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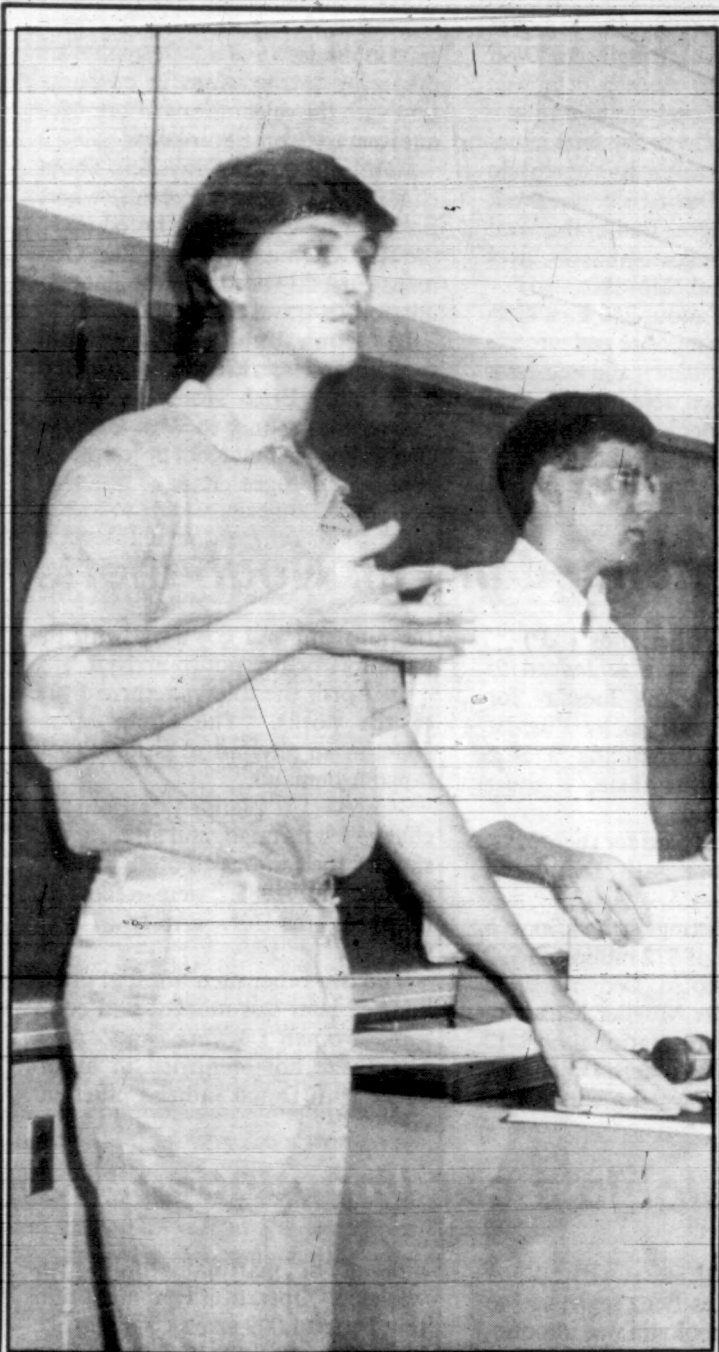


photo by Jonathan Bach

John Gallant, student government president, addresses the General Student Senate Tuesday night in 100 Neville Hall.

## GSS holds first session Tuesday

by Jonathan Bach  
Staff Writer

With words of inspiration, John Gallant, student government president, addressed 50 senators at the first meeting of the General Student Senate Tuesday night.

"You are a very powerful group," he told them. "We're not here to take any shit. You people are the students voice and you're going to be dealing with a lot of tough problems."

This semester's senate is larger than last semester's and most of the senators are new to the GSS. Gallant said it will take some time to get everybody acclimated to what is going on.

"It'll be slow for awhile, I'm sorry, but let's go for it," he said.

Vice President for Financial Affairs Kristine Tuttle said is up to the senate to spend wisely over \$300,000 student government funds raised from the activity fee.

## New funding available for student groups

by Kevin Tenggren  
Staff Writer

University of Maine students who wish to attend a conference or meeting relating to their academic studies who cannot afford the travel expenses have no need to fear, there is money available.

A student meeting and conference travel fund is being offered to qualified undergraduate students by the Academic Affairs Office. A total of \$10,000 has been allocated from the comprehensive fee to assist students.

According to Barbara Rattigan, administrative assistant for academic affairs, the purpose of the fund is to assist in the travel expenses of undergraduate students who attend academic related conferences and meetings.

"It has to do with the students' academic work and

emphasis is placed on how it will enhance the students' studies," Rattigan said.

Guidelines for possible awards are as follows:

- Requests will be accepted from individuals and student groups.

- Awards shall not exceed \$200 for individuals and \$350 for groups. The majority of the awards will be for lesser amounts.

- The travel should have a clear benefit to the student's academic work.

- Request for registration fees and transportation costs will be given priority.

- Individuals and groups are eligible for only one award per academic year.

- Preference will be given to requests that include some partial funding from other sources, particularly a student's academic department.

- Students seeking assistance

must submit a request consisting of the application form, a cover letter explaining why the student wants to attend the meeting, and a letter of support from a member of the faculty or department chair.

The first application deadline for travel prior to Feb. 5, 1990 is this Friday, Oct. 6.

The application deadline for travel between Feb. 5 and May 7 is Feb. 2, and the deadline for travel between May 7 and Oct. 5, 1990 is May 4. Applications are available in 209 Alumni Hall.

Approximately one-third of the funds (\$10,000) will be available during each application phase, Rattigan said, and ordinarily no funds will be approved to reimburse travel that occurred prior to the award decision date.

Rattigan asks students who have any questions to contact her or Dr. Marisue Pickering at 581-1547 or go to 209 Alumni Hall.

## David Crosby says his life is better than ever

by Jeff Pinkham  
Staff Writer

Musician David Crosby shared his life story with a near capacity crowd Tuesday night at The Maine Center for the Arts.

Born in Hollywood, California, in 1941, Crosby began playing music in his early teens when his older brother gave him a cast-off guitar. Crosby said "Music has always been my first love, it has never failed me."

Crosby, who's school career was a little shaky, "I got thrown out of every school I've ever been in," said he never wondered what he was going to do with his life because "I loved playing music and singing and it was a great way to meet girls" he said.

Crosby's performing career began in 1963 when he joined two other musicians to create the Byrds. After five albums with the Byrds, he eventually joined up with Stephen Stills,

Graham Nash and Neil Young to form Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young.

Even though Crosby started using drugs when he was "18 or 19", his drug use didn't become a problem until the 1970s. "By the 70s, I had done heroine and quite a bit of cocaine. But I did drugs and music fairly successfully for several years," he said.

He came to realize how much cocaine he was using when he discovered a hole in his nose. A person then suggested to him that cocaine could be smoked as well and that Crosby said "is the fastest downhill slide you can take."

At one point, Crosby was using \$1,000 worth of drugs a day. "I was only performing at 50 percent of what I was capable of. It was probably the main reason for the breakup of Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young," he said.

He went to six hospitals to

clean up and failed at all of them. He was finally turned straight when he got arrested in Texas. "The judge was fair and told me that if I didn't take care of my problem, he would. I didn't, he did." Crosby spent the next four months in solitary confinement and straightened himself out.

While in jail, Crosby started to write again. "One of the reasons people take drugs is because they think it will make them more creative. While I was on drugs, I wrote nothing," Crosby said.

Within two years of being out of jail, Crosby has done a single album, done the album, American Dream, with Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young and written a book. "I got a great deal of support from my wife and The 12 Step program. I also got help from friends like Graham Nash, Neil Young, Jackson Browne and many others. My life has gotten so good, I'm having a wonderful time."





Delta Tau Delta

Invites all Male Underclassmen to Dinner on  
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Guest Speaker: Shawn Walsh - Head Coach of  
the UMaine Hockey Team.

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## After Hours

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-Jim Dunn-



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## News Briefs

### E. Germans given OK to leave

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP) — East Germany agreed today to let the 4,700 East Germans held up in the West German embassy in Prague to travel to West Germany, a top-ranking official in Bonn said.

Rudolf Seiters, chief of staff for Chancellor Helmut Kohl, said the first train of East German refugees would be departing Prague for West Germany tonight.

It was the second time within a week that East Germany had reluctantly agreed to allow its citizens to emigrate West. During the weekend, about 7,000 refugees fled to the West from West German embassies in Poland and Czechoslovakia.

Earlier today, about 250 East Germans stormed past police and into the West German Embassy, and witnesses said some refugees were injured. East Germany then blocked citizens from traveling to Czechoslovakia in an effort to stem the flow to the West.

Until today, East Germans needed neither a visa nor a passport to travel to Czechoslovakia. The state news agency ADN said that effective immediately, such documents would be required. That will effectively block ordinary citizens from going there.

The ADN dispatch said the move was based on reports indicating "that certain circles in West Germany are preparing provocations in conjunction with the celebrations of our 40th anniversary" on Saturday.

ADN did not say anything about changes in travel to Poland, where East Germans also have holed up in the West German Embassy. East Germans currently need government permission to travel to Poland.

In Bonn, chief government spokesman Hans Klein said East German leader Erich Honecker earlier had refused to talk to West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl by telephone about the refugee crisis.

### Two sentenced in Van Gogh thefts

ARNHEM, Netherlands (AP) — Two Dutch men were sentenced to five-year prison terms Tuesday for stealing three paintings by Vincent van Gogh and demanding a \$2.2 million ransom for them, a court spokeswoman said.

No ransom was paid for the works, and they were all recovered undamaged.

The three paintings, which have a combined value of \$72 million to \$90 million, were stolen Dec. 12, 1988 from the Kroeller Mueller Museum, which is in a remote national park 12 miles north of this eastern Dutch city. The thieves smashed a window of

the museum and got away with the paintings before police arrived.

In April, the thieves returned one of the works, "The Loom" from 1884, in an attempt to enforce their ransom demand.

However, a planned ransom exchange fell through, and an early version of the famous "Potato Eaters" painted in 1885, were recovered following the July arrests of four suspects.

The two other men arrested are to be tried later this month, said court spokeswoman Lidwina van Zanten. They were not identified in accordance with Dutch judicial practice.

### Appolonia's car impounded

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A \$25,000 Mercedes-Benz registered to singeractress Appolonia was impounded along with 42 other vehicles during a crackdown on street drug dealers and buyers, authorities said.

Police Chief Daryl Gates displayed the 1985 Mercedes of Patricia "Appolonia" Bernhardt, 30, with several other cars at a news conference Monday.

Ms. Bernhardt was arrested for investigation of possessing a small

amount of marijuana during the weekend "Operation Hammer" raids that netted 1,009 arrests, said Officer Don Lawrence.

Appolonia appeared in the movie "Purple Rain" and had a one-season role on the nighttime TV soap opera "Falcon Crest."

Since the program began in 1984, police have seized and sold some 840 vehicles worth about \$4.3 million, Lawrence said.

### Bangor Hydro asks for \$11 million

BANGOR, Maine (AP) — Bangor HydroElectric Co. has asked state regulators to approve a rate increase of about \$11 million next year as part of a five-year program to recover the costs of fuel.

The proposed 10.2-percent fuel cost adjustment, which would take effect Jan. 1, would boost the bill of a residential customer who uses 500 kilowatt hours of electricity by \$4.78 a month, the utility said in announcing the filing this week.

The Public Utilities Commission, which routinely allows utilities to pass

through fuel costs to consumers, had approved the five-year phase-in as part of the utility's 1987 rate case. The goal was to spread out the costs of nonutility power sources, such as three wood-fired plants and a trash-to-energy plant.

Carroll Lee, the utility's vice president for planning and development, said the latest proposed increase would total about \$11 million in 1990.

The utility estimates that the increases in the next two years would each be about 10 percent.



## Sex Matters

Dr. Sandra Caron

**Q:** I have been seeing a woman for 3-1/2 years. This was the first sexual relationship for both of us. We are both very much in love, but here's the problem: I think about relationships with other women, specifically these two other women I am friends with. I think of these other women every day and everyday I feel guilty. It's driving me crazy. I often fantasize about having sex with these other women, and sometimes even when I am making love to my girlfriend, I feel very badly about this. I can't stand the idea of hurting my girlfriend. My feelings of guilt and confusion are affecting my concentration and I often become depressed. Help!

**Male, Senior**

**A:** It's not unusual for both men and women to have sexual fantasies about others when engaged in sex. That's not something to feel guilty about. Of greater concern is the sense of conflict which emerges from your letter. Because your girlfriend is your first love and such a significant relationship, it may be difficult for you to understand that other relationships may even be better.

I would suggest that you take advantage of the Counseling Center to talk over this problem to gain insight on yourself. I understand that you are confused and distressed by your sense of disloyalty and I believe you can much profit by talking these matters over with an experienced person.

**Q:** Is there any time of the month when it is safe to have sex without a condom? **Male, Senior**

**A:** No, there isn't any really safe time. You're safest in a monogamous relationship. I suppose, if you can guarantee you and your partner are free of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and not participating in another relationship where STDs might be brought into your relationship. In terms of pregnancy, there are times when it is safer and not safer. You are risking pregnancy if you don't use a condom, since ovulation/the fertile time can vary from woman to woman.

**Q:** Why do women always want serious commitments? I've never been able to have just a casual dating relationship with anyone I've ever dated. **Male, Junior**

**A:** I think it's true, generally, that many (not all) women prefer commitment to casual dating relationships. You should be clear with yourself about what you want in a relationship. If what you want is a casual friendship without a commitment, it is important to be clear about this both with yourself and the women you meet and date. Sometimes men implicitly make promises about "always being there" for the other person without realizing it. Some examples of "implicit" promises include statements such as, "You're really special," "I've never met anyone like you before," or "I can't wait to see you again." Think through the initial relationships of the past and see if you have made such promises, either verbally or nonverbally, in order to enhance your relationship at the time.

*Dr. Sandra L. Caron is Assistant Professor of Family Relations in the School of Human Development. She teaches Human Sexuality in the Spring semester. Questions for Dr. Caron should be sent directly to the Daily Maine Campus, Lord Hall.*

## Orono water supply declared safe

A water test completed this summer by the Augusta Department of Human Services revealed that local water supplies are indeed safe.

The test, authorized by Doug Roy of the Orono-Veazie Water District, checked for coliform bacteria.

Four different water samples were taken from various local sites, including The Big Apple Store, Exxon, the Orono Nursing Home, and Nutting Hall.

The samples were received by the Augusta lab on June 26th of this year, and as local officials expected, the water quality was perfect.

All four water samples tested as containing 0 percent of coliform per 100 millimeters of water.

"It doesn't surprise me," said Dennis Cross, Manager of the Orono-Veazie Water District, "the water that tests safe here is the same water that is used by the local establishments."

The recent test was specified on the results given to The Daily Maine Campus as type G4. According to an informational pamphlet provided by the

Augusta Department of Human Services, the type "G" test "is a re-test for coliform bacteria for a private water supply after a previous test has indicated the presence of coliform bacteria."

The reason that the type "G" test was used, claims Cross, was because one of his staff members failed to turn in the samples before the deadline. In order to comply with state regulations, another test had to be ordered. The type "G" test is used for all re-tests.

Cross, however, does recall several tests failing in the past. "We have had tests fail in certain spots," he said.

Cross describes the tests as being very sensitive, and blames many of the failed tests on improper handling and dirty sample bottles, not on actual contamination.

Coliform is one type of bacteriological contamination that can pose serious threats to human health.

R.J. Anderegg, a University Chemistry professor, said that many of his students have complained of the water's foulness, but, he adds, if there have not been any

health problems reported then there is nothing to worry about.

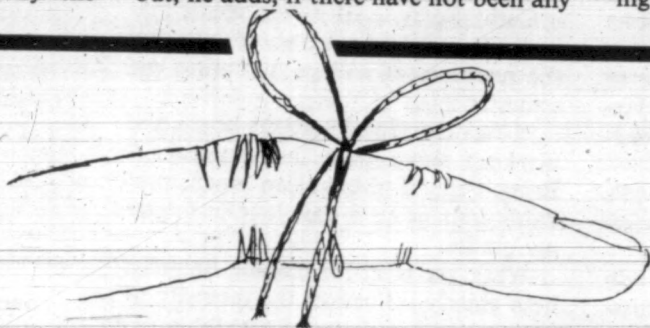
The water is reported to smell "sour" and to have a coppery taste.

Dennis Cross said he himself has tasted the water from the University, and admits that it doesn't taste all that appetizing. But, he still insists that the water is tested regularly and that it is safe.

Peter Caldwell, Manager of the Bangor Water District, advises students to let the water run for a couple of seconds before taking a drink. This, he said, will allow any organic sediments which may have built up in the pipes to pass through first.

The University uses water from a reservoir known as Flood's Pond, which is located 15 miles east of Bangor.

After being purified and tested, the water is pumped to its users through a network of metal pipes. Several devices called "backflow preventers" are placed at intervals along the pipe, their main function to prevent the water from flowing backwards.



## REMINDER

**LAST DAY FOR  
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IS  
OCTOBER 4TH**

**\* REGISTER RECEIPT REQUIRED.**

**\*\* BOOKS MUST BE IN SAME  
CONDITION AS PURCHASED.**



## Students and the stress

by John Begin  
Staff Writer

"College burnout," the psychological condition of feeling totally overwhelmed by college, occurs when students are unable to cope with the stress inflicted upon them by the rigors of college life, according to the March 1988 edition of "On Campus" magazine, which examined the burnout problem nationwide.

When financial or emotional burdens are added to the stress that has already been created through academic worries, the burnout process increases in intensity.

David was a full-time civil engineering student when he experienced college burnout two years ago.

Unable to meet the rising costs of college, David (who wishes to keep his last name anonymous) took a night job stocking shelves at a supermarket to help defray the expenses. Working 20 hours a week, in addition to struggling with an 18-credit hour class load that included courses in physics and calculus, took its toll on David.

"I began pulling all-nighters just to stay caught up," he said. "Then when I tried to sleep, I was so tense and stressed out, I couldn't relax."

As the semester progressed, David's grades began to slip, and he began to feel overly pressured by college life.

"Eventually, I didn't want to do anything. I was flunking tests and miss-

ing classes because I was worn out from my job," he said. "I was physically and emotionally drained."

When the semester ended, David decided not to return to college. His emotional state was in shambles, and he needed time to recover from the serious bout of depression he had been experiencing.

"I felt I was a failure for dropping out of school, like I had let everybody down," he said. "I went through counseling, and it took me a while to see that leaving school was not my fault. I was just trying to do more than I could handle."

Now, almost two years later, David is preparing to return to college in January.

"Emotionally I've been ready to return for some time, but financially, it's been a different story," he said. "So I've spent my time working and saving for college."

David is not the only University of Maine student to experience aspects of college burnout.

Cathy Barry, a fifth-year senior majoring in animal veterinary science, felt the pressures of college mounting last semester.

"I was carrying 17 credits hours and working three jobs last semester," Barry said. "I didn't sleep much, probably four hours a day. It reflected on my grades."

While the need for outside financial help greatly influences the intensity of

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Sarah Sampson works diligently as papers and exams bombard students.

## Attempt made to overthrow Noriega's government

—PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP)—Troops loyal to Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega recaptured the headquarters of the Panamanian Defense Forces on Tuesday and declared that they had crushed an attempted coup.

Rebellious troopers seized the headquarters compound in the morning but apparently failed to capture Noriega, and loyal forces counterattacked. After a six-hour gun battle, the government

claimed victory.

"We want to underline that the situation in the country has been duly controlled to guarantee the peace and tranquillity that the state should assure for its citizens," said a statement released by Justice and Interior Minister Olmedo Miranda.

The United States has been trying to oust Noriega, the Defense Forces chief who controls the government, for near-

ly two years. However, officials in Washington said they were not responsible for the attempted coup and U.S. troops were not involved.

The Justice Department statement declared an 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew and said the news media could report only official statements on the revolt.

Panama's provisional president, Francisco Rodriguez, speaking to the U.N. General Assembly in New York, said an

attempted coup against his government had been crushed.

Rodriguez, in his midafternoon address, did not accuse the United States of complicity in the revolt but said Washington had undermined his nation with "financial terrorism, economic

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### Correction:

The police blotter in yesterday's Daily Maine Campus incorrectly attributed the summonses and arrests of individuals to the UMaine Police Department instead of the Orono Police Department. The Campus regrets the error and any inconveniences caused.

### The Maine Review

UMaine's ANNUAL Literary Magazine is seeking submissions of Poetry, Fiction, Non-Fiction and Art for It's 1990 Issue

Deadline November 17, 1989

Leave submissions in English Dept. Office  
3rd Floor Neville Hall

Freshman Yearbooks are in  
and may be picked up  
at the Student Activities Office  
(Dean Lucy's Office) in the  
Memorial Union. See Carol

Brought to you by the  
Senior Skull Society



## MPAC membership up in 1989; more goals

by Beth Staples  
Staff Writer

Approximately 15 members of the University of Maine community have joined the Maine Peace Action Committee this year. They will be addressing problems such as apartheid, pollution, and nuclear weapons build up.

Douglas Allen, professor of philosophy at UMaine, founded MPAC at the university in 1974. At that time, its focus was to work to end the Vietnam War.

The April 1989 edition of the MPAC Newsletter said that the general purpose of MPAC is "to analyze and oppose the use of nuclear weapons to solve human problems and the efforts of powerful nations to use economic and military means to impose their will upon less powerful people." Past projects MPAC has worked on include building shantytowns to protest UMaine's investments in South Africa (UMaine divested in 1982), co-sponsoring a visit by Joe Thlooe, the deputy editor of The Sowetan, the largest black daily newspaper in South Africa, and working to bar CIA recruiting on the UMaine campus.

To be successful, MPAC strives to educate the public about issues, discuss factors contributing to the problem, and investigate alternative solutions to the problems.

The relatively low number of active group members does not bother Allen,



MPAC leader Doug Allen sits with South African Angson Chinosiyani at a meeting of that group Tuesday.

the group's advisor, or its members.

Allen said that it only takes a few hard-working individuals to have a successful group, and MPAC has them.

"We are always one of the most active groups on campus. I'm amazed at the response we get from faculty and students. Five or six dedicated students can generate a lot of support," he said.

Allen also stressed that it takes courage and energy for students to be involved with MPAC.

"College is generally an escape for individuals from the pressures of the real world. Most student organizations debate whether to have Pepsi or Coke at their meetings and we debate about life and death matters," he said.

Social activism, according to Allen, is not a trait that is reinforced in our society. Because of this, generally people are willing to let other people be leaders in this area, he said.

"It is not a normal option (for peo-

ple to become involved) like watching T.V. Social activism is not encouraged.

People forget in the 1960s at anti-war meetings, a tiny group did the basic work," he said.

Donovan Deakin, a student member of MPAC, attributed the lack of student participation in MPAC to general cynicism, lack of awareness of world injustices, and apathy.

"Some (students) are cynical and (see MPAC page 10)

## MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

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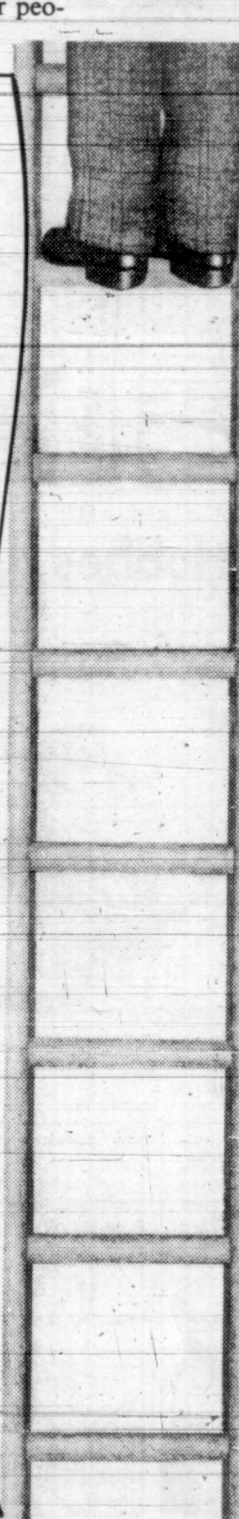
We will be on campus for a pre-recruiting session on Wednesday, October 11th at North Bangor Lounge in Memorial Union Hall between 6:00-8:00 PM.

**Please stop by and join us!**



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# Campus Comics

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by Matt Lewis

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Tooth and Justice

by Shannon Wheeler

10/4

Oh, Joel, you can come back and stay with me for a while more.

How is Matt doing? Has he found a place yet?

OF COURSE YOU'LL STILL HAVE TO PASS THE LIE-DETECTOR TEST.

HERE'S MY URINE SAMPLE

SHOE

by Jeff MacNelly

ONLY SIX PARAGRAPHS ON ABRAHAM LINCOLN?

WHAT KIND OF HISTORY BOOK IS THIS?

I SHUDDER TO THINK HOW THEY'LL TREAT THE SEVENTIES

PROBABLY WON'T HAVE ROOM FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S WHOLE NAME.

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson

ISN'T IT GREAT TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE ALONE TOGETHER FOR A CHANGE?

IT'S SO NICE AND QUIET. WE SHOULD DO THIS MORE OFTEN.

CALVIN, YOU'VE GOT FIVE SECONDS TO OPEN THE DOOR BEFORE I BREAK A WINDOW!

I'M TELLING YOU CHUCK, YOUR GIRLFRIEND IS A PSYCHO! I HOPE YOU'RE NOT MAKING ANY LONG-RANGE PLANS AROUND HER.

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

B.D. THIS MISS BOOPSTEIN WILL BE JOEL'S REHEARSAL! WHERE'S DIRECTOR HER DRESSING ROOM? ON THE... UH... IT'S UPSTAIRS.

IS THE PERRIER UP THERE? THE CHARDONNAY? THE FRESH-CUT ORCHIDS FROM HAWAII? AND WHAT ABOUT HER MAKEUP ARTIST FROM L.A.? IS SHE HERE?

YOU DO THAT, AND WHILE... OH, MY GOD! WHAT'S THIS?

YOU CALL THIS A DRESSING ROOM? IT LOOKS LIKE A BROOM CLOSET!

UH... IT IS A FIRST-DAY BROOM CLOSET. JITTERS.

## •Stress

college burnout, it is not the only reason for additional stress.

Joe Paquet, a junior electrical engineering technology major, has felt the beginning effects of "college burnout" this semester, because of a heavy course load.

"Ideally, I'm supposed to be doing one or two hours of homework for each hour

Charles Grant, director of the university's Counseling Center in Fernald Hall, said he doesn't know if the end of October break will affect students adversely.

"Years ago, we (Counseling Center) were instrumental in urging the university to begin the October break, before the switch from the semester ending in January to one ending before Christmas occurred," Grant said. "We were concerned about the long period without a break at all."

"Whether it would still be the same kind of stress, with this calendar having been in effect for a number of years, we'll have to wait and see," Grant said.

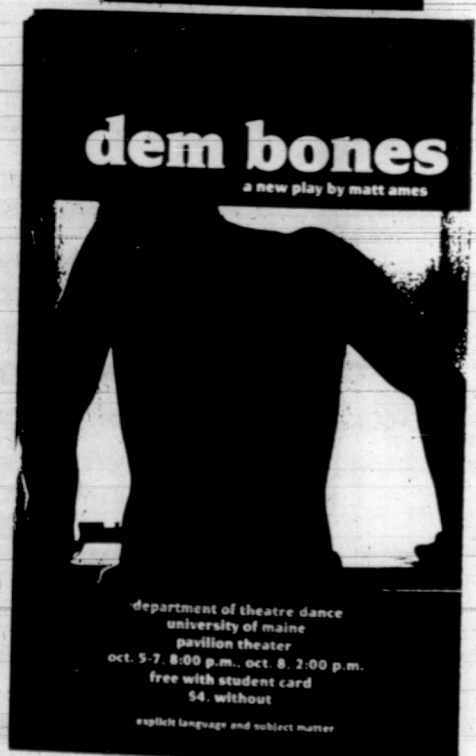
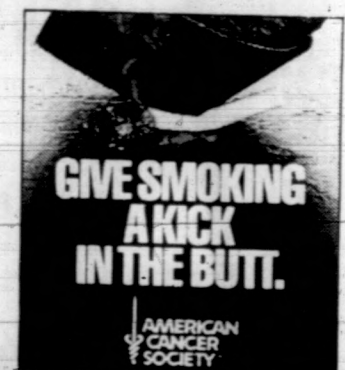
Although the number of students receiving help from the Counseling Center remains fairly regular throughout the school year, Grant said that October and November are traditionally heavy months for counseling.

Grant hasn't received the figures yet for last month, but he said it was his impression that the Counseling Center saw "considerably more students than usual for the first couple weeks of school."

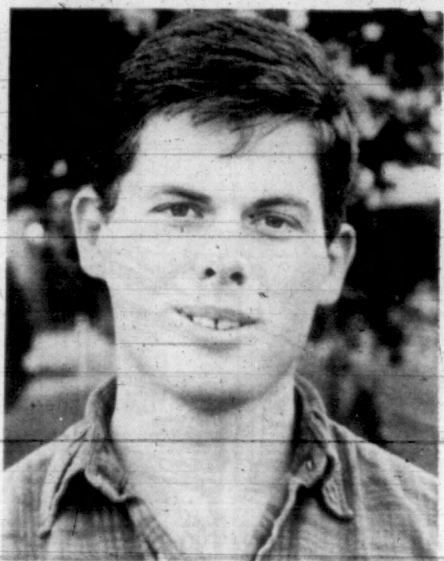
"Not only on this campus, but on campuses all over the country, there tends to be increasing usage (of counseling centers) and more serious kinds of problems," he said.

The center's staff counsels approximately 800 students each year through its program. Crisis services are offered for students needing help, and can be reached through Cutler Health Center, the campus police, or the student help-line.

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"It's the only university in Maine that offers what I want."

Kevin Larrabee  
Sophomore  
Computer Engineering



"Because it was cheap, and I didn't want to go too far from home."

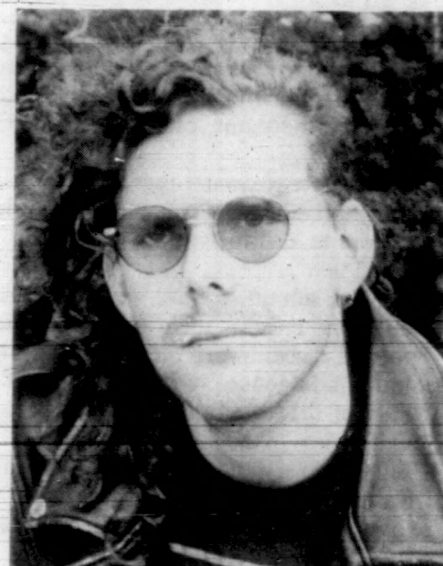
Gerald Hall  
Freshman  
Computer Science

### What reason(s) do you have for attending the University of Maine?



"To take SVE 111 and eventually get licensed as a surveyor."

Jean Tapley  
Graduate  
Surveying



"Because I knew if I came here there'd be nothing to do and I wouldn't like anyone, so I'd study."

Bill Howe  
Senior (Transfer)  
Art History & English

## •MPAC

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believe their actions won't have any effect, some lack information about issues, others do not care, and some, like us, really get wrapped up and involved," he said.

Money to fund MPAC movies and lectures is raised by a variety of methods.

Selling t-shirts and bumper stickers and having bake sales accounts for "the seed money" for the group, Allen said.

In addition, the group receives funding from the student government, from

grants, and from approaching other clubs and departments to co-sponsor events.

"We don't have much money. We decide what we want to do and if it requires money, we go out and get it.

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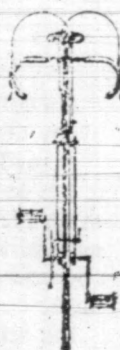
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# Editorial

## No alcohol

In a few days, the students of the University of Maine will notice a slightly older group of people wandering in and around the campus.

This weekend is the annual rite of Homecoming, when past graduates come back to Orono to enjoy the fun and festivities as well as a football game.

And as these adults meet other former students and cheer on the Black Bear football team, they will not be able to "tailgate."

The term tailgate is a word that has evolved from a ritual of going to a football contest well in advance for the purpose of properly preparing one's self for the better enjoyment of the sport.

In other words, have a drink or two and let it all hang out.

This act has been deleted from the agenda here at UMaine, and here is one person who is in total agreement.

When I attended the University of New Hampshire, a good-sized field was filled on Homecoming with a plethora of punch-drunk spectators who really didn't come to see the game, only to become thoroughly intoxicated.

And this event occurs regularly across America, from football hotbeds like Pennsylvania to Florida to Oklahoma to California. So why is this not allowed at UMaine?

Well, our administration would be the one to ask, although the reasons seem quite obvious.

Football is around to enjoy, not another excuse for alcoholic indulgence. And what kind of example would a bunch of drunk alumni be for the current student population?

Prohibition is not something we should return to, but in this case, the banning of drinking in the tailgating area is a proper idea and an effective tool for keeping the crowd under control.

Besides, with a 5-0 football team that is ranked in the top 10 in the nation, why not just enjoy the game? There will be plenty of time to have a few cold ones after the game.

*Dan Bustard*

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## Don't believe the hype

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Public Enemy



**Doug Vanderweide**

I'm doomed to spend the rest of my life unemployed.

Actually, when I think about it, I'm doomed to spend the rest of my life in college, what with my insistence upon dropping core courses and 10-credit-hour loads.

But seriously, I have chosen a major with little or no hope of entry, and even less hope of promotion.

I have chosen to become a television reporter.

Now, I'm sure that after you read that last line, you glanced over to my picture and said, "YOU expect to be on TV? The ugly bastard in THIS photo expects to be a television reporter?"

That's my point exactly. I'm way too ugly to be on TV.

Mind you, the Bangor metro isn't exactly teeming with beauty-pagant winners for TV reporters. But, then again, the Bangor TV service area is one of the smallest in the nation.

Hey, you take what you can get: ugly, untalented, whatever will work 60 hours a week for \$250.

Anyway, back to the point. A good number of kids want to get into TV, and, as such, jobs are scarce and competition is fierce.

I was reminded of this fact

while perusing an edition of *Playboy* magazine (I read it for the articles).

While reading an article about AIDS, I came upon a photo layout entitled "Girls of the Big East."

Well, professional reporter that I am, I wondered if anyone I knew might be in the photos. So, I looked.

And, as I searched for familiar faces (again, only in the interest of edification), I read the biographies of each woman photographed.

My right hand to my mother's grave, every third woman was an aspiring broadcast newswoman.

"Dear God," I thought to myself, "how in the world can I get a job over these women?"

The answer is, of course, on the basis of looks, I can't. Television news is very much motivated towards men between 25 and 50, a group many advertisers believe to be the strongest buying public.

Now, ask yourself. You're a man, 35 years old or so, a bachelor, had a hard day at work, "significant other" just

dumped you, dog needs to go to the vet, and your company is teetering on financial ruin.

Who would you rather see reporting on the planning commission meeting that just rezoned your house lot for a parking garage: me, or one of the women from *Playboy* (which, again, I read for the articles)?

Well, the answer to me is obvious.

Seriously, however, I think much can be learned from the way TV reporters are selected. True, there are a good number of exceptional reporters in TV journalism today.

But the medium often treats stories as ratings rather than information. One need only look at so-called "trash TV" to see my point.

Geraldo doing stories about mothers who allow their husbands to sleep with their daughters. What the hell purpose does that serve?

I'll tell you what purpose—hype.

Even mainstream TV news is suspect to the occasional nude beach story or some other sort of quasi-news ratings bait.

I've always felt, if you just want to know what's happening and don't particularly care to know why, watch TV. But, if you need to know the whole story, buy a newspaper.

Indeed, I may be doomed to working for newspapers for the rest of my life, writing columns that irk the thin-skinned and ignorant.

Doug Vanderweide has two final statements: 1) NO MORE TV COLUMNS! and 2) he still hasn't met K.M. Holly face-to-face, and wonders why she hasn't written to him in over one week.



# Response

## Sasquatch is the answer

To the editor:

It's around now (early October) that students realize just how boring UMaine is. While the movies, concerts, and dances sponsored by the many programming boards offer a couple hours per week of "acceptable recreation", there still remains a defined lack of intellectual challenge.

This problem is not restricted to UMaine. Boredom and stagnation are the trademarks of our decade. Will this hold true for the Nineties, too? Will street gangs be a surrogate for things like Woodstock? And what was Woodstock, anyway? An expression of the power of youth?

Today's youth equal nothing. Will the future look back and see skinheads as the innovative culture?

I'm asking a lot of questions, but I think I might have an answer or two.

One answer is Sasquatch. All of our members have opinions and a means of expressing

them. We're not asleep. Hail the pig! Think you've got innovative plans? Have ideas that seem too futuristic for today's dull mind set? Antiquated morals and/or beliefs tying you up? Cast them down and trod them asunder!

We've been called brilliant, yet insane; surrealistic, yet starkly realistic. We are tomorrow, breathing today. And yesterday. Sasquatch is already a nationwide group of writers, artists, and action-oriented people. Now it returns to its roots at this university, ready to pick up a whole new load of passengers.

We won't be wasting our time on mainstream causes. Nuke the seals for all we care. We're totally apolitical, too, so come one, come all!

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Eric Ewing  
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## Auto show falls through

To the editor

Imagine if you will, an event of benefit to participants, organizers and spectators.

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An event that would attract thousands of people to the University; some of who would not normally come to the University for a football game or anything else.

An event that would give the consumers of Maine their only opportunity to compare these products side by side at the first major consumer event of its type ever held North of Boston.

Well, the event was to be the first major auto show ever held in Maine. But unfortunately, everybody will have to wait a while before an auto show is successfully produced in Maine.

The show was scheduled for October 21, 1989, the same date as a home football game at the University of Maine. We were planning to promote the event with the game, giving people two reasons to spend the day at

the university. The date also would have given dealers the chance to show off their new 1990 models, most of which have been introduced in the last three weeks.

The place was the University of Maine Fieldhouse, one of the largest buildings of its type in the state of Maine. Think of it a huge indoor parking lot, perfectly suited for an Auto Show. It also happens to be in the geographic center of the state, making it an excellent site for a statewide event.

The show also invited representatives from finance companies, aftermarket parts and accessory equipment companies, plus and exotic car or two thrown in for good measure.

Add in the promotional backing of the most listened to radio station in the area, financial sponsorship from a local bottling company and regular consultations from the director of the Greater New York Automobile Show, and you have a recipe for success.

Sound too good to be true? Here is the kicker: the whole thing was scheduled by University of Maine sophomore Peter Lebish and myself, a 1989 graduate of the College of Business.

But unfortunately, some of the Bangor area car dealers don't see it that way. After months of yeses, no's, maybes ... "I'll go if so and so goes" and nearly everything else you can think of, not enough dealers agreed to participate to make the show a worthwhile event. If you think it's hard to buy stuff off these guys, just try selling them something!

Which is too bad for you, me, the University of Maine and especially for the dealers who put their efforts and support in Collegiate Auto Show. Because you don't get a chance to see all the new and exciting 1990 vehicles (plus a whole lot more). The University of Maine doesn't get to attract a few thousand extra people to their great university. And the car dealers don't get to strut their stuff in front of an audience they could only dream of in a showroom.

Maine will just have to survive with Boat Shows, Ski Shows and Home Shows, and Eric Johnston and Peter Lebish will have to live with a great idea that almost made it. So if anybody asks you why there isn't an automobile show in Maine....

Eric K. Johnston  
New Jersey

### WHEN WRITING...

The *Daily Maine Campus* welcomes letters to the editor and commentaries from members of the university community. Letters should be 300 words or less, and commentaries about 450 words. In order to verify the validity of letters, we must have a name, address, and telephone number.

Although the newspaper welcomes anonymous letters, it will not print them unless a special arrangement for withholding the name has been made with the editor.

The *Maine Campus* reserves the right to edit letters and commentaries for length, taste, and libel.



# • Coup

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blackmail and political interference."

Rebel soldiers had seized the Defense Forces headquarters in downtown Panama City Tuesday morning.

The rebels claimed in a broadcast around noon that they had overthrown Noriega and retired top officers, but that the broadcast was not repeated. Loyalist forces later announced they were "ready to give their lives" in resistance.

An officer loyal to Noriega later said the general was at an undisclosed location controlling the operations against the insurgents.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Tuesday afternoon in Washington that officials had heard "rumblings" of the uprising. He said later it appeared that Noriega's forces "are back in control."

A communique by loyalists, read over Channel 2 television, said, "The nationalist officers of all ranks and in all the barracks countrywide have confirmed their loyalty to the fatherland ... and to our Commander-in-Chief Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega."

"The few who allowed themselves to fall prey to cowardice, to foreign money and to treason are a minority who advocated foreign intervention," the communique added. "In the next few hours, this group will appear before justice, covered with shame."

Firing around the Defense Forces headquarters tapered off in the early

afternoon, but reporters were blocked from approaching the compound.

Several ambulances were seen leaving the area, and witnesses said there were some dead and wounded, but the number of casualties was not immediately known.

Jose Blandon, a Panamanian defector and former close aide to Noriega, said in Washington a leader of the assault told him by telephone Noriega was wounded and captured. He said officers intended to send Noriega to the United States to face drug charges but that it would be difficult because other officers in the Defense Forces, which includes the military and police, also were involved in the drug trade.

Troops of the U.S. Southern Command were put on Delta Alert, the highest level of readiness, and U.S. soldiers in combat gear took up positions only 600 yards from the barracks. President Bush told reporters in Washington: "There were rumors around that this was some American operation, and I can tell you that is not true. Nobody's sure what's happening there."

Shooting began with a few bursts of fire at about 7 a.m. (8 a.m. EDT).

Rebels took control of the military headquarters in a congested part of downtown Panama City. Those loyal to Noriega then went to the roofs of surrounding buildings, hurling grenades

and firing mortars and small arms into the compound.

Several hours of heavy gunfire inside and outside the headquarters preceded the rebel radio broadcast, which said the entire high command was forced into retirement by middle-ranking officers led by Maj. Moises Giraldi Vega, head of the Urraca battalion that handles security at Defense Forces headquarters.

About 12,000 U.S. soldiers are stationed in Panama, many within five miles of Panama City.

Fitzwater said U.S. forces "are alerted to what's going on" and "there is no word of American casualties."

The radio said the communique announcing a coup was signed by Giraldi, Capt. Javier Licon of the cavalry and Capt. Jesus George Balma of the special forces.

"This is strictly a military movement. There is no politics involved," the communique said, referring to the civilian opposition alliance that has been trying to oust Noriega with U.S. help.

An hour after the statement was read, a man who identified himself as Lt. Col. Arnulfo Castrejon, said on pro-Noriega Channel 2 television that loyalists "were ready to give their lives to defend Gen. Noriega. This is a betrayal."

He telephoned the station from an undisclosed location.

Castrejon, who identified himself as a spokesman for pro-Noriega forces, said Noriega remained in control of air and naval units and of Battalion 2000, a special unit created to defend the Panama Canal after it is turned over to Panama on Dec. 31, 1999.


Fitzwater said U.S. aircraft were in the air "on an observer basis" during the gunfire.

Journalists were kept more than 100 yards away from the Defense Forces headquarters by police, who had the support of armored personnel carriers and water cannons. Soldiers blocked vehicle traffic to the area.

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Chapter Executive Board





## John Healy is a denizen of London's vagrants

By the Christian Science Monitor

LONDON—"No one is born in the gutter," John Healy states firmly. He ought to know. He's been there.

For 15 years Healy, now 46, lived what he himself would describe as the lowest form of human existence. He was one of London's vagrant alcoholics.

Home was a grim, muddy park where legions of the city's outcasts congregated. Bed was a littered doorway, or the damp floorboards of a building long abandoned by all but rats and tattered men.

He drank whatever he could get his hands on. Sometimes it was alcohol rub diluted with water taken from a toilet bowl in a public lavatory.

He remembers it as a living hell.

Each day was a constant round of dodging fellow drunks wielding broken bottles, begging, stealing, and, above all, skirting the fate that befalls most of his ilk—a sudden, senseless death. The only respite from the alcoholic "shakes," perpetual hunger, and the filth he often went months without changing his clothes or taking a bath was bouts in prison.

It was there, in fact, something happened that was little short of miraculous. While serving a year-long sentence for drunken violence, a fellow inmate taught Healy how to play chess.

Their board was a pencil sketch on a bench; the pieces were bits of paper which he kept tucked away in his socks.

Within a week, Healy had become "besotted with chess," he recalls, "ate it, drank it, dreamed about it. It had replaced everything in my mind...and for the first time in my life I began to live without a constant, nagging desire for a drink."

That was 16 years ago. He went on to become a British chess tournament champion, capable of simultaneously playing four games blindfolded and winning them all.

With virtually no formal education and an impoverished background, Healy astonished the British chess elite. His success is "outstanding," concludes William Hartson, one of Britain's top players, "for someone who came to the game at the age of 30—quite apart from his earlier history."

But that isn't the end of the story. After a growing disenchantment with professional chess—the aggression of 12 grueling hours of match play every day began "eating me alive," he says, not unlike alcohol once did—he decided to try his hand at writing. The result is a recently published autobiography, "The Grass Arena" (London: Faber & Faber, (STR) 9.95; also Winchester, Mass.: Faber & Faber, \$19.95).

Now it's the literary world's turn to be stunned by Healy. Earlier this month he was awarded Britain's highest award for autobiography, the J.R. Ackerley Prize.



John Healy sits poised on the streets of London waiting to help others.

Colin McCabe, an English literature professor and head of production at the prestigious British Film Institute, admits to being "simply staggered" by the book when he first read it.

"There is no equivalent to it in the English language that deals with an extreme form of poverty, about people you regularly see on the streets, but don't really know exist, and written by someone from the very bottom social class of society," says McCabe, who praises the book's "pared and powerful prose."

"But what is perhaps even more astonishing," he adds, "is (Healy's) honesty: That someone has gone through all of this physical and mental degradation of complete alcoholism and the privations of vagrancy, without any degree of self-promotion, is quite extraordinary."

Upon completing this first work, Healy has gone on to write articles for national periodicals, a handful of plays (currently being considered for TV adaptation), plus a novel, soon to be published.

In an interview, at London's elegant Waldorf Hotel, Healy greets a reporter with a friendly informality.

This is a man utterly devoid of airs.

Quick to laugh, he reveals large gaps where teeth once were. Years of fighting—first as a promising boxer, then as a drunken down-and-out—left their mark.

Clad in jeans and a casual pullover, Healy soon makes it clear, with a dry quip, that such places as the Waldorf are not among his usual haunts.

Although Championship chess and,

done something wrong to deserve to be there and that I just loved to drink and couldn't help it—and that there was no way I was ever going to get out of that existence." But "The Grass Arena" is not a didactic account of self-destruction. Rather, it is a gripping depiction of the human spirit at its worst. And, ultimately, at its finest.

Healy grew up as the eldest son of the only Roman Catholic-Irish immigrant family in Cockney, north London neighborhood where everyone was working-class; everyone was poor. But the Healys met with the prejudices that working-class Irish continue to face in some parts of England even to this day.

He was taunted and beaten up by the older neighborhood boys, and frequently ridiculed by their parents. Home offered no refuge: his laborer father would kick or punch him until bloody for the slightest provocation, real or imagined.

Healy sneaked his first drink at age 14. It was then he discovered that the debilitating tension he had been carrying around all of his young life could be lifted, albeit temporarily.

Over the next few years, alcohol came to rule his life, resulting in a dishonorable discharge from the army, dismissal from laboring jobs, and a severance of all contact with his family, who had grown to regard him as a disgrace.

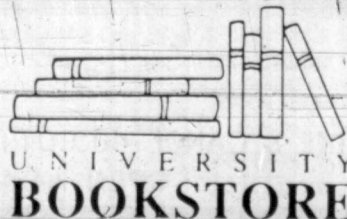
After one particularly horrific drinking binge, vividly described in his book, Healy awoke to find himself "surrounded by a load of winos and alcoholics," in the dismal park where he was to spend most of the next decade of his life. "It was a cold day," he writes, "empty of laughter, empty of spirit, empty of everything."

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## • Healy

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In his dramatic move from social pariah to burgeoning literary personality, Healy confides it is the interpersonal skills that have proved hardest to master. Engaging in "normal" conversation, giving and receiving simple acts of kindness, allowing his face to show commonplace emotions, all still have to be consciously worked out.

"Before, I only had my aggression to relate with," he explains. "In the parks, we'd fight over nothing to the death. And there's a lot of loneliness there. You haven't got any friends, really. Everyone is for himself; it's only a

facade of friendship. In the end, the bottle is the only friend. So you quickly have to learn not to display emotion, neither fear nor happiness, lest the one be prolonged, and the other snatched away.

Clive Solely, now a leading Member of Parliament, who first met Healy 20 years ago as a probation officer, has kept in close contact with him ever since. He puts Healy's turnaround in even sharper focus. In Mr. Solely's professional experience, exceedingly few vagrant alcoholics ever make it out of such an existence. That spectacularly above it, he notes "is unique, beyond question."

## • Stress

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of classtime," he said. "This gets to be impossible with labs, and math problems that take several hours to do. Some professors act as if theirs is the only class a student has." Matt Sirianni, a junior education major who has had his own share of "stressful times," believes college burnout can be avoided through planning.

This year's discontinuation of October break has been a topic of much discussion for students, who have traditionally used the four-day vacation to rest and get caught up academically.

"If you make your schedule hectic, it will be hectic," he said. "A balance has to be made between schoolwork and free time."

## Maine man's death deemed suspicious by Maine AG

MEXICO, Maine (AP) — The Maine attorney general's office Tuesday was investigating the death of a 28-year-old Mexico man who died while struggling with a policeman who was trying to arrest him for a traffic violation, authorities said.

Brian MacMaster, director of investigations for the attorney general's office, said preliminary autopsy results showed that Henry F. Schmersal died of "asphyxiation due to neck compression."

MacMaster identified the officer as Robert Sloma, an eight-year veteran of the Mexico force. He said Sloma had stopped Schmersal along the Roxbury Road between 9 and 9:30 p.m. Monday for a motor-vehicle violation that was "OUI-related," referring to the law against operating under the influence.

"There was quite a struggle" between the two men, said MacMaster, who declined to elaborate on the circumstances of Schmersal's death.

Kevin Schmersal said family members went to the Rumford Community

Hospital, but "we couldn't see the body. It was locked in the morgue."

He said the victim, one of eight children, lived with his parents in Mexico and that his brother worked as a carpenter and mason.

Henry Schmersal was "very talented, kind, a great outdoorsman and an all-around good guy," his brother said.

Kevin Schmersal said the family had hired a lawyer, but not with any intention of "saver-rattling."

"We just want to get to the bottom of it," he said.

Calls to the Mexico town office were referred to the attorney general's office.

### THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

#### Wednesday, Oct. 4---

--No Popcorn Cinema Series-- **HANNAH'S WAR** -- 1:30 p.m., Sutton Lounge, 6:30 p.m., Bear's Den. Sponsored by TUB. No admission.

--After Hours Comedy Series-- **JIM DUNN & DON GAVIN** -- 6:30 & 9:00 p.m., After Hours (Damn Yankee), Memorial Union. Sponsored by TUB. Admission: \$2.00.

--**THE GOOD MOTHER**-- 7 & 9 p.m., 120 Little Hall, sponsored by ROC. No admission.

--**RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK**-- 7 & 9 p.m., 130 Little Hall, sponsored by ROC. No admission.

--piano recital-- **"GEORGE WINSTON"** -- 7:30 p.m., Hutchins Concert Hall, Maine Center for the Arts. Call 581-1755 for ticket information.

#### Thursday, Oct. 5---

--No Popcorn Cinema Series-- **BIRD** -- noon, North Bangor Lounge, 6:30 p.m., Bear's Den. Sponsored by TUB. No admission.

--Controversy Series-- **CAMBODIA: FROM THE KILLING FIELDS TO THE LIVING FIELDS** -- presented by Ngo Vinh Long, Assistant Professor of Asian History, UMaine. 12:20 p.m., Sutton Lounge. Sponsored by MPAC & TUB. No admission.

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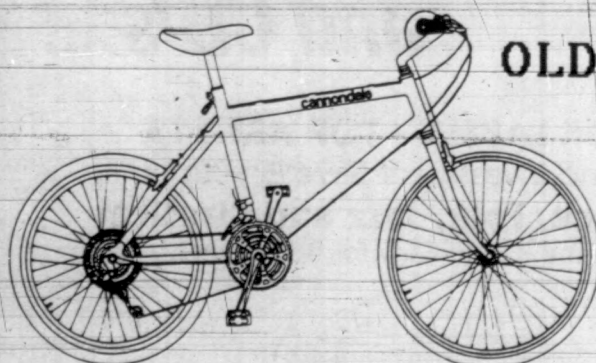
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# Sports

## UMaine to face Thomas College

Soccer team looks to reverse past misfortunes

by Andrew Neff  
Staff Writer



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The University of Maine soccer team will try to get back on the winning track against Thomas College in Waterville this afternoon. The Black Bears were defeated twice over the weekend, 4-1 by the University of New Hampshire and 2-0 in double overtime by Southern Connecticut State.

The University of Maine men's soccer squad will try to get back on the winning track down south in Waterville Wednesday afternoon against state rival Thomas College.

Coach Jim Dyer's team suffered two disappointing losses last weekend and brings a record of 4-4-1 into Wednesday's game.

The Black Bears will be led offensively by junior forward John Mello. Mello shares the team lead in points with two goals and one assist.

Senior forward Rob Brule also has two goals and an assist but will sit out the game after receiving a red card in Sunday's loss to Southern Connecticut State.

UMaine's undermanned team will also be without the services of sophomore back Gary Crompton (one goal, two assists). Crompton also was given a red card in Sunday's game.

Todd Brennan, UMaine's senior goalie, will try to rebound from two straight disappointing outings. Brennan gave up six goals in those two games.

The Thomas College Terriers have a record of 5-3 going into Wednesday's contest.

The Black Bears defeated Thomas College 6-2 last year. The win set off a run of nine consecutive victories for UMaine, a feat that may be needed to be duplicated if the team is to make the North Atlantic Conference playoffs.

Andrew Neff

## Oakland-Toronto series: Who cares?

If it's the first week of October, it must be time for the American and National League playoffs to start.

This will be the first year since I started watching the playoffs 11 years ago that I'll be more interested in the National League Championship Series than its American League counterpart.

In the American League, it's the Oakland Athletics against the Toronto Blue Jays.

Be still my beating heart!

The Athletics ... a team that won its second-straight division title and practices a childish custom of bashing forearms whenever someone hits a home run. Their ace pitcher was arrested in the offseason after soliciting a prostitute who turned out to be a transvestite.

Come on, it's kind of hard to root for a team like this.

The other team isn't much better. The Blue Jays feature one of the biggest whiners and complainers in the game. Yes, you guessed it. None other than George Bell, the same George Bell infamous for rushing out to the mound and karate-kicking Red Sox pitchers whenever he gets the urge.

The same George Bell who gets suspended by the American League front office at least twice each year for "unsportsmanlike conduct."

I'm sorry. But I think I'll pass on this series and hope both teams fall through a giant crack in the earth caused by a mysterious earthquake in Oakland.

The matchup in the National League is much more interesting.

The thing is, both teams are equally appealing.

On the one side, you have the Cubs, with their history, their reputation as lovable losers, their ivy-strewn ballpark, and, if that isn't enough, an ex-Red Sox manager at the helm.

Maybe it's because I come from an area full of long-suffering Red Sox fans ... I don't know. But I'm glad to see the Chicago Cubs, another team with equally long-suffering fans, win a division title.

But on the other side there's the San Francisco Giants.

The Giants have an intriguing mix of talented senior players like Rick

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## Cubs-Giants NL playoff preview

by Jim Donaghy  
AP Baseball Writer

The fortunes of the Chicago Cubs and San Francisco Giants in the National League playoffs may be blowin' in the wind.

The swirls and gusts at Wrigley Field and Candlestick Park are legendary.

Game 1 is scheduled for tonight at Wrigley, and the Giants would like nothing better than Will Clark, Kevin Mitchell and Matt Williams to get a little help from a 20-mph wind.

At Candlestick, Chicago rookie outfielders Dwight Smith and Jerome Walton will have nightmares if things are normal. Second baseman Ryne Sandberg had problems fielding against San Francisco during the season, making four errors in 12 games.

Chicago was the best-hitting club in the NL with a .261 average. The Giants were fourth at .250 and were second to the Mets with 141 home runs. The Cubs were fifth in homers with 124.

San Francisco was third in the league with a 3.30 earned-run average while Chicago, playing half its games at Wrigley, was sixth at 3.43.

Both teams were dominant at home: the Cubs went 48-33 and the Giants were



Mitch Williams (left), Andre Dawson and Ryne Sandberg must produce if the Chicago Cubs are to make it to the World Series by beating the San Francisco Giants. The National League playoff series opens tonight in Wrigley Field in Chicago.

53-28, the best home record in the league. But San Francisco flopped on the road, going 39-42 while the Cubs were 45-36.

The two teams split their 12 games this year. But if any games go to extra innings, the Cubs might have an edge. The Cubs were 10-6 in extras while the Giants were 5-8.

The key to this series could be the bullpen and how much the Cubs get from Andre Dawson.

A position-by-position look at the teams:  
First Base

Will Clark, Giants

Clark just missed becoming the first Giant since Willie Mays in 1954 to win a batting title. In each of his first three seasons, Clark has knocked in 90 or more runs and has developed into one of the best defensive first basemen in the game. He's the Giants' Mr. Clutch and Mr. Leader.

Mark Grace, Cubs

Grace, also a Gold Glove candidate, provided some unexpected power, too. Last season, he hit seven home runs - all on the road. Grace was the Player of the

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Deb McSweeney (left) and Heleen Wiersma both were big factors in the University of Maine field hockey team's 3-1-1 record on its recent road trip. McSweeney was a force in goal, and Wiersma was named the North Atlantic Conference Rookie of the Week for her three goals on the trip.

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Reuschel and Bob Knepper, and a batch of young, budding superstars like Will Clark, Kevin Mitchell and Robbie Thompson.

Neither one of these teams was expected to do much before the season started. In fact, many of the so-called experts were still counting them out as late as the All-Star break.

Both teams play on grass, neither team has made an appearance in the World Series for eons, and both teams have a lot of baseball history behind them.

These teams are so similar, I find myself just looking forward to the NL

series and hoping for the best team to win.

After that, if either the Athletics or Blue Jays escape from that giant crack in the earth, may the National League representative stomp on them, thereby insuring that good triumphs over evil and all is right with the world.

*Andrew Neff is a senior journalism major from Brewer who is hoping the Oakland players break their arms during a gang forearm-bashing celebration in the ALCS.*

## Bears off to another strong start in NFL

CHICAGO (AP) - The Chicago Bears are right where they're accustomed to being, 4-0 a quarter of the way through the 1989 season, and two games ahead in the NFC Central, where they haven't been out of first place since the opening game of 1984.

The Philadelphia Eagles could be on their way out of the NFC-East race, even this early in the season.

"I know a lot of people didn't expect us to be here," Bears coach Mike Ditka said beating Philadelphia 27-13

Monday night for its fourth straight win.

"If you said that we'd be 4-0 after Cincinnati, Minnesota and Philadelphia this early, a lot of people would have been surprised."

The loss put the Eagles, who won the NFC East last season, in a tenuous position after entering the season as a consensus favorite to win the division.

They are 2-2, two games behind the New York Giants, and play the Giants Sunday at Philadelphia. It is a must game now, as a loss would kill.

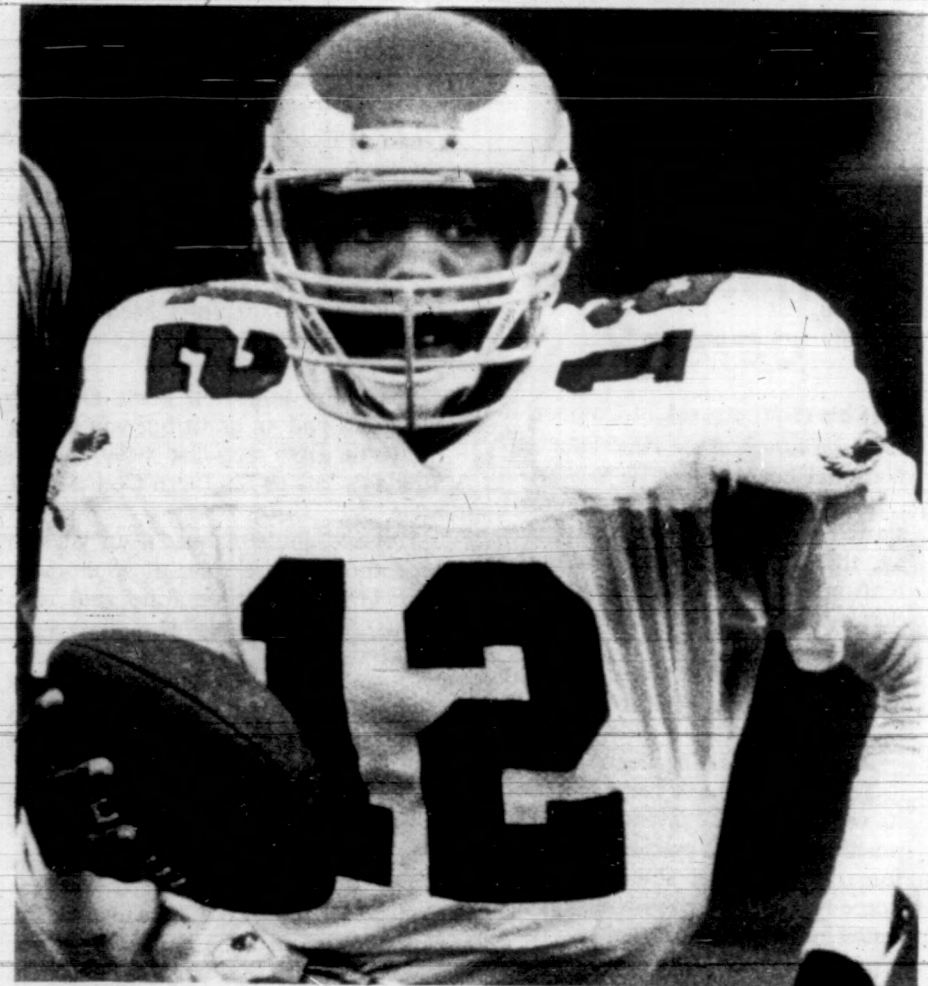


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Randall Cunningham could not pull this out with his usual heroics as the Chicago Bears topped the Philadelphia Eagles 27-13 Monday night.

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Month for July with five homers and 24 RBIs.

Slight edge to the Giants.

## Second Base

Robby Thompson, Giants

Thompson's performance was hampered this year by several nagging injuries. He can lay down a bunt or hit a home run. Surprisingly, Thompson struck out 133 times, high on the club. That's not good for a contact hitter. Thompson is among the best at making the pivot on the double play.

Ryne Sandberg, Cubs

Sandberg is the only current Cub who was a starter on the 1984 NL East champions. He got hot in the middle of the season and carried the Cubs through the time they usually fade. Sandberg, who may be heading for Hall of Fame consideration, finished the season with 90 consecutive errorless games to set a major-league record for second baseman. Offensively, he's the key for the Cubs.

Edge to Chicago.

## Shortstop

Jose Uribe, Giants

Uribe made 18 errors, but he's usually steady on defense. He's not an automatic out, but close.

Shawon Dunston, Cubs

Along with Sandberg, got red-hot at midseason and kept it going. He reaches balls most shortstops wouldn't think of trying to field. Dunston has the best arm in baseball. He can be erratic and sometimes undisciplined at the plate.

Still, edge to the Cubs.

## Third Base

Matt Williams, Giants

Williams, who was sent back to the minors early in the season, didn't hit for average but he's a dangerous power hitter (18 homers). The opposition couldn't pitch around Kevin Mitchell for fear Williams might hit it out.

Vance Law or Luis Salazar, Cubs

Law didn't match last season's .293 and the Cubs will be looking for a third baseman during the winter. Salazar, who can just about play anywhere, had three big game-winning hits after he was acquired from San Diego.

Slight edge to the Giants.

## Left Field

Kevin Mitchell, Giants

With his 47 home runs and 125 RBIs, Mitchell is the NL's MVP. His torrid start got the Giants into first place to stay. Mitchell hit nine homers in May and the Giants went 17-10. In June, Mitchell hit 10 homers and San Francisco won 18 of 28. The Giants took sole possession of first for good on June 17.

Dwight Smith, Cubs  
Smith, a rookie, got his chance when Mitch Webster and Andre Dawson went on the disabled list early in the season. He ended up with a starting job and was

one of the main reasons the Cubs survived. He was particularly dangerous against the second-place New York Mets.

Edge to the Giants.

## Center Field

Brett Butler, Giants

Butler and Thompson are the table-setters for the Giants and Butler is one of the best at it. The Cubs have to watch for the bunt. Butler makes all the catches and has an accurate arm.

Jerome Walton, Cubs

Walton figures to be NL Rookie of the Year, with Smith a close second. Walton had a 30-game hitting streak from July 21-Aug. 21, the club's longest in the 20th century. He had 30 infield hits, including 18 bunt singles. He missed most of the last two weeks of the season with tightness in his right hamstring.

Edge: Even.

## Right Field

Candy Maldonado or Pat Sheridan, Giants

Maldonado, a liability on defense, slumped on offense. Sheridan is better defensively and has a little power. The Giants will be looking for a right fielder over the winter, but for right now, it's a problem spot.

Andre Dawson, Cubs

Along with Sandberg, if the Cubs are to beat the Giants, they need some clutch hits from Dawson. The 35-year-old had arthroscopic surgery on May 11 to repair cartilage damage in his right knee. He returned on June 13, but had a hard time getting going. Still, edge to the Cubs.

## Catcher

Terry Kennedy, Giants

Kennedy's skills have diminished, but he can still provide a clutch hit or two. The Cubs will run on him whenever possible.

Rick Wrona, Joe Giraldi, Cubs

Wrona and Giraldi have shown their inexperience while filling in for the injured Damon Berryhill. In a playoff situation, that could be a problem and it gives a slight edge to the Giants.

## Starting Pitchers

Scott Garrelts, Rick Reuschel, Mike LaCoss, Don Robinson, Giants

Manager Roger Craig has worked magic with a staff decimated by injuries. In all, the Giants used 15 pitchers this season. Garrelts, a converted reliever, won the ERA title with a 2.28 mark. Reuschel (17-8) hasn't been 100 percent physically in the second half and Robinson is hurting, too.

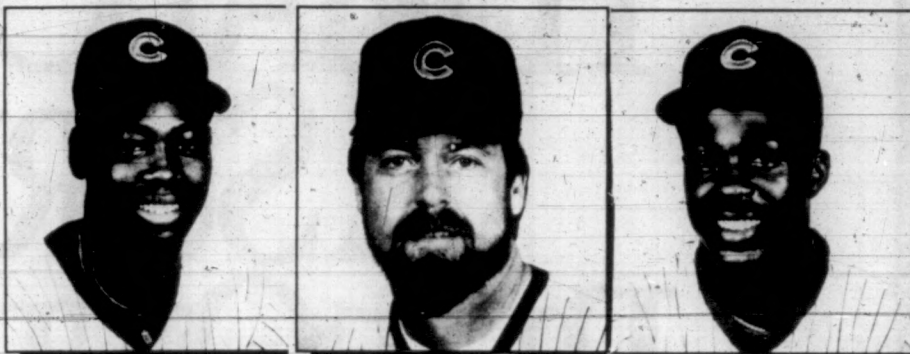
Greg Maddux, Mike Bielecki, Rick Sutcliffe, Scott Sanderson, Cubs

Bielecki was the big surprise on the Cubs' staff, going 18-7. Sutcliffe had a tender arm in the last month, but will pitch in the playoffs.

Edge to the Cubs.

## Relief pitchers

Steve Bedrosian, Craig Lefferts, Bob Knepper, Giants



Rookie sensation Jerome Walton (left), Rick Sutcliffe and Shawon Dunston could all be key figures in the National League playoffs featuring the Chicago Cubs and the San Francisco Giants.

Since joining the Giants on June 18 from Philadelphia, Bedrosian has 17 saves in 22 opportunities. Knepper can be tough on certain left-handers.

Mitch Williams, Les Lancaster, Paul Kilgus, Steve Wilson, Cubs

Williams had 36 saves and Lancaster a 30% inning scoreless streak. Last season, the Cubs had 29 saves for the entire season. They have a slight edge.

## Bench

Giants

Ken Oberkfell set a club record with 18 pinch hits and Ernest Riles can play several positions and hit.

Cubs

Lloyd McClendon played first, third and left field. The Cubs were 44-25 in the games McClendon started. The Cubs also got big contributions off the bench from Luis Salazar, Curtis Wilkerson, Marvell Wynn, Mitch Webster and Dom-

ingo Ramos.

The Cubs' bench may have made the difference and have a big edge.

## Manager

Roger Craig, Giants

Craig took over for Jim Davenport in late 1985 as the Giants finished 62-100. The next season, Craig turned them into winners (83-79) and in 1987 the Giants came within a game of going to the World Series. Craig is known as the guru of the split-fingered fastball.

Don Zimmer, Cubs

The Cubs' veterans and younger players alike love playing for Zimmer. "You never know what Don is going to do, it's fun baseball," Sandberg said. Zimmer will hit-and-run with the bases loaded and try a squeeze in the second inning.

However, the Giants' experience and power should prevail.

## New York Mets decide to fire manager Davey Johnson

NEW YORK (AP) - The New York Mets have decided to fire Davey Johnson, the manager who led them to two division titles and four second-place finishes in six seasons, sources told *The Associated Press* Tuesday.

General manager Frank Cashen confirmed that Johnson's fate had been decided, but said he would not reveal it until he had spoken with the manager. Apparently, that was the holdup.

"I don't want to equivocate, but the

decision has been made," Cashen said.

Joe McIlvaine, the Mets vice president for baseball operations, contradicted Cashen later, saying "the decision has not been made. I underline that."

While Johnson's fate was not formally announced, the Mets did say goodbye to co-captains Gary Carter and Keith Hernandez, who turned the team from losers into World Series champions in the 1980s.

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