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## Weekend Edition

# The Maine Campus

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## Outbreak of measles over

By Wendy Boynton  
Staff Writer

University of Maine students, faculty and staff can now breathe a sigh of relief. The measles outbreak is over, said Dr. Mark Jackson, director of Student Health Services, Thursday.

"For all intents and purposes, the outbreak has stopped," Jackson said. "We have had no new cases from the outbreak."

"Everything is back to being a normal college where people can come and go as they want to," Jackson said.

Students sent home for either failing to receive proper immunizations or for actually having the virus should have returned, Jackson said. "Everybody should be back on campus."

Jackson said students who missed classes and assignments should be back on track by April 1.

Cutler staff provided a total of 5,098 immunizations in response to the measles outbreak. Of that number, 1,900 were given in the last three days of the immunization process, Jackson said.

Even though the outbreak is over, Jackson said students unsure of their immunization records are advised to receive an inoculation.

Because the vaccination used between 1968 and 1980 was found to break down when exposed to heat or sunlight, additional measles booster shots are recommended. Jackson said a heat and light stabilizing agent has since been added, making the vaccine more effective.

Cutler staff will continue to administer the vaccination, but a \$25 fee will now accompany it. "We can no longer provide the immunization for free," he said.

The measles outbreak, which peaked in mid-February, leveled off before Spring Break with a total of 50 reported cases.

The first reported cases appeared when two students came in contact with an infected person during Christmas break.

A highly contagious virus characterized by fever, watery eyes and chest congestion, measles runs in a 10- to 15-day cycle.

Triggering a rash of rumors across the UMaine campus, the measles virus also affected access to sporting events.

## Cholesterol count



Wendie Lagasse (left) checks Caroline Dane's cholesterol at the preventative medicine clinic held Wednesday in the Memorial Union.

Campus photo by Scott LeClair

## McNaught discusses his life as a homosexual

By Wendy Boynton  
Staff Writer

*I am Brian and I am gay and won't you accept me today?*

Brian McNaught is a 42-year-old author and lecturer. A 1970 journalism graduate of Marquette University, McNaught is bright and witty and full of life. He is also a homosexual.

As part of Lesbian/Bisexual/Gay Awareness Week at the University of Maine, McNaught discussed his life as a homosexual in a lecture titled "Homophobia — The Toll it Takes on All of Us," Tuesday night in Neville Hall.

"The issue of sexuality makes us uncomfortable," said McNaught to the near-capacity crowd. "The issue of homosexuality really makes us uncomfortable."

The middle child of seven Irish Catholics, McNaught said he grew up in a sex-negative culture, where talk of sexuality was accompanied by humor.

"I learned about sex (by) laughing at jokes I didn't get," he said. "I didn't have Phil (Donahue) and Oprah (Winfrey) to explain things to me."

Attending parochial schools for 16 years, McNaught became the perfect Catholic boy. Playing basketball, dating girls and always obedient to his religion, he hid his sexual feelings.

"I always remember having same sex feelings," said McNaught, who served as the mayor of Boston's liaison to the gay and lesbian community from 1982 to 1984. "The horror of

growing up gay or lesbian is the horror of growing up with a secret.

"You feel all by yourself," he said. "You're afraid parents won't love you anymore. You're so afraid of telling the truth (because you) might be laughed at."

McNaught, who is certified by the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists, said he also hid his desire to be a saint.

"I wanted to be God's best friend. I wanted to be perfect," he said. "If I could have done anything as a child to get rid of same sex feelings I would have done it."

"I didn't know what I was," McNaught said. "I felt real lonely."

Instead of acknowledging his feelings, McNaught said he "bought time" by dating women. He also compensated for his sexual orientation by becoming a super achiever in high school.

"I felt like the biggest phony in the whole world," McNaught said. "I was afraid of telling the truth."

Following his high school graduation, McNaught attended Marquette University in Wisconsin. He joined a fraternity and again dated women.

Finally, in his junior year, McNaught accepted his homosexuality. Coming out was an "experience of affirmation," he said. However, he had yet to reveal his secret to the world.

Graduating from college, McNaught was hired

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## Commuters can find housing

By Lorali S. Roth  
Special to the Campus

Trying to find an affordable place to live can be difficult, but a helpful resource can be found on the main floor of the Memorial Union at the office of Commuter Services.

Maxine Harrow, associate dean of Student Services, said, "We are a very accommodating and caring office."

Information about available housing is categorized by Commuter Services. Each type of housing available is found on a sale or rental listing card arranged by a color-coded system.

Trailers and cottages are listed on pink cards, rooms on green, houses on white, and apartments on yellow cards.

Other facts about housing found in the listings include: how many miles the building is located from the university, the rent charged per month, the total number of rooms in the apartment, and whether or not a lease is required.

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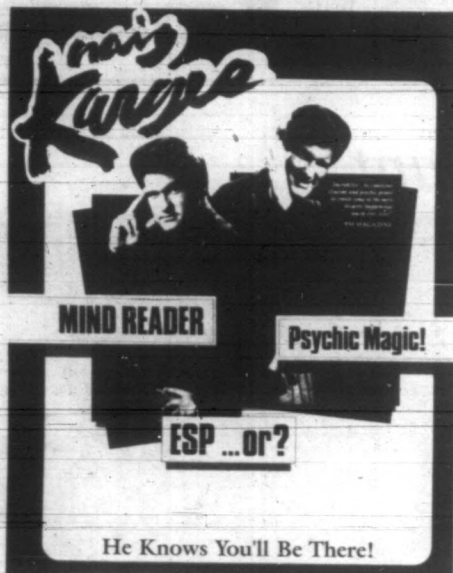
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# Maine Campus at three days a week

## Staff shortage main reason for change

By Michael L. Ritchie  
Special to the Campus

A lack of writers is the reason given by the staff of *The Maine Campus* for reducing publication to three days per week.

Editor Steve Pappas said, "The staff decreased almost by half the last three years."

Jon Bach, *Campus* city editor and former editor, said the staff last fall was the smallest since 1979, when the paper became a daily.

Pappas said most of the paper's writers come from the newspaper laboratory classes, but that anyone can write for the paper. He said enrollment in the newspaper lab has been decreasing steadily over the past few years.

Pappas said that, at the start of each semester, about 50 people express interest in being volunteer writers, but the paper is lucky if two remain the full semester.

The lack of writers causes the staff to be relied upon exclusively to provide material for the paper and everyone is spread too thin, Pappas said.

Stuart Bullion, chairman of the journalism and mass communication department, said reduced enrollment in print journalism is a nationwide trend.

He said there may be a student impression of more glory, visibility and an impression, though false, of a higher pay scale in broadcasting.

Expanding on the reasons for the reduced numbers of students, Bullion said, "Writing skills have declined so much in the public schools."

"Journalism looks like fun, but when they find they are to be graded so hard, they go elsewhere," he said.

Professor Alan Miller said one of the reasons for a lack of students was that journalism is a "tough profession, and not everyone wants to invest the time and effort."

Miller said, "*The Maine Campus* has been advised to go outside the journalism department to get the staff, but have not done so."

Professor Kathryn Olmstead, faculty advisor for *The Maine Campus*, said there are currently nine students in the newspaper laboratory class. She said the number had not changed since 1984.

Pappas said the decision to publish three days per week was his. He said, after consulting with the editorial staff, he decided that the quality of the paper was being compromised by continuing daily publication.

Most of those spoken with agreed. "I would have tried to do something else to relieve the stress, even though I believe he made a wise decision," said Bach.

Former sports editor Dan Bustard, said the "move to three days per week was necessary."

He said there were not enough campus stories before and, while he still would like to see more, there has been

improvement.

Doug Vanderweide, former city editor and current staff writer, said *The Maine Campus* is a "much more local paper" as a result of the change.

He is also still concerned about the amount of local news, but said the content is better.

Former staff member John Holyoke said, while the content of the paper looked good, he disagrees with the paper being published three days per week. He said it "shortchanges the students."

Holyoke said the communication fee was raised a few years ago, with the argument being that the increase was needed to maintain the daily status of the paper.

"Maybe they should return 40 percent of the communication fee to the students," he said.

Pappas denies that there was ever any connection between the increased communication fee and the daily status of the paper.

"We made sure of that before the decision was made," he said.

"If the communication fee was cut back, the paper would not be financially secure."

Faculty reaction to the current paper is positive.

"Quality is much better than it was," Miller said.

"I hear good things within the department," Bullion said. "The quality has been there all along, but the change has allowed them to concentrate on the quality," he said.

"Readership has definitely dropped off," Pappas said.

He believes one of the reasons for the drop off is because some students are not yet aware that the paper is not available every day. He indicated that several methods have been instituted to get this information to the readers.

A public service announcement is being run on WMEB radio telling of the change. The banner of the paper has been changed to reflect, for example, the Monday-Tuesday edition. The name of the paper has been changed from *The Daily Maine Campus* to *The Maine Campus*.

Half-page ads have also been placed inside the paper, to bring the changes to the reader's attention.

Pappas said that efforts are being made to get more writers. "We're recruiting in English and Journalism classes right now," he said.

"We encourage everyone to become a part of us," said Bach.

As to what the future holds for the paper, Pappas said, "The paper will never drop below three days a week and will very likely go back to being a daily."

Vanderweide is not as optimistic as Pappas.

"The day interest in news writing picks up is the day the paper will go back to being a daily," he said.

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## Eastern announces interim pact

MIAMI (AP) - Eastern Airlines today announced an interim contract with its pilots union that calls for a 25 percent wage cut, and said the pact did not call for rehiring those who walked out last year.

Eastern also warned that the pact was temporary, and would have to be renegotiated by July 1 because it allows for only about half the cost reductions the debt-plagued carrier requires to emerge from Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization.

Eastern insisted the National Mediation Board would have to continue efforts to reach a permanent agreement to further cut costs.

"If expedited mediation is not successful in leading to such an arrangement, Eastern ... will have to promptly seek bankruptcy court permission to achieve full cost reductions on a long-term basis," the carrier said in its release.

Spokesmen for the Air Line Pilots Association did not immediately return calls from The Associated Press.

Eastern spokesman Robin Matell said the agreement did not require the rehiring of pilots who entered a sympathy strike with Machinists in March 1989.

"The agreement doesn't cover that, it covers only wages and benefits," Matell said. "And the simple fact is that no jobs are available now."

The pilots and the airline have been meeting since September under the auspices of the mediation board.

In December, Eastern's approximately 850 pilots still being paid at the pre-strike wage rate of about \$72,000 a year took a 20 percent wage cut. Matell said he could not immediately determine if the 25 percent cut would include that previous decrease.

He said the cuts would not affect approximately 950 replacement pilots, who earn \$27,500 a year, and added they would not be raised to the same contract levels as pre-strike pilots. ALPA by contract represents all Eastern's pilots, even strike replacements, Matell said.

The contract expired in June 1988, but

its provisions had remained in effect under the Railway Labor Act.

Eastern called the interim agreement a "last chance to seek a negotiated agreement."

Under its reorganization plan, pilots will have to reduce their wages and benefits to the same degree as other employees, said Thomas J. Matthews, senior vice president of human resources.

The interim agreement also calls for a reduction in the airline's contribution to the pilots' pension plan, increased pilot contributions to their medical and dental insurance, and the preservation of tougher work rules in effect since the strike.

## Bush won't criticize Gorbachev plan

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush today declined to criticize Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's order that Lithuanians surrender arms and said there are "certain realities" that govern Moscow's control over the rebellious republic.

"I am convinced the answer is peaceful discussion between the parties...I believe they can talk and work out these problems," Bush said.

The president, at an impromptu news conference on the South Lawn, also prodded Congress to move more quickly on his proposal for \$800 million in aid for Panama and Nicaragua.

Bush, noting that his request appeared

to be bogged down in the Democratic-controlled Congress, appealed to lawmakers to give him the authority to decide how to pay for the program if they can't.

He has said that he wants the money to come from Pentagon programs.

Bush took questions from reporters after participating in a tree-planting ceremony on the South Lawn of the White house.

Bush was asked about Gorbachev's order the day before requiring Lithuanian citizens to turn over their guns to Soviet authorities in seven days.

He passed up an opportunity to criticize the order, and said he was certain neither side in the conflict wanted

to see force used.

Bush said he takes Soviet Foreign Minister Edward Shevardnadze at his word in his assurances earlier this week that the Kremlin would not use force to block Lithuanian independence.

"We do not recognize the incorporation of Lithuania into the Soviet Union. However, there are certain realities in life. Lithuanians are well aware of them. And they should talk, as they are, to the Soviet officials, about these differences," Bush said.

The administration has steadfastly underscored its position that the United States has never recognized the forced incorporation of Lithuania and the other Baltic states of Estonia and Latvia.

However, the United States has not extended formal diplomatic recognition to Lithuania in the aftermath of its March 11 declaration of independence.

The president, at a wide-ranging news conference that lasted a half-hour, also said he would like to see all Soviet troops removed from Poland.

Bush said he will not go to Nicaragua on April 25 for the inauguration of Chamorro, but that he hoped to visit a number of Latin American countries in the fall. The president also said he hopes to be able to accept an invitation from Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke to visit Australia, although he did not indicate when he would take the trip.

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# Societies recognize leadership

By Andy Boynton  
Special to the Campus

All Maine Women Society and Senior Skull Society, the University of Maine's two leading nonscholastic honorary societies, exist to formally recognize and reward outstanding campus leadership.

All Maine Women, established at the university in 1925, selects members through a two-step nomination process. During second semester, application forms are sent out to deans, administrators, faculty members, resident directors, and campus organization presidents, encouraging them to select junior-year candidates based on their ex-

cellence in leadership abilities, experience in campus organizations, school spirit, scholastics, and integrity.

From there, according to women President Raye Anne Leathers, the applications are carefully judged by a committee of deans, faculty, organization leaders, All Maine Women members, and advisors.

"They are chosen strictly on the qualifications listed on the applications," Leathers said.

If chosen, the new members are rewarded with an initiation banquet later in the spring. 13 to 16 women members are chosen every year.

Since 1969, according to President

Chris Tatian, Senior Skull members have been chosen in a way very similar to Women members. Before then, candidates were judged and chosen strictly by current Skull members.

"The student senate felt that it promoted elitism," Tatian said, "and so it was changed."

Two other organizations, Sophomore Eagles and Sophomore Owls, are advised by All Maine Women and Senior Skulls. Although neither Leathers nor Tatian have ever belonged to the groups, nearly half of their members eventually join Women and Skulls.

"It helps sophomores get aware of being involved on campus," Tatian said, speaking of Sophomore Owls. "Basically it helps them become educated in leadership roles."

In addition to being nominated very similarly, both groups work together in almost all of the same activities. They sponsor the Homecoming Queen and King elections, usher at graduation, and work at the craft fair held every spring in the fieldhouse.

"We help vendors set up, move in their items, and move out on Sunday," Leathers explained. "It's our annual fundraiser also."

The groups are also responsible for organizing Maine Day. Tatian feels that promoting activism and involvement in campus activities is a major role of Senior Skulls.

"We feel that it's a very important thing to be done," Tatian said.

In addition, All Maine Women sponsors scholarships for sophomore women based on their grades and participation in campus activities.

Since the members of each organiza-

tion are completely different every year, Leathers explained, the group advisors play an extremely important role. She also mentioned that Women's two advisors, Nancy Dysart and Jean Carville, have filled those roles admirably.

"Their support has been tremendous," Leathers said.

Dysart described Women's role on campus as "preservers of traditions" and communicators of student concerns to the faculty. Her job, she said, is to attend the meetings and offer the new members guidance when asked for.

"There is no continuity in the members from year to year," she said. "We're their link with the past."

Dysart also commented on a question people often ask about All Maine Women: what do the pine trees painted on their cheeks mean?

"The roots represent the alumni," she said. "The trunk represents the current members and the strength of the university for today. And the branches are future All Maine Women and promise for tomorrow."

While being chosen is an honor, Leathers explained that her involvement in Women has meant much more.

"I have met many administrators, faculty, and students that I wouldn't have met otherwise," she said. "Just meeting different leaders has been a terrific experience."

Tatian explained that being chosen a Senior Skull has as well been both an honor and a reward.

"It exposed me to a lot of faculty and fraternity members," Tatian said. "I've really worked hard to contribute to the community. By the same token, I've gotten a lot out of it. It was nice to be recognized for that."

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# Clean air compromise is rejected

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate turned back a third attempt to strengthen the compromise clean air bill on Wednesday, defeating a proposal supporters said would close "loopholes" in the battle against urban smog.

Opponents argued the amendment, which lost on a 53-46 vote, would burden too many small businesses with expensive pollution controls and require unnecessary federal involvement in urban air pollution plans.

The vote marked the third unsuccessful attempt by a group of senators, mainly from urban areas with the dirtiest air, to add tougher environmental controls to a compromise bill worked out between Senate leaders and the White House.

Senate majority leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, argued on each vote that the compromise bill already goes far beyond current federal pollution control laws and that compromises are needed to win approval in the Senate.

But Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., one of the key sponsors of the proposal, argued the amendment would only retain requirements in current pollution laws that are necessary to clean up the air in scores of cities so they meet federal health standards.

The provisions were weakened during negotiations on the compromise legislation.

Kerry's proposal would have preserved the federal government's authority to impose air pollution reduction plans if states and local officials failed to act. It also sought to eliminate waivers - based on expense - for some industrial polluters and broaden the smog-controlling curbs to include smaller

polluters.

Kerry said a clean air bill without the amendment "would legalize new loopholes for delay" in getting cities to meet air quality standards.

But Mitchell said, "This is a small business killer amendment." Senate leaders fought all three environmental amendments, arguing they threaten the agreement with the White House and could jeopardize passage of a clean air bill altogether.

Environmentalists said they would now focus on the House, where a clean air bill is still in committee, in their attempt to strengthen curbs on smog-causing pollutants.

In defeating the Kerry amendment, "the Senate voted to shred the environmental safety net of the Clean Air Act," said Daniel Weiss of the Sierra Club.

On Tuesday night, the Senate by 52-46 rejected a plan to tighten automobile emissions controls and require broader use of alternative fuels, including production of 1 million clean-fuel vehicles by the end of the decade.

Earlier, a proposal which would have required a reduction in toxic chemical emissions from automobiles fell by 65-33.

Opponents of Kerry's smog amendment said the provisions were not needed.

Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., said the Environmental Protection Agency has for nearly 20 years had authority to force federal smog-control plans on states and cities, but has never done so.

But supporters argued the threat of federal intervention has prompted states and local officials to act.

"It was under pressure, under fear of the threat of federal (action)" that authorities in southern California toughened pollution control, said Sen. Pete Wilson, R-Calif.

And others said federal oversight may be the only way to deal with pollution that affects several states. A regional plan to curb smog "came about only by the EPA forcing the threat of a federal implementation plan," said Sen. Robert Kasten, R-Wis.

Another provision of the amendment called for emission controls to apply to

industrial polluters that emit more than 25 tons of pollution a year, instead of the 100 tons in the compromise agreement. Kerry argued the higher cutoff would allow polluters responsible for nearly half of the industrial smog-causing pollutants in cities to avoid the tougher controls.

The amendment also would have eliminated a provision in the compromise bill to allow states to waive federal air quality standards if pollution controls would cost more than \$5,000 a ton.

## University Singers to perform at Arts Center

ORONO, Maine — Fresh from a spring tour which took them to four states and the District of Columbia, the University Singers will perform at the Maine Center for the Arts, University of Maine, Saturday, March 24 at 8 p.m.

The University Singers, under the direction of Dennis Cox, UM professor of music and director of choral activities, will sing selections from their extensive sacred and secular repertory.

The 64-voice ensemble sang in high schools in Newport, Wiscasset and Windham during their tour which also included performances in New

Hampshire, Connecticut, New York and Virginia. The tour was made possible by contributions from alumni and other individuals.

The ensemble recently started a community service program by giving a free performance at Eastern Maine Medical Center's Children's Ward on Jan. 31. The program consists of one free performance at the end of each month to any organization in the area that requests it.

The March 24 performance is free. For more information on the performance and the Singers' outreach program call 581-1240.

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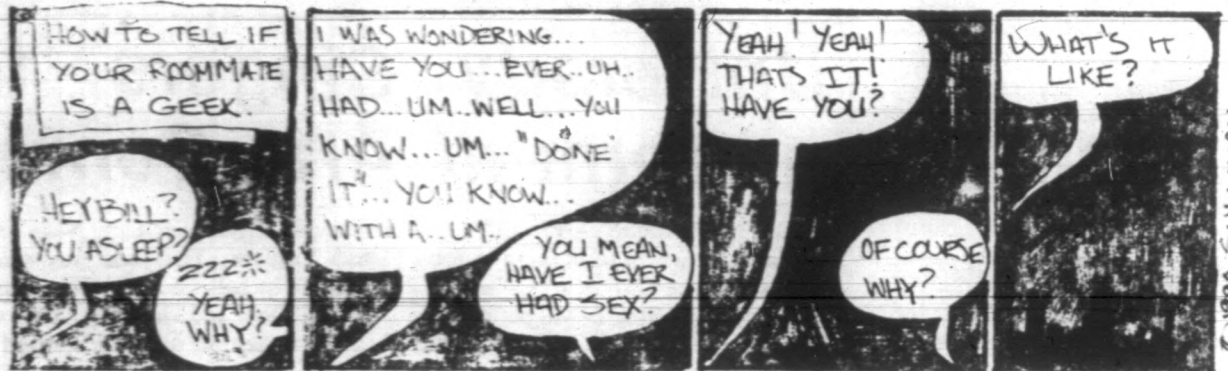
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# Campus Comics

ROSCOE

by Ted Sullivan



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by Bill Watterson



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## Gellner will speak on campus

ORONO — A noted anthropologist and scholar from the University of Cambridge in England will present a free public lecture, "Perestroika: An Appraisal," on Monday, March 26, at the University of Maine.

Ernest Gellner, William Wyse Professor of Social Anthropology at the University of Cambridge, will speak at 7 p.m. in 101 Neville Hall under sponsorship of the UMaine Department of Anthropology and the Anthropology Club.

Before coming to Orono, Gellner will give the Tanner lectures at Harvard University. He will also deliver two lectures about current developments in the Soviet Union at Princeton University after his UM appearance.

A native of Czechoslovakia, Gellner spent 1988-89 in Moscow. He is a member of the British Academy. Gellner is the author of 15 books including "Nations and Nationalism," "State and Society in Soviet Thought," "Cause and meaning in the Social Sciences," "Words and Things" and "Muslim Society."

## Profesors complete residency

ORONO, Maine - Kim Arrow, University of Maine assistant professor and dance coordinator, and Rhea Slichter, UM dance instructor, recently completed a 10-day residency at Murray State University, Murray, Ky.

As guest artists, Arrow and Slichter taught and set the choreography for a new work for Murray State dance students. They will return to Kentucky in late April to oversee the concert presentation of the new work and perform. The residency is sponsored by Murray State's Department of Speech Communication and Theatre.

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# McNaught

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by a Catholic newspaper in Michigan. And before long, he had his own column and television talk show.

"(I was) everybody's young, favorite Catholic man," McNaught said.

However, loneliness and lies soon overtook the then 26-year-old, as he drank a bottle of turpentine. And as he lay having his stomach pumped, McNaught came to an important decision: "I swore I was never going to live life according to others' expectations," he said. "You gotta be you."

Forming the Detroit chapter of Dignity, a gay/Catholic organization, McNaught began to reveal his homosexuality. Shortly thereafter, he was fired.

Meanwhile, McNaught's family was adjusting to the news. Initially shocked, the family eventually learned to deal with his homosexuality.

"If there's love in the family it will endure," he said. But "don't come out to families until you feel good about who you are."

"Be patient," McNaught advised. "People can learn and grow when there is an incentive to learn and grow."

Currently living in Massachusetts with his partner Ray, McNaught has spent the past 16 years lecturing and sharing his story. In addition, he is quick to dispel popular myths.

McNaught said one myth is that gay people choose to be gay. That's "absurd," he said. "Nobody in the room chose their sexual orientation."

Likewise, McNaught said many confuse gender identification with sexual orientation. This is a "major myth fed by sexism," he said. "An essential component of homophobia is sexism."

He said sexual orientation is based on genetic factors, not environmental factors.

"We don't know how to have straight kids," McNaught said. "Gay/lesbian kids grow up in households generally (with) heterosexual parents."

McNaught said another myth is that homosexuals have uncontrollable sexual appetites. "All of us have sexual appetites of different levels," he said.

Acknowledging life as a challenge for all, McNaught asked the audience to picture what it is like to be a homosexual in this town in Maine at the university in 1990.

It's a "tough road," he said. "We all in our lives struggle for space so we can simply be ourselves."

## Campus Comics

Lunch

by Steve Kurth



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



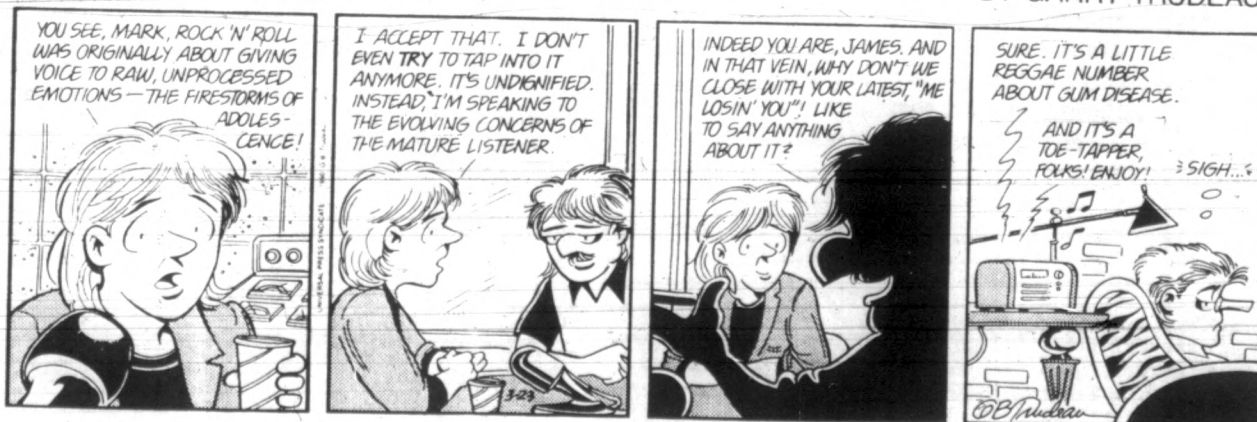
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## Editorial

### Putting a dent in the flow

**B**anning assault rifles to the general public in one step toward helping the law enforcement agencies fight the war on drugs.

The general public, meaning the deer hunter or duck hunter, has no use for semi-automatic assault weapons. There would not be much left of a mallard that was shot with an assault rifle. These weapons are used in the military and their use should end there.

Massacres like the one in Stockton, Calif., where several children were gunned down in a playground would be averted if it were more difficult for people to obtain the weapons.

The Bush administration has defined the assault weapon class of firearms and placed a ban on their importation to this country. Unfortunately, no controls have been placed on the manufacturing in this country.

Hunters and sportsmen have the right to bear arms. But what interest is served by access to these weapons by the general public.

Law enforcement agencies cannot begin to make progress in the drug war as long as it is easy for criminals to obtain assault rifles.

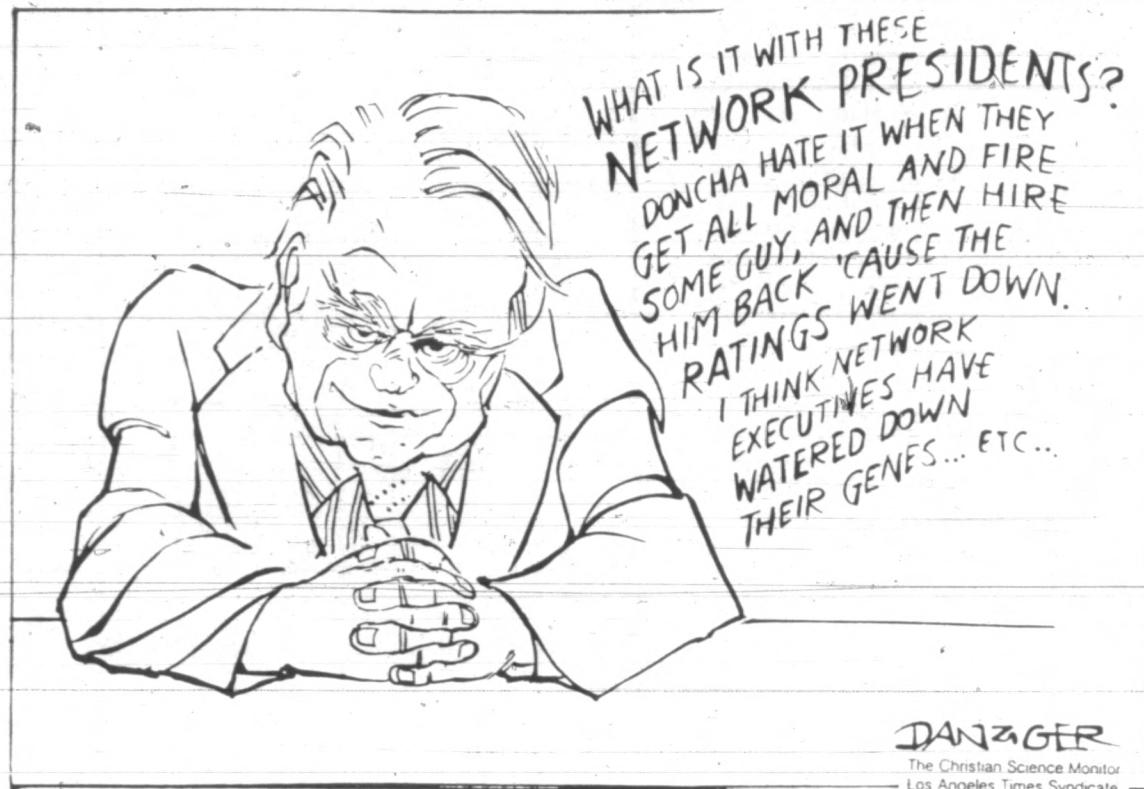
The old axiom: if you outlaw firearms only criminals will have them, does not hold up under scrutiny in this case.

Sure, many criminals will find ways to obtain the weapons, they always do. But that is no excuse for not even trying to curb the flow.

Banning the importation of the weapons will not rid the streets of them. It will however make them harder to get and much more expensive. There is federal legislation pending in the United States Senate which would outlaw the importation, manufacture, and sale of semi-automatic assault weapons.

With the passage of this legislation, the weapons will be more difficult to obtain and the public safety and interests will be served.

It will not mean the end of gang members having the weapons, but it is a start.



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## To bear the pain

Thousands of students from colleges and universities across the country migrated to the beaches of Daytona two weeks ago to celebrate the arrival of spring break.

With the coming of the anxiously awaited annual vacation, the crush of exams, term papers, and long hours spent in the lab was slowed, at least for a brief period anyway, and men and women alike dropped their books and worries for two weeks of surf, sand, and exciting nightlife. Back in New York, David Opont, a sixth-grade student at the Walt Whitman Intermediate School, was also taking some time off from school.

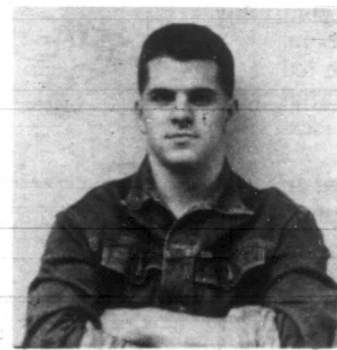
David's vacation was not a planned one, however. He wasn't able to practice his volleyball serve or spend long, leisurely hours on the beach.

He had more important things to attend to, such as bravely fighting for his life from a hospital bed in the burn unit at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center.

On March 7, David and three of his friends were on their way to school when they were approached by another youth, a 13-year-old, who robbed two of the youngsters in the group before leaving the scene.

Apparently not satisfied with the spoils of his efforts, the youth returned, this time cornering David and the other boy to prevent their escape, while the two boys who had been robbed ran away in fear.

After allegedly trying to force David to smoke crack, to which he refused, the 13-year-old beat him with a bat, tied him up, doused him with gasoline, and



John Begin

set him on fire.

The suspect, apprehended shortly after the attack, was charged with attempted murder second-degree, assault first degree, robbery, and attempted robbery.

For David, the situation was much worse. He sustained second- and third-degree burns over 55 percent of his body, with the worst of the burns occurring on his chest, stomach, arms, and legs.

Now, two weeks after the beating, doctors are only giving the youngster a 50-50 chance for survival, with the best-case scenario involving a painful series of skin-graft operations, and a hospital stay of at least four months.

The four-month statistic is a misleading one, for it is likely that David will spend several years in hospitals, trying to recover from the attack with the help of plastic surgeons and counselors. It is heartbreaking to see that David Opont, without even trying to, has become an indirect casualty in the war against drugs. His attack has made him a symbol,

and possibly a martyr, for the elimination of drug use in the United States.

The irony surfacing from the incident is that David's attack comes nearly a month after the national drug use study, conducted by University of Michigan researcher Lloyd Johnston for the National Institutes of Health, reported an "all-time low" in drug use among high school and college students.

Maybe Johnston's study was not far-reaching enough. If federal drug prevention actions are going to be conducted based on the results of the study, perhaps Johnston should have also documented the amount of drug use occurring at the elementary and junior high school levels. The Bush Administration's war against drugs will only be won if all of the bases are covered. Education and prevention are the weapons that must be used on all levels, whether the audience is made up of first-graders or college students.

For David Opont, federal measures come too late. He must rely on prayers, good wishes, and his own determination to make it through this crisis.

But hopefully, through the efforts of lawmakers and lobbyists, there will never, ever, be another child who must endure the pain and suffering that David Opont has endured.

John Begin is a junior journalism major from Winslow, Maine, who hopes that David Opont may one day look forward to spending a spring break in Florida.

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## Response

# 'Nothing but a rubber stamp'

To the editor:

Thursday, March 1st I had my hearing before the allegedly impartial Parking Ticket Appeal Board. The panel decided against me.

I filed the appeal at the Public Safety Office on the day my truck was towed from the loading dock where I work. I handed the appeal notice to a woman who works at the Public Safety Office. When I gave her my appeal she told me then, even before reading the paper, that they never allowing towings to win any appeals. This same woman was present at the hear-

ing. She was not only present at my hearing but she participated in the deliberations.

From the tone of the first question I knew that I was not in front of an impartial panel. The three men who asked the questions, merely explained to me why I was wrong. Their purpose, as indicated by their behavior, was to help enforce parking regulations, not provide an unbiased forum in which a litigant can present his or her case and expect fair treatment. No one asked the officer any questions. His statements were accepted as fact, when I knew that he misrepresented his side

of the story.

I brought a witness whose testimony was ignored out of hand. The officer asked me, "what was our alternative," I gave him two, no one was listening. No one was listening because this Appeal Board was nothing but a rubber stamp for the police.

There is not a shred of fairness in this farcical hearing process. It is set up to present the appearance of justice and fair play and in that sense it is a cruel hoax. I accuse the panel of the grossest miscarriage of justice. I charge that their behavior and connections to the

Department of Public Safety makes a mockery of the American concepts of fair play and innocence until proven guilty.

This kind of phony democratic behavior is corruption at its worst. Everyone who

is a party to this charade should be removed from their position and the Student Senate or other student governing body should establish a truly independent appeal board.

Bruce Balboni

# Cartoon an inaccurate depiction of the N.R.A.

To the editor:

This letter is in response to the cartoon "Lunch" by Steve Kurth in 3/21's Maine Campus.

Steve, your cartoon was a twisted and seriously inaccurate depiction of what the National Rifle Association strives for.

One of the N.R.A.'s primary concerns is promoting safe and responsible gun handling. Shooting children is only conceivable in sick minds such as your own.

I'm not asking you to support hunting or gun ownership for that matter, but the N.R.A. deserves some respect for their honest efforts in teaching safe gun handling and for suggesting methods to the government for control of assault type guns.

The N.R.A. has no association with drug runners, gang wars and psychopathic killers. It is an obvious fact that by outlawing something only the outlaws will have it. For example, Alcohol during the prohibi-

tion and the wide variety of drugs available on the street today. Guns are no exception. If we outlaw them, only the outlaws will have them-AND THEY WILL HAVE THEM.

Don't be disillusioned to thinking that the N.R.A. is responsible for gun related crime. Get a map.

Get informed.

Robb Fox  
Oxford Hall

## Think academics

To the editor:

Yes, Edward Read academics are more important than sports. Hey I love a good padded body brawl as well as the next women but . This is my third year at UMaine and I'll tell you in the mist of trying to get a good education there are these people I've run into who sleep in the front row (or near there) of calculus class or suffer through one less speech than the rest of us. OH YES, when do we get our membership to the CLUBHOUSE (or whatever that brick structure is that occupies good parking spaces I might add.)

I'm 32, divorced, raising two daughters and majoring in Chemical Engineering. I barely have time to write this but feel this issue is an important one to ALL OF US.

YES ACADEMICS ARE IMPORTANT.

Our government cries for more educated people (there will be a shortage of 500,000 engineers in the next ten years in the United States) and as they tempt you with the apple they pull the string a little higher.

Do I tell my children, hey I'm sorry, I have to quit school, I spent the last three years in school for nothing because all the money's gone or tuition is too high, etc...but we have a great hockey team don't we? I wonder if I can still get tickets?

In a nation where homeless are growing in large numbers and we no longer have the drive to be the best as other nations overtake is with technology HEY can we take a break? Can we turn off the game?

WHEW!  
HEY ACADEMICS ARE IMPORTANT!!!

Terry Pierson  
Bangor

# Not for human consumption

Dave Barry

There comes a time in the life of every American citizen when Duty calls. "Hey! YOU!!!" are Duty's exact words, and unless you're some kind of flag-desecrating pervert, you're going to stand up, as Americans have stood up for more than 200 years, and you're going to say, "Yes, I will participate in teh Arbitron television-ratings survey."

I answered The Call one recent afternoon. The Phone rang, and it was a person informing me that I had been selected to be an Arbitron household based on an exhaustive screening process consisting of being home when my number was dialed at random. As you can imagine, I was deeply moved.

"Do I get money?" I asked. The reason I asked this is that a couple of years ago I was a Nielson ratings household, and all they paid me was two lousy dollars, yet they wanted me to write down EVERY PROGRAM I WATCHED, which

was virtually impossible because I'm a guy and therefore I generally watch 40 programs at once. Guys are biologically capable of keeping track of huge numbers of programs simultaneously by changing the channel the instant something boring happens, such as dialogue. Whereas women, because of a tragic genetic flaw, feel compelled to watch only ONE PROGRAM AT A TIME, the way people did back in the Middle Ages, before the invention of Remote control.

Anyway, it turns out that \$2 is also all you get for being an Arbitron household. But I agreed to be one anyway, because, let's face it, when anybody connected with the television industry asks you to do something, no matter how stupid or degrading it is, you do it. This is why people are willing to openly discuss their secret bodily problems in commercials that are seen by the entire nation. These people become FAMOUS for having secret

bodily problems. When they go out to dinner, large celebrity-worshipping crowds gather to stare and point and whisper excitedly to each other, "Look! It's Elston V. Quadrant, Hemorrhoid Sufferer!"

At least these people get paid, which is more than you can say for the people who go on the syndicated TV talk shows and seek to enhance public understanding of various tragic psychological disorders by candidly revealing that they are total wackmobiles ("I'm Geraldo Rivera, and these men are commercial-airline pilots with live trout in their shorts.").

So I figured the least I could do, for television, was be an Arbitron household. This involves two major responsibilities:

1. Keeping track of what you watch on TV.

2. Lying about it.

At least that's what I did. I imagine most people do. Because let's face it: Just because you watch a certain

show on television, that doesn't mean you want to ADMIT it. Let's say you're flipping through your 8,479 cable channels, and you come across a program called "Eat Bugs For Money," wherein they bring out a large live insect, and the contestants secretly write down the minimum amount of money they would have to be given to eat it, and which ever one has the lowest bid has to actually do it. Admit it: YOU would watch this program. In fact, right now you're saying to yourself, "Hey, I wonder what channel that's on." Unfortunately, at present it's still in the conceptual stage. It's based on an idea from my editor, Gene Weingarten, who has publicly stated that he would eat a live adult South Florida Cockroach (average weight: 11 pounds) for \$20,000.

My point is that you'd watch this program, but you wouldn't tell Arbitron. You'd claim that you watched a National Geographic special with a name like "The Amazing World of

Beets." In my Arbitron diary, I wrote that our entire household (including Ernest, who is, legally, a dog) mainly watched the network news, whereas in fact the only remotely educational programming we watched that week was a commercial for oat bran, which by the way is clearly no more intended for human consumption than insects are. Speaking of which, here is a Late Bulletin: My wife — this is the wonderful thing about Free Enterprise — has considered Gene Weingarten's bid and announced that SHE would eat a live adult cockroach for just \$2,000. If you sincerely feel you can beat that price, drop me a line c/o The Miami Herald, Miami, FL 33132, because I'd like to produce a pilot episode of "Eat bugs for Money" with an eye toward — call me a Cultural Pioneer — advancing the frontiers of my income. I would also appreciate your lowest price on eating a nonpoisonous but hair-covered spider. Thank you.



# Road to Mecca opens tonight

By John Begin  
Staff Writer

"The Road to Mecca," the first production of the Marsh Island Stage Company's spring season, opens tonight at 8 p.m. in the Ram's Horn.

The two-act play, written by South African playwright Athol Fugard, centers around Miss Helen, an artist living in a small Afrikaner village who, upon nearing the age of 70, begins to question both her artistic vision and her physical capabilities.

Following the death of her husband, Helen began to devote her life to the creation of her art, an odd assemblage of cement owls and other creatures, on display in front of her house.

Her growing involvement with her work slowly leads Helen away from the conventionality and conservatism of her church and her fellow villagers.

That was 15 years ago, and now she must deal with two of the problems that often accompany the aging process, fading vision, and painful, arthritic hands.

Marius Byleveld, the pastor of the village who Helen has been friends with for many years, tries to persuade her to give up her art work, which he refers to as both a "hobby" and a "nightmare," and move into a retirement home where her physical problems can be cared for.

Her independence in jeopardy, Helen turns to her friend Elsa Barlow for advice, and receives, in the process, a boost to her confidence, and a renewed faith in herself.

Directed by assistant professor of

speech Christopher Bates, the play features Charlotte Herbold as Miss Helen, Anita Wilkinson as Elsa Barlow, and Burton Hatlen as Marius Byleveld.

Herbold, as assistant professor of developmental English in the Onward Program, was superb in her performance of Helen in Wednesday evening's dress rehearsal.

Playing the role with strong conviction, Herbold alternated between the feelings of confusion and frustration that arise when simple actions such as making a pot of tea or lighting a candle become difficult and painful.

Wilkinson, seen earlier this winter in Glaspell's "Trifles," was captivating in her emotional portrayal of Elsa.

Although independent in mind and spirit and not afraid to speak out when the need arises, Elsa is full of anger, pain, and self-doubt. While able to conceal her intensity of her feelings through most of the play, Elsa explodes near the conclusion, and it was here that Wilkinson was in her finest form.

Whether angrily confronting Marius or sobbing in Helen's embrace, Wilkinson never let the intensity of her performance die down, adding greatly to the enjoyment of the production as she did so.

Hatlen, a professor of English at UMaine, was effective as Marius Byleveld.

Although his performance seemed rigid at times, Hatlen got continually stronger as the play unfolded, culminating in a strong finish near the play's conclusion which showed an emotional content and depth of character that were not present earlier in the

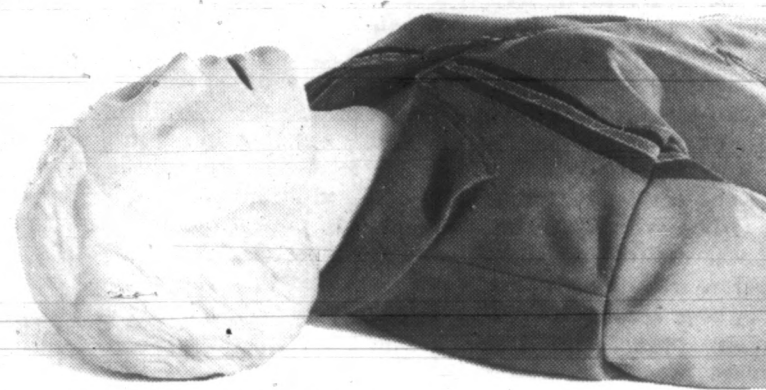
performance.

The good ensemble work between the castmembers tied the strong individual performances together well, and helped to keep the action of the play flowing smoothly from start to finish, giving a

polished look to the production.

Additional performances of the play will be held on March 24, 25, 30, 31, and April 1, with all shows beginning at 8 p.m. For reservations, call 827-2917.

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# Piano recital to be held



ORONO, Maine — Horacio Gutierrez, an internationally recognized piano recitalist who has worked in close collaboration with many of the world's finest orchestras and conductors, will play at the University of Maine on Sunday, March 25.

Gutierrez, who has been described from the start of his career as a virtuosic performer and pre-eminent romanticist, will begin his recital at 3 p.m. in Hutchins Concert Hall, Maine Center for the Arts. A special preconcert lecture by David G. Klocko, UM associate professor of music, will be held at 2 p.m. in the center's Bodwell Dining Area. For ticket information, call the MCA Box Office, 581-1755.

Born in Havana, Cuba, Gutierrez was a guest soloist with the Havana Symphony at the age of 11. Since his professional debut in 1970 with the Los Angeles Philharmonic and conductor Zubin Mehta, Gutierrez has toured throughout North America and Europe

with concerts in Chicago, New York, Zurich, Paris, London, Hannover, West Germany, and Milan, Italy. He is a frequent soloist at Lincoln Center's Mostly Mozart Festival and has made three appearances on "The Tonight Show" as a favorite guest of Johnny Carson.

Gutierrez first received international attention in 1970 when he won the Silver Medal in the fourth annual Tchaikovsky International Competition in Moscow. He also is winner of the 1982 Avery Fisher Prize and received an Emmy Award for his fourth appearance with the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center in January 1986.

Due to the outbreak of measles at the University of Maine, visitors are encouraged to make sure they have been properly immunized before attending events on campus. People who have never had measles or who were immunized prior to 15 months of age are considered at risk if exposed to the contagious viral disease.

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two written complaints from different renters. If this occurs, the listing is removed from the file for 30 days.

Harrow feels "the most important resource that we provide, in terms of off-campus housing, is that we educate our students to be good consumers.

"For many students it's the first time that they have to sign a legal document that really binds them for a year."

She encourages students to talk to the landlords and inspect where they will be living before signing a lease.

Roommate agreement sheets are also available in the office to provide guidelines as to what is expected of each individual who will be living together.

Commuter Services provides several other programs as well as helping students find off-campus housing. Some of the other services provided include car pooling information, non-traditional student support services, babysitting

referral and child care information about such things as financial resources.

"We just gave out \$1700 in daycare grants," Harrow said. "We have non-traditional scholarship programs that we do with the senior alumni, and last semester, we gave out \$35,000 in scholarship assistance to 29 non-traditional students."

Commuter Services is involved with the National Student Exchange, which allows any full-time graduate student who has completed 30 credit hours or more and holds a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 to study at any of 87 other universities or colleges at in-state tuition rates for a semester or academic year.

"Right now I have students who are in Hawaii, California, New Mexico, and we have 12 students here at Maine from other universities," Harrow said. "It's a great opportunity. It was probably the best-kept secret."

### UNIVERSITY DEMOCRATS

will be holding an organizational meeting to prepare for the Fall 1990 campaigns on Tuesday March 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the Sutton Lounge Memorial Union.

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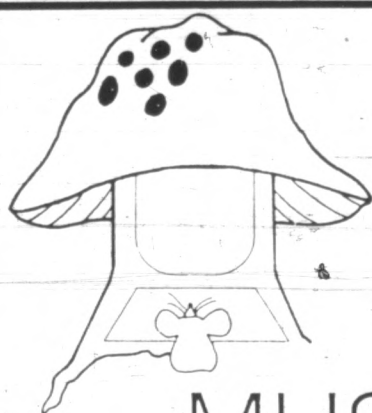
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# Judge: Reagan diaries not needed

WASHINGTON (AP) - The judge in John Poindexter's Iran-Contra trial reversed himself Wednesday, saying that former President Reagan does not have to produce diary entries sought by his

one-time national security adviser. U.S. District Court Judge Harold Greene issued the ruling as the jury began watching eight hours of videotaped testimony by Reagan.

Greene had ordered Reagan to turn over the diary, but said after reading the three dozen entries sought by Poindexter that the material was not "essential to the achievement of justice in this case."

Poindexter said he needed the excerpts because Reagan, in his taped testimony, "professed a total inability to recall" the diversion of Iran arms sale proceeds to the Nicaraguan Contras and a 1985 Hawk missile shipment.

Defense lawyers also said Reagan was unable to recall Poindexter's activities on behalf of the Contras.

Poindexter is charged with five felony charges of conspiracy, making false statements and obstructing Congress in connection with the Iran-Contra affair.

"Mr. Reagan did testify under oath at great length about many specific activities in his administration - an event that is unprecedented in American history," Greene said in a 14-page ruling.

He granted Reagan's motion to quash Poindexter's subpoena for the entries, which relate to both the Iran initiative and Contra resupply operation, saying they "offer no new insights about these events."

Reagan, later joined by the Bush administration, fought the subpoena by invoking executive privilege.

"If the concept of executive privilege is to retain any meaning, it will surely shield personal presidential papers from production...on so flimsy a basis," Greene said.

"The inability of a witness to recall...does not automatically entitle a party...to rummage through...personal papers, including his personal diary," he said.

Prosecution witnesses have testified during the 7-and-a-half days of the trial that Poindexter destroyed a presidential document and sent false letters to Congress about covert aid to the Contras.

Reagan's videotaped testimony taken Feb. 16-17 was shown in Greene's courtroom on television monitors, including one positioned in front of the jury.

The jury spent all day Wednesday watching the videotape and was to finish the process Thursday morning.

The jurors watched intently as Iran-Contra prosecutor Dan Webb questioned Reagan in rapid-fire fashion.

"Did you...give authority to John Poindexter to make any false...statements?" Webb asked.

"No," Reagan replied. "And I don't think any false statements were made."

"Did you ever...give authority to John Poindexter to destroy...records?" Webb asked.

"No," responded the former president.

"Did John Poindexter ever tell you...he planned on destroying any documents?" the prosecutor asked.

"No," Reagan responded.

"Did John Poindexter...tell you...he had learned that Oliver North...altered and destroyed records?" Webb asked.

"No," Reagan said.

Several jurors laughed when Greene put a halt to a heated exchange between defense lawyer Richard Beckler and Webb by saying, "let's not make a federal case out of this."

Copies of the Reagan tapes were released Wednesday to the media. Transcripts were released last month and the tapes were shown several times in the courthouse.

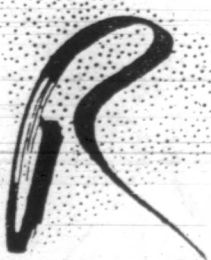


UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

## RESIDENTIAL LIFE ROOM SIGN-UP FOR FALL 1990

Room Sign-up for students returning to the residence halls for Fall 1990 will begin April 2. All available space after this process is completed will be allotted for new students. Readmitted students, students from off-campus and current residents who fail to sign-up during the process will be placed on a waiting list pending available space.

For additional information contact Residential Life at 4584.

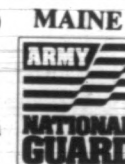


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## LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, GAY AWARENESS WEEK MARCH 19-24, 1990

Myth: Removing laws against homosexuality will increase its frequency.

Fact: People's sexual orientation is not determined by law.

Myth: Homosexuality is "unnatural".

Fact: It's found in almost all species; there's almost no human culture from which it is absent.

Myth: There are only a few homosexuals.

Fact: There are many, possibly 10-20 percent of the human population.

Myth: One homosexual act makes one a homosexual.

Fact: No, it is not uncommon for people to experiment with homosexual behavior.

Myth: Homosexuals are child molesters.

Fact: Statistics show that more than 90 percent of sexual attacks on children are by heterosexual males.

Myth: Homosexuals are all in the arts.

Fact: A large percentage is found there, but homosexuals are found in every walk of life (e.g., doctors, lawyers, professors, athletes, R.A.s, and classmates).

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# Sports

## Black Bear hockey on to Wisconsin

By Jeff Pinkham  
Staff Writer

The University of Maine hockey team will be facing one of its toughest challenges this weekend when they take on the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI.

The Black Bears left Wednesday for Wisconsin and will start their best-of-three series Friday night with the second and third games being played Saturday and Sunday if necessary.

"This will be the most talented team we have faced all year," UMaine head coach Shawn Walsh said. "All of their fans will be wearing red and you kind of come in in awe of the place."

Wisconsin head coach Jeff Sauers on the other hand doesn't feel the fans will affect UMaine.

"Shawn (Walsh) has been here before and I don't think his team will be intimidated by fans," he said.

The Badgers were regular season and playoff champions of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association and received the second seed in the West for the NCAA tournament.

One of the differences between the two teams is experience.

"What strikes me most is the experience," Walsh said. "It's a junior and senior team and they only play one freshman."

Offensively, the Badgers are led by three seniors. All-American candidate and first team All-WCHA center Gary Shuchuk (37-38-75) leads the team in scoring. Second team All-WCHA center-right winger John Byce (24-42-66) and WCHA honorable mention Chris Tancill (35-30-65) give the Badgers three potent offensive weapons.

"Their conference is a higher scoring conference than ours (Hockey East), and they do have two significant scoring lines, which is something we don't see

### Coach returns to Badger land

University of Maine assistant hockey coach Grant Standbrook will be returning to the school he coached at for twelve years when the Black Bears take on the University of Wisconsin this weekend.

Standbrook served as the recruiting coordinator at Wisconsin. While there, the

Badgers won national titles in 1976-77, 1980-81 and 1982-83, along with going to the final four on two other occasions.

He is in his second year as UMaine's primary recruiter and has been helping the team on the ice in practice.

Senior defenseman Claudio Scremin credits Standbrook with the improvement in his game over

the last two years.

"I've learned a lot from Grant, he just knows so much about the game" he said.

UMaine head coach Shawn Walsh said Standbrook knowledge of the

Badgers will give an advantage to the Black Bears.

"Grant knows the arena, and he knows the seniors real well," Walsh said. "He recruited all of their juniors and seniors."

Standbrook, a Winnipeg, Manitoba native, has also served as an assistant coach of the 1976 U.S. Olympic Team and on the U.S. National teams in 1974-75.

Standbrook currently runs the Grant Standbrook Hockey Training Center in Faribault, Minnesota.

every night," Walsh said.

For the season, freshman or sophomores have scored 82.8 percent of UMaine's goals, with freshmen right wingers Jean-Yves Roy (38-24-62) and Jim Montgomery (25-34-59) and

sophomore left winger Scott Pellerin (21-34-55) leading the way.

"They do play a lot of freshman, but they are 20-21 years old, which is not a true freshman," Sauers said. "A

kid that scores 38 goals is not an inexperienced freshman."

The Black Bears will receive a boost with the return of centers Randy Olson and Guy Perron.

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## Scremin, Lalonde say team's 'chemistry' reason for success

By Jeff Pinkham  
Staff Writer

During their four years at the University of Maine, Claudio Scremin and Christian Lalonde, have seen the hockey program build a tradition as one of the nation's best.

But this year's team has been the biggest surprise to the seniors.

"(UMaine) is a class organization. The coaches don't leave out any detail," senior defenseman Lalonde said. "They put a lot of emphasis on the mental aspect and they give support to do well in school as well."

Senior defenseman and All-American candidate, Scremin, mentioned that he didn't want to go to a big school or a big city and UMaine was the type of school he was looking for.

"I never wanted to go to a big

school," Scremin said. "Besides, I get to go ice fishing in Maine which is something I like to do."

In their first three years with the Black Bear hockey team, the two went to the NCAA final four twice and to the final eight their first year.

This year's team is already in the final eight and will face the University of Wisconsin this weekend. The winner of that best-of-three series will go on to the final four in Detroit, MI.

Lalonde and Scremin said this year's team has already exceeded their expectations.

"I expected this team to do well, but not this well," Lalonde said. "But this team is full of competitive guys who don't get satisfied easily."

"This is the hardest working team I've been on," Scremin said. "They are a bunch of unselfish players, and it's

great to play on a team like that."

Although Scremin and Lalonde have taken different paths to their senior seasons, they end their careers playing on the same defensive line.

Lalonde began his career as a left winger and was switched to defense at the beginning of this season.

"Christian had to make a tough transition from a forward to a defenseman and he has done a great job," UMaine head coach Shawn Walsh said.

In his first three years, Lalonde scored 106 points on 38 goals, with his best year coming in 1987-88 when he had 20 goals and 31 assists for 51 points. Lalonde needs only two assists to move into 10th place all-time. Lalonde's scoring has decreased with his move to defense but

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Claudio Scremin (above) and Christian Lalonde say the team's unselfishness has produced a winner.

file photo

## Baseball team ready to calm Ragin' Cajuns

By Andrew Neff  
Staff Writer

Just back from a challenging, 19-game road trip to Hawaii over spring break, John Winkin's University of Maine baseball team is readying itself for another challenge and another trip, this time to Lafayette, Louisiana.

The 9-10 Black Bears will take on a talented Southwestern Louisiana University team ranked 22nd in the nation in a four-game series beginning Friday.

The series may come down to a battle between a potent SW Louisiana batting

order and UMaine's pitchers.

"I think that's it, that's going to be a real good test for our pitchers," Winkin said. "I think the whole key with us is how our pitchers do."

Southwestern Louisiana features an offensive attack with a good balance between speed and power. The Ragin' Cajuns bring a team batting average of .314 and a 26-5 record into the series.

The Cajuns have belted 37 home runs and stolen 73 bases already this season.

"I'm sure (the series) will be a tough test... but it'll be the right test for us at this time," added Winkin.

UMaine shortstop Brian Seguin was outwardly upbeat at a Monday press conference in Dexter Lounge when asked about UMaine's new emphasis on speed and baserunning.

"It's just more fun to play," he said. "It puts more pressure on defenses when we run."

The team's new aggressive approach also gives UMaine another weapon. The Black Bears racked up 19 steals in 26 attempts at Hawaii.

The aggressive style fits in well with a talented UMaine batting lineup.

"This is the best batting order we've

had in quite some time," said Winkin.

"(Freshman) Chad White getting off to such a great start has really helped. He's played like he's been a veteran."

The Black Bears' offense is led by junior designated hitter Andy Hartung, who is hitting .418 with 4 homers, 21 RBIs and 3 stolen bases.

Table-setters Shanan Knox and Seguin will have to get on base often in order to ignite rallies. The middle of the order—Hartung, Mark Sweeney (.321, 3 HR, 9 RBIs) and Craig Ender (.333, 12 RBIs) will have its work cut out for it

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## • Screamin

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Joining Bouchard on the District I team are senior Kerry Bascom, a two-time selection from the University of Connecticut; Providence College seniors Andrea Mangum and Dottie Van Gheem and Boston College freshman Sarah Behn.

Bouchard, who averages 25.3 points and 11.4 rebounds per game, led the Black Bears to the North Atlantic Con-

"He is such a solid player. Screamin is the key guy for us and he just gets no credit," Walsh said. "If I had to pick

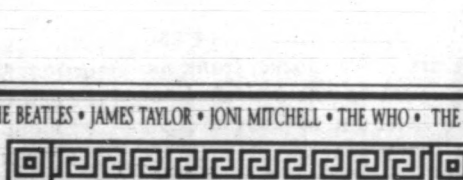
When asked if winning a national championship would be a great way to end his career Scremin said, "Yeah, it would be great. But it would be a great way to end my career even if we lost right now."

Taylor's struggles and accomplishments have been nationally documented by CBS Sports, ABC Sports, THE NATIONAL, and USA Today. In addition, Prospect Heights basketball coach Debbie McIntosh, the only female coach of a boys team in New York, and her team were the subject of a feature on "60 Minutes."


Taylor averaged 28 points and nine rebounds a game last season at Prospect Heights High School in Brooklyn, but earned national acclaim for the adversity he has faced while leading his team to the city playoffs.

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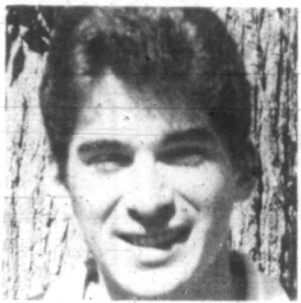
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## Andrew Neff

### The Auditorium; call it by name

If it's mid-March, the high school basketball tournament hoopla in all four school classifications must be over.

With Classes B, C, and D having already crowned state champions, Class A finished up the last of the tourney action Saturday with its state-championship games.

Both Eastern Maine representatives, the Presque Isle girls and the Lawrence boys of Fairfield, won their first state championships.

It's not very easy to describe, but there's something special about tourney time in Maine.

I'm not sure what it is that makes it one of the more eagerly anticipated times of the year for local sports fans. It's certainly not the watered-down, lukewarm Cokes, overpriced food and stale popcorn.

That leaves only one thing—the action. Nothing compares to a playoff matchup between two traditional rivals in an auditorium jam-packed with frenzied fans hollering at the top of their lungs for their home team.

It's hard for people out-of-state to understand, unless of course they hail from the Hoosier state—Indiana.

Just suffice it to say that basketball, for the most part, is king in Maine. At least it certainly is on the high school level.

While I'm on the subject of the local high school tournaments, has anyone besides me noticed that a local television station seems to have its geography confused? All the reporters and anchors kept referring to the Bangor Auditorium as "The Mecca."

As a journalist, I guess I should do my journalistic duty and try to shed a little light on the subject for these obviously-confused people.

The Bangor Auditorium is not, never was and never will be "The Mecca."

The Mecca is a sports complex in Milwaukee, Wisconsin which has been the home of the NBA's Milwaukee Bucks basketball team.

Or, if you really want to get technical, *the Mecca*—the Moslem holy city of Islam where the prophet Muhammad was born—is located in Saudi Arabia.

Please, let's dispense with the "Mecca" talk. What's wrong with calling it the Bangor Auditorium? That's the name it was given and the name it has gone by since its completion decades ago.

Let's not change a perfectly good name just for the sake of being cutesy or creating a new fad word. It's been good enough for the last 30-plus years, it should be good enough now.

## •Badgers

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Olson (15-24-39), who missed the HE championship game against BC and the NCAA playoff games against Bowling Green with a separated shoulder will return and should center one of the top lines.

"We've had great success with the Pellerin-Olson-Roy line and it hurt us without him in the lineup," Walsh said.

Senior tri-captain Perron (13-1326, in 19 games), who has missed the last two months of the season with a broken wrist, got the go ahead from doctors to play with a protective cast.

On the defensive side, Wisconsin is led by sophomore Bruce Hill (14-35-49) and senior Mark Osiecki (5-34-39). Second team All-WCHA goalie Duane Derksen (27-8-1, 3.52 GAA) does most of the work in net.

Sophomore Keith Carney (3-40-43) and senior Claudio Scremin (4-26-30) lead a strong group of defensemen for UMaine, who have held opponents to

only 15.6 percent on the powerplays.

One of the things the UMaine players will have to get used to, is a difference in the rink size, which could affect the game.

There is 15 feet behind the net at Dane County Memorial Coliseum, compared to the 12 feet at Alford.

"The extra three feet will affect the angles the defensemen take, but it should help our offensive creativity," Walsh said.

The Black Bears are only 2-5 overall against Wisconsin, but have won the last two meetings, a 5-2 win at Alford during the 1988-89 season and a 7-1 win at Wisconsin in 1987-88.

UMaine senior defenseman Christian Lalonde said the teams attitude in their 7-1 win over Wisconsin was the key then and will be this weekend.

"We were on a mission and that's the attitude we have to have this weekend," he said.

## •Cajuns

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against a Cajun pitching staff sporting a 2.89 ERA.

SW Louisiana is led by second baseman Perry Berry. Berry is hitting .348 and has 11 homers and 28 RBIs. Outfielder Joe Burnett (.292, 16 RBIs) has amassed 22 steals. Shortstop Tom-

my Bates has a .375 average, 5 homers and 27 RBIs. Catcher Greg Blevins (5 homers) leads the team with 32 RBIs.

UMaine will play one game Friday (7 p.m. start), two Saturday (1 p.m. and 7 p.m.) and a game at noon Sunday.

Winkin plans to start Ben Burlingame

Friday, followed in order by Mike D'Andrea, Larry Thomas and Jim Dillon.

The Cajuns will counter with a staff headed by Matt Howard. Howard has a 4-0 record and a 2.27 ERA. Randy Wheatley is 3-1 in 6 starts and Kevin McDonald is 2-0 after 5 starts. SW Louisiana's primary closer is Ted Hebert (3-0 with 5 saves).

With a staff like that, UMaine's pitchers aren't the only ones who will be seriously tested.

This series should give Winkin a good idea just how talented a team he has in the 1990 Black Bear squad.

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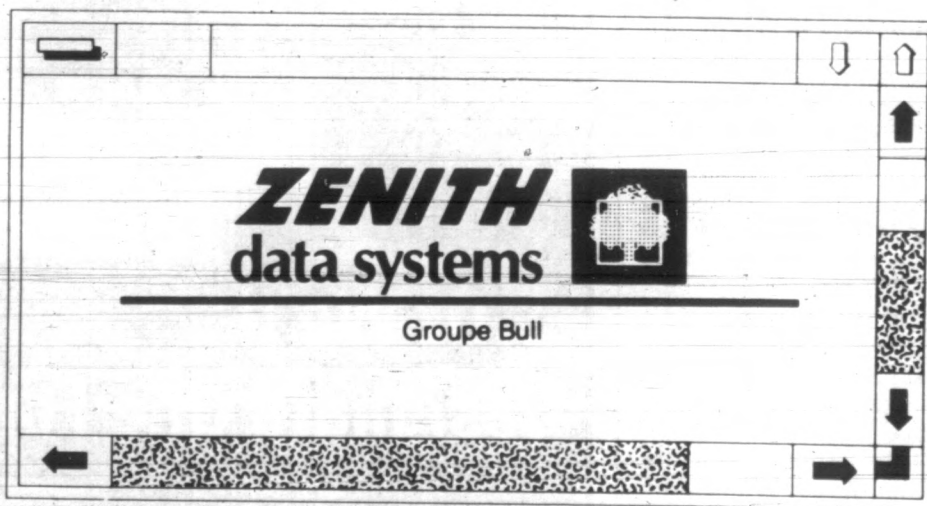
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