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Student senate votes to repeal amendment

By Peter Gore
Staff writer

The General Student Senate voted Tuesday night to repeal an amendment that would have denied the student government funding for the upcoming calendar year.

The repealed amendment had originally been passed last year. According to Student Government President Jeff Mills, its purpose was to prevent the student government and various clubs, boards and organizations from going over their allotted budgets.

If a board or organization went over its budget, it was automatically placed on probation and denied funding the following year.

"This way we cannot yet fund for the student government for next year, SEA cannot get funded," said Mills.

Mills said that last year the student government had no sure way of knowing the expenditures of the individual boards and clubs. Consequently, some of these groups unknowingly overspent their budgets.

"All we had was a mass of paper," said Mills.

According to Mills, the student government this year hired an outside accounting firm to keep track of the budget.

With the help of the accounting firm, the student senate now has a running financial statement every three months on the student government and the individual organizations and boards.

Mills said that because of the lack of budgetary information to the organizations, it was not fair to deny them funding.

"It's not the clubs fault that they overspent, it may be the Senate's fault," said Mills.

It is Mill's opinion that the new computer, allocated at last Tuesday's meeting, along with the quarterly budget statements, will help the student government and all of UMO's various organizations to keep within their budgets.

"It's about time we had something like this," said Mills.

In other action taken by the Senate, the travel rate for university vehicles was changed. Instead of charging 8 cents per vehicle, groups will now be charged 2 cents per person in a vehicle per mile.

Senator Todd Ehrlich said the change in law would benefit sports teams and clubs when traveling.

The Senate also gave preliminary approval to form an African Students Association here at UMO.

Speaking for the group, Ansong S. Omari cited a lack of cultural awareness on campus between African and American students. He said it was the purpose of this group to promote this awareness for both to benefit.

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Citizens' group protests El Salvador military aid

By Joe Ledo
Staff Writer

A group of area residents opposed to U.S. military aid to Central America called a press conference in Bangor Tuesday to "express outrage at the recent certification by the Reagan administration of human rights progress in El Salvador." The certification was approved Friday.

Congress requires certification before supplying military aid to El Salvador.

Eileen Keremitsis, a spokeswoman for the Bangor Area Central America Solidarity Committee and an assistant professor of history at UMO, said human rights are not improving in El Salvador.

"About 400 civilians are killed each month. No one from the military has been convicted for civilian murders that total about 35,000-40,000 in the last three years," she said.

El Salvador, which is about the size of Massachusetts, has been in a state of civil war since 1979 when a military coup overthrew the government.

The United States supports the right-wing government in El Salvador with economic and military aid. The United States, which gave El Salvador \$82 million in military aid last year, has been training Salvadoran soldiers in the United States and has about 30 military advisers there.

"As a group, we have no problems with economic aid to El Salvador," Keremitsis said.

The United States says the Salvadoran conflict is an example of Soviet and Cuban infiltration into the Western Hemisphere.

Former Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig said last year the United States would do what was necessary to prevent the overthrow of the Salvadoran junta. He said the guerrillas in El Salvador were backed by Cuba, Nicaragua and the Soviet Union.

When asked if El Salvador and neighboring countries might go communist if U.S. military aid were withdrawn, Keremitsis said it was not for the United States to determine what government should exist there.

"El Salvador is a sovereign nation. They should determine their government as they see fit. My own reading is that El Salvador wouldn't go communist," she said.

Keremitsis said in December 1981, Congress passed legislation linking continued military aid to El Salvador for improvement in the following four areas: Salvadoran government control over government control over the armed forces; respect for human rights; economic reforms, especially agrarian reform; and "good faith" effort by Salvadoran government in seeking a political solution to civil war.

She said there have not been any significant improvements in any of the four areas and Reagan's certification "flies in the face of the legislation."

Keremitsis, along with several other UMO teachers, are members of BACASC. The group took out an ad in the Bangor Daily News Saturday asking for an end to U.S. military aid to El Salvador and a negotiated settlement to the conflict. More than 450 area residents signed and financially supported the ad.



Maryalice Crofton, executive director of the Downeast chapter of Big Brothers/Big Sisters. (Lamb photo).

Campus volunteers spark Big Brothers/Sisters

By Tim Rice
Staff Writer

You remember them. The children with swollen bellies and matchstick limbs; sprawled, starving, waiting... You remember the grotesque pictures.

But picture this. Countless children all around you dying a little death each day from a different kind of hunger. The burning need for friendship.

Eighty years ago, a 23-year-old Cincinnati businessman saw a young boy scavenging in a garbage can. The unlikely friendship that developed had enough impact to launch what has evolved into the fastest growing youth-service organization in the United States today—Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America.

The Downeast chapter, (formerly part of the Maine Student Action Corps and sponsored by UMO's student government) is the second largest of the state's six branch affiliates. Sixteen of the 52 Big/Little matches are students, but the agency is more concerned with the quality of those relationships than the quantity.

The cost of maintaining a match is about \$600. Downeast receives half of its funding from the United Way and another half from donations and fundraisers, said the Chapter's executive director, Maryalice Crofton.

"We're not trying to provide fairy godparents who come in, spend a lot of money on the kid, have a good time, then leave."

"Our object is to develop a real friendship between the big and little, and that usually takes from six to eight months."

Crofton said many of the children in the program are not very trusting of adults, possibly because one parent is absent or the child is never able to see the parent again.

Although Crofton said Downeast is certainly not discouraging student participation in the program as volunteers, she admits the agency is not depending on them as much.

"Students' track record shows their lives are pretty changeable," Crofton said. "Youngsters need consistency. Anyone who wants to volunteer should

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think two or three times before applying.

Crofton said one of the hardest things for her is the end-of-the-summer call from a Little asking whether or not the Big will be returning to school.

"Between Christmas, spring, summer and other breaks, students are



Maggie Moran

gone close to six months out of the year. You may have all the good intentions in the world, but maybe it would be more practical to hold on to those good intentions until your life is more manageable," Crofton said.

Crofton is someone who knows how to manage her time. The 29-year-old Connecticut native works 9 a.m.-8 p.m. every week day and three weekends a month at the agency, while doing her graduate work in counseling.

Her job at Big Brothers/Big Sisters is a combination of running the agency, recruiting volunteers, conducting orientations, fund raising and public relations and following up on all matches.

She said that although many of the 7-to-17-year-old youngsters in the program do come from single-parent homes with little or no contact with the outside parent, some of those children don't need the program.

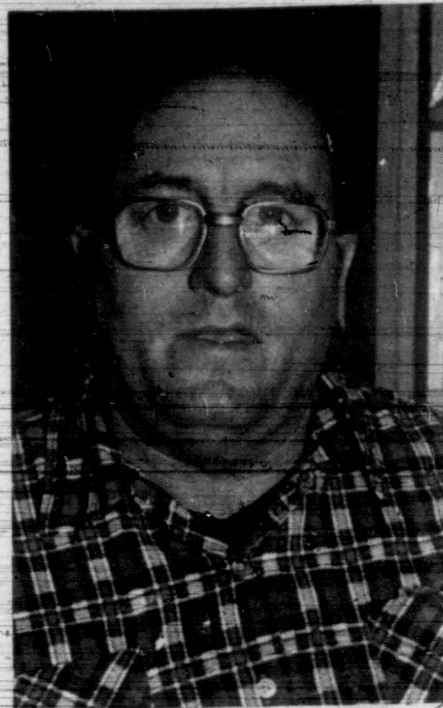
Crofton said sometimes a single mother will hesitate to bring her daughter in the program even though she may not be able to spend time with the daughter.

"We understand," Crofton said. "We're not going to make a judgment if a mother says her daughter needs a Big Sister."

"Some kids already have the kind of friendship a volunteer would provide. A lot of times we'll look at a household and say, 'you're doing a real good job' to the single parent."

But in other cases, Crofton said, even where there are two parents, one frequently isn't able to be in the role of father or mother due to a handicap or illness.

The minimum time commitment for



Cliff Miller (Lamb photos)

a Big is four hours a week per school year for students.

"If you enjoy being with a youngster, feel you could give a child some of the attention and guidance they don't receive at home; if you feel you could be their friend and share some one-on-one time with them, and truly feel you can keep in touch, then come on in," Crofton said.

But Jamie Cough of Delta Upsilon thinks the commitment isn't as difficult as it sounds, once involved.

"There's so much dead time for a lot of students up here. There's not as much interest (in the program) as there could be," he said.

Cough was in charge of a Christmas party his fraternity and the Phi Mu sorority put on for unmatched Littles in the program.

"It's kind of depressing," Cough said, "not to see more people from campus getting involved. You look at them and can tell they really want the Big Brothers. They don't get all the attention they need."

Cough said DU is considering "doing something for the kids for Easter, like an egg hunt." They plan on making the Christmas party an annual event. "The guys in the house really got into it."

"There will be some returns," Crofton said. "Many of the youngsters are very affectionate, likable kids. You can get a lot out of it."

Cliff Miller agrees.

"I get as much, if not more, out of it than these kids do," said Miller, UMO's 47-year old assistant grounds supervisor. During his three years in the organization, he's been a Big Brother to three boys and still sees two of them regularly.

"They look upon you not as a brother, but as a father," Miller said. "Sometimes I'll find them doing things just like I do. At that age you can leave an impression on them either way. They'll eventually lean toward you after they trust you. But if you let them down, they'll be no better off than before they started (in the program)," Miller said.

Miller believes the kids in the program usually don't have much love and thinks that's why some are "already in trouble (with the law)."

"They probably got into trouble in the first place because they thought no one cared," Miller said. "Caring, that's what it's all about."

"Some of their problems are noticeable from the start," Crofton said. "Others are more subtle. We recently had one 7-year-old who threatened to commit suicide. Another youngster was scraping and poking his skin with sharp objects. These kids have shown a marked improvement since being in the program."

Miller said, "If they see you care, they'll trust you faster. Sometimes I'll

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Foreign students link campus to world

By Bob Danielson
Staff Writer

Philine Krans, a student from the Netherlands, came to UMO because her adviser in Holland told her to study in a rich state, since universities in rich states are more likely to offer scholarships. He said the New England states were rich states, so Krans applied to UMO.

The decision to study at UMO was a stab in the dark. Most of what she knew about the university and the state of Maine she read in the course catalog.

"The university seemed to be a good size," Krans said. "Boston seemed to be too large and impersonal. Besides, I wanted to ski."

"I really didn't have enough information to make a reasonable

employees have been sent here."

The company pays Fujiwara's tuition, room and board, and textbook costs. He also receives a salary.

"I really didn't know what to expect," he said. "I knew it was very cold, that's all."

Ruth Barry, assistant dean of student affairs/international student adviser, said the pulp and paper program has attracted many foreign students. "I met one student from Bombay, India at the airport. He came here because his teacher told him that the best pulp and paper program in the world was located at UMO."

In fact, the majority of foreign students are enrolled in a scientific or technical program. Last semester, 66 percent of the foreign students were in math, science or engineering.

Narayanan Akkarachittoor, also from Bombay, India, studies chemical



Yasushi Fujiwara (Lamb photo)

engineering. He applied to several American universities, and UMO accepted him and gave him a good financial aid award.

Before he applied, Akkarachittoor talked with many American students in India who had recommended the region.

"Once I got here, I realized I had made the right decision. The program is very good," he said.

Some foreign students are attracted to Maine by the character of New England. Ded-Shih Huang, a graduate student in chemistry from Taiwan, came to UMO because it was a rural university in a small, New England town.

Manuka Wijesinghe from Sri Lanka came to UMO after studying zoology in Nigeria. "After four to five months of that," she said, "my father realized

that forcing me to study something I didn't want to was a lost cause. I wanted to study theater and dance, and in my country, there aren't any programs for that."

"I have a brother in New York City. I came to Maine because I wanted to be close to him, but not too close. New York is too busy and hectic and I wanted to be independent."

"Back in Sri Lanka, we had an American student live with us from Maine. It sounded like a nice area and so I applied to UMO," Wijesinghe said.

Barry said word-of-mouth is the most common type of advertising in bringing foreign students to UMO. They pay out-of-state tuition and "no recruiting is done at all. Students come here, have a good experience and word travels."



Philine Krans (Lamb photo)

decision. But, I'm here and I like it," she said.

Why have the 122 foreign students at UMO this semester chosen UMO? The reasons are as varied as the students themselves, who come from 36 foreign countries.

For some students, the decision to come here is not theirs to make. Yasushi Fujiwara was sent by the paper company he works for in Japan to study pulp and paper technology.

Fujiwara said, "Fifteen years ago, the executive of the company came to study at UMO, and since then, many

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FRANK HARDING

James Watt: lightning rod

President Reagan sat alone in the Oval Office as the sun rose over Washington one day last week. He was thinking. He had been all night. Things were going wrong at the White House; he was thinking of ways to set them right.

The situation seemed impossible. His staff was divided and leaking stories as fast as they could be fabricated. Congress was ready to fight over the 1984 budget. Who could help him out of this mess?

The president smiled; recalling the happy days when Congressmen responded like marionettes and his staff was united in their hatred of Alexander Haig.

"Ah, Haig," Reagan murmured, "where are you when I need you most?"

A knock on the door brought Reagan out of his reverie. Secretary of the Interior James Watt entered. Obviously shocked to see his employer awake, red-eyed and stammered, at 6:30 a.m., Watt executed a perfect backward double-take.

"Excuse me sir," he finally managed to say. "I heard a voice and I..."

"That's all right Jim. I was just thinking."

"What's the problem, sir?"

"I have to get the press to forget about the dissension within the staff."

"I see. What if another, really big story came along? Any chance of a breakthrough in the Geneva talks?"

"No, we're saving that for the campaign. Anything happening at Interior?"

"Well, I have been thinking about Indian reservations lately. It seems to me they're a good example of failed socialism, you know?"

"Oh, that's good," Reagan said between peals of laughter. "How do you think these things up?"

"They just come to me, late at night. Do you think that'll do it?"

"You never can tell. I think the press suspects you're my point man—the guy that takes all the heat for us."

"So? Even if they are on to me, they can't pass up a good inflammatory statement."

"If that's not enough I could always compare central environmental planning to Nazi Germany."

"Oh, Jim, that's just too much. I love it."

"I do have a knack for this sort of thing, don't I?"

"I'm just worried about the strain on you. Can you deal with being the most hated man in the administration? You don't have to be my lightning rod you know?"

"That's all right sir. I'm here to serve you to the best of my ability. And if things get too hot for me, I'll just tell Ann Gorsuch to start talking about building hazardous waste dumps in our national parks."

Frank Harding is a senior journalism/history major from Maine.

Tenant protection

Picture this: You're sick of living in a dormitory. Though it may be a little higher, you decide the price of freedom will be worth it and you move off-campus.

So you move into an apartment. You sign a contract hurriedly, barely able to wait for the opportunity to be alone. But when you move into the apartment things begin to go wrong.

Returning from Christmas vacation, you find you have no heat. You complain to the landlord. He says he'll rectify the problem as soon as possible but the next day you still don't have heat and the water pipe in the basement breaks after freezing.

Once again, you complain to the landlord and he says he'll get to it. The next day, you leave for school an hour early, sniffling because you've caught cold from sleeping in a room in which you can see your breath, to take a shower at the gym before your first class.

Finally you get sick (literally) and tired of all the excuses you've heard, but you don't know where to turn for help. You could go to the police and tell them you've been leased an uninhabitable apartment, but it would probably take them even longer than your landlord to get something done. You could hire a lawyer and try to fight your landlord but by the time you pay the legal fees, you could have moved into an eight-bedroom house.

But there is another solution—the UMO Tenant's Union.

Since 1970, UMO students have attempted to form a tenants' union to correct and improve conditions for students living off-campus.

However, the union, though well-intentioned, hasn't been able to maintain a sufficient membership to help alleviate some of the more serious problems which arise.

Lately, the problem has been compounded because of the number of students deciding to move off-campus. Though the demand for housing increases the supply remains constant. Any student with a basic economic background can tell you that means rents are going to increase.

The Tenants' Union is holding a membership drive Saturday in hopes of getting more people to support what the union stands for. Unfortunately, many students don't realize until it's too late what a help a tenants' union can be. Student Legal Services can attest to this; they have more cases each semester involving landlord/tenant disputes than any other type of case.

Students currently living off-campus or planning to do so in the near future should consider joining the Tenants' Union for their own protection. It could be an investment which will protect you for the remainder of your stay at UMO.

Nancy L. Storey



BLAVISS 83

Response



Debate today's issues

To the Editor:

How dare you! You stated your opinion as "An open letter to our readers." There was nothing "open" about it! It is one thing to encourage readers to write a response, but in last Friday's issue, you patronized people!

No we don't need the stories about MPAC, AFUM, Gay Jeans Day or the closing of the Cabins to provoke hate letters. Some people are lucky to have the time or energy to read the *Campus*, let alone respond to it. Why not look for something new to write for

people to express opinions on. We, the readers are not stupid.

We have heard about MPAC's funding troubles - EVERYONE is having funding troubles, thanks to our present conservative government. Gay Jeans Day was a steaming issue last year; this year it was more accepted and was already old hat. Rockland Hall was a re-hash of last year's Ellsworth Hall fiasco. The enrollment is dropping. What's Residential Life supposed to do? Spend money the university could use elsewhere?

Yes, we are frustrated with

add-drop, who isn't? Screaming about it will solve nothing. It will still be handled in its usual, awkward fashion. People are still trying to iron out schedules, finances, residential problems and life in general to gear up for another semester.

Don't worry, Nancy Storey, things will change. I'm sure you'll get someone ripped with something printed in your paper. After all, I'm sure I've pissed someone off with this letter. Yours certainly did.

Jesse Hamilton
206 Estabrooke Hall

So who's original?

To the Editor:

In response to Cecil Strange's letter in the *Campus* (1/25/83), yes, there may be a lack of originality on this campus, but the same holds true for the "thrifty-shop shoppers."

The last Alternative Music Night that I attended at the Damn Yankee was full of so-called "punk rockers" decked out in painted shirts, old, torn t-shirts, pins and a wide selection of different-colored pants. So I ask you Cecil, is this not an example of gang mentality of mannequinism? Where is your originality? I didn't see you wearing

designer jeans and L.L. Bean boots at the gala event. Also, if I see one more "Pill" shirt or a pair of cheap blue sneakers, I think I might also puke!

So get with it Cecil! Think for yourself. Be original and remember the words of Pete Townshend:

"They say that nakedness is what our Lord intended. When we stand naked then we appear the same. But it's just faking it if we all try pretending. Are we just making all our prayers in the rain..."

James Wolcott
211 York Hall

Thanks for welcome, not mistakes

To the Editor:

Thank you for the article and picture about me in the first issue of this semester's *Campus*. Being new in town, it's nice to be welcomed and helpful to be introduced. I fear, however, there were two critical errors in the article.

I am not brought here or salaried by the university, which your article implied; an

impossible position for a public institution. Rather, I am placed here by the consortium of main-line Protestant denominations to serve as Protestant campus minister through the Maine Christian Association.

Secondly, while it is true the MCA has not had a full-time chaplain in 12 years, it is not true that UMO has been without full-time ministries to

students. Roman Catholic chaplaincy through the Newman Center has provided full-time staff for years. As their delightful center and open spirit testify, their work in the community has been well established and uninterrupted.

Sincerely yours,
Thomas B. Chittick
Chaplain

Commentary

Irish roots

Jim Counihan

My father never spoke Irish. He never heard the song in the words. Until he was 65, my father never saw the writing of his mother country. No one in my father's youth remembered the words. None could write the script.

When my father wanted to learn about his heritage, there was no one to tell him about it. His father and mother either forgot the old ways or were "encouraged" to let them fade from memory. The few books which were written about Ireland and her culture were written in the language and thoughts of others.

In my father's day the customs were allowed to die. People anglicized their names to make them more palatable to employers and those who sold them the necessities of life. In the race to become

part of the "great melting pot", Irish-Americans nearly lost that which is precious to any people: their heritage.

But today is Jan. 26, 1983, and it's difficult to relate today in Orono, Maine to all those yesterdays in Killarney, Donegal or Tipperary.

It's so easy for Irish-Americans at UMO to remain a shadowy, indistinguishable, yet substantial minority. It's easier to be a once-a-year Irishman or Irishwoman than to emulate our Franco-American, Jewish or gay friends.

It takes time and a certain amount of courage to find your roots. There is a definite commitment involved in learning about your nearly abandoned language. A risk is involved when a man or woman wants to find out more about Derry or

Belfast. It takes nerve to sign up for a literature course just to get some exposure to Joyce, Swift or Yeats.

I wonder about the days, weeks and years ahead. I wonder how many of us will have the courage to begin our discoveries.

My father never spoke Irish. His son can sometimes identify a few words. We have hopes that his grandchildren will do better.

Jim Counihan is a senior journalism major from Hartford, Conn. He sometimes spells his name Seamus O'Cuanacain.

when writing...

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BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



Sports

Wrestler combines the best of two worlds, school and sports

By Bob McPhee
Staff Writer

Everyone is familiar with the old cliché that people who play sports never study.

Well, Tim Hagelin of Dover-Foxcroft is proving that statement doesn't pertain to him. Hagelin, a sophomore and member of the wrestling team, came to UMO with the idea of being a good student first, then being a good wrestler.

"Sure it could be hard, but I budget my time between the two," Hagelin said. "So far everything is working out fine."

The fruits of Hagelin's labor have been sweet, as he has combined a 3.57 GPA in mechanical engineering with a 9-2 record in individual wrestling matches this season.

"The hardest part is being able to separate the two areas," Hagelin said. "It's difficult not to bring wrestling into the classroom or school into wrestling."

Hagelin almost decided that he would not compete on the team this year.

"I thought for sure I wouldn't be able to wrestle because last year I had such a hard time concentrating. But last semester everything came together as now I take my classes in the morning, work on wrestling in the afternoon, study in the evening and still have time to go out with my girlfriend."

As a freshman, Hagelin placed second in the Northern New England and the New England tournament. His high finishes in the tournaments capped off an outstanding year which saw him win 12 of 16 individual matches against schools such as Boston University, the University of New Hampshire and Harvard.

Coach Mark Harriman looks for Hagelin to have another fine year, this time wrestling at the 167-pound weight division (down from 177 as a freshman.)

"Tim is a clutch performer who always comes through in the big meets," Harriman said.

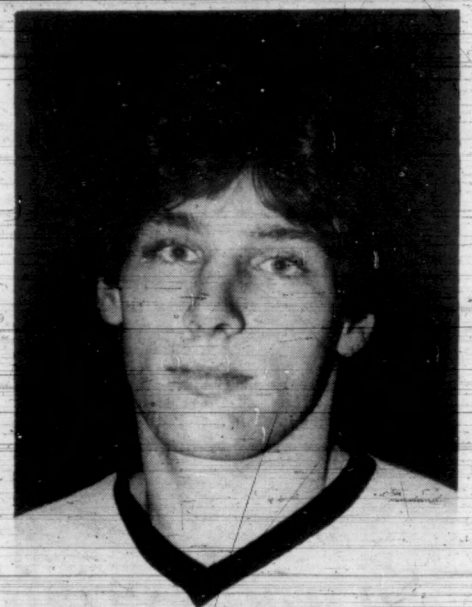
The 1981 graduate of Foxcroft Academy was a three sport letterman. As a senior, he earned All-Little Ten Conference honors in football while placing fourth in the state wrestling

tournament and qualifying for the state track meet in the high jump.

Hagelin came to UMO because of the excellent mechanical engineering program it offers, and because it was close to home. "It was almost an ideal situation," he said.

As for the future, Hagelin is undecided at this point. His choices are attending graduate school out-of-state or finding a job as an engineer.

But for the time being, "I want to be active and have fun, and wrestling gives me a chance," Hagelin said.



Tim Hagelin

Sports Calendar

WEDNESDAY:

Men's basketball at St. Michael's 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY:

Women's basketball hosts UMaine Farmington 7 p.m.

Men's swimming at Temple 4 p.m.

SATURDAY:

Men's basketball at George Mason 1 p.m.

Men's hockey hosts Yale University 7:30 p.m.

Men's swimming at LaSalle TBA

Men's indoor track at Maine Invitational in Lewiston TBA

Wrestling at Maine Invitational at UMPI noon

Rifle team hosts Wentworth 9 a.m.

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Baseball team tunes up for spring season

Familiar face joins workouts

By Bob McPhee
Staff Writer

The UMO baseball team has begun practice in the fieldhouse in preparation for this spring when they invade Mahaney Diamond and attempt to return to the College World Series in Omaha, Neb.

Joining coach John Winkin's crew for workouts is a familiar face to all who watched the CWS on ESPN (the all-sports network) last spring: former captain and second baseman Mark Sutton. The Augusta native is working out with the team until March when he heads south for the Texas Rangers' spring training camp in Plantville, Fla.

This will be Sutton's second season with the Rangers after what Sutton calls a "disappointing" season a year ago, hitting .210 in the Rookie League.

"Down there no one knew who I was or where I came from, so for me it was a big letdown after doing so well in the series," Sutton said.

This spring Sutton is looking to "improve and play more consistently" and move up a step in the organization to Class A ball.

Sutton will be remembered for his big hit in the Stanford game in the CWS. His double scored two runs to lead Maine to an 8-5 win and a third place national finish.

"That hit was a big relief for me because a couple innings earlier I had a grounder go through my legs, letting them score a couple runs," he said. "I don't want people to say UMO lost because of my error."

Sutton was one of four Black Bears drafted from last year's record-breaking team. Shortstop Pete Adams went with the New York Yankees and junior pitcher Joe Johnson was drafted by the Atlanta Braves. Brad Colton was also drafted but decided to play his senior year here.

Sutton believes this year's squad will be ready for any team they play. A big question mark will be up the middle where junior Rob Roy and senior Jeff Paul replace Adams and Sutton, who were excellent last year in turning over the double play.

"It will take some time to shore up the middle, but I'm sure they will," Sutton said.

Wrestlers fall 29-13 to Plymouth State

By Bob McPhee
Staff Writer

The UMO wrestling team fell to a very strong Plymouth State squad, 29-13, at the Pit Monday night. The loss dropped the matmen to 6-5 on the season.

The bright spots for the Black Bears were their victories in four matches. Avid Cullenburg won the 158-pound

division. Tim Hagelin took the 167-pound division, Maynard Pelletier the 177-pound division and Paul Hughes the heavyweight class.

Maine coach Mark Harriman had three words to describe Plymouth State, which sports a 30-9 record: "Pretty good team."

Maine travels to the UMPI Saturday to wrestle in a tri-meet against Bowdoin and the hosts.

Preseason Top 20

The top 20 teams in the nation according to the "Collegiate Baseball" preseason poll:

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| 2. Arizona State University | 12. University of Nebraska |
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| 5. University of Texas | 15. University of Arizona |
| 6. Pepperdine University | 16. University of Michigan |
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go down to the arena at 5:30 in the morning to watch them play hockey. You have to show them."

Some of the activities Miller and his Littles enjoy are bowling, hockey, basketball games or "sometimes just shopping."

It took a while for Miller to win the trust of one of his Littles. But it did come gradually.

"I found a change in him every time I picked him up," he said. "At first I almost had to twist his arm to get him to say anything and then he'd say something with a smile."

Miller said he'll stay in the program as long as he feels he's contributing something.

"It's too bad there aren't more people that would give a little of their time," Miller said. "First you think you're doing it for them, but after a while you'll realize you're the one getting a lot out of it."

Hancock Hall resident director Maggie Moran agrees.

"Originally you go into the program to give a child a little something extra

and you come out gaining a little extra," she said.

Moran, 25, is a graduate student in sociology and has been a Big Sister since she was an undergraduate in New York. She still keeps in touch with her first Little Sister.

Moran admits that although she loves her role as Big Sister, the time involvement is sometimes a problem.

"My Little lives way out in Glenburn (a 20-25 minute drive). It's difficult when transportation takes that long."

"I feel torn sometimes," she said.

"It's difficult for them to understand what an adult's life is like. A lot of people think that the ones who get involved in the program are people who have a lot of free time. That's not true."

Moran said another aspect of the program is the "educational component." She has talked to her Little about hygiene and has taught her to sew.

Charles Moody, an assistant professor of microbiology, came to UMO in September and has been a Big Brother for more than a month.

"I thought it was something I could

do to help somebody directly, instead of just giving money. It offered an opportunity for a personal, one-to-one relationship."

Moody noted the "thorough, extensive interview" he underwent before being accepted into the program.

"Obviously they're very careful to screen the applicants," he said. "It enables them to make better matches."

Moody said the few hours a week he spends in the program haven't been a problem.

"I would encourage people to give it (volunteering) a try," Moody said. "Some day I hope to have children of my own. Maybe this will prepare me for it."

Big Brothers/Big Sisters could not

exist without its behind-the-scenes administrative staff.

Bob Mitchell, UMO's executive director of the Maine council on economic education, is vice president of the board of directors for the Downeast chapter.

"An important function of the board is its direct contact with the community," Mitchell said.

Comprised of about 20 community representatives of varying occupations, the board's job is to oversee program development and the direction of the matches.

"Each match represents a big commitment for the adult and a risk that the relationship will be productive."

"We do need students involved," Mitchell said. "Big Brothers/Big Sisters has its background on campus at UMO and students have always been important to the effort."

On January 13, Rick Schrage of Newburgh was elected president of Downeast Board of Directors. In his third year as a board member, Schrage's new position will include overseeing all the board's operations, with an emphasis on planning.

A Big Brother himself, Schrage thinks his own relationship with the Little has given him insight he might not otherwise have.

"He enables me to see things from his perspective. It's important for adults to remember the world is a very confusing place for a child. The relationship can renew your youthful outlook on life."

Schrage said more and more students are becoming independent which creates greater geographical stability and the more apt students are to stay in the area, even in the summer.

"One of the things the Littles need is consistency and dependency," Schrage said. "We're looking for stable adults that can provide a positive influence on a child."

"Any student who wants to contribute in some way, we have that way," he said.

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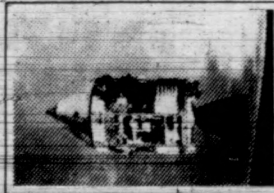
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