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Candidates optimistic about election chances

By Nancy Storey
Staff Writer

As the campaigns of the four candidates to Student Government were optimistic about today's elections.

In hopes of convincing all students to ballot. Another candidate, Reza Kashkooli, is running as a write-in candidate in hopes of becoming "the person who can really make a difference in the community," said Kashkooli. He is running on a platform of increasing student involvement in campus affairs.

"We want a representative bureaucracy, that lets the students know that they have a say in their school," Kashkooli said.

Kashkooli also pointed out that the current budget is "not friendly to the students," and he would like to see changes made to the budget process.

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Staff Writer

Student to run for legislature

By Laura Congar
Staff Writer

John Bott, a senior political science/history major from Concord, Mass., announced his candidacy today for Republican state representative for District 77, which includes northern Orono and UMO.

"Education will be the major issue of the campaign," Bott said.

"I am concerned about the time has come to re-think our priorities as far as education goes in the state," Bott said.

"Maine can afford the current tuition levels, but Maine is investing in education instead of quality education. The state is trying to save the other on one sacrifice to UMO costs. That's fairness," Bott said.

Bott said he was concerned with the universites' budgetary function. University policy because UMO needs funding in the future. "The change in the state alcohol law has led to changes in campus life," Bott said. "These changes have been positive, but the university has not done enough to ensure that students are safe." Bott would also like to see the creation of more jobs in Maine by allowing Maine to keep the unique beauty of Maine's poultry, potato and dairy products.

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Maine people like the university system

by Marshall Murphy
Staff Writer

A majority of year-round Maine citizens have a favorable impression of the education process at UMO.

A survey was conducted by the Social Science Research Institute of the University of Maine to find the average Maine citizen's opinion of the University of Maine system.

Close to 500 Maine citizens were chosen at random to answer a total of 57 questions dealing with everything from how aware people are of the University of Maine to the educational and disciplinary policies at the university.

Ninety-three percent of the people polled felt that education should be offered to all those who wanted it. Three percent of the people felt that education should not be offered to all those who wanted it, and three percent were not sure about the question.

In actuality, a somewhat smaller percent of the people polled felt that UMO was actually trying to offer education to all students. Sixty-six percent felt that UMO was offering education to all students who wanted it and 80 percent felt that UMO was not trying hard enough to offer education. Twenty-three percent of the people polled did not know if UMO was trying or not, and three percent were undecided.

The types of education that were most familiar to Maine citizens ranged from agricultural research to social science programs. Agricultural research and forest management were the sections of UMO that Maine people knew the most about. The University of Maine operates several experimental farms in Maine that research apples, blueberries and potatoes. UMO's forestry program offers forestry, forestry management, and forest engineering courses to students.

Consumer information programs, the cooperative extension service, and continuing education programs were also well known to the people polled. After the survey questions were answered, 63 percent of the people interviewed felt a student received a "good" education while at UMO. When asked from what media source they learned the most information about UMO, 42 percent of the people said that newspapers were the most important source of information about UMO.

Maine people like the university system

Staff Writer

By Mary Ellen
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Lowtown

12 a.m. Focus on Women: "Women and Religion." No. Banor Lounge, Union.


3 p.m. Student Success Series. Cote Lounge, Union.

3 p.m. Poetry Hour. Terry Plunkett and Mark Melnicove. Sutton Lounge, Union.

7 and 9 p.m. IDB movie "They call me Mr. Tibbs." 130 Little.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

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— Off Campus President and Vice President

— Filler Senate Seats

Referendum Question: on Executive Budgetary Committee

On Campus & BCC Students: Vote at Lunch or dinner in the Cafeterias

Off Campus, Fraternities and Graduate Students: Vote from 8 to 5 in the Union

Please Support Your Student Government

- Take Time To Vote

Front page photo by Ellen York
Students speak out on senate elections

By Mary Ellen Matava
Staff Writer

The student government presidential election is today and students seem to
know who the candidates are and are planning on voting. Most feel that
student government plays an important role in their lives as UMO students.

Leona Coulombe, a senior public management major, said she will vote
in tomorrow's election. She said she
feels student government directly affects the students of UMO.

"Student government has a direct impact in the allocation of student
activity fees, and on student functions that occur throughout the year," she
said.

"Student government should function to pull faculty, students and
administration together, to get more students involved and interested on
campus."

Gary Sukeforth, a junior agricultural resource economics major,
said "I read the paper and know the candidates running for student
government president and vice-

"I live off-campus, so the Off-
Campus Board of student government
has a great impact on me."

Jeff Guiou, a sophomore business

Susan Nering, a junior
education/child development major,
said she has read literature from the
candidates, but hasn't seen many of
them. "After reading the hand-outs, I
don't know who would be the better
candidate," she said. "A debate
would have been good, because I
haven't seen half the candidates."

Nering said getting involved with an
organization such as student
government is important for students.
"It's an excellent experience for
anyone to get involved in student
government," she said.

The presidential candidates in
today's election are Michelle McLain,
Phil Pancoast, and Jeff Mills. Write-
in candidate is Reza Kashkooli.

The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to
4 p.m. in the Memorial Union and
during lunch and dinner hours in each
of the five dining commons.

Leona Coulombe

Gary Sukeforth

Susan Nering

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ATTENTION
STUDENT
CREDIT UNION
MEMBERS

Annual meeting will be held
March 2, Tuesday at 7:00 pm.
in 110 Little Hall.

Nominations for new officers
will be taken.

Each member is entitled to vote

This is your meeting!
We would appreciate
your attendance
Opinion

It's Pancoast

When voting today for student government president and vice president, students should keep in mind Phil Pancoast and Tom Blodgett. The two are the best "team" of all candidates for the two top positions of student government. Their primary experience lies in working with each other. Pancoast, the presidential candidate, and Blodgett, the vice presidential candidate, run a company called Campus Promotions International. Together they work on fundraising projects and come up with promotional ideas for groups on campus. This includes t-shirts, buttons, and frisbee orders, as well as advertising contracts for organizations on campus.

In addition, the pair were Residential Assistants together in Oak Hall for one and a half years. Although the two are not as experienced as some of the other candidates on the ticket, they feel their experiences are appropriate for the jobs they must perform in student government.

Blodgett is more experienced in student government than Pancoast, serving as a senator for one year. He is running for vice president because he is more able to perform duties of the office, which he cares of legislative matters. Pancoast is more able to perform duties of the office, which he feels the EBC limits the democratic process because of its seven members, only three of them represent more than 100 students.

Pancoast and Blodgett have thought their positions out well and have taken a firm stand on many issues. Therefore, they are the best bet in today's elections.

Remember, when voting today, go with the team. Go with Phil Pancoast and Tom Blodgett.

K.M.

Outside In

SUSAN ALLSOP

Belly-grams for rent

Maybe you've had the opportunity to have one of the belly-dancers' entrance produced screams, cheers and lots of laughs for those who happened to be around. Curious of these well-conditioned bodies were employed, I looked through the phonebook first and what else, "belly-dancing." But after no success I switched to "dancers" and found a long list of respectable dance company names. Among this list was a company called, "The Oasis." Remembering my high school vocabulary quizzes, I remembered that an oasis has something to do with welcome refreshments or relief.

I figured that's got to be the one. So I called The Oasis to get some details on these belly-dancers. "Hello, is this the place that had belly-dancers for rent?"

Somewhat it didn't sound so good, but the lady was quite nice, regardless.

She told of how the troupe specializes in middle-eastern folk and belly-dancing, in which she instructs her students. "Aloria", her dancing name, said the belly-dancers are available for all occasions at $17.50. This includes three to five minutes of entertainment with music and exotic clothing.

The service has been available since March she said and started as a celebration for the first year of the company.

Aloria said the benefits of belly-dancing include stress control, strengthening of the back, excellent body conditioning and most of all, "it feels so darn good."

The dance troupe also performs for nursing homes and hospitals. Aloria was on her way to a nursing home in Houlton the afternoon I called.

Learning belly-dancing is not easy and takes about six months to a year to master for public display. And professional belly-dancing takes three to five years to master.

But the fact that belly-grams are gaining popularity in the area was no surprise to me. It sure draws more attention than the traditional birthday cake.
**Response**

**Budgetary Committee must continue**

To the editor:

As the incumbent senator from Hancock Hall, I have a keen interest in the presidential and senatorial elections on Wednesday. I have served in the General Student Senate since last September and have become very familiar with the functions and operations of UMO student government. It is with this background in mind that I must cease to consider any candidate who favors the abolition of the Executive Budgetary Committee (EBC). I have witnessed first-hand the efficiency and fairness that the EBC has brought to the budgetary process. Its decisions have been just, its operation organized, its purpose clear. This is especially true of the EBC because of the campaign rhetoric.

Therefore, I must endorse those candidates who support the continued function of the EBC, and its permanent addition to the student government constitution.

I endorse Jeff Mills for President, John Lindsay for Vice-President and Steve Tompkins as a Hancock Hall senator.

I not only support these candidates because of their stand on the EBC, but also their desire to develop a realistic, workable Activity Pass. Finally, I know each candidate personally and have the utmost confidence in their leadership abilities. All three are capable, bright, and friendly people who will serve you well. I urge you to take the time to vote for them on Wednesday.

Ken Golter

**Candidate favors a strong constitutional student government**

To the editor:

As candidates for President and Vice-President of student government in tomorrow's election there is an issue that the Student Representative Ticket feels has not been properly exposed by the Campus. I refer to the issue of the Executive Budgetary Committee and the referendum which will make it a part of the Student Government Constitution.

As the referendum reads, it can only be said to take authority from the hands of the cabinet and place it at the EBC's disposal. At first glance this may appear to streamline the budgeting process. Under careful consideration, however, this amendment would actually reduce the representation of numerous factions of the student body.

The proposed membership of the EBC would consist of President and Vice-President of the EBC would consist of the Student Government, the Vice-President of Student Affairs, one treasurer of Student Government, and three members from the General Student Senate. While this is clearly an impressive list, as a proponent of a representative government for this University, I must protest the lack of representation this bill contains.

Under the proposal, cabinet members responsible for implementing such groups as the Intermediary Board, the Off Campus Student Board, the University of Maine Fraternity Board, the Panhellinic League, Bangor Community College, Student Entertainment and Activities, and the Student Legal Services Board would no longer have initial input into the budgetary process.

The ramifications of this change are numerous. Initially, a budget in the area of $250,000, generated through a form of taxation labeled the Student Activity Fee, would be prepared by seven individuals only two of which must directly represent more than 150 students. When this is compared with the direct representation inherent in the cabinet (ie. IDB-6,000 students, OCS-6,000 students, UMFB-600 students, Pan Hel-500 students etc.) one can clearly see the loss of representation with the passage of the EBC.

Now, suppose you were to argue that the EBC was not meant to be a representative committee but an administrative committee. This is clearly not the case when you consider the notion of the three student senators on the committee.

In addition, the loss of representation in the preparation of the budget would promote a dramatic increase in the already chaotic budgetary disputes on the floor of the Senate.

The irony involved in this particular consequence is apparent if you trace the history of the Executive Budgetary Committee. The EBC originated several years ago in the form of a committee labeled the Treasurer's Council.

The Treasurer's Council was comprised of the treasurers from each Student Government organization. The sole purpose of the council was to allow the students of UMO to see the actual budgetary process. The council's responsibility to select among the candidates the team that can best represent and lead you, the students of UMO. Based on their past experience, credibility, and commitment to this University, I strongly encourage you to vote for the Mills-Lindsay ticket. A team of experienced, willing to work for you and for student government.

Pam Turgeon

**I strongly urge all students to exercise their right to vote...**

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Tom Budgett

**Vice-Presidential Candidate**

The Student Representative Ticket

**Treasurer**

The Student Representative Ticket

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Music and security not consistent

To the editor:

I have a few things to say about the latest SEA concert. Most of them are complaints, although I did have an excellent time. I think the concert committee has done a great job. They may come under some scrutiny because of some of their decisions, but they have put on a good show. I have a few complaints.

I didn't know that until I recognized the drummer. They were excellent if you could tolerate the sexual displays. The drummer, bass and keyboardist from Hall and the Doctor played with Chuck Berry for the main act. Chuck is a rock legend. He is rock and roll history. He never played with those other guys though. That's his style. Drop in late at this show, play a loose jam with a good local band for a short show, no encore. His style is the same, blues in E or blue in A, so they're supposed to catch on by the time they get to Johnny B. Goode. There are tighter jams in my living room.

If anyone got their moneys worth, it was Chuck Berry. He was paid $13,500 for his 62 minute performance. Most of us will be lucky to earn that in a year. The bass, keyboard and drummer each got $100 for playing, nuclear power Hall and the Doctor got $1,250 as an even cost about $20,000 total. That's not unreasonable for a good concert.

Personally, I urge the student senate to fund extra money to SEA for this concert. Chuck Berry was a rock 'n roll great now he is a rock 'n roll legend. I guess he should be well paid; and we can't expect a three hour concert from a man of 32 years.

Fortunately, the crowd was well behaved. It was a really diverse group, from young people who barely knew who he was to chronics who've seen him all along. I spoke to one gentleman who last saw Chuck in 1956. He must have been prime, then.

The security was excellent. With 50 security marshals and 12 cops, there was almost no smoking or drinking. As a security crew leader, I had the routine responsibilities of keeping people out of restricted areas, and stopping people from smoking on the main floor. Quite a bit of talk was switched against. I overlooked the Channel Seven camera crew up to the front for some good shots. I found myself on full time chair duty, and gave "security escort" to people in need, for whatever reason. My most interesting task was organizing a raised platform for handicapped people in wheelchairs. Getting them through the crowd, and onto the platform was challenging, rewarding, I'd like to thank my excellent security crew for sticking by there posts all night, reliably.

To Mark Ratte, Shane, Dave, and Eric Dunder - thanks for a job well done!

Robbo Holleran

Support free elections in El Salvador

To the editor:

I know the Maine Campus is not interested in the truth about El Salvador, but I feel obligated anyway to relate to you the facts about that nation, as reported in Newsweek magazine.

The current Duarte Christian Democratic (CD) government has set up a free, one-man-one-vote election, complete with observers-monitors from Japan, Egypt, and several Latin American nations to ensure a fair election. The current Duarte government has also begun the process of reform in that war torn nation, despite assaults from both the right and the left. Big landowners have only one vote, but the 3,000 poor who used to work on his land now own it and have 3,000 votes. How much freedom will these elections be? Perhaps one indication comes from the leftist reactions to the proposed elections. They have threatened candidates with "death sentences" and have hung posters all over the country declaring "Those who vote, we will kill," and other peasants have been warned that if the guerrillas find ink from a voting stamp on one of their fingers, the finger will be cut off.

Meanwhile, on the right, the ruling government is under attack, for its policies of land reform and strikes against human rights. What one seems to understand is that the extremely delicate position this government is in, no matter what it does, actions come from all sides. And as for those who say the guerrillas are fighting for the people, or that the people are not with them, the figures speak for themselves. According to a recent poll by the central elections commission, 27 percent favor the ruling party, 23 percent and seven percent support two right-wing parties, and only five percent support the left-of-center candidate on the ballot.

The rest were undecided. The people of El Salvador do not want a leftist government, which the guerrillas are fighting for. Why does everyone seem to think the guerrillas are fighting a liberation war for the people? They are fighting their own war and are able to do this only because of Cuban and Soviet support. People may support their call for land reform, but at least as many others favor the right wing parties which want nothing to do with reform. El Salvador's best hopes lie with the current leftist government. Reform is a long painful process which must be carefully planned and executed with cooperation from all sides. The current government deserves all the help and support we can give.

The leftists don't want compromise, they don't want a democratic society, they don't give any more of a damn about human rights than do the right wing extremists of El Salvador, or the Communists in Poland. They see an opportunity for power in a factionalized, strike-ridden nation, and the Soviets supply them with their weapons. It is a typical pattern, 3,000 guerrillas try to scare a nation of two million into submission, seize power, and the Soviets move in.

It is essential not to be misled by the gross misinterpretation of the circumstances in El Salvador. I feel it is crucial to preserve the current government there, which is their own alternative to a total loss of freedom and human rights which would occur under a government of either the right or the left.

Charron said there is a clear concept of what is being done, and is pursuing the only reasonable course of action to prevent widespread Soviet influence right at our own doorstep.

Steve Ne slowdown

Old Town
World News

Cars explode in Beirut, 12 die

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - Two cars packed with TNT exploded minutes apart in a seafront bazaar in Modern West Beirut Tuesday, killing 12 people and wounding 49, including schoolchildren, police sources said.

Witnesses said the first bomb detonated at 1:20 p.m. when the marketplace overlooking the Mediterranean in the Raouche district was jammed with traffic and shoppers.

Rescuers and others who rushed to the scene of the first bombing were caught by the second explosion six minutes later. The blasts flattened shops and shattered windows up to five blocks away. It was feared some survivors had been trapped under the flaming debris.

State television said a heretofore unknown group called the "Holy Struggle" claimed responsibility. But a Western news agency received a call saying "The Front for the Liberation of Lebanon from Foreigners" took responsibility.

The Front claimed responsibility for a number of bombings last year against Palestinian targets and against the Syrian army, which has some 22,000 troops in Lebanon policing the armistice that ended the 1975-76 civil war.

Some of the wounded were children on their way home from school. One little boy had his bloodied right arm wrapped in a scarf. His light blue smock, the uniform of Lebanese schoolchildren, was torn and smeared with blood.

Quebec leader resigns

QUEBEC (AP) - The leader of the governing party in the Quebec National Assembly resigned Tuesday after admitting he walked out of a department store with a $120 tweed jacket and that he faces a shoplifting charge.

Claude Charron, 35, also resigned as minister for parliamentary affairs but said he will remain a deputy for his district, "at least until I see if I can gain the pardon of my colleagues and the people in my district."

Charron's annual salary as a Parti Quebecois deputy is about $35,000. He received an additional $30,500 as a cabinet minister and a tax-free allowance of $7,500.

In a letter to Quebec Premier Rene Levesque that was distributed to reporters, Charron said the Jan. 30 jacket incident, in which he "forgot to declare" a coat he "had on his back" as he left the store, "was an enormous stupidity."

"This absurd action sullies my reputation and I want to assure you that in the exercise of the responsibilities you have given me in the last five years, never has a shadow of dishonesty or personal profit affected my decision," he wrote.

Charron told reporters he chose two tweed coats at the department store if he will plead guilty to the charge.

"I have not demanded his resignation. "

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News Briefs

BOSTON (AP) - A bill hiking the drinking age to 21 and another requiring liquor dealers to buy their stock from Massachusetts distributors were sidetracked by a legislative committee Tuesday.

The Government Regulations Committee, following a hearing, also voted to recommend passage of a proposed constitutional amendment allowing communities to ban nude dancing at bars.

WASHINGTON (AP) - The replacements for air traffic controllers who were fired after staging an illegal strike Aug. 3 will be as well qualified as the dismissed employees but not as versatile, a top federal safety official told a congressional panel Tuesday.

MEDFORD Mass. (AP) - If Curtis Baker has his way, phones in congressional offices will be busy one day next month as students from around the country call to express their displeasure with plans to cut student loan programs.

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Male, female goals differ, freshmen survey shows

by Carol Anderson
Staff Writer

Male freshmen students at UMO are concerned with future career and financial well-being while females are more interested in gaining a general education, an appreciation of ideas and meeting new and interesting people.

These were a few of the results of last year’s freshmen survey, according to Dr. C. Thomas Skaggs, director of Testing and Research. His office in Fernald Hall acts as a service unit for other departments on campus, which use the information to improve their programs.

Although a majority of freshmen are attending college to get a good job, the questionnaire revealed intellectual and personal growth was more important for females than males. Asked who they chose UMO, 44 percent said the good reputation of the university was an important reason for their decision.

The survey data was sent to the admissions office which does recruiting at the high schools. Depending on their interests, prospective UMO students can learn about the current student body at UMO, the university’s role in career preparation or salary data on recent graduates.

"UMO has a responsibility to adequately describe itself to potential students," Dr. Skaggs said, "to establish a ‘good fit’ between what the university offers and what a student wants to get from his education."

Candidates optimistic

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cooperation and communication in her presidential bid.

"I know I keep saying cooperation and communication, but that’s what we want. We want to be responsible to individuals by cooperating and communicating to let them know how they can get involved in student government," she said. "And we want them to start getting involved first semester freshman year to establish a base for continuity in government.

"We also want students to feel comfortable to come to the student government office to voice their concerns," she added. "We want to take care of any problems before they happen."

Mclain also said she urged everyone to vote in today’s election. "If you don’t vote, you’re allowing someone else to make the decision of who the new president will be for you," she said, "and in 11 months, I don’t want people to regret their decisions."

Jeff Mills and Jon Lindsay round out the list of candidates with their names on the ballot. Mills and Lindsay, who have been involved in student government for three and two years respectively, say they have the experience necessary to run a responsible government.

Mills said the two also have come up with a system for keeping in contact with the students, which fulfills their campaign promise of a more responsible government.

"We plan to visit each dorm on a rotating schedule to let the students tell us how they feel," Mills said. "We will go to them, where they feel at home."

"Also, we plan to work closely with the Off-Campus Board to get the Tenant’s Union off the ground. We feel this is important to off-campus students," he said.

Kashkooli and his running mate, Teresa Bridges, are running even though their names will not appear on the ballot. Kashkooli said he feels his chances are pretty good, but would be even better if they had decided to run early enough to get their names on the ballot.

Kashkooli said he decided to run because he didn’t want to sit back and complain about student government. "Student government should evaluate the different needs of students and do things to serve the community as a whole," he said. "I wanted to get involved in government and take it into improving it."

Kashkooli and the pair is running on a "no-platform" platform. I’ve talked with different people and asked them what they think about EBC and they don’t even know what it is," he said. "There has to be a better way for people to get more information on what student government is doing."

All the candidates said they urge everyone to vote, and they expect the turnout to be larger than in past years, mainly because of the number of candidates and the choices they represent.

Meeting for Potential Majors in Communication Disorders

Wednesday Feb. 24 7:00-8:30 pm
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Correction

In Monday’s edition of the Maine Campus, it was incorrectly reported that Mathew Smith was arrested. In fact, Smith was summoned to police.

The Campus regrets the error.
Clayton Dodge
Solving life's problems
by Mitzie A. Kingsbury
Staff Writer
The subject of mathematics may be a game to some and a dreaded course to others, but to Clayton Dodge it is a career.

Dodge, a mathematics professor, has devoted his time to "solving real life problems in ways that people say they can't be solved." He began working for the university nearly 26 years ago.

Dodge received his bachelor's degree at UMO in 1956, after having transferred from Harvard his freshman year. After receiving his B.A., he tried teaching high school math for awhile, but found the work unsatisfying due to lack of student interest.

Dodge then decided to return to the Orono campus where he began teaching calculus and engineering courses while working towards his master's degree which he received in 1959. A man of many talents, Dodge has written five books on various topics in mathematics and has acted in the play H.M.S. Pinafore at UMO.

"I do mathematics because I really enjoy mathematics, and I am going to like it no matter what the circumstances," Dodge said.

He said he will do anything to motivate his students; even if it means telling a joke or two to wake them up in the morning.

Dodge blames the 1970s for students being ill-prepared for college.

Dodge added that he also would like to see more things being done for the gifted children of the world.

It looks like Dodge will be staying around at UMO a little while longer. "I've tried it for 25 years, and I figure I'll try it another 25 years, and then if I like it, maybe I'll stay," he said.

Onward program helps promote higher education
by Sherree Dibendris
Staff Writer
Since 1970, the Onward Program has been an active part of the Orono campus. It began as a development of the civil rights movements of the 1960's.

The program is for people aged 17 or older who could not continue education at the higher levels due to "their educational and socio-economic backgrounds." It is open to all minority students and the physically disabled.

Jerry Herlihy started the program as its director in 1970. The program began with 15 freshmen and its quota has since grown to 60. The program watches over its students for the first two semesters. Occasionally, the first three semesters are necessary.

Currently there are 73 Onward students. Forty-two are freshmen and the rest are third semester members. All of these students receive tutorial and counseling services.

The tutorial services offered, Herlihy said, will soon be the best in the country, due to their intensive research on tutoring. Some students are in the Onward's English program which is similar to College Composition (EH1). The students take the same proficiency exam required of all EH 1 students. Herlihy said there is a higher percentage of Onward students passing the proficiency than normal EH 1 students.

Onward also has a special program for American Indian students. They have a special advisor, also an American Indian. Herlihy said he feels the bond created between the students and this advisor makes facing their problems easier to cope with.

Herlihy said he uses almost no publicity for his program. High school guidance counselors around the state are aware of this program. Social service workers also advise potential college students of it. The closest thing to publicity he has is a former Onward student traveling to different high schools around the state giving talks on the Onward Program.

Financially, Onward has not been hurt much by the Reagan budget cuts, since it is a University of Maine program. The financial problems it faces are mostly due to inflation. One big cut in the program will be the absence of its summer program. In the past, students came for a few months in the summer before the regular school year to catch up on some of the basic requirements in English, math and science. It does not have the funds to run the summer program this year.

Onward has some private contributors. Herlihy said a retired naval captain sends his monthly $100 social security payment to the program. Other private donors have been political figures, including Edmund Muskie, former Maine senator and U.S. Secretary of State.

Herlihy gave an example of two different students who went through the program. Both had black outlooks for college careers. One is now heading to Canada on a Canadian Fulbright program and the University's Honors Program. The other may soon be heading to the University of New Brunswick into its Forestry Engineering division.

"The best thing about this program is it works," Herlihy said.
Around the rim

Father Skip's traveling medicine show
Ernie Clark

The 1981-82 regular basketball season ends for the Maine Black Bears this weekend, and where else should it end but that winter wonderland called Buffalo, N.Y.

One of Coach Skip Chappelle's biggest fears at the beginning of the season was that a post-season tournament appearance might hinge on these back-to-back (Thursday and Saturday) games against Canisius and Niagara. The only other such excursion in the continental United States is in Alaska, a city where there are no roads.

And, in the tradition of this topsy-turvy basketball season, Chappelle's prophecy has borne out, although a New Hampshire loss at Colgate Saturday would likely erase all fears of an ECAC-North tournament without the Black Bears.

Many have said that nothing in college basketball is worse than playing back-to-back games on the road, especially on the same trip. Most programs would rather host a Division II or III school than face two Division I foes on the road during the same trip.

But for these nomadic Black Bears, the opposite is quite true. This weekend's trip to upstate New York marks the seventh time this season they have played two games on the same trip, by far the most such excursions of any member institution in the ECAC-North. (New Hampshire has five such trips, while the other seven schools average about three doubleheader road trips this season.)

Perhaps the most revealing statistic about this abhorrence of doubleheader road trips by ECAC-North members other than Maine and UNH is reflected in the Black Bears' 1-11 mark this season in games played under these conditions.

A further look at the ECAC-North master schedule reveals that the top five teams in the conference race. (Northeastern, Canisius, Boston University, Niagara and Holy Cross) rank 1-5 in most home games on their schedules, ranging from 16 to 17. Maine ranks last in this regard with seven home dates (five at the Bangor Auditorium, while UNH ranks second with seven games on the Durham campus. Oh, for a bit of that home court edge.

Surely, Murphy's law has guided Chappelle and the Black Bears this season, from the transfers of Rick Carlisle and Champ Godbolt to the injuries to Jeff Cross and Clay Gunn. But, even given the fantasies that these events did not occur, the schedule would still have been so arduous that even Merlin the Magnificent would have been hard pressed to overcome.

Somehow, a playoff spot seems out of character with all that has surrounded the Black Bear camp this season, and that remains the decision of a four-man ECAC-North panel who will meet by telephone Sunday. But, given what transpired in the last week, a Maine playoff appearance would make even Houdini proud.

Cathis Shimko, a sophomore from Auburn, has been chosen for her winning efforts in the Maine Intercollegiate Raquelball Championships held in Sanford this past weekend. Cathy also turned in a victory in the doubles competition. She will receive a Budweiser jacket for her efforts.

Congratulations, Cathy, this Bud's for you!