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Coming Home: *Schedule of events on page 3*

Weekend

Maine Campus

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Student Senate holds first meeting

by Bernie MacKinnon

A committee to study the efficiency of the UMO Police Department and another to review the effectiveness of student services were established Tuesday night at the year's first meeting of the General Student Senate.

Student Government President Michael K. McGovern also announced UMO President Howard R. Neville's scheduled appearance at the senate's last meeting this month.

The police committee was established to clear up "answered questions concerning the UM police department," the resolution said. Senate research assistant John MacKinnon was voted chairman.

The senate also voted unanimously to establish a committee to review student services. Sen. Robert Small (Chadbourne) will chair the committee.

McGovern said that Neville would speak briefly before the senate and answer questions at the Oct. 25 meeting.

McGovern also urged dormitory senators to help collect volunteers for the United Way campaign. W. Murray Bain, head of the campaign on campus, hopes to raise at

least \$2,000 from students for the 16 social service agencies under the United Way.

Jay Cromarty, Legislative Liaison Committee chairman, issued a "passionate plea" for help with the petition drive to keep Maine's drinking age at 18. Cromarty said the drive would be "wrapped up in about a week" and that special efforts would be made to gather signatures at Saturday's football game and at the Organizational Fair.

The LLC is trying to alter the final examination schedule, which extends to 4 p.m. on Dec 23.

In other business, it was announced that

a reception will be held in the Damn Yankee from 2 to 4 p.m. on Oct. 10 for Arthur Kaplan, departing Vice President for Student Affairs.

Treasurer Winn Brown said a report on last year's budget should be ready within a month.

Off-campus Board Chairman Bob Caton also spoke of plans to initiate new programs and services for off-campus students, such as a tenant's union and a food co-op.

Off-campus students have been "overlooked by the administration," he said, describing the population of off-campus

undergraduates as "phenomenal--as large as the dorm population."

Caton said the board is looking for a location for a cooperative housing set-up that would accommodate male and female students.

The board's new office is at 126 College Ave. in Orono.

Russ Christensen, director of Student Legal Services announced the hiring of a new lawyer, two new clerk typists and several paralegals.

Kathleen Mahoney, a Health Center (continued on page 2)

Acting dean named to College of Education, sees upcoming term as 'year of initiatives'

by Mark Mogensen

The College of Education has named 36-year-old Robert A. Cobb as acting dean after the university's original replacement for Texas-bound John Muro unexpectedly declined the offer.

A native of Winthrop, Cobb graduated from Springfield College and did graduate work at UMO, UMass, UConn and University of Hartford before receiving his doctorate in physical education at Springfield.

Cobb began teaching physical education at UMO in 1969. He has been coordinator of the division of health, recreation and physical education since 1972, until President Howard R. Neville appointed him acting dean two weeks ago.

Cobb has wasted little time in taking over the new position. "I perceive myself as an action-oriented individual. This will be a year of initiatives. There won't be a wait-and-see attitude," he said reflecting on the many goals which he has set for his one year before a permanent dean is found.

The focus of his administrative task and that of the college will be "quality, not quantity," Cobb said. One method for gaining that quality will be the establishment of a recruiting strategy which Cobb hopes will "attract the best potential teachers from New England's high schools."

Cobb said he also felt education students lacked exposure to other disciplines and educational fields. "I don't think we've made enough effort in the field of interdisciplinary programming," he said.

Citing a program instituted between the College of Education and the School of Forest Resources' recreation and parks department for example, Cobb said increased coordination, cooperation and

communication between all departments would be a major goal toward a quality education.

"It's not just a matter of resources, but perspectives. We have to show students a relationship which might not be seen," Cobb said.

For example, while many p.e. majors saw no relationship between electrical engineering and phys. education, he said those students who went beyond their B.A. training found knowledge of electrical systems very important for advanced physical education understanding. "We will try to combine the best elements of all

fields," he added.

Health education would be particularly important in the interdisciplinary emphasis, Cobb said. "I have this crazy scheme of providing an opportunity for every student to be health directors in their families."

To education students this would mean "health education would cut across a lot of other courses," including courses in Life Sciences and Agriculture, so that graduates could then teach in public schools considered by Cobb to be "dormant in health education."

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The weekend may be a good time for a jaunt down to Boston, but for this fish vender in Boston's Haymarket Square it's just another working day. [Jim Sloan photo].

Drinking-age petition receives large boost: big push still needed

by Dan Warren

UMO's contribution to a statewide drinking-age petition drive, looking for a shot in the arm from Homecoming drinkers this weekend, got a big boost recently when it was revealed that UMO President Howard R. Neville has signed the petition.

Neville said Thursday he signed a drinking-age petition "a couple of weeks ago" because he feels "the drinking age should stay at 18."

Neville said he doesn't anticipate any public disfavor from his signing the petition.

"I don't see why anyone should mind," he said. "I'm a regular citizen just like you. I can sign a petition."

Neville said he didn't sign the petition out of fear that UMO would suffer "any great social or financial effects" due to an increased drinking age.

"I signed it because I feel the drinking age should stay at 18," he said.

Leaders of the petition drive, who must submit 37,000 signatures to the Maine secretary of state by Oct. 25 to force the question to referendum in 1978, have sought an endorsement by a public official (continued on page 2)

LOWDOWN

Students who are interested in selling their own handmade items at the 8th Annual Creative Crafts Fair (December 3 & 4) are encouraged to enter items for jurying. Bring 3 to 5 samples of your work to the MUAB office on Monday, October 10, before 3 p.m. For more information, call 581-7929 or see B.A. Ives in the MUAB office.

Science Fiction Films and Flash Gordon shorts will be shown this Sunday and the following 9 Sundays in 101 EM. Admission is 50 cents. Sponsored by MUAB.

Saturday, October 8

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Organizational Fair on the mall: Food, Games, Demonstrations, Information Booths.

9:30 a.m. Dedication of the "Nelson B. Jones Stein Collection of the University of Maine"—North Lown Room, Memorial Union, followed by open house reception for Mr. Jones in the Peabody Lounge.

10 a.m. Dedication of the Fay Hyland Botanical Plantation, College Avenue.

10:30 a.m. Alumni-Faculty Reception—ROTC Classroom "A", Memorial Gym Building.

11:30 a.m. Alumni Homecoming Luncheon—Memorial Gym. Honoring Gold and Silver "M" men.

1:00 p.m. Pre-game Show: UMO Marching Band, presentation of 1977 Homecoming Queen and her court, precision parachute jumping, Welcome to Alumni—Mike McGovern Student Government President, Presentation of the G.A.A. Student Service Award, Dedication of the Fred H. Curtis '16 Memorial Flag, Athletic Field.

1:30 p.m. Game: Maine vs. UNH.

3:30 p.m. Post Game Celebration: Beer tent, Dutch treat, German Band.

Homecoming Mudbowl: Fiji vs. SAE. Fiji backyard.

8 p.m. Student Rock Concert: Nils Lofgren and The Blend, Memorial Gym.

8 p.m. Gay Dance for UMO students and friends, sponsored by the Wilde-Stein Club. MCA Center, College Avenue. B.Y.O.B. Donation \$1.

Campus cable TV 'too expensive'

by Marth Nason

If you want to get out the popcorn and watch the Three Stooges, you'll have to visit a fraternity house. Cable television will not be offered on campus for a long time to come, if ever.

The reason? "Too expensive," said H. Ross Moriarty, director of Residential Life. "The cost of installing the cable above ground wouldn't be much, but since all university wiring is in an underground system, the cable would have to be buried, too." Although he could not supply exact figures, he said the cost would have to be reflected in room rates, raising them significantly.

"It just isn't feasible," said Mike Butler, Hilltop Complex business manager. Butler said he has been approached a few times about cable TV in the dormitories but he is

not in favor of it. One reason he gave is that five or six years ago, Hilltop residents wanted phone outlets in every room.

The outlets were installed in the 450 rooms at a cost of about \$15,000, and "thus

far have been utilized by about a dozen students," Butler said.

The university would probably take a "dim view" of installing cable, for that reason at least, he said.

Weekend drive slated

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of Neville's stature. Asked why he didn't sign the petition sooner than this fall, Neville said he signed it the first time he had the opportunity.

"I didn't wait," he said. "I signed it the first chance I had. A couple of students came to the house one day and asked me to sign and I did."

At a private meeting of students, faculty and administrators Thursday, sources said Neville gave strong support to the petition

drive and suggested students take a day off from school to collect signatures.

The UMO effort is being headed by student Jay Cromarty, who said recently that many signatures are needed from the UMO area and that a big effort will be offered this Homecoming Weekend.

Said UMO Student Government President Michael K. McGovern, "This is our one last big push up here. Students had better realize that this might be their one last chance to save their right to drink."

New dean plans 'quality, not quantity'

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He envisioned other students could take credit courses offered by the college on health education. "At the time when students are entering the university, their parents are at a critical time when health starts to break down. These trained kids can become health educators in their homes...and move into business, hospitals and the community," Cobb said.

Cobb has set other goals, including seeking input from professionals in the educational field. He said he wanted to stay in close contact with area school superintendents, elementary and secondary school educators, and human services personnel to "effectively meet the need within the schools, and establish a strong link between the community and the state."

Cobb said his time will also be taken with initial coordination of a chancellor's plan to eventually unite the university system's separate Colleges of Education into one college. He also said he plans to investigate recent claims that the college is

experiencing a high grade inflation rate.

When asked what the new administrator won't try to do during the year, he replied "I'll try to avoid allowing small hurdles to

When asked what the new administrator won't try to do during the year, he replied "I'll try to avoid allowing small hurdles to shut down major initiative. We're very

optimistic about what can be done in public education today.

"The buck stops here where the teachers are prepared," he said. "With public sentiment about public education generally low, people in education could become discouraged until they realize the good public education has done."

Senators tackle packed agenda

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Advisory Board member, said the center is still trying to acquire dental service equipment.

Mahoney, who is also on the Higher Education for Maine Youth Committee, said that group is looking into the possibilities of forming an association for student teachers.

Plans were made known for a student co-op garage. Resident Director William Vanderclough of Hancock Hall is working with Residential Life to get a blueprint for the garage.

Students could use the facility two or three hours at a time and work-study

students would be present to give estimates and advice, he said.

Nominated for the Council of Colleges were: Marilyn Cross, Kathleen Mahoney, Mary Wolfe and Kathy Smith.

Roger Brodur, Keith Hall, Robert Small, Don Vickery and Luc Lausier were nominated for executive committee.

Nominated to be a delegate to the University of Maine Organization of Student Governments were William Carney, Jay Cromarty and Andrew Czarnecki. The nominee receiving the second highest number of votes will be alternate delegate.

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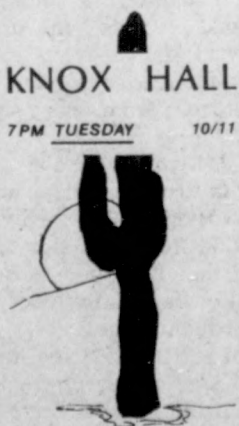
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Homecoming:

A blending of past and present

by Bob Granger

Keeping with UMO tradition, Homecoming weekend festivities start tonight, the one time each year when both alumni and students gather on campus for two days of reminiscing, rooting, and partying.

Activities start at 6:30 p.m. with an alumni career award reception and dinner at Wells Commons honoring Miss Marion E. Martin, retired Maine Commissioner of Labor and Industry and member of the Umo class of 1935.

The dinner will be followed by a torchlight parade at 8 p.m. beginning at Lord Hall and ending at Stewart Commons.

Also scheduled are a bonfire at 8:30 p.m. in the Stewart Commons parking lot, a fireworks display at 9 p.m. on the athletic field and the Swing Dance also at 9 p.m. in the Memorial Gym, featuring the 20th Century Music Ensemble.

According to Meri Strang, Homecoming committee student chairman, many students and alumni are expected for the traditional weekend festivities.

"We expect to have a good turnout this year," she said, "Last year was so super, I just want to see it happens again."

Strang said Homecoming is a traditional event for alumni that has been "carried over" since the university first began. Homecoming in the past has been centered around the annual Saturday afternoon football game, she said, but in recent years it has been expanded into a weekend of events not specifically related to the game.

"The student involvement is new too," she said.

Activities will continue Saturday with an Organizational Fair on the mall from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Associate dean of student activities William T. Lucy says 92 organizations are signed up to participate in events ranging from karate and fencing demonstrations to cow-milking and pie-eating contests.

At 1 p.m., a football game between the UMO Bears and number-two ranked University of New Hampshire will be highlighted by a variety of pre-game activities. Scheduled events include the UMO marching band, the presentation of the 1977 Homecoming queen, an alumni welcome address by Student Government President Michael McGovern, a presentation of the General Alumni Association's student service award and a dedication of the Fred H. Curtis (class of 1916) Memorial flag.

Also scheduled will be precision parachute-jumping by two parachutists. The jump is being coordinated by UMO

sophomore Tonney Boan, who has made over 300 jumps in his native Florida.

A post-game celebration featuring a German band is also scheduled at a beer tent next to Alumni Field.

At 8 p.m. Saturday, students and alumni alike can rock to the sounds of Nils Lofgren and the Blend in concert at the Memorial Union, at Viners Music Co. in Bangor or at the door for \$5.50 in advance and \$6.50 the day of the show.

Other events scheduled for Saturday include a decoration contest from 10 a.m. to noon for all dormitories and fraternities, with a \$25 prize being awarded to the

best-decorated fraternity house and dormitory. Judges for the contest are Dean of Student Affairs Dwight L. Rideout and Alumni Association director Bob Holmes.

There also will be a dedication of the Nelson B. Jones Stein collection at 9:30 a.m. and a dedication of the Fay Hyland botanical plantation at 10 a.m. An alumni-faculty reception will follow at 10:30 a.m. and at 11:30 the alumni Homecoming Luncheon will begin at the Memorial Gym. Tickets for the luncheon are \$2.75 a person and everyone is welcome.



In an effort to attract more readers to the Campus, managing editor Dan Warren urged the publication of this picture of nude babies.

"England's leading paper has a picture of a single nude on its page three everyday," Warren reasoned, "and it's given them hundreds more readers. I figure if we run a picture with FOUR nudes, we'll pump up our circulation by thousands!"

Warren, considered sick and degenerate by his keepers at the University Barns, promised a Page Three nude to readers in his weekly column Tuesday. [Brent Snowden photo].

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Taking the right steps

The quality of Maine education, not only on the post-secondary level, but in all K through 12 steps in the state, has been of great concern to educators and administrators in recent years. Dipping SAT scores and inadequate compositional and mathematical skills have led many to believe students are entering college less prepared than they should be. The sudden need for proficiency tests on both the high school and college level convinced many more that their children were not learning (or were not being taught) the 3 Rs satisfactorily. And paradoxically, when these same students reached college, it was discovered that their grade averages were much higher than their level of preparedness would indicate. So the concern was soon directed towards the Super-U.

For many reasons, UMO's College of Education has been a frequent target of that concern. Despite apparently decreasing math and verbal skills, UMO is awarding an increasing number of honor grades, and nowhere has that increase been greater than in the College of Education. Over recent years, UMO has, on the average, awarded A or B grades more than 50 percent of the time, while in the College of Education the rate has skyrocketed to over 80 percent. When such a high rate of grade inflation comes at a time when students are apparently less prepared, questions of quality are only logical.

It can be reasoned that since UMaine is by far the largest supplier of the state's K-12 teaching pool, any inadequacies that surface here must invade every stage of education in the state as well. If the educators are not well-educated, many have asked, what hope does that leave for

their students? The evidence pollutes the educational stream in this state, a stream whose source is the University of Maine.

It will improve this university's standing as a resource of K-12 teachers in the state if the new acting dean of the College of Education can actually realize his goals and focus his administrative task on quality—not quantity. When that college started to shrink its enrollment six years ago as an internal adjustment to the glutted teaching market, it was a service to those who would enroll in the school; it was impractical to prepare students for jobs that did not exist.

Robert Cobb's plan to actively attract quality high school students in Maine to the College of Education while maintaining a limited enrollment are necessary steps toward improving the quality of education on all levels. But if the college's grade scale is not realigned and brought down to more realistic levels, students enrolled in Education will never face the challenge a post-secondary education should offer, and they will enter the teaching profession (if they are so lucky) with that loss. And it will be their students who will eventually suffer.

So when the acting dean of the college directs his attention toward improving the quality of students entering education, we urge him to pay attention to the standards of the programs they will enter as well. The repercussions of continued grade inflation (which seem to indicate unchallenging programs) will reach well beyond this university. It will linger here, but will eventually become part of all public education systems in Maine.



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Yankees....

.....go home!!!!!!

The Red Sox lost last Saturday, and the champagne flowed in New York, where the Yankees were celebrating winning the American League Eastern Division. Congratulations go to owner George Steinbrenner, and millionaires everywhere. "Money doesn't just talk," Bob Dylan once said, "It swears."

But now, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, the season is over and I can look back with perspective and rationale to see what happened. For the sake of lucidity, I'll sacrifice my prejudices, such as having been a Red Sox fan for ten years, hating the Yankees worse than Hilltop R.A.'s, and for this I'll even take down Reggie Jackson from the dart board. He goes right back up as soon as I'm finished though. He hasn't been hit in the teeth, yet.

I enjoy sports because of the competition, and because of the drama of players and teams facing each other and putting in one hundred percent. Unfortunately, in a sport such as baseball, there is always a winner and a loser. Fortunately, the fans and the competitors can choose to make winning either imperative or inconsequential.

It's like comparing the fool in King Lear with Bozo. One goes all out, disregarding the stakes and the outcome, while the other plays his part only in front of a camera, weekdays at five.

And the Yankees are a Bozo team. They are a star-studded team and the stars are well paid. However, individual Yankees play with dollar-signs in their eyes; they win only because they get paid to win. I won't argue this logic, because they are winners (so far), but I will criticize their attitude.

The Yankees are not known for their cohesiveness, on or off the field. During the season, teammates openly attacked each other, verbally and physically.

Players like Reggie Jackson and Mickey Rivers are overly concerned with their appearance and well-being on the field. This shows when they are playing. When a ball gets by Jackson in the outfield, his first concern is how he can race back to the wall to retrieve it, and still act nonchalant.

If I ever hear of Jackson or Rivers running into a fence while trying to make a catch in the outfield, I will personally send flowers to the hospital.

Still, when August and September rolled by, the Yanks pulled together, used their talents, and cashed in. But in baseball—or any sport—it's not enough to try only when there is a tangible reward. The challenge of a sport is striving for perfection. The Yankees take the excitement and fun out of baseball and make it a business. They are a symbol for everything that smells of corruption and decay.

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Student position clarified

To the Editor:

The Maine Campus article on the Associated Faculties of the University of Maine (AFUM) and its view on student input into faculty-administration collective bargaining needs clarification:

1. Students are "neutral" on hardly anything. They follow their interests like faculty and administration do. Sometimes student interests coincide with AFUM's, as they consistently did in the last legislature. Other times student interests will coincide with the administration's. That is the way things are and should be.

2. Student interests are best protected, however, when they are conducted by representatives elected by students. Student collective bargaining "representatives" will not be elected. They will be appointed by the administration, one of the two parties in the collective bargaining process.

3. Students and the campus should not expect too much from such an administration-appointed committee in the two-sided only collective bargaining process.

Wise men through the centuries have told us that we have to create our own freedom. No one can give it to us. Concerned students should seek other ways to protect their interests in faculty-administration collective bargaining.

Sincerely,

C. Stewart Doty
Professor of history and state
chairperson, AFUM

Intervarsity fellowship explained

To the Editor:

As Christians and members of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship we would like to respond to Paul Wiberg's letter of Oct. 4. In this letter as a basis of judgement of Intervarsity, he presented his impressions received while glancing through the chapter headings of a book called "Learning to be a Woman," which he found on the I.V. booktable in the Union. He feels that the book seeks to perpetuate some very narrow and antiquated views on women.

Intervarsity is an interdenominational organization with five basic tenets: the authority and trustworthiness of the Bible as God's revelation of Himself to people; the deity of Jesus Christ; the necessity and efficacy of the substitutionary death of Jesus Christ for redemption, and the historical fact of his bodily resurrection; the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration; the expectation of the personal return of Jesus Christ to earth.

Belief in these five things is the only requirement for membership in I.V. (how be it, anyone, regardless of belief, may participate in any of our meeting or activities). This allows for a great

diversity of viewpoints on other aspects of Christian life among the members of I.V. therefore, one may expect to find a diversity of viewpoints represented in our literature.

Mr. Wilberg has stressed the need for critical evaluation in the light of Christ's liberating Gospel of groups claiming to represent Christ but dehumanizing any of God's people. We wholeheartedly agree and, in fact, see the need for the critical evaluation in that light of any so-called "Christian group" whatever its intents or goals.

We would invite Mr. Wiberg and anyone else who wonders if this group really seeks to edify the Gospel to investigate further. Might we suggest looking

thoroughly at some of our literature, talking to some of our members, or attending a meeting or three before making judgments as to our capability of providing "meaningful Christian fellowship."

Our experience with the people who make up I.V. have shown them, for the most part, to be quite human and capable of mistakes and failures, but nonetheless, lovers of God and, therefore, people who care about other people.

Bruce Fidler
Dave DeHaas
Tom Brink

Who really wants a male queen?

To the Editor:

In your editorial (Oct. 4) you stated support for a male candidate—who had been disqualified for not showing up for the interview -- for the Homecoming Queen. At first I thought it was a joke then sarcasm, but decided it was serious because the Campus wouldn't misuse an editorial and is refined enough to criticize the Student Paper.

As the editorial indicates you must be trying to destroy this type of contest, because who

really wants a male queen. Look at the coverage you gave the Homecoming queen election. The coverage didn't even consist of the names of the women contestants; only a vague mention, "Judges on Monday will narrow the field of 13 to five..." which was in the article on the male running for Queen. To me having a UMO queen not only for Homecoming, but to travel to the Orange Bowl, shows that there is school spirit and the Campus only seems to be trying to dampen the

spirit instead of livening it up. As a side thought, wouldn't it be funny -- through the lack of coverage on the women participants, the backing by the Campus for the male, and the novelty of voting for a male Homecoming queen--to have a male win and see Anita Bryant chase him away yelling, "I'll get you and the Wilde-Steiners yet."

Chris Roberts
201 York Hall

Sincerely
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In defense

To the Editor:

We've read for the past five weeks about Terri Gilpatrick. It seems to us that most of what we read has been negative...the last edition of the Maine Campus was the worst yet.

Well we'll tell you something that we think people have forgotten about Terri...She is no different than any one of us, except that she is Miss Maine. This accomplishment we envy her.

We don't mean to say that we want to be Miss Maine. What we are trying to say is that we envy her for realizing a goal. I think we all want recognition for the things we work hard for. Terri has worked hard to be Miss Maine. We have no right to cut down Terri's achievements any more than someone has the right to cut down our achievements...

Paul Thomasset
Sam Rideout
430 Oxford Hall

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Taking the right steps

The quality of Maine education, not only on the post-secondary level, but in all K through 12 steps in the state, has been of great concern to educators and administrators in recent years. Dipping SAT scores and inadequate compositional and mathematical skills have led many to believe students are entering college less prepared than they should be. The sudden need for proficiency tests on both the high school and college level convinced many more that their children were not learning (or were not being taught) the 3 Rs satisfactorily. And paradoxically, when these same students reached college, it was discovered that their grade averages were much higher than their level of preparedness would indicate. So the concern was soon directed towards the Super-U.

For many reasons, UMO's College of Education has been a frequent target of that concern. Despite apparently decreasing math and verbal skills, UMO is awarding an increasing number of honor grades, and nowhere has that increase been greater than in the College of Education. Over recent years, UMO has, on the average, awarded A or B grades more than 50 percent of the time, while in the College of Education the rate has skyrocketed to over 80 percent. When such a high rate of grade inflation comes at a time when students are apparently less prepared, questions of quality are only logical.

It can be reasoned that since UMaine is by far the largest supplier of the state's K-12 teaching pool, any inadequacies that surface here must invade every stage of education in the state as well. If the educators are not well-educated, many have asked, what hope does that leave for

their students? The evidence pollutes the educational stream in this state, a stream whose source is the University of Maine.

It will improve this university's standing as a resource of K-12 teachers in the state if the new acting dean of the College of Education can actually realize his goals and focus his administrative task on quality—not quantity. When that college started to shrink its enrollment six years ago as an internal adjustment to the glutted teaching market, it was a service to those who would enroll in the school; it was impractical to prepare students for jobs that did not exist.

Robert Cobb's plan to actively attract quality high school students in Maine to the College of Education while maintaining a limited enrollment are necessary steps toward improving the quality of education on all levels. But if the college's grade scale is not realigned and brought down to more realistic levels, students enrolled in Education will never face the challenge a post-secondary education should offer, and they will enter the teaching profession (if they are so lucky) with that loss. And it will be their students who will eventually suffer.

So when the acting dean of the college directs his attention toward improving the quality of students entering education, we urge him to pay attention to the standards of the programs they will enter as well. The repercussions of continued grade inflation (which seem to indicate unchallenging programs) will reach well beyond this university. It will linger here, but will eventually become part of all public education systems in Maine.



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Yankees....

.....go home!!!!!!

The Red Sox lost last Saturday, and the champagne flowed in New York, where the Yankees were celebrating winning the American League Eastern Division. Congratulations go to owner George Steinbrenner, and millionaires everywhere. "Money doesn't just talk," Bob Dylan once said, "It swears."

But now, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, the season is over and I can look back with perspective and rationale to see what happened. For the sake of lucidity, I'll sacrifice my prejudices, such as having been a Red Sox fan for ten years, hating the Yankees worse than Hilltop R.A.'s, and for this I'll even take down Reggie Jackson from the dart board. He goes right back up as soon as I'm finished though. He hasn't been hit in the teeth, yet.

I enjoy sports because of the competition, and because of the drama of players and teams facing each other and putting in one hundred percent. Unfortunately, in a sport such as baseball, there is always a winner and a loser. Fortunately, the fans and the competitors can choose to make winning either imperative or inconsequential.

It's like comparing the fool in King Lear with Bozo. One goes all out, disregarding the stakes and the outcome, while the other plays his part only in front of a camera, weekdays at five.

And the Yankees are a Bozo team. They are a star-studded team and the stars are well paid. However, individual Yankees play with dollar-signs in their eyes; they win only because they get paid to win. I won't argue this logic, because they are winners (so far), but I will criticize their attitude.

The Yankees are not known for their cohesiveness, on or off the field. During the season, teammates openly attacked each other, verbally and physically.

Players like Reggie Jackson and Mickey Rivers are overly concerned with their appearance and well-being on the field. This shows when they are playing. When a ball gets by Jackson in the outfield, his first concern is how he can race back to the wall to retrieve it, and still act nonchalant.

If I ever hear of Jackson or Rivers running into a fence while trying to make a catch in the outfield, I will personally send flowers to the hospital.

Still, when August and September rolled by, the Yanks pulled together, used their talents, and cashed in. But in baseball—or any sport—it's not enough to try only when there is a tangible reward. The challenge of a sport is striving for perfection. The Yankees take the excitement and fun out of baseball and make it a business. They are a symbol for everything that smells of corruption and decay.

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Student position clarified

To the Editor:

The Maine Campus article on the Associated Faculties of the University of Maine (AFUM) and its view on student input into faculty-administration collective bargaining needs clarification:

1. Students are "neutral" on hardly anything. They follow their interests like faculty and administration do. Sometimes student interests coincide with AFUM's, as they consistently did in the last legislature. Other times student interests will coincide with the administration's. That is the way things are and should be.

2. Student interests are best protected, however, when they are conducted by representatives elected by students. Student collective bargaining "representatives" will not be elected. They will be appointed by the administration, one of the two parties in the collective bargaining process.

3. Students and the campus should not expect too much from such an administration-appointed committee in the two-sided only collective bargaining process. Wise men through the centuries have told us that we have to create our own freedom. No one can give it to us. Concerned students should seek other ways to protect their interests in faculty-administration collective bargaining.

Sincerely,

C. Stewart Doty
Professor of history and state
chairperson, AFUM

Intervarsity fellowship explained

To the Editor:

As Christians and members of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship we would like to respond to Paul Wiberg's letter of Oct. 4. In this letter as a basis of judgement of Intervarsity, he presented his impressions received while glancing through the chapter headings of a book called "Learning to be a Woman," which he found on the I.V. booktable in the Union. He feels that the book seeks to perpetuate some very narrow and antiquated views on women.

Intervarsity is an interdenominational organization with five basic tenets: the authority and trustworthiness of the Bible as God's revelation of Himself to people; the deity of Jesus Christ; the necessity and efficacy of the substitutionary death of Jesus Christ for redemption, and the historical fact of his bodily resurrection; the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration; the expectation of the personal return of Jesus Christ to earth.

Belief in these five things is the only requirement for membership in I.V. (how be it, anyone, regardless of belief, may participate in any of our meeting or activities). This allows for a great

diversity of viewpoints on other aspects of Christian life among the members of I.V. therefore, one may expect to find a diversity of viewpoints represented in our literature.

Mr. Wilberg has stressed the need for critical evaluation in the light of Christ's liberating Gospel of groups claiming to represent Christ but dehumanizing any of God's people. We wholeheartedly agree and, in fact, see the need for the critical evaluation in that light of any so-called "Christian group" whatever its intents or goals.

We would invite Mr. Wiberg and anyone else who wonders if this group really seeks to edify the Gospel to investigate further. Might we suggest looking

thoroughly at some of our literature, talking to some of our members, or attending a meeting or three before making judgments as to our capability of providing "meaningful Christian fellowship."

Our experience with the people who make up I.V. have shown them, for the most part, to be quite human and capable of mistakes and failures, but nonetheless, lovers of God and, therefore, people who care about other people.

Bruce Fidler
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Who really wants a male queen?

To the Editor:

In your editorial (Oct. 4) you stated support for a male candidate--who had been disqualified for not showing up for the interview -- for the Homecoming Queen. At first I thought it was a joke then sarcasm, but decided it was serious because the Campus wouldn't misuse an editorial and is refined enough to criticize the Student Paper.

As the editorial indicates you must be trying to destroy this type of contest, because who

really wants a male queen. Look at the coverage you gave the Homecoming queen election. The coverage didn't even consist of the names of the women contestants; only a vague mention, "Judges on Monday will narrow the field of 13 to five..." which was in the article on the male running for Queen. To me having a UMO queen not only for Homecoming, but to travel to the Orange Bowl, shows that there is school spirit and the Campus only seems to be trying to dampen the

spirit instead of livening it up.

As a side thought, wouldn't it be funny -- through the lack of coverage on the women participants, the backing by the Campus for the male, and the novelty of voting for a male Homecoming queen--to have a male win and see Anita Bryant chase him away yelling, "I'll get you and the Wilde-Steiners yet."

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WHY IS SIGLINDA STEINFÜLLER DEAN OF BEER? WHY NOT?

Fellow Beer Persons,

Life is full of unanswered questions such as: Is there intelligent life elsewhere in the universe? And if so, do they wear socks?

In beer, however, there are no unanswered questions. Because there is only one word for beer, and you know it.

Schlitz.

Therefore, as your Dean of Beer, I suggest you research the essential rightness of the word for yourself at your next social function. Or even your next antisocial function.

And please note: The recommended source material for locating the word can be found in any phone booth. In other words, look in the Yellow Pages. Under "Beer."

Thank you.

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Psychology professor honored

Richard M. Ryckman, UMO professor of psychology, has been elected to membership in the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, an honorary society composed of distinguished research scientists in social psychology.

Ryckman has been a member of the UMO faculty since 1967 and previously was an instructor at the State University of New York at Buffalo, where he earned his doctorate in 1968.

Coop Council plans activities

Several October activities are planned by the Maine Cooperative Council in observance of Cooperative Month, which this year will revolve around the theme, "Cooperatives--Good for America."

The Maine Cooperative Council is a non-profit organization representing Maine agricultural and rural cooperatives. A 27-minute film, "This is a Cooperative," depicting a variety of rural and urban cooperatives and narrated by Lorne Greene, will be available for showing during the month.

Groups interested in viewing the film may contact council president Frank Hussey, 17 Third Street, Presque Isle, 04769, telephone 765-1357, or the council secretary-treasurer, Sanford Belden, P.O. Box 678, 615 Minot Avenue, Auburn, 04210, telephone 784-0193. The council also plans to sponsor this film on the Maine Public Broadcasting Network in November.

Alumni fund names new chairman

Torrey A. Sylvester '59, of Houlton has accepted the position of national campaign chairman for the University of Maine at Orono's 1977-78 Annual Alumni Fund.

Sylvester has been active with the fund raising efforts at UMO during the last two years and is responsible for the growth in alumni participation in northern Maine.

The Annual Alumni Fund, which has shown rapid growth in both dollars and contributors, will have a goal of \$450,000 for 1977-78.

Sylvester has appointed a fund committee of ten members who live in areas around the United States with high density of UMO alumni.

UMO 'traveling art' visits Maine schools

Elementary and secondary schools in 167 Maine towns and cities will be displaying exhibits of art during the 1977-78 school year from UMO's Traveling Exhibitions.

The exhibits are prepared and assembled by the UMO Art Collection with the cooperation of many artists and other groups within the state, and are offered free of charge to Maine schools and clubs for month-long showings. The UMO Patrons of Fine Arts assist in sponsoring the shows.

Approximately 1,000 shows are scheduled during the year, ranging from artists of Maine exhibits to how to make a Japanese painting in sumi ink.

Transfer students find temporary B C C home a step toward Orono

by Connie Merrill

About 500 students transferred to UMO from other institutions this semester.

Invitations to visit the campus were extended to 700 of 1,500 transfer applicants before the final selection process began, said Bert L. Pratt, assistant director of admissions.

Pratt said students' college transcripts from the previous schools they attended were the "most important criteria" for admission. Transferring Maine residents are given preference, Pratt explained, and an "added preference" is given to transferring students within the university system.

The transfer situation "looks pretty healthy," said Pratt, but because housing shortage a large proportion of the students are placed on the Bangor campus.

The Colleges of Engineering and Sciences and Life Sciences and Agriculture participate in a "memo of understanding" program.

This enables a student to attempt prescribed courses within the UMaine system. If the work is "satisfactory," admission to Orono is guaranteed, said Pratt.

Pratt said most transfer students are sophomores. He named the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture as one of the most frequent majors chosen by transfers.

Nancy Adams, a home economics transfer from Colby-Sawyer College in N.H., "decided to come back and get my B.S." "I really enjoy it," she said of Bangor Community College.

Sophomore Sherry Allen, a home economics major from the University of Maine at Farmington, transferred to Orono because she said there "were no social activities at Farmington."

Christ Angelos came from the University of North Dakota. A senior in animal sciences, he attended a summer session at Orono and "liked the state as a whole."

While transfers are enrolling, many students leave UMO each year. "We have no way of knowing why they left us, or if they were transferring," said Pratt.

A study by John F. Collins, registrar, offers some indication. Between 1975 and 1976 fall semesters, 593 students left the university. The majority, 370, were males. Only 18 of the students, 12 of them male, were transferring elsewhere.

Grades, dissatisfaction with school, financial and medical problems were the major reasons the others gave for leaving.

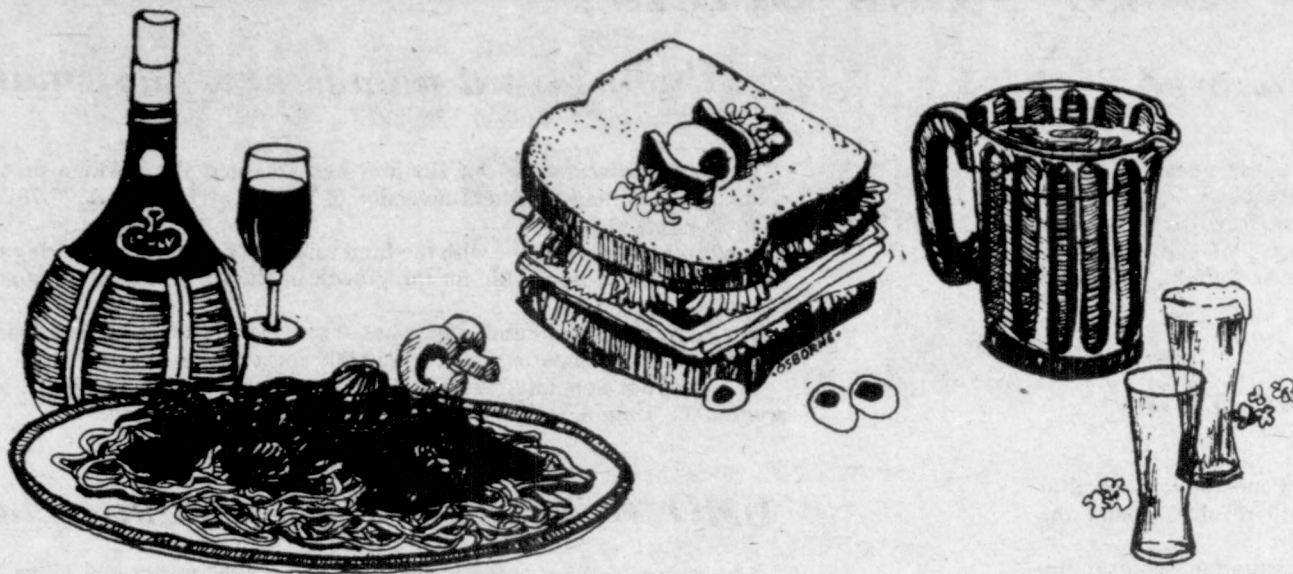
Collins' study included the colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering and Sciences and Life Sciences and Agriculture.

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Grounds crew keeps campus neat and clean

by Mark Tremblay

It costs about \$415,000 a year to keep UMO's lawns mowed, hedges trimmed, and roads paved, as well as maintaining other grounds services, says Roscoe Clifford, director of the university's grounds and services department.



It costs UMO about \$415,000 a year but men like this mower [above] and the maintenance workers [right] keep the campus looking fresh, clean and green. [Jim Sloan photo].

The UMO grounds crew is a year-round operation employing 34 full-time employees and 15 summer helpers, mainly work-study and regular students. The grounds crew is mainly a jack-of-all-trades department, with duties ranging from keeping UMO's lawns in good condition to delivering university supplies and moving desks.

All of the specific duties that fall under the grounds-crew operation are broken down into budgets. For instance, the grounds budget is \$143,000 for this year, "the amount we spend to maintain the grounds, lawns, seeds and general maintenance of grounds operations," says Clifford.

Funds to be appropriated to all university functions are determined at the beginning of the fiscal year. This year the physical plant operations and maintenance division, which includes the grounds and services department, received a total of \$2,749,150 in funds. Grounds and services then received about \$415,000, which was broken down into the department's various budgets.

The largest sum of the appropriated

money goes into the grounds shop budget, which is basically concerned with all personnel wages. The amount is established at about \$281,000 but Clifford says "We get a net budget of \$32,000. This is what the university actually gives us to pay wages. The rest of the money comes from credited revenue, the amount of money we

expect to receive in return for our services."

The department charges for services rendered to organizations that have sources of money, such as Residential Life and the bookstore, but offers various services free of charge to the university as a whole. Clifford adds, "We have a budget of \$14,250 for the maintenance of the university's athletic facilities. From this amount we expect to get about \$12,000 for our services, usually from money that is already set in their budget and budgeted beforehand."

"We also collect rubbish on campus, but this is free of charge for dormitories and fraternities, which we consider as not having sources of money to spend on these services."

With a \$181,000 budget the grounds department also maintains all roads, road walks, and parking areas. Snow removal is also included in this area, but there is no predetermined amount allotted for the service.

Snow removal is a problem because one never knows how much snow will fall, but Clifford says, "The last three winters have

been mild as far as snow removal. Of course it's been pretty cold, but as far as actual snowfall we haven't experienced any problems yet."

"We have to more or less guess on what type of winter to expect. If we should have a rough winter, hopefully we can get some funds from other areas where credited services are accrued," he adds.

The department also maintains a moving crew. "Anything that wants to be moved on campus, a request is made and we move it," says Clyde Grant, the grounds and services foreman. For instance, this crew helps in setting up facilities for concerts and outdoor events.

Charges for these services are based on an hourly rate. "The rate varies, depending on the different amount of people and type of job situation," says Grant.

The pay rate and fund itself is "underscaled," Grant says. "It would cost a lot more for an outside firm to perform the jobs we do."

Clifford agrees. "There would probably be about a 20 percent overhead charge for firms other than ourselves performing these jobs. You also have to remember that the university also has a retirement plan and Social Security benefits, and these are just a few added benefits our employees get."

There are times when one may notice four of five employees digging a ditch, with one or two actually doing the work, but Clifford explains, "It's typical in public reaction to hear a comment about someone not actively employed and saying they're not working, but it's not really true."

Grant agrees. "You may see one or two out of four actually digging at the time, but no one seems to think that the other two were probably working their hearts out an hour before."

Most jobs on campus may be considered repetitive or standard, so an informal system determines how many people usually go out on specific jobs. This is done to save the customer money and to keep employees available for other jobs.

The grounds and services department has also faced the problem of budget cuts after Gov. James B. Longley called for a reduction in university spending. The total

budget has not been increased for the past three years, Clifford says.

"When the Physical Plant department was told to absorb the loss, we were also responsible for maintaining our current services, and also absorb a loss," he says. The department has established various money-saving plans, though Clifford does



not know exactly how much is saved because of the "complexity of the figures."

Efficiency in job performance was one of the main tasks undertaken, such as various training programs, and the department is also maintaining space for fewer people. "You have to realize that there was also an increase in wages of 7 percent, and we are working with a net budget, so the department had to absorb the increase," Clifford says.

"But we can also say that as a whole the man-hour cost mark-up is not any greater than before. We are in the process of tabulating and comparing our man-hour costs at the present," he adds.

"There are some projects that we may crank in, and we are also thinking of getting another rubbish packer, something we needed this year," Clifford says, "but by and large we will try not to ask for more money because we know that money just isn't available."

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Graduates: do degrees mean jobs?

by Dave Billings

The college student's version of the American dream has traditionally gone something like this: go to school, get a degree and get a job.

Most UMO graduates eventually follow this formula. But for many, there is a catch—the job they find is not a career related in any way to their degree.

Rosemary Nadeau, for example, works as a secretary and bookkeeper for her husband, a Boothbay optometrist. She graduated from UMO in 1975 (under her maiden name of Beaulier) with a B.A. in psychology.

Nadeau says she hoped to go into counseling until she realized she had to attend school an extra year to get a master's degree. Her situation was complicated by the fact that she was getting married the summer after graduation and accompanying her husband to Memphis, Tenn., where he attended optometry school.

Nadeau didn't look for work directly related to her major, because, she says, "what can you do with a four-year psych major?" She found employment as a secretary and bookkeeper in Memphis, aided by experience gained working summers for her father, an oil dealer in her hometown of Ashland.

Now, she says she is "very upset with myself" for doing things the way she did, and wishes she took some time off to decide what she really wanted.

Yet with her husband establishing his practice in a town with no college nearby, Nadeau says, "at this point, I feel really lazy," and doubts that she will ever get the training to become a counselor.

Being lazy is a luxury Bob Roy will soon not be able to afford. Oct. 19, five months after graduating as a forestry major, he will enter the U.S. Army.

Roy sent out resumes to several companies and registered with the Career Planning and Placement Office, but had no success. He found a job cutting brush for the Portland Water District this summer, then moved to Bangor and worked briefly at Everybody's Sandwich Shop in the Sunbury Mall, before making the decision to join the Army for a three-year hitch.

After basic training, Roy will return to school to study topographic surveying. He says he is excited about his prospects, noting he will have the chance to travel, make money and hold down a steady job. Still, he doesn't plan to make the Army a career and says "I eventually hope to get back into forestry."

Not all the graduates have different careers because they couldn't find jobs in their major. Libby Tisdell graduated last May with a degree in mathematics and says she probably could have found a high-paying job. Some of her math-major friends are now making \$10 to 15,000 a year, she says, but she began to lean away from a math career before she graduated.

"I didn't like my major but I didn't know what to change it to," she says.

Tisdell considered teaching because she "wanted to work with people," and didn't want to do anything "mechanical" for the rest of her life. After considering the Peace Corps, among other things, she became

technology. She had hoped to work for a veterinarian but couldn't find a job in Maine, estimating that about half her friends in the program are in the same situation. She is now back at UMO, getting a second degree, this one in Animal Agriculture Technology.



He graduated from UMO in 1976 with a broadcasting degree, but like other college graduates today, he couldn't find a good job in his major field. Roger Theriault is the manager of the area's newest disco, Luna Base I. [Tim Grant photo].

involved in a Roman Catholic peer ministry program.

She now works at the Newman Center in Orono, where she was active as a student. Her job includes working with the folk groups which sing at the masses, planning liturgies and visiting freshmen who have expressed an interest in Newman (though "not evangelizing," she says).

For this, she is paid a token wage, plus room and board, but she is happy and says, "I would rather have a job I really enjoy than have a (high-paying) job to support my social life."

Some have found that their degrees couldn't get them the job they wanted, at least not in Maine:

—Barry Trask, a German major, has returned to his native South Paris area since graduating in 1976. He worked briefly as an area reporter for the Lewiston Daily Sun, then for several months as assistant manager at a discount store, a job which he considers to be really "a high-class white-collar janitor."

He is now working at the A.C. Lawrence Leather Co., and says he is happier there. As for his major, Trask says, "my conception of what I could get for jobs is vague."

—Sue Poliquin graduated last May with a two-year degree in animal medical

management. A three-month stint as a security officer in Bangor followed.

He has now used money he received in an insurance settlement to buy the former Woodshed building on Park St. in Orono and turn it into Luna Base One, a disco and restaurant that opened Oct. 1.

Theriault is enthusiastic about his first business venture, saying "the challenge is to get it going." He says he has no desire to get back into broadcasting.

Tim Quinn, a 1976 graduate, says he had no idea what he was going to do after graduation, admitting he majored in English because "it was easy and I had a knack for it."

He ended up working as a house painter on a construction job, and as an area reporter for the Portland Press Herald.

He recently left the newspaper and is now an apprentice jeweler at Springer's in Portland. Quinn says he is "quite satisfied" with his job and tentatively plans to make it a career.

These cases are just a few examples. UMO graduates can be found working in clothespin factories, garages, pizza shops and countless other non-academic sounding places.

It is difficult to determine exactly which major fields these people are coming from. A report from the Office of Career Planning and Placement is a study of 1976 graduates, in which 949 out of about 1,500 degree recipients responded.

The highest percentage of respondents with jobs were from the Colleges of Business Administration (64.5 percent), Engineering and Science (59.2) and Education (57.8). However, Education also had 15 percent underemployed, the highest of any college, while Business had 11.3 percent in that category. (Arts and Sciences had the highest unemployment percentage—7.1.)

Life Sciences and Agriculture and Arts and Sciences trailed in the percentage of respondents finding jobs, with 45 percent and 43.1 percent, respectively. However, (continued on page 12)



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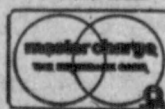
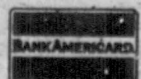
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Club links students, alumni

by Andrea Cronkite

The Student Alumni Association (SAA) hopes to do more traveling in order to promote UMO and the Alumni Association this year, says SAA President Elizabeth Schuster.

"The purpose of SAA is to provide a link between students and the Alumni Association in order to have good channels of communication between them," Schuster says. The Alumni Association consists of 52,000 UMO graduates.

The SAA will be representing the Alumni Association at Homecoming this weekend and will hold a post-football game reception at the Alumni Center, Schuster says. At the Organizational Fair, the SAA

will have a booth and give out information about the Alumni Association, she adds.

The SAA's activities include "tailgate picnics" for alumni before football games and fund raising for the Alumni Association. SAA members also speak about UMO at "Off to Maine" receptions, which are given by the alumni for freshmen in various areas of the state, Schuster says.

"We hope to increase our funds this year so that we can do more traveling to host Alumni Association functions and to speak at high schools in Maine," she says. The SAA is financed by the Alumni Association.

The organization had 20 members last year, but Schuster says she expects about 50 this year.

● Diploma's worth questioned

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both colleges had a high percentage of respondents who decided on further study, and were therefore out of the job markets.

Associate Dean Winston Pullen of the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture says the toughest field for graduates of his college to break into is wildlife, where there are simply "too many wildlifers chasing too few jobs."

As for the animal medical technicians, like Sue Poliquin, who couldn't find jobs, Pullen says their "chances are reduced substantially if they don't want to leave the state." He maintains, however, that UMO's is "the most outstanding program in the country," because students spend a full semester interning at the Animal Medical Center in New York City. Poliquin did not look for a job outside of Maine.

In the College of Arts and Sciences, it is even harder to pin down the relationship between a student's major field and his position in the job market. The very nature of a liberal arts education is often not

pointed toward learning a specific skill to do a specific job, says Associate Dean Elaine Gershman.

Liberal arts majors often move from one job to another, Gershman says. There are many opportunities for students who can read and write well, are good problem solvers and have a broad, general background.

For example, Gershman says studies have shown that although business majors can get jobs in business, liberal arts majors often move up the ladder faster in the business world. She maintains that liberal arts students who have done well at UMO are well-equipped to compete for jobs nationwide.

However, as Vice-President for Academic Affairs James Clark says, it is the responsibility of the university "to respond to societal needs, which means jobs, and to student aspirations. But the two do not necessarily coincide."



Karen Ross

Homecoming queen selected

A 21-year-old junior child development major has been elected UMO's 1977 Homecoming Queen.

Karen Ross, Belfast, was elected by the student body Tuesday over five other finalists and write-in candidate Edward S. Connors.

The selection of a Homecoming queen renews a practice at UMO that was discontinued several years ago. The UMO winner, selected on the basis of academic standing, achievements, personal interests and extracurricular activities, will compete against other Maine college Homecoming queens as the Maine representative to the

Orange Bowl in Miami, Fla., Jan. 1.

If Ross wins the competition, a \$500 scholarship will be established at UMO in her name by the Johnson Wax company, said Judy Morton, Homecoming queen committee chairman. Ross will also be honored at the football game Saturday.

First runner-up was Marth Gonya, a 21-year-old senior from Millinocket, and 20-year-old junior Nancy Pearson from Boynton Beach, Fla., was second runner-up. Other finalists were Kristie Mapes, a senior from Springvale, Robin Beebe, a senior from Islip, N.Y., and Michelle Dunn, a sophomore from Presque Isle.

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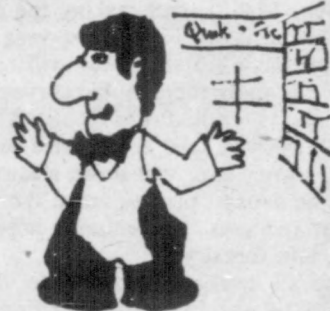
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Out of the closet into controversy

This is the first of two articles by Campus reporter Brook Merrow.

by Brook Merrow

They say Leonardo Da Vinci was. So was Michelangelo. And so was William the Conqueror.

In fact, an estimated 10 percent of the United States population, or approximately 20 million people, are gay today. The gay population in Maine may be as high as 70,000.

"I'll bet \$20 every student on this campus knows a gay person, is related to a gay person, is taught by a gay person and doesn't even know it." So said Steve, 24, a junior anthropology and economics major who is a member of the Wilde-Stein Club, UMO's gay student organization.

Formed in 1972, the club was affectionately tagged the Wilde-Stein in honor of homosexual literary figures Oscar Wilde and Gertrude Stein.

'I knew I had homosexual elements inside me when I was young'

In its brief history Wilde-Stein has traditionally attracted only male members, but 13 men and seven women attended a recent Friday night meeting. "This is the first time we've had any sizeable woman majority represented," Steve explained.

Last year, Diane Elze, former student government vice-president and self-proclaimed lesbian, was the only female who regularly attended meetings.

Lack of female interest can be attributed in part to a fear of "coming out," or admitting one's homosexuality. "A lot of girls won't go to Wilde-Stein meetings because they're afraid of exposing themselves," said Carole, a pseudonym for an R.A. on campus who joined the club this semester.

George, a 20-year-old art major who joined last semester and also prefers a

pseudonym, said, "There was a lack of communication between gay men and gay women. I wasn't really aware of their problems," he continued. "Now that they're here, I'm sure they'll educate us."

Wilde-Stein activities include monthly dances at the Maine Christian Association Center which attracted so much interest that a larger dance hall is being sought. Also, the group plans to invite several speakers to discuss gay issues, and may propose a speaker for the Distinguished Lecture Series.

The club, which receives \$1,200 from student government each year, meets every Friday night in the International Lounge of the Union. Their second-floor office serves as a center for gay information obtained from all over the country.

There is no president, although there's a rotating chairman each week. Steve described the club as "pretty much a free-form group. People bring in ideas and we follow up on them." He noted so far that there has been more participation and attendance has increased.

According to Steve, the Wilde-Stein serves as a "protective mechanism" where members can freely share feelings and be supportive of one another.

Carole sees the Wilde-Stein club "as an excellent opportunity to come out and do different things to get the gay movement accepted."

Elze stressed Wilde-Stein's educational function in informing people about the gay movement. "Many people assume the person you're talking to is heterosexual," she said. "that's why it's important to let the person know you're gay."

How are gays accepted at the University of Maine?

Elze said that attitudes she's encountered range from "very supportive to anti-gay." She noted that the administration and board of trustees have been "very supportive," especially with the formation of the club five years ago.

"The majority of people at UMO are tolerant or ignore us. The people doing the ignoring might be insecure in their own

sexuality, or within their own selves," George said.

"People who are obviously gay are the ones people know about and talk about," said Carole. "I think that's a problem. People are not aware that the 'normal' person can be gay."

"Coming out," or admitting one's homosexuality, is often a lengthy and painful process for many gays. "I knew I had the homosexual elements inside me when I was young," Steve explained.

He always had girlfriends and relationships, but "they never lasted very long." His first gay experience occurred when he was 19 and living with a girlfriend at the time.

"It took me a long time to be open with gays and even longer with straights," Steve said. "I decided to stop repressing certain feelings I had," he continued. "I had a lot of conventional ideas of what a person was made up of."

Steve came out about a year ago. Joining the Wilde-Steins last semester helped him deal with "straights."

George, a native of Maine, accepted his

reality for me at that time." Now, in her third year of college, she's coming out socially.

"When I was really young I thought a male's role was much more exciting," Carole said, "I liked being a tough little kid." By junior high, she began to question whether her attitude was right. Her first reaction was one of being "scared."

Now, it "doesn't really matter who knows. If gays are to be accepted, we have to become more open," she emphasized.

As an R.A., Carole has found those at Residential Life and her head resident "very supportive and understanding," she plans to tell the women on her floor very soon.

Carole said another friend who's an R.A. came out to the women on her floor and it only made more work for her because they were always interested in talking and learning more about gays.

Do her parents know? "We have more of a silent understanding," Carole said. "I'm sure they know."

'It took me a long time to open up to gays and even longer with straights'

homosexuality as a sophomore in high school. "I always had girl friends, but no relationships," he said. He came out last October when he joined the Wilde-Steins. "I went to a dance first and was a wallflower. I was scared."

"I'm becoming more and more honest with myself," he said. "I've had stuff bottled up inside since high school. Now, I'm much more positive about myself."

Living in a dorm as George does could be a threat, but if somebody finds out, he feels he will openly admit his homosexuality.

Carole, a 20-year-old in chemical engineering, noted that coming out is simply a long process. "The summer before my senior year in high school I had my first experience," she recounted. "I knew before that how I'd react, but it became a

Elze, a 25-year old senior majoring in sociology who has lived in Maine the past six years, described her coming out as a long process that began with her involvement in the women's movement eight years ago. She always had relationships with men. "Over the years I got less and less into it," she said.

"At first I realized an emotional attraction to women," she explained, "and then I felt a physical attraction." However, "having a real relationship scared me."

Two years ago Elze announced she was a lesbian and plunged into the lesbian movement.

Her parents still don't know, but she plans to tell at least her mother very soon. "I've decided not to lie any longer," she said. "It hurts myself to lie."

Lofgren ticket sales termed 'disappointing;' concert chairman hopes for increased interest

by Dorothy Johnson

Tickets to the Nils Lofgren concert scheduled for Saturday night are not selling well, says student government concert committee chairman Susan Leonard.

Leonard is "really disappointed" in the lack of interest shown on campus. Nils Lofgren is a favorite among students according to a poll taken by the student government last year, Leonard says, and the Blend is also popular.

The amount of work involved in setting up the concert is "unbelievable," Leonard says. Because a large amount of labor is needed, the lacrosse team has agreed to assemble the Bangor Auditorium stage. A generator must be used to obtain enough electricity to put on the concert, she says.

The concert will be at Memorial Gym at 8 p.m. Leonard says she is hoping for good ticket sales at the door.

Leonard became student government concert committee chairman Sept. 21 after

Greg Thornton resigned. She says she's "not as radical" as Thornton and doesn't expect the problems he had with administrators.

Thornton also did business with only one promoter, Andrew Govatsos. Leonard says she hopes to work with others to reduce costs.

But Leonard wants to see more variety in the concerts, as did Thornton. They are having rock now because that's what sells, Leonard says. Eventually she would like the committee to schedule more jazz.

The concert committee is sponsoring a Homecoming Swing Dance with the Twentieth Century Music Ensemble, tonight in Memorial Gym from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. for alumni, students and faculty.

Another upcoming event is the Pousette-Dart band and Garland Jeffries Oct. 27 performance at Memorial Gym. Leonard says the backup band hasn't been selected yet.

She hopes the committee will have Jimmy Garcia with the band Old and in the Way in the future.

The classical concert committee, a sub-committee of the concert committee, will also sponsor three concerts this semester, Leonard says.

The Bangor Symphony will perform in Memorial Gym Oct. 17 and will feature the works of Schubert and Berlioz.

Diane Walsh, a pianist from the Juillard School of Music, will play Oct. 23 at Hauck Auditorium.

Ronald Thomas, a cellist from Kennebunk and graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, will perform Nov. 9 at Hauck.



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As for those not wishing to vote in the municipal elections, the names of all voters who registered at UMO will be on voter records by the time the drinking petitions go through the verification process, Cromarty said.

The Bangor Board of Voter Registration

will not accept the small cards given to those who registered at UMO. Bangor residents must complete a larger registration card, Cromarty said. Those who registered at BCC do not have to fill out the larger card, he added.

Citizens of Old Town who registered at UMO will also have to register again for Old Town's municipal election Oct. 11.

Cromarty said he needs volunteers to circulate petitions at voting places in both Bangor and Old Town on election day.

OOPS...

In Tuesday's issue, the Campus incorrectly reported that the statewide winner of the Homecoming Queen contest would receive a \$500 scholarship.

UMO Homecoming committee chairman Judy Morton says the statewide winner will not win a \$500 scholarship, but instead will have a \$500 scholarship initiated in the winner's school in the winner's name.

The Campus regrets the error.

In Tuesday's issue, the Campus incorrectly reported that the "first turkey-trot marathon" is being sponsored Nov. 6 by the UMO physical education department.

The event is actually being sponsored by the Physical Education Club. The club can be contacted at their office on the third floor of Shibles Hall.

The Campus regrets the error.

OFFICIAL NOTICE THINKING OF WITHDRAWAL FROM THE UNIVERSITY?

Friday, October 12, 1977 is the last day when withdrawal from the University will result in having courses listed for the current semester without penalty. The Student Handbook 1976-77, page 24, states the University's complete withdrawal policy. Students who are considering withdrawal are advised to discuss the matter with their advisors, college deans, and student personnel deans.

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Black Bears deadlock with UMPI Owls, 2-2

The University of Maine at Presque Isle (UMPI) field hockey team gave the UMO women a run for their money Wednesday afternoon as the two teams played to a 2-2 deadlock.

UMPI was quick to score 10 minutes into the game on a Pam Newhouse shot from the center of the circle. After a see-saw series of passes up and down the field for the majority of the half, right wing Janice Lamborghini pounded the ball past UMPI goalie Terri Evans.

A lackluster second half was livened up when Kim Madore slipped one past goalie Moira Tryon about midway through the period. Brook Merrow pushed a squeaker into the cage from the right side to score with six minutes left.

Goalies Tryon and Evans each had seven

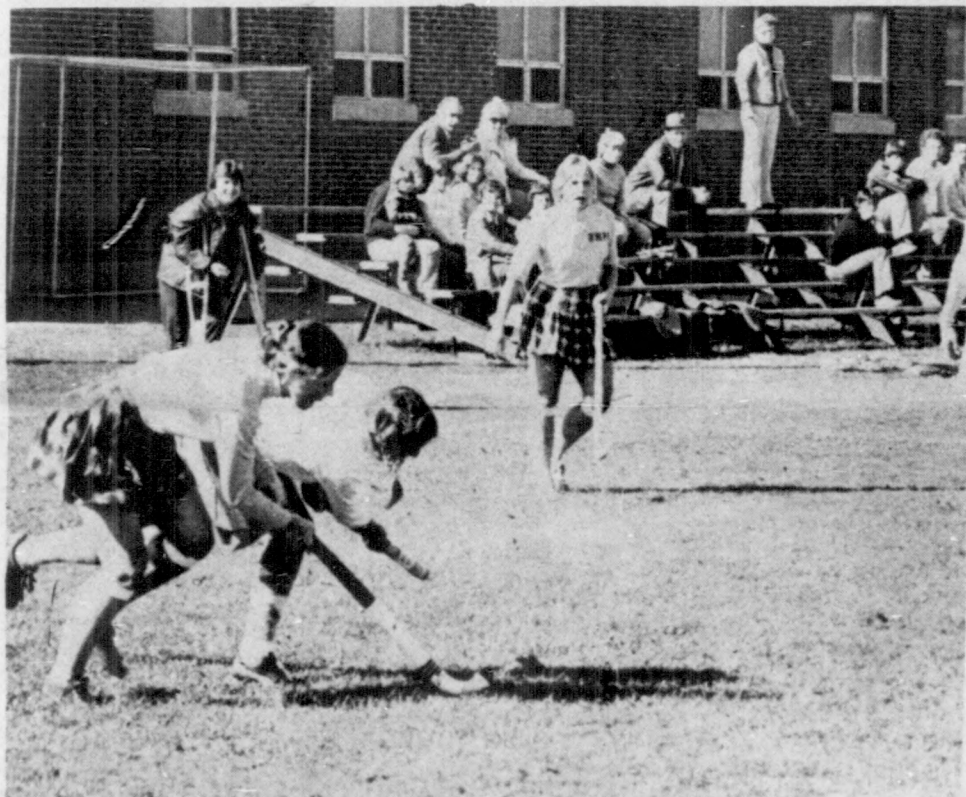
saves. While UMO registered 30 shots on goal, UMPI had 15.

"We were a tremendous threat with our shots from the top of the circle where they should be taken," said Coach Deb Davis.

"However," she continued, "Our great problem was no support for the ball when we were in possession."

UMO also held the ball too long and failed to move it consistently down the field. Davis noted the team was noticeably slow taking free hits.

With the defence on the line and the need to convert more shots on goal to scores, UMO will face a tough test against state champions Bowdoin College in Brunswick this Monday.



Maine's Joanne Petkus works the ball between two UMPI players. UMO's next game will be Monday at Bowdoin College [Phil Roy photo].



UMO's Tracey Washburn breaks downfield in home game action Wednesday afternoon. The Bears tied with UMPI 2-2 [Phil Roy photo].

Soccer team rolls over Colby

by Charlotte McAtee

The UMO soccer team defeated Colby Wednesday afternoon in Waterville.

Black Bear forward Eric Stebeneau broke a scoreless tie 20 minutes into the second half when he knocked a rebounding shot past the Colby goalie.

Kyle Webb struck again for Maine two minutes later when he scored on a pass

from halfback Rick Davee.

Colby cut the Maine margin in half at 2-1, but Will Stiles scored an insurance goal for UMO as he bounced a header in over the Mule goalie. Stebeneau got the assist.

Phil Torsney played an exciting game in goal, stopping 15 Colby shots for Maine.

UMO's next game will be played today against UNH. The home contest is scheduled for 3 p.m.



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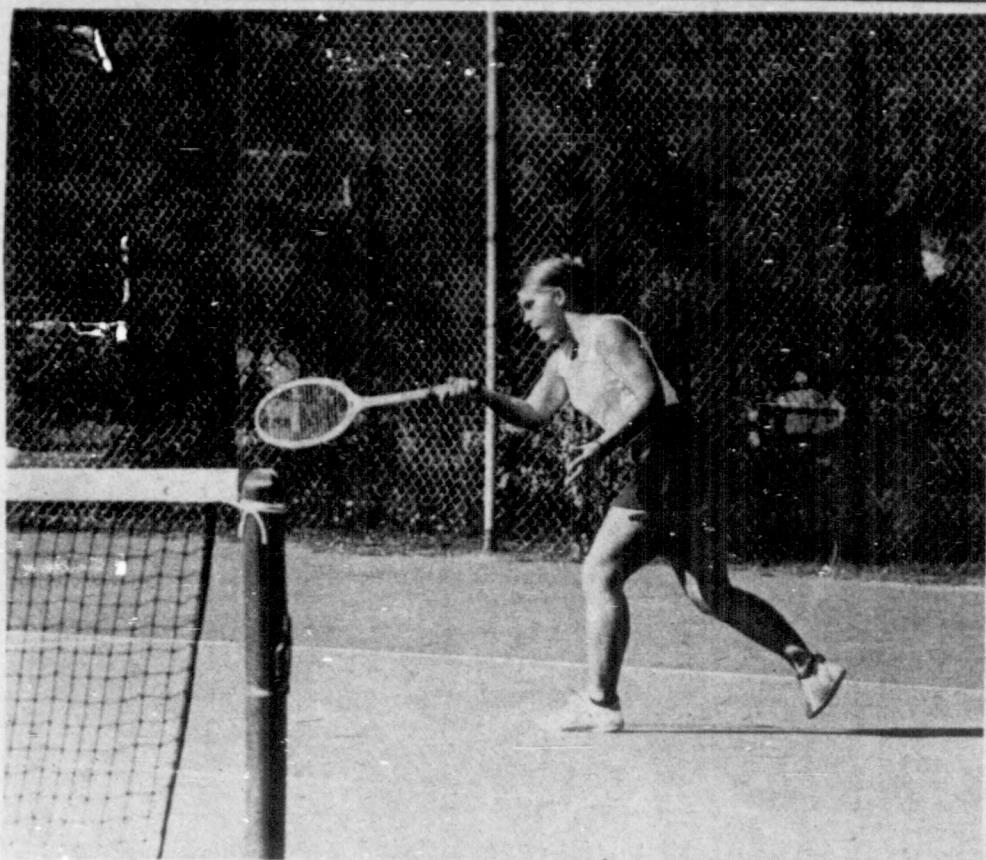
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UMO's Tona Buros, still undefeated this year, returns a shot during tennis action against UMPI Wednesday afternoon (Phil Roy photo).

Bicknell shuffles line-up in preparation for UNH

by Kevin Burnham

Hoping to boost the Bear's offensive blocking, UMO Head Football Coach Jack Bicknell made a few line-up changes this week in preparation for Saturday's Homecoming game at Alumni Field against the undefeated University of New Hampshire Wildcats.

"Bill Leroy, our best interior lineman, will move from his right guard position to center, Jon Weed will take over Leroy's position and Tom Sullivan will replace John King at left tackle," Bicknell said at his weekly news conference at Hilltop Complex Tuesday.

Co-Captain Dave Secino may not play because of an Achilles tendon injury. Junior Mike Wesko will replace him if Secino is not able to play.

Bicknell said that lack of recognition of the line may be part of the team's problem, citing last Saturday's 28-0 loss to the University of Rhode Island.

"Nobody praises the line when we do good," Bicknell said. "The credit goes to the backs, DiPietro (Rudy) and Cosgrove (Jack)."

The Bears will face a tough UNH team, this week ranked second with a 4-0 record in the NCAA Division II by the United Press International ratings.

Their excellent running back Bill Burnham, "is as good a back as you're going to see," Bicknell says. Burnham has

rushed for 574 yards in 116 carries.

Quarterback Jeff Allen is another offensive threat. Highly regarded by pro scouts, Allen has completed 47 of 76 passes for 678 yards and has not been intercepted.

Defensively, the Wildcats use a 4-4 set up with two quality down tackles, Joe Marinelli and Bill Logue, Bicknell said. "We think we can throw on them but we've got to give our quarterbacks time to throw."

The Bears beat UNH at Durham, N.H. last season, 10-0, and Bicknell feels that Maine can do it again.

"They aren't invincible and we'll be ready," he said.



Kathy Gwynn of the UMO women's tennis team serves against a UMPI opponent. Maine won the match 7-0 (Phil Roy photo).

Bates harriers crush Bears

by Steve Vaitones

Maine's cross country team, hit by injuries to top runners, lost to a powerful Bates squad 44-17 here Tuesday.

Top UMO harrier Pete Brigham learned he had pneumonia before the meet, therefore eliminating the only threat to eventual winner Paul Oparowski of Bates.

Oparowski led from one mile on and finished the 4.5 mile circuit in 22:49, the third fastest time ever on the home course. Three of his teammates followed before Mainers Phil Garland and Sam Pelletier crossed the line in fifth and sixth.

The Bates "pack" continued through tenth place with UMO's Dick Dunn in eleventh finally leading a group of Black Bears in.

"I rank Bates third in New England now, behind Providence and Massachusetts," said UMO Coach Jim Ballinger. "Their pack had no places where we could break them up. They are solid all the way down the line."

Two additional injuries to Black Bear runners did not help. Co-captain Bill Pike has to take the season off because of leg injuries, and school-record holder Mike Roddin has yet to run a race because of ailing knees. All the runners down the line will have to improve to pick up the slack.

Maine, still without Brigham, will try to up its record today against New Hampshire. Race time is 3 p.m.

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