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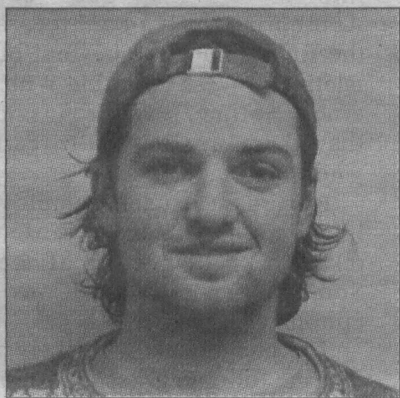
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Student Government presidential race '08

By Jessica Fish
Assistant News Editor

The Student Government presidential seat is up for grabs. On Dec. 1, University of Maine students will vote to select their new leader. Three candidates — Sen. Rob Goodwin, Sen. Owen McCarthy and Gimbala Sankare — submitted their nominations and have begun their campaigns for the presidency.



Rob Goodwin has represented the College of Engineering in the senate for the past year and is now running for president. Goodwin said he has attended meetings for Student Government's Services Committee and the Policy and Procedure Committee. He also briefly served on the Membership Committee and Administrative and Academic Policy Committee.

He has advocated for clarity in allocations, suggesting that explanations be presented to the senate each time an allocation is cut down during meetings of the Executive Budgetary Committee. He wants the allocation process streamlined so groups do not have to wait through a lengthy senate meeting to request funding.

"All I am trying to say is that there is a lot of potential for SG to improve, and I feel confident that from my experience with the organization over the past year, I know how to do it," Goodwin said.

Goodwin cited his experience as a PowerVote volunteer and serving as the president of the Maine Outing Club as examples of his leadership experience.

"I feel that my positive, optimistic and passionate attitude can bring the university, Student Government and the students together to accomplish the great challenges that we are faced with at UMaine."

Goodwin said he is an "advocate for a greener UMaine." He said he will effect change by eliminating waste in Dining Services and creating a campus carpool system.

"I challenge the 9,000 plus undergraduate students enrolled here to find a problem that cannot be solved by a simple cleaner, greener UMaine platform," Goodwin said.



Owen McCarthy announced his intention to run for Student Government president at the Oct. 28 meeting of the General Student Senate.

McCarthy is a junior biological engineering student. The student senator represents the College of Engineering. Although he is one of the newest senators, McCarthy said he has worked extensively with the senate as a representative for various campus groups.

"Since I've been here, I've had a chance to connect [with a lot of people]," he said.

McCarthy emphasized his experience as a leader, citing his responsibilities as a student ambassador and as president of his fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon. He said his ability to work with students and faculty and his contacts among the administration will be valuable qualities if he is elected president.

"I'm a reasonable person," McCarthy said. "I can see both sides — find a win-win solution instead of a negative-sum situation."

McCarthy has worked extensively with the Class of 2010 Council, overseeing the organization of the Traditions Trail — a \$500,000 project funded by alumni donations.

If elected president, McCarthy said he will work with administration to provide more campus services to students. He hopes to effect changes in student parking, extend library hours and increase weekend dining options.

"Another part of Student Government is to get students connected with the university," McCarthy said. He wants to expand leadership opportunities for students, believing that this will better prepare them for job opportunities after graduation.

"I feel that I can have a positive impact on lots of lives. James [Lyons] has done a great job [as SG president], and I want to continue that."



Gimbala Sankare is the president of the Class of 2010 Council, was a representative for Residents on Campus and held office in the Student Heritage Alliance Council as president and vice president. He is now running for president of SG.

Sankare has never been directly involved with the senate, but served as a community association representative for the heritage alliance and attended the weekly meetings last year.

"I've been involved with SG since freshmen year, when you count my ties through ROC and SHAC," he said.

Sankare said if he is elected president, he will focus on communication between the student body and the university.

"I feel like the students need to know what is going on in the university. We can hold the university accountable for its actions."

Sankare said he was sometimes frustrated as the president of the Class of 2010 because of a lack of communication between him and the university. He said he was unable to answer many of the questions posed by his constituency because information about university changes was not relayed. If elected president, he hopes to reverse that trend.

He mentioned working on student financial aid issues, saying students need the right representation. He described the situation as "something that needs to be looked at."

"Definitely my record speaks for itself. You can ask any students that I represented, any of my constituents. They will tell you that I go above and beyond ... That's what I want people to remember and think about when they're going to vote. I've done a lot for students, and this position would just give me more resources to do more for them," he said.

Executive Election Timeline

Oct. 20: Campaigning begins.

Nov. 3: Nomination papers due. Executive candidates must submit at least 200 signatures from members of the undergraduate student body in order to be placed on the ballot.

Nov. 24: Last day to withdraw a nomination for office. Candidates must notify the Fair Elections Practices Commission chairperson before noon on this date.

Nov. 24: At 5:30 p.m. candidates for president or vice president will participate in a public debate.

Nov. 25: A list of all campaign expenses is due to the FEPC by noon. A candidate may not spend more than \$1,000 on his or her campaign.

Candidates give their platform speeches at the regular senate meeting. A lottery will be held at the meeting to determine the order of

candidate's names on the ballot.

Nov. 30: Those wishing to be a write-in candidate for the election must notify the FEPC chairperson of their intentions to be a write-in candidate by 5 p.m.

Dec. 1: Executive elections will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Ross Wolland runs for SG vice president

By Jessica Fish
Assistant News Editor

The office of Student Government vice president is up for election on Dec. 1, but only one candidate has stepped forward and submitted his nomination.

Sen. Ross Wolland has been a senator since the fall semester of last year and is one of the most senior senators. A political science student, Wolland is an elected senator representing the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. He was recently appointed as a mem-

ber of the Executive Budgetary Committee and is the service chair. Last year, he served as senate historian.

Wolland has experience as a vice president — he is the vice president of Residents on Campus. He said his work in ROC has prepared him for mediating senate meetings. Like senate, ROC is run according to Robert's Rules of Order.

"I understand the importance of run-



Ross Wolland

ning a meeting smoothly — you want things to be efficient," he said.

Along with weekly senate duties, the vice president is responsible for appointing senators to committee positions.

"I feel like I've gotten to know most of the senators pretty well. I think people trust me to pick out qualified leaders," he said.

As a senator, Wolland supported the resolution that made University of

Maine MicroFridges available for purchase and worked with then-Sen. Samantha Shulman to minimize the cost differences between campus meal plans.

His most recent accomplishment was writing the resolution that eliminated the college representation system in senate, which he described as "a positive change for Student Government."

Wolland said his goal while vice president will be to "take on projects that benefit the most amount of students."

Governor demands UMS make budget cuts

By Dylan Riley
Assistant News Editor

The University of Maine System office recently shouldered the University of Maine with cutting \$6.5 million from its 2008-2009 budget, which could lead to larger class sizes and less financial aid for students in the future.

Because of Maine's increasingly fragile economy, Gov. John Baldacci issued a curtailment order to UMS, demanding that it cut \$12,526,944 from its campuses' budgets. As the largest UMS university, UMaine received approximately half of the \$12.5 million cut request, while the rest divided among the other six campuses.

"Well, it's not as bad as we first heard it might be, so that's a good thing. However, the university runs on a very tight budget, so finding \$6.5 million to curtail will be extremely challenging," Prof. Dianne Hoff said.

UMaine President Kennedy is trying to reduce the \$6.5 million budget cut request.

"We have been very aggressive — and that's an understatement — to say that we won't accept shouldering the burden of other campuses' deficits," Kennedy said during the Oct. 22 Faculty Senate meeting.

Hoff hopes the financial burden will be redistributed more evenly among all seven UMS campuses.

Students might see bigger class sizes, less financial aid, scholarship money and the elimination of smaller programs in the future. Hoff stressed that it is too early to know if any of these

will become a reality. The impact of the budget cuts is still being determined.

"First, what we're doing is trying to identify what the impact of the cut will be on campus, and then we will be getting back to the system office with what

we expect the impact will be," said Janet Waldron, vice president of Administration and Finance.

The impact report will be sent to the UMS office some time next week.

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Robert Kennedy
UMaine President

"We are hoping that the target that we end up getting will be significantly reduced because of the impact on the campus," Waldron said. "Hopefully the number won't get any worse."

UMaine plans to fulfill the curtailment order by requiring every hiring to be accompanied by a suitable reason and review-

ing all vacant positions currently in the process of being filled. The university will also cut costs by reducing compensation increases, overtime, travel, refreshments at meetings, contracts, purchases and greater energy

conservation, according to the president's office.

"The first step of this is the governor will take the curtailment because he's reducing spending for all state agencies — we're part of a much bigger picture statewide — and that gets translated into a bill that goes before the Appropriations Committee, and then the final number comes out of the legislative process, working with the governor's office," Waldron said. "Until that's done, we won't really know where we stand."

Hoff said student employees will likely not be affected because they represent a small portion of the budget. Some upper-level positions may be eliminated.

The budget cuts will likely spill over into the following fiscal year, according to Hoff and Kennedy.

UMS reduced some of the financial burden by taking a few cuts at the system level, Waldron said.

UMaine faculty expect to know the exact numbers of what they will be forced to cut by the end of November.

Professors speak of possible Russian dangers

By Bryan Stackpole
For The Maine Campus

University of Maine professors spoke about the danger of Russia and the threats that President-elect Barack Obama may face in the in his first few months in continuation of the Socialist and Marxist Studies Series.

A panel of political science professors, Seth Singleton, James Warhola and Paul Holman, discussed Russia and the recent events in Georgia. Singleton took the side of a Russian professor while Holman and Warhola represented the other side of the story.

Holman spoke at length about the threats that Obama may face from nations such as Iran, Russia and Korea.

"We may be closer to unification of

the two Koreas than ever before," Holman said.

The unification wouldn't be the test for Obama, but rather the influence of Russia as an investor in this territory, according to Holman.

Holman used statistics from surveys taken in Russia, showing the majority of people believe Western leaders are supporting Georgia to weaken Russia and push them out of the Caucasus.

Singleton took the Russian side and denounced the feelings some Americans have against Russians and how Western powers are trying to unite others against them. He spoke on how Russian tactics aren't as unfamiliar as Americans may think.

"You have been filled with propaganda and you all believe it," Singleton

said. "Americans must think we're [Russians] really naive."

He continued to speak on how the Western powers like the U.S. are increasing security against Russia. Singleton used the installation of missile shields on the border of Russia as an example of the escalating security measures.

Singleton went on to say Russian leader Vladimir Putin has an 80 percent approval rating while the approval rating of American President George Bush is approximately 30 percent. The tensions since the end of the Cold War have heated up again, according to Singleton.

"The next [Cold War] is up to [America]," Singleton said when speaking on the escalated tensions between nations.

Warhola focused on the topic of Russia's invasion of Georgia during last summer. He said Georgia's move into ethnic territories was done to clear up border areas and join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Warhola went to talk about the region and the heavy influence of NATO countries near the Russian border as one reason for their involvement in Georgia.

"Georgia wanted to join NATO. From Moscow's perspective, this was and still is the worst kind of provocation," Warhola said.

The Socialist and Marxist Studies Series will continue next Thursday with a lecture by Queens College professor Melanie Kaye, who will be presenting "Nice Jewish Girls: Lesbian and Feminist Activism 25 Years Later."

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Juggling junkies

By Aislinn Sarnacki
Staff reporter

Modern jugglers perform alongside sword swallowers, trapeze artists, magicians and lion tamers. They have a long history as entertainers, first appearing on an ancient Egyptian tomb dating from between 1994 and 1781 B.C. In good weather, students might catch sight of the University of Maine's jugglers performing on the mall.

In the past, the UMaine Juggler's Society was a recognized club, funded by the General Student Senate. Now they are a small group of five to 10 students. They meet weekly and encourage students to join them to watch or learn, but they aren't aiming for official club status.

"It's kind of an experience where you get to live in the moment. It's kind of like music in that sense ... holding a juggling pattern or performing music ... you kind of focus on one thing and don't have to worry about anything else," Juggler's Society President Adam Duncan said.

They meet at 3 p.m. every Saturday at Memorial Gym. Duncan brings a duffle bag filled with props, and club members dive in.

Duncan has been juggling for nine years, starting before he entered high school.

He is a mathematician and

computer science student who is planning his capstone project — a program that will analyze a juggling video and pick out different events in a juggling pattern.

"I am interested mostly in technical juggling ... things that are hard and complicated," Duncan said.

Duncan can juggle up to five clubs and seven balls at once.

Juggling is a combination of mathematics and hand-eye coordination.

Second-year ecology and environmental science student Stephanie Tanzella began juggling four years ago during her junior year of high school. She learned from a friend and has always preferred to learn by observation and hands-on instruction.

"I like it because it's a continuous challenge," Tanzella said.

To improve skills and learn new patterns, jugglers engage in warm-up exercises that build muscle memory. To learn how to juggle four balls, Tanzella works on juggling two in each hand.

"You wouldn't expect a singer to hit their highest note without warming up," Duncan said.

"Once you get the first step down, you can build off of that," Tanzella said.

The most common form of juggling is toss juggling, where jugglers throw objects into the air. These objects, often referred to as props, can be a number of things. Balls, beanbags, rings and clubs are most common. Some performers take a gamble with more dangerous props such as knives, chainsaws and lit torches.

In July 2007, Duncan went to the World Juggling Federation Convention in Hartford, Conn. The weeklong event brings together some of the best jugglers in the world.

Society members are skilled at other forms of juggling and object manipulation like poi, devil stick, yo-yo, diablo and staff spinning.

Tanzella's niche is poi, where someone spins a heavy object around on the end of a string, creating intricate patterns in the air. Often, performers will place an LED light at the end of the string to draw shapes in the dark — or they light the end on fire.

"Recently I went to a retreat for performances with fire. They ran classes straight through the day, and at night there was a field full of fire performances," Tanzella said. She was one of the performers.

At the end of the string, the juggler dips a ball in white gas or lamp oil. Once lit, it burns for four to seven minutes.

"I use lamp oil because it's less scary," Tanzella said.

Lamp oil takes longer to catch and doesn't burn as brightly. With white gas, spinners can perform a trick called spin-off: showering the ground with white gas to form lines of fire around the performer.

"Poi is neat because there's a language that comes along with it," said Tanzella.

A move is called either a weave or butterfly. Then, words are tagged onto the end of either term to signify different tricks.

Currently Duncan is teaching Tanzella and society member Zev Eisenberg how to pass clubs, an activity where two or more jugglers throw objects between each other.

"It's a lot of fun. It's a great social activity for jugglers and it's not a lot harder than juggling alone," Duncan said.

He begins by teaching the basic passing techniques.

"You try to get a decent pass down, and then you try to incorporate it into a pattern. The most basic is a four count, where you pass every four beats," Duncan said.

Each beat is a throw. For an even number of beats, jugglers always pass with the same hand. For an odd number of beats, they toss with alternate hands. When first learning to pass, jugglers usually learn an even count so they can always pass with their dominant hand.

Duncan is interested in perfecting patterns with odd counts, also known as ambidextrous tossing. He enjoys learning more complex patterns and is reading "The Mathematics of Juggling."

Eisenberg's expertise is in Diablo — involving an hourglass-shaped object sitting between two sticks on a string. The hourglass spins and can be manipulated in different ways and thrown into the air.

Society member Trent Bechard competes with a yo-yo at the international level, according to Duncan.

People have enjoyed watching skilled jugglers for thousands of years. Much of the appeal lies in its apparent difficulty. The routines can be complex, but Duncan opens the skill up to anyone.

"I think anyone could learn to juggle. A lot of people tell me, 'I'm not coordinated, I could never do that,' but that's just garbage. It's just a little bit of patience and a little bit of practice," Duncan said.

Photo courtesy of Zev Eisenberg
Zev Eisenberg juggles outside of Fogler Library.

The love of skiing

A piece of creative nonfiction

By Jennifer Corthell
For The Maine Campus

In this fast-paced life, it is important to have something that makes you escape and live in the moment. An incredible "something" that makes you embrace life and love who you are. There are two things in my life that I truly find happiness, satisfaction and fulfillment in: sailing and skiing. Both get my adrenaline pumping, help me release energy and bring me into my own controlled world. Sailing allows me to work mentally and physically, where as skiing allows me to go at my own pace and release all chaotic thoughts. When I'm standing at the top of the mountain looking over all the peaks, my mind shuts off. I've skied for the past 17 years and still get the excitement of the first time I put on my sister's old Rossignol's in our basement. When I'm on the slopes, there is nothing else going on around me. I'm in the zone. I put on my skis, press play on my iPod and go.

Instant messenger away message: "Keep on Dumping Baby ... hittin' the Loaf soon."

Facebook status: "Skipping classes and shredding the fresh pow!"

"OK, so I have this paper due, and if I get most of it done, I'm totally leaving with Steve at 9." I know I will still go, even if I don't get the paper done.

"It's snowing so hard out right now; are you seriously going to drive in this?" I know Sarah's kind of jealous she can't just skip class, so she tries to downplay my excitement of the snow. As if three inches of snow almost every hour would stop my friends and me from driving. My parents would kill me if they knew what I was about to do.

"Hell yeah, it's going to be an epic day of skiing tomorrow. I think Steve is going to drive. I really don't want to." Sarah's sitting on her bed with her color-coded binders spread out and multi-colored highlighters all in order. I have Christmas music playing from my radio on the windowsill just to annoy her even more. All my school stuff is spread over my desk. My skiing gear is everywhere: under my bed, on the floor and on my

bed. My skis are leaning in the corner by my closet. It's 8 p.m. on Tuesday, and I don't care if there are classes tomorrow — I'm skipping. I'll drive up by myself if I have to.

Post to the UMaine Outing Club FirstClass folder: "Who's heading up to the loaf tonight? I'm heading up late to the cabin. See you on the slopes. PRAY FOR NO CLASSES!!! CRAZY SHREDDING TOMORROW!!!!"

Some of the greatest posts to the folder come when it starts snowing like crazy. Everyone feeds off the previous post. The folder continuously makes the little "ding" sound, and there is always a little red flag on nights like tonight.

"All right, sweet, I'm calling it good on this paper. I don't really care anymore. I'm too damn excited."

"Seriously Jen, calm down. You're annoying me right now, and I have a ton of s--- to do."

I don't really care what Sarah thinks. She doesn't have anything in life that makes her excited, which is sad. "I'm so glad I went grocery shopping the other day. The PB & J's tomorrow are going to be so good. I'm going to take a shower. If my phone rings and it's Steve, answer it and tell him I'm ready whenever he is and to just call me once he picks up Rachel." The door slams behind me. Walking down the hall and into the wonderful Hart Hall bathrooms, I start sensing the fresh powder and open air in my veins.

"Did Steve call?" I ask, opening the door.

"No."

"All right, sweet." I grab my phone and decide to call him myself.

"Steve, when are you coming to get me?" Before he can even finish, "Nice, sounds good, I just got out of the shower, and I have to throw some stuff in my bag, and I'll be all set. I'll see you in 30."

Back and forth, one side of the room to the other, the mental list starts to kick in: ski pants, boots, ski socks, helmet, crappy goggles, gloves, under armor pants and top, jacket, pass, poles, skis, iPod, food, sleeping bag, pillow ... check. I'm wearing sweatpants because I know I'm going to pass out as soon as we get to the cabin. I throw my skis on my shoulder, and I'm set. "Peace, Sarah." She doesn't say anything. What a bitch! Zach and Chris are rocking out with their guitars and drums in the room next to us with their door open; I stop and groove a little to their music. "Jen, you totally would skip classes to go skiing," Zach says, laughing at me.

"Ah, yeah, do you see how much snow we're getting right now? Steve is outside waiting for me. I'll see you in a few days."

"A few days?" Zach says, giving me a confused look.

"Well, if it's going to keep dumping like this, I'm not coming back anytime soon." He just laughs at me again and walks back into his room. There are already about four inches of powder as I step outside. "Ah! I'm so excited right now!" I say as I throw my bag in the back of Steve's Subaru and place my skis on the roof rack.

"Dude, me too!" Steve says with his quirky, lazy smile.

"Dude, you were totally smoking before, weren't you?"

"Yeah, I was over at Gene and Eric's. Don't worry, I've got more."

"You better, a--hole," I say as I squeeze in next to Rachel in the backseat.

"Hey Jen, what up? Sorry I had dance so late."

"Whatever, not a big deal. Let's just go!" It's nice being around people who love skiing and boarding as much as me.

"Are you guys ready to go or what?" I say to the small group I'm with. Maine Outing Clubbers have a certain spot we sit in every time we go to Sugarloaf. There are a few others from the club besides my small group who are skipping classes today too.

"Hey does anyone know if classes did get canceled today or not?" I kind of yell this to anyone who is listening. It is still snowing in the valley, but that doesn't mean that it is in Orono.

"They are canceled until 12." I don't know who said it.

"Damn. Whatever." I really don't care — I'm not thinking about classes.

"Let's ride Can't Dog first." Obviously Steve would want to hit the glades before anyone else does.

"Steve, come on, let's get the corduroy and powder first. There is, like, no one even here; we'll hit the glades later." I like going into the woods when the trails are crowded with

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people and everything is skied off, but when it's super sweet conditions, I love making huge carves and going fast.

We take the super quad up and then cut over to Sheer Boom, which is a black diamond and right under the lift. Fresh powder. I put "The Seeds" on by The Roots, take a deep breath, stick my polls out in front of me, lean forward and stretch my back and my legs. Then I stand up. Steve and Rachel are finally strapped in. I push left, then right, gathering some speed. Steve shoots by me, just to be an a--, and I go.

"I don't ask for much these days / And I don't bitch and whine if I don't get my way." There is something about this song that sets my body and mind in the zone. The powder is amazing. It's one of those days I wish I could be more in shape for. My thighs burn — it feels great. My red skis cut through the inches of powder. I lose them under the blanket. The tips peek through as I go faster. I fly past Steve on his snowboard; I catch an edge, instantly lose my rhythm. My momentum is forward and fast so I roll with it, ending up sideways, covered in snow. Snow's all through my jacket, helmet and gloves I do what all skiers do when they wipe out: get up and keep going. The landing is so soft that I barely feel anything. When I get to the bottom, I stand and wait. The rest of the gang is right behind me. "Hey, I think I'm going to go ski a few runs by myself," I say when they get close enough.

"All right, sweet. I've got to go inside and fix my boots." Rachel says as she takes her board off.

New song: "Closer to the Sun," by Slightly Stoopid. There still aren't many people today, seeing as it's a Wednesday. I bend down, unbuckle my boots, ski up to the lift attendant that eases the chair under my bottom and I am on. I sit in the middle

of the chair with my legs spread apart, skis dangling in the open air, polls hanging off my wrists between my skis. "All I really needed was a friend like you / Help me through and together we can change." I turn around and I'm off into the Bigalows. Classes no longer exist. Tension between my best friend Sarah and me is resolved. My lonely heart is now filled with love. My dreams are being accomplished. There is nothing in this world that can scare me. I'm successful. I'm brilliant. I love just being me. I float off the lift to Tote Road. It's all me. My Atomics take me on their own path: on the edge, through the middle, through the air and back to the edge. Speed.

Skiing is like a drug. As soon as I see the mountain, I start to get anxious, and my mind starts racing around until I get on the lift. Then the drug has kicked in and I'm calm ... relaxed. I don't care what people think of me. I'm not the best skier in the world, but I'm not the worst either. I ski for myself, no one else. I'm on the mountain because I want to be and can go at my own pace. I take mental pictures and continuous deep breaths throughout the day. It eases me and makes me slow down and take in what's going on around me. Sometimes I'll start screaming, or I'll sing really loud when I'm skiing down a trail or cutting my own tracks through the woods.

When I asked my sister how she relaxed and got away from all her worries and stresses she told me she goes shopping. I laughed. I shouldn't have laughed at her. As long as she can find some way to escape, I am happy for her.

I stop on the edge of the trail and put my iPod on pause and just listen. I listen to the snow coming down on my jacket; there is no other noise. Nothing. The birds are all hiding from the snow; there are no other skiers around. Silence. Bliss.

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Treasure hunting in Maine

Students 'cache' in on hidden bounties

By Rhiannon Sawtelle
Staff Reporter

University of Maine students unknowingly walk past hidden treasures all the time. These treasures are called geocaches, and they are increasing in numbers. Two call UMaine's campus home.

A geocache is a container, similar to a time capsule, that trail enthusiasts and avid global positioning system users play with in a game.

Described as a "high-tech treasure hunting game" by geocaching.com, the idea is to make a capsule, hide it in a remote area, post coordinates online and send the public looking for it.

People find the caches with GPS units. The hobby has only picked up in the past seven years due to advances in GPS technology.

The Web site currently reports 678,680 caches around the world. Each cache contains different treasures, but they are meant for people to share, not take.

"The typical rules of etiquette are involved," said Zachary Platt, a UMaine electrical engineering technology student and geocache enthusiast.

If a person likes something in the cache, they must replace it with another interesting object.

"It's kind of like one of those take-a-penny, leave-a-penny things," Platt said.

He recalls one instance of trading a hematite stone for a giant rubber-band ball. Sometimes people don't exchange.

One cache found on campus had nothing but a long roll of paper with a list of names of those who had found it.

Most caches contain a logbook, pen, objects of local interest and other small treasures. Some contain digital cameras to log the faces of discoverers. When people find the cache, they report the find on geocaching.com to let the public know it still exists.

"All sorts of stories are attached to these things," Platt said.

Locations of caches all over the

"All sorts of stories are attached to these things."

Zachary Platt
Electrical engineering
technology student

world can be found at the geocaching Web site. Coordinates and a few hints are given. GPS coordinates only get searchers so far. They will get a person to the general location, but finding the cache is often a different story.

Cache planters rank the location on a 1-5 scale in both difficulty reach and difficulty to find — one being the easiest. Platt explained that some caches are hard to get to but easy to find, while others may be simple to get to but tough to find. In a recent adventure, Platt and his usual team of searchers — roommates and friends — spent almost an hour searching for a cache in Bradley.

"I didn't consider how carefully people have hid them," Platt said.

Upon finally retrieving the cache, they found it was an old ammo case buried deep within a rock pile.

"We're pretty tenacious about it," Platt said.

In the ammo case was a bear carved out of wood, which Platt's friend traded for a sun-based compass. The logbook was lacking a pen, so Platt added one.

Platt and his crew came across the idea of geocaching on the Internet. Among roommates and friends, the group usually fluctuates between four or five people.

"We try to find something for us to have a common bond," he said.

Platt's group has taken two hunting excursions. They first searched the Orono area, finding one of two caches hidden in and around campus. In another search of the Bangor area, the team found one of four hidden within a half-mile radius of the city. Platt said bad weather kept them from finding the other caches.

The group plans to search again for the ones they didn't find.

Most geocachers use a GPS system, but Platt explains, "If you want to get really hardcore about it, there are ways to do it without GPS."

One is the "Magellan Way," which uses compass positions to reference the cache spot.

Platt advises to bring proper attire when looking for a geocache. It is not always clear where the hunt will lead a group. He suggests decent boots, long pants, a pencil, paper and a camera.

Geocaching.com suggests packing food, water, extra clothing, a map and a compass. They also strongly advise hunters let someone know where they are going, for safety purposes. Platt suggests bringing at least a friend or two along.

Police Beat



The best from Orono, Old Town and UMaine's finest

A hard-learned lesson

At 8:44 p.m. on Nov. 6, event security for the Dropkick Murphys concert approached officers, requesting that Dusty Chase, 24, Swansville, be removed from the property. Chase was seen punching another person in the head. Officers escorted him off the property and issued a criminal trespass warning. They explained that if he returned to the area, he would be arrested. Chase returned at 9 p.m. at the main entrance, attempting to re-enter the concert. Chase was then arrested for criminal trespassing, as warned. After the arrest, police found that Chase was out on bail for two prior arrests in two separate counties. His conditional release included not committing new crimes and not possessing or consuming alcohol. Chase was intoxicated and was arrested for violation of conditional release. He was transported to Penobscot County Jail.

Fight and flight

Police were alerted to a fight in progress on Munson Road in front of Aubert Hall Nov. 6 at 8:44 p.m. When officers arrived, the subjects were gone. The informant indicated there were two men holding up another man while punching him. The suspects fled toward Hancock Hall. Officers searched the area but did not find the suspects.

If at first you don't succeed, get sober

A male was escorted off the property when he attempted to enter the Dropkick Murphys concert on Nov. 6, 8:30 p.m. Chester Veilleux, 28, Bangor, was denied entry because he was extremely intoxicated, rendering him unable to stand up. Veilleux was issued a criminal trespass warning upon being escorted from the property. A few minutes later, he started to walk back to the concert and was warned again by police. At 8:40 p.m. he was found in line to go into the concert. Although he had his sweatshirt hood over his head, police were still able to identify him. Veilleux was arrested for criminal trespassing and was transported to Penobscot County Jail.

"Why is the rum always gone?"

The Orono Fire Department reported reckless conduct on Nov. 6 at 8:24 p.m. While driving a fire department vehicle down Rangley Road, they approached a male carrying a bottle. The male stepped into the street, motioning that he would throw his bottle of rum at the windshield. Instead, the male threw the contents of his bottle onto the windshield. Officers arrived and identified Erik Nelson, 22, Old Town, as the suspect. An officer saw he had an empty rum bottle in his hand. Nelson was summonsed for reckless conduct.

Sneaky scalpers

On Nov. 6 at 7:17 p.m. police were notified of ticket scalping on the football field for the Dropkick Murphys concert. When officers arrived, they were unable to locate the suspects.

More underage drinking

An extremely intoxicated male on the fourth floor of Oxford Hall was reported on Nov. 6 at 11:48 p.m. He was found to be 18 years old and was transported to the hospital for further treatment.

Ouch

A call came in on Nov. 6 at 10:07 p.m. about a female sitting outside Hart Hall on the sidewalk in the rain. When officers located her, she indicated that she had fallen and struck her head. The subject was found to be intoxicated and was transported to the hospital for further treatment. She was 19 years old.

Marijuana in Knox and Androscoggin

An RA complained of marijuana smoke coming from the fourth floor of Knox Hall Nov. 7 at 12:56 a.m. An officer approached the suspected room and noted the strong smell of marijuana. Residents James Nicolas, 18, and Alex Vanetten, 18, both of Orono, answered the door and were asked to hand over any marijuana or paraphernalia. The two residents gave the officer a marijuana grinder and three marijuana pipes. Both were summonsed for possession of drug paraphernalia.

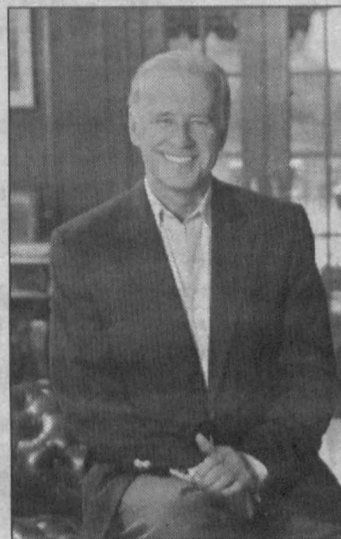
There was a strong scent of burning marijuana on the second floor of Androscoggin Hall on Nov. 7, 12:32 a.m. The RA who informed the police was with the resident of the suspected room when the officer arrived. The officer could smell burnt marijuana from inside the room and questioned the resident, Ross Thayer, 18, Orono. Thayer turned over a bag of marijuana and was summonsed for possession.

A report of possible drug activity on the third floor of Androscoggin Hall came in on Nov. 6 at 6:25 p.m. The responding officer located the dorm room suspected. The officer knocked on the door and was invited into the room. The resident then gave the officer permission to search the room. He found a marijuana grinder inside a desk drawer with small pieces of marijuana still inside. Cody Knight, 18, Orono, was summonsed for possession of a usable amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Police responded to Androscoggin Hall on Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. where there was reported marijuana smoke coming from the north end of the building. When the officer arrived, there was a strong odor of marijuana, but there were no people within the suspected area.

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Word of mouth



Do you know who this is?

Joe Biden.

*Sam Pastrick
Environmental management*

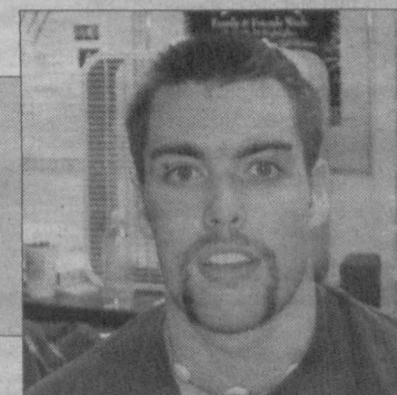


No idea.

*Cari Gill
Exercise science*

I don't know.

*Ben Larkin
Business*



No.

*Maggie McMoarn
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Biology*



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Budget cuts to UMaine hurt students and state

Gov. John Baldacci has tasked the University of Maine System (UMS) with cutting more than \$12 million from its budget. The University of Maine has received half of that burden – roughly \$6.5 million – from UMS, while the rest has been distributed among the six other campuses. This distribution should be more evenly spread and decreased, because UMaine is far less of a burden on the state than it seems.

According to a March UMS report, for every state dollar put into UMaine, \$8.10 comes back to the state which benefits the economy. UMaine is one of the few state agencies supporting Maine and shouldn't have to cut so much from its operational budget to satisfy economic shortcomings caused elsewhere.

Students should also be worried by the uneven distribution of the \$12 million cut request. In the past, UMaine typically takes half of a requested UMS budget cut, and the other universities take the rest. Does that seem fair? Some of the other UMS universities may not have the financial backing we do, but that shouldn't exempt them from doing a bit more heavy lifting.

The Maine Campus urges students to take action. Write to Gov. Baldacci and tell him the university doesn't deserve this burden and how cutting money out of UMaine will be bad for the state. The governor office's address is: Office of the Governor, #1 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0001.

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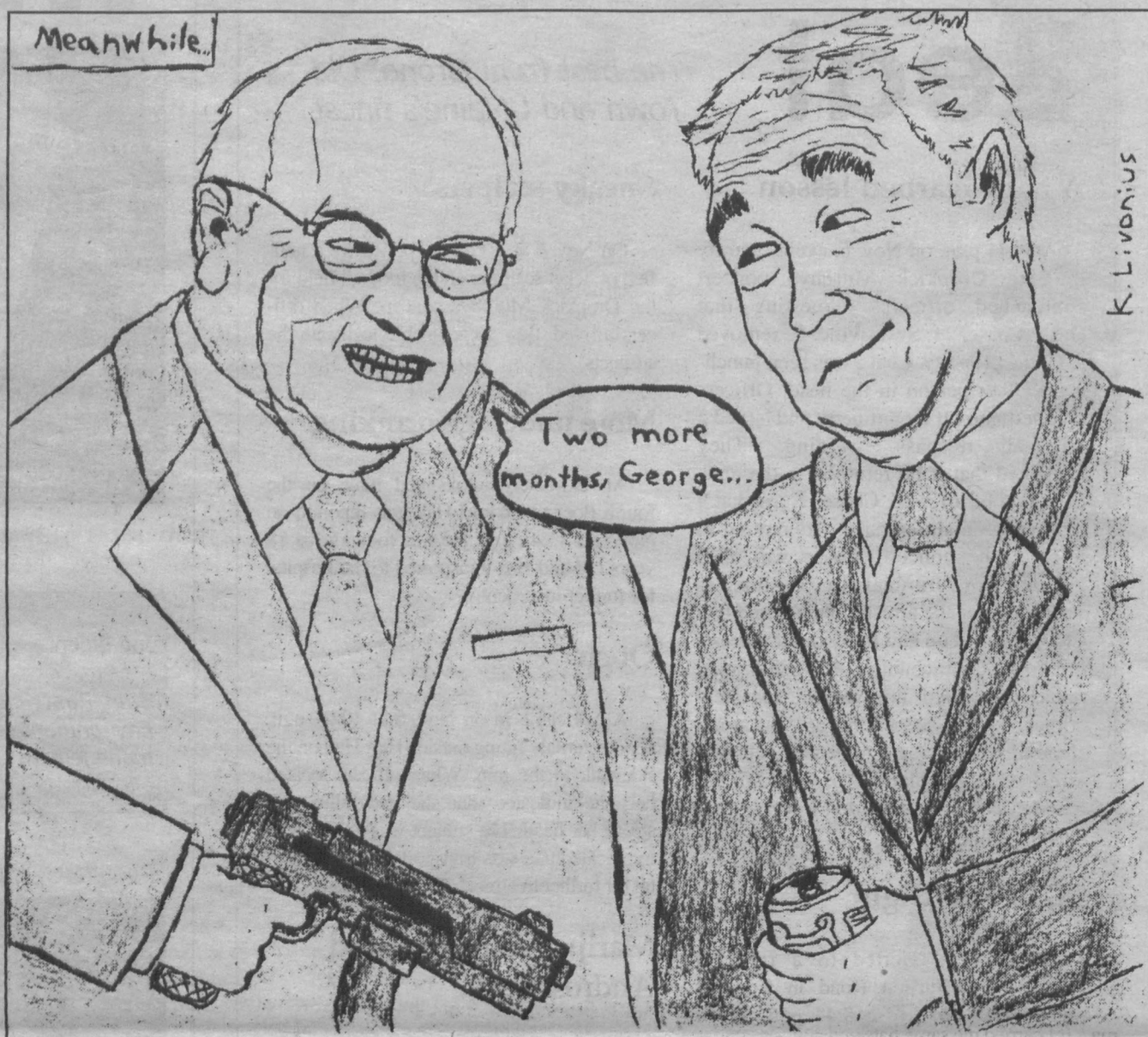
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Opinion

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Adam Clark

UMaine sports teams need more than just 'fair weather fans' cheering in the stands

As the nation turns to the next chapter after last week's presidential election, University of Maine athletics are trying to turn to a new chapter as well. The football team is fresh off a victory over nationally ranked rival UMass and is pushing toward a playoff berth, the first for the program since 2002. When the Black Bears close out the season on Nov. 22, they will play perennial powerhouse UNH not only in the "Battle for the Brice-Cowell Musket," but most likely for a chance to win the North division in the conference and a spot in the postseason. One question that remains to be answered is whether UNH Wildcat fans outnumber the UMaine fans.

After last season's struggles, the 2008 athletic year has seen some early success. The women's soccer and field hockey teams advanced to the conference semifinals; the volleyball team has several wins, and the men's soccer team recorded the most wins since 2004. As the football team embarks on the road to the playoffs, the question that remains for me is why the community, UMaine students in particular, are not attending games.

The simple answer is that most students are "fair weather" fans, only showing up during winning seasons. The Black Bear

men's hockey program is one of the nation's most storied programs, winning two national championships in its existence and appearing in the Frozen Four five times this decade. Last year, UMaine struggled and didn't make the Hockey East playoffs. This season, the young and inexperienced team is in the rebuilding process. Because of this, attendance numbers are down. For years, Alfond Arena sold out nearly every game, and tickets were hard to come by, even for games against teams like Merrimack. This year, tickets are still on sale for games against defending national champion Boston College. That's disgraceful. After so much success, it is a slap in the face to the program not to see more people show up. You can make the excuse they aren't successful right now, but they only had one losing season.

Football is a different story. They have always had trouble filling the seats at Alfond Stadium, which has a 10,000-seat capacity. When you attract only 3,188 fans against No. 1 James Madison, it raises eyebrows. I will not compare attendance to the southern teams in the conference because it would make your jaw drop.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I mean in no way to depreciate in this letter the laudatory and true eulogies that were delivered on Oct. 31 at the official dedication of the Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King Memorial Plaza on our campus, but I do believe there were important lacunae in the encomia, which I think are important to make explicit. I say nothing about how he conducted his private life, in part because ultimately it is not relevant to his legacy, in part because no human being is perfect. As he himself

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would have said, "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone," and that is certainly not me. But the following are incontrovertible facts I think are relevant to his lasting legacy. First, he took a strong anti-Marxist stand throughout his life, decrying Marxism as a godless, materialistic philosophy, which he emphatically rejected. Second, both he and his father were born with the first name "Michael," and changed their names to "Martin" in honor of the great Christian

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In spite of adversity, woman still works to 'mend the sacred hoop'

Virginia Sand

In listening to the stories of injustice experienced by African-Americans at the dedication ceremony to the new Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza, I felt that one important story was going unheard — mine. When I was 18 years old, I went to a party where I was drugged and gang-raped by three black men in my hometown of Waterville, Maine. They had put drugs in the food that was being served. Up until that night, I had never experienced sex or drugs, and I was not given a choice. I did not know this could happen to girls at parties.

I became pregnant from the sexual assault, miscarried early, and then was told I probably would never be able to have children of my own due to the pelvic inflammatory disease I contracted from the rape.

Despite that traumatic, life-changing event, I have always held Dr. King's dream close to my heart. I have never allowed race to determine my friends. Moreover, I have never felt hatred toward the three African-Americans who sexually assaulted and traumatized me. What good would it do for me to become racist against all African-Americans as a result of the sexual trauma? If I carried the same hate and anger toward African-Americans that they directed toward me, I would be spreading the disease of racism and helping to keep it alive. We must break the cycle of racism with forgiveness and with a commitment toward positive change.

I know that Dr. King would not want my story to go unheard, because of his wise words: "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." Well, I believe that

my life matters, even though the three people who raped me didn't think so. I believe my story should be heard.

Dr. King also said, "Freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed." I have been oppressed both as a woman and as a Native American. I therefore want my voice to be heard for all women and for all Native Americans.

There have been many great Native American visionaries similar to Martin Luther King, Jr. who were killed in their quest for peace, truth and righteousness, including Black Elk, a Lakota Sioux holy man, who was able to share his

vision before passing into the spirit world. Black Elk had experienced visions since childhood, visions of a sacred hoop that had been broken with the coming of the white man. In his visions he

saw himself mending the sacred hoop and planting a sacred tree that would bloom in the center of the hoop. However, Black Elk felt his people's dream had died at Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. On his death bed, Black Elk shared these words with all of America: "And I, to whom so great a vision was given in my youth — you see me now a pitiful old man who has done nothing, for the nation's hoop is broken and scattered. There is no center any longer, and the sacred tree is dead."

I carry on Black Elk's vision of mending the sacred hoop and planting a sacred tree that will bloom in the center of the hoop for the purpose of healing relations for the Earth and all her people.

Virginia Sand is a senior Native American studies student.

I believe that my life matters, even though the three people who raped me didn't think so.



Jeremy Parker

Tuesday is Veterans Day. What does that mean to you? I was in boot camp on Parris Island my first Veteran's Day as a serviceman and definitely didn't consider myself a veteran then. I had not even earned my Eagle, Globe and Anchor yet. Coming up to my first Veterans Day in the Fleet — that's what Marines call active duty — I asked my squad leader what it would be like. What would happen? I was just 19 years old, barely out of high school, and most people mistook me for a 16-year-old. To me, a veteran was a grizzled old war dog who fought in Vietnam, Korea or World War II.

I have never fully gotten over that feeling. As a 27-year-old veteran — it feels strange to use that term for myself — it's difficult. On one hand, you don't feel like you're deserving of the praise and honor that the men and women who fought before you have earned, and on the other there are times when in civilian life, you just don't feel quite ... right. Fitting in can be hard after something like that. I'm not all that fond of talking about my negative experiences, though my friends can attest I tell some funny stories about the lighter moments.

I know I want people to listen. Trust can be difficult, but the catharsis that results from sharing those difficult memories with someone who cares and understands is a greater feeling than any "thank you for your service" I've ever

On Veterans Day, take time for service men and women

gotten. Suicide rates among both active duty personnel and veterans have always been tragically high; I've struggled for years with my own deep depression and regrets. It took far too long for me to trust anyone to talk about it, and it's still difficult. Even now I feel nervous writing this, but I know that it needs to be said.

So this Veterans Day, remember your friends, family members or maybe even people you have never met who served. Thank them, but also realize that many of us have wounds from our time in the military that are not visible on the surface. Don't push, don't bring it up unless they want to; just please be there for them. I have had too many of my brothers and sisters in arms succumb to an enemy they should never have had to face: depression. It's an enemy that fights you years after the physical danger has passed.

For all those who have served and those still serving: thank you. I understand how hard it can be sometimes. Please know you are not alone, and there is always someone to talk to; it really helps when you do.

To those who took the time here to get to know me well enough that I confide in: your friendship to me is greater than any thanks I could ever receive.

Jeremy Parker is a senior anthropology student.



Brian Curry

I hope that Obama can do 'something inherently great'

I am, by definition, an optimist. That being said, I find the challenges that lie ahead of me and other Republicans, Conservatives and general non-believers in President-elect Obama's mantra of "Yes We Can" to be a little overwhelming. However, something odd occurred on Wednesday morning. I awoke with a sense of hope.

I am sure there are many along the party lines who would say once you go down that road, you are sure to drink the political Kool-Aid. I imagine myself in some line somewhere, waiting for my weekly check as someone shouts, "There he is!" Suddenly, the rock star known as Obama hovers over us, spreading joy. And by joy, I mean a number of large bills taken directly from rich people's irritatingly hard-earned bank accounts. This is how one would "spread the wealth." All misguided tangents aside, I think the fundament of what Barack Obama stands for is true.

At least I hope it is. There was no real question in my mind that Sen. John McCain had an uphill battle. I may not have ever really been convinced he could have pulled it off. But on election night, I saw why I wanted McCain as my President: his grace. The will of a man in his 72nd year can easily be called into question simply by saying he is somehow "losing his bearings." Nonetheless, that will ought to invoke a sense of respect and even nostalgia. During the concession speech, he made clear that the fault of the campaign was his. He took sole responsibility while the media spoke in hushed tones about the fault lying with Gov. Sarah Palin. Incidentally, when he mentioned

his opponent's name, he followed by asking the crowd not to boo, lending himself to the idea of good sportsmanship. In his own way, he asked us to be American and patriotic in the most respectable of ways. John McCain asked us to gracefully accept his defeat.

He told us something I think most of us found surprising — he said Obama would be his president. Some would indignantly say, "You're damned right he will!" But do I need to remind a forgetful nation how many Hollywood celebrities and local nobodies said either George W. Bush wasn't their president, or that if elected they would leave the country? Well, truth be told, those people lied about that. I even offered to purchase a few one-way tickets.

I can find my optimism in the fact that Barack Obama will move the country in a "different" direction, even though "different" remains neutral on the scale of good and bad. Where I find my hope is that I dare to believe he could do something great for this country. Maybe he can pull it off and offer us more than just moving speeches and contrived stories of hope. The proof in the pudding will be in the eating, and in four years that will be some mighty fine pudding — regardless of the flavor. Until then, I will watch, I will hope and I will allow myself to believe that even though I didn't see my candidate elected, we are all ready for something inherently great. I hope I will find this in my President-elect, Barack Obama.

Brian Curry is a senior forestry and environmental science student.

Sports

from page 8

The University of New Hampshire has achieved some recent successes, and their attendance numbers show a lot about the UMaine community. They attracted 13,255 to a game earlier this year against William & Mary, who wasn't even ranked at the time.

I know I've ranted about attendance, but as a supporter not only of UMaine sports, but of sports in general, it is disappointing to me as a member of the UMaine community. No program will ever be in contention for a national

championship every year. Fans can't expect that. What can coaches and players do to help the situation? Go to the commons and encourage students to go? They shouldn't have to, but may have to resort to that. What are students doing during these games? I can only speculate, but instead of curing your hangover and sitting in your dorm on Facebook, fulfill your role in the UMaine community. Make the home-field advantage real. Support not only the football team on Nov. 22, but also other sports on campus as they all face similar challenges.

Adam Clark is sports editor for *The Maine Campus*.

LETTERS CONTINUED ...

theologian Martin Luther. Third, he was "Dr." King because of his graduate studies in theology. Fourth, he was the "Rev." King because he was the minister of a Southern Baptist Church — he was throughout his life an evangelical Christian. In fact, as he understood

himself, his fundamental task in life was to preach to America and the world the message of, and to carry out the work of, his personal Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

— Prof. Michael Palmer, PhD.

Dept. of Political Science, UMaine

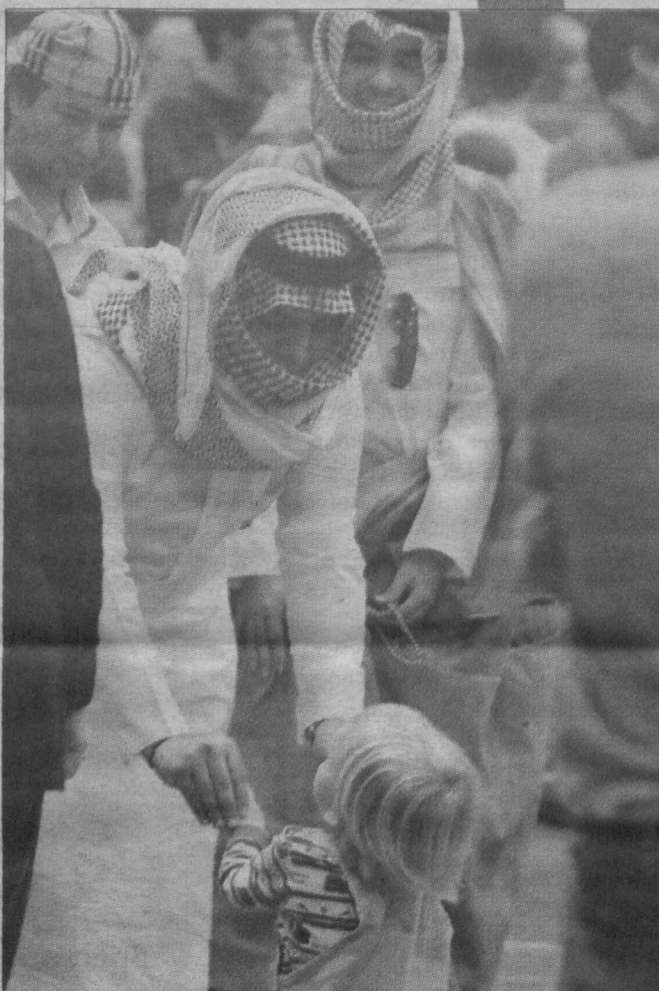
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UMaine's 389 international students from 79 countries showcase their nations and traditions



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Faisal Alsabil says hello to Owen Beane at Culture Fest.



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Calvin Do shows his awareness of other cultures as he performs a Michael Jackson dance for the crowd. Yes, he did the moonwalk.



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Jemima Mensah from Ghana and Ncamiso "Sonic" Dlamini from Swaziland don traditional garb.

Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Giang Vo (left) sings a Vietnamese love song.

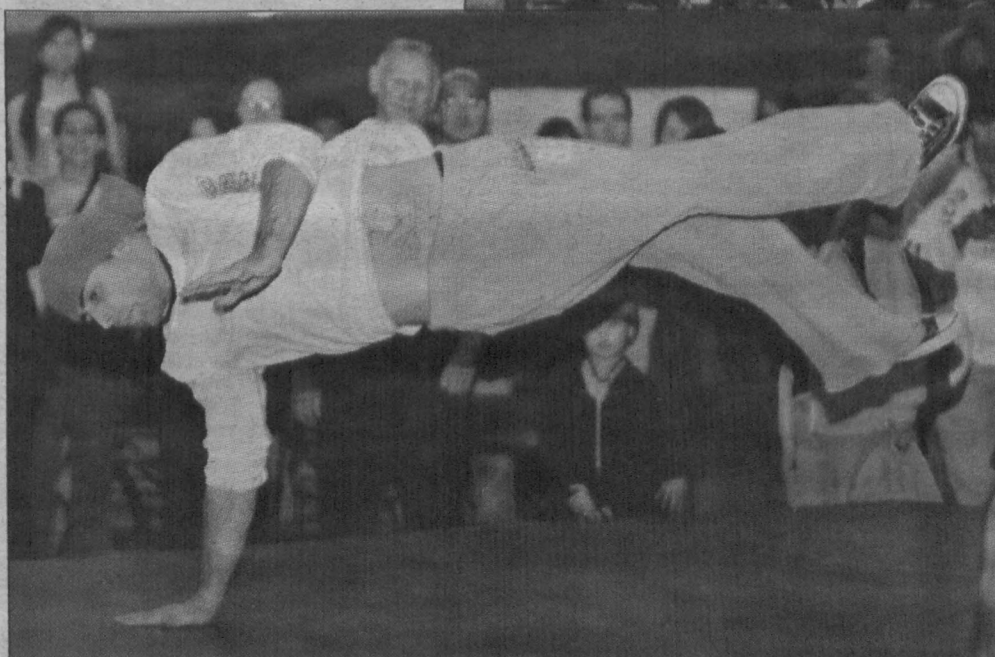


Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Laura Tutusa performs a flamenco dance.



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Lindsay Peterson (top right) from the College of the Atlantic shows her flexibility while she demonstrates how to play using the dancelike martial art, capoeira.

Crowd photo courtesy of Zach Dionne



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Steve Gorelashvili from Belgium shows his breakdancing skills to the delight of the crowd.



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Members of the Saudi Arabia table dance and encourage others to join the merriment at their setup.



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus
Arietta Hayes, a Maine native, performs a beat-heavy performance of Caribbean and reggae infused dance.

"ROLE MODELS"

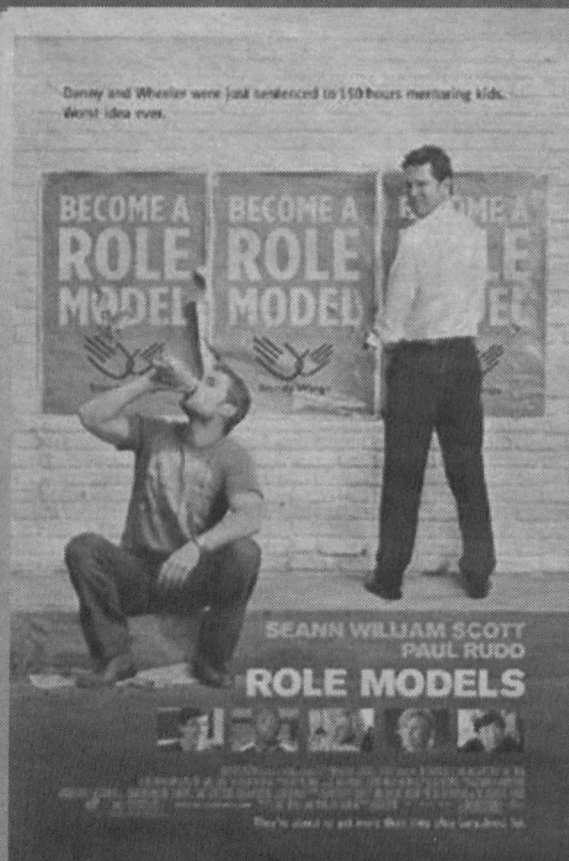


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By Kaley Roberts
Copy Editor

Considering the cast of familiar Apatowian players — Elizabeth Banks, Paul Rudd and that guy who played McLovin' (Christopher Mintz-Plasse) — moviegoers may be shocked to learn that Judd Apatow has not written, produced or directed R-rated "Role Models."

Rudd and "American Pie" vet Seann William Scott pair up as Danny and Wheeler, a sales rep duo going from high school to high school promoting Minotaur, a questionable energy drink that Wheeler maintains "can't be poison, it has juice in it!"

Danny is a bland man in the doldrums after working for 10 years at a company he hates.

Wheeler is a grown-up Stifler with a heart as big as his collection of KISS memorabilia. After Danny's girlfriend Beth (Banks) kicks him to the curb, a series of Minotaur-fueled misfortunes nearly land the odd couple in the slammer.

Instead, each is sentenced to 150 hours at Sturdy Wings. A Big Brothers, Big Sisters-style community outreach program, Wings pairs each protagonist with a "little" to mentor. Enter foam sword wielding, live action role-player Augie (Mintz-Plasse) and Ronnie (Bobb'e J. Thompson), a 10-year old troublemaker spouting off one-liners that would make Chris Rock blush.

Danny tries to relate to bumbling LARPer Augie and finds himself begrudgingly initiated into his world of goblins, fairies and centaurs while Wheeler becomes Ronnie's foulmouthed Yoda, schooling him on life, love and how to ogle a woman without getting caught.

The band of misfit characters and their struggle for redemption may sound tired after the recent flurry of Apatow-style comedies, but do not fear. Rudd is finally the leading man in a comedy, and he's come a long way since his "Clueless" days. While his character is the victim of most of Ronnie's verbally abusive Ben Affleck references ("Suck it, 'Reindeer Games'!"), Rudd deserves nothing but praise for both his acting and co-writing.

While the basic plot and structure is nothing new, "Role Models" feels like a fresh, unique viewing experience. Maybe it's because not many recent comedies offer lead characters dressed as KISS in an epic LARP battle against hundreds of grown men and women in capes? Perhaps.

Grade: A

WMEB Spot

The Ministry of Metal

By Kegan Zema
For The Maine Campus

Jeremy Swist, a Latin and secondary education student at the University of Maine, hosts the weekly radio show, "The Ministry of Metal," Sundays from 7 to 10 p.m.

MC: What got you first involved with WMEB?

Swist: I saw an advertisement on FirstClass, and they said they needed metal DJs. So I thought I might as well take the opportunity to expose the kind of metal I was into, which wasn't the kind that most people think of what metal is.

MC: What characterizes your type of metal?

Swist: I specialize in extreme metal, like black metal and death metal, but I also love more traditional styles like doom metal and heavy metal. What most current people think of when they think of metal is the new-wave American heavy metal, like Lamb of God and Godsmack and some bands that aren't actually metal. People who aren't into metal, they look at that [type of metal] and think that's what the entire genre is like. But that's the case with every genre of music. People will look at hip-hop and if they're not really into it, think hip-hop is all 50 Cent and Lil' Wayne, but they shouldn't by any means represent what the genre really is.

MC: On your show, do you try to show people that there is a whole different side to the genre?

Swist: That's part of my mission. I am on this forum called ultimatemetal.com, and it's basically a music discussion forum. I will post the Webstream link, and they [other forum users] will listen in. I get requests from them, and they use it to discover the bands I'm into. Sometimes people who have their own really underground band will send me songs to play on the station, and there are also local bands I promote on the show.

MC: How did you first start listening to metal? As an extreme genre, most people slip into it from something else; they don't just walk into a store and pick up a Slayer CD out of nowhere.

Swist: How most people get really deep into metal is they start with the bands that they think represent the genre as a whole. Those surface bands that once

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Daley Dose of fashion

By Candace Daley

Two items to ease the stylish transition warmer clothes



It's hard to believe November is already here. If you're anything like me, you're holding on to any bit of summer that may be left, which, let's face it, isn't that much in Maine. So to make the transition to colder weather as smooth as possible, here are a couple fall-to-winter must-haves.

We all know how popular scarves were during the summer months, even though the style may have left guys confused, considering it may have been 90 degrees out. I can understand where they were coming from, because as a general, old-fashion rule, scarves were for keeping warm. Well guys, you can now understand the trend.

The warm, sunny months of summer have passed. As heartbroken as we are, we're lucky there's no need to put the scarves into our seasonal bins yet. The fun and fashionably

colored accessories are just the thing needed to keep the winter doldrums from hitting us too hard. They're not quite warm enough for blistery snow and wind, but they are perfect for this late fall chill, not to mention they're adorable.

The light, airy material of some scarves is great for the warmer fall temperatures, and they look great whether you're wearing them with a T-shirt or long sleeve. Scarves come in so many colors it's easy to mix and match. You can wear a plain colored shirt with patterned scarf or vice versa. You can add a fun twist to your style by wearing bright contrasting colors

— for example, Victoria's Secret has bright pink or green scarves and shirts. I love the look of pink and green together. They clash but still work.

Another popular item and my personal favorite cool weather piece are Uggs and knit Uggs. Although my father says, "Oh, your Ugglies" when I break them out, I am convinced they're the second-best invention known to women — first being makeup, of course.

As soon as I walk outside and my toes get chilled, Uggs are permanently attached to my feet, and I pack the flip-flops in my sea-

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sonal bin. Uggs are easily paired with just about any outfit: leggings, skinny jeans and tucked in or cuffed boot cuts. They're also convenient: Throw them on for a quick trip to the store or practice. They are unbelievably comfortable and warm without being bulky.

The knit Uggs are an awesome new item. I think they're more attractive than the original style, though not quite as warm. I love the way they look folded over, worn with skinny jeans or slim boot cuts. The khaki-color pair looks great with just about any color.

I think one of the best things about these simple items is that they are just that — simple. It's really hard to mess them up, especially Uggs. As far as scarves go, if you can match colors or match opposites, you can pull it off.

Dropkick Murphys rock for 2,800

American-Irish punk act transform Field House into live music venue



Gabrielle Nasberg ♦ The Maine Campus

The Dropkick Murphys inaugurate their fall tour Thursday night in the Field House, playing for a sold-out crowd.

By Zach Dionne
Style Editor

A sellout crowd of 2,800 in the University of Maine Field House was welcomed to a musical landscape somewhere between Boston and Dublin last Thursday night.

"We're trying extra hard not to suck," said Dropkick Murphys bassist and vocalist Ken Casey, "on your behalf."

After an opening batch of songs from tight-yet-generic Angel City Outcasts — their shining moment, a peppy rendition of Tom Petty's "American Girl" — the Irish-American punk act headlined the first show of their fall tour. The standard pieces of a rock group — drums, guitars and the like — were accompanied by eclectic additions including a bagpipe, mandolin, banjo and accordion to keep the 20-plus song set list bouncing with Irish swagger.

Dropkick favored large chunks of their latest release, "The Meanest

of Times," and injected a noticeable amount of oomph into the show with "The State of Massachusetts" early in the night. Other selections included "The Chosen Few," "Worker's Song," and Dropkickified Emerald Isle classics "The Fields of Athenry" and "Flannigan's Ball."

Barring exhausting waits in the drizzle as the line of fans wrapped entirely around the football field due to a ticket scanning malfunction, the show was a tremendous success. The sound was clear and, although a bit bass-heavy, the instrumentation and lyrics were all distinguishable.

Many tunes played out like winding tales, complete with characters, folly and triumph.

"We're still the only bar band that's touring in a jet," went a lyric in "The Chosen Few" — a basic truth based on the band's performance. The Dropkick Murphys rocked with a humble energy many bands their junior would envy to duplicate, keeping the show intimate and

electric.

Nearing the end of the set, dozens of UMaine females took the stage for "Kiss Me, I'm S—faced," singing and jiggling along. Casey, who tended to front the band more so than lead vocalist Al Barr, wryly informed the audience: "Here's a song about drinking — even though we don't condone it for you underage college students."

"Shipping Up to Boston," famous for its ties with the Boston Red Sox and the 2007 Oscar-winning film "The Departed," kicked off the encore and ignited a surge of excitement from the crowd. Shortly after, the stage was mobbed again, this time with co-ed students in nearly double the number.

Without the currently defunct Maine Center for the Arts or the pricey Alford Arena to utilize, Student Entertainment succeeded in transforming the Field House into a professional venue. They will aim for a repeat on Monday, Nov. 17 with O.A.R.

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they're really into the genre, they look back at them and think they don't have much substance. In early high school, I got into nu-metal like System of a Down and Linkin Park, and I just moved deeper from there. I got into Metallica and Rammstein and from there, I got into bands that I could no longer find on Napster or Kazaa, so I actually had to physically buy CDs. Then I joined that forum and that opened a whole new world of music to me. The thing with extreme metal is it takes a while to acclimatize, because there are certain elements of it that aren't very accessible.

MC: Much of the metal scene you're a fan of is based out of Europe. Do you feel that you are at an advantage or a disadvantage living in the United States?

Swist: Well I'm certainly isolated from the European metal scene. Metal is huge in Europe. In Norway, black metal evolved kind of as a counter-culture but also very much based in their ancestral roots. What black metal has become today is a very extreme representation of culture. So I just want to make people over here realize that metal is very deep and significant — it's not just angry music.

MC: The metal scene often revolves around being the most legitimate. However, I have seen many die-hard metal fans embrace Dethklok from the Adult Swim show "Metalocalypse," a completely fictional band. What is your take on the Dethklok phenomenon?

Swist: Well, I personally don't really like Dethklok, I have always seen them as just a parody band, stereotyping the metal culture. But I think people are really into them because they are just a fun band. You have another band like Gwar, that's also kind of a joke band, but there's also a serious aspect to it.

MC: I noticed you are wearing an Amon Amarth shirt. I know they represent almost the opposite of the idea of being a parody band because they have such a fervent belief in Viking culture. Do find that many of the metal bands you enjoy are fully entrenched in the music they make and the world they live in?

Swist: Well, the problem is that creativity is hard to come by, and no genre of music is free of trends. So with black metal there is the whole satanic trends. Most bands don't take it seriously, but they think that in order to be legitimate, they have to adopt that persona. It's the same with death metal and the death and gore lyrics. The key element to any of those genres is defined by the music, the thematic stuff is just superficial. But because it's more easily perceptible ... a genre is defined by its image, not by its music, and I don't find that to be fair.

MC: Anything else you'd like to add?

Swist: Check out my show. See the other side of the coin, what's under the surface, and let the music speak for itself.

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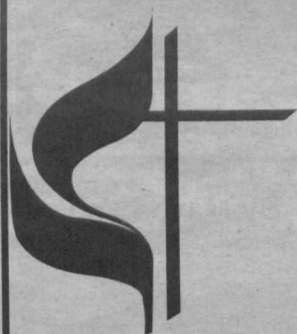


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Aries

March 21 to April 20

If you intend to buy a new house, you have good chances to succeed today. No matter how determined you are, you'd better not rush if you want to avoid making mistakes.

Taurus

April 21 to May 20

You have good chances to succeed in business. Partners will appreciate your intellectual resources and will seek your advice on sensitive matters. Avoid speculations, for you run the risk of getting in trouble with the law!

Gemini

May 21 to June 21

You will receive a piece of news which could change your views on material aspects of life. The shock of such news might make you more sensitive.

Cancer

June 22 to July 22

You might be concerned with your sentimental life and plan to make important changes in this department. You will have the opportunity to meet a special person with whom you may establish a long-lasting relationship.

Leo

July 23 to August 22

You intend to initiate a business project, but you seem to be lacking the necessary funds. You may want to ask a relative for help, for your chances to succeed are fairly good.

Virgo

Aug. 23 to Sept. 22

If you are looking for a new job, you can be optimistic. An older person might help you today. You will soon be satisfied with your new job. Be patient.

Libra

Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

An older relative might offer you an unexpected financial support, helping you to start a new business. If you need more funds, you should not hesitate to propose a partnership to a friend.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 to Nov. 22

An experienced person will share valuable business secrets with you. This meeting will stimulate you to make your own business plans.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 to Dec. 21

Your schedule will be very busy, with a lot of errands to run. You will make preparations for a trip that may prove to be a boost to your career.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 to Jan. 20

Today will be a very important day, especially for your sentimental life. If you are involved but unmarried, you might make the decision to get engaged or married.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 to Feb. 19

You intend to get involved in a new business activity and have already started making arrangements. Chances are you will find ways to achieve your goals with minimum expenses.

Pisces

Feb. 20 to March 19

In the afternoon, you will receive a significant amount of money. This may be an inheritance or the price of a house you have sold.

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DISTRACTIONS

The Cynic

By Jeff Swenson



Soap on a Rope

By Bob Roberts



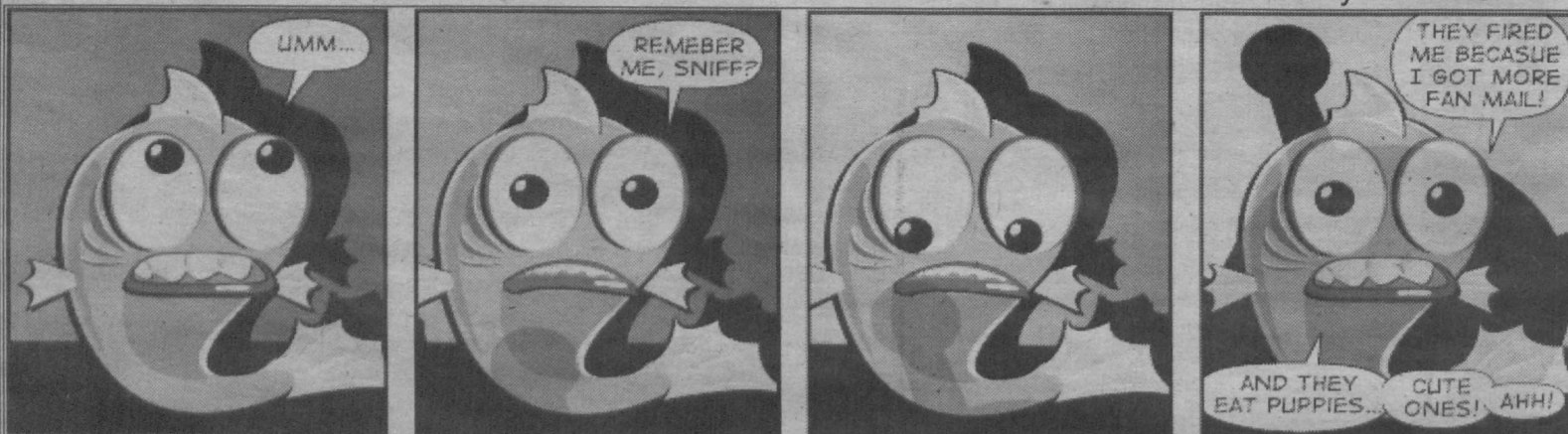
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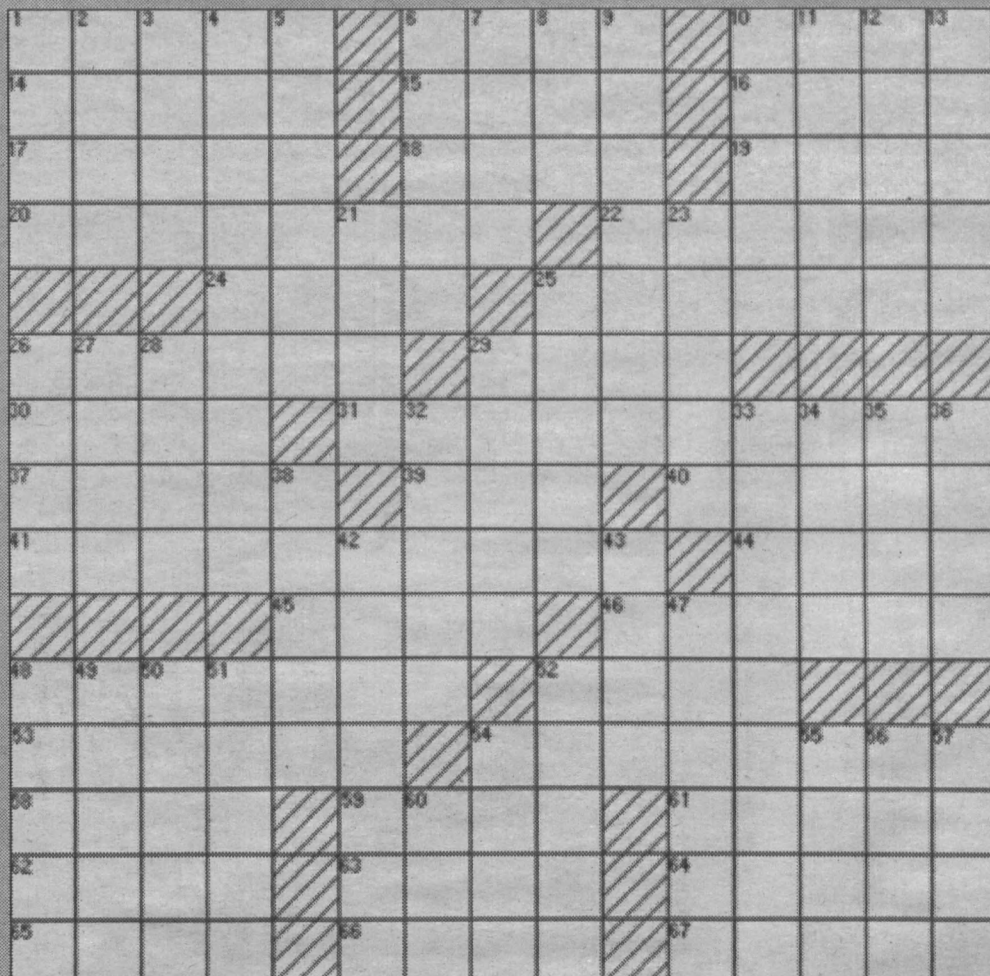
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ACROSS

1. Groups of cattle
6. Fish duck
10. Dried hemp leaves
14. Provide the tools necessary
15. Tube
16. Seed coat
17. Pertaining to the moon
18. Murres
19. Goddess of healing (Babylonian mythology)
20. Lose an unborn baby
22. Large land vehicles
24. Violent demonstration

25. Chief sun god (Assyrian mythology)

26. Set a tape to the beginning

29. Sleigh

30. French for "State"

31. Dividing

37. Sound

39. Local Area Network

40. Revolutionary

41. Damages the reputation

44. Frost

45. Ends a prayer

46. An individual

48. Flyer

DOWN

1. Ship steering mechanism
2. Prefix indicating "Equal"
3. Hurries on foot
4. A pronunciation mark
5. Ankle injury
6. Gush
7. Mucky
8. Anagram of "Pie"
9. Atmospheric conditions
10. Cloak
11. Mediterranean herbs
12. A jockey's garments
13. Gash
21. Batons
23. Detection device
25. Tilt
26. Absorb written material
27. Pocketbook
28. Rolls of paper money
29. Iberian country
32. Church deacon
33. Area
34. Wading bird
35. Fictional captain
36. Singer _____ Campbell
38. Give a speech
42. A feeling
43. Extent
47. The outer coating on teeth
48. Awry
49. Not audio
50. Model of excellence
51. Chalcedony
52. Backsides
54. Put away
55. Finished
56. Type of cereal grass
57. Collections
60. Lyric poem

52. Hindu princess

53. Dwarf

54. Legislators

58. Concept

59. A very small amount

61. Film

62. Chair

63. Fragrance

64. Construct

65. Bottom of one's shoe

66. Current events

67. Stringed instruments

ANSWER KEY FOUND IN SPORTS

go!

MUSIC

Java Jive: Rachel Joyce
Tuesday, Nov. 11
8 p.m.
North dining room, Memorial Union

The Banjo in the Atlantic World to
1850
By Jim Webb of Colby College
Thursday, Nov. 13
3:10 - 5 p.m.
Soderberg Auditorium, Jenness Hall

O.A.R. w/ Virginia Coalition
Monday, Nov. 17
7:30 p.m.
Field House
\$15 UMaine students
\$20 Maine college students
\$30 general public

THEATER

"Scapin"
Friday and Saturday, Nov. 14, 15
7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 16
Noon
Hauck Auditorium
Free with MaineCard, \$10 general
public

FILM

Kickin' Flicks: "Tropic Thunder"
Wednesday, Nov. 12
7:30 and 10 p.m.
100 DPC
Friday, Nov. 13
7:30 and 10 p.m.
Bangor Room, Memorial Union

FUNK

Oronoka international dance party
Feat. DJ Havok and Tier 2
Saturday, Nov. 15
10 p.m. - 2 a.m.
Bear Brew
\$6

DISCUSSION

How Conversational are Weblogs?
With Eric Peterson
Tuesday, Nov. 11
3:45 p.m.
401 Dunn Hall

UMaine Peace and Reconciliation
Studies panel discussion
Restorative Justice
Wednesday, Nov. 12
2:30 p.m. - 4:30
Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Snack and Yack
Credit 101: Why It's Important to
Build Good Credit Now
Wednesday, Nov. 12
3 - 4:30 p.m.
Foster Student Innovation Center

Global Innovation Tournament
Reveal Party
Wednesday, Nov. 12
8 - 9 p.m.
Foster Student Innovation Center

ART

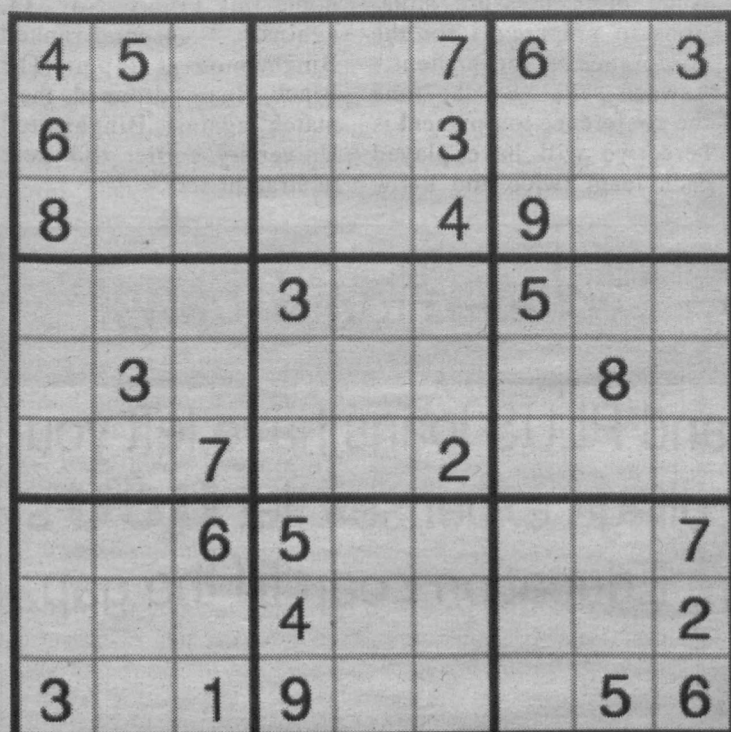
New Work
A faculty exhibition by the
Department of Art
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8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
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- Each 3x3 box must have numbers 1-9 in any order but each digit can only appear once.

There is only one correct answer!

Advice Girl

I've got a major problem. My roommate stinks. I mean literally smells bad. I don't know if he just doesn't shower often enough or has a sweating problem or what. It's not just once in a while either — it's all the time. I don't even like to have people over to our room because of the smell. I'm not shy, and I told him he stunk. He just laughed and thought I was kidding around. I told him I'm serious, but he doesn't think I am. How can he not smell himself?

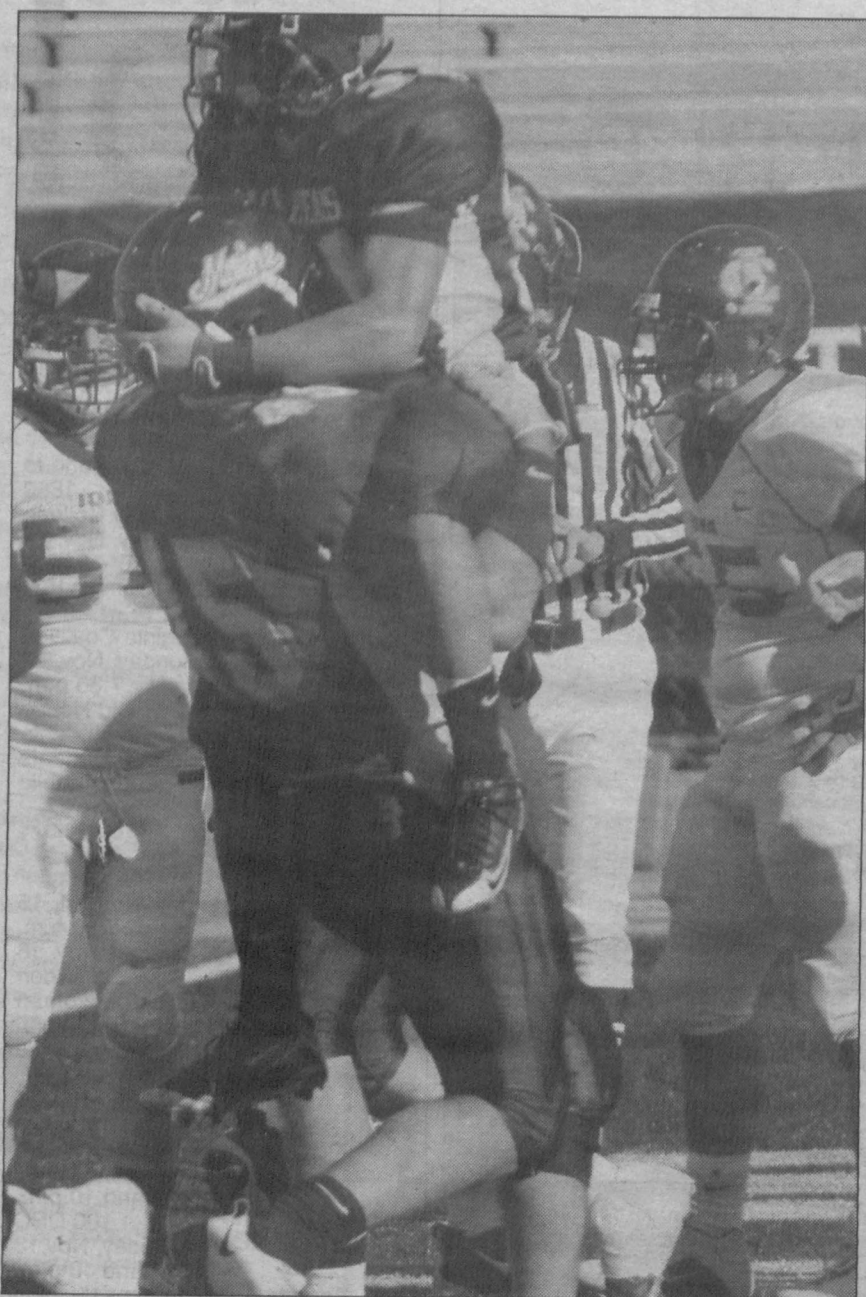
Sit your roommate down, man to man, let him know you are 100 percent serious, and have a conversation. Let him know that the smell is bothering you and others, even though he may not know it. You don't want him to feel embarrassed, so be kind about it. Offer to help him with his laundry, buy him a bottle of Febreze, or tell him about a new extra strength deodorant that came out. If you talk to him and things don't change, speak with your RA, maybe he or she can have a chat with him. If nothing helps, look for a new room next semester.

I'm a first year. Last week, my cell went off in class, and the professor heard it. I only talked

for a minute, but ever since then, he glares at me whenever I walk into the room. I thought college was about freedom?

Yeah, you have more freedom in college, but what you did was just plain disrespectful. Most professors ask that you turn cells on silent or off in their class, and even if a professor doesn't its usually implied. If your teacher didn't say anything about cell phones, you still shouldn't take a call and talk during a class. Your professor is trying to teach while you yap away — it's not only rude to them, but to your surrounding classmates that you are distracting. Since your professor doesn't seem too happy with you, the best thing to do would be to go talk to him. Apologize for your actions. Professors aren't supposed to give grades based on whether or not they like you, but if you are on the line between, say, a B and a C, your professor may move you down or up depending on your efforts and actions in class. Do the right thing and go speak with him.

Let Advice Girl help you out:
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Jared Turcotte and Roosevelt Boone celebrate Boone's first touchdown as a Black Bear on Nov. 1 vs. Iona. UMaine defeated UMass Saturday 21-20.

Football

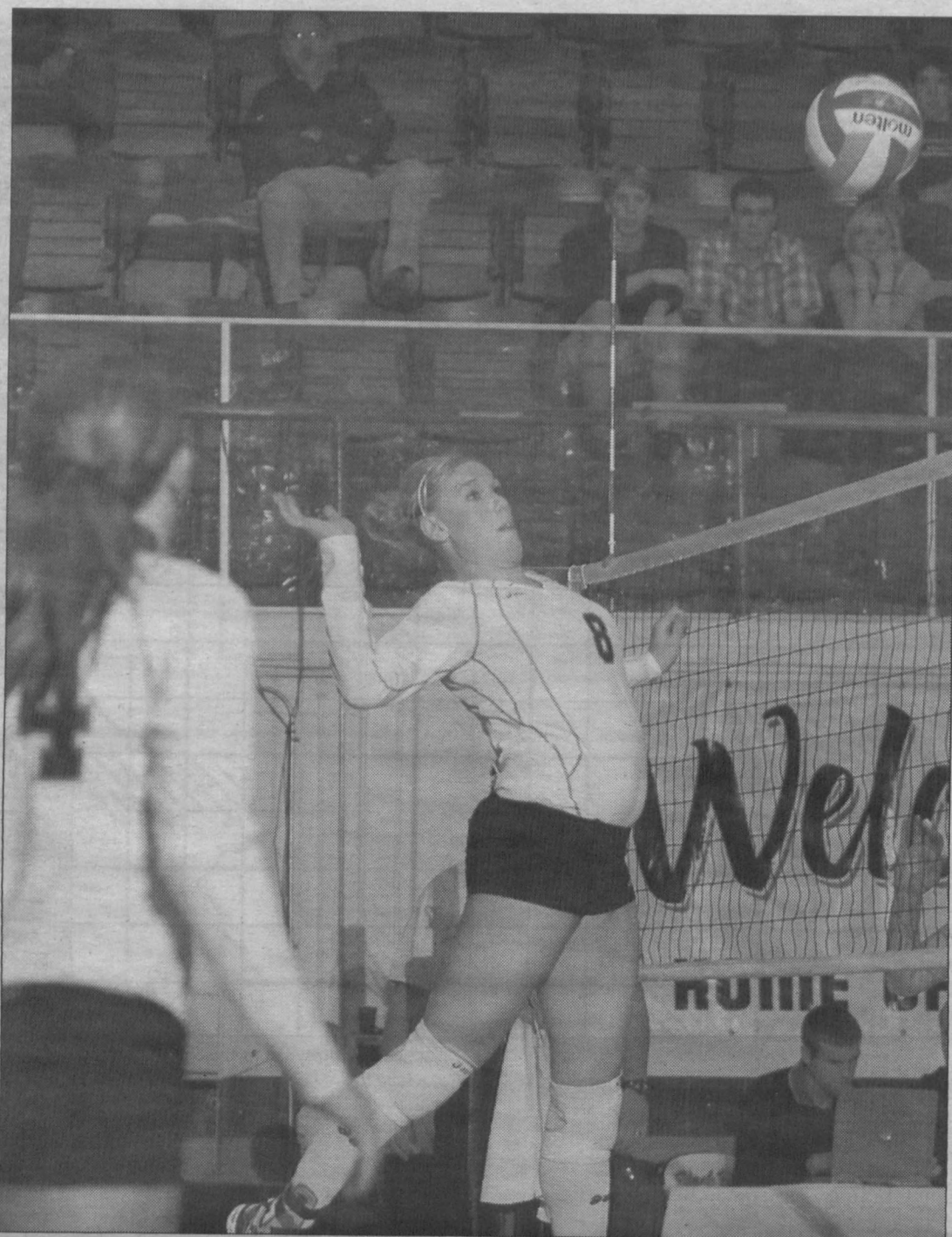
start the fourth quarter to make it 21-14. On the next play from scrimmage, UMass answered when Coen threw a screen pass to wide receiver Jeremy Horne for a 58-yard touchdown. Cuko hit the extra-point attempt off the right upright to make it 21-20.

UMass had several more possessions and even a Hail Mary attempt at the end of the game, but the defense for the Black Bears intercepted Coen three times in the fourth quarter. Seniors Lamir Whetstone (2) and Andrew Downey

(1) and redshirt freshman Norman Smith (1) all picked off the preseason CAA Offensive Player of the Year.

While UMaine only attempted to pass the ball seven times, they ran the ball 63 times for 296 yards. Turcotte, Session and Fluellen all had more than 70 yards on the ground while freshman tailback Pushaun Brown added 52 yards on six carries.

The Black Bears resume action next Saturday when they travel to Kingston, R.I., for a CAA matchup against the University of Rhode Island. Kickoff is slated for noon.



Peter Buehner ♦ The Maine Campus

Amy Lawson spikes the ball in a home match earlier this season. She led UMaine to a victory Friday.

Volleyball

and the excitement that is on this team right now we can't get too far ahead of ourselves."

Playoff hopes are alive in women's volleyball, and the team will be prepared if and when they make the playoffs. Lawson said the team will be ready for the playoffs when it is definite that they

will be participating in the event.

"I think we will be taking everything day by day and continuing to practice with intensity and possibly create some more pressure situations to prepare us for the conference tournament," Lawson said. "By the time the conference tournament is here, we will have played each team twice and know

what we did against them that was successful and what we need to do in order to beat them."

The Black Bears will wrap up their season at home this Friday, Nov. 14, against second-ranked Binghamton at 7 p.m. The Black Bears dropped their match against Binghamton University earlier this year in straight sets.

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resulted in a shootout. The teams alternated goals until Phillips made a crucial stop to set up her own game-winning kick as the fifth shooter.

"The precision of our five was special; they were really great shots," 10th-year coach Scott Atherley said. "To walk out of there with that win was a big point for us."

The ensuing semifinal in Boston matched the Black Bears with Boston University, the top-ranked team in the tournament. The Terriers arrived at the game riding an 11-game winning streak and ranked 12th in the nation in goals-against average and shutout percentage.

The Terriers managed just one goal on the determined Black Bears midway through the second half, only after Phillips stopped the first nine attempts. The goal proved to be the game winner, as BU held the Black Bears to just two saved shots on goal.

"We knew that we were going to have limited chances, but we wanted to make the most out of the one or two that we could," Atherley said. "Conversely thinking, if it goes into penalty kicks, I think we had the advantage. Our feeling was the longer that game went on that they weren't on the scoreboard, the odds were in our favor."

The championship run was spoiled, but Atherley believes the team exceeded expectations given the circumstances.

"When you look at BU, their perfect record in our conference, unbeaten, un-tied, the three closest games were our two, 1-0, 1-0 and Hartford 1-0 in overtime. We played them as tough as you can play them," Atherley said.

The team has reason to be optimistic heading into the offseason, as they will graduate only three in Phillips, forward Christine LaBelle and midfielder Kim Stephenson.

"We have a lot to build on from this year," Atherley said. "I think we're better than we were a year ago and I think we've got key people coming back that are going to have experience, especially our freshman class and I think there is a lot of promise there."

LaBelle emerged as the team's offensive leader, with five goals and an assist, including the game-winner on Senior Day against the University of New Hampshire. The goal that clinched a playoff spot was one of three game-winners on the season for LaBelle.

"She really had the burden of finishing for us this year and I think she handled that exceptionally well," Atherley said.

Stephenson is a product of Hampden Academy, known most for her defensive ability at midfield. She earned postseason honors with a selection to the America East Conference second team along with junior back Cristina Di Ielsi. She was also named to the conference All-Academic Team with junior back Anjelica Hodgson.

"We saw a lot of positive in her and she took and made the most out of her opportunity," Atherley said of his reliable midfielder.

Phillips had, without question, the most successful career of a UMaine goalkeeper in the school's history. Her 35 shutouts ranks her not only at the top of the Black Bear record books, but is also the third highest total by a goalkeeper in NCAA Division I women's soccer history.

"You don't replace Jasmine," Atherley insisted. "We've got to find someone that we can get close to that level. That's a realistic expectation."

Phillips added eight shutouts to the record in her senior season and is the owner of nearly every other goal-keeping record at UMaine. Likely a future inductee into the UMaine Sports Hall-of-Fame, Phillips credits a large portion of her success to her teammates.

"You won't find a closer, better group to play with I would guarantee you in the country," reflected Phillips. "You won't find somewhere else where you can come in and feel right at home."

The Black Bears ideally would have played into November, but are satisfied with the level they played to in a season of unexpected challenges.

"We didn't get to the final and didn't win that championship, but you can't base the season on winning a championship or not winning a championship," Martel said. "We had some of our best games at the end of the year, and that's when some teams struggle."

"Given the circumstances, I think we got everything out of ourselves this year," Atherley added. "From that standpoint, that's all I can ask."

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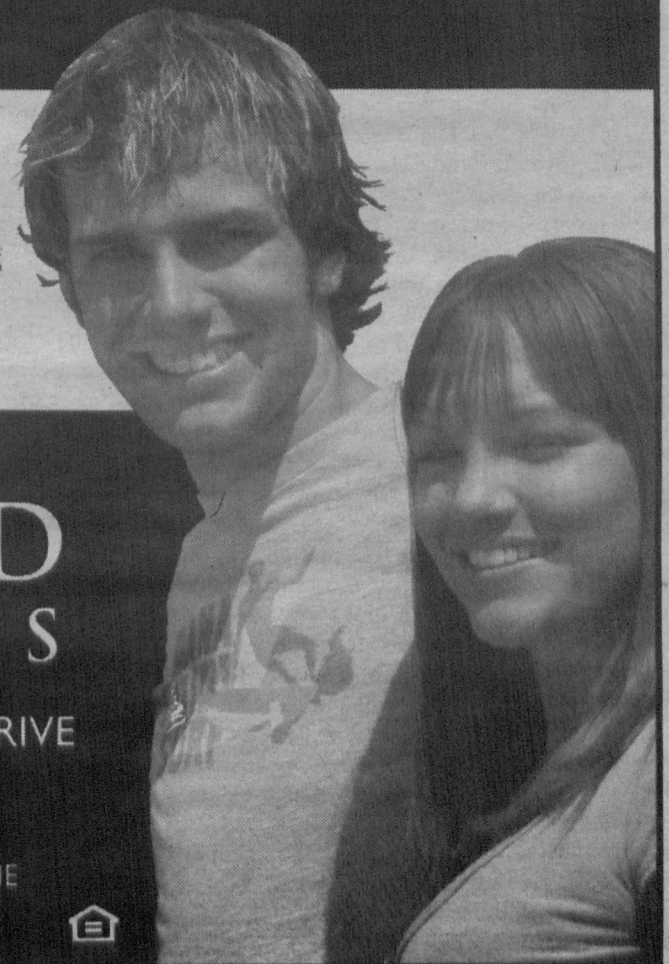
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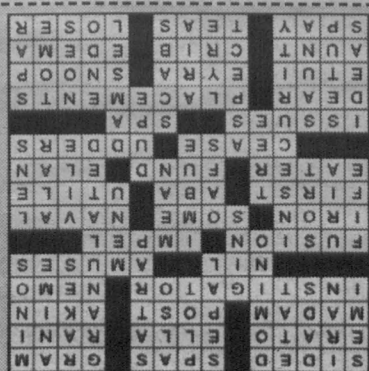
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Stony Brook makes splash at UMaine

By Laila Sholtz-Ames
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine men and women's swimming and diving teams took to the water this weekend for their second home swim meet. Both teams swam against Stony Brook University of New York and despite coming out strong, both lost in close contests. The women lost 151-149, and the men fell 174-118.

The men's team started their meet last week with a split decision when they traveled to Rhode Island and lost their first meet before rebounding and winning the second. This weekend, the Black Bears hit the water with renewed enthusiasm and energy.

Senior Kyle Thorton believes the swimmers are excited for the new swim season.

"Everyone is looking to improve upon their times from last season, and the new swimmers are looking to make their mark at this university," said Thorton, who also praised the new first-year participants. "The first-year swimmers are playing a huge role in our program this year; we have lots for talent that hopefully we will be able to build on throughout this season and the upcoming years. They are also very versatile and are spread throughout the events, which will help us to fill all events strongly."

Indeed, it was the play by the freshmen that proved to shine on Saturday. Freshman Andrew Mackeil had an outstanding meet, finishing first in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 52.38, the only individual event win for the men's team. Senior captain John Quinn, junior Jamison Young, junior Kevin Staples and freshman Andrew Meehan combined for a 3:18.80 in the 400-yard freestyle relay that landed them in first place. Quinn also had a strong performance in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:54.88. In the diving section, freshman Stephen Kelley took second

place in both the one and three-meter dive with scores of 170.47 and 163.95 respectively.

The men's team is now 1-1 on the season and will travel to the University of Vermont for a meet with the Catamounts and Keene State College. They will return home on Dec. 13 to take on Boston University.

The women's team came off their first meet, against Central Connecticut State University, when they split their opening meet with a 184-109 win and then suffered close 152-141 loss against Northeastern University. This past weekend, the Black Bears saw a great performance by junior Kerstin Fenton who won both the 100- and 200-yard butterfly events. The team also had a good start

when Fenton, combined with freshman Alicia Hahn, junior Megan McLean and senior Colleen Miller earned first place in the 200-yard medley

relay team with a 1:52.29 time. Hahn also swam her way to a first place finish in the 200-yard backstroke with a 2:10.49 time. UMaine also received points in the diving portion of the completion when junior Samantha Graham finished first in the one and three-meter dives with scores of 221.32 and 214.27. The Black Bears narrowed the gap when senior Mackenzie Grobmyer took first place in a narrow 200-yard individual medley. Grobmyer won by 0.01 seconds, but it wasn't enough to put UMaine ahead in the points. The Black Bears lost by two points overall. The team is still optimistic and will work for future victories.

"I think what it takes to be the strongest team possible is to give 100 percent every day. Skip preaches to us about how well you perform in practice is how well you will perform in a meet, so having good work ethic I think is the key to success," senior Brian Smith said.

The women are 2-2 on the season and will also take on Vermont and Keene State next week.

Swimming and Diving



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Stephen Kelley dives during a meet with Stony Brook on Saturday. Kelley took second place in both the one and three-meter dive with scores of 170.47 and 163.95, respectively.

Crimson down UM

Black Bears have best season since 2004

By Kevin Bailey
For The Maine Campus

On Wednesday afternoon, the University of Maine men's soccer team took on Harvard University. UMaine battled hard but was unable to match the Crimson, falling by a score of 2-0. The Black Bears moved to 5-10-2 overall, while Harvard improved to 10-4 on the year.

Harvard entered the match ranked 29th in the nation, and it was evident early on that their rank was warranted. They moved the ball well in the midfield and garnered several early chances, but the Black Bear defense held strong like it had all season.

"We knew Harvard was a great team and that they'd show up ready to play," senior back Kyle LeDuc said.

With just more than five minutes left in the first half, the Crimson were finally able to break the deadlock. Junior forward Andre Akpan sent a perfect cross from the left side into the box. Freshman defender Baba Omosegbon received it well and buried it for his second tally of the year.

Despite being outshot 11-1 in the half, UMaine was within striking distance as they headed into halftime, thanks to their defense and the efforts of junior goalkeeper Nemanja Kostic.

Four minutes into the second half,

Harvard was able to double their lead. After a shot by UMaine junior Nikola Bogdanovic, Harvard's Marcel Perl carried the ball into UMaine's zone and crossed it to John Stamatis. Stamatis quickly relayed it to Akpan, who buried the shot low and to the left past Kostic for his eighth goal of the year.

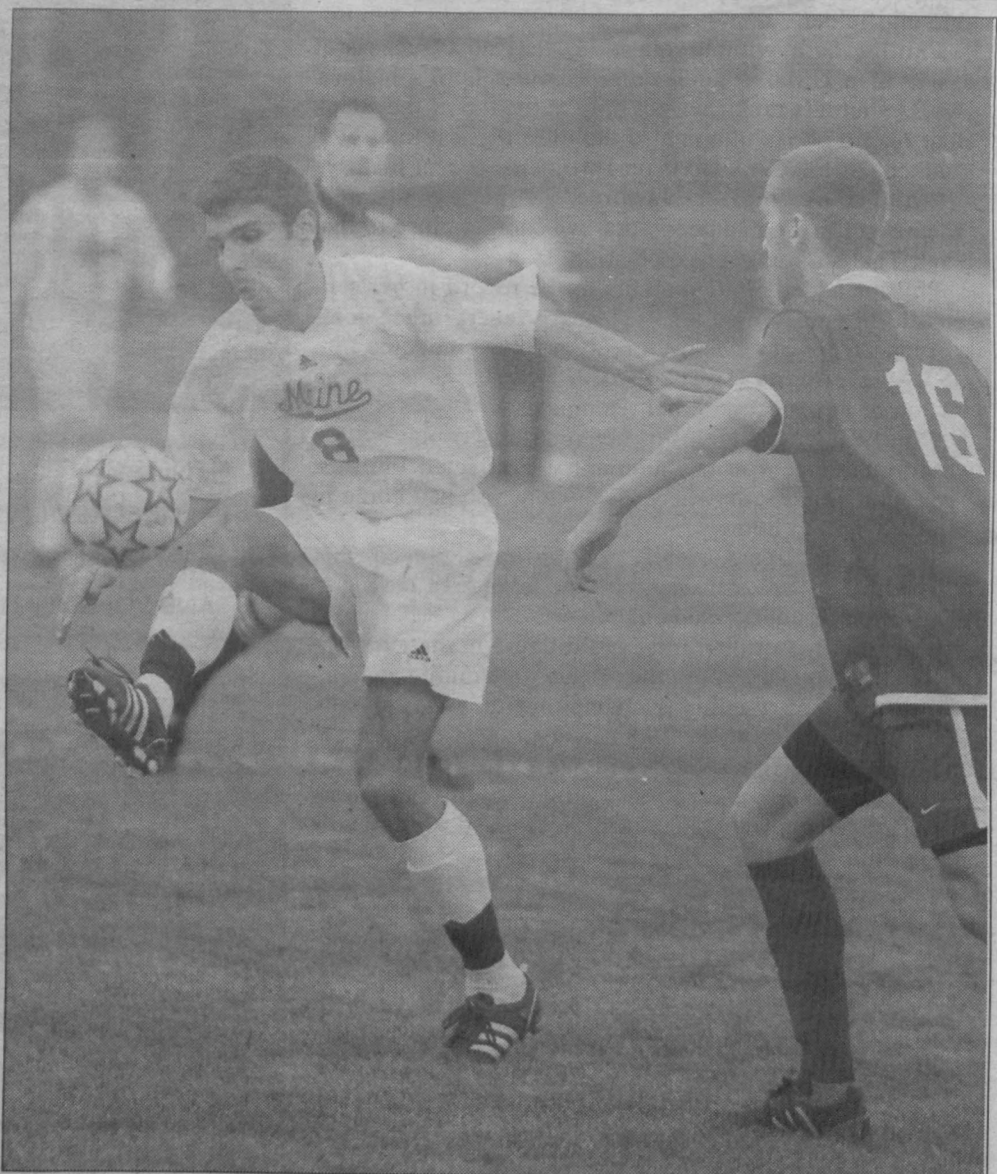
The deficit didn't stop the Black Bears from maintaining their intensity. Toward the end of the game they had several good scoring opportunities. Junior Jordan Antonucci came perhaps the closest with a shot from the right corner of the box, but Harvard's Austin Harms made a diving save to preserve the shutout.

UMaine ends their season with the most wins since 2004 for the squad. Leduc offered a perspective of a senior who has watched the team grow over the past few years.

"This year was another step in the right direction, with new players all having the right mentality for what we try to accomplish," he said. "I think we've made an impression on both teams and coaches across the Northeast about our ability to compete and play against top level programs."

Only losing three seniors, the team will be looking to build even further off its accomplishments next season.

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Nikola Bogdanovic handles the ball during a game against Harvard on Wednesday afternoon.

Club Sports

Club baseball has breakthrough season

By Ben Hamblen
For The Maine Campus

A group of students who have an insatiable passion for baseball organize and play for a club team that has had its most successful season in team history.

The University of Maine joined the New England Club Baseball Association in 2001. The NECBA is comprised of the North and South division with Maine being in the North. During this 2008 season, UMaine enjoyed its winningest season in club history, going 7-5 and finishing third in the division behind Boston University and Northeastern University, who combined to go 20-3.

The squad started the season in early September and established its host venue at Hampden Academy's Bordick Park, due to the renovations taking place at Mahaney Diamond. Getting off to a quick start, UMaine defeated the University of New England in both games of a doubleheader.

Maine won the first game as a result of the "10-run rule," which states that if a team is winning by a margin of ten or more runs following the fifth inning of play, the game ends. Being the beneficiaries of that rule, the club team won its first game 13-3.

The second game in the double-header was one of the wildest of the season. With the team trailing 11-1 heading into the bottom of the fifth inning, they

would need to score a run to avoid being the victims of the "10-run rule" themselves. The team delivered and then some. UMaine would eventually go on to a dramatic 13-12 walk-off win in the bottom of the ninth.

Shawn Coulombe and Kevin Ryan are club baseball presidents and manage the entire team both on and off the field, as well as playing.

Coulombe said of the second game of the opening double-header, "The reason this game was so remarkable was because we needed to score at least one run in the bottom of the fifth to avoid being '10-run ruled' ourselves and ended up scoring at least six with two outs remaining."

Having never posted a winning season, the team knew it had something special going when the players saw the fight and relentlessness that the team played with.

"We were a team that was never out of any game," Ryan recognized.

After sweeping the doubleheader to open the year, UMaine would lose two heartbreaking affairs with Boston University the following weekend. The team fell 7-4 in the first game, which they had led throughout, and then 3-0 in the final game against the talented BU squad.

The following weekend Maine hit the road for the first time to Somerville, Mass., to play Northeastern University. Following a 7-4 loss in the first game, UMaine fell in an oddly decided game two. Trailing by a significant margin early, the Black Bears climbed back into what was an extreme slugfest. Leading going into the final inning, UMaine would ultimately lose 21-20 on a freak play.

"A person watching the game rode

their bike into the outfield, and the umpire failed to call timeout before the play had started," Coulombe said. "A ball was subsequently hit to centerfield where he had been riding, and our outfielder was unable to make the catch because of the bike rider."

Following the potentially undeserved loss and now at 2-4 on the season, Maine hoped to regroup the next weekend facing Emmanuel College. UMaine won the first game 7-6 in the bottom of the seventh inning on a misplay by Emmanuel's centerfielder off the bat of Black Bear freshman outfielder, Pat

McClay. Due to an injury to the Emmanuel player on the play and the fact that prior to his injury, they were carrying the minimum allowed nine players, Emmanuel was forced to forfeit the second game. This resulted in an automatic 7-0 win for UMaine, as designated by ruling when a team is forced to forfeit a contest.

Now at .500, the squad headed into a showcase weekend in which every team plays at one baseball complex and gets the chance to play against teams that are not in their division. Maine was hoping to earn the chance for a playoff spot in these games against the South Division's Yale University and Holy Cross University.

UMaine would split the two games, losing the first to Holy Cross 5-2 and then beating Yale in a tight 8-7 finish. Following the victory over Yale, they earned a playoff spot.

The final weekend before the start of the postseason consisted of two 7-0 wins by default. Lakes Region Community College folded their team and ended up forfeiting the remainder of the season. With these two wins, UMaine finished the regular season with an unprecedented 7-5 record.

In Lynn, Mass., they were set to square off against Boston University in the first round of the playoffs. After leading a significant portion of the game, UMaine surrendered one devastatingly big inning to BU and the momentum was sucked out of the upstart Black Bears. Boston University would continue to tack on and go on to win 20-11.

Though the team lost in the first round, members of the team would not hesitate at all in declaring the season a successful one, that exceeded expectations. Matt Hossfeld, Billy Sinopoli and Zach Crouanas made up the heart of the order and were dominant in their production for the entire season. Freshman ace John Moran led the way for UMaine's pitching staff throughout the course of the season and was an integral part of the team's success, along with the team's run scoring ability.

This breakthrough season for the team was probably best summed up by Black Bear co-captain Shawn Coulombe.

"We fielded an 18-man roster and literally every guy stepped up and helped us win ballgames at one point or another. Pat McClay, Harry Austin, [Zach] Crouanas and Pat Kertes all hit long homeruns during the season. It was the ultimate team, everyone just wanted to play ball and win."

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"We were a team that was never out of any game."

Kevin Ryan
Club Baseball Co-President

Men's club volleyball exceeds expectations

By Sean Campbell
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine men's Club volleyball team traveled to Bowdoin to participate in a Maine State Volleyball Association tournament in late October. Maine's team, led by captain Greg Pease, went 2-6 in the tournament.

After starting off the tournament 0-4, UMaine was able to pull off a win against Floor Play in the Black Bears fifth game of the tournament. UMaine's only other win came against The Marauders in their last game of the day. Although the squad did better than they expected, they were not able to make the playoff round.

"Out of the five teams in the tournament we were the only college team," Pease said.

The other teams were composed primarily of "amateur volleyball enthusiasts from the state of Maine," Artur Palacz, Maine's defensive specialist, added.

The tournament was set up so that each of the five teams played two games to 21 against each team. After the preliminary round the totals of wins and losses were added up and the top three teams advanced to the playoff round. These three teams battled it out for the first place prize.

Although UMaine was not as successful as they may have hoped, they did exceed their own expectations.

Palacz said he "was positively surprised

with the level of our play." Pease also mentioned that this is very early in the season for UMaine club volleyball, and as a team they were already playing very well.

"The teams we were playing today were a lot more experienced than we were," Pease said. "Many of them have been in the league for years, and today was the first competitive volleyball play for half of our team. When you look at it that way, we played very well."

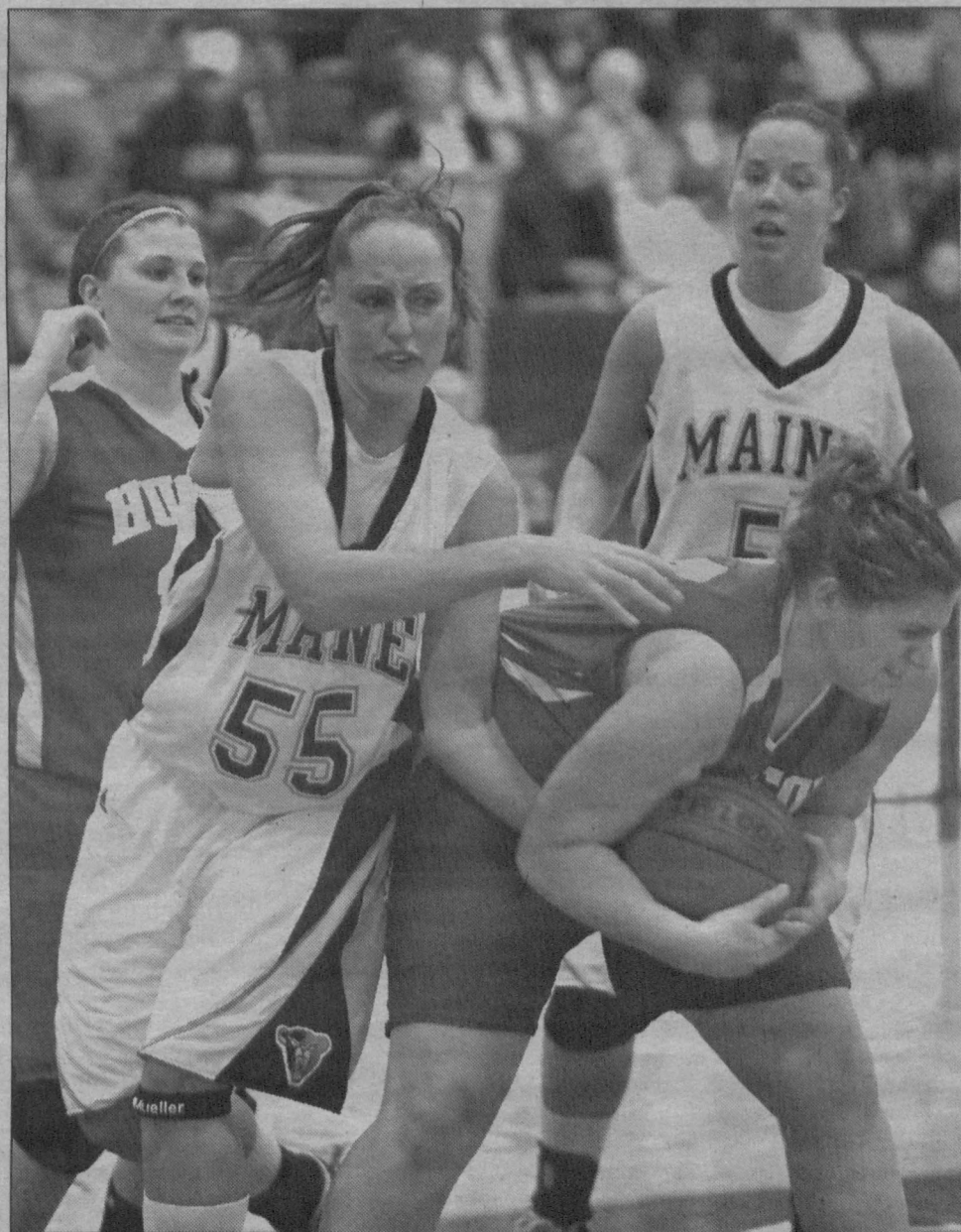
Although it may appear that UMaine's slow start was due to their lack of experience, the team would disagree. They lost their first game of the tournament by forfeit for lacking a full team. When asked how this happened, Mark Svenson, a senior middle hitter, said, "We left in two different cars; one car took a little longer at the gas station before we left, and that made the difference."

Even when the second car arrived, Maine was still missing one of their starting outside hitters, Shaughn Allen. Allen's "alarm had failed, so he had woken up late, and he was 50 miles behind us," Pease commented.

"Luckily, we have a very versatile team, so if one of us isn't playing well or someone can't make it we are still able to play," Pease said. Maine played their second game without Allen and had to shift some players' positions.

"Allen isn't a one-man team, but having him on the court really makes a difference," Palacz said.

Brawl for the ball



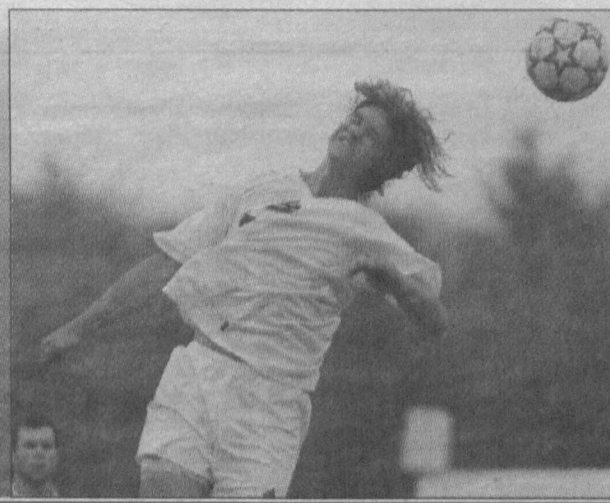
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Katia Bratishko gets physical under the basket during a game with Husson University Friday night. Katia had a team-leading 14 rebounds on the night as UMaine won 79-38.

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Black Bears best Minutemen, sit tied for first in CAA North

By Adam Clark
Sports Editor

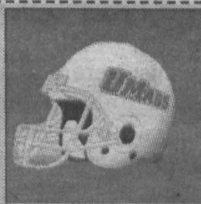
Two years ago, the University of Maine football team endured a heartbreaking loss at the University of Massachusetts. After rallying late in the game, all the Black Bears needed was to kick the extra point. Former Black Bear Devin McNeill missed the point-after attempt, and UMaine fell to the Minutemen, eliminating them from playoff contention.

On Saturday, the Black Bears were back in Amherst with playoff chances on the line, and this time heartbreak fell on UMass.

Armando Cuko missed the game-tying extra-point attempt in the fourth quarter and the Black Bears intercepted UMass

quarterback Liam Coen four times as they won their fifth straight game, 21-20, in front of more than 9,000 fans at McGuirk Stadium.

UMaine (7-3, 4-2 Colonial Athletic Association) moves



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into a first place tie in the North division with the University of New Hampshire and keeps their playoff hopes alive. UMass (6-4, 4-3 CAA), which won six straight games against the Black

Bears, is all but eliminated from playoff contention.

In the first half, Jack Cosgrove's squad manhandled the Minutemen. With a punishing running assault, the Black Bear offense was on the field for nearly 20 minutes.

The first scoring drive for UMaine lasted 6:43 and spanned two quarters. Redshirt freshman tailback Derek Session capped off the 14-play, 95-yard drive when he scored on a two-yard run.

Senior tailback Jhamal Fluellen broke a couple tackles on a 26-yard touchdown run for the Black Bears' other touchdown to give them a 14-0 lead heading into the half.

In the second half, UMass scored on their first possession as Coen found Ian Jorgensen in the end zone from five yards out to make it 14-7.

UMaine's next drive was stalled when junior quarterback Michael Brusko threw an interception and the Minutemen marched down the field and tied it up on a Chris Zardas three-yard run.

The Black Bears regrouped, and with a steady rain coming down, they continued to rush the ball. Redshirt freshman H-back Jared Turcotte, who finished the day with 83 yards on 13 carries, scored from three yards out to



Jared Turcotte

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Straight sets: Hawks no match Friday

By Seth Poplaski
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine rebounded from a straight set loss last week with a victory over the University of Hartford on Friday night in Connecticut.

The squad defeated Hartford in straight sets (25-15, 25-21, 25-11) and improved their record to 12-12 on the season and 5-5 in America East Conference play. Hartford dropped to 6-22 on the season and 0-9 in America East Conference play. With two games remaining in the season, a win on Sunday will clinch a playoff spot in the conference tournament later this month.

The Black Bears were led in

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the match by Laura Goettsch, senior hitter with 10 kills and six digs. Amy Lawson, senior hitter from Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, tallied eight kills in the match, while Jessica Wolfenden, senior setter from led the team with 29 assists. Ashlee Wright, senior libero from led the squad with nine digs in the game.

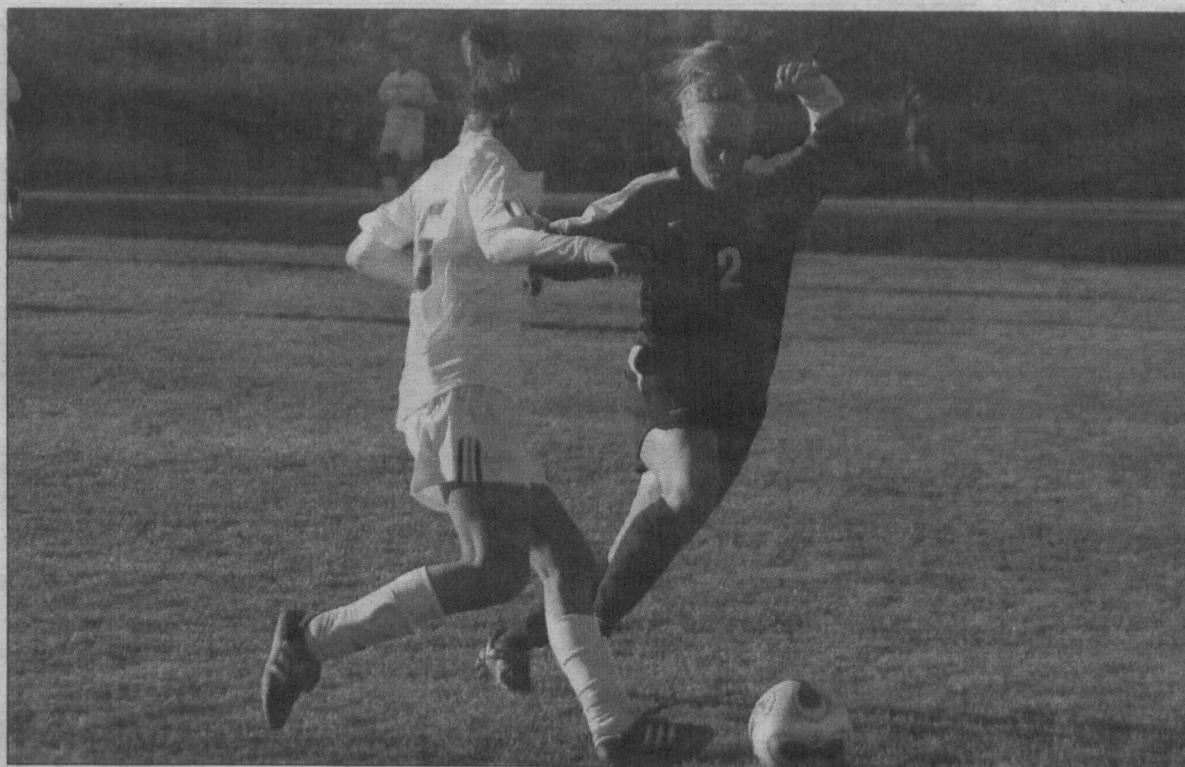
The match never got out of hand for the Black Bears as they cruised to victory and finished a short game. The team won the first match handily by a score of 25-15. Even though the second match was close, the Black Bears smashed all hopes of a Hartford rally by closing out the third and final set 25-11. Regardless of Hartford's winless season in America East play this year, Goettsch said the team still put up a fight.

"Hartford is a good team even though their record may not show it," Goettsch said. "They have good hitters and great servers. We just came out on our game [Friday] and really executed."

With a win on Sunday, the team will ensure that they will have a spot in the America East playoffs this year, something the seniors had a chance to experience their freshmen year, but have missed the past two years. Brittany Kiehl, senior hitter from Virginia Beach, Va., said that for the time being the team has to focus on Sunday's game rather than a potential playoff run.

"It's really hard for me to even think about what it would be like to play in the playoffs," Kiehl said. "I think with the fire

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Amy Brooks ♦ The Maine Campus

Veronique Fleury gets in the way of a UNH player to gain possession for the Black Bears in a game Oct. 23.

UM finishes season strong

By Steven McCarthy
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine women's soccer team had reason to be optimistic heading into the 2008 season.

Three appearances in the America East Conference title game in the past four years and a roster loaded with eight returning players who scored at least one goal the year before, gave the team confidence.

Junior forward Laura Martel,

with nine goals to her credit in two seasons at UMaine, entered the season healthy after off-season knee surgery. Fifth-year

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goalkeeper Jasmine Phillips was eager to build on her school record 27 career shutouts that she eclipsed during her second complete season.

Martel and Phillips gave

opponents a reason to take notice of the Black Bears in the season opener against Sacred Heart University, with shutout number 28 for Phillips and a hat trick by Martel, starting the season with a win.

In the third game of the season, freshman forward Carolyn Nellis contributed to the veteran offense with her first collegiate goal in a 1-1 tie with the University of Rhode Island. The feat was overshadowed by a collision between Martel and

the opposing goalkeeper that left Martel down with another serious knee injury.

Martel returned over a month later, but admittedly lacked the quickness she is known for.

"It was frustrating because I couldn't run," Martel said. "It was really hard to take a different role so fast, and it was hard for me to adapt to that."

Nellis and sophomore midfielder Kelsey Wilson also missed multiple games in a season defined by adversity.

"I don't think we freaked out; I think we handled it all well. Players came in and did their job," Martel said. "We had a lot of depth this year, and we really didn't have any problems filling in the holes. So I think we did really well to handle the situation."

The team finished with a 6-6-7 record overall, highlighted by wins over conference opponents University of Albany, Binghamton University and archrival University of New Hampshire. The win in the last home game against New Hampshire clinched a conference playoff spot for the Black Bears.

They then embarked on a road trip that took them to New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts in the span of one week.

After finishing the regular season at Stony Brook, the Black Bears took host University of Hartford to a scoreless overtime in the America East quarterfinals that

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