unflinching passion that one hates cancer or airline delays has a right to be angry. It is just a question of where that anger should be directed. Sure, the Yankees' \$201 million payroll (18 billion yen, for Hideki Matsui fans counting at home) is akin to entering a monster truck into a demolition derby, but if overspending is the issue then the Red Sox cannot be absolved of blame either. Their \$122 million payroll — 4th in Major League Baseball—could have rivaled the Yankees this year had they not been outbid in the Mark Teixeira sweepstakes. The Yankees simply have the most resources and are the most willing to use them.

I think their approach cheapens their victory and undermines the scouting and player development processes that separate baseball from the other major sports, but it doesn't make it any less credible or any less real. The

only direction an abject fan can point an unhypocritical finger is straight at Major League Baseball and the Players' Union, both of which have failed to adopt a thoroughly restrictive Collective Bargaining Agreement. Without one, the spending wars continue unchecked and small market teams can't compete consistently with the juggernauts of the league.

The gap between the highest payroll — the Yankees — and the lowest payroll — the Florida Marlins — last year was \$170 million. With that kind of disparity, MLB teams are not playing on a level playing field that fosters the sort of natural competition sports are intended to cultivate. Imagine if boxing eliminated weight class restrictions and Mike Tyson ended up fighting some hot shot from the paper-weight division: That guy is gonna be lucky to get out of there with just a mangled ear, let alone his life.

That is what it is like for Major League Baseball. There are the heavyweights and the lightweight, the haves and the have-nots and in the current system that can't change.

Colin Cowherd argued on his radio show that the Yankees won on passion rather than money because their passion created the revenue that enabled them to assemble their team. In some ways I agree, but the passion for teams like the Yankees and Red Sox is founded upon a rich history. Now, up and coming teams are not able to foster their own passionate fan base because they are being out competed by the established franchises. For baseball to create a level playing field they need to draw on the collective passion of baseball fans who want to see a competitive product and institute a salary cap.



Amy Brooks
Photo Editor Abby Barton tries to control the puck with a UConn defender on her. The Huskies won 7-2.

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The offense was led by Brusko, who caught a career-high 12 passes for 90 yards and a touchdown. He also threw a touchdown pass. Sophomore quarterback Warren Smith finished 25-for-42 for 178 yards and a touchdown. He also threw three

interceptions and was taken to the locker room late in the game for X-rays on his left foot.

Sophomore linebacker Vinson Givans recorded 15 tackles to lead the defense.

The Black Bears close out their home schedule on Saturday for Senior Day at noon against the University of Rhode Island.

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zone won by UMaine freshman right wing Brittany Dougherty.

"There were about four Providence girls in my way, and I was surprised that it even went in," Stech said.

The Friars answered Stech's goal with 13.8 seconds left in the first period, moments after their first power play expired. Sophomore center Ashley Cottrell came from behind the goal and attempted to force the puck between Ott's pads at the near post, but the shot rebounded out onto Ruff's stick to flick it in.

Providence scored a shorthanded goal to take the 2-1 advantage 5:14 into the second period, but went 0-for-7 on the power play in the game. The Friars took just three penalties, resulting in two UMaine power plays.

"Penalty killing has been good for us, but we just have to find a way to score on the power play," Deraney said. "We've got to take advantage of them. We're not right now."

Providence freshman right wing Nicole Anderson scored the shorthanded goal in the slot after the faceoff caused by teammate Arianna Rigano being sent to the penalty box.

"I called for it out front, and I just smacked it in between the

five-hole," Anderson said.

Ouellette teamed up with Croussette for the even-strength equalizer with 3:50 left in the second period. Croussette returned Ouellette's pass to the slot where Ouellette fired a wrist shot just below the crossbar.

On Sunday, the University of Connecticut Huskies scored three straight shorthanded goals in the final two periods and pulled away from the Black Bears for a 7-2 win.

UMaine senior defenseman Lexie Hoffmeyer's shorthanded breakaway goal in the third period came too late for the Black Bears, who led 1-0 into the first intermission on a power play goal by sophomore defenseman Melissa Gagnon.

UConn's first three goals came in a two-minute span midway through the second period, and then the flood gates opened. Junior center Jennifer Chaisson scored the third shorthanded goal and added one on the power play, while five different teammates accounted for the rest of the scoring.

UMaine finished the weekend at 2-8-2 (0-4-2-1 Hockey East), while UConn picked up their first conference win to improve to 5-4-2, (1-2-2 HE).

Garcia stopped 29 shots to pick up her third win of the season. Ott made 33 saves and fell to 1-4-1.

UM depth showcased in win

Women's basketball wins final preseason tuneup, open season hosting CCSU

By Dillon Bates
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine women's basketball team got off to a fast start against the Husson University Eagles Saturday night at Alford Arena, taking a 37-point lead into the half on their way to a 92-31 victory in their last exhibition game.

The Black Bears squared off with the Division III Eagles in a rare matchup of neighborhood rivals. The game, which will not count toward either team's season record or statistics, proved to be a valuable learning experience for both programs. UMaine finishes an undefeated preseason campaign, having earned a win over the University of New

Brunswick last week.

All 10 active Black Bears saw game action and were able to record points in the contest. UMaine was led by sophomore center Samantha Baranowski, who paced the Black Bears with a game-high 16 points while also recording nine rebounds. Senior guard Amanda Tewksbury added 12 points and nine boards in just 16 minutes of play. At the final buzzer, five Black Bears scored in double digits. Jasmine Rush and Corinne Wellington had impressive games off the bench, scoring 11 points each, while Rush added two assists and five rebounds and Wellington contributed seven boards and three blocks. Rounding out the double-digit scoring was senior point guard Kristin Baker, who

tossed in 11 points.

Tewksbury cited the Black Bears' aggressive approach to the contest as a major contributor to the outcome of the game.

"I thought that right from the beginning we came out with a lot of energy."

There were 1,320 fans in attendance to witness the Black Bears' final exhibition matchup of the year, something coach Cindy Blodgett was very pleased about.

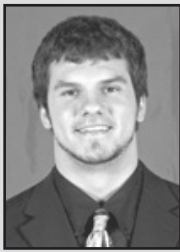
"I think what you see is that people are optimistic [about the upcoming season] and it's our job to win games now," said the third-year head coach and former UMaine star. "Our fans are great, but we have to give them something."

Blodgett and her crew are eager to start living up to the

elevated interest and expectations of the home crowd, as they get the regular season underway later this week. The Black Bears' season officially kicks off Friday, when Maine will host the Central Connecticut State University Blue Devils of the Northeast Conference.

Coach Blodgett and the team are inviting fans to Texas Roadhouse in Bangor Monday, Nov. 9, any time from 4 to 9 p.m. This celebration of the upcoming season will see the entire coaching staff and others associated with the program in attendance. There will be complimentary game tickets for those in attendance, and a portion of all proceeds will go to the women's basketball program.

Athletes of the Week



Mike Brusko – Football

The senior captain from Zionsville, Pa., caught a career-high 12 passes for 90 yards and a score in Saturday's game at James Madison. He also threw an 82-yard touchdown pass and had three punts including two that pinned the Dukes inside their 20-yard line.



Courtney Veinotte – Field Hockey

The junior midfielder from Canaan, Maine scored UMaine's only two goals in Friday afternoon's America East semifinal against Boston University. The Black Bears fell 5-2, but finished the season with a 12-7 record.

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Darling, Black Bears upend rival Terriers

By Steve McCarthy
Staff Reporter

Special teams were expected to be a toss-up Sunday when the University of Maine men’s hockey team hosted rival Boston University. UMaine entered the game with the nation’s fifth ranked power play, while BU countered with Hockey East’s second stingiest penalty killing unit.

UMaine sophomore left wing Spencer Abbott’s second period even-strength goal made the difference as the Black Bears upset the Terriers 3-2 at Alfond Arena.

“It was great to get that goal five-on-five,” UMaine coach Tim Whitehead said. “We just countered out of our own defensive end. Abbott drove the net. It was a great pass by [UMaine sophomore right wing Gustav Nyquist] and he made it count.”

Abbott beat BU sophomore goaltender Kieran Millan off a centering pass from Nyquist to open up a 3-1 margin for the Black Bears 9:31 into the second frame, and an improved defen-

sive effort by the Black Bears preserved the lead through the third.

Difficulty producing offensively while skating five-on-five has been a factor for both teams, as UMaine (3-5-0, 2-2-0 Hockey East) entered the game with just five even-strength goals in seven games, while BU (2-5-0, 1-4-0 HE) had six in their first six games.

Abbott was surprised to find room in the slot on the odd-man rush as Nyquist streaked through the left faceoff circle.

“I was skating up the middle of the ice and there was a guy beside me and then two seconds later he wasn’t there anymore,” Abbott said.

Millan thought Abbott was covered in front and braced for a one-on-one challenge from Nyquist.

“I kind of froze a little bit, because I was expecting a shot [from Nyquist],” Millan said. “He passed it across the crease, and the guy was open.”

The goal was Abbott’s second of the season.

BU sophomore left wing Chris Connolly’s third period power play goal cut the lead to within one, but a 26-save effort by UMaine sophomore goalie Scott Darling frustrated the Terriers’ attack.

“He’s a great goalie,” Connolly said. “I give all the credit to him. He had a great night.”

Darling has been between the pipes for all of UMaine’s wins.

The result broke a 12-game unbeaten streak for BU against UMaine in regular season contests, which spanned four seasons. The Terriers are riding a three-game losing streak and will hope to right the ship in a home-home weekend against Merrimack College. UMaine won their third straight home game but are back on the road next weekend for a pair against Northeastern University.

“We just talked about keeping our composure, maintaining our poise and then looking for oppor-

tunities to counter,” Whitehead said.

In the national polls, BU is ranked fifth and seventh, the second top-10 team UMaine has knocked off in Orono in consecutive weekends. UMaine’s 4-1 win against 10th ranked Vermont on Oct. 30 started a layoff of more than a week for the Black Bears.

Nyquist and junior defenseman Jeff Dimmen gave UMaine a 2-0 advantage in the first 10 minutes of the game. Dimmen took advantage while the Black Bears skated five-on-three with a wrister from the right point that sailed over Millan’s glove side shoulder into the net. Five seconds after the Terriers returned to even-strength, Nyquist chased the puck behind the BU net and wrapped his shot around the post before Millan could slide across the goal line. Nyquist’s five goals is tied for the team lead with freshman Adam Shemansky.

BU coach Jack Parker felt poor discipline led to his team’s early deficit.

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Amy Brooks • Photo Editor
Theo Andersson tries to take the puck from a Boston University player in Sunday’s game at Alfond Arena. UMaine won the game 3-2.

JMU stalls comeback bid for UM

By Adam Clark
Sports Editor

For most of the 2009 season, the University of Maine football team has been hampered by second half struggles. Last week, the Black Bears set those aside, downing then-No. 19 UMass after a strong all-around performance.

On Saturday afternoon at James Madison, UMaine struggled through the first three quarters, falling behind 22-0 before mounting a comeback that fell just short in the fourth.

Justin Thorpe threw for a touchdown and ran for another and the Dukes held off UMaine 22-14 in a Colonial Athletic Association matchup at Bridgeforth Stadium.



UMaine falls to 4-5 overall and 3-3 in the CAA. They are now two games behind North Division-leading New Hampshire. James Madison improves to 4-5 on the season and 2-4 in conference play.

After an opening drive by the Black Bears that was stalled on a fourth-and-1 at the James Madison 8, the Dukes took advantage of four first half turnovers to build a 15-0 lead at the half.

James Madison scored its first points in the second quarter when a snap to punter Jordan Waxman sailed over his head and into the end zone. The Dukes scored their first touchdown on the ensuing drive on a 42-yard run by Thorpe.

A pair of Dixon Wright field goals extended the lead to 15-0.

To begin the second half, the Dukes added more points when Thorpe found Scott Noble for a 31-yard touchdown pass.

UMaine started their comeback bid in the fourth, scoring on a 13-yard touchdown catch by Mike Brusko.

With 6:01 left to play, the Black Bears faked a punt and Brusko threw an 82-yard strike to Troy Harris to close the gap to 22-14.

UMaine’s final two drives were stalled by interceptions though, ending their comeback attempt.

See Football on B5

UMaine records shootout win over Friars

Ott sparks women’s hockey with 41 saves in win; team splits weekend series with loss to UConn



Amy Brooks • Photo Editor
Abby Barton and a UConn player line up for a faceoff in Sunday afternoon’s game. UConn won Sunday’s game against the Black Bears, but UMaine defeated Providence Friday night in a shootout.

By Steven McCarthy
Staff Reporter

Friday’s women’s hockey game between the University of Maine and Providence College at Alfond Arena proved that sometimes the score does not reflect how many shots a team takes, but where the shots are taken from.

Despite the Black Bears being out-

shot 42-24, UMaine senior center Jenna Ouellette’s second period goal answered a 2-1 Providence lead and sent the game to overtime, where the extra point was eventually awarded in shootout, won by UMaine, 2-1.

“Whenever you put up 43 shots, you expect to score more than two goals,” said Providence coach Bob Deraney. “We didn’t take advantage of our opportunities.”

UMaine’s fourth shooter in the shoot-out, sophomore right wing Myriam Croussette, beat Providence goalie Genevieve Lacasse with a glove-side backhand, and Black Bear freshman goalie Brittany Ott stopped Providence junior center Alyse Ruff’s responding attempt. UMaine senior defenseman Lexie Hoffmeyer led off the shootout with a goal, and Providence freshman Jessica Cohen converted as the Friars’ third shooter.

“That’s the move that I use pretty much when my confidence is low,” Croussette said. “That’s the move that I pretty much score on all the time so I just use it.”

It was Providence’s second straight game decided by a shootout. They came out on top in last Sunday’s shootout on the road against the University of Connecticut. Providence left Orono at 3-4-4 (2-1-2-1 HE) and winless in their last five games.

“We just came out knowing that we had to do a lot more work to be successful,” UMaine senior captain Amy Stech said. “We were just confident and kept our feet moving and it paid off.”

Ott made 41 saves, while Lacasse stopped 26. The majority of Providence’s 43 total shots came from low percentage areas though, and Ott was able to control the rebounds without much difficulty.

“They were shooting a lot from the point, and I didn’t have much traffic in front of me on all of them, so I could see them pretty clear,” Ott said.

The Friars’ lone loss all-time to UMaine came on Nov. 23, 2003, for an unbeaten streak spanning 35 games. They also had not allowed a first period goal in their last six games entering the weekend, so they did not expect to outshoot the Black Bears 9-5 in the opening period but have to come up with an answering goal before the first intermission.

Stech scored her second goal of the season with 3:19 remaining in the first period. She caught Lacasse off guard with a wrister from the right point that jumped up off the ice and sailed over the goalie’s left shoulder. The shot was set up by a battle along the boards in the Providence

See Women’s Hockey on B5

Martel perseveres, ends stellar career at UM

Senior battles injuries throughout career, Lewiston native honored with Striker of the Year award

By Steven McCarthy
Staff Reporter

Preparing for her senior season with the University of Maine women’s soccer team, Laura Martel struggled with uncertainty.

With both knees surgically repaired and back problems since she arrived at UMaine, Martel asked herself, “Is it really worth it?” Then again, Martel has never shied away from a challenge.

The striker from Lewiston had America East Conference Championship aspirations for the Black Bears after experiencing the title game as a freshman and losing in the semifinals last year while not playing at nearly 100 percent.

Martel missed conference

games as a sophomore with a locking sacrum, and then had surgery on her left knee the summer before her junior year. She roared out of the gates last year with a hat trick in the season opener, but two games later blew out her right knee and returned to the team late in the season at “about 75 percent” instead of redshirting, but did not score any more points.

“I got really frustrated, and that’s where my teammates came and helped and talked to me,” Martel said.

Martel started all 17 games for the Black Bears this season and scored in 10 of them. She had multi-goal games against Iona College and the University of Maryland Baltimore County, with her second career hat trick coming against UMBC. Her

13 goals and one assist for 25 points placed her 34th in the nation in points-per-game (1.59), and tied for 15th in goals-per-game (.765). UMaine fell to Binghamton University in penalty kicks to end this year’s run.

“I was going out just to prove myself every game,” Martel said. “I was taking each game at a time, not expecting to be healthy for the next game.”

Martel joined UMaine senior back Anjelica Hodgson on the America East First Team, after making the Second Team with six goals as a sophomore and the All-Rookie Team. The award UMaine coach Scott Atherley is most proud of is America East Striker of the Year, as Martel is the first Black Bear to receive



The Maine Campus file photo
Laura Martel goes in for the tackle against a Boston University player earlier this season. Martel closed out a stellar UMaine career last week, garnering the America East Striker of the Year award.

See Martel on B4