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• Clubs

Budget meeting leaves Student Government searching for money

By Yolanda Sly
Maine Campus staff

The Executive Budgetary Committee of Student Government informed clubs and boards Monday night of the preliminary budget, which will be final when the General Student Senate votes to approve it April 8. The committee's meeting left some people feeling there might be a need to raise the student activity fee.

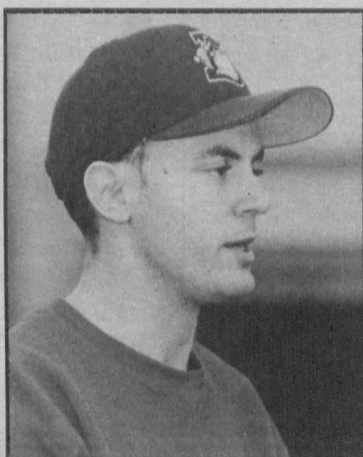
"We try to encourage (groups) to spend the student activity fee on campus activities," Christopher Washburn, vice president

for Financial Affairs, said. "We encourage on-campus activities versus off campus."

Washburn said the committee would rather see money spent on programming for students rather than on off-campus conferences, that benefit only a few individuals.

Washburn said the committee informed the clubs of how much they would receive from the estimated amount of student activity fee dollars.

The committee allocated approximately \$368,870 for the year's budget, which is spent on Student Government and



Sen. James LeBlond. (Page Photo.)

clubs.

In all, clubs asked for \$147,975, but the committee was

able to give them only \$47,145.

"I anticipate a lot of unhappy campers," Washburn said. "I hope they see the reasoning (behind the committee's decision.)"

A majority of the clubs were asking for at least twice the amount they were given last year.

Student Government Vice President Scott Morelli said the committee made its recommendations without looking at fundraising measures the clubs perform.

"It could make a big difference," Washburn said. "Some clubs raise \$100 some raise thousands; we

didn't take that into account."

Sen. James LeBlond said a possible solution to allocating clubs more money would be raising the student activity fee.

LeBlond said that last November he was going to sponsor a resolution to raise the activity fee, but he changed his mind. He now regrets that decision.

"There's too many clubs and not enough money," LeBlond said.

He said he foresees a resolution calling for an increase of the student activity fee to be made

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Dateline NBC correspondent John Hockenberry delivers his keynote speech Tuesday at Wells Commons as part of Disability Awareness Week. (Page Photo.)

• Disability Awareness Week

Journalist shares colorful stories of career, disability

By Jeff Tuttle
Maine Campus staff

Dateline NBC correspondent John Hockenberry recounted often colorful personal and professional tales that have shaped both his outlook on his successful career and his disability. His experiences as both a paraplegic and a journalist couldn't be put into one category, according to Hockenberry, the keynote speaker of Disability Awareness Week at the University of Maine.

"We live in a culture where we find our way by identifying categories and identifying people in categories," said Hockenberry, who is in a wheelchair because of a spinal cord injury. "It's those categories that betray us in our society in our politics and in the media."

Hockenberry engaged the crowd of

approximately 150 at his Tuesday speech in Wells Commons with colorful and revealing tales of his extensive travels throughout the Middle East and his interpretation of his role as a storyteller for the network news.

Reporting from the Middle East during the 1980s made Hockenberry assess his role as a journalist, a profession that has earned him two Peabody Awards and positions at National Public Radio, ABC News and his current television show, "Edgewise," which airs on MSNBC.

Journalism afforded Hockenberry the opportunity to travel, which, in turn, gave him an opportunity to confront his fears. Hockenberry said that before his editor at National Public Radio sent him overseas, he felt he was limiting himself and his

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• GSS

Safety concerns prompt campus parking proposals

By Kristen Dobler
Maine Campus staff

The General Student Senate passed a resolution to send three proposals to the University of Maine Traffic and Safety Committee for changes that will be done to the parking lot for Hart and Aubert halls for the fall semester.

"With the recent change of the music department moving out of Lord Hall, this frees up faculty-staff parking in the large lot between Lord-Alumni Hall and between Lord-Aubert Hall, which are all designated for faculty and staff," said the resolution's sponsor, James LeBlond. "With the music department relocated elsewhere, these parking spots in Hart-Aubert should

be given to the students in one of these proposals. Students have the right to convenient parking, as well as feeling a little more comfortable at later hours."

The first proposal would change 13 spaces designated to faculty and staff to overnight resident parking spaces. LeBlond said this proposal would eliminate all faculty and staff parking in that area.

The second proposal would change seven spaces designated to faculty and staff to overnight resident parking spaces and would leave six faculty and staff slots available.

The third proposal would convert the section next to Aubert Hall that is typically parked

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• Commencement

Preparations underway for '97 graduating class

By Paul Livingstone
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine's 132nd commencement will be held May 10 in two ceremonies at Alford Arena, one at 10:30 a.m. and one at 2:30 p.m.

Although setup, ceremony and tear-down will last little over three days, the arrangements necessary for the event span the entire year.

Commencement is a campuswide event and requires the input and abilities of many university departments. The president's office and the Office of Student Records are the primary organizers, but each college's dean's office reserves the responsibility to confer degrees for each student.

In addition, a commencement committee composed of faculty, administration and two students—both Senior Council members—helps decide on

graduation events and speakers.

The Office of Student Records is commencement's primary coordinator.

Director of Student Records Alison Cox, said this year's commencement will be similar in structure to last year's.

"It's really like following a cookbook," Cox said. "The plan is extremely detailed."

"The plan is standard with a few changes each year," Catherine Bradbury, an assistant to the president, said.

"In the past, we've put backdrop and drapes in to make Alford look a little less like a gym," Cox said.

"Three student organizations: the Senior Council, the Association of Graduate Students and the General

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Highs in low 40s,
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scattered flurries.

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World Briefs

• Liquidation

Gold discovery shakes up market

1 TORONTO (AP)—Trading in shares of Bre-X Minerals resumed today despite company pleas that it remain halted until further tests resolve the furor over claims about a huge gold discovery in Indonesia.

The value of Bre-X stock plunged by more than 80 percent — a loss of more than \$2 billion — in a one-day sell-off Thursday after the company revealed its discovery may have been exaggerated because of inaccurate tests.

The sell-off ensued when Bre-X's development partner, Freeport McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. of New Orleans, announced that its own independent initial analyses of core samples showed insignificant amounts of gold.

Trading in Bre-X shares was halted Monday on the Toronto Stock Exchange. Bre-X asked that the suspension be extended until Freeport McMoRan finishes its tests and an independent mining consultant completes an audit. That could take four weeks or more.

Exchange officials allowed trading in Bre-X to resume today. Shares opened at \$2.12, up about 30 cents from the last trading price Thursday.

Also Monday, a class-action lawsuit was filed in New York on behalf of Bre-X investors alleging that officials of the small Calgary-based company sold off some of their shares at a huge profit before serious questions were raised about what was purported to be the biggest gold find of the century.

• Tragic error

Railway claims excess speed to blame

2 HUARTE ARAKIL, Spain (AP) — A train derailed outside Madrid early today, killing two people and injuring 16 others less than eight hours after a train wreck in this northern village killed 19 people.

The state railway RENFE said the train derailed at Azuqueca de Henares, a small station 20 miles east of Madrid, on its way from Barcelona to the southern city of Malaga. A French woman passenger and a railway employee died in the accident.

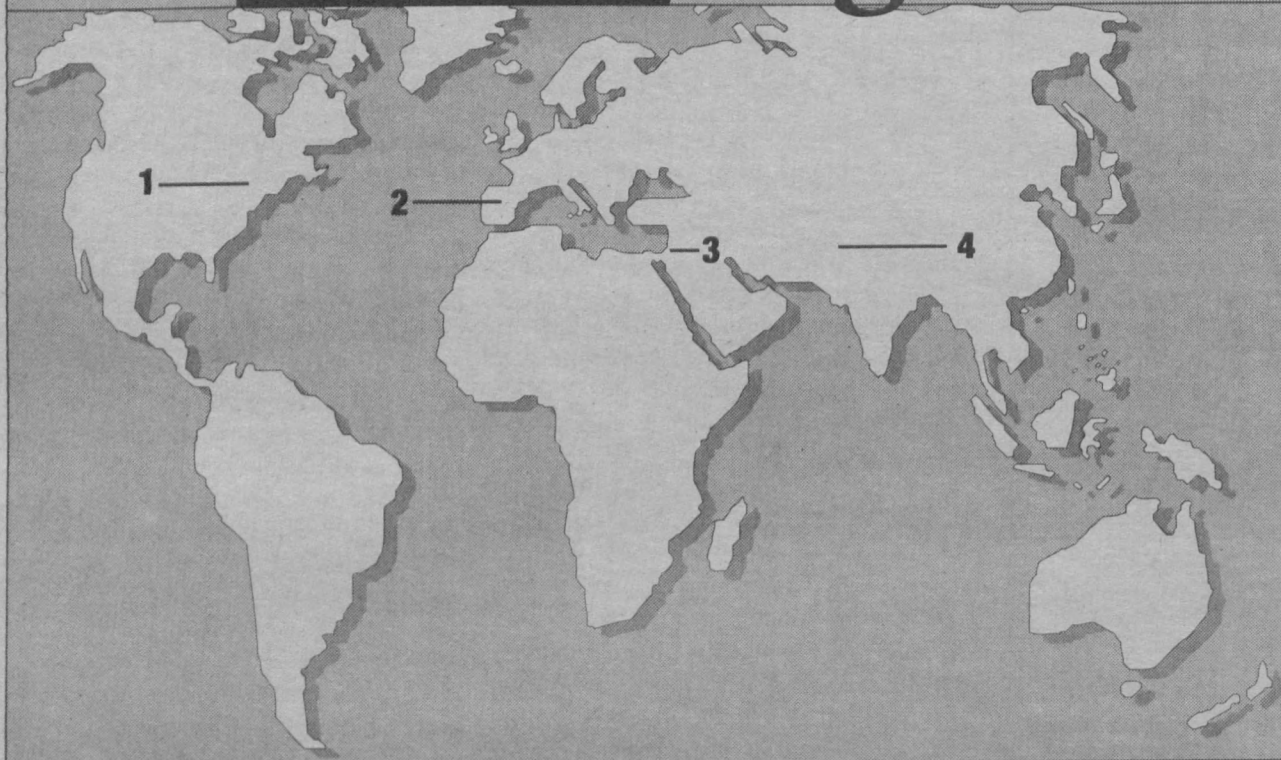
The railway said the train was carrying 60 passengers when it derailed at 4:30 a.m. The cause of the accident was being investigated.

Excess speed caused an express train to derail Monday evening just before entering a station at Huarte Arakil, a farming village of 1,000 people 20 miles west of Pamplona.

The train, which was carrying 248 people returning from Easter holidays, was traveling at 82 miles per hour, instead of a maximum of 18 miles per hour, RENFE chairman Miguel Corsini said.

The train had switched tracks to let another train pass, Corsini told Spanish state radio. "It was going fast, very fast and then just tipped over and made a loud screeching sound," said 14-year-old Jose Antonio Ibero, who was riding by on his bicycle when the accident happened.

World Digest



• Senseless killing

Israeli government not giving in to pressures

3 NETZARIM, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israeli troops shot and killed two Palestinians and two others blew themselves up in bungled suicide bombings Tuesday, one of the deadliest days yet in a growing crisis in Middle East peacemaking.

The bombers apparently had meant to destroy Israeli school buses outside Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip, Israelis said. The attacks come during a deadlock in Israeli-Palestinian peace talks, which broke down last month over new Israeli construction in disputed east Jerusalem, and triggered new accusations from both sides.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu insisted that the suicide bombings were evidence that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has sanctioned attacks by Islamic militants.

"Today's twin attacks (are) proof that the terror campaign continues," Netanyahu said.

Arafat said it was Israel's prolonged security closure of Palestinian areas that created a climate of violence. "We are all doing our best ... to control the situation," Arafat said.

Both sides refuse to resume peace talks unless the other makes key compromises.

• Resolved?

Sharif strips Leghari of executive power

4 ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani lawmakers today stripped the president of his ability to dismiss Parliament — a power that has been invoked four times in the last decade.

"This is a great day for Parliamentary democracy," Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said after both houses of Parliament unanimously voted to change Pakistan's constitution.

Pakistan's indirectly elected president has had the power to dissolve Parliament since 1985, when the controversial Eighth Amendment was enacted. At the time, military dictator Gen. Mohammed Zia-ul Haq was in power and declared himself president.

Sharif said Monday that he had already informed President Farooq Leghari of his decision to cancel the president's authority to dismiss Parliament.

Leghari, Sharif said "most democratically and graciously agreed with the proposed amendments."

Former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, who saw two of her governments dismissed by disgruntled presidents, returned to the federal capital from her hometown of Karachi early today to support Sharif, her political rival.

"This is a victory for every worker who raised their voice against military dictatorship and for democracy," Ms. Bhutto told the lower house of Parliament prior to the vote.

Weather

The Local Forecast

Today's Weather

Partly sunny with scattered flurries. Windy with highs in the lower 40s.



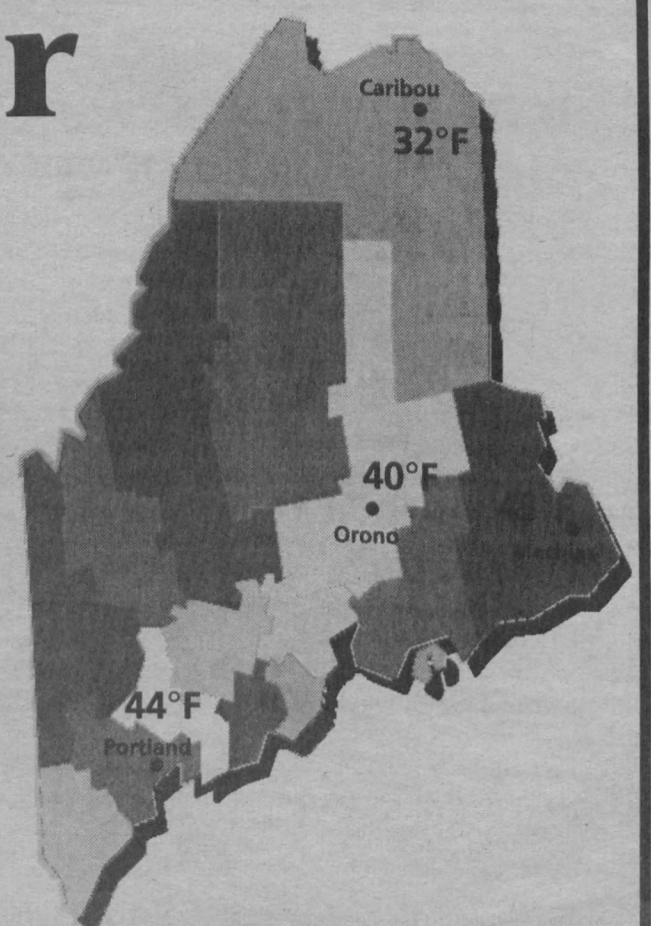
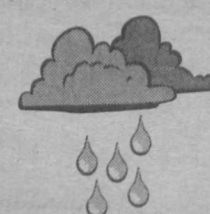
Thursday's Outlook

Partly cloudy with scattered flurries. Continued windy with lows in the lower 20s.



Extended Forecast

Friday... Chance of rain or snow north. Chance of rain south. Saturday... Fair. Sunday... Fair.



• Abuse awareness

Mandated-reporting laws designed to protect children

By Darren L. Pare
Maine Campus staff

April is National Child Abuse and Neglect Awareness Month, and students in the School of Social Work, led by Chris Parsons, are trying to raise the consciousness of people here at the University of Maine.

The department got a jump start on the month Monday when it brought together a seven-member panel to discuss child abuse and mandatory reporting.

The panel consisted of District Court Judge Jesse Guenther; a participant in the child welfare system, Kathy Priest; Eastern Maine Medical Center support team director Pat Phillips; family physician Dr. Eric Brown; children services director of Penobscot Nation Erlene Paul;

Maine Department of Human Services administrator Shawn Yardley; and School of Social Work field coordinator Nancy Kelly.

The focus of the panel was mandatory reporting. Child care workers are required to report to the Department of Human Services signs of possible abuse.

Child care workers do not need proof that abuse is taking place, just reasonable cause to suspect that abuse is taking place or may take place in the future.

"My job is not to determine if abuse is happening," Dr. Brown said. "It's my job to report and let the courts decide."

Mandated reporters by law are required to report immediately and are protected by the law because the person being investigated doesn't have the right to know who reported them. Reporters

also need not report abuse that they suspect is going unless they find out their information while they are on the job. Even though mandated reporters are protected by the law, a lot of pressure still exists.

"The two biggest fears are having a child die on you and being sued," Yardley said.

When the Department of Human Services receives a report, it must decide whether to follow up on it. Even when the department decides to investigate further, the goal is not to take the child from the home, but to try to reunite the family when possible.

DHS receives hundreds of reports in a given year, but because of staff restrictions and lack of sufficient evidence, most go uninvestigated, but the report is kept

on file. Even with these staff restrictions, Maine's human services system is one of the best in the country.

"Many, many states look to Maine as a model for what they have done in child services," Yardley said.

The conference is just one of the things the School of Social Work is doing for National Child Abuse and Neglect month. A job fair took place Monday and Tuesday, and a table has been set up in the union with information on how to prevent child abuse and the signs of child abuse. The table will be back in the union Friday.

Kidspins are being sold at the table for \$10, with proceeds going toward the Parent Child Alliance. Each of the pins tells the story of a child and contains information about the Parent Child Alliance.

• Public Safety

Thefts increase; students reminded to lock doors

By Yolanda Sly
Maine Campus staff

There have been a high number of thefts from cars lately and a Public Safety is reminding students to lock their car doors.

"The matters are under investigation and we're interested in seeing anyone who may have seen anyone in parking lots during this time period," Lt. Michael Zubik said.

Zubik said that between 2:30 p.m. Thursday, March 27 and 9:30 a.m. March 28 a CB was stolen from a woman's

Oldsmobile parked in the Estabrooke lot.

Officer George Ash's report said the car was unlocked. The value of the radio was estimated as \$200.

Ash's police report said that between 1:15 a.m. and 10 p.m. Friday, March 28 a compact disc player was stolen from an unlocked Jeep Wrangler parked in the Aroostook lot.

Ash's report said the estimated value of the compact disc player was \$400.

Zubik said that between midnight March 15 and noon March 18 a gray

Nishiki Pueblo bike was stolen from a bike rack near York Hall. Zubik said the bike rack was unlocked and the 12-speed was estimated to be worth \$100.

A radar detector estimated to be worth \$80 was stolen from an unlocked Ford Escort parked in the Aroostook lot between 2 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, March 28, according to Ash's report.

Ash also investigated the theft of a Sony stereo system from an unlocked Honda Civic parked in the Kennebec loading zone between 1 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Friday, March 28. The stereo was estimated to be worth \$120.

Officer Carroll DeBeck investigated an attempted theft of a wiper cruiser control from an unlocked Oldsmobile parked in the Aroostook lot between 9:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28 and 8 p.m. Friday, March 28.

DeBeck estimated the damage at \$150.

A theft occurred between Saturday, March 29 at 1 p.m. and Sunday, March 30

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HEALTHY PASSIONS

Celebrating Life, Love and Friendship Week

March 31-April 4, 1997

Monday, March 31
9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Information Table in the Memorial Union.
Pamphlets, posters and a variety of information about the week's events.

7 p.m.

The Friendship Game in the Bear's Den.
Similar to the Newlywed Game, pairs of friends will be challenged to show how well they know each other and how much they have in common. For more information and to sign up call 581-4561.
Co-sponsored by Residents on Campus.

8 p.m.

Carpe Diem Workshop in York Hall.
Often we live our lives focused on tomorrow while we just try to get through today. This workshop offers participants ideas and suggestions on how to build self-esteem, create and achieve and to make the most of each day. Just like life, this a spectator sport.

goals,
workshop is not

Banner Contest. All student groups are encouraged to design a banner and display it outside their building during Healthy Passions Week. The banner will be judged on Friday and winners and prizes will be announced at the **Healthy Passions Dinner and Dance**. The **Deadline** for entering the contest is **Tuesday April 1st**. Call the office at 581-4561 to enter your banner.

Tuesday, April 1
9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Information Table in the Memorial Union.
Pamphlets, posters and a variety of information about the week's events.

11 a.m.

Massage Techniques Workshop in Knox Hall.
Anyone interested should sign up with a friend by 4:00 p.m. Monday by calling 581-4561. Folks should wear comfortable, loose fitting bring a blanket or towel.

clothes and

7 p.m.

Healthy Passions: Creating and Maintaining Loving Relationships in Oxford Hall. A workshop about building and sustaining healthy relationships, and how to be a more loving person with your partner, family and friends.

7:30 p.m.

Massage Techniques Workshop in Hart Hall.
Anyone interested should sign up with a friend by 4:00 p.m. Monday by calling 581-4561. Folks should wear comfortable, loose fitting bring a blanket or towel.

clothes and

8:00 p.m.

"Where Have All The Lightning Bugs Gone" in Aroostook Hall.
Written by Louis E. Caltron and directed by graduate student Claude Giroux. A humorous play featuring a young couple struggling with the topics of love and living life to the fullest.

Monday, March 31
9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Information Table in the Memorial Union.
Pamphlets, posters and a variety of information about the week's events.

1:10-2 p.m.

Lasting Love Couples Panel in Shibbes Hall-Room 311.
Come and listen to real couples share their secrets for making love last.

3 p.m.

Massage Techniques Workshop in Penobscot Hall.
Anyone interested should sign up with a friend by 4:00 p.m. Monday by calling 581-4561. Folks should wear comfortable, loose fitting bring a blanket or towel.

clothes and

8 p.m.

Maine Precaution in Androscoggin Hall.
UMaine students will perform "Everything You Thought You Knew About Sex and Much, Much More..."

9 p.m.-10 p.m.

Dr. Caron's Sex Matters Live on WMEB 91.9 FM. Call 581-2333

Thursday, April 3
7 p.m.

Healthy Passions Poetry Reading in York Hall.
Interested in reading or listening to Poetry about Life, Love and Friendship? Come to the York Hall Lounge, first floor, T-Shirt raffle too, don't miss it!

Friday, April 4
1 p.m.-3 p.m.

High Ropes Course with Maine Bound.
Come challenge yourself and have fun meeting new people! You'll spend an afternoon learning to trust yourself and others on the Maine Bound High Ropes Elements. Sign up by 4:00 p.m. Thursday by calling 581-4561. Spaces are limited. Meet at the Burnstock Amphitheater.

5:30 p.m.-10 p.m.

Celestial Celebration in Wells Commons.
The Healthy Passions Dinner and Dance. Cash Bar W/ID. Reservations are required by Tuesday April 1. For more information and to sign up call 581-4561. Polaroid Pictures available for \$1.00.
• Social and Banner Contest Results-5:30 p.m.
• Candlelight Dinner with Live Music-6 p.m.
• Dance with a DJ-7 p.m.-10 p.m.

Healthy Passions T-Shirts, prizes and give-aways will be raffled at each event-be sure to sign up during each program.

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PEER
EDUCATION

• Green Endowment Program

UMaine increases acreage holdings through donations

By Jodi Sokolowski
Maine Campus staff

The Green Endowment Program has accumulated almost 600 acres of land from two donors, reaching 10,000 acres of a 25,000 goal.

The program approaches people to leave it land through the University of Maine Foundation.

"It's a long-term investment," woodlands manager Charles J. Simpson said.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Henderson of Orrington donated 125 acres of forest in Eddington that is adjacent to other land the UM Foundation already owns. The land will be used for a forest tree research plantation.

"This is a suitable site because it has

already been cut and has good soil," Simpson said. "The site has productive soil which has optimum growth for trees."

The Forest Ecosystem Project will be a high-yield plantation within the next three years, Simpson said. A variety of soft wood species will be planted to compare yield, growth and how insects affect the trees, he said.

The second piece of land was jointly donated to the University of Maine and Husson College by Trott-Woodhead Inc., a real estate development company.

Richard Trott Jr. is a Husson graduate, and David Woodhead is a UMaine forestry graduate. They have donated 463 acres of land in Topsham. The UM Foundation is holding the land in trust for the College of Natural Resources, Forestry and Agriculture.

"There is money in those trees," said CEO and President of the UM Foundation Amos E. Orcutt. "By holding and managing forest land, it is just as good as money in the bank."

Simpson said there are no plans to sell the land.

According to donor restrictions, money acquired from sale of the land must be put toward forestry and natural resource programs for the university or toward buildings at Husson College.

UMaine will be responsible for forest management, and Husson has development authority, Simpson said.

"It's a great opportunity for the university because of the great forestry department," Orcutt said.

The land can be used for teaching and

research, Orcutt said, although it is ultimately up to the dean to use and manage it as a forest.

Before the land can be used by the department, it first must be evaluated and mapped.

Simpson will spend the summer evaluating and mapping the approximately 500-acre piece.

There are already a considerable amount of snow machine trails, he said.

"Local clubs are responsible for grooming, insurance and marking the trails," Simpson said. "We try to fit in with the traditional use of the land and show all aspects of the land through mapping."

A 10-year forest management plan will be drafted to determine the marketing of timber products, recreational use and wildlife population.

Hockenberry

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experience by relying too much on the easy accessibility of many American facilities.

"Journalism gave me an excuse to confront a fear that if I got away from the mall and the ramps and the wide doors, I was going to be lost in hell," Hockenberry said. "The more I realized that if that's all I was looking for, I realized that I was creating my own prison."

Courage is a trait often attributed to people with disabilities, but has little to do with having a disability, Hockenberry said. Adapting to a disability is no different from the process every person embarks upon in their life to succeed, said

Hockenberry, who touched upon many of the subjects discussed in his book, "Moving Violations: War Zones, Wheelchairs and Declarations of Independence."

Organizers of the event initially thought the blizzard – which didn't impact Maine as much as expected but dumped more than a foot of snow in Hockenberry's home in New York – would cause a delay in travel. Mike Reynolds, student coordinator of the event, said Hockenberry's appearance at UMaine was beneficial and entertaining.

"It was an honor to have him up here and it's a miracle he actually arrived,"

Reynolds said.

Audience members, who listened attentively to Hockenberry's stories, laughed at his dry sense of humor and marveled at his eloquence and forthrightness.

Sam Woodward, of Surry, said he found Hockenberry's tales of how people from different countries reacted to his disability and his position as a journalist enlightening.

"He's been able to cut through a lot of the fluff and get to the real issues," Woodward said. "In this culture we approach things officially. In other countries they did it in on a personal level."

UMaine student John Dunham, of

Orono, said he found Hockenberry's attitude toward his profession and disability eloquent and inspiring.

"He's not filled with any sorrow," Dunham said. "He's informative and he has a joy for life, and he's trying to share it. He uses words like an artist uses a paintbrush."

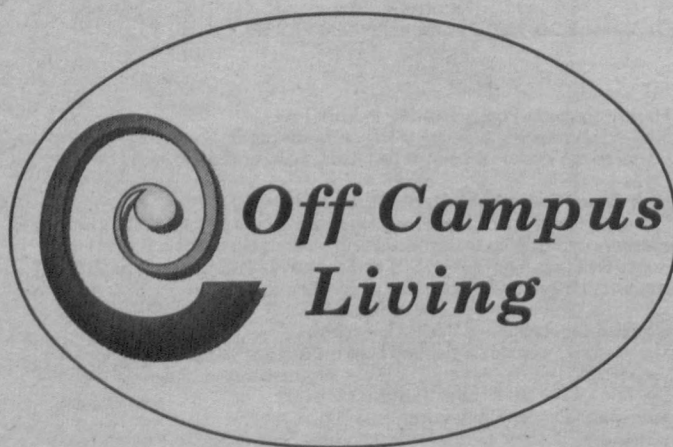
Hockenberry's achievements suggest he has engaged his life and career with dedication. He said his capacity as a journalist with a disability helped teach him what is important in his life.

"I learned a lot about what freedom is. It's not ramps and wide doors," Hockenberry said. "It's a state of mind."

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• Cancer

'A Clean Breast of It' stirs emotions, raises awareness

By Misty Edgecomb
Maine Campus staff

More American women have lost their lives to breast cancer in this century than the fatalities of both world wars, the Korean War, Vietnam and Desert Storm combined.

"Cancer is such a weird disease - it's your own body turning against you," said breast cancer survivor Linda Park-Fuller, her voice cracking with emotion. "It's like a suicide you didn't agree to participate in."

Park-Fuller, a veteran of the war against malignant cells, announced this startling statistic as a part of her one-woman show, "A Clean Breast of It," performed last night at the Cyrus Pavilion Theater.

Park-Fuller's performance encompasses the

whole gamut of emotions felt by a cancer victim, by recreating her personal experience with the diagnosis of breast cancer, a mastectomy and chemotherapy treatments eight years ago. She also incorporates many of the hard facts about cancer.

Park-Fuller informed the audience that with every 12 minutes that go by, someone in Maine dies from complications of breast cancer. A clock rested on a small table in the center of the stage, and a piercing alarm echoed through the hall every 12 minutes. The alarm served as a constant reminder of the urgency felt by many cancer victims, the "temperature of fear" they experience, Park-Fuller said, referring to an acquaintance.

Each time the alarm sounded, Park-Fuller stopped her monologue mid-sentence and stared

in amazement at the ticking clock.

"Is anyone paying attention?" she asked.

Park-Fuller discussed how she felt at each stage of her ordeal. Like many, she chose not to think about the disease or do the suggested monthly self-breast exams. Ill-informed and afraid, she never considered cancer a possibility.

"If you said the word, you might get it," she reminisced.

Using humor, drama and music, Park-Fuller discussed her reaction upon hearing the diagnosis. She also talked about her thoughts of the disease in general.

"The educational function of my performance is a very important aspect," Park-Fuller said, "but it also has a tremendous therapeutic benefit for me."

She ended the evening with a discussion in which she invited the audience to participate. Issues relating to preventive care, current research and public awareness were brought to the floor.

"People need to be educated so the fear factor can go down," said Pamela Sirois, a mammography technologist for the Women's Center at St. Joseph Hospital in Bangor.

"It's important to remember that we need to know our own bodies," Park-Fuller added. "Early detection is the only prevention we have."

"A Clean Breast of It" will be performed again today at 12:15 p.m. in the Cyrus Pavilion Theater, and a related Survivor's Tactics workshop will take place in Wells Commons from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. this afternoon.

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Student Senate all endorsed the proposal to have Fred (Hutchinson) speak at commencement," Cox said.

While preparations for commencement take place year-round, Alford's setup is hurried because of demand for the facility.

"Sometimes we've had to work miracles," Cox said. "We once had to take the setup down for 2 o'clock and put everything back up again."

Janice Williams, assistant director of Student Records, is responsible for organizing the emergency medical crew, Facilities Management and Public Safety in addition to coordinating setup. She said there will be 600 graduates per ceremony, with 100-125 faculty present. For those spectators with special seating needs, about 300 seats will be made available on the floor, for a total of about 1,000 people on the arena floor. Adding in regular seating capacity, minus some seating behind the main stage, about 5,600 people will be at each ceremony.

"We clear the day before commencement to setup," Williams said. "It generally takes about 8-10 hours. Taylor Rental, Facilities (Management) and the Alford staff all pitch in to arrange everything."

Among the many honors to be presented,

three outstanding faculty awards will be presented in the areas of teaching, public service and research, and creative achievement.

"Once a year, members of faculty quite often give a distinguished achievement award to a deserving person who is not a member of faculty, someone who has done something notable and that benefits the state of Maine," Bradbury said.

One of the highlights of commencement will be the acknowledgment of tri-valedictorians, the first ever in UMaine history. They haven't officially accepted the titles yet, so their names have not been announced. All three valedictorians are women and all three have perfect grades. They'll be honored at honors convocations before commencement.

"It's a cooperative community effort to incorporate all of the pageantry," Williams said. "We've got the mechanics pretty much figured out."

"If the stadium had enough seating, we'd like to do it outside, but portions of it still need replacement. Plus, the weather helps determine the question," Bradbury said. "No one's crazy about having the graduation inside, but that's the way it is."

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The suggestion to have Hutchinson be the featured speaker at commencement originated with the GSS. Bradbury received a call on behalf of Student Government saying it would be good to have Hutchinson speak before leaving in June. AGS was contacted by Bradbury and agreed it would be appropriate.

"Nothing was said to the president at this time," Williams said. "It was then taken to the commencement committee, which had received no suggestions as of yet as to who should be the speaker. They did, however, agree unanimously."

Bradbury then wrote a letter to Hutchinson. "He was absolutely elated. He thought it was the nicest thing that had happened to him in the five years he's been president here," Williams said.

Williams said. "He's busy right now thinking about what to say."

The speaker for the next commencement, in December, may be the new UMaine president, but the committee is starting early to look for a 1998 graduation speaker.

"We must extend invitations a year in advance to get big-name speakers. It's been a problem; most demand a \$25,000 honorarium, and I'm not sure the students want to spend that kind of money on it," Williams said.

However, a new plan is in the works to involve two representatives from each class to help decide on a candidate. This will be in addition to the two Senior Council students already on the commencement committee.

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Budget

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soon to meet clubs' demands.

"To avoid clubs fighting each other for money, it will have to be done," Morelli said.

Students would have to vote for the increase for such a resolution to take effect.

Morelli said that with more money clubs could offer better programming.

Morelli said he believes the committee made the budget based on the wants and needs of the students.

"We have to decide between funding conferences or programming," Morelli said. "The budget represents what students want."

LeBlond said the biggest problem the committee had was too many clubs and not enough money. He said some clubs received increases from last year, but some had a decrease in their allocation of funding.

"A lot of question was the fairness of what the clubs were asking for," LeBlond said. "Some clubs focused on traveling."

"We looked at the philosophy of the club and what was fair for them and the students," LeBlond said.

Morelli said that because of lack of resources and similarities between clubs the GSS should be careful of which clubs it approves.

"We don't want to take away from the purposes of clubs, but we could centralize the bureaucracy and free up some money," Morelli said.

LeBlond said he noticed that some of the clubs, while they may have different purposes, provide duplicate services to students.

"You see some organizations branching out and putting money into them. Although they have a different purpose, we can't afford it," LeBlond said.

Washburn said the committee cut the costs of buying new equipment from the budget.

"We can't afford to purchase equipment," Washburn said.

Residents On Campus President Ryan

Eslinger said some of the clubs based their budgets on conferences or equipment rather than programming.

"Some clubs based their budgets better than other clubs," Eslinger said. "EBC can't read into budgets; we have to go with what is given."

Morelli said the possible violations of the clubs were not discussed when making the budget.

He said clubs have been notified and the clubs he has spoken with have made the necessary changes. If clubs do not speak to Student Government regarding their violations or make necessary changes, they could have their funds frozen for the rest of the semester. And if clubs don't correct violations before September, they could lose all of next year's funding, Morelli said.

Morelli said the GSS will have the opportunity to hear from the clubs and have the opportunity to discuss the budget and make changes to it during the April 8 meeting, which will be held at

Donald P. Corbett Business Building at 6 p.m.

Morelli said he hopes senators who are on a board or club will abstain from voting if a vote is needed to increase or decrease that club's funding.

Morelli said some of the members of the committee are members of boards or clubs and he felt that committee members were unbiased in their decisions, especially because some of those clubs and boards took cuts.

"When we walked into the meeting we left our involvement's outside the door," LeBlond said.

Theft

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at 4:30 p.m. from Androscoggin Hall.

DeBeck's police report said a television and an 18-inch black light, estimated at being worth \$30, were stolen.

Zubik said the room, which was unlocked, had shaving cream sprayed all over it and a Power Macintosh computer. Estimated damage was \$100.

Zubik said a major factor in these crimes was their being crimes of opportunity of opportunity, in which no one had to break into the rooms or vehicles because doors were unlocked.

In other police news:

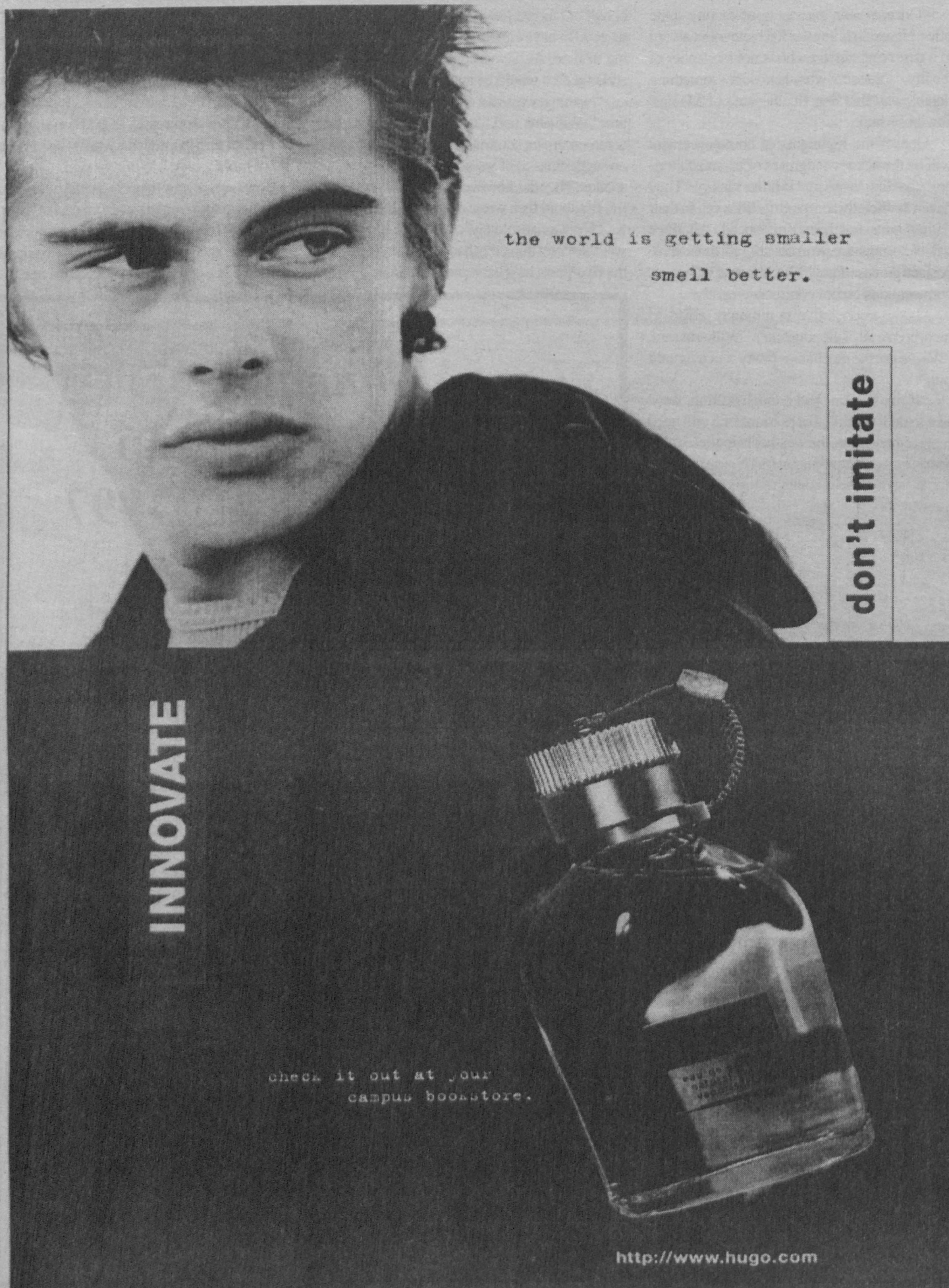
• On Saturday March 29, at 12:20 p.m. there was an accident at the intersection of Androscoggin Road and Long Road.

Zubik said a blue 1986 Ford was being followed by a red 1993 Ford. When the blue Ford went to make a left hand turn, the blue Ford was passing the car.

"The driver didn't realize the vehicle it was going to pass was making a left-hand turn," Zubik said. Estimated damage was \$900.

• On Saturday, March 29, at 2:26 a.m. two males were referred to the Judicial Affairs Office after Officer Mike Burgess, responding to a noise complaint in Somerset Hall, found alcohol and a funnel in a room.

• On Saturday, March 28, a male from Cumberland Hall was referred to Judicial Affairs after Officer Joel Small observed him drinking alcohol.



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• Campus postal

Complex system keeps the mail sorted for students

By Jodi Sokolowski
Maine Campus staff

When students living in the residence halls receive mail, they might not realize that the person who delivers it is not the person who sorts it. There is no person designated to sort the mail. It is left up to resident directors, resident assistants and residents to decide how they receive their mail.

Mail Wise Inc. is an independent mail-sorting business that delivers mail to campus from the U.S. Postal Service in Bangor. The company sorts the mail and brings it to campus the same day by 9 a.m., and delivers it to mail rooms in residence halls and academic buildings. That's where Mail Wise's responsibility ends.

Since the elimination of residence hall receptionists several years ago, it is now up to hall staffs to determine whose responsibility it is to sort mail into students' boxes, said Residence Life coordinator Cindy Stewart.

RAs aren't required to sort mail.

"There are not a lot of things written in contracts or specifically stated," Stewart said. "It's not written in the contract to give out a vacuum to a student when they ask for it, neither is mail sorting."

Some students have complained about not receiving their mail in a reasonable amount of time or about having their mail getting mixed up and placed into other people's mail boxes.

Vaillancourt said the only problem he has encountered is that students' parents may call and ask why the mail has not been sorted until 9 p.m. when the campus mail arrives in the morning. He said he explains that it is up to each residence hall.

Androscoggin Hall's hall governing board has taken responsibility for sorting its hall's mail. Some halls have HGB members sort the mail on a regular basis, Stewart said.

"If there is some consistency, one or two consistently go in and responsibly sort the mail rather than the RAs," she said.

Approximately one-fourth of residence halls have HGB members sorting the mail.

"RAs do an awful lot," Hart Hall RD Jeffrey Conway said. "It is not an RA's description to sort mail. It is unfair for RAs to sort mail. Students took the initiative to sort the mail. It works better. It's particular to each individual hall."

Other halls have the RAs sort the mail, although resident directors may not require it to be done during the day, Stewart said. The RAs may wait until they go on duty at 7 p.m. or 8 p.m. and sort it then, she said.

About half of the residence halls have RAs and the resident director sorting mail.

RAs at Gannett Hall sort the mail.

"It's really important for people to get their

mail," the hall's resident director, Jen Jacobs, said. "It's important to have a consistent group sort the mail. We're here for the students."

"We never leave a student alone in the room to sort mail. (Mail sorting) should stick to the staff. I think there's more of a tendency to get things mixed up (if students sort the mail). A student could be malicious towards someone they didn't like; you never know. People care about their mail. It's a federal offense to mess with the mail. Imagine if they let just anyone in the post office."

RAs at Penobscot also sort the mail.

"We try to have the mail sorted before 3 p.m.," the hall's resident director, Kathy Walsh, said. "It's a free-for-all, whoever can get to it first."

• New transmitter

WMEB holds birthday bash

By Yolanda Sly
Maine Campus staff

WMEB, 91.9 FM, celebrated 34 years of providing music and programming at the University of Maine yesterday by hosting a birthday party for its listeners at the Lown Room of the Memorial Union.

"(The turnout) is going great," Jeff Schweitzer, programming director for the station, said.

Students filtered in and out of the room, picking up bumper stickers and programming schedules while getting their choice of cake with chocolate or vanilla frosting. WMEB's programming

could be heard in the background.

With studios in East Annex, the station is run by students.

Schweitzer said that along with its birthday the station was promoting its new transmitter, which will allow the station to broadcast from Bangor and beyond.

"We hope to reach a bigger population and broaden people's horizons," Schweitzer said.

WMEB's station manager, Rob James, said the station provides students with an educational experience even though there is no longer a broadcasting major at the university.

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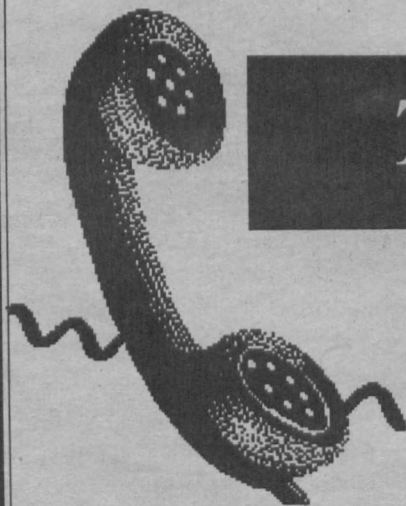
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in illegally into parking because it is deemed suitable to be made parking, LeBlond said.



Senator Victoria Curtis represents York Hall district. (Page Photo.)

Adding more student spaces is not only a matter of proximity, but a matter of safety for Hart residents, LeBlond said.

"With the recent crime rates that have gone up, a lot of people do not feel safe walking up from the steam plant, and they would feel more comfortable having adjacent parking lots to its hall," he said.

Sen. Christopher Geele presented a resolution to send a letter to Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education Douglas Gelinas from the GSS saying that stu-

dents are concerned for the future welfare of the Health Professions program.

"I thought it would be important to send this letter to him to show student support for this," Geele said.

The letter would mention that the option of Legal Professions joining Health Professions would add stress on the secretary of Health Professions and would reduce the overall services provided to students.

Sen. Victoria Curtis said it is important to inquire about the opinions of Legal Professions before the GSS votes on the resolution because it could have a negative effect on Legal Professions.

"It ambiguous, and so it can potentially be a problem," Curtis said.

Curtis said that although Geele felt it would hinder the future of Health Professions, it would help Legal Professions grow. She said Legal Professions is run by one person and accessible information from it is difficult to achieve in a short amount of time because of lack of

help. A merger of the two groups it would help Legal Professions, she said.

"It's a problem for Health Professions, but it's a good thing for Legal Professions," she said.

The GSS tabled the resolution for two weeks so that the opinions of Legal Professions and its advisers can be clarified.

In other GSS news, senators voted in favor of the resolution to give all activity-fee paying students the right to vote in Student Government elections.

"ROC sponsored this resolution because there are representatives that live on campus that can run for president but can't vote," said Residents On Campus President and Sen. Ryan Eslinger.

In his vice president's report, Morelli said there have been complaints about senators using their titles on FirstClass and in letters.

He said that if senators use their titles they are not only representing themselves, they are representing the entire senate.

Morelli asked senators not to use their titles when writing as students and voicing their opinions.

Fair Elections Practices Committee representative Jonathan Duke announced that elections for Off-Campus Board will be held April 21.

Legislative Liaison Committee representative Chris Barstow said the committee is looking into lobbying for Orono to change its election date from spring break.

• State news

Gulf of Maine Aquarium to be built in Portland

PORTLAND (AP) — Months of speculation about the site of a proposed Gulf of Maine Aquarium has ended with a plan to locate the \$42 million project at the U.S. Naval Reserve Pier along the Portland waterfront.

Under a plan to be announced Wednesday, the aquarium would take the Commercial Street site and pay to relocate the offices. Additional land would be leased from the Coast Guard to make way for a 70,000-square-foot aquarium.

The deal requires congressional approval. Aquarium supporters say the site selection is a critical step because it brings the 10-year-old project closer to reality.

"There's still a lot of work to be done, but it's a significant accomplishment," said Donald W. Perkins Jr., president of the Gulf of Maine Aquarium Development Corp.

But the announcement of a location is also likely to renew debate at the city and state levels over who should pay for the aquarium.

Aquarium supporters appear before state lawmakers Friday to argue their case for a \$12 million bond to help fund the project.

Aquarium supporters have long maintained that they will need state and local funding, as well as private donations, to build the facility. To bolster their argument, they say the aquarium would draw 850,000 visitors each year, pump \$26 million a year into local shops, restaurants, theaters and hotels, and generate \$2.4 million in annual income- and sales-tax revenue.

But they still could face opposition from northern Maine lawmakers who object to spending money on a project that would clearly benefit southern Maine — especially Portland.

"One thing I hope to impress on the Legislature is that this is truly a statewide project, that it's more than just Portland," said Rep. G. Steven Rowe, D-Portland, sponsor of the legislation to put the \$12 million bond on the state ballot.

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National News

• FCC study

Clinton attacks revival of liquor advertising

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, who scored political points in taking on the tobacco industry, targeted liquor distillers' TV ads Tuesday. "Liquor has no business with kids," he declared.

But even as Clinton argued he was protecting children and helping parents, he struggled to explain why his move against liquor ads — which stopped just short of recommending a regulatory ban — did not touch the far more pervasive television advertising for beer or wine.

He acknowledged that his aim, for now, is a return to the status quo last fall — before distillers lifted their 50-year, self-imposed ban on radio and TV ads. Vintners and brewers, a politically powerful lobby that spends millions of dollars in Washington, have freely advertised all along.

"I think we ought to start with the principle of no backsliding," Clinton said in outlining his request that the Federal Communications Commission study the impact of lifting the ban and make recommendations for possible federal action.

"We must do nothing — nothing — that would risk encouraging more of our young people to drink hard liquor," Clinton said in a Roosevelt Room ceremony with Vice President Al Gore.

Distillers voted in November to end the ban after Seagram's ran a limited number of ads in Texas. Ever since, FCC Chairman Reed Hundt has sought an official inquiry but the commission remained deadlocked 2-2 on the question.

Hundt hoped Clinton's announcement would sway dissenting commissioners James Quello and Rachelle Chong, and allow the investigation to proceed.

While saying he hoped the industry would voluntarily agree to stay off the airwaves, Clinton said that if the agency finds liquor ads harmful to youngsters, "I think the FCC has grounds to act."

Pressed several times to explain why beer and wine ads were left out of the directive, Clinton said: "I think the liquor industry itself once thought that there was a distinction to be drawn, if for no other reason than alcohol content, between beer and wine and hard liquor, which is why they observed this distinction for 50 years. ... I think they were right."

He appeared to leave open the possibility of broadening the FCC study, saying that "if there is no difference, if there are problems, the FCC can evaluate whatever evidence comes in."

But White House spokesman Mike McCurry later told reporters, "I'm not aware of anyone foreseeing a next step that suggests that you look at beer and wine. I think we're just taking it one step at a time."

Cracking down on tobacco industry ads aimed at children proved a good issue for Clinton in his re-election campaign. Tuesday's liquor announcement, which mostly reiterated past policy statements, was meant to reinvigorate a similarly good "pro-family" issue that Clinton first seized upon in a Father's Day radio address last year.

But distillers were quick to cry hypocrisy Tuesday. And some groups de-

nounced any distinction between hard liquor's harm and the dangers of beer drinking.

"Alcohol is basically alcohol," said Carolyn Nunnallee, president-elect of Mothers Against Drunk Driving. "When beer is the No. 1 alcoholic beverage of choice among our youth, it just doesn't make sense that these beer ads would not be targeted also."

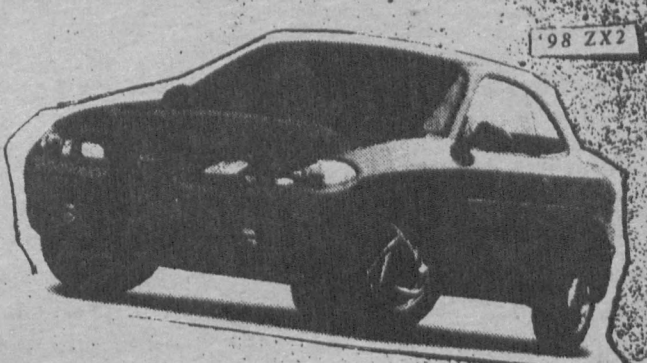
Elizabeth Board, spokeswoman for the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, noted that the major national networks still refuse to run liquor ads and only 50 of some 1,000 cable stations have accepted ads since November.

By contrast, she said, beer commer-

cials saturate the airwaves — \$2.5 billion worth since Clinton took office.


"If the administration is serious about children and wants to look at the issue of alcohol and advertising, we have no quarrel about that. But they cannot do it by ignoring 99 percent of the alcohol advertising on television," said Board.

On Capitol Hill, Rep. W.J. Tauzin, R-La., chairman of the House Commerce subcommittee on telecommunications, scrapped plans for public hearings on the issue. He is instead pursuing behind-the-scenes negotiations with industry representatives for voluntary restrictions on ad content and placement that would cover beer, wine and liquor alike.



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Editorial

Indoor graduation mistake

As preparations begin for this year's commencement ceremonies, the dual indoor graduation seems to be establishing itself as permanent. Funding cuts, worn facilities and the weather conspired last spring to land commencement indoors, a situation that left many graduates dissatisfied.

The recently expanded Alford Arena is certainly not the worst place to graduate, but there are several inherent drawbacks to the facility. The university is forced to conduct two matriculation ceremonies instead of the usual single ceremony. Hutchinson must make his speech twice. The presentation of honorary degrees will be split up. Friends who were hoping to graduate together will have to watch each other from the stands.

There's a good possibility the weather will be sunny and warm on May 10, transforming the characteristically cool Alford to a sweltering sauna packed with an over capacity audience of

5,600- plus for both events. Last year's indoor extravaganza was appropriate on account of the weather, but there was a general sentiment this was a temporary arrangement. Having spent most of their winter and early spring shut inside to escape the elements, most students would be grateful at the chance to spend their last university event in the great outdoors this school takes so much pride in.

Many are the high schools that, despite good weather and large outdoor facilities, can't foot the bill to set up an outside graduation. But the the state's land grant university should at least be able to shoot for an open air event. It is unfortunate that the only outstanding reason for holding an indoor graduation is a lack of football field seating. Perhaps the university could use the money saved by not soliciting an off-campus speaker to finance additional bleachers.

Governor King's refusal

By refusing to sign the gay-marriage ban that was reluctantly passed by the Legislature last week, Gov. Angus King, at least symbolically told Mainers that discrimination is not supported by the state. Despite the fact the ban is law, even without King's signature, progressives must retain hope that the law will be found unconstitutional before it takes effect June 27.

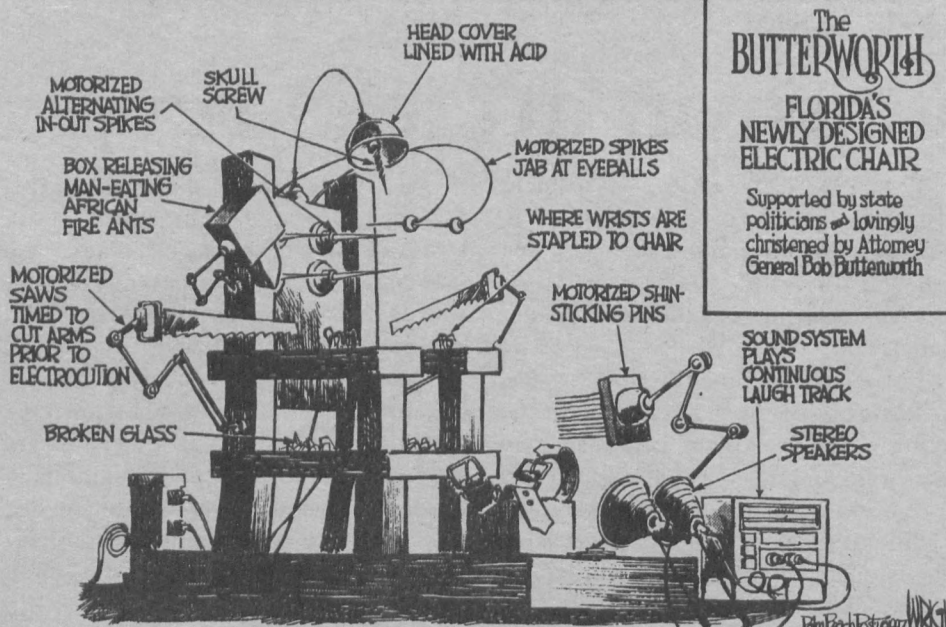
King and the Legislature certainly had limited options when considering this divisive proposal, which resulted from a petition drive orchestrated by the conservative group Concerned Maine Families, Maine's most backward organization. If the Legislature voted it down or if King vetoed the bill, it would have gone directly to Maine voters, an unpredictable bunch, but one that proved its mettle by rejecting 1995's Question 1, Concerned Maine Families' first

attempt at depriving homosexuals their constitutional rights.

Maine voters deserved another chance to unequivocally profess that they will not discriminate and to defeat this hateful initiative. Avoiding a public debate of such importance is not in the best interest of Maine, nor is it the role of our lawmakers to shield their constituents of potentially sensitive, or even divisive, issues.

Carolyn Cosby, the vocal leader of Concerned Maine Families, is claiming a moral victory because her bill has gained some legitimacy with its new legal status. Sadly, she's correct. But her bravado will certainly be short-lived as this newest Maine law surely goes against the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution.

Same-sex couples deserve the legal benefits afforded to their heterosexual counterparts. In fact, they're guaranteed.



Letters to the Editor

Wonderful womanhood

To the Editor:

I was happy to see a light-hearted (March 26) column about womanhood. There are constant reminders of what women (last I checked, it was still spelled with an "e") have had to go through to get where we are today. We still have a way to go to be equal with men. While it is true that anyone can destroy (including women), I would also like to remind people that no matter how hard we women try, we still need a man to create a new life. The miracle of life is one that the sexes share, we just have different roles. One of the rights that women have gained over the years is the right to an opinion, and it is counterproductive to our gender to attack another woman personally for expressing hers. If we spend our time and energy attacking other women's opinions, we will never achieve equality.

As for lesbianism and feminism, I also think that these two words have been linked stereotypically. This stereotype is unfortunate because the issue is about our rights and equality. Feminism is not about who we sleep with. This should not be about sexuality. I think

that Ms. Ritchie should be applauded for having the guts to be honest about this stereotype and for not tip toeing around the issue for fear she would sound homophobic. We should attack this stereotype, not the people who admit it is there.

What is so unfortunate about not having a male partner? Nothing. What is so bad about having a male partner if that is who you are? This has nothing to do with feminism.

Being a woman is a wonderful thing. Saying that women are lacking self-esteem or telling them they are not a woman because they choose to wear makeup, comb their hair or do whatever they do is a bunch of bull. The cosmetics industry is huge. That means someone is buying this stuff. Almost everyone has some kind of beauty routine, including men. I do not know anyone who does not do anything to make their appearance better. Even if it is just taking a shower. As long as these women are happy with themselves, what is the big deal what they do?

Thank you for your time.

Melissa Berryman
Old Town

You're no liberal

To the Editor:

Risking the possibility of public discovery of my ignorance and intolerance, I shall choose not to remain anonymous in writing this letter.

As a Democrat with somewhat left-leaning views, I was somewhat surprised to read your (March 31) column calling for a public dismissal of conservative viewpoints on this campus. You call your viewpoint "liberalism," but I do not believe the word means what you think it does.

Since when does "liberalism" imply spewing politically correct trash culturalism, condemning viewpoints that differ from ours as not fit to be discussed, and calling that "open-mindedness"? I think a lot of you New Democrats have forgotten the one true principle that has bound liberals together in the past: protection of the disenfranchised - i.e. the poor and the underprivileged.

I don't know what to call your political ideology. Probably something in line with Bill Clinton's ideology, which you go out of your way to defend. Definitely not liberalism. My guess, some deadly cross between fascism and evil.

Edward J Davis
Orono

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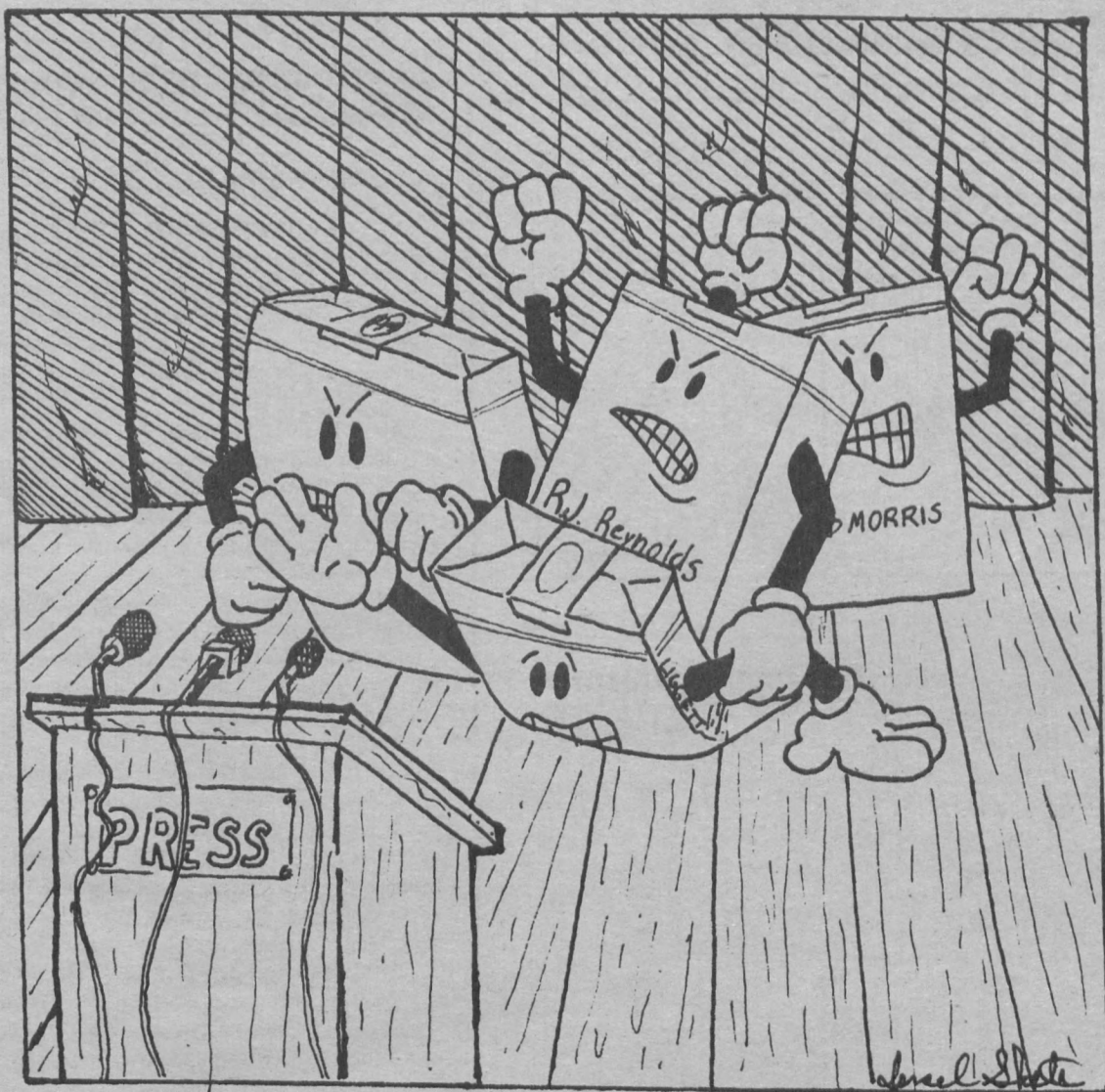
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Correction

In the story, "President-for-a-day raffle turns the tables at UMaine," which appeared in the Friday, March 28 edition of The Maine Campus, it was erroneously reported that there were six sororities on campus, and the raffle proceeds would fund Greek Week.

There are seven sororities on campus the money will fund the Greek banquet. A portion of the proceeds, which will be held in May, and a portion of the money will be contributed to charity.

OpEd



Liggett clears the smoke

So it finally happened – a modern day miracle of sorts... 85 years after Dr. I. Adler discovered the first strong link between smoking and lung cancer, a major cigarette company has admitted the following:

"Well, yeah, I guess cigarettes do cause cancer and are addictive," thus winning the *DUH!* Award of the year. The confession of the century and we were able to view it from the comforts of our homes!

As I See It

By Kathryn Ritchie



After 85 years of denial and suppression, the maker of Chesterfields and L & M cigarettes has actually had the courage to step forward and take responsibility for its product. (Is it really courage if it took 85 years to admit? I guess technically it's not, but the company has really set a courageous precedent when compared to the other cigarette companies, who still won't 'fess up.)

Liggett Group's confession was brought about by the second high-profile case brought against this company in one year. This suit also allowed the states involved in the lawsuit to recoup money spent treating smoking-related illnesses.

Liggett Group's previous lawsuit loss came last March in a case filed by 60 million American smokers who argued they had been tricked into addiction. Liggett agreed to pay 5

percent of its pre-tax profit to anti-smoking causes, *but did not have to admit that cigarettes are addictive.* (Apparently 5 percent of pre-tax profit is the going rate for a one-year stay of execution.)

The Big Four tobacco companies – Philip Morris Inc., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., Lorillard Tobacco Co. and Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. – remain mad

as hell about their competitor's confession, and are doing everything in their collective power to not let the truth get out. They filed a lawsuit in Mississippi to suppress the legal documents Liggett is supposed to hand over to the attorney general's office as part of its most recent lawsuit loss. The files obviously contain information the tobacco executives don't want us to hear, namely the fact that they've been sitting on the findings linking lung cancer to cigarettes for years.

I guess I don't understand cigarette manufacturers' mentality. How can corporate bigwigs sleep at night knowing they are literally killing their most loyal customers? What other company operates on the assumption it has to be constantly recruiting new customers because it is killing the older ones off?

And how can the companies be so steeped in denial that they constantly dispute the link between cigarette smoking and cancer? Cigarette smoker have been warned since 1964 by the surgeon general that smoking is hazardous to their health.

The American Cancer Society was founded in 1913, a year after Dr. Adler's discovery. A recent report by it finds that 1 in 5 deaths is related to tobacco, and smoking alone is related to 419,000 deaths a year. And yet tobacco companies insist it doesn't cause cancer? The absurdity of their denial reminds me of a "Doonesbury" comic strip that ran a few years ago in which Mark Slackmeyer is interviewing his tobacco-industry father, Phil.

MARK: For listeners who don't know, I should explain that the word "controversial" is a tobacco industry code word for any widely accepted view that is not in the industry's best interest. For instance, the fact that nicotine is as addictive as heroin is "controversial," right dad?

PHIL: Of course. As is the claim that passive smoking is harmful.

MARK: And the 390,000 deaths a year?

PHIL: All of them controversial! Deeply disputed!

With Liggett's recent admission, let's see how long the rest of the tobacco companies can dispute the facts. Give the public, and your loyal dying customers, the truth.

Kathryn Ritchie is a junior journalism major and assistant city editor of The Maine Campus.

Pro-choice does not mean anti-life

Last Friday I spent the night doing something I never anticipated spending the night doing. I watched a movie that reaffirmed my beliefs in a woman's right to choose to have an abortion.

While I have, fortunately, never have been put in that position to make that decision, the thing one must realize is that no one consciously decides "I'm going

would be like if they didn't, but that was their choice and their choice alone to make, without anyone telling them what would be right for them.

The third scenario had a great impact on me as well. It was about a college student, portrayed by Heche, who was pregnant and as



On the Sly

By Yolanda Sly

to put myself in the position to have an abortion."

The movie starred well known actresses such as Demi Moore, Sissy Spacek, Cher and Anne Heche.

The scene with Moore had the most impact on me, it was set in the 1950s when abortion was illegal. She had to struggle with the obstacle of finding a safe, affordable abortion.

As a nurse, Moore's character hoped she could find a safe abortion from one of the doctors at the hospital where she worked. During that time abortions were illegal, which resulted in Moore's first attempt at giving herself an abortion with a crochet needle in her bathroom. When that failed, she encountered a person who could perform the procedure out of the country for \$1,000, not including travel expenses. Not being able to afford the expense, she managed to find a "doctor" who would come to her house and perform the procedure for \$400 in the "comfort of her own home."

The procedure was performed on Moore's kitchen table with equipment that was not sterilized. When it was over, the man left, leaving the woman bleeding to death due to complications as a result of an unsanitary abortion.

The next story was about a woman with four kids who was taking classes and found out she was pregnant. After struggling with her decision of giving up school to raise another child, she decided to become a mother once again.

While I'm not advocating abortion as a form of birth control, it should still remain legal as a woman's choice, along with the choices of keeping the child or adoption.

I have friends who have been adopted, who I can't imagine life without, I also have friends who are in college and have just had a baby. I can't imagine what it

a result decided to have an abortion at an abortion clinic.

The first day she went she was stopped by protesters telling her that abortion was murder and that she shouldn't do it. The protesters also said they could help her for a little while. After being escorted into the clinic by security, she spoke with a counselor and left the clinic without having the abortion.

The protesters prayed for her and celebrated her decision not to have the abortion. The next day she returned, but there was a bigger crowd of pro-choice, anti-choice people protesting outside the clinic, with police everywhere. (I personally feel that no one is against life per se, but are either for or against people having choice, so that's what I will call those usually known as being "pro-life.")

Heche is able to enter the clinic, as well as the doctor (Cher). Cher explains the procedure, and when asked by Heche why she continues to perform abortions, Cher says she continues because the people who need it have no one else to go to. At this point a gunman comes in and kills Cher's character and shoots at the girl and the nurse in the room.

It was right out of the 6 o'clock news, and the reason the number of doctors who perform abortions in this country is dwindling. And one day abortions may become increasingly unsafe and more women will die in dark alleys from using coat hangers.

I'm not stressing that everyone who becomes pregnant should have an abortion. They should have the opportunity to weigh their options and do what's best for them. Because what is right for me might not be right for you.

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Entertainment

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Wednesday, April 2

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: What can one say about your birthday chart this year? That you are guaranteed love, success and happiness? That you have fate and fortune fighting on your side? All this is true, but it isn't enough: Whatever you set your heart on this year can and will be yours.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): Everyone needs a break occasionally. Planetary activity suggests today is the day to let your hair down and have some fun. Between now and the New Moon in your birth sign on the 7th, work will have to take a back seat — you are far too busy enjoying yourself.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): Planetary activity means you may not be able to indulge yourself to the extent that you would choose. The most likely reason for this is that someone needs your help, and you do not have the heart to refuse him/her. Give now to gain later.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): You may not agree with what friends or colleagues believe, but you accept that they have the right to express their views if they wish. If it really is a sore point between you, then just avoid that subject and talk about things you can agree on. Why fight over something of no importance?

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Flattery will get you everywhere today — it may even get you somewhere you didn't choose to go, but you will make some powerful friends over the next 72 hours. Your reputation will rise accordingly. But remember: With power goes responsibility.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): The next few days should be special for Leos everywhere, even more so if you are traveling or socializing with someone you care for deeply. Whatever problems a relationship may have had in the past, you can put them behind you now — all it takes is a genuine desire to embrace the future.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): You have a knack for being in the right place at the right time. There is little doubt that you will be on your travels again, if not physically then certainly in the realms of the mind. Think of something impossible today — then go out and do it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): As good days go, today should be very good indeed. If you cannot mend a fractured relationship now, you never will — but you can, so try. Don't be afraid to put your feelings into words: You will be understood.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): You should feel an overwhelming sense of relief today: Something you thought was going wrong is, in fact, going according to plan. There is a lesson to be learned here and, being a Scorpio, you will learn it well: Take nothing for granted, not even things you have done a thousand times before.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): You may not be the type of Sagittarian who needs to express undying love, but your feelings for someone are so intense that you just have to let that person know how much he/she means to you. It will do your ego a power of good to discover you mean as much, if not more, to that person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): If someone makes a lot of noise today, it is because that person is hoping you will notice and pay him/her more attention. Which suggests, of course, that you have not been attentive enough. A little bit of affection will go a long way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Being a direct sort of person, you say what you think regardless of the consequences. Usually this approach serves you well, but it might pay you today to take a gentler approach with those you are forced to deal with. Everyone has feelings, and some feelings are best left undisturbed.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): There is probably not much point in advising you to watch what you spend today: Your ability to resist temptation is seriously impaired. On the other hand, you have an eye for a bargain so you just might make a killing.

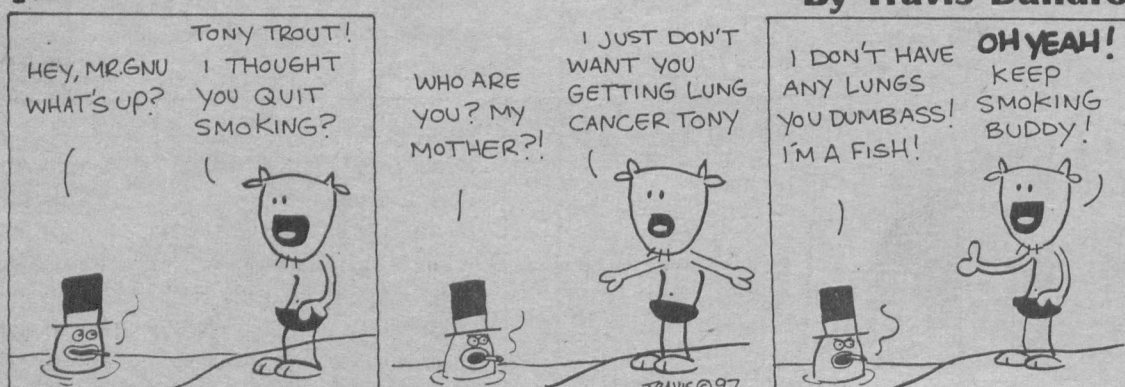
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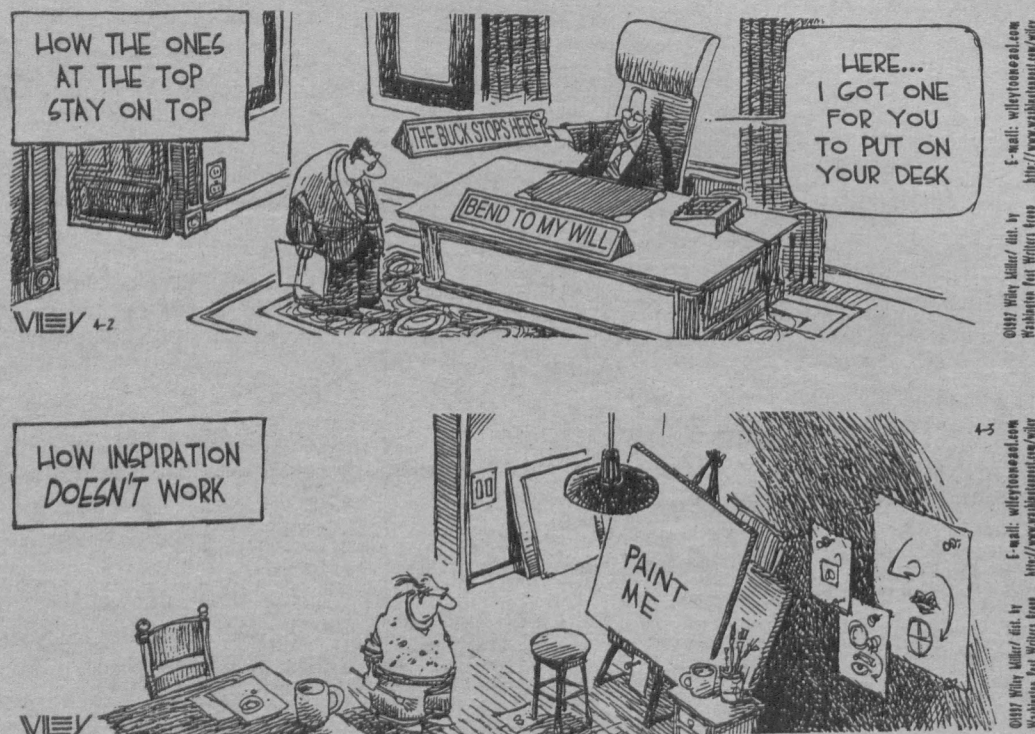


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Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Thursday, April 3

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: What would you do if you knew you could not fail? That is what you must make your No. 1 aim over the next year. There is, of course, no guarantee you will not fail, but it is 10 times as likely you will succeed. How can you afford to ignore odds like that?

ARIES (March 21-April 19): If you enjoyed yourself yesterday, you will enjoy yourself even more today. If you didn't enjoy yourself yesterday, it can only be because you still have money worries on your mind. You should know by now that everything works itself out in the end, so stop worrying and start living.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be a friend to someone in need today, and that person will be yours forever. You don't have to do much—just be there when he/she needs someone to talk to and don't be critical when you hear things you don't approve of altogether. Since when have you been a paragon of virtue?

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Because Gemini is an Air sign, you can see several sides of any argument. You know from experience that none are likely to be either wholly right or wholly wrong. If you are asked to take sides today, decline the invitation. Stay impartial if you don't want to lose a friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): How serious are you about your ambitions? If you are typical of your birth sign, you are very serious indeed. Then why have so many of your plans failed? Could it be because you are being serious about the wrong things? Decide what you are really good at—that is what you should be doing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): This isn't a time for big decisions or sudden changes of direction. Keep your nerve and stay true to your beliefs. It may appear as if they are being undermined by events that you don't really understand, but appearances can be deceptive. Times are changing, but that is no reason to be nervous.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You are intelligent enough to know you can't turn the clock back: Either you go along willingly with the changes that have been made, or they will drag you along in their wake. You may not like the turn a relationship has taken, but you probably will—if you give it just a little more time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): If you are looking for love, you could find it today. If you have found it already, then your relationship will go from strength to strength. The planets cast a rosy glow over affairs of the heart. All Librans will benefit, even those who seem determined not to enjoy themselves.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You have a huge pile of work to do and aren't the least bit interested in doing it. So don't. Leave it for a day and do something that you really enjoy instead. The pile won't get any smaller, but it won't get any bigger either; tomorrow you will glide through it with ease.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): If you are still on a high from yesterday's amazing planetary aspect, then by all means follow the dictates of your heart. If you have come down to earth, then take this opportunity to catch your breath because you will be up in the air again tomorrow—maybe even higher than before.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): If you stumble upon a secret today, you will be hugely tempted to tell everyone you meet. On the other hand, doesn't the person you intend to gossip about know something about you that, to say the least, could prove embarrassing? Could this be one secret you should keep to yourself?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Knowledge is power. What you know about someone could, if you choose to use it that way, give you power over him/her. It would also cause a lot of resentment. At some stage in the future that resentment could rebound on you. Do the right thing today: Don't misuse what you know.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): What do you value most in life? Are you prepared to gamble with it for the sake of a minor gain? Of course not. But isn't that exactly what you are doing? You may not see it that way, but that is what is happening. Some things are worth more than money.

Entertainment

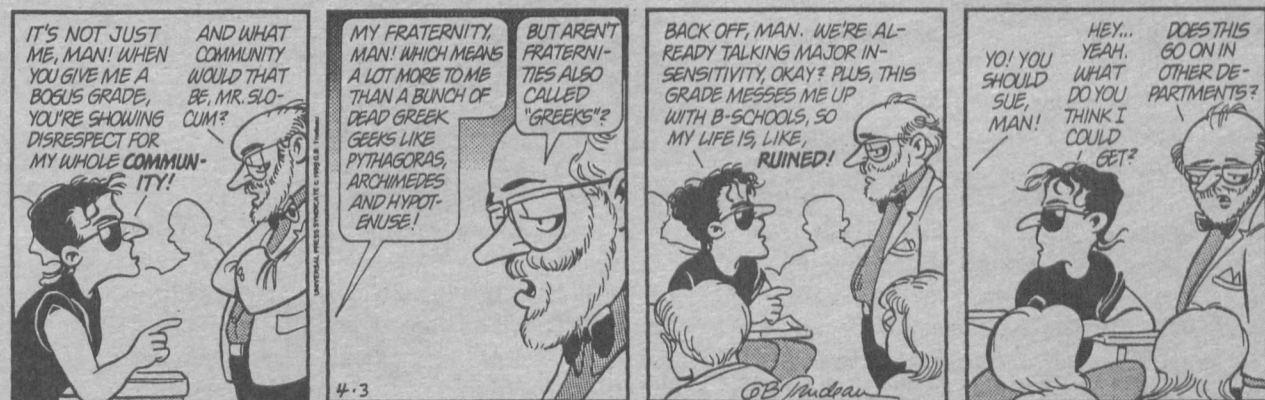
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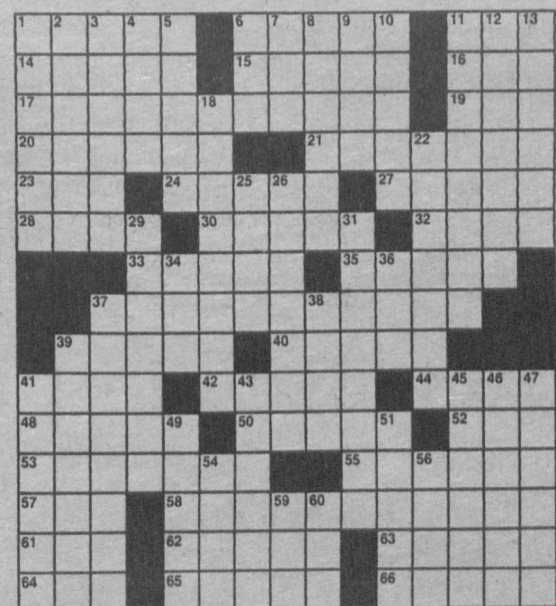


New York Times Daily Crossword No. 1010

- ACROSS**
- 1 Tobacco pipe
 - 6 Emulate Lorelei
 - 11 Platters, now
 - 14 "Help!" co-star
 - 15 Keep — to the ground
 - 16 Circus exclamation
 - 17 "Where's my watch?" asked Captain Hook
 - 19 Nautical chain
 - 20 Burning
 - 21 Buffalo area
 - 23 Actor Gulager
 - 24 1955 Kentucky Derby winner
 - 27 Wyoming peak
 - 28 Prefix with -gram
 - 30 Penpoint style
 - 32 Emaciated
 - 33 Toast
 - 35 Old toothpaste brand
 - 37 "Get lost, Toto!" shouted the Tin Man
 - 39 Stop by unexpectedly
 - 40 1961 Heston role
 - 41 TV detective Houston
 - 42 Start of a fast break, often
 - 44 "Like — not ..."
 - 48 Circular
 - 50 "It's — in the face"
 - 52 Soul, in St.-Lô
 - 53 Summons, e.g.
 - 55 Straightened (out)
 - 57 Snaps
 - 58 "I'm a beauty," said Venus de Milo
 - 61 Like big shoes to fill?
 - 62 Designer Simpson
 - 63 Donnybrook
 - 64 Giants make them, briefly
 - 65 "Chill!"
 - 66 Inge contemporary
- DOWN**
- 1 Open up, in a way
 - 2 Turn hastily
 - 3 Continuous arrival
 - 4 Foreign title of honor
 - 5 Goes without purpose
 - 6 Bit
 - 7 Dir. heading
 - 8 One beheaded by Perseus
 - 9 Insect's sense organ
 - 10 "Romeo and Juliet" event
 - 11 Trancelike state
 - 12 — 500
 - 13 Lustrous
 - 18 Nursery arrivals
 - 22 "Tosca" soprano
 - 25 Smell

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- 49 Durable wood
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- 56 Like a line
- 59 In the manner of
- 60 Popular name for a dog

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Style & the Arts

• Hudson exhibit

Gorman Gallery gets a facelift with exhibition

By Donald Bristol
Special to the Campus

Visitors to the Hudson Museum are witnessing evolution firsthand. What two months ago amounted to empty space now captures the eye and imagination with bold color and intricate design. A balance of authentic photographs and intriguing artifacts characterize the new exhibit emerging in the Gorman Gallery. For all those involved in its creation, "Cedar and Sea" is an ambitious project.

For Cindy Eves-Thomas it is a labor of love.

Thomas is the museum's graphic artist and designer of "Cedar and Sea." It is her job to illustrate the relationship of the Northwest's Neolithic people and their environment in the exhibit's design. Her office presents a stark contrast to the museum's air of quiet antiquity. Modern furnishings clash with the nature of the project. Using computer technology, she categorizes the way people lived off the land — and the sea — thousands of years ago. Various icons represent specific occupations they engaged in: hunting, fishing, trapping, carving, building, etc. The pictographs will take on tangible form in the Gorman Gallery. Tools, weapons, art, jewelry and ceremonial clothing bring the culture alive.

"Cedar and Sea's" overall theme is the cultural ecology of the Pacific Northwest, an area in North America that extends from the top of the Alaskan panhandle southward to coastal areas of northern California. More specifically, the exhibit attempts to explore the ways in which the unique environment influenced the native people of the region.

There are up to 175 artifacts appearing

in "Cedar and Sea." About three-quarters of them were displayed in the museum previously, Thomas said. The first step beyond the planning stage is to inspect the artifacts. The artifacts are then removed, cleaned and repaired, if possible.

About six or eight artifacts, are on loan from museums in Cambridge, Mass., Chicago and the Canadian Museum of Civilization in Ottawa.

"It was fantastic. Definitely our inspiration," Thomas said of her visit to the Canadian museum in August 1994.

The Hudson Museum does not have the budget to duplicate the Canadian exhibit. It can, however, echo it in the abstract.

Thomas visits the gallery frequently to keep the mood of the exhibit in focus. Standing on the plush, red carpet, she visualizes the finished product, the fruit of her labor. One wall is decorated with the painting of a native canoe. An artifact-laden platform surrounds her on three sides. (From the far end, the menacing bulk of a wooden totem pole guards the expanse of its territory.)

The platform was built for the exhibit by building construction classes from United Technologies Center in Bangor. Under the supervision of David Stevens and Ken Mitchell, the students constructed the major portion of the native long-house as it

appears in the Gorman Gallery. The fragrance of fresh-cut cedar gives the exhibit an added dimension of reality.

The indigenous people of the Northwest built similar platforms along three sides of their houses. This is where they stored their possessions.

"The roof was supported at one end by the totem pole," Thomas said. The totem used to stand in the corner of the old exhibit, relatively unnoticed. The more prominent location gives it new life, she said.

Also on the platform is a large section of red cedar donated by the University of Washington. It was delivered from the West Coast by Dysart's. Bob Rice dried it in the University of Maine's Department of wood Science and technology's kiln to kill any insects and fungi. Drying it also made the

log's weight more manageable. The log's purpose in the exhibit is to demonstrate how the native people split boards with the use of wooden wedges only. These wedges will be one of the last things to go into place.

The final stages of creating a museum exhibit are concerned with bring everything together. Joan Klussmann is the project's curator. With an eye on the opening date of April 11, she will finalize event-planning. Ron Harvey, the Hudson's conservator, will finish preparing the artifacts for long-term exposure. Thomas will arrange them several times before they are just right.

Thomas' candid smile and expressive eyes tell of her enthusiasm when talking about the exhibit.

"It is exciting to see what started as a little sketch develop to a point where it is becoming real," she said, pulling an original computer print-out from a stack of papers on the table, still at her fingertips after all the months of preparation.

"The closer the opening gets, the sadder I become," she said. "It is hard to let go of something you have put your heart into."



WHAT'S HAPPENING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

• Poetry Free
Zone readings for Healthy Passions Week, noon, Thomaon Honors Center.

• Awareness skits, part of Disability Awareness Days, noon, Totman Lounge and 3 p.m., Stodder Commons.

• "A Clean Breast of it," narrative performance about breast cancer by playwright and performance artist Linda Park-Fuller, part of the Women in the Curriculum Lunch Series, 12:15 p.m., Cyrus Pavilion Theater.

• "Quilombo," part of the NOt at the Mall Film Series, 6:15 p.m. and 9 p.m., 100 Donald Corbett.

• Acoustic jam, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. every Wednesday, Sutton Lounge, Memorial Union.

• University Orchestra in Concert, conducted by Anatole Wieck, part of the School of Performing Arts Music Series, 8 p.m., Minsky Recital Hall. Admission fee.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

• Healthy Passions Poetry Reading, part of Healthy Passions Week, 7 p.m., York Hall.

• "Breathing Lessons: The Life and Work of Mark O'Brien," film and discussion, part of Disability Awareness Week, 7 p.m., Wells Commons.

• "Zoned for Slavery: The Child Behind the Label" and "Coffee: The People Behind our Everyday Cup," part of the Peace and Justice Film Series, 7 p.m. 100 DPC.

• Mystery Machine, with special guest Ben Meiklejohn, sponsored by OCB, 9 p.m. to midnight, Bear's Den. Free admission; beer with ID.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

• Jazz TGIF, featuring Bergman Bebop Band, 12:15 P.M. Bangor Lounge.

• Celestial Celebrations dinner and dance, part of Healthy Passions Week, 5:30 p.m.-10 p.m., Wells Conference Center.

• Animation Club films "Black Magic," "M-66" and "0083: Stardust Memory" episodes 5-8, 9 p.m., 100 DPC.

• Moscow Festival Ballet, 8 p.m., Maine Center for the Arts.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

• Union Extravaganza, celebration of the union as a center for student life featuring casino, bands, tarot card readings, magician and other events. 8 p.m.-11 p.m.

• "Rapid Eye Movement," dance performance, 8 p.m., Hauck Auditorium.

• Thumper and Brown Hornet (with beats by Flood) at the Oronoka, 8 p.m. Admission \$2 for students, \$3 for non-students. Alcohol with ID. Call 581-1840 for more information.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

• "Brahms 1833-1897: A Musical Tribute," 3 p.m. Minsky Recital Hall.
• International Folk Dance, 7 p.m. FFA Room, Memorial Union.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

• Poetry Free
Zone readings by local poets and middle school award winners in celebration of National Poetry Month, 7 p.m., University Bookstore.

• Concert and Symphonic Band Concert, 8 p.m. Minsky Recital Hall.

• Film

'Spokeman' an inspiration

By Derek Rice
Maine Campus staff

The weather refused to cooperate with the planners of the event, but the showing of John Hockenberry's one-man show, "Spokman," went on as scheduled Monday, despite low turnout.

The film was a videotape of a performance of the show from New York and was shown as part of Disability Awareness Days. Hockenberry, who was paralyzed from the waist down in a 1976 automobile accident, performs a monologue for about an hour and a half.

The film was excellent, but no substitute for what the live performance must be like. Hockenberry rants, acts out conversations and shows off some of his wheelchair tricks, returning to some of the same themes and topics throughout the performance.

He begins and ends his show by strumming the spokes of his wheelchair with a pick and asking, "Do you see the spokes or do you just see the wheels?"

Between those two points, however, Hockenberry's monologue covers a number of topics, including Bob Beamon's

world-record long jump at the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City, the questions cab drivers ask when he gets into their taxi and the Gulf War.

One of the most touching themes that resonates throughout the show is the story of and "conversations" with Hockenberry's uncle Charlie, who lives in a mental health institution because of a disease that used the foods he ate to slowly deteriorate his brain. At times, Hockenberry derides those who have called Charlie an idiot during his lifetime. At others, he "talked" to his uncle, telling him about so-called smart-bombs, which he said were actually not as intelligent as Charlie.

An amusing part of the performance was Hockenberry's depiction of the difference in the reactions of the people of the different sections of New York to a wheelchair. The upper west side is the most difficult, he said, because the people there have too much self-esteem and don't notice when someone says "excuse me."

Beamon's record, Hockenberry said,

See SPOKE on page 16

• April Fools' Day

Artists pull switcheroonie

NEW YORK (AP) — There was something funny on Monday's cartoon pages — the Bumsteads from "Blondie" have somehow sneaked into "Garfield," prompting a wide-eyed stare from the fat cat.

The warm-and-fuzzy "Family Circus" swapped moods, language and even hairdos with dour "Dilbert." And there were more strange switches.

April Fools. This joke is for real.

Millions of comic-strip readers found a surprise in their newspapers when 46 of the nation's top syndicated cartoonists traded features for a day.

"You've gotta shake 'em up a little bit!" said "Dilbert" creator Scott Adams about the Comics Switcheroonie 1997 — a wide-spread assault on America's funny bone.

Organizers Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott, creators of the "Baby Blues" strip, asked fellow cartoonists to choose a feature for a makeover. Adams went for Bil Keane's "Family Circus." And Keane chose Adams' strip.

It was pure chance — and an attrac-

tion of opposites.

"This was a shocker," said Keane, chuckling from his Arizona home as the presses churned out the comic confusion — the creator of "Dilbert," a strip that pokes fun at cubicles, downsizing and corporate life, drawing "Family Circus," which embraces home life.

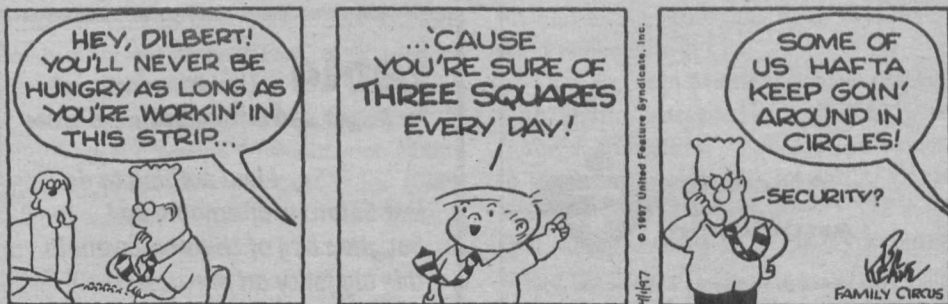
"Garfield" creator Jim Davis and "Blondie" cartoonist Dean Young made the switch.

Jeff MacNelly of "Shoe" got "Beetle Bailey," whose creator, Mort Walker, played with "Shoe." And "Snuffy Smith" cartoonist Fred Lasswell doodled with "Dennis the Menace," whose cartoonists, Hank Ketcham and Marcus Hamilton, went for "Snuffy Smith."

And so it went into the comic-strip twilight zone.

They were all told to "bring your special touch to the other world you're visiting," said Adams.

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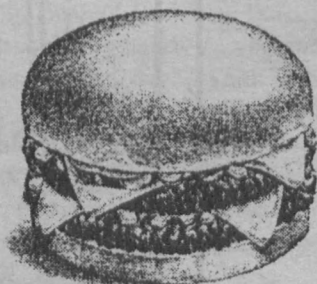
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• Life after death

Technology embraced by cult

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This was part of the message of the eerie tapes made by the Heaven's Gate cult, a video legacy that galvanized the nation after last week's mass suicide by all 39 members at their Rancho Santa Fe estate.

Press reports and TV pictures of the aftermath told a gruesome tale. The cult's Web site bulged with hundreds of pages of millennialist warnings (which in turn triggered new outcries against the Internet as a medium for spreading unconventional ideas).

What fueled the story as nothing else did was the farewell video the cult members had left behind. It was there they

explained themselves, or tried to. More importantly, it was there they showed themselves, placing on the record their earthly selves — the "vehicles" they soon would discard.

With all the bristling immediacy that characterizes any video-taped image, viewers saw cult leader Marshall Applewhite, wild-eyed and alluring as he declares, "We're so excited we don't know what to do, because we're about to re-enter the level above human."

One of his followers gushes how "the opportunity, the gift, is just overwhelming."

"... couldn't be happier," says a woman who seems close to weeping.

"Look at the camera," someone unseen jovially goads a grinning woman in yet another excerpt — "you look great!"

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Comics

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Doing "Family Circus," he said, "felt like I went from the dark side to light, while bringing some evil with me" — including a hairstyle for Mommy, who had two "horns" alighting from her head.

"I hate Mommy's new hairdo," says Dolly, looking at her mother sitting alongside Dogbert, Adams' character from "Dilbert."

For a day, Mommy even went '90s corporate, talking about downsizing the family and urging Billy to "work cuter, not harder."

Keane said he asked Adams to do him a favor: "Sign your name real big so my

readers won't blame me for what you did."

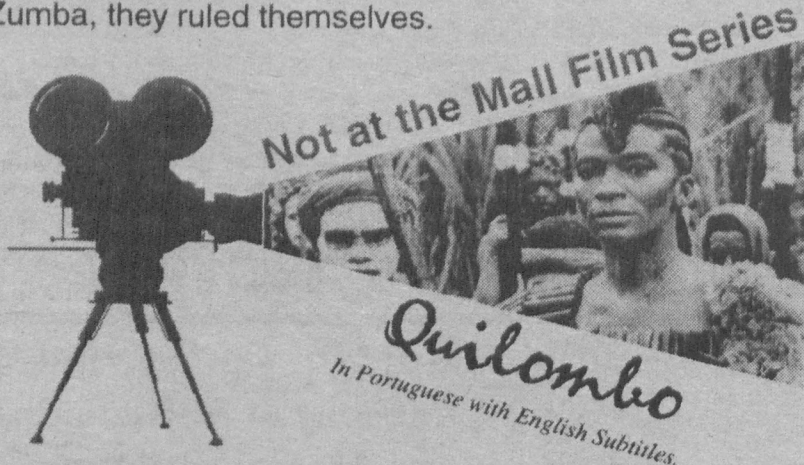
Meanwhile, the 39-year-old Adams allowed the 74-year-old Keane to give "Dilbert" a lighter touch.

"I gave Dilbert better arms, instead of his usual broomsticks," joked Keane. "I gave him the arms of a human being."

Keane also had Billy, visiting from "Family Circus," feed Dilbert some optimism.

"Hey Dilbert!," says Billy, "you'll never be hungry as long as you're workin' in this strip 'cause you're sure of three squares every day!"

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was more remarkable than when Mike Powell broke it 28 years later. Beamon was the first person to jump 27 and 28 feet, all in the same jump, and he knew once he had landed that he had attained something special. Powell, on the other hand, broke the record by only a few inches and had to be told what he accomplished. On the same day, Carl Lewis also broke that record, but lost to Powell.

Neither had occupied the zone that Beamon had in the air between where he jumped and where he landed that day.

Hockenberry also talked about his ex-

perience covering the Gulf War, where the bunkers weren't wheelchair-accessible. He got to spend more time in the streets of Tel Aviv and got to meet more people than he would have in a bomb shelter, hidden from the gas that never came.

Eventually, after dancing around the subject for a while, Hockenberry shared the experience of his car accident. He had been hitchhiking, and the girl who picked him up had been tired and swerved too close to the guard rail, sending the car into the air and over a cliff. The driver died and Hockenberry was paralyzed. He talked of the fear that he felt as the car became airborne and the even bigger fear he had when it landed.

But this show wasn't about John Hockenberry feeling sorry for himself for being in the wrong place at the wrong time. It was about what he has done instead. Hockenberry made me reconsider the way I view those who are in wheelchairs or who have any kind of disability that makes them different from me.

The only downer about the evening was that fewer than 10 people were there to see the film.

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the artist finished it?*

*Maybe the artist is standing
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painting. Van Gogh, Corot,
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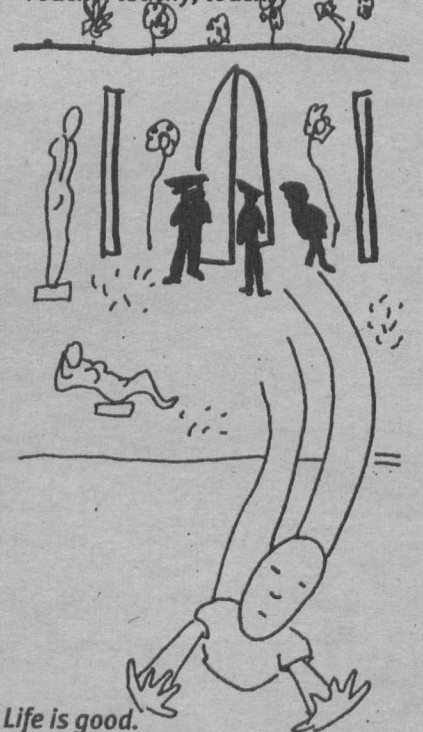
*They are talking to me....
trying to show me what they felt.*

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Sports Page

• Softball

Offense shows results

By Josh Nason
Maine Campus staff

Last season the Maine softball team was offensively stagnant, scoring only 3.3 runs a game while scoring two runs or less in 18 losses. An obvious change was needed.

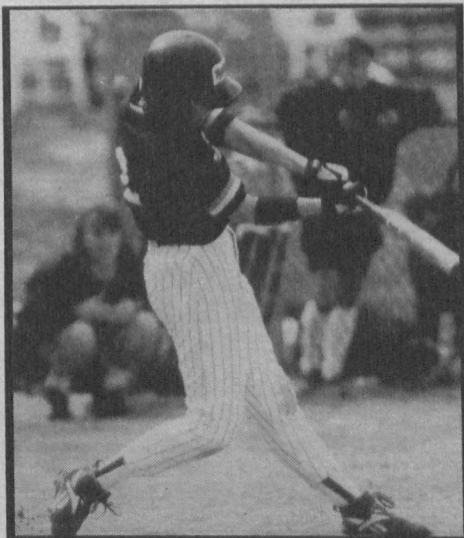
That change was a vigorous offseason hitting program that has resulted in Maine jumping to the top of the stat charts in offense.

The 16-13 Bears are second in team offense, with a .313 batting average. They also stand on top as far as slugging percentage, hits, runs and RBIs go.

Michelle Puls is tops in the conference, batting at a .416 clip. Two teammates, Shelly Lefevre (.394-0-19) and Sara Jewett (.374-4-26), are also in the top five. All three are ranked in America East top tens for hits, home runs, triples, stolen bases, runs or RBIs.

Perhaps the most telling offensive display was the recent doubleheader Maine played against Towson State, as the Black Bears exploded for 29 runs in two games, invoking the mercy rule twice. Head coach Janet Anderson said the offseason training is definitely beginning to show and that the Towson State doubleheader was a good indication of what the team is capable of.

"(The offense) seems to be coming up that way," Anderson said. "You go back and take a look at the games so far, we're beginning to spread it out all over the lineup. It's not just being held by two or



Maine's Shelly LeFevre. (File Photo.)

three people. We're going from leadoff to the end of the order and, basically, that is what is necessary."

One problem Maine has been plagued with is being outscored in the first and sixth innings, something Anderson has wanted to improve on since the beginning of the season. Maine is being edged 32-28 in the first inning, and 18-14 in the sixth inning. It hurt the team in both losses to Delaware, as the Blue Hens jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first game and put a five-spot on the board in the second game to help win both games.

"I don't know what it is. I can't say it's that we're not focused, because it is the

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• NCAA

Arizona wins championship

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — College basketball has always been defined by decades.

UCLA dominated the 1960s and the '70s. The 1980s saw improbable champions such as North Carolina State, Villanova and Kansas.

The 1990s is the decade of teams attempting to repeat, and Arizona's 84-79 overtime victory over Kentucky on Monday night is keeping that storyline alive for one more year.

Even before Arizona's players could clip the tags from their championship caps, talk of a repeat trip to the Final Four is already a hot topic. After all, this is a team that knocked off three No. 1 seeds without having a senior starter.

"I'm just so happy that we won my first year and we're going to try to repeat next year," Arizona freshman Mike Bibby said after he and junior backcourtmate Miles Simon put on one of the best two-guard performances in recent championship games.

They are a good reason why Arizona's first national championship was barely done when the subject of a second was brought up.

Only Duke in 1992 has been able to repeat since UCLA ended its seven-year run as champion in 1973.

There also was Arkansas in 1995 and Kentucky this season, as well as UNLV, which was knocked off by Duke in the 1991 semifinals as defending national champions, and Michigan's Fab Five, which lost title games in 1992 and 1993.

A likely preseason No. 1 choice next season, the Arizona players and coaches will hear the word "repeat" in the coming months as much as they hear "Bear Down," the school's fight song.

"Knowing these young people, I know they're not going to be satisfied," Arizona's Lute Olson said after winning his first national title in an impressive 24-year career as a head coach.

"They do have to understand that everybody is going to be coming at them with everything they've got."

Just like UNLV, Michigan and Duke, Arizona will have all its key players back for a repeat run. That's what made Kentucky's close encounter so exceptional.

Coach Rick Pitino had lost four starters to the NBA draft, then saw leading scorer Derek Anderson go down midway through the season with a knee injury. With All-America sophomore Ron Mercer leading

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• Baseball

Maine game at Brown postponed

From Staff Reports

The University of Maine baseball team was scheduled to play a doubleheader with Brown University Wednesday afternoon, but it has been postponed due to Monday's storm. A make-up date has not been set.

Maine is also scheduled to play a pair of doubleheaders with Vermont this weekend,

but they are questionable because of the storm. According to a release from the Maine sports information department, they could be moved to Cape Cod if Vermont's field is not playable.

The Black Bears go into this weekend on a three-game winning streak. Maine has also won five of its last six. The 10-13 Black Bears are 5-1 in America East.

• Track

Black Bears win at Rutgers

From Staff Reports

The University of Maine women's track team won the 1997 Rutgers Invitational outdoor track and field meet at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J., Saturday.

Maine's score of 98 beat out Fairleigh Dickinson (44), Temple (25) and Rutgers. The Black Bears combined for nine first-place finishes.

Senior Marci Wells won both the triple jump (11.01 meters) and the long jump (5.05 meters.) Freshman Kate D'Entremont notched her first win in the shot put with a throw of 12.45 meters and was second in the discus with a toss of 36.64 meters. Tanya Dowding was first in the javelin, with a throw of 40.96 meters. That was good for fourth on the all-time Maine list and qualified Dowding for the ECAC Championship.

Maine swept both first and second place in the 3,000-meter run. Nicole Stevens picked

up the win with a time of 10:34.5 and Michelle Tolosky finished second with a time of 11:26.6. Gabrielle DeShong set a Maine record with a time of 57.9 in the 400-meter run, good for fourth in the event. DeShong broke the old record of 58.8 set by Melissa Brancely in 1988. Beth Peters and Maegan Limoges tied for first in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.5 seconds.

Men's track: The Black Bears lost to the University of Massachusetts Minutemen in their third event of the outdoor season Saturday.

Maine earned three first-place finishes in field events. Neil Willey took first in the discus, with a throw of 48.97 meters, which qualified him for the IC4A Championship meet. Willey took second in the pole vault, with a height of 13 feet, 6 inches. Andy Oliver placed first in the javelin, with a throw of 62.90m. Chris Henninger finished first in the hammer throw, with a distance of 40.64m.

• Column

April Fools' can't trick us all

By Scott Martin
Maine Campus staff



April 1 can be a terrible day for tricks. Imagine the headlines that could have

appeared in local papers yesterday and thrown everyone for a spin.

Mo Vaughn SPLITS

A tiff with management and an extreme displeasure with general manager Dan Duquette have finally pushed Red Sox slugger Mo Vaughn to the edge and the first baseman left the team yesterday.

Bird's Back

After watching the Boston Celtics suffer through the worst stretch in the history of the franchise, former star Larry Bird has announced he is coming out of retirement to rescue the C's.

Baseball in Orono

Despite the snowstorm that dropped three inches of snow on Orono last night, the University of Maine baseball team may actually play baseball at Mahaney Diamond before the end of the month.

Blodgett goes pro

Maine women's basketball sensation Cindy Blodgett has announced she will forgo her senior year to play in the new WNBA this summer. Blodgett, a Clinton

native, made her announcement at a press conference yesterday and became the first basketball player (men's or women's) in the history of the University of Maine to leave school early.

Fed up, Jordan retires

Michael Jordan, sick and tired of Dennis Rodman and the rest of the NBA's "punks," announced he will retire from the NBA for a second time.

Jordan, who was leading the Bulls toward a second straight 70-win season, expressed extreme displeasure with all the prima donnas in today's NBA who don't respect the game.

Parcells misses New England

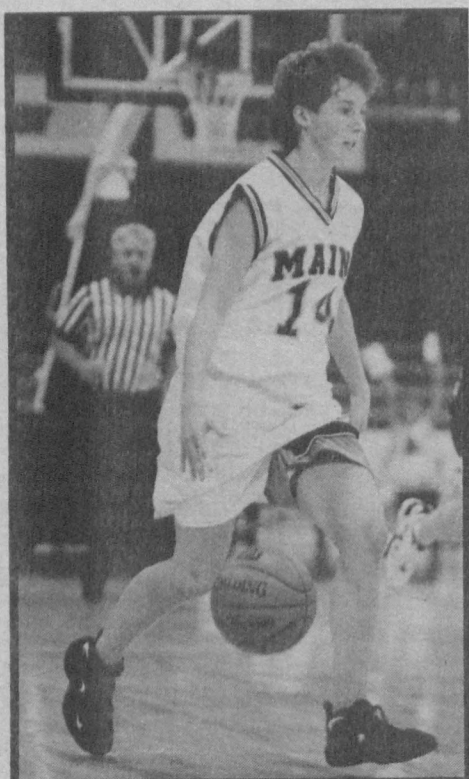
Former Patriots coach Bill Parcells said he would love to return to New England and coach his former team.

After just under three months with the New York Jets, Parcells realized the mistake he made leaving New England and wants out of New York.

Not that any of these will really happen, but some are more likely than others.

Vaughn wants out of Boston because he is fed up with Duquette's dismantling of the Sox. John Valentin will be gone before the end of the season. Roger Clemens is already gone to Toronto. Mike Greenwell is in Japan. Who's next? Vaughn.

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Cindy Blodgett in the pros? (Lachowski Photo.)

Column

Bird won't be playing for the Celtics anytime soon, but don't be surprised if he is coaching for someone next season. Probably not as a head coach, but as an assistant.

Baseball in Orono. That's another story. Baseball in New England may be out of the question. The storm that wasn't has already caused two Black Bear games this weekend to be canceled. Maine was scheduled to Brown Wednesday in Providence, R.I. The Black Bears are also scheduled to play Vermont Sunday, and those games remain in question.

Blodgett won't leave school early, but her skills will allow her to play pro ball after graduation. The new ABL and WNBA will give Blodgett an opportunity to play professionally. Talk about being in the right place at the right time.

Jordan, on the other hand, is in the last year of a one-year deal. If he doesn't play with the Bulls he could play with Denver, which is where Phil Jackson reportedly

could be heading when his contract runs out at the end of the season. If the Bulls win the NBA Championship this year, Jordan, who has expressed displeasure with the NBA's new crop of stars, could very well call it quits.

Parcells. Has he realized the tremendous mistake he has made? The New York Jets are the worst team in football, Bill, have fun.

April Fools' a day late. Imagine the possibilities.

Scott Martin is the sports editor for The Maine Campus.

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McCall ordered to mental hospital

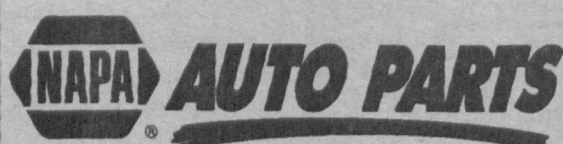
MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP) — Former world heavyweight champion Oliver McCall was ordered to a mental hospital after his wife took out an emergency custody order against him.

Documents released Tuesday said McCall "presents an imminent danger to (him)self or others as a result of mental illness or is so seriously mentally ill as to be substantially unable to care for (him)self."

McCall was picked up in Martinsville on Saturday after his wife took out the emergency custody order, police said.

McCall was evaluated by a mental health expert, who testified at a detention hearing Saturday night that McCall was mentally ill and in need of hospitalization. He was sent to the Southern Virgin-

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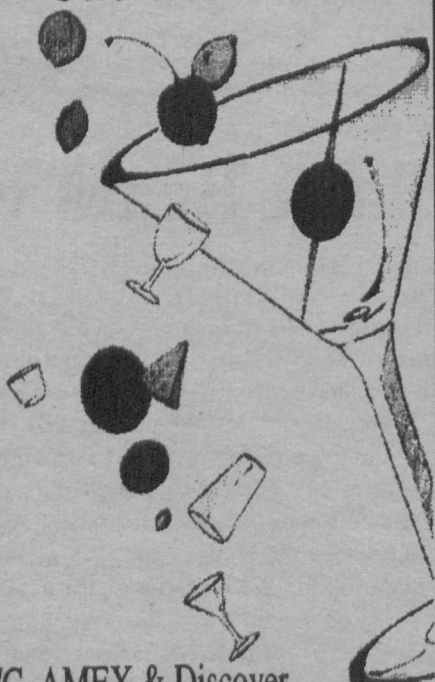
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McCall

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ia Mental Health Institute in Danville.

An involuntary commitment hearing is planned to determine whether he should be held for further observation and evaluation.

McCall was placed on 18 months probation in December after pleading guilty to possession of marijuana and cocaine in Cook County, Ill. He was also arrested in Winston-Salem, N.C., in early April 1996 and charged with marijuana possession.

McCall spent time at a North Carolina drug rehabilitation center in August. At the time his manager, Jimmy Adams, said McCall was being treated for marijuana and cocaine abuse.

"Drugs took over his life, and now he's trying to take his life back," Adams

said in August.

McCall won the WBC heavyweight title in 1994 with a second-round knockout of England's Lennox Lewis. After a successful title defense against Larry Holmes in April 1995, he lost to Frank Bruno in September 1995.

In February, McCall broke into tears during a WBC heavyweight title fight with Lewis. His \$3,075,500 purse from the fight is still being held in escrow in a New Jersey bank, pending an investigation into why he stopped throwing punches and defending himself in the fourth round.

After the fourth round he stood and cried in his corner. The referee stopped the fight 55 seconds into the fifth round.

Arizona

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the way, Kentucky came as close as Arkansas to joining the repeaters' club.

Mercer has already said he will enter the upcoming NBA draft. That, however, didn't deter Pitino from talking about next season's Final Four in San Antonio.

"I'd like to win it every damn year I coach," Pitino said. "And I hope (Temple's) John Chaney and (Kansas') Roy Williams win it another year because I'd like to see the peers I have so much respect for, like Lute, happy, and they deserve that."

The season of parity, in which only Kansas was considered a great team, ended with a team that finished in fifth place

in the Pac-10 winning it all with a run that included a victory over the one great team.

There already have been a number of coaching changes, and more are coming. There will be some surprise announcements of underclassmen deciding to leave school early, even some high school players deciding to skip college.

College basketball will take the hits as it has the last few years, and a young team from the desert already has everybody looking toward next March.

"I think they'll work hard enough to give it the best shot they can," Olson said. "That's all you can ask of them, is to give it their best shot."

• On the fringe

Why wasn't Daly helped sooner?

(AP) — John Daly realized at least two months ago his experiment with "social drinking" had relapsed into alcoholism but wanted to play golf until after the Masters, his favorite event.

Daly's admission, made Tuesday through his agent, raised the question why the PGA Tour and those around Daly failed to act when he said in October he was drinking again after more than three years of sobriety.

"You take a drink, you don't get drunk and you can yourself into thinking you have it under control," said Dr. Allan Lans, who has worked with baseball players Dwight Gooden and Darryl Strawberry for their substance abuse problems. "It is not an unusual situation at all."

Asked if a person in Daly's situation should resume drinking, Lans said: "Emphatically, unequivocally — no."

All pretense of Daly's return to alcohol being social ended Friday when he was rushed to a hospital with chest pains after a drinking session that resulted in a damaged hotel room and frantic phone calls from his wife.

For the second time in four years, Daly is in an alcohol rehabilitation program and maybe this time he realizes he has a very serious problem.

"John wanted to do this about two months ago but wanted to get through the Masters because it is his favorite event," agent John Mascatello said Tuesday.

Daly will officially withdraw from next week's Masters and Mascatello said a "probable timetable" for Daly's return would be the Kemper Open the first weekend of June.

Maybe this time the PGA Tour and those closest to Daly will make certain he doesn't play again until he shows a commitment to staying sober.

Perhaps such action should have been taken in October when Daly said he was

drinking only to get tacit approval from the PGA Tour, which issued a release announcing — but not condemning — his relapse, and his agent, who said it was no problem.

Why did no one act then?

"The commissioner has the latitude to converse with the player, fine him or offer some sort of suspension," PGA Tour spokesman David Lancer said. "When John said he was drinking again — just having a beer or two — we took a wait-and-see attitude."

The PGA Tour news release in October quoted Daly as saying: "It is true that I have had a few beers on several occasions this summer, but I have not been involved in any alcohol-related incidents."

The release quoted Mascatello as saying: "The thing we don't want is for this to be portrayed as John Daly falling off the wagon. John believes he can handle this."

Mascatello now says that was not an accurate expression of his feelings.

"He believed he could drink socially," Mascatello said. "I know that he is an alcoholic and, though I am not a doctor, my understanding is that he can not drink."

Lans said it is important that alcoholics not be allowed to think they can drink again.

"Most people who relapse say they have it under control and initially they do," Lans said. "But of course they don't."

Daly telephoned reporter Bobby Hall for The Commercial Appeal in Memphis, Tenn., and said he might not play again if he can't control his drinking.

"I think it is certainly too early to say that or even to speculate on that," Mascatello said.


"There were three things that John wanted to set straight," Mascatello said.

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Softball

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first inning of the ballgame, and that is what everyone is ready to go," Anderson said. "I guess it's one of those things we're going to have to work through."

Black Bear Notes: Jewett has been named the first America East Rookie of the Week of the season. The freshman catcher is batting .374 with a record-tying four home runs and 26 RBIs in only 29 games. Defensively, she has nailed 35 percent of runners trying to steal on her.

The Black Bears rank fifth in the conference in pitching, with a 2.80 ERA. Although the club's 16 wins are tops, its 105 runs allowed and walks are second worst in America East, while no team has allowed more hits. The staff is led by Jen Burton's 8-4 record (2nd), 28 strikeouts (tied for 7th), and 79-1/3 innings pitched (2nd). Her team-low 1.59 ERA ranks fourth in the conference... Maine is 11-9 in games decided by three runs or less and 6-3 in one-run games.

Golf

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"One, that he didn't intentionally do any damage to the hotel room."

Police said he did about \$1,000 damage to the room while drunk.

"Two, that he didn't harm his wife in any way," Mascatello said. "There were some rumors about that because of charges brought against him in the past."

Daly's former wife, Bettye, brought third-degree assault charges in a 1992 incident that led to his first alcoholism treatment. Daly later plead guilty to a lesser charge.

Daly's current wife, Paulette, called his agent and golfer Fuzzy Zoeller for help Friday morning, saying her husband was out of control.

"And three, that he is doing this now because he wants to do it and not because anyone else is making him," Mascatello said.

If that is true, maybe Daly has a chance of staying sober this time. A major part of succeeding will be following his aftercare program after his release from the Betty Ford clinic.

"It is essential," Lans said. "I don't think you can separate the mind and the body in these problems."

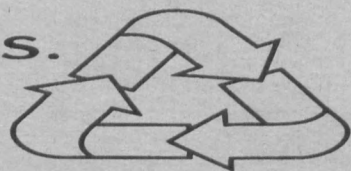
Participating in a structured aftercare program would be a major step forward for Daly.

"In the past, he never did the aftercare part," Lancer said. "If he does what he has to do, the tour will be supportive."

Maybe this time Daly will get the help he needs from all those around him. And maybe this time he will realize what he needs to do to help himself.

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