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(Fitzpatrick photo)

Jobs biggest Maine worry Computers now graduate

by Michael Di Cicco
Staff Writer

The quality of employment and the uneven impacts of economic changes are the most pressing problems for the people of Maine.

This was the conclusion of a six month, three-part study done on behalf of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Services.

The study, which took the forms of a mail survey, an input analysis by state experts, and a telephone poll, asked Maine adults what they thought the two most important problems facing Maine people were.

"The purpose of the study was to help us decide how we are going to structure our programs for the next four years," said David Sanderson, the service's program evaluation and staff development leader.

The survey results were condensed into eight major problem areas which were then analyzed by panels of selected Maine leaders, Sanderson said.

The categories were: environmental concerns, health and nutrition, educational opportunities, agriculture, the economy, families, natural resources, and communities.

It's difficult to find where one category ends and another begins.

"The eight issues are incredibly inter-related," said Dennis Watkins, a UMaine professor of community development said.

Sanderson said, "During the survey people put a whole lot of emphasis on job quality and availability."

Nearly half of the 714 people who participated in the telephone poll said that earning an adequate income was the most important problem throughout the state, he said.

According to Watkins, the state of Maine's economy was a large part of all eight problem categories.

"I'm not saying that it is the only one, but the economy is an important interlocking point. It is a major consideration," he said.

For example, a report by the selected panel for education states: "University of Maine freshmen, when compared to freshmen entering similar institutions across the country, demonstrate a disturbing lack of confidence by rating themselves below average in drive to achieve leadership, and social confidence."

Watkins said, "Education is very much tied to the economy. Much of the educational aspiration problem comes from the struggle of rural society. Better pay and higher job quality would have a significant effect on this."

Sanderson said the study results reinforce some of their programs and give new direction to others.

"I think there will be some significant changes, but it will take four or five months to see which ones will be made."

"We can't take on new directions without cutting out some of the lower priority things, and we have to decide what is lower priority based on the study," he said.

The information is important to UMaine graduates. They should know about the problems if they plan to stay in the state, Sanderson said.

by Jennifer Girr
Staff Writer

In addition to an undergraduate program, the University of Maine now offers a master's degree in computer science.

The state should have a first-class computer science program, and that is just what UMaine intends to provide, said Professor George Markowsky, chairperson of the computer science department.

The new program provides a base for assuming positions of various specialization or for pursuing a doctorate, offers research and teaching opportunities, and strengthens the technical training available at the university, Markowsky said.

The program leading to the master of science degree was approved by the UMaine board of trustees in September 1986.

"We were expecting approval in March of last year, but the other events of last year took over," Markowsky said.

He said the program was approved so late last year that there was not much time to get anything in place for the fall semester.

Admission requirements are met by students who have an undergraduate degree and other qualified candidates will be considered according to the department.

Graduate students are required to complete 30 semester hours in an approved program of work and a written comprehensive exam.

Dissertation projects for those electing the thesis option are available in various areas of faculty research.

Markowsky said there will be good assistantships available, assuming all requests are approved.

"We may have \$7,500 for a nine-month assistantship available, which is 50 percent more than the average (amount allotted)," he added.

Advantages of the program include having qualified individuals available to help students in the large computer classes as well as an increase in research efforts for the university.

"There is more flexibility than in the undergraduate program so they can support their interests," Markowsky said.

One of the two current graduate students is Charlene Hamiwka, who received her bachelor's of science degree in entomology from Syracuse and is working on a thesis on "human factors."

Hamiwka said, "Human factors studies the way that people and computers relate to each other, and if the software does what the user expects it to do."

"Computers are a tool to be used but if people can't use them, they lose their effectiveness."

Markowsky said recruiting materials have been designed and he expects to have 10 to 12 graduate students enrolled by next semester.

Workshops offer home businesses valuable tips

by Christina Baldwin
Staff Writer

Regardless of where a business is located, in a shopping mall or at home, starting one is not easy, said Dorothea Cloutier, an agent of the Somerset Cooperative Extension Service.

Cloutier, who runs an educational program designed to help people get started with home businesses said people aren't prepared for the venture they are about to undertake.

"The failure rate of new businesses is high because of a lack of preparation," she said. "They don't know what types of things to look for."

Cloutier said beginning entrepreneurs skip over important steps in planning a home business and don't think about the implications of running a business out of their homes.

"There are advantages and disadvantages to having a business in the home," she said.

One of the advantages for parents, Cloutier said, is the proximity to their children. They can work and care for their children at the same time.

"Also along those lines are benefits for the kids," she said. "Children can see what it takes to run a successful business by watching their parents. It also gives the kids good job opportunities when they are old enough."

But Cloutier said having a home business can have its disadvantages.

"If you involve family members in the business, the employer/employee relationship can become strained," she said. "The relationship isn't the same."

She said family members may expect more from relatives than from an employee who is a stranger. The reverse is also true when they don't expect enough and hard feelings of "I'm not good-enough" can set in.

Other problems can come from business work and household chores.

"There are two extremes this operates from," she said. "One person has so many household chores to do that they never get around to doing the business work. The other person concentrates only on the business and never does anything with the house."

Another problem is that there is always paperwork and people may find it hard to get away from the business to relax, Cloutier said.

"Having your privacy invaded by clients coming and going can be frustrating for the family," she said.

The customer can also be affected by having a business in a home.

"People might be offended to see dirty laundry lying around," she said.

The workshops run by the Cooperative Extension are set up to educate people about what they're getting into.

Cloutier said she first gives the people a self-analysis test that asks them questions about their personalities.

"It takes a strong, disciplined person to set up a business," she said.

The workshops also bring in guest speakers who discuss information on different subjects that new entrepreneurs need to know.

Cloutier said it is important to know the legal requirements of the various ownerships (sole proprietorship, partnership, corporations, etc.) as well as licenses, permits, and zoning laws that have to be filled out when applying for a business.

Other skills are important to know. "A firm grasp of money matters such as financing, pricing, record keeping, taxes, and insurance matters is always important," she said.

The workshops discuss issues involved in opening a business and help people get started.

Cloutier said the Extension group is getting a mailing list together to send to people who couldn't make it to the workshops in Skowhegan.

There are many pamphlets discussing the issues and lists of books that can be read on workshop topics.

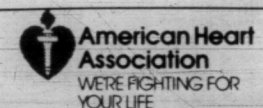
There are also similar programs at other CES offices throughout the state.

In Waldo County, CES Agent Bill Weber recently completed a third series of workshops for those interested in starting a small business. Topics included finances, family considerations, taxes, marketing, advertising, and development of a business plan.

Wendy Legg Pollack, an agent in Oxford County, organized a "Sewing for Profit" workshop that had similar topics.

"Another goal was to help people in the home-sewing business get to know each other and form a network," she said.

Cloutier said the workshops will run for six weeks sometime during March and April. The sessions are three hours long, one day a week. The classes are free.



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Staff Writer

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And many are, for Michael Salvato has been cutting hair in Orono for close to 40 years.

The owner of Mike's Barber Shop across from Pat's Pizza, Salvato said he's developed a regular clientele of townspeople and University of Maine students.

Among his regular customers is Wes Jordan, UMaine athletic trainer.

Jordan said he has been going to Mike's since 1960.

"When I came to the university, he was one of the few barbers around,"

he said. "I like the way he cuts hair and he's been a good friend of mine through the years."

And Salvato said UMaine students also make up much of his business. "There are quite a few students who come in regularly."

Over the years, he said he has made many friends in the Orono area.

"I know quite a few people — too many sometimes," he said.

Inside his shop two brown leather swivel chairs face large mirrors.

A variety of hair tonics line the shelf below and an old-fashioned cash register sits in the corner waiting for the next sale.

On the wall there are pictures of Orono sports teams from as far back as the 1930s — given to him over the years, he said, by customers.

The latest editions of *Sports Illustrated* and local newspapers sit on the

table in the waiting area and a small television set sits in the corner.

Spectacled, dark-haired, and burly, Salvato is friendly and easygoing with customers.

"I like meeting people and talking sports," he said.

If they are not in the mood to talk sports (his favorite topic) he'll talk about "whatever they want," he said.

But the one thing he won't discuss, he said, is local politics.

"I keep my mouth pretty tight about local affairs," he said.

Except for a four-year stint in the military, Salvato has been cutting hair for most of his 63 years.

Over the years he has noticed hairstyles change from short crew cuts in the '50s, to long hair in the '60s and '70s and begin to shorten once again in the '80s.

"Short haircuts are in now," he said.

He joined the Aviation Engineers in 1943 but saw little combat duty during World War II.

"We were behind the lines building airstrips," he said.

After the war he married his wife Genevieve, a native of Old Town, and set up a small barber shop in Fernald Hall.

"My parents wanted me to become a barber, but I'm not sorry I did it," he said.

He stayed at UMaine until 1953. During that time, he said, there were many veterans on campus pursuing their educations under the GI Bill.

In 1954 he moved to his current location on Mill Street in Orono.

But he has kept up on university news since he moved.

"The university has changed quite a bit. There are more buildings and more people than when I was there," he said.

But he added, "the people are the same."

And, he said, people at the university still remember him.

"They made me an honorary member of the Graduate M Club," he said.

Along with the University Barber next door, he is known for his low prices.

Until last year, Salvato charged \$3.50 for a haircut.

But this year, for the first time in a number of years, both he and his competitor had to increase their prices.

"Everything else has gone up so we went up," he said.

He now charges \$4 but adds that this price is still one of the lowest in the area.

He said he can afford to charge low prices because money isn't as important to him as it used to be.

"With my wife working, we don't need as much money. Everything I own is paid for," he said.

And what does he say of his competitor next door?

"He's got his clientele, I've got mine. It's been good for both of us," he said, adding, "life's too short not to make friends."

He also gives credit to the university for his success. "If it weren't for the university, I wouldn't be cutting hair."

He works five days a week and takes Wednesday and Sunday off.

In the summer he takes weekends off because "everyone goes camping."

Salvato, though, said his time as a barber is nearing its end and he plans to retire "in a couple years."

"I think there will always be a place for the barber," he said.

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Hearings show no contact with Iran

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz told Congress Tuesday the Reagan administration stopped talking to Iran about U.S. arms after a meeting last month in West Germany, but that it has other ways to discuss mutual interests in containing Soviet expansion.

Shultz testified that the Dec. 13 session in Frankfurt was authorized by President Reagan to underscore to Tehran "that any thought on their part that there were going to be further sales of arms, was wrong."

He assured the Senate Foreign Relations Committee at an open hearing that there no longer was "any contact in that channel." But, Shultz said, there are other points of contact, including a tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands, which is considering claims stemming from the takeover of Iran by followers

of the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in 1979.

Shultz did not identify the "other ways" the two countries could remain in touch, although he did furnish new details about the Frankfurt meeting between a two-man U.S. delegation and Iranian representatives. That session was held after Reagan declared the United States had broken off all talks with Iran about American weapons.

Shultz said the Central Intelligence Agency had notified him about the meeting after it was scheduled, "and I decided, and the president concurred, that we should proceed."

Shultz said he designated Charles Dunbar, a Paris-speaking foreign service officer, to participate with George Cave of the CIA, and to take charge of the discussion, using "set talking points" prepared in Washington.

Afterward, Shultz said, Cave remained in Europe to visit a relative. "We later found that an Iranian interlocutor" called the CIA official to request another meeting, to transmit an Iranian response to the earlier session, Shultz said.

They met without the State Department's authorization, Shultz said. While he "thought that was inappropriate," Shultz said the substance of the discussion provided no problem. He told the committee he did not want to "imply some evil or underhanded motive" to the CIA.

Shultz also repeated U.S. policy that "there will be no further exceptions" to the U.S. attempt to embargo arms to Iran.

"No more transfers...either directly or through a third party," said the secretary, who privately recommended to Reagan that he not authorize Iranian

arms purchases. The president disregarded the advice in a finding reached by Reagan last January. Seven U.S. weapons shipments followed.

In another part of the Capital, the House select investigating committee on the Iran-Contra affair met behind closed doors to review security procedures. The panel plans to begin holding hearings in mid-February, and an unspecified number of witnesses already have been subpoenaed, a committee spokesman said.

And at the White House, House Republican Whip Trent Lott of Mississippi told Reagan a survey of GOP lawmakers indicated that most of their constituents are not very interested in the Iran-Contra scandal, said presidential spokesman Larry Speakes.

Liberace reported anemic, denies AIDS

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — Liberace is gravely ill with anemia, emphysema and heart disease, a publicist said Tuesday, one day after his manager denied a report he had AIDS and insisted the pianist simply was anemic from dieting.

The flashy 67-year-old showman, known by the trademark candelabra atop his piano, was under the care of doctors at his home here, according to

a statement issued by publicist Denise Collier in New York.

"It is my great regret to inform you that Liberace is gravely ill with pernicious anemia, complicated by advanced emphysema and heart disease," she said.

"Liberace is resting comfortably at his home...and is sincerely appreciative of the hundreds of get-well wishes and prayers he has received from his fans," she said.

Asked if Liberace's illness was a complication of AIDS, Collier said "All I know is this statement. He is only being treated for emphysema and heart disease. It seems to me that all this is heavy enough."

Liberace's manager, Seymour Heller, on Monday denied a report in the Las Vegas (Nev.) Sun attributing to unidentified sources that Liberace has AIDS.

Collier's statement Tuesday seemed at odds with Heller's earlier account. He said Liberace was being treated by anemia brought on by a watermelon-only diet on which he shed 25 pounds.

"The doctor put him on three square meals a day and iron tablets, and said he needed to rest in order to regain his weight and his strength," Heller said Monday. The manager said Liberace planned to take off six months or a year.

Anemia, a depletion of red blood cells or the hemoglobin within them, was diagnosed during Liberace's annual examination seven or eight months ago, Heller said.

Liberace was admitted Friday night to Eisenhower Memorial Hospital in Rancho Mirage, Calif., Heller said. A hospital nursing supervisor said Liberace was released Monday.

"We are categorically denying Liberace has AIDS," Heller said. "We are demanding a retraction and if this is not done, we intend to immediately file a libel suit."

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AIDS victim asks state for services

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — A young AIDS victim told legislators and state officials Tuesday that the lack of services for people suffering from the fatal disease in Maine is "pretty disgusting."

The man, who identified himself only as Vincent, appeared at a briefing for lawmakers by a state advisory committee on acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

"How many people know anyone out there with AIDS?" he asked the dozen or so legislators at the briefing. Only one or two hands were raised.

"You will soon," he said.

Vincent said his roommate, who died of AIDS, received only one Social Security check during his prolonged illness. "That's pretty disgusting. There

need to be more direct services to people with AIDS."

Panel members said AIDS victims need more counseling and therapy programs and help paying medical and living expenses.

The committee has drafted legislation to introduce an AIDS curriculum in Maine schools starting in the third grade.

It also plans to use \$65,000 appropriated by the Legislature last year to launch an information campaign on "safe sex" and general AIDS prevention using radio, television and newspaper ads as well as brochures and posters.

"Ignorance is the best ally this disease has," state Director of Disease Control Lani Graham said.

"We must be prepared to talk about the AIDS virus openly and directly," she said, "and this means talking about

"The story of AIDS in Maine is not only a story of young people dying," he said. It also involves people with tremendous medical costs and great need for social, spiritual and financial support, he said.

So far, Maine's resources specifically for AIDS victims consist of mainly of the AIDS Project Inc. in Portland, an umbrella group that gives support to victims and their families; and six testing and counseling centers.

Rep. Charlene Rydell, D-Brunswick, who chairs the advisory committee, said Maine must heed a recent warning from the U.S. surgeon general that states still lucky enough to have few AIDS cases must get prepared. "The next few months will determine the course of the illness in this state," she said.

sex and especially about condoms."

The current count in Maine of people afflicted with AIDS is 37 of whom 16 are known to have died, according to the state Health bureau. In addition, more than 100 people have tested positive for the virus that often develops into AIDS.

In trying to improve services for AIDS victims, the committee has asked U.S. Sen. George J. Mitchell, D-Maine, to work for changes in the Social Security code.

Currently, patients who are chronically ill with related problems but are not defined as suffering from full-fledged AIDS do not qualify for Social Security, said Dr. Michael Bach, an infectious-disease specialist in Portland who works with AIDS patients.

Waite possibly a hostage

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Fears grew Tuesday for Anglican church envoy Terry Waite, last seen eight days ago when he left for secret talks with Shiite Moslem kidnappers to seek the release of hostages.

One report Tuesday said Waite was still negotiating. Another said he was placed under house arrest by the Moslems he went to bargain with.

Archbishop Robert Runcie of Canterbury said in London he was "greatly concerned" about Waite's safety.

Waite arrived in the Lebanese capital Jan. 12. Since then, 11 more foreigners have been abducted in Beirut. The latest, a Saudi Arabian, was grabbed by gunman Monday night.

Police evacuated eight French teachers from Moslem west Beirut to Christian east Beirut on Tuesday. A police official said the French were taken across the capital's dividing Green Line at the request of the French government.

The eight had been teaching for some time at three schools in west Beirut, said the official, who refused to be further identified.

The evacuation came after the spate of kidnappings sent the number of foreigners missing in Lebanon soaring to 26 — eight Americans, six Frenchmen, two West Germans, two Britons, two Saudis, an Irishman, an Italian, a South Korean, an Indian and two as yet unidentified foreigners.

Three gunmen grabbed Khaled Deeb, a Saudi Arabian, in the predominantly Shiite Maramel neighborhood on Beirut's airport highway at 10 p.m. Monday, police said.

They said they have no further information about the victim.

Radio stations operating in Lebanon reported a frenzy of rumors about Waite, Runcie's personal emissary. They variously reported Waite in Beirut, outside Beirut, kidnapped, under house arrest or continuing negotiations. They had various groups involved in the negotiations with him.

The Christian Voice of Free Lebanon radio said Waite was "continuing tough negotiations with the hostageholders in Beirut." The radio, with a history of inaccuracies about Moslem related matters, gave no attribution.

Kuwait's official news agency KUNA said Monday night that the kidnappers bargaining with Waite had placed him under house arrest in a secret location.

The agency quoted unidentified sources close to the negotiations as saying, "They (the kidnappers) detained him and put him under forced habitation after his attempts to reach a quick agreement were snarled."

Runcie, commenting on Waite's longest underground mission in Lebanon since 1985, said he had "no direct evidence" to confirm the Kuwaiti version.

Druse warlord Walid Jumblatt's Progressive Socialist Party, whose militia has been responsible for Waite's security, refused to comment.

Waite was last seen Jan. 20 evening as he left his seaside Riviera Hotel, reportedly to negotiate with Islamic Jihad, a pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem group.

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For further information, contact Ted Mitchell, Memorial Union at 581-1417.

Editorial

Consider MPAC funding

In the fall of 1985 a resolution was passed by the General Student Senate which made the Maine Peace Action Committee ineligible for funding consideration. A new resolution intended to overturn the previous one will be voted on by the GSS in the coming weeks.

According to the "Statement of Fact," appended to the original resolution: "guidelines adopted by the university prohibit the allocation of funds to partisan political activity."

However, the fact of the matter is that the activities coordinated by MPAC have nothing in common with partisan political activity, as defined by the Student Government Constitution.

The restrictions placed on the allocation of money to partisan political activity exist expressly so Student Government can maintain its tax-exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service. MPAC would only fall under the rubric of partisan political activity if the group, say, contributed a large proportion of its funds to the campaign of a political candidate.

Since MPAC does not use its money for such purposes, constitutionally there is no reason why the group should not be eligible for funding consideration.

Thus, the question becomes, does MPAC fulfill the criteria other student groups must meet in order to receive funding?

According to the constitution, Student Government is required to serve the student body by expanding the parameters of the educational experience with social, cultural, and educational activities and by informing students of issues of concern.

It is safe to say funding MPAC would help satisfy Student Government's constitutional obligation to the student body, largely due to the fact that MPAC sponsors movies, speakers, concerts, plays, and other programs that are of political interest to a sizeable segment of the student population.

To leave MPAC ineligible for funding consideration would be arbitrary and unfair because regardless of what particular student senators feel about the political perspective of the organization, it cannot be denied that the group contributes to the university community.

In the name of fairness the GSS should reinstate the funding approval of MPAC because not doing so would be a contradiction of the constitution Student Government is premised on.

If the GSS reinstates funding approval status to MPAC then the budget of the group can be judged on its own merit, as are the budgets of all other student organizations recognized by Student Government.

Mark Lamiere



R. Kevin Dietrich

Laff Olympics

That beloved Middle East nation which brought us extremism, fanaticism and anti-Americanism has done it again. That's right, our old friend Iran is once again daring to be different.

This time, though, it's in the name of goodwill as the Iranians have, according to an Associated Press report, become the first country to announce formally that it will take part in the 1988 Summer Olympics.

I can't tell you how happy I was to hear that.

My initial reaction was one of total and unadulterated euphoria. Suddenly my drab and dull existence had a sparkle. It was good to be alive again.

Face it, without Iran the last two Olympics have meant nothing. We were denied the pleasure of the Iranian Olympic team in 1980 because Iran, of course, was having a spat with the Americans, French, Russians, Iraqis, Kurds and a majority of the rest of the planet.

In 1984 the Summer Olympics were held in Los Angeles and once again the Iranians were unable to patch up their differences with Uncle Sam and again the western world suffered.

Well it won't happen again as the Iranians have actually jumped the gun and signed up for the 1988 Olympics, to be held in Seoul, South Korea, well ahead of time.

According to an Olympic spokesperson, the official invitations for the games aren't going to be sent out until September of this year and Iran's early announcement was described as "surprising."

No, not really. The Iranians are simply anticipating the flood of requests which will accompany the news of its decision.

And by informing the world of its intentions a full year-and-a-half beforehand, there will plenty of time for everyone to get tickets.

Pretty darn thoughtful if you ask me.

But the real thrill will be once again seeing the Iranians participate in international competition after a 12-year hiatus.

Olympic events such as torture, the grenade toss, and wholesale slaughter of political enemies just haven't been the same without those devil-may-care, spunky Iranians.

Sure, sure, I know, the Ugandans and Chileans have done their best to keep competition in those categories at a top-notch level, but they just don't put the same emphasis and hard work into it that the Iranians do.

And after all, what's the use of holding the Olympics if you don't have the very best there is?

Now if only the Albanians and Libyans could find it in their heart to take part also.

The only Olympic event R. Kevin Dietrich has participated in is endurance beer chugging.



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Speak up on funding MPAC

To the editor:

As Student Senate funding considerations for MPAC draw near, it is time for students to "speak up" in regards to this issue.

Is MPAC a political organization? Last year it was recognized as such by the Student Senate (therefore given no funding). Was the Senate justified in reaching this decision? If so, what might they have based their decision on?

In the MPAC budget request of last year, the MPAC newsletter was allocated the most money. What does this newsletter consist of? Some of the articles deal with peace issues, others with U.S. foreign policy, to name a few.

Hey, there's nothing wrong with peace. But, when a group advocates "civil disobedience," another term for breaking the

law, and encourages the UMaine community to show public support of such offenders, questions are raised as to its credibility (Feb. '86).

One continues to wonder when the past head of MPAC, Doug Allen (NOT a student, but a professor in the Philosophy Department) writes a two-page plus article entitled "Civil Disobedience & Peace Activism" in which he extolls and defends such lawbreakers of today as brave patriots on the side of peace (Dec. '85).

Still more questions are raised when our elected officials come under derogation. Criticism is one thing — slander and libel is another. Each newsletter is fraught with accusations that our President is a blatant murderer, terrorist, and capitalistic thug. It's all how one looks at it I suppose. Could this be what last year's

Senate took into account? What additional evidence does this year's Senate have to consider?

Anybody who attended the October UMaine appearance of then-gubernatorial candidate McKernan saw the demonstration put on by MPAC. How could anyone in attendance miss seeing the bright, colorful posters with captions such as "McContra, we accuse you of rape, murder, and torture!!" and "McContra, McContra, you can't hide, we accuse you of genocide!!" and hear the rude interruptions and consistent background noise of these so-called open-minded individuals.

As a paying student, I don't want my hard-earned money to fund such an organization. Next thing we know, a non-political Neo-Nazi group will be up for such funding consideration.

D. Loren Fields
Old Town

Strap on your skates

To the editor:

The story about the car accident near Hancock Hall (*The Daily Maine Campus* Jan. 22) really doesn't surprise me. To use a cliché used by many students this semester, "this campus is like an ice rink." And it hasn't been like this just since the last snowfall, but since the start of the semester.

I'm fed up with the patch of ice between Cumberland Hall

and Neville Hall. I've seen a good many people, including yours truly, take a spill on this patch of ice.

Roads in some places on campus leave a lot to be desired. Most of the main streets are OK, but once you get on some of the small thru streets, the sliding fun begins again.

Granted, I know very little about road maintenance, but all that the sand that is put down on the sidewalks only ends up

on the floors of class and dorm rooms.

My suggestion to the university is to use salt. It melts the ice much better than the sand does. I suggest this is done before

there is a story in the *Campus* about a student suffering major injuries from falling on the ice.

David McGowan
Cumberland Hall

Response

"Tolerate" difference

To the editor:

"Tolerance!" "Be tolerant of others." These phrases have been verbally abundant lately. With the celebration of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a few days ago those phrases have almost become sort of "King Carols."

I personally will not settle for tolerance. People are throwing the word "tolerant" around as if it's the new "holier-than-thou" act and they are ready for sainthood. People consider themselves humanistic because they are tolerant of people. PHOOEY!! Excuse me folks but there is more to life.

Think about it, would you be flattered if I said that I tolerated you? Would you not feel better and affirmed as human being if I were to tell you that I accept and understand you.

This is what Dr. King was working for. When we tolerate

something or someone we are taking it for the time being, for if we could eliminate the "problem" we would.

Hitler was intolerant of a whole race and attempted to murder them all. We consider ourselves philanthropists in preaching tolerance as the goal, this only recognizes people as one step up but keeps them below.

Now I understand that for people with great feelings of bigotry, nationalism, racism and sexism, tolerance is a great and important step and certainly to be praised and nurtured. We as humans, cannot settle for tolerance, so please recognize tolerance as a step, a step towards the real goal of understanding.

Suzanne Goulet
Orono

Rescind the resolution

To the editor:

I am writing to urge the Student Senate to rescind the resolution removing the Maine Peace Action Committee from consideration for funding.

Some students may feel that the Student Senate has an obligation not to fund a group which presents political programs and points of view contrary to that of some students.

But in funding MPAC the Student Senate in no way endorses points of view presented in MPAC programs. It merely supports the free exchange of ideas on campus, to which MPAC contributes through organizing a film series, speakers, newsletters, and other activities.

The Constitution of Student Government states that its purpose is "To serve the General Student Body...by providing social, cultural and educational

programs and activities to expand the scope of the educational experience; by providing the most effective use of student money and effort; by informing students of issues which are their concern."

MPAC's activities certainly fall under this statement of purpose, and are attended by hundreds of students each semester. It would be hard to find a group on campus which succeeds regularly in generating so many educational activities promoting discussion of important political issues as does MPAC.

I hope that the Student Senate will not set itself up as a censor, deciding what is and is not politically acceptable, but rather will support the presentation of programs with alternative points of view, and let students decide for themselves what to think.

Michael Howard
Assistant Professor

What's the deal?

To the editor:

C'mon, guys — stop teasing us! The news that Lambda Chi has lost its status (*Maine Campus*, 1/21/87) was big news, but your coverage of Dana Martin's handgun charge leaves us hanging at the end of the story.

Why was he arrested for possession of a firearm? To my knowledge that's only a crime if the accused is a convicted felon.

Could it be that the possession charge was a university regulation, and if that's the case, don't federal and state laws supercede the university rules? There's a big difference between the two possible explanations for the charge, and the *Maine Campus* readers deserve to know whether Martin was a convicted felon or a rule-breaker. How about it?

Betsy Murphy
Bangor

Soviet space program: good year

MOSCOW (AP) — In the year since space shuttle Challenger's explosion halted manned U.S. space exploration, the Soviet Union has forged ahead with an ambitious program of endurance missions, space construction and inauguration of a second orbiting station.

While failures in the Kremlin's space programs have often gone unreported, 1986 appeared to be a successful year. The state-run media have predicted 1987 will be another busy one, beginning with a mission to the new Mir space station.

No date for the launch has been announced but the Tass news agency reported Jan. 16 that the Progress-27 cargo vessel had been sent to the Mir station to take fuel and supplies for a manned mission to begin soon.

The Mir station was opened in March by two Soviet cosmonauts, who return-

ed to Earth in July after visiting another space station.

In the new manned mission, Soviet cosmonauts will be sent to Mir and a Soviet-Syrian team is to join them for a few days. For 1988, the Soviets have announced a Soviet-French space shot and the launching of two probes to explore Mars.

Officials of the U.S. National Aeronautic and Space Administration said this week they fear their goal of resuming shuttle launches in early 1988 may be overly optimistic, since testing of redesigned booster rockets and other modifications are behind schedule.

Neither Soviet space officials nor the state-run media have made direct comparisons of their activity with the state of the NASA program, which has been virtually frozen since seven astronauts

died in the Challenger accident on Jan. 28, 1986. But the Soviet Union's active schedule in space last year was in stark contrast to that of the United States.

The Kremlin began last year with a well received international project to track Halley's comet from two probes that began sending information to a Moscow monitoring station in mid-January. The probes had their closest encounters with the comet in March, sending back electronic images that expanded scientists' understanding of the space bodies.

In February, the Soviets sent up the Mir space station, their second orbiting lab along with the older Salyut7, and quickly followed up with a manned mission to inaugurate the new facilities three weeks later.

The Soviet Union also has been trying to take over some of the commercial satellite launches that have been delayed by U.S. rocket failures and problems in Europe's Ariane program.

Without directly referring to the Challenger disaster, Premier Nikolai I. Ryzhkov made a strong pitch for the slow-moving Soviet program earlier this month, assuring prospective clients that the Kremlin would not pilfer Western technological secrets and offering discounts for developing countries.

The Mir station is a new generation orbital laboratory that is intended to serve as the basis for eventual permanently manned operations.

The Mir, which means "peace" in Russian, has six docking ports to accommodate visiting spacecraft or add-on labs or other components.

"Freedom fighter" released as spy

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Sam Nesley Hall, a self-described freedom fighter and brother of a U.S. congressman, will be released within hours because the government decided not to press spy charges, the state-run radio station said Tuesday.

In a brief announcement, the leftist Sandinista government's Voice of Nicaragua said the Foreign Ministry decided to free Hall immediately, apparently to family attorney Gary Froelich, of Dayton, Ohio.

Froelich arrived in the Nicaraguan capital Monday to arrange local counsel for the prisoner, who is a brother of Rep. Tony Hall, D-Ohio.

The Sandinista government has said Sam Hall, 49, needs institutional care not available in Nicaragua.

Officials declined to specify Hall's illness, although government sources who spoke on condition of anonymity said he suffered from a mental disorder. There is a mental hospital in Managua, but as with the rest of the nation's health care system, it is severely limited.

Hall was arrested Dec. 12 at Punta Huete air base, 13 miles northeast of Managua, with maps and sketches of the airfield, crudely drawn on hotel stationery, stuffed in his socks, the Sandinistas said at the time.

In subsequent interviews, Hall denied he was working for the U.S. government but said he was paid \$12,500 for his self-proclaimed secret mission and worked for a previously unheard of organization he called the Phoenix Battalion.

Hall said he knew his superiors only as Tinker, Evers and Chance, the last names of a famous Chicago Cubs double-play combination early in the century.

He never was formally charged but was held at an undisclosed location for questioning under a national emergency law that gives security agencies wide powers of search and arrest.

Froelich arrived in Managua only minutes after the Foreign Ministry announcement Monday and said he was taken by surprise by the decision.

"We'd like to get him back as soon as possible. We are concerned about what his medical condition is because it is a very vague description from the information we have," Froelich said before the announcement of a speedy release.

In Washington, Rep. Tony Hall said in a statement, "I am grateful to the Nicaraguan government for promising to release my brother, and I look forward to seeing him when this trauma is all over."

New vaccine to prevent hepatitis now available

NEW YORK (AP) — The nation's first licensed genetically engineered vaccine is now available for preventing hepatitis B infection, its manufacturer said Tuesday.

The vaccine, made by the Merck Sharp & Dohme division of Merck & Co., produces immunity with a substance derived from a genetically engineered form of baker's yeast. A previous Merck vaccine derived that substance from human blood.

The Food and Drug Administration, in approving the new vaccine last July, said it should ease unwarranted fears about possible AIDS virus contamination in the older, blood-derived vaccine.

The hepatitis B virus infects 200,000 Americans each year, producing such symptoms such as jaundice in more than 50,000 people, according to the American Liver Foundation. About

10,000 Americans are hospitalized with the liver disease annually and an average of 250 of them die, the foundation said.

People at high risk of infection include health care professionals, recipients of frequent or large transfusions, Alaskan Eskimos, Indo-Chinese and Haitian refugees, homosexually active males, female prostitutes, abusers of injected drugs and infants of infected mothers, the foundation said.

Some medical authorities urge that all pregnant women in the risk groups be screened for infection so their children can be vaccinated immediately after birth, before their mother infects them, the foundation said.

Every year, about 250,000 American women who give birth are at risk for contracting the disease and up to 17,000 may be carriers, often without realizing it, the foundation said.

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Sports

Men give NE run for their money

by Dave Greely
Staff Writer

The University of Maine men's track team came within nine points of knocking off defending New England champion Northeastern on their home track last weekend before bowing 72-64, dropping their record to 2-1.

The Black Bears were in the meet until the end and could have upset the Huskies had they been able to win the two mile relay, Coach Jim Ballinger said.

"If we had won the mile relay and the two mile relay we would have won the meet by two points," he said. "We won the mile but we just ran out of people for the two mile."

Ballinger said he was pleased with the team's performance.

"They were New England champs last year," he said. "We did better than I expected we would. As it turned out we had a real chance to beat them."

Ballinger said that some excellent performances were turned in by several Black Bears despite a slow track. K.C. Latham, a winner in the quarter mile, agreed.

"We had some good performances," he said. "We weren't very concerned about the times. That track is at least a second slower than ours."

Rob Sterling, who was recently named to the 1986 Division I-AA Football all-American first team by Football News magazine, turned in a fine performance in winning the 50-yard dash and the long jump.

"Rob did an excellent job," Ballinger said. "He ran a 5.7 in the 50-yard dash and jumped 22'11" to win the long jump."

Other winners for UMaine were John Kachmar in the 50-yard high hurdles, Mike Marsanskis in the high jump, Mike Norman in the 600, Joe Trefethen in the shotput, and the mile relay team of Robert Howard, Dan Martin, Norman, and Latham.

Nelson Desilvestre, who placed third in the triple jump, said the team is optimistic for the rest of the season.

"After the Northeastern meet I think we should do well for the rest of the season," he said. "We have a lot of good people. We should win the state meet and I think we have a chance at placing in the top three in the Easterns."

The Black Bears traveled to Northeastern without the services of long jumper Tim Vose and hurdler Ray Milesen. Ballinger said he hopes to have them back soon.

"Vose has a bad ankle," Ballinger said. "He's one of our best long jumpers. Hopefully he'll be back soon. Milesen has been out, too. We have a lot of good hurdlers and he's one of them."

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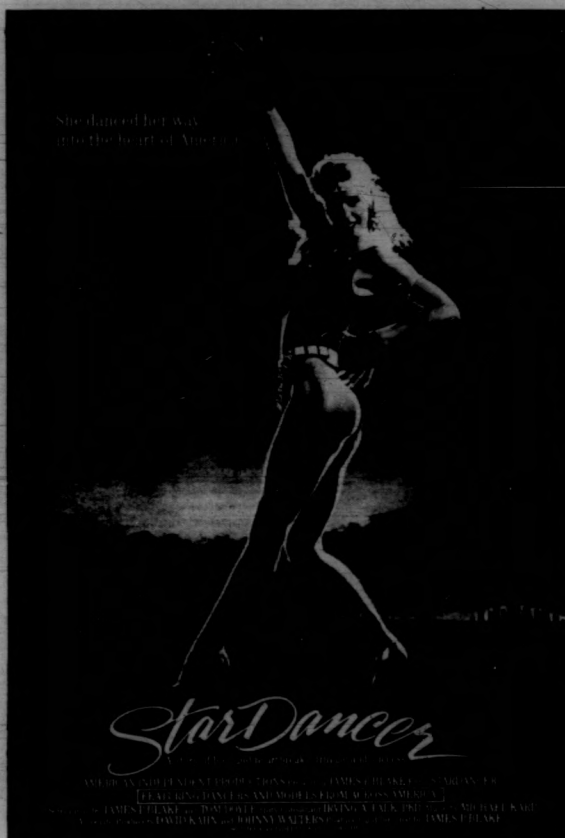
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Wren coaches women to successes

by Tim Tozier
Sports Writer

For the past 16 years, the head coach of the University of Maine women's swim team, Jeff Wren, has been a familiar face on the deck of the Stanley M. Wallace pool.

In the past nine years, Wren has guided his team to five New England championships while posting a career record of 108 wins and 38 losses.

Not having the recruiting capacity to attract top-of-the-line swimmers, Wren has had to make do with what he's had, and he has been very successful getting the most out of every swimmer he has coached.

"When dealing with individuals, I try to balance out how much work they can do with respect to their academic background and schedule," Wren said.

"It's always a challenge to stay at the top when there are new people every year and getting some inexperienced swimmer to win at this level is very rewarding," he added.

A graduate of William and Mary College, Wren has never competed in swimming or diving at either the high school or collegiate level.

"While working as a lifeguard I became friends with a real good swimmer and this gave me the incentive to buy a book about swimming," Wren said.

When the pool opened during his first year as a graduate assistant at UMaine, Wren was quick to offer his services to the head coach of the men's swim team, Alan Switzer.

As a result, Wren was appointed as the coach of the women's swim team in 1975 and his career has been highlighted by many events, of which he chose one to talk about.

"The 200-yard medley relay of the 1979 New England championships was a fantastic victory that I will never forget," Wren said.

"It was the first event of the evening and we were seeded evenly with two other teams. We won the event with a time of 1:51.39, breaking the school record of 1:54.00, helping the team win the championship by 250 points."



Coach Jeff Wren converses with swimmers before a meet recently. The UMaine women's coach has a career record of 108 wins and 38 losses in his 16 years at the university. (Gustafson photo)

More recently, Wren's success with the Black Bears has continued.

And although the women's swim team lost a hard fought battle to Boston College 149-119 on Sunday, its record stands at an impressive 7-1 this year.

Among the standout swimmers on this year's team are two freshmen who Wren is very proud of.

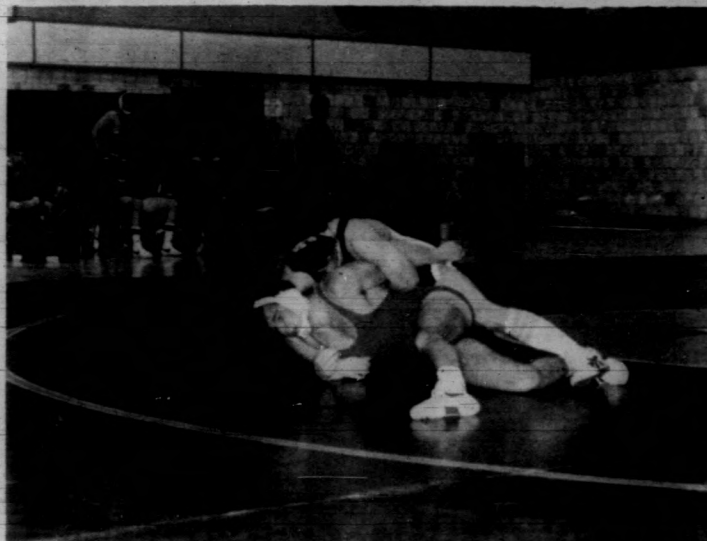
"Stacey Seabrease and Dana Billington, both of Bangor, have been an immense help to the team this

year and I hope to see them place in the New England," Wren said.

Expected to win the 200-yard individual medley at the New England for the third year in a row, is another Black Bear standout, senior Wendy Peddie, who came in ninth during her freshman year.

The final home meet of the season will be at 7 p.m., Feb. 7, at the Stanley M. Wallace pool against Boston University.

Bears hold own at MIT tournament



(Campus photo)

by R. Kevin Dietrich
Staff Writer

Although the University of Maine wrestling team had a rather mediocre weekend as a whole, the Black Bears did manage a couple fine individual performances at the MIT New England Classic Wrestling Tournament.

Maine ended the meet, which was held Sunday in MIT's duPont Gymnasium, in fifth place out of a field of 12 schools.

Highlighting the Black Bear effort were the two Maine co-captains, Carl Cullenberg and Pat Kelly.

Cullenberg, who wrestled in the 190-pound class, won all three of his matches, including two pins.

Kelly, wrestling at 150-pounds, also registered three wins and two pins en route to a first place finish.

Kelly also received the "Outstanding Wrestler of the Day" award for his fine showing.

Other Black Bears who had strong outings included Roger Baldacci, who

captured a fifth in the 134-pound class, Bill Shann, who registered a sixth in the 158-pound class, and Charles Cowen, who pulled down a sixth in the 167-pound class.

The Black Bears notched a total of six pins on the day, with Cowan and freshman Tony Dipietro each scoring one pin apiece in addition to Cullenberg and Kelly's two.

Springfield College took first place in the tournament with Plymouth State College, coached by Cullenberg's brother and UMaine alumnus Arvid Cullenberg, finishing a surprising second, according to Maine Coach Frank Spiziucco.

Norwich University took third place and Southern Connecticut State University ended up in fourth. The only other school from Maine, Bowdoin College, wound up behind the Black Bears in sixth place.

MIT, Lowell University, Boston College, Amherst College, the University of Massachusetts-Boston, and Trinity College rounded out the tournament finishers.

Verbatim

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Women lose two players

The University of Maine women's basketball team will have its hands full Wednesday as the Black Bears learned that neither Lauree Gott nor Debby Duff will play in their Seaboard Conference contest against the University of New Hampshire.

Gott suffered a shoulder injury during the Black Bear's game Sunday against Cheyney State.

According to Gott, she suffered some nerve damage and muscle strain. She was unable to lift her arm past her shoulder and has also experienced a lack of sensation in the shoulder.

Gott added that there was a 50-50 chance that she would play in this weekend's pair of games with Hartford.

Duff, meanwhile, has been sick for five days and is currently undergoing tests for both strep throat and mononucleosis.

She was unable to practice on Tuesday due to her illness.

Bears downed by Hartford in Pit

—by Christopher Hames
Staff Writer

The University of Maine lost a tough one Tuesday night.

The Bears took the University of Hartford down to the wire in the ECAC North Atlantic Conference matchup at Memorial Gym, but the Hawks came up on the front end of an 81-75 final score.

Maine was right in the thick of it until Hartford guard Anthony Moye iced the victory by sinking a pair of free throws with 12 seconds left to play.

Moye's foul shots put the Hawks up by four, 79-75, to ensure the victory.

Guard John Hurlbert and forward Doug McCrory led the scoring for Hartford, finishing up with 21 and 16 points respectively.

The Black Bears were paced by Jim Boylen's 10 for 20 shooting from the floor and nine of 11 free throws for a game high 30 points.

Freshman Dean Smith chipped in 13 points and six assists in only his second start for the Bears, while Coco Barry scored 12 and pulled in 11 rebounds.

Guy Gomis, the freshman forward from Dakar, Senegal, got his first start in six games with Maine.

Although Gomis finished with only six points, his overall contribution was great.

Gomis helped keep the Bears in the game with an outside jumpshot, a steal and a big rebound, all in the final three minutes.

Gomis said he was glad to get the start, and hopes to continue in a starting

role as Maine gears up for its next two conference games this week.

"It was really good for my confidence," Gomis said.

Center Barry, who led off by scoring the first six points for the Bears, said Hartford's inside play made it tough on Maine as the game progressed.

"They started to play really strong against us inside after those early baskets," Barry said.

"They were denying me the ball, and when I got it inside, I was doubleteamed a lot."

Barry said he was disappointed at such a hard loss, but remained confident in himself and the team.

"Hopefully we'll get them next time," he said.

High-scorer Boylen downplayed the performance of Maine's offense, and attributed a lack of team defense as a major factor figuring in the loss.

"Defense wins games," Boylen said.

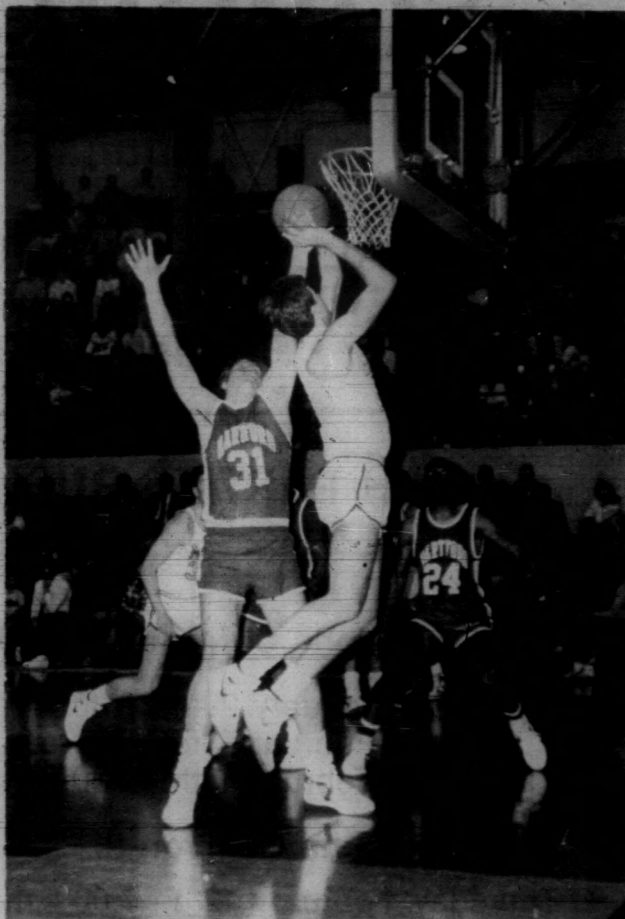
"We can play good defense but we didn't. It's nice to have a good night offensively, but it doesn't mean anything unless you win."

"We should have had enough points to win it," he said.

The loss drops Maine to 3-11 overall and 2-6 within the conference.

Hartford evens its record at 9-9, and moves to 3-6 in conference play.

Maine's next faces third-ranked Canisius Thursday night at Memorial Gym.



(Baer photo)

Did you see?

Red Auerbach (Celtics)
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Thursday, January 29th - 4:15 p.m. meet in room - "Rush dinner w/ FIJI"
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