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Teamsters send officials to UMO for talks

by Doug Ireland
Staff Writer

Concern over the possible decertification of university employees from the Teamsters Union has prompted the union to bring its national representatives to Maine this week to appease dissatisfied workers, a Teamsters spokesman said Tuesday.

David Berg, secretary-treasurer and business agent for Teamsters Local 48, said a group of representatives from Washington, D.C. will be at UMO Thursday to talk with discontent service and maintenance employees who he said "do not have a good enough reason" to decertify.

"If there have been any problems it has been because a lack of communication from both sides," Berg said. "If people did complain, they did not complain through the correct steps. 'But we are working with (the employees) right now and we hope to get to the bottom of any grievances,'" Berg said.

"They (the Teamsters) have neglected us in the past, and now they are trying to make up for lost time."

**Victoria Dumont,
committee member**

Berg also said national representatives will answer any questions university workers have concerning representation with the union. The Teamsters currently represent 566 service and maintenance workers within the UMaine system.

The Committee of Concerned Friends, which represents employees who want to break from the Teamsters and elect a new union, has accused the Teamsters of not providing effective representation.

"They (the Teamsters) have neglected us in the past," said committee member Victoria Dumont, "and now they are trying to make up for lost time."

Dumont, a baker at York Commons, and Lorenzo Severance, the committee's organizer and a chef at Stewart Commons, said the committee will still decertify the union despite Teamsters' efforts to preserve their contract with the UMaine schools.

Severance said, "We talked with the Teamsters (last week) and asked them questions, but we told

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Group favors break from union

by Doug Ireland
Staff Writer

A steering committee's efforts to decertify university workers from the Teamsters union has created tense relations between committee members, their fellow employees and union representatives.

The Committee of Concerned Friends, composed of university service and maintenance employees who are discontent with the Teamsters, put itself into the center of controversy recently with other workers and the Teamsters who have expressed their disapproval of the committee's actions.

"It really surprises me now to hear these people (committee members) who we haven't helped before complain to us," said David Berg, secretary-treasurer and business agent for Teamsters Local 48.

Berg said Tuesday that UMaine employees in favor of breaking from the Teamsters do not have a justified reason because the union has always done its best to represent university employees in the past.

Although Berg admits there was a lack of communication between workers and the union, he also said both sides were to blame and "the vast majority of the people with complaints were hardly ever seen at union meetings."

Committee members Lorenzo Severance, Victoria Dumont and Jodie Dowling disagreed with Berg.

"He is wrong," Severance said. "We (committee members and discontent employees) attended most of the meetings until we got discouraged with (former Teamsters secretary-treasurer and business agent) Walter Stilphen."

Severance, Dumont, Dowling and other committee members including Richard Oakes and Challis Randall, said Stilphen had neglected to address employee grievances in the past. Berg said Stilphen resigned from the Teamsters last week to accept a position with Portland Valve Co.

Dumont said, "He (Berg) doesn't have the faintest idea what is happening. There were times at the union meetings when we were tired of having our wishes ignored."

Severance and Dowling agreed with Dumont. "We have gone to the meetings and each one ended in a battle," Dowling said. "Each of us (both service and maintenance workers) thought we were being overlooked, so at each meeting people would walk out."

Berg and Deane Eastman, a UMO janitor who supports the Teamsters, said the employees who are complaining about the Teamsters had not addressed their grievances to the stewards as they had been instructed to do.

Stewards are elected or appointed by the Teamsters to handle employees' problems in the work place. Approximately 40 represent workers at UMO, Eastman said.

"We can't help people if they don't come to us with their problems," said Eastman, who is also a steward.

Berg said, "I feel that these people who are complaining did not contact their steward or their business agent (Stilphen). There were also a lot of times where people will complain they have a grievance when they do not."

"Representation is being able to

bargain with your contract," Eastman said, "and we have been doing that."

Both Berg and Eastman said many employees have problems that, according to their union contracts, cannot be classified as grievances. A copy of the Teamsters contract was unavailable.

Dowling said even though she is a committee member, she is "willing to get the problems solved with the Teamsters." But she also said that many of the grievances brought to the stewards' attention do not reach arbitration because university management discourages it.

"It is just as much a problem with management as it is a problem with the Teamsters," Dowling said. "We have been intimidated by management by being told not to talk union business."

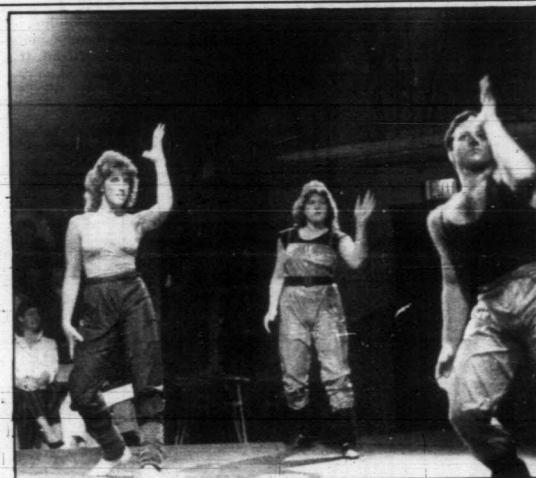
We have been harassed and singled out

for talking about the union," Dowling said. "But management is able to talk about it whenever they want."

Berg and Eastman were unavailable for comment Wednesday night. However, Berg said Tuesday the Teamsters have a grievance win rate of about 98 percent and that he remembers only four cases that have gone to arbitration.

"He (Berg) said a majority of the grievances have been solved," Severance said. "But many people drop their cases because they are discouraged. It seems that no case is solved if someone drops it because they are too discouraged to continue it."

Eugenia Wood, a Fogler Library janitor who has worked at UMO for 14 years, said the Teamsters have always fully supported university employees.



Members of the UMO Dance Company perform in Wednesday's production of "Jazz and Poetry in Motion" at the Pavilion Theater. The performances, which combine the talents of the dance company and the 20th Century Music Ensemble, continue through Saturday. (Dean photo)

UMO Dance Company holds' spring performance

by Hope Kerley
Staff Writer

Performances of "Jazz and Poetry in Motion" by the UMO Dance Company and the 20th Century Music Ensemble began Wednesday night in the Pavilion Theater. Performances will be held nightly through April 6.

"The performance will cover jazz music and dance from the 1930s and '40s Beatnik jazz, through the cool jazz, beat and soul movements, up to the '80s funk-punk jazz," said UMO Dance Company Director Teresa Torkanowski. "It covers the progression of jazz as music and as dance."

Twentieth Century Music Ensemble Director Don Stratton said the ensemble's rhythm section is playing mostly improvisational jazz.

"We're doing a fantasy based on

what used to happen with the beat poetry readings of the '40s and '50s. The writings are almost all by Jack Kerouac," he said.

Torkanowski, who has been directing the UMO Dance Company for eight years, said the performances feature 50 dancers and 150 costume changes. Special guest artists will be Kelly Holyoke, who runs the River City Dance Studio, in Bangor, and Tom McGary, a former UMO dance student.

Stratton, a music professor at UMO, said some of the musical score for the performances is based on music by Charlie Parker, a jazz composer from Kansas City. Stratton has been teaching the 20th Century Music Ensemble as a course for 11 years.

Stratton said he and Associate Professor of History Jay Bregman will be accompanying the ensemble's rhythm section on the saxophone and trumpet, respectively.

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them we are not going to change our minds because we believe in it (decertification)."

He said the committee met with three Teamsters representatives March 27 in UMO's Coburn Hall to resolve differences between the two groups.

"We asked a lot of questions," Dumont said, "about things such as where our dues go and why there wasn't a lot of cooperation with our grievances. We did not get any answers."

Both Dumont and Severance said since the Teamsters began representing the workers in 1978, the union has discouraged Residential Life workers from filing grievances and has concentrated most of its efforts on satisfying only the needs of the university's trade and maintenance workers.

They also said the Teamsters have failed to promote Residential Life employees to proper job classifications and have failed to support them during negotiations.



This somewhat bizarre scene greeted visitors to the Damn Yankee Wednesday. Called "Student Apathy," it is a class project for ART 498, "Multi-media Studio," taught by James Linehan and Deborah DeMoulpiez. Performing in the living sculpture are Kelly Tingley, Susan Akers and Tamela Glenn. (Carroll photo)

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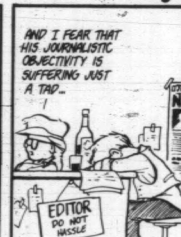
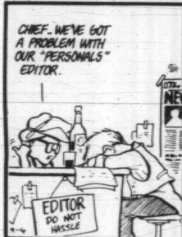
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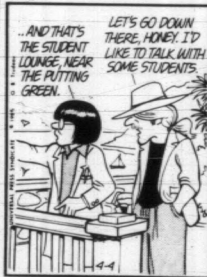
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Orono updating

by Kelly Mullins
Staff Writer

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GSS discusses alcohol-free senior bash, takes no action

by Ken Brack
Staff Writer

The General Student Senate discussed the possibility of an alcohol free senior celebration during its meeting Tuesday night, which adjourned early when it lost the quorum necessary to discuss resolutions as a full senate.

Concerning the probability of an alcohol free senior celebration, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Student Ser-

vices Dwight Rideout said, "The administration has never thought much of the behavior at the event. Each year they try to bring it more in keeping with the state law."

Rideout said he is waiting for formal recommendations from the university's attorneys, Bernstein Shur Sawyer & Nelson, of Portland, who will probably advise the university to prohibit alcohol at a university-sponsored event and protect themselves from liability.

When asked by Hart Hall Senator Cynthia Raymond how the administration expected to control the environment at senior bash when one individual's actions could become a liability, Rideout said the university was operating under "the reasonable person theory — have we done everything possible from preventing an accident, we will be less liable."

In response to a question from Penobscot Hall Senator Patrick Quinn, Rideout said students could not sign waivers of responsibility prior to any event such as senior bash.

Off-campus Senator Chris Bradley said the university "has the authority to

say whatever it wants about drinking at a university event."

In other business, Government Procedures Committee Chairman Glenn Cox read a referendum question which would, if passed by students after leaving the senate, abolish the communications fee which helps fund *The Daily Maine Campus*. The fee, \$3 per student per semester, was approved two years ago in a referendum vote by a "substantial margin," *Maine Campus* Editor Don Linscott said.

In an interview Wednesday, Student Government Vice President Jon Sorenson said he "did not know enough about the communication fee to take a reasonable stand yet on the issue."

Orono council discusses updating computer system

by Kelly Mullins
Staff Writer

The Orono Town Council finance committee met Monday night to discuss updating the computer system, allocating more space in the municipal building, the Main Road overlay project and the purchase of a new police cruiser.

In administrative business, \$33,000 has been proposed for updating existing computers and associated equipment, and \$10,000 has been appropriated for upgrading current programs. Anne Browne, administrative assistant, said the present system, purchased in 1977, does not contain a large enough memory, which increases errors and the chance of losing data.

Browne said the system handles records pertaining to the sewer system, taxes, appropriations and the payroll. With a larger memory, other departments would be able to conduct marketing studies, assessing and voter registration updates.

Bruce Locke, town manager, assessed

future needs of the municipal building space requirements at 7,000-8,000 square feet.

There are currently no designated facilities for general assistance programs, and the Orono Health Association is located in a hallway.

"There is no place to close the door and talk to someone," Locke said.

The council decided to let each department study its own needs.

Locke said a meeting was held March 27 with the Department of Transportation concerning the Main Road overlay project. He said the bike path will be repaved with the road and new curbing and guardrails will be replaced as needed. Repairs will be made on the sidewalk between Gilbert Street and Sunset Drive. The project will include extensive water line work and is scheduled to start late in May.

In other business, the council approved \$10,200 for purchasing a new police cruiser. The 1985 Chevrolet Impala will be identical to the state police vehicles and will be on the road by June.

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Maine House approves bill calling for smoking policy

AUGUSTA (AP) — Ignoring complaints that "Big Daddy Government" is overstepping its bounds, the Maine House of Representatives gave initial approval Wednesday to a bill to require Maine employers and their employees to agree on smoking policies.

But a plan to guarantee elementary-school teachers a half-hour a day of planning time was rejected by an overwhelming margin.

The smoking-policy bill was approved 92-47, amid arguments by proponents that the policies would not necessarily have to limit or ban smoking, so long as they are acceptable to all employees.

"It does not say that there is going to be no smoking in the workplace," said the bill's sponsor, Rep. Merle Nelson, D-Portland, adding that it has the support of both business and labor groups.

But Nelson made clear that the bill aims to protect the rights of non-smokers, who she said outnumber smokers by more than 2-1. She said it is unfair to force people who are sensitive to second-hand smoke to endure it while they are earning a living.

"Those people who have got to work can't leave the workplace to escape their

Human Resources Committee, which she co-chairs with Nelson to support the alternative bill. Nelson's bill applies to all businesses outside personal residences and carries a potential fine for violators of up to \$100. The bill to require a minimum of 30 minutes "professional planning time" for teachers was rejected by a margin of 120-19 in the House. The original bill, amended in committee, proposed 45 minutes.

"A matter of good, sound educational policy," said Rep. Stephen Bost, D-Orono, a member of a six-person minority on the Education Committee that supported the amended bill.

Bost and other proponents said too many teachers are being forced to use their time performing non-teaching chores, such as supervising children on the playground. They acknowledged that the bill would mainly affect elementary teachers, since most teachers at the junior and senior high school levels already are allowed planning time.

Opponents countered the real issue is local control, arguing the Legislature should not mandate something that already may be negotiated in teacher contracts. They also said the bill would

inflate school budgets and deprive students of valuable learning time.

Rep. Ralph Willey, R-Hampden, said he had been smoking for a half-century, "and I've enjoyed every single cigarette."

Israelis free 750 Shiite prisoners from southern Lebanon prison

ANSAR, Lebanon (AP) — The Israeli army freed more than 750 prisoners in southern Lebanon on Wednesday and many of the released men chanted, "Khomeini, Khomeini" and shouted defiance of the Israeli occupiers.

With their withdrawal from Lebanon only weeks away, the Israelis closed the Ansar prison camp, freed the prisoners and sent a fleet of trucks to dismantle other military positions.

The prisoners — many of them Shiite Moslems who espouse the teachings of Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini — chanted "God is great. War until victory. Khomeini, Khomeini," as they sat in Israeli army trucks that took

them from Ansar to the Lebanese villages where they were freed. Some had their hands tied in front of them with strips of white plastic, but the rest clapped and made V for victory signs with their fingers.

"We love Khomeini. He knows everything," a 20-year-old Shiite said. The young prisoner identified himself only as Jihad, an Arabic word that means "holy war."

On Tuesday, the Israelis took 1,100 other Ansar prisoners to a new detention center in Israel. The release of about a third of the prisoners was designed to ease tensions with southern Lebanon's increasingly hostile Shiite Moslems.

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Heart recipient has slim chance of survival unless kidneys work

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — An Indiana teen-ager has received a new heart after five days on a pair of external plastic pumps, but doctors said Wednesday he has only a slim chance of surviving unless his kidneys start working soon.

Schroeder to be released

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Artificial heart recipient William Schroeder will be released Saturday from the Louisville hospital where he has lived since his Nov. 25 implant, a Humana Inc. spokesman said Wednesday.

The Jasper, Ind., man will ride in his customized van at 2 p.m. from Humana Hospital Audubon to a transitional apartment across the street, said Robert Irvine, Humana Inc. director of public relations.

The decision was made by implant surgeon William DeVries, Irvine said.

Schroeder, 53, and his wife, Margaret, will move to the apartment, which Humana has renovated for artificial heart patients, he said.

The apartment complex, across from the hospital, has been specially equipped for such patients.

Michael Jones, 16, also has a higher risk of infection because of openings made in his skin for the pumps and dialysis machine, his surgeon said Wednesday.

"If we can get his kidneys back, I think we can save him," Dr. Laman Gray Jr. said at a news conference. "If not, there's no way."

Gray said he thought there was about an 80 percent or 90 percent chance that Jones' kidneys would resume functioning.

The heart recipient was still "critically ill," said Gray, who placed Jones' chance of survival at 20 percent to 25 percent.

Jones received his new heart during surgery Tuesday night at Jewish Hospital. In the operation, the boy's diseased heart and the plastic pumps that kept it beating were removed and the donor heart transplanted.

Doctors began looking for a new heart for Jones the day after the ventricular assist devices, VADs, were attached; but an organ was not readily found.

Gray said the heart transplanted into Jones was "slightly larger than what would be ideal," but because of the difficulty in finding an organ, surgeons went ahead with the transplant.

The hospital would not release any information about the heart's donor, at the donor family's request and to prevent jeopardizing future donations.

Gunman holds children hostage

DETROIT (AP) — A 19-year-old man who allegedly held three second graders hostage at gunpoint in their classroom after telling their teacher, "I need help," was arraigned Wednesday on kidnapping charges and ordered to undergo psychological tests.

Alim Sanders of Hamtramck stood mute as the charges were read, and an innocent plea was entered for him by District Judge Daphne Means Curtis. He had surrendered at the Detroit school Tuesday afternoon.

Sanders was charged with three counts of kidnapping and one

each of extortion and use of a firearm during a felony.

Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Timothy Kenny asked for a \$250,000 cash bond, but Curtis set bond at \$100,000 and said Sanders must undergo a psychiatric examination and would have an attorney appointed for him.

After answering the judge's questions in a clear, but low, voice, Sanders left the courtroom in the custody of sheriff's deputies. A preliminary hearing was set for April 15.

Bills to carry photos of children

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gas utility bills will be accompanied by photographs of missing children starting next month under a new national program to locate children abducted by strangers, program organizers said Wednesday.

Gas utilities in 42 states serving 32 million homes already have agreed to take part in the National Child Watch Campaign, organizers said at a news conference.

"We've never placed photographs in this many homes. It really constitutes a national search," said Jay Howell, director of the national Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The program sponsors believe their campaign will give teachers, clergy and

neighbors a better opportunity to identify missing children in their areas.

"The dissemination of the pictures is absolutely vital," said Sen. Paula Hawkins, R-Fla., who is chairwoman of a Senate subcommittee dealing with children. "Nothing takes the place of having a child's picture in your hand in your home."

The missing children center will pick two photographs to circulate with the gas bills each month, and take telephone calls on its toll-free number from people who think they have seen the children.

The first two children, who will be featured in May, are Ann Gotlib of Louisville, Ky., and Mitchell Deshaun Owens of Menlo Park, Calif.

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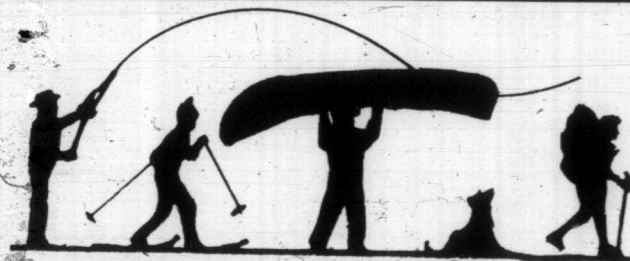
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Editorial

Age of consent

A public hearing will be held Thursday in Augusta before the Legislature's Legal Affairs Committee to debate raising the drinking age to 21 in the state of Maine. Despite the increasingly prohibitive mentality of a vocal segment of the state's constituency and financial pressure from the Reagan administration, the editorial board of *The Daily Maine Campus* unanimously believes the Legislature should not raise the drinking age again.

Eighteen is the legal age of responsibility in this country, for the purposes of participating in government, serving (voluntarily or not) in the military and being held responsible for one's behavior. Yet for two years, soon perhaps three, after reaching 18, governments across the country have determined that nobody is mature enough to drink.

The inconsistencies are queer. Should people too unstable and unreliable to drink determine who represents us in government, or be held responsible for financial obligations? If 18, 19 and 20-year-olds are legally acknowledged to be irresponsible, why prosecute them for stealing when they obviously aren't yet prepared to decide for themselves not to? There should be one legal drinking age across the country, but it should be 18.

The Legislature is debating the raise because of financial pressure from the Reagan administration,

applied to every state, to make the age 21 or lose millions of dollars in federal highway funds. The amount of the penalty levied would increase for each year of non-compliance by a state.

Admittedly, the state of Maine cannot afford to give up scarce funds used to maintain poor roads. Alternatives for the lost money should be found, in increased highway user taxes and fines against people convicted of dangerous traffic violations, to stand on principle and defy the blackmail of the Reagan administration. The motivation behind incremental prohibition based on age is said to be the rate of alcohol-related accidents in the 18-to-20-year-old range. But the root of that problem is not drinking — it's driving. The president and the majority of drunken driving educational groups seem to focus on the wrong aspect of the problem, and unfortunately the problem cannot possibly be solved with a stern, legalistic "No!" to drinking.

The implications of arbitrarily restricting the rights of citizens based on the majority's opinion of their alcohol consumption are far reaching. Could it be statistically proven before a Legislature or a president that other groups, based on factors like race, religion, geographical origin, sexual preference or shoe size cannot drink responsibly? It seems likely.

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E.J. VONGHER

Learning by doing

Alcohol. It is a substance which can cause a certain amount of intoxication in humans, depending upon the quantity they consume and the time period during which they consume it. Alcohol has always had a place in society. There is not one person in America who hasn't been exposed to the stuff.

In Europe, there is a much more relaxed attitude toward alcohol. Friends of mine who've been to Italy say wine is preferred to any other beverage because of the poor water quality. They said there is no drinking age to speak of in Germany.

In America, the federal government is more or less forcing the states to raise the legal drinking age to 21. The reasoning, as far as I can tell, is that those under that age aren't able to make intelligent and mature choices about alcohol. In my experiences with education, I have found that learning by doing is the most practical and efficient way to absorb concepts and information. This has also carried over into my experimentation with alcohol.

The first time I ever got rip-roaring drunk was my sophomore year in high school. I went to a Christmas party at a girl named Katrina Hogentogler's house. The eggnog was spiked with rum. It tasted real good, much better than the bitter Budweiser I was used to sneaking out of the 'fridge. I couldn't taste anything bad, so I enjoyed it. Come 10:30 or so, I was out of my gourd.

Katrina's mom, a good friend of the family, called my folks and said it wouldn't be possible for me to drive home and I could stay the night. Instead, a friend of mine who wasn't drinking brought me home. I was so bombed, I couldn't even make it up the stairs. I tried to impress upon my folks the fact that I wasn't so bad by jumping into my bed from five feet away. Unfortunately, I landed about three feet short, waking my brother up so he could enjoy the show.

Being the psychological wizard that he is, my dad made me go to school the next day, with what I can honestly call the worst hangover of my life. I learned that a hangover, especially when you have things to do, is indeed a terrible thing.

The legal drinking age at that time was 18. I admit I was engaging in illegal activity, but I honestly believe just about everyone starts experimenting with alcohol about two years before the law permits it. That is where my problem with the 21-year-old law lies. If people are insulated from actually feeling and experiencing the effects of alcohol until the age of 19, or 21, as the federal government wants, it would be a tragedy. By this age, most folks are out of the guardianship of their parents. They have responsibilities because they are now adults.

When learning about alcohol, you need someone to guide you. You need someone who can let you feel the pains of a hangover. You need the experience of seeing what too much of the stuff does to a person, without having it affect the rest of your life.

I guess the bottom line is this ... I'm against raising the drinking age to 21. I don't think it will solve any of the problems associated with alcohol, only postpone and intensify them.

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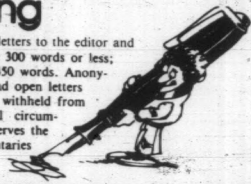
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Easter time of spirituality

To the editor:

There are certain times set aside during the year which in themselves tend to act upon the spirit of man so powerfully as to cause him to want to deepen his commitment to that person and/or event commemorated. For the Christian, the days leading up to and including Easter is one such period of time. It is then that we feel increasingly anxious about our relationship with our Creator. As we study the scriptures and begin to measure the true cost of discipleship as epitomized by the Savior against what each of us is actually paying out from day to day — we feel at once

remorseful for the mediocrity of our witness yet hopeful in Christ that it might not always remain such.

So it is in this brightening spirit of hope and re-dedication that I celebrate Easter, and bear you my witness that I know God lives, and that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, who consummated his mortal ministry among men by atoning for the sins of all mankind, and whose death and resurrection guarantees the boon of immortality to every person and puts into operation the terms for working out our own individual salvation.

What a blessing it is for me to know that Jesus successfully

finished what he came to the earth to do, and, as a result, we now have it within each of our means — through membership in His restored Church, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and all that that signifies in terms of organization, priesthood authority, laws and ordinances of the gospel, and gifts of the Spirit — to overcome the world and become "heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ." (Rom. 8:17). This is my testimony and I leave it with you in his Holy Name, amen.

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Seniors want wet bash; question timing

To the editor:

Being seniors and as graduation approaches, we are highly outraged by the fact that the university administration is turning its back on the student body in helping to encourage responsible social drinking.

Learning to drink alcohol responsibly is a part of growing up and the university should face up to that fact. It need not be left up to students after graduation.

Understandably, the university is concerned about being faced with a lawsuit. But is prohibiting an alcoholic senior celebration the best solution?

Isn't it peculiar that the administration decided on an alcohol-free senior celebration only after the pledges for senior challenge have been given by the majority of the senior class?

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Commentary

Don Linscott

Communication fee politics

Student government is at it again. It seems our student senators have little better to do than waste time on issues that have been proven to be not representative of student opinions. A couple years ago students voted overwhelmingly in favor of a communications fee to help *The Daily Maine Campus* and WMEB. Without the fee *The Campus* would not survive. Now a number of senators are pushing a referendum to reduce the fee by \$2.40, which is exactly the amount that goes toward funding the newspaper.

It doesn't take a large amount of thought to figure out just what is behind all this. A number of senators in student government are not happy with the coverage they have received from the paper. On a number of occasions I have been told by various senators that it is the newspaper's job to be "supportive of student government and all that it does."

The possibilities are frightening. Apparently some members of student government would like *The Campus* to be an extension of their organization. The thought seems to be "print only good things about us or print nothing at all." Under such a system the daily newspaper would become little more than a public relations newsletter, carrying no criticisms of our student government.

The senators belonging to this school of thought would like to erase all who disagree with or criticize their actions. "We do not like the press therefore we will do our best to eliminate the press," could be their motto.

The fact that such dictatorial, powerhungry, senators were elected as representatives of the student body is distressing. None were elected under the premise that if elected they would do their best to eliminate the college newspaper. Such a campaign promise, as evidenced by the communications fee referendum, would have been against the wishes of their constituents.

The truth be known, these student senators are not representing students but, have instead decided to represent their own interests once again.

The estimated total operating budget of *The Campus* for the current academic year is \$120,000.00. The communications fee money the paper receives is put toward printing expenses which will be approximately \$50,000.00 for the year. Total funds from the fee amount to approximately \$42,000.00, well short of the expense. Other expenses are incurred in supplies, computer loan payments and employee payroll. (The average employee is paid approximately \$2.00 per hour and writers work for no pay.)

The fact is that *The Daily Maine Campus* cannot continue to exist as a daily publication without the communications fee. In fact, when inflationary increases for next year are considered, it is doubtful that the paper will be able to publish daily if its income does not also increase.

In light of these facts it is difficult to understand why student government would want to reduce the communications fee. It is a blatant attempt to eliminate the only medium that reports the actions of student senate to the student body.

If student senators were concerned with representing the student body perhaps they would be more concerned with promoting plans designed to help the student newspaper rather than destroy it. Unfortunately a number of senators don't give a damn about what students said in the last communications fee referendum.

If the senate does decide to go ahead with the referendum I would hope that it would include a question asking students if they would favor a \$1.00 increase in the fee rather than having the paper cut back publication.

As planned now the referendum question would be a waste of time. Based on the turnout of the last referendum and current *Maine Campus* survey results, it is safe to say that students are not going to vote to eliminate their school newspaper.

Magazine

Some colleges may gain from lottery profits

(CPS) — Colleges in a number of states soon may start reaping the benefits or organized gambling in a bigger way than ever before, but not all educators are convinced campuses will come out winners.

At least two states California and Iowa are expected to launch lotteries soon, joining the 17 states and the District of Columbia already in the lottery business.

Until this year, only New Jersey earmarked a portion of its lottery profits for higher education, and \$102,000 for the current fiscal year is not large enough to have a substantial impact.

That is about to change. The budget presented to the California legislature by Gov. George Deukmejian Jan. 30 calls for spending \$56.7 million in lottery funds for higher education next fiscal year.

Officials from three Iowa campuses recently asked lawmakers for nearly all the money — some \$40 million — generated by the state lottery expected to begin this year.

Some lawmakers see the gambling money as a neat way to fund new campus programs.

Deukmejian recommended using lottery money to set up new programs that higher education officials wanted funded with traditional revenue sources.

But if the legislators don't agree to use the money for the programs, the programs won't begin at all, educators fear. Proposition 37, approved by 58 per-

"That's caused a large amount of disquiet." "That's caused a large amount of disquiet."

Deukmejian's proposals confirm the fears of proposition opponents, including Ralph Flynn, director of the California Teachers Association, which represents professors in the California State University system.

"Regardless of how the revenue is generated, the temptation on the part of the governor and the legislature is too

"This is going to create an illusion of a higher level of support for education," said Flynn. "It will divert attention from our needs."

William Pickens, chief fiscal analyst for the higher education commission, said using lottery funds to support continuing expenses such as salaries can backfire.

"Lottery revenues are subject to wide swings, particularly after the initial interest subsidies," said Pickens.

"And if they don't come in one year, the legislature is not likely to replace them with state funds unless they happen to have a significant amount of money available."

Iowa College officials say they share these concerns, but are not dissuaded.

"We are very concerned about the legislature respecting our 'regular' askings and giving them the greater attention," said UI Director of State Relations Frank Stork.

"But legislators have made a commitment to funding only non-recurring items with lottery funds, and we are hopeful they will uphold that commitment."

University of Iowa, Iowa State and Northern Iowa representatives asked lawmakers last month for \$40 million to fund a range of endowed professorships, equipment purchases and technology, economic outreach and research programs.

The state expects to generate \$43 million in lottery funds this year and lawmakers invited college officials to submit proposals.

"We felt we were somewhat obligated to apply," said Stork.

Each campus would match its lottery money with its own fundraising efforts, Iowa President James Freedman told the lawmakers.

"This is going to create an illusion of a higher level of support for education."

Ralph Flynn,

Director of the California Teachers Association

cent of those voting last November, requires that lottery funds supplement state funds, not replace them; they point out.

"The governor said either you take these programs with lottery funds or you don't get them," said Suzanne Ness of the government affairs division of the state's higher education commission.

great not to treat lottery funds just like general revenue," said Flynn.

The result, Flynn predicts, is lawmakers will use lottery funds to offset money higher education would otherwise have received from other state revenue sources.

Fred Klass, a legislative lobbyist for the state's community colleges, said "It's a short-term hoopla, but in the long-run it won't make that much difference."

"One way or the other, legislators will find a way of putting the lottery money in the same big pot with all other funds," said Klass.

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Students seek handgun vote to counter pills

AUSTIN, TX (CPS) — Conservative students at the University of Texas are trying to undermine a "suicide pill" anti-nuclear weapons referendum by submitting a plan they acknowledge is only slightly less absurd.

Leaders of the Texas Review Society say they have collected 500 signatures on a petition calling for a vote on a proposal to stockpile handguns for use in the event of a Soviet invasion.

They drafted the petition after anti-nuclear weapons activists circulated a petition seeking a vote on a plan to stockpile suicide pills to dramatize the consequences of nuclear war.

"We're hoping these two proposals will

cancel each other out," says UT junior John Colyandro, editor of the conservative journal, Texas Review.

The proposal to stockpile suicide pills is at least the third of its kind to be drafted since students at Brown University originated the idea last fall.

Brown students endorsed the plan by a 60 to 40 percent margin in mid-October.

Later that month, however, the idea was rejected by a 58 to 42 percent margin in a student referendum at the University of Colorado.

The leader of the suicide pill referendum drive, graduate student Bernard

Roth, said he resents the attempt by the conservatives to thwart his proposal.

"They have no constructive goals," Roth told the UT student newspaper, the Daily Texan. "They just want to confuse people, misdirect them."

"They're taking a kindergarten kind of attitude and they're playing kindergarten games."

Colyandro contends the proposal to stockpile handguns makes more sense because a Soviet invasion is more likely than a nuclear attack.

Moreover, he said, the handguns would demonstrate that UT students "are not so cowardly so as to resort to suicide pills."

He said the purpose of the proposal is to undermine Roth's.

"We don't want the University of Texas name attached to such a proposal," he said of the suicide pill referendum.

Colyandro said his group has collected about 500 signatures in 10 days. But he said he expects to fall short of the 1,000 signatures required to make the ballot.

The Texas Review is one of about 75 conservative student publications across the country established with the help of a grant from the Institute for Educational Affairs, a conservative foundation based in New York.



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New York Mets are favored to dethrone Cubs

By the Associated Press

At least one veteran of the National League East believes the trade that brought Gary Carter to the New York Mets has tipped the balance of power in the division.

"The Montreal Expos have made the New York Mets even more solid contenders than they already were," said Dick Williams, who managed the Expos for five seasons before going to the San Diego Padres in 1983. "Carter, I think, makes the Mets the team to watch in the East."

Last year, the Mets battled Chicago for the division title until September, when New York lost two late-season series to the Cubs.

In 1984, the Cubs won by six-and-one-half games, followed by New York, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Montreal and Pittsburgh.

This season, it all looks more like this: New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, St. Louis and Montreal. Carter's presence — in a lineup that already includes big hitters such as George Foster, David Strawberry and Keith Hernandez — not only improves the Mets' offense, but his impact on the Mets' young pitching staff could be hard to measure.

Led by right-hander Dwight Gooden, the 1984 NL Rookie of the Year, the Mets' starting pitching staff was probably the only lifeline mark on a team otherwise solid in all aspects.

Gooden and Ron Darling are in their second full seasons, while left-hander Steve Trachsel has had only brief stints in the rotation. In relief, the Mets are set with Jesse Ojeda from the left side and Doug Sisk from the right.

A lot of Cubs had great seasons in 1984, including Cy Young winner Rick Sutcliffe. Most Valuable Player Ryne Sandberg and leadoff hitter Bob Dernier.

The Cubs also have to answer some pitching questions. There's no reason Sutcliffe, 16-1 last year with the Cubs, can't have another fine season, but he'll

combined for 147 stolen bases last year, more than six other NL teams.

Steve Carlton and John Denny anchor a pitching rotation that could be adequate.

For St. Louis, gone over the last two seasons are players like Keith Hernandez, George Hendrick and Bruce Sutter. Jack

together, he, Ozzie Smith and Willie McGee give the Cards some speed.

The Expos may be on the right track to rebuilding, but this is no short-term project. Montreal has replaced the entire middle of its defense, besides losing the 106 RBI Carter gave them last year.

Three of the replacements — catcher Mike Fitzgerald, center fielder Herm Winningham and shortstop Hubie Brooks — came from the Mets, and the Expos got the other one, second baseman Vanece Law, from the Chicago White Sox.

Manager Buck Rodgers calls the good health of outfielder Andre Dawson and pitcher Steve Rogers his pluses.

His minususes include injuries to pitchers Charlie Lea and Gary Lucas. Lea probably will start the season on the disabled list, but Lucas, who has recurring back problems, may be OK.

The Expos' real strengths are in the speed of Tim Lincecum, the power of Dawson and the lift they could get from the competition at first base between veteran Dan Driessen and Terry Fracona.

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probably lose more than one game. Steve Trout, at 13-7, had the best season of his career. Dennis Eckersley was 10-8. Lee Smith anchors a bullpen that is mediocre.

For the Pirates, George Hendrick came over from St. Louis, and he'll play right field. Steve Kemp arrived from New York and, if he's healthy, he'll play left. That gives the Pirates the potential to score more than they did in '84, when they were 10th in the NL in run production.

The Pirates still have fine starting pitching with Jose Del Leon, John Candelaria, Larry McWilliams and Rick Rhoden. The question is the bullpen, where 38-year-old Kent Tekulve had only 18 saves and a 3-9 record.

Philadelphia has so many good role players, it may be hard to find nine guys who want to start. Still, there is the one Phil constant, Mike Schmidt, who has one more season after another despite, at 35, getting a little long of tooth.

The one thing the Phillies have over any other team in the league is speed. Juan Samuel, Von Hayes and Jeff Stone

Clark arrived from San Francisco to take Hendrick's spot, and the Cardinals might have gotten the better of that exchange. But there's no way they can replace Sutter's 45 saves.

Neil Allen, who once had 22 saves for the Mets, and Ricky Horton will work in short relief, backing up starters Joaquin Andujar, Bob Forsch and John Tudor, acquired in the Hendrick deal.

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Status of wrestling coach is undetermined

by Chuck Morris
Staff Writer

Two years ago the Black Bear wrestling team did not have a coach. Nicholas Nicolich, then a sophomore wildlife major at age 30, decided to take the position that was left open when Mark Harriman became a full-time football coach.

"It sounded like a challenge," Nicolich said. "Stu (Haskell, the athletic director) said to me, 'I don't know where to turn.'"

"Then he gave me the impression that it was me or drop the program. So, I gave it a try."

Nicolich will graduate in May and now Haskell is in the same position he was two years ago. Nicolich can not support his family on the \$1,750 he made coaching the Black Bear squad, he said.

"I wanted (the coaching position) so bad I let a lot of job opportunities go by," Nicolich said. "This is what I want to do, but right now there is no money to put me on full-time. (The athletic department) has said even if they had the money... they couldn't justify the position of just a wrestling coach."

Haskell said he would not drop the wrestling program if Nicolich does not stay and said he is trying to find another area where Nicolich could teach something else.

"I am going to make every attempt to make it possible to keep him on our staff on a full-time capacity," Haskell said. "He's such a valuable guy I don't want to lose him."

"There's one area where he could be an immense help to every coach at the university. That's weight training."

Haskell said most Div. I schools have a strength coach, but this position will still have to be approved by the administration in next year's budget request.

Al Snowman, a student-trainer who has been with the wrestling squad for five years, said replacing Nicolich would set back the team's progress.

"I feel the university should work as hard as they possibly can with the resources they have to keep him here," Snowman said. "If they hire someone as a wrestling coach as a second priority the team will go back to a group of individuals working for individual goals."

Snowman said one reason why the wrestling program has flourished under Nicolich is because Nicolich's "main interest is wrestling. He came here to coach wrestling."

"Before Nick came here we had a couple of outstanding individuals and things formed around them and there's nothing wrong with that," Snowman said. "But when Nick came, wrestling became focused as a team sport. What mattered was the team winning."

"He brought a group of individuals together to form a cohesive unit that would go out and win."

Under Nicolich the Black Bears have won. In 26 dual meets UMO has come out of the match victorious 22 times. They have won the Northern New England Championships both years and Nicolich has been named the Division I New England Coach of the Year twice. He was also named the All-Star coach of this year's team that included four UMO wrestlers.

In the last two seasons, three Maine wrestlers have won New England Championships and thus, qualified for the Nationals. And this year, the Black Bears finished second in the N.E. Champion-

ships, their highest finish ever, behind five-time defending champion Boston University.

UMO hosted that meet "which in itself is a statement about (our) program," Nicolich said.

Haskell said all these accomplishments mean Nicolich is a "great coach."

"He has all the traits that one looks for in a good coach," Haskell said, "communicative skills, teaching skills, motivational skills and lastly and probably most importantly, he's a caring individual."

"I'm a firm believer that good coaches, like good teachers, have to have two traits. They have to know the subject matter, but even more important than that, they have to be able to teach and pass it on to their athletes. You need natural ability to be a good coach. I think Nick is a natural coach, a natural teacher."

Haskell agreed with Nicolich in saying that the UMO wrestling program has gained respectability throughout New England in the last two years.

"The No. 1 thing that has happened in the last two years," Nicolich said,

"is wrestling. Maine has gained the respect from the rest of New England."

"When you see the last two years together you see something is being built. That's what makes it so sad about the possibility of leaving. These last two years you can't ever take away from us. If May 11 comes and if in fact there is no position for me, or if between now and then I take a job somewhere else, I guess when I'm gone here I'll have two conflicting emotions — sadness and pride. I'm going to be very proud of what the team accomplished when I leave."

Pat Kelly, who will be next year's co-captain along with teammate Carl Cullenberg, said the team does not want Nicolich to leave.

"You can't see facts. Look at what he's done," Kelly said. "In the last two years Nick has proven himself a worthy coach. If he goes on a test he's passed. He should get the green light to go and be a coach. He deserves that."

"We don't want a change. We're on a roll now. And what about the team? You have to think about the team too. We've got New England champions and it's because of Nick."

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together, he, Ozzie Smith and Willie McGee give the Cards some speed.

The Expos may be on the right track to rebuilding, but this is no short-term project. Montreal has replaced the entire middle of its defense, besides losing the 106 RBI Carter gave them last year.

Three of the replacements — catcher Mike Fitzgerald, center fielder Herm Winningham and shortstop Hubie Brooks — came from the Mets, and the Expos got the other one, second baseman Vaneé Law, from the Chicago White Sox.

Manager Buck Rodgers calls the good health of outfielder Andre Dawson and pitcher Steve Rogers his pluses.

His minuses include injuries to pitchers Charlie Lea and Gary Lucas, Lea probably will start the season on the disabled list, but Lucas, who has recurring back problems, may be OK.

The Expos' real strengths are in the speed of Tim Lincecum, the power of Dawson and the lift they could get from the competition at first base between veteran Dan Driessen and Terry Fracona.

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Associated Press Sports Briefs

The Kansas City Kings' request to move to Sacramento, Calif., was approved Wednesday by a special committee of National Basketball Association owners.

However, it said the league should reserve the right to relocate the Kings if Sacramento does not build a suitable arena by the 1987-88 season.

The decision by the five owners must be ratified by the full 23-member board of governors, who will meet in New York on April 16.

The Kings, currently in last place in the Midwest Division with a 30-45 record, announced in January their intention to relocate, citing that president and general manager Joe Aronson called "generally weak support over the years."

Gregg Lukenbill, who heads the Sacramento-based group that purchased the team in June 1983, said the Kings lost \$1 million last season and had projected losses of \$1.8 million this year.

The owners committee said that while there is no suitable arena in Sacramento at this time, a temporary facility seating 10,400 is expected to be completed by next September, in time for the 1985-86 season. It would be home to the team pending the completion of a larger arena in 1987.

Nancy Lopez, Juli Inkster and Jan Stephenson are among the favorites who will tee off Thursday in the PGA's most prestigious tournament, the \$400,000 Nabisco-Dinah Shore Invitational.

The 72-hole event at Mission Hills Country Club continues through Sunday, with a winner's prize of \$55,000.

Lopez, who won 17 tournaments in 1978-79 and captured the Dinah Shore in 1981, is looking for her first victory of 1985.

Stephenson snapped a two-year winless string when she won in Glendale, Calif., two weeks ago.

Inkster, who as a rookie last year beat veteran Pat Bradley in a playoff for the Dinah Shore title, has the most incentive to win.

If she can successfully defend her title, Inkster will collect a \$1 million bonus offered to a player who can with the Dinah Shore title two years in a row.

Texas Rangers reliever Dave Stewart said he is paying the price for a mistake, and he is prepared for the heckling that is sure to follow.

Stewart, 28, was arrested in Los Angeles in January for allegedly committing a sexual act in public with a prostitute. He pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge, was fined and given a suspended sentence.

"The hardest thing I had to do was tell my mother, my 8-year-old son, Adrian, and other people who are dear to me," said Stewart, who learned after the arrest that the prostitute was a transvestite.

"I'm sorry it happened," Stewart said, "but let's say I'm Frank Smith and I didn't play baseball. Nobody would have known. It wouldn't have made headlines coast to coast. Society, the media, whoever, wants to make professional athletes role models; then they want to tear them down."

No amount of money, Stewart said, should be able to buy a player's privacy.

The Greater Greensboro Open will have a 144-man field chasing a \$72,000 first prize in this week's tournament that begins Thursday.

Among the chief competition will be titleholder Andy Bean, Lanny Wadkins, Craig Stadler, Fuzzy Zoeller, Ray Floyd and Ben Crenshaw, who next week will be defending his Master's crown.

Crenshaw had his best tournament of

the year last week in the Tournament Players Championship.

Also in the field that will play the Forest Oaks Country Club course are Danny Edwards, a two-time winner here, South African Denis Watson, a three-time winner last season, 1985 tournament winners Woody Blackburn and Mark McCumber and Peter Jacobsen, twice a runner-up this year.

Jackson is optimistic about upcoming season

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — Reggie Jackson's storied baseball career appeared to be drawing to a close in 1983. This spring, he looks as if he could go on forever.

Jackson, who turns 39 in May, says he has renewed confidence and enthusiasm, a sharp contrast to the way he felt last spring.

"When I came into the spring last year, I knew I was going to have to play and perform," Jackson said at the California Angels' training camp. "There was a lot of pressure on me; everybody was wondering if I was through."

Jackson had suffered through his poorest season in 1983, when he hit .194 with only 14 home runs and 49 runs batted in.

But he showed strong signs of a come-back last season. Although his batting average improved to just .223, he had 25 homers — including the 500th of his career — and 81 RBI.

This spring, after showing up for work three days early, he has been hitting very well.

The biggest factor in Jackson's rekindled enthusiasm apparently has been Manager Gene Mauch's decision to use him frequently in right field, rather than in the designated-hitter role Jackson's held for the past two seasons.

"I feel a lot more involved in the game when I'm playing in the outfield," Jackson said. "I've been hitting the ball well and there seems to be a correlation. I was not as productive in the DH role."

Jackson, who said earlier in the spring that he plans to play at least through 1986 for California, said he's been very happy with the Angels, who signed him out of the re-entry draft in 1982.

Asked if he ever missed the markedly less quiet days when he was with the New York Yankees, Jackson said, "Never."

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