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## GSS votes to fund Campus

By Peter Gore  
Staff Writer

The General Student Senate voted Tuesday night to grant the *Maine Campus* \$7,500 in emergency funding. This one-time grant will enable the *Campus* to remain in operation for the semester.

The *Campus* editor, Nancy Storey, told the Senate that the funding problem with the paper was the result of debts remaining from past years, and snowballed into the present situation.

The *Campus* was faced with a shutdown in publication two weeks ago, when the paper could not pay its debts. The paper was rescued when UMO President Paul Silverman appropriated \$10,000 in emergency funding and temporarily delayed \$6,700 in debts to the university.

Silverman's action, and a \$1,000 grant by Russell Wiggins, editor of the *Ellsworth American*, enabled the *Campus* to publish up to March break. An additional \$7,500 was needed to allow the *Campus* to publish for the entire semester.

"We need \$7,500 to finish out the semester in the black," Storey said to the Senate.

Storey told the Senate that it would be more cost effective to fund the *Campus* and enable it to continue its publication this year, than to force it to close and start from scratch next year.

Storey also said that funding changes will take place next year to prevent the *Campus* from experiencing these financial problems. She said seven long range proposals are being considered, including a communications fee is currently being studied by the cabinet and the Governmental Procedures Committee.

*Campus* Business Manager Chris Paradis, speaking to the Senate, said that the funding problem is not new, and past business managers and editors have and will continue to face it unless something is done.

"This passage will clear things up and enable us to go into our long range plans," said Paradis. "If it is not passed then the deficit will carry into next year and our long range plans will not be able to get off the ground."

Various amendments to the resolution, including changing the student government grant to a loan, and the creation of a student government page in the paper were voted down.

The resolution's sponsor, Student Government President Craig Freshley told the Senate that he felt it was important to give the money to the *Campus* as a grant, with no stipulations. (See SENATE page 3)



## Bike path fit for exercise center

By Wayne Rivet  
Staff Writer

A new \$7,000 physical fitness system developed by a California corporation will be constructed near the entrance of the UMO bike path by June 1.

The "Fitness Cluster" developed by Parcourse is an outdoor four series exercise module. The module is square shaped and designed to concentrate on various exercises at each station. The first series involves stretching and warming-up muscles. The final three series strengthen and tone the participant's legs, middle torso and upper body.

Between each module, participants are directed to perform at least five minutes of cardiovascular activity. Participants can jog, walk, bicycle or do other forms of vigorous movement. The cardiovascular activity is recommended by the American Heart Association.

In the center of the module, and informational board explains the basic principles of fitness and exercise. The

board explains to participants exactly which muscles are being conditioned.

The module which can be separated but will remain intact, will occupy a 30 feet by 30 feet area and serve a maximum of 22 participants at a time.

Scott Anchors, director of Hilltop Complex and exercise cluster committee chairman, said many student groups for five-to-eight years tried to initiate the development of an exercise cluster but failed because of graduation. In the fall of 1982, Anchors said students from the Student Health Advisory Committee asked to assume administrative

guidance of the project.

"The students asked me to guide the project because they were graduating and did not want the project to fail," Anchors said.

In the fall of 1982, a committee was formed consisting of (See FITNESS page 2)

## Petition asks for release of Soviet Jew

By Tom St. Amand  
Staff Writer

Anatoly Shcharansky was sentenced in 1978 to spend 13 years in a Russian prison for an act of treason. His only crime many say was to be a Jew asking for permission to emigrate from a country whose leaders would not tolerate dissidence.

On Wednesday, March 2 Hillel, MPAC and UMO's Young Americans for Freedom will collect signatures on a petition asking for the

release of Shcharansky. The petition will be sent to Soviet leader Yuri V. Andropov and Maine congressmen. Letters will also be available for people who want their names sent directly to Soviet officials.

"Our goal is to have 500 names sent to Soviet officials, and at least another 500 names on the petition," said past president of Hillel Joel Bader. "We're asking for people to be aware and to be in solidarity with Shcharansky."

Bader said that on Wednesday, Feb. 23, a nationally recognized Shcharansky Day was held, but because Hillel couldn't get a table in the Memorial Union for the day, an alternate day of recognition was chosen.

March 2 will be a Soviet-Jewry Solidarity Day.

(See PETITION page 2)

## Women's role in community to be discussed

By Liz Goodie  
Staff Writer

Mary Grefe, former president of the American Association of University Women, will be the guest speaker tonight for the Senior Women's Reception at President Silverman's house.

Members of the Old Town Orono branch of AAUW have held receptions for seniors every year for ten years. The purpose is to introduce the women to the program and its many advantages and give them a chance to join.

Grege will be explaining the association's dual purpose of furthering the education and advancement of women and of uniting educated women to work for the betterment of their communities.

Grege is from Des Moines, Iowa and is now president of LEAD Associates, a company devoted to improving the quality of leadership. She is also a member of the National Speakers Bureau.

Accompanying Grege to the reception will be; branch president Marianne Pinkham, some members of the local branch and

state division president Diane Sanders.

Anne Hathaway, publicity chairwoman for AAUW said the reception won't be too long because the speeches should be brief.

Because of her many accomplishments, Grege should inspire the seniors when she talks about the importance of leadership skills and how to bring about change in careers through action.

"It should be a pleasant time. Mary Grege is a remarkable woman. I'm sure all the seniors who attend will benefit from the evening," she said.

Grege will also speak today at 1 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge and 3:15 p.m. in the Peabody Lounge.

Peggy Hallee, vice president of the Old Town-Orono branch of AAUW said the two meetings prior to the reception were scheduled to give lower classmen and commuters a chance to benefit from Grege's advice.

"The two seminars are for those who can't go to the reception. Mrs. Grege will be talking about leadership and other topics similar to those that will be presented at 6 p.m. tonight," Hallee said.

## ● PETITION (Continued from page 1)

Shcharansky Day was a concerted effort by organizations across the United States to gain support for the release of Shcharansky from the Christopol Prison 500 miles from Moscow. The day was seen by Jewish organizers as a chance to protest Shcharansky's punishment, and educate people on the predicament of the 2.5 million Jewish dissidents wanting to leave Russia.

On Capitol Hill 800 students lobbied for legislators' support and 200 more students held demonstrations at Soviet installations in Washington D.C. At Harvard University students held a day-long hunger-strike in protest.

Shcharansky began a hunger-strike on Oct. 8, —Yom Kippur on the Jewish

calendar—because prison officials refused to allow him correspondence with his family. That strike, during which he was force fed by guards, ended two weeks ago when Shcharansky was convinced that his staying alive would probably about the emigration he hoped for.

Bader said a hunger strike was originally planned for Shcharansky Day at UMO, but Shcharansky's decision to end his own strike would have made any imitation meaningless.

Bader said that in 1979 approximately 51,000 Jews were released from Russia. In 1982 that figure dropped to 26,000 and thus far in 1983 not one has been allowed to leave.

## ● EXERCISE (Continued from page 1)

faculty and administrators. The committee included Bill Mitchell, associate professor of landscape architecture; Bruce Locke, director of Orono parks and recreation; Walter Abbott, associate professor of physical education; John McCormack, civil project engineer; Nancy Arsenault, residential director of Oxford Hall.

Anchors said the fitness facility is funded by four groups. The Inter-Dorm Board contributed \$3,000, Student Affairs \$2,600, Town of Orono \$2,500 and student government \$2,200. Anchors said the fitness cluster costs \$7,000 and the remaining \$3,300 will be used for landscaping expenses.

Committee member Bill Mitchell said three students enrolled in his landscaping class have worked on the project. Mitchell said the students evaluated the site, recommended drainage construction, and tagged trees for removal. The students (Patty Brown, Todd Richardson and Laurie Craig) are designing a graphic layout of the bike path.

Mitchell said the site will probably be landscaped by physical plant employees and students. One problem at the site is drainage. Mitchell said a properly designed system would eliminate the drainage problem.

Anchors said the fitness center could be used next fall or spring for physical education courses dealing with conditioning and physical fitness.

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## ★ Police Blotter ★

By Michael Davis  
Staff Writer

William Nelson, 19, was charged Feb. 27 for mischief on the third floor of Aroostook Hall. Nelson had allegedly taken a fire extinguisher there and sprayed some of its content on a resident, Harry Smart, of the third floor. The case has been referred to the conduct office.

Three males were reported for misconduct in York Hall. All students, Daniel O'Neil, 18; Steven Libby, 19, and Peter Bouchard, 18, are residents of Aroostook.

The report cited that O'Neil, a minor, had a keg in his room earlier that evening. Then he allegedly removed some ceiling tiles from York Hall's first floor.

Bouchard and Libby said they took pens from many hallway notepads. Bouchard said he took three pens, one belonging to his girlfriend and the others belonging to her friends. The case will be handled by the conduct office.

Harold Smart, 20, of Aroostook was reported for furnishing liquor to minors 4:30 a.m. Sunday. Smart allegedly bought the keg for O'Neil and Libby. He was issued a summons for diversion.

Two males were reported for disorderly conduct Sunday in the lobby of Kennebec. Trying to get inside were Charles Wheeler, 20, of Hancock and Jim Burgess of Ellsworth; his age is unknown. Police gave no summons because they left peacefully.

## Job Day successful

By Tom St. Amand  
Staff Writer

One student stood in line with her resume in a red folder under her arm, waiting for her turn to speak to the representatives from Camp Wigwam. Another student told a woman from Baxter State Park about the job he'd held the last two summers. The owner of the Quisisana Hotel had come up from Florida to interview potential employees at New England colleges.

Questions were asked, information was given out and summer jobs were found Monday at the Summer Job Opportunity Day held on the third floor of UMO's Fogler Library.

Ruth Ducette, coordinator of Off-Campus Student Employment, said 38 groups attended summer job day this year and, relying on turnouts in past years, 500 students were expected to arrive seeking interviews.

Ducette said the summer job market is limited and students looking for work should plan on talking to camp, hotel and motel owners.

"Our purpose is just to help kids find jobs," Ducette said. "The jobs here are not major-related."

Each business at the Summer Job Opportunity Day had at least three job openings for this coming summer. While some businesses only took job applications Monday, many hired students on the spot.

"These are the people you want," said Camp Wigwam owner Bob Strauss. "You know these people are interested in the job, not the money. They're interested in children and that's what we specialize in."

By 3 p.m. Strauss had hired two people as counselors and three spots were still open.

Strauss said about half of the students showed up with resumes, something not often seen in past years.

Elliott Hyman, owner of the Quisisana Hotel in Lovell, Maine had hired three students by 3 p.m. and said three more students would probably be accepted.

"We are especially concerned about what a student's past summer experience has been," Hyman said. "If a kid spent last summer painting a house, we might be interested in him."

Hyman said he and his partner have attended UMO's Summer Job Opportunity Day eight years and said they were told about it by the people they bought the Quisisana Hotel from.

"We come to UMO and other colleges in New England to hire just before spring break each year," Hyman said.

Theater graduate student Julie Thurlow went to the job day and said she was surprised at the size of it.

"I was disappointed because it seemed like there were only camps there," Thurlow said. "I was looking for a job in Ogunquit, but all they were looking for were summer cops."

## SENATE

(Continued from page 1)

"What are we here for?" said Freshley. "We are here to appropriate funds for the betterment of the

students. The daily *Maine Campus* is indeed of prime interest to the student body, and I think we should give the money to them."

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## Eyes Right

FRANK HARDING

### An interlude

For once, I am at rest. I am sitting in the most comfortable chair in the house. Its patterned cushions embrace me as I draw in my legs, tucking them tightly as I shift my body to the left. In a position guaranteed to prevent the flow of blood below the knees, my back slips into place, I sigh and my shoulders unknot.

I am wearing the headphones for the roommates cannot withstand sustained blasts of Iggy Pop. The music seals me in a cocoon. Once my eyes close, my mind slips into neutral and, as they say in the vernacular, reaches a spot near the outer galaxies where the space-time continuum simply is no longer relevant.

Suddenly, there is a problem. My mind, perhaps left to its own devices for too long, reacts adversely and begins recalling images of my life's most tragically embarrassing memory.

My living room is transformed into the stage of the Top o' the Mar Officers Club, high atop Nimitz Hill, Guam, USA, some 10,000 miles and more to the west and south. I have been pulled out of the audience by a second-rate comedian to play out some insipid skit with an astonishingly cute girl—in front of family and friends no less. I am 12-years-old and convinced I will live for a few seconds more.

The young blonde and the spotlight have me sweating. The comedian taps my shoulder, my cue to utter the line, "Mary."

He taps her and she, eating up all the attention, turns, flashes her puppy eyes my way and coos "Johnnn."

I am shattered; I have fallen in love in public. In a droll monotone I respond to the comedian's tap, tap, tap. "Mary, Mary, Mary," I drone.

The audience roars; the John and Mary skit is a rousing success once again.

Just as I begin to realize the laughter is at my expense, I am back in my living room. The coffee is still hot; Iggy is still singing "Billy is a Runaway." The vision that seemed to last a lifetime has spent no more than a second in reality.

My mind is composed again, but my body is just beginning to react to the experience. I flush cold as my adrenal glands open and the stimulant races through my veins. My heart races and my blood pressure soars. At panic speed my brain turns on itself, recalling more and more images of embarrassment. In rapid succession, I relive that fateful first day at Waterville High when I wasn't registered for any of the classes I attended; the party my parents returned from Massachusetts to discover and break up; the all-too-numerous rejections from girls through the years.

"That's it," I resolve as my brain pieces together a logical argument for a personal declaration of insanity, "no more drugs."

But adrenaline is only good for about three seconds. Then the madness recedes and I regain my composure.

I remember reading somewhere that some people think it's healthy to relive such embarrassing moments—the memory's pain reinforces one's determination to prevent their recurrence. I think they're full of it.

## Governmental cleanup

It's a sad day when the federal government must buy a town because it's too contaminated for human habitation.

Dioxin-laced sludge dumped in Times Beach, Mo., more than 10 years ago now poses so serious a threat to health there that the federal government has purchased the entire town for \$33.1 million. Rumor has it the town may become a park—accepted standards for contamination are lower in parks than residential areas.

The shock value of this recent news underlines the severity of our nation's and the earth's environmental plight. There is plainly no room for compromise when dealing with disposal of toxic wastes, yet actions and appointments by President Reagan clearly demonstrate the Republican reverence of the almighty buck to the exclusion of virtually all else.

Those charged with administration of the Environmental Protection Agency, put in their position by Reagan, are under heavy Congressional fire. As with virtually all Reagan appointees, big business connections were also typical of his EPA appointees. The loyalty of government officials who regulate industry they themselves once served is dubious; it is only recently that these doubts were affirmed. Five Reagan appointees to the EPA have been quickly replaced to stem the tide of controversy.

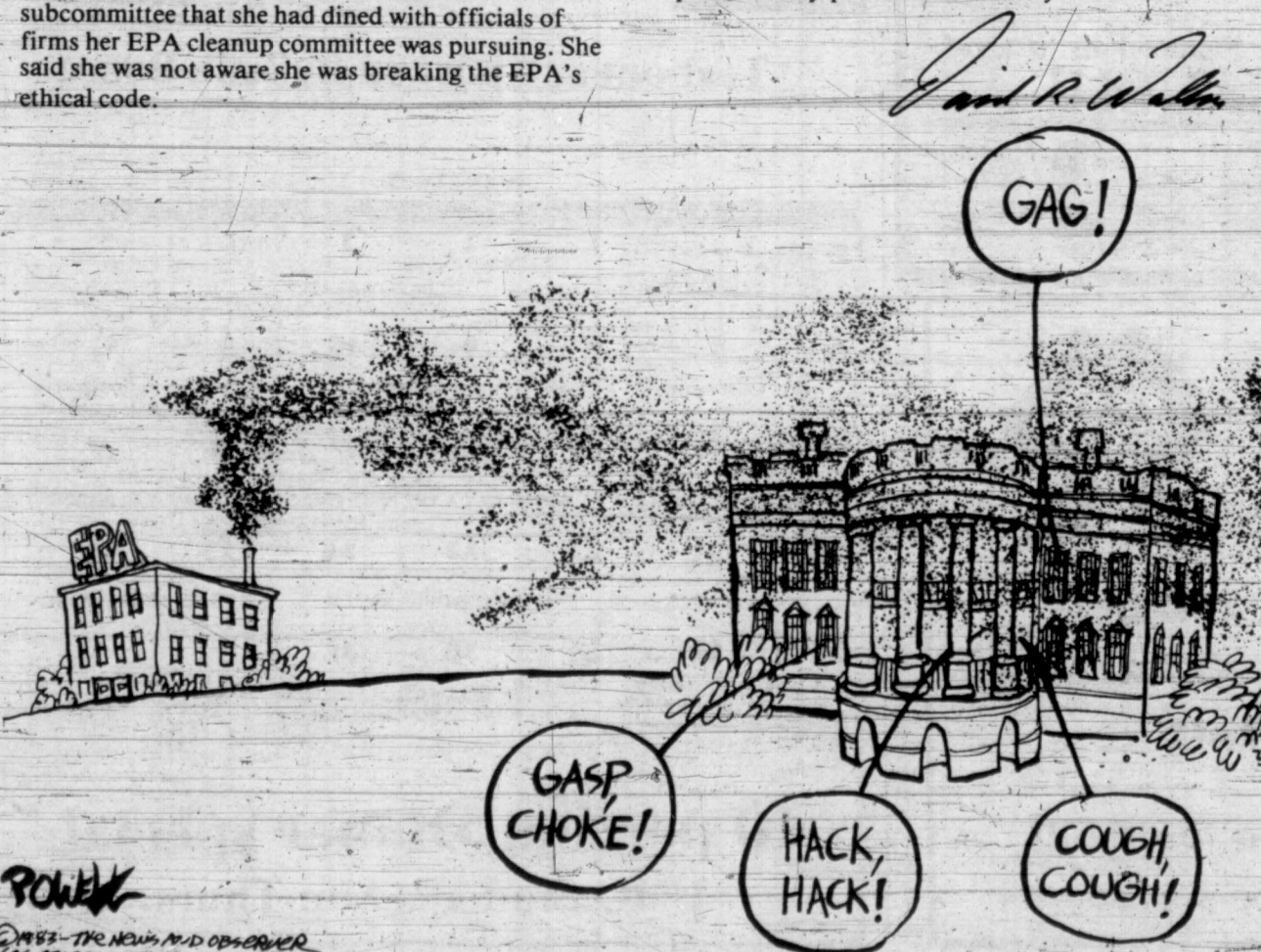
Most notable is the case of former EPA Assistant Administrator Rita Lavelle. Lavelle was responsible for the EPA's \$1.6 billion "Superfund" chemical waste cleanup program. She now faces reports detailing how she may have mismanaged aspects of the cleanup program, sanctioned delays in enforcement of the cleanup law and engaged in political favoritism in her enforcement decisions.

Lavelle acknowledged before a House subcommittee that she had dined with officials of firms her EPA cleanup committee was pursuing. She said she was not aware she was breaking the EPA's ethical code.

Meanwhile, EPA Administrator Anne Gorsuch Burford is withholding subpoenaed documents about Superfund enforcement. Burford has been spared the axe but faces arrest while critics of the EPA administration charge that cleanup of toxic waste dumps around the country has been delayed for political reasons. And coincidentally, one sludge pit in Springfellow, Calif., ignored despite outrage and slated EPA funds, involved Burford's assistant, Lavelle. She worked for the company that may be held responsible for cleanup of the dumpsite.

Toxic waste producing companies are indeed hyper-sensitive to EPA targeting. The EPA Superfund lists the most hazardous toxic waste sites, and companies are naturally scared stiff they might be held liable for cleanup of any dumping for which they were responsible. To date, the dumping of toxic wastes has been kept low profile; so low that many sites have received no attention. In fact, a professor of environmental engineering at Cornell University, Neill Orloff, said, "Nobody really knows how many sites there are around the country that are as dangerous as Times Beach." Since the Times Beach, Mo., dioxin scare, the EPA has discovered 23 similar sites in Missouri alone.

It is the height of folly to appoint big-business bigwigs to key posts in the EPA. Maine Senator George Mitchell has joined two New York Congressmen in sponsoring legislation to remove the EPA from direct control by the White House. Whether this is the best approach to the problem is questionable; that the EPA and environmental problems jeopardizing our land and people are back in the spotlight is not. A healthy economy is worth little when drinking water is contaminated, ecosystems destroyed and people uprooted from their towns because of the invisible, poisonous by-products of industry.



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# Response

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## The 51st state

To the Editor:

The statehood movement in Puerto Rico is moving ahead full steam and we on the mainland should give it all the support we can.

Why statehood for Puerto Rico? Why not. The citizens of Puerto Rico love America just like you and I. Thousands have fought and died defending her in times of war. This alone should earn them statehood.

Another reason for statehood is the political clout they will be able to exert. As things now stand, Puerto Rico only has a Resident Commissioner in Congress, and he can't vote on the House floor. But as a state, Puerto Rico would make itself heard through its senators and representatives. This will be a boon to the island's people.

Economically Puerto Rico would also be better off. Business and industry, I feel, would have more incentive to expand their operations to

Puerto Rico then if it were to remain a commonwealth. And though the island's people would have to pay federal taxes after they enter the union, it would be cheaper compared to the commonwealth taxes they now pay.

The future for our friends in Puerto Rico as the 51st state are not the alternatives of commonwealth or independence.

There is a non-profit, non-political organization in Puerto Rico pushing for statehood. If you'd like more information write to the following address:

Kenneth McClintock  
Executive Director  
Puerto Rico Statehood  
Commission  
P.O. Box S-3951  
San Juan P.R. 00904

Your help would be greatly appreciated. Thank You.

Darrell King  
Waterville

## Abortion perspectives 10 years later

To the Editor:

On one hand, abortion seems to be the most complicated moral and political issue mankind has ever encountered. On the other hand, the issue boils down to some basic question. First is "When should we consider the living entity inside a pregnant woman to be a human being with rights?"

There was a time when I felt the answer to that question was so out of reach that the decision to have an abortion had to remain with the individual and should not be legislated. I was adamantly pro-abortion.

Ten years later, I am on the other side of the issue primarily due to two events in my life.

The first was the deepening of my faith in God. Regardless of one's religious convictions, anyone who believes that man's existence transcends the physical realm must give some thought to the spiritual aspect of procreation. If a person's

development is a continuum, there is no one moment that can be singled out as a dividing line between personhood (entitled to human rights) and non-personhood. How then, can anyone say with any certainty that the living being killed in an abortion is not a person?

The second event which changed my mind on abortion was my own pregnancy. Throughout those nine months, I always thought of the being inside of me as a baby rather than a thing or an it. When I looked at interuterine pictures of fetuses, it was hard to think of it in any other way. At 20 weeks into gestation, I saw my baby on a sonogram. I could see the profile of his head, legs, and arms—definitely human.

I don't have all the answers and I recognize that an unwanted pregnancy is a painful, perplexing situation. The pregnant woman and the father of the baby have a moral responsibility to bring that baby to term. We as a

society have a responsibility to support the rights of the unborn life and to assist those who struggle with an unwanted pregnancy.

As the anonymous writer of the commentary in the Feb. 22 issue of the Campus said "men have feelings" and so do women. It is perhaps our intellect that make us uniquely human. And it is those feelings that need to be based on information about what abortion really is: the taking of a human life.

Yes, a pregnant woman has rights, but her rights do not include murder any more than we can murder convicted criminals or critically ill relatives simply because they complicate our lives and cause us pain and stress. We honor their right to live. And we must recognize the right of the unborn child to live, too.

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## BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



## Commentary

### Timely moral posturing

V. K. Balakrishnan

In his commentary entitled "Moral Posturing" (Maine Campus, Feb. 18), Professor John Nolde has expressed his "serious reservation about the wisdom" of the recent decision of the University of Maine Board of Trustees to divest itself of all securities in corporations which have interests in South Africa. He is a "bit surprised that others have not expressed similar doubts" on this issue. He thinks that probably people are not speaking up because they are afraid that they are likely to be branded as racists. He condemns apartheid which is "abhorrent". However he is opposing the Board's decision on some other grounds.

As a concerned individual who supports the Board's decision, I would like to focus on the three "serious problems involved here" as pointed out by Nolde. In the first place the decision is "largely one of moral posturing" according to Nolde. Probably the Board made this clever and popular decision which is more or less a fad on many campuses because it does not cost anything. Maybe it is even profitable because of the bull market these days. Isn't it easy to take a popular stance of this kind, particularly when there is no genuine sacrifice involved? In short, does the whole business amount to anything but mere moral posturing? Thus goes the argument.

Let us not hunt for motives here. Granted it does not cost anything. Granted there is some moral posturing. The question: What is wrong with moral posturing in a situation of this kind? There are several cases in history where some moral posturing by responsible governments and concerned citizens at the right moment would have gone a long way in minimizing man's inhumanity to man. To list a few: The rise of Hitler in the 30's, Mussolini's invasion of Abyssinia, the bombing of innocent civilians in Guernica, the torture of innocent political prisoners of conscience by friendly authoritarian governments and hostile totalitarian governments in recent times. If there is one instance in our troubled times when moral posturing is justifiable it is right here and the Board deserves the admiration of the entire University community for making this decision, thereby letting the whole world know that it wholeheartedly condemns the oppressive, irrational and brutal policies of the South African regime.

Secondly, Nolde thinks that the Board made this decision on the assumption "that such action would force the South African government to change its policy." To show the present decision may not produce the desired result he mentions a

few cases where similar gestures have often turned counterproductive. Probably Nolde is right. An isolated action of this kind by the Board may not move mountains. But it has its own moral value even though it may appear as moral posturing to some skeptics.

Finally, Nolde asks the following question: What is the assurance that a truly democratic government committed to humane policies will replace the existing oppressive government, assuming the present government is brought down as a result of widespread activities by concerned citizens all over the world? Look at what has happened in Iran and Cambodia. Of course there is no assurance. No one can predict the future. But just because things became worse in Iran and in Cambodia, should we remain silent and apathetic? Wherever there is injustice and oppression it is better we speak up. In the long run it is going to help everybody. Not taking a moral stance has hurt us several times. The list in this case is too long.

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# Sports

## Black Bear skaters drop finale



By Rich Garven  
Staff Writer

Brown University got two goals 49 seconds apart at the end of the second period from Tom Roberts and Brian Riley to defeat the Maine Black Bears 5-2 at Meehan Auditorium in Providence, R.I. in the season finale for both teams.

Maine finishes the season 5-24 overall and 1-20 in the ECAC Division I. It is the second consecutive year that the Bears have finished in the ECAC cellar. Brown finishes with an overall record of 3-21-1 and 2-18-1 in Division I. It is the second consecutive year that the Bruins have finished in 16th place in Division I. With the score 3-2 and Maine putting pressure on Brown goalie Paul McCarthy (the line of Joe Jirele, Todd Bjorkstrand and Rick Bowles had two solid goal scoring opportunities), Tom Roberts scored his first goal of the year at 19:08 to up the Bruins lead to 4-2. Freshman center Bobby Jones passed the puck out from behind the Maine net to Roberts

at the blueline. Roberts gunned a shot that beat Maine goalie Ray Roy to the glove side.

With only three seconds left in the period senior Brian Riley scored a back breaking goal to up the Bruins' lead to 5-2. Brown cleared the puck out of their zone, but Bear defenseman

Scott Smith lost control of the puck to Darryll Bolduc. Bolduc passed the puck out to Riley and he tipped it between Roy's legs for his eighth goal of the year.

Maine outshot Brown 23-8 in the third period (46-42 for the game), but couldn't score on McCarthy who was hotter than a stove. The Bears also had five power play chances during the last period, but McCarthy robbed Maine on every shot they took.

Joe Kuzneski drew first blood for Brown when the freshman left wing scored his sixth goal of the year. John MacEvoy took a shot that Roy saved between his legs, but Kuzneski knocked it out of Roy's pads and into the net with his stick.

Tri-captain Ray Jacques tied the score at 1-1 when he scored a power-play goal for Maine. Jacques took a great pass from freshman Roger Grillo in the middle of the left face-off circle, turned around and rifled a shot that beat

McCarthy. It was Jacques 15th goal of the year, which ties him with tri-captain Ron Hellen for the team lead.

Brown went back on top when freshman Mike Fanning scored his second goal of the year at the 7:01 mark. The puck was on the back of the net, but was knocked out and Fanning picked it up and stuffed it past Roy.

Todd Bjorkstrand tied the score only 2:03 later when he scored his 12th goal of the year with the Bears on the power play. Bruce Hegland led a three-on-one with Bjorkstrand and Scott Boretti on the wings. Hegland made a pass to Boretti who passed the puck to Bjorkstrand, who scored with Boretti acting as a screen after the pass.

Bolduc, a Waterville native, got his first goal of the year when he beat Roy who was down on the play. Brian Riley assisted on the power-play goal, which also turned out to be the game-winning goal.

Maine had eight power plays on the night, but could only score on McCarthy once. Brown, on the other hand had four power plays and scored twice. Maine went into the game with a power play success percentage of 20 percent, while Brown entered the game with only a 10 percent success ratio on the power play. The outstanding play of McCarthy and the inability of the Bears to score on the power play did Maine in once again.



### Finish 2nd out of 18 teams

## Swimmers make a splash

By Lisa Reece  
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The women's swim team returned from the New England Championships with a lot to be proud of.

"I was really proud of them, we had the most capable swimmers there," Maine coach Jeff Wren said. "We had the best team performance since 1980."

Maine placed second out of 18 teams. Boston College won the championship with 724 points. Maine had 630 1/2; Springfield placed third with 574; the University of New Hampshire placed fourth and Smith College fifth.

It was an interesting battle for second place between Maine and Springfield as Maine led by only 11 1/2 points after two days of competition.

As expected, Whitney Leeman placed first in all five of her events, making her the only swimmer in this year's New England to win more than two events.

Leeman won the 50-, 100- and 200-yard backstroke events, and the 100- and 200-yard individual medleys. "Whitney did not have much competition in her events," Wren said. "The 100-yard back was disap-

pointing time for her, but she did her best time in the 200-yard individual medley," Wren said.

Whitney's 100-yard backstroke time was 1:26, her best time is 59.80.

Dawn Fitzgerald pitched in a fine performance swimming 4,750 yards over the three day period and scoring in all five of her events.

Fitzgerald placed ninth in the 500-yard freestyle; 10th in the 200-yard and 1,650-yard freestyle; 11th in the 400-yard individual medley; and 12th in the 200-yard individual medley.

"She (Fitzgerald) did a real good job the whole meet," Wren said. "She got in there and did real well."

Other top Maine swimmers were; Sheila Dembeck, Patty Blumenstock, Kathy Sheehan, Lori Winship and Mary Sowa.

Dembeck placed third in the 200-yard backstroke and sixth in both the 100-yard backstroke and 400-yard individual medley.

Blumenstock placed third in the 50-yard breaststroke and sixth in the 100-yard breaststroke. In the 200-yard breaststroke she placed fourth, an important event that helped Maine take the second place lead over Springfield. Sowa placed fifth in the 200-yard breaststroke and ninth in the 50-yard breaststroke.

Wren said, "Springfield was seated before us in the breaststroke events, Sowa and Blumenstock really turned the meet around."

Sowa also placed 11th in the 100-yard breaststroke and 12th in the 400-yard individual medley.

Sheehan placed fourth in the 100- and 200-yard freestyle and fifth in the 50-yard freestyle events. Winship placed eighth in both the 50- and 100-yard



Maine's Ron Hellen skates in on the Boston College goalie Saturday (upper left) while a BC defenseman knocks him to the ice. Hellen, lying sprawled on the ice, (middle), has the puck tipped away from him. As the goalie looks on, Hellen attempts to get back up to pursue the action. No penalty was called on the play. (Morin photos)

freestyle.

The team of Leeman, Fitzgerald, Winship and Sheehan broke a 7-year-old school record in the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 3:41.12. They were :02.10 seconds away from first place against the University of Massachusetts.

"It shocked me that they did that well," Wren said.

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## John Sims

## A man with no goals, but plenty of success



By Ken Waltz  
Staff Writer

Everything about him and his family projects an image of athletic prowess.

His father, once a quarterback in the Army who also played basketball against the likes of Wilt Chamberlain and Oscar Robertson, stands six feet tall. His 17-year old brother, who runs a 4.7 40-yard dash, stands six feet tall while another brother, who is in the eighth grade and "dominates" in every sport he plays, stands 6'4" tall.

The young man who was plucked from this family tree is an 18-year-old freshman, standing 6'4" tall and weighing 215 pounds. He plays forward for the UMO men's basketball team. His name is John Sims.

Sims, as the 1982-83 basketball pressbook states, "comes to

the university with good credentials and a reputation for hard-nosed play around the basket." But his credentials are not only "good," they are quite impressive. During his senior year at Rivers High, a private school with an enrollment of 300, in Sudbury, Mass., he averaged 29 points, 15 rebounds and shot 62 percent from the floor during the course of the season. Sims was named to the All-Independent School League.

"I think he has enormous potential," said teammate Paul Cook. "He has a knack of getting the ball in the basket. He has helped the team a lot this year."

Robert Fitta, sports director of WMEB-FM, also believes Sims has potential. "He is very quick and his ability inside, at 6'4" is outstanding."

Sims, an avid lacrosse player (he played some at Lincoln Sudbury Regional High, state lacrosse champs for a number of years, his freshman year and was named all-league his junior and senior years at Rivers), also "played every position" on his high school football team. Sims says he will participate on the UMO lacrosse club this spring if there is no conflict with basketball but ruled out playing football.

"I'd rather play lacrosse than basketball," he said, "but I don't forgive myself for playing basketball. The opportunity was there in basketball."

Sims, whose father was a salesman for Dupont, is no stranger to travel. He lived in such places as Delaware, New Jersey, New York and Boston. He also has had the unique opportunity to do traveling of another kind. During his junior year, his team was picked to play basketball in Russia, Sweden and Finland.

Sims said that several schools on the East Coast were randomly picked to compete during a two week March vacation. He said his team played against college players in Russia while competing against players his own age in Sweden and Finland. Sims said his team lost to Russia, who "knew their basketball," but beat Sweden and Finland.

Asked what impression he got from his four day stay in Russia, Sims said, "You could tell the government ran things. They knew where we were every minute."

Sims said the Russians were the "nicest people you ever want to meet" but you could tell "they went through the same routine everyday, never showing any emotion."

Playing in the Russian city of Leningrad, Sims said he was always aware of "military men everywhere" carrying sub-machine guns.

A converted center from high school, Sims says his new role as a forward gives him "a little more mobility. I'm playing the

whole red area (the red line designating the lane between the baseline and top of the key) not just block to block (the red squares on opposite sides of the lane)," he said.

Sims, who didn't see much playing time earlier in the season because, as he puts it, "I wasn't playing well and didn't deserve to play." But he got his chance to prove himself against Fairfield when Matt Zalauskas was sick.

Since the Fairfield game, Sims has often started and has proven himself by leading the team in scoring in the wins over Niagara (22 points) and George Mason (19 points), which he said was the biggest thrill of his college career.

"When the team needs something I come in and give them a lift," Sims said.

Before the season began, Maine coach Skip Chappelle said, "John has good skills but needs experience in game situations." It is clear Sims is now getting that game experience.

Temple University and UMass also scouted Sims who said his biggest thrill in high school was "just having college scouts come to see me and letting me know I had the talent to play college ball."

Sims, a business major, was active as a member of student government in high school his junior year and treasurer his senior year.

Asked what the future holds, Sims said he tries not to worry about what lies ahead but only what is happening today. For a student who seems to have the athletic ability to achieve success, Sims has a very basic philosophy: "I've never been one to set goals," he said. "I take each day as it comes and have a good time doing it."

For John Sims, a young man who has to watch out for two talented brothers below him and a seasoned veteran for a father above, goals would be meaningless. Because someday, he just might surprise himself and everyone else by going out and breaking them.

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## FIJI Marathon: A run for cancer

By Rich Garven  
Staff Writer

Think of it. A team of two to 10 runners who alternate running eight laps in the fieldhouse from noon Saturday to noon Sunday. Depending on how you view the sport of running this event might sound either fun, senseless or intriguing.

The event is the fourth annual FIJI 24-hour relay Marathon and 35 teams will be out to prove that fun is their motivation for running on Saturday, March 5. The relay is sponsored by the brothers and little sisters of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity to benefit the Maine chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Matt Smith, FIJI social service chairman and organizer of the marathon, said the marathon raised more than \$8,000 last year and a higher total is expected this year. "Last year we collected \$8,200 and had \$9,000 pledged," Smith said. "We have no problem getting people to pledge, but we do have a slight problem with people paying up once the event is finished. The problem isn't students who pledge two cents a mile, but businesses who pledge 15¢ a mile and forget about paying after the marathon."

Smith said the marathon hasn't received much outside sponsorship besides the pledges. "We're looking for corporate sponsors who give outright donations without a lot of fanfare and publicity," Smith said. "The Time Out, Oronoka, Ski Rack and University Cinema all put up prizes with very little recognition in return."

"We could have had the Orono Burger King pay for one-quarter the

cost of the T-shirts (a T-shirt is given to each runner and is the marathon's greatest expense), but at a house meeting the brothers decided not to accept their offer. We'd rather lose \$1,000 than have them sponsor. The idea behind the charities is that people should give without expecting in return," Smith said.

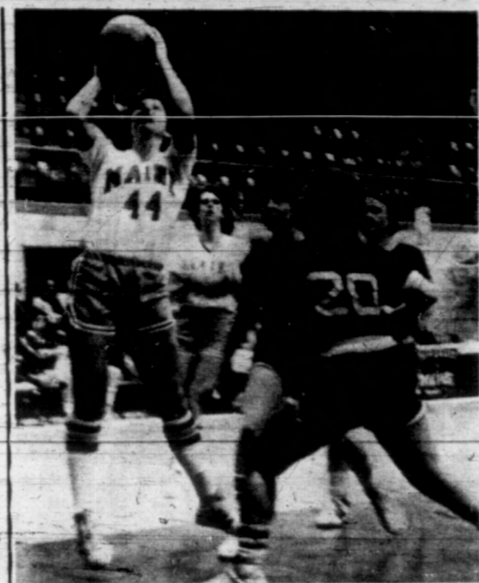
Burger King wanted their name on the T-shirt in addition to FIJI's.

Smith said a team from the University of Vermont FIJI house is bringing a team in this year's race and 10 other brothers to count laps. "They plan on running a marathon next year at UVM," Smith said. "We're going to give them the lowdown of how to run their own marathon. We're also trying to get MIT interested in running a FIJI marathon."

"We want to make the marathon regional with a number of FIJI chapters holding them. It would be great if we could give a \$70,000 check from 10 houses to the American Cancer Society. The possibility exists to start a competition between other houses to see who can raise the most money," Smith said.

Michael Xirinachs II, area director for the American Cancer Society said the marathon brings in the largest amount of money in this area. "The final figure was \$8,200 from last year, the bulk of which goes into research and public education," Xirinachs said.

"We're very happy to set up and help other fraternities and organizations raise money. We like to use the FIJI marathon as an example of what an organization can do to raise money for us," Xirinachs said.



Captain Cathy Nason will play in her final home game tonight when the UMO women's basketball team hosts the University of Maine at Machias in the first game of the MAIAW playoffs at the Pit.

## A big splash

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In the 200-yard medley relay it was a close race against Boston College as the team of Leeman, Sowa, Dembeck and Winship placed second with a time of 1:53:25.

In the 400-yard medley relay trials, the team of Dembeck, Blumenstock, Starkie and Sheehan swam their best time, (4:13.58), without Leeman. In the finals they tied and only placed fourth.

Kathy Callahan placed third in the 1-meter dive.

Ruth Kelly placed eighth in the 200-yard breaststroke and ninth in the 400-yard individual medley.

"What helped us this year was not worrying about winning the meet," Wren said. "We just wanted to do the best we could—we were more relaxed that way."

## Weekly sports calendar March 2-8

### MEN'S VARSITY BASKETBALL

Wednesday—UMO hosts Iona at 7:30

### MEN'S VARSITY SWIMMING

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