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Professor of Civil Engineering Dana Humphrey. (File photo.)

• Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Faculty push for UM observance

By Kathryn Ritchie
Maine Campus staff

Members of Faculty Senate will decide today whether University of Maine students will spend future Martin Luther King Jr. Days in the classroom or in celebration of the civil rights leader. According to UMaine's president, a vote to recognize the day as a school holiday would correct a "glaring discrepancy."

"I think it's much overdue," UMaine President Peter Hoff said recently. "I think the campus should be behind it."

If recognition of the holiday is passed today it's up to the

President to decide how soon it is fit into the academic calendar. James Varner, the president of the Bangor NAACP, is hoping the holiday will be celebrated this Jan. 19.

"I don't think (King) personally would want to see black people miss education," Varner said. "But I think the good of taking that day off will far outweigh missing education."

Most campuses in the University Maine System do recognize the holiday by either taking

the day off the academic calendar or by delaying the start of the semester until Jan. 20. The only two campuses which do not are the University of Maine at Fort Kent and the University of Maine. The University of Maine does recognize Labor Day, Columbus Day, Thanksgiving Day and the day after Thanksgiving.

The last time the senate reviewed Martin Luther King Jr. Day was in December 1994. At

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• International affairs

Dissident exposes civil rights abuses

Chinese students challenge activist Harry Wu's conclusions

By Paul B. Livingstone
Maine Campus staff

"During my life, I have been given two labels. In 1949, the Chinese government called me a 'counter-revolutionary rightist,' and I was imprisoned. In 1995, I was called a 'troublemaker.'"

Since 1995, Harry Wu has been China's number one troublemaker, exposing many secrets to the American public China would rather have kept deeply hidden. In the past few years, he has gathered evidence about serious abuses of human rights still occurring in China.

Currently with the Hoover Institute at Stanford University, Wu spoke to about 50 people Monday in the Sutton Lounge of the Memorial Union. Gathered in a tight circle the audience listened intently to Wu's soft voice as he began his talk.

Not wanting to delve into his past, he offered to answer questions from the start.

"In 1957, Mao Tse-tung came to speak at the Moscow University, a think-tank for communism. He said 'The East Wind will blow over the West Wind.' Now the wind is blowing the other direction," said Wu.

Wu said over 150 million Chinese are unemployed and not counted in official government figures. Though public executions have been stopped, he said, firing squads continue to kill dissident prisoners. Another Tiananmen Square uprising is highly unlikely, said Wu, because of the current rise in capitalism.

"If people have food on the table, if they have relaxation, they won't go out on the street and take the risk," said Wu.

However, he said, the emergence of capitalism and material goods in China isn't necessarily a trend toward democracy.

"The political machinery put in place by Mao Tse-tung, the first communist leader of China, is still in place today. It is still functioning," said Wu. "The system is like a plate. It is not paper or plastic; it is ceramic. The dictator system is not flexible."

According to Wu, the communist party owns worker unions, effectively quelling any system of guarantees. Though some corporations, such as Motorola, treat workers well, Hong Kong and Taiwanese companies are notorious for treating workers very badly. Wu cited incidences of Chinese emigrants discovering products in America made in the same camps

at which they were once imprisoned.

Some Chinese students attended the discussion group and didn't like what they heard. They wanted to remain anonymous as a group, but were outspoken in their criticism of Wu.

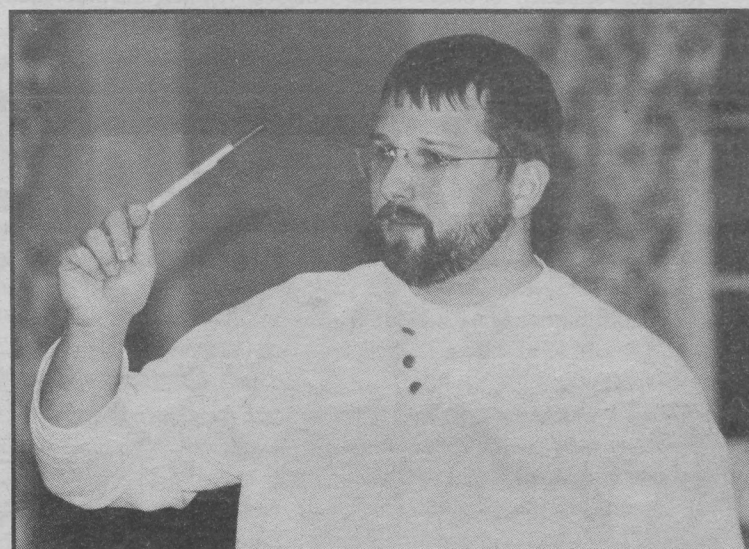
One female student objected to his take on education. She said her education in China was excellent and paved the way to further studies in America. Another refuted his claim that because of environmental disregard, the Yellow River dried up every two to three years.

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Harry Wu, leading Chinese dissident and former China labor camp prisoner, fields questions at a discussion group Monday in the Memorial Union's Sutton Lounge. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

• Yearbook



Vice President for Financial Affairs, Chris Washburn, presents a resolution to help eliminate the yearbook debt at last night's GSS meeting. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

Publishing future of The Prism in jeopardy

By Kristen Dobler
Maine Campus Staff

Unless debts accrued by The Prism, the university's yearbook, are paid off by unaffiliated university organizations, the yearbook may never be published again.

According to Dwight Rideout, dean of student services, the yearbook is in debt an estimated \$24,500. The Prism owes its present publishing company Herff Jones \$18,000, past publishing company Jostens \$4,000 and an individual person who helped foot the bill \$2,500. The yearbook was in an even larger debt until the university wrote off \$5,000 that was owed to it.

Mark Anderson, chief financial officer, said the debt was incurred because the yearbook committee got a little bit behind every year and then would use the funds from the next year to pay the debt off.

Jeff Mills, president of the Student Alumni Association, said the yearbook's debt was possibly caused by its 1995 editor, Brent J. Murray, who was convicted of stealing funds he collected for the

yearbooks. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail and to repay the univer-

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WORLD BRIEFS

• Disaster

Quiet Saturday afternoon turns into death

1 IRKUTSK, Russia (AP) — It was a quiet, bitterly cold afternoon on Grazhdanskaya Street, where a group of men chatted and smoked while tinkering with their battered cars. Many of their wives were out shopping.

A teen-age girl sat by her living room window, puzzling over her chemistry homework. Suddenly, a roar shook her apartment building — and set her neighborhood on fire.

"When I looked out the window I saw a burning car and a woman running out of another apartment building with her fur coat on fire. A man was lying on the ground," Lena Meistakhova, 15, said. "Then, a wave of heat came through the house."

A huge military cargo jet that seconds earlier had lifted off from an airfield a mile away slammed into No. 45 Grazhdanskaya on Saturday, clipping an orphanage with its wing and demolishing one end of the five-story apartment building. The men who'd been happily chatting by their cars died beneath falling wreckage.

Those who saw the crash talked of huge sheets of flames that engulfed surrounding buildings. A day later, steam and smoke from burning fuel that had soaked into the ground was rising into the overcast sky.

Rescuers searched for bodies in the 5-degree weather, and the stench of burned wood and fuel filled the air.

• Disaster

70 reported injured in German train crash

2 HANOVER, Germany (AP) — Two trains collided during rush hour today outside the northwestern city of Hanover, setting off a fuel explosion and injuring about 70 people, 11 of them seriously.

Three cars loaded with diesel fuel blew up in the collision of a commuter train and a freight train near the suburb of Lehrte, just east of the city. The cause of the crash was not immediately known.

Firefighters kept the fire from spreading to the remaining 19 tanker cars on the freight train, police spokeswoman Ingrid Luetzner said.

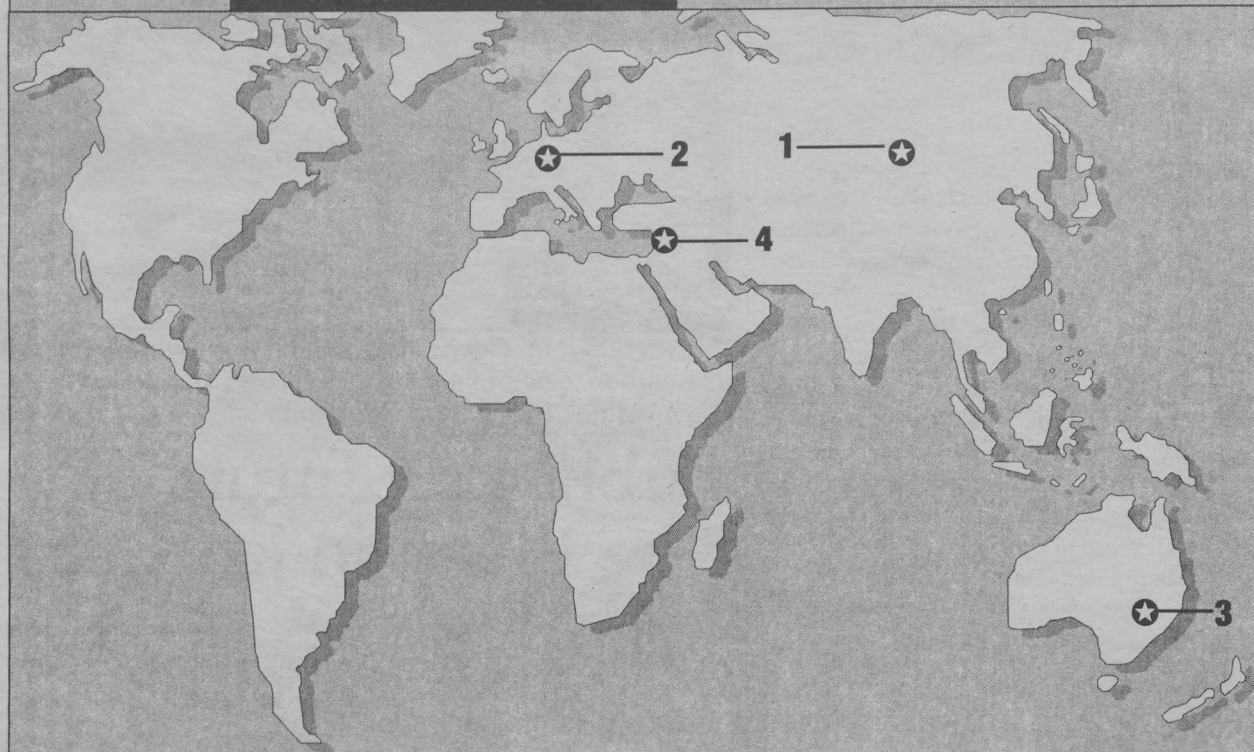
Railway spokesman Hans-Juergen Frohns said he did not know how many people were on the passenger train at the time of the 4:55 p.m. collision. He said the engine and first car of the commuter train derailed.

About 70 passengers were injured, rail officials said. About 40 of the injured were taken to hospitals — including 11 who were seriously injured.

The remaining injured passengers, who suffered light injuries, were treated at a makeshift first aid station at the scene, Luetzner said.

The 46-year-old engineer of the commuter train was among those seriously injured. Luetzner said his injuries were not life-threatening.

WORLD DIGEST



• Disaster

Sky dive over South Pole ends in death for three

3 SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Two Americans and an Austrian attempting a sky dive at the South Pole died Sunday when their chutes failed to open properly, sending them plummeting to the ice.

The victims were among six sky divers on a jump organized by Adventure Network International, which has been flying tourists to the South Pole since 1988.

A 36-year-old Seattle resident, Steve Mulholland, was among those reported killed. His girlfriend, Beth Melius, told the Seattle Post-Intelligencer she heard about Mulholland's death from his parents, who were contacted by company officials.

Mulholland was a former employee of Antarctic Support Associates, the civilian contractor that supplies and staffs U.S. Antarctic bases, and was one of the organizers of the South Pole skydiving trip.

"It was just a sky dive. For him that's a walk in the park. He jumps off 300-foot objects. This was nothing I even worried about," Melius told Seattle's KIRO Television.

Two Ohio newspapers, The Blade of Toledo and the Advertiser-Tribune of Tiffin, reported the second American who died was Ray Miller Jr., 43, of Tiffin, a veteran skydiver who had a 1994 jump over the North Pole.

• Disaster

Nation of Islam leader launches tour in Iraq

4 BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Defying the Clinton administration, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan today launched a 52-nation tour with a visit to Iraq. He also plans stops in Libya and other states criticized by Washington.

At Baghdad's al-Rashid Hotel, Farrakhan was met by Iraqi Information Minister Humam Abdel-Khaliq. Neither man made a statement to reporters, but Farrakhan, asked about the goal of his visit, raised his index finger and said "peace."

In Washington, the State Department said last week that Farrakhan's trip was ill-advised because some countries considered terrorist states could use the visits for propaganda purposes.

"We believe that the visit of U.S. citizens to these countries will, therefore, result in their being used for propaganda purposes," spokesman James P. Rubin said.

The administration, he said, believes a visit to Iraq by Farrakhan "is not particularly helpful" because of recent tension between the countries.

On Nov. 13, Iraq expelled American weapons experts on the U.N. team that is in charge of eliminating Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. It accused them of being spies. After a tense week of threats from both sides, they returned to Iraq under a Russian-mediated deal.

Weather

The Local Forecast

Today's Weather

Partly sunny with a chance of flurries. Highs in the mid 30s.



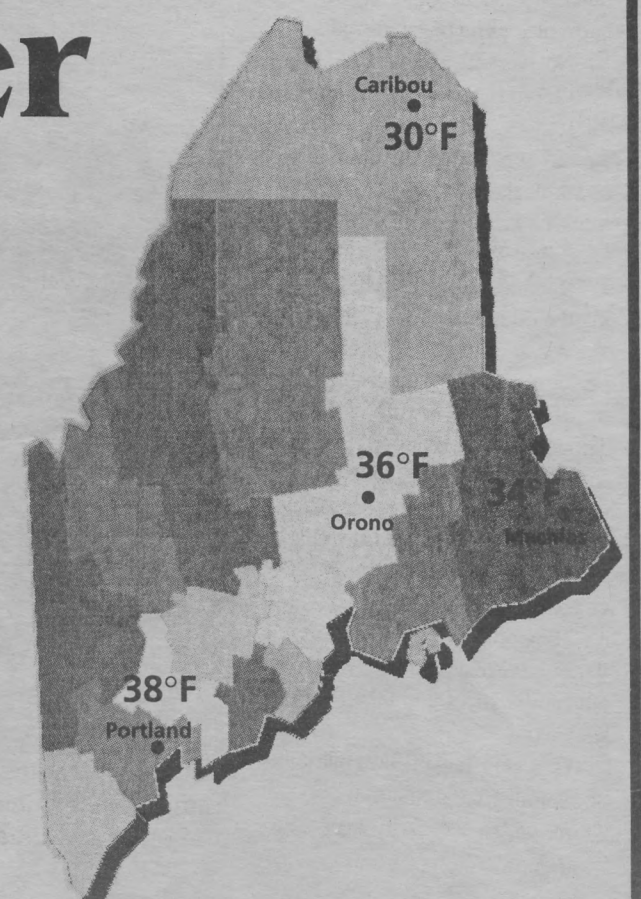
Thursday's Outlook

Mostly cloudy and windy with a chance of flurries. Highs 25 to 30.



Extended Forecast

Friday...Fair.
Saturday...Scattered flurries north and mountains...and fair south. Sunday...fair.



• GSS

Eslinger declares Wallflowers a success, promises more events

By Kathryn Ritchie
Maine Campus staff

In the wake of the success of last weekend's Wallflowers concert, Ryan Eslinger announced at the General Student Senate last night that the campus will be seeing four more acts next semester: another band at the Alford Arena, two at the Maine Center for the Arts and another comedy act at the MCA.

"Except for some puke in one section and a couple of people passing out, it was a good time," said Eslinger, president of Residents on Campus.

In other business, GSS passed a proclamation supporting Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Veterans Day, Patriots Day and President Day. Flag Day was removed from the

proclamation after several people questioned what it was for.

"I think these are all valid holidays," Jon Duke, vice resident of ROC, said. "It's not about whether or not we're here. It's about whether or not we observe the holiday."

The senate was visited by several guest speakers. Mark Anderson, interim chief financial officer, Dwight Rideout, dean of student services, and Jeff Mills, head of the Alumni Association, all discussed the yearbook's past struggles. They also asked GSS for funds to help the Prism's debt. After much debate, GSS agreed to vote on allocating \$5,000 to the Prism at its next meeting.

Kathleen Fries, a member of UMaine's Parents Association, told the senate she thought the body was the "most important group on campus" and offered her groups'

services in helping with campus issues that effect them both.

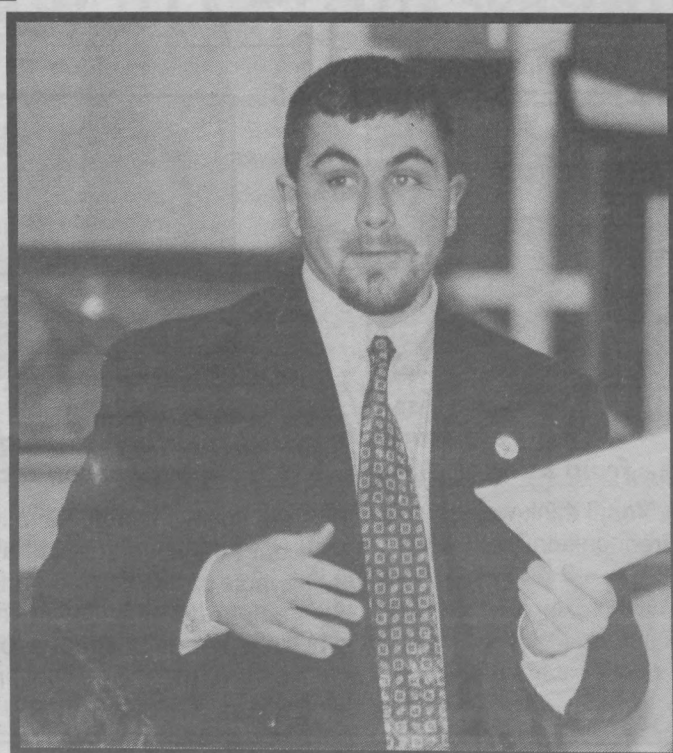
"We want to work with you, side by side if we can, and move forward with things you need for the university," Fries said.

GSS President Scott Morelli read the senate the results of an informal survey he sent to resident directors and hall governing boards. The survey asked if those people knew who represented their district, how they felt about those people and ways to make the relationship between the two groups, HGB and GSS, better. Respondents suggested that senators be re-elected, attend a few HGB meetings a semester and return phone calls and e-mails. On a scale from one to 10, most ranked their senators zero, one or two.

"I just want to let you know the people you represent...are very unhappy with your efforts, or lack thereof," Morelli said. "This is the opinion of your constituents—not mine."

Eslinger said the Off Campus Board, which had been the center of intense debate last week, has had its funding unfrozen and is now looking into its own actions to determine if it should be reprimanded.

Due to overspending by past chairs and the expense of the upcoming presidential



Sen. Chris Barstow urges GSS to vote in favor of his proclamation to observe certain holidays. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

election the Fair Election Practices Commission asked for and received \$750 from the roll-over budget.

"We all know that they need money to place ads so we all need to support them," said Sen. John Oleksy.

Metanoia, an Eastern orthodox religious group, the University of Maine Scuba Diving Club and the Pagan Campus Organization all received preliminary approval. PACO's constitution was also approved.

The Black Student Union also received approval for reallocation of some of its funds to support Monthly Soul Food Dinners.

• Police

Campus vandals target Gannett

By Kathryn Ritchie
Maine Campus staff

Gannett Hall had a bad time in the crime department this week.

On Saturday, Dec. 6 around midnight, two smoke detectors and two emergency floodlights were stolen. At 12:30 a.m., officers returned and found someone had damaged a smoke alarm. At 2:30 a.m., the glass door of a fire extinguisher case was found broken.

Also on Saturday at 11:55 p.m., the Resident Director of Gannett told Officer Jennifer Arey that a student had a case of beer in his room. Joshua Dunn, 18, was summoned for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor.

On Sunday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m., Officer Chris Hashey responded to a report of the smell of marijuana in Gannett. Lloyd E. Johnson III, 20, was summoned for possession of marijuana and warned about possessing drug paraphernalia.

On Monday, Dec. 8, a resident put his

clothes in basement washing machine and left. Upon returning, he found his wet clothes had been spread out over the floor and three pair of jeans had been stolen.

A \$75 window in the Gannett stairwell was also broken this week.

In other police business:

•Sometime between 6:55 a.m. on Dec. 4 and 6:50 a.m. on Dec. 5, someone stole a PVC pipe ashtray and a green plastic chair from the loading dock at Cutler Health Center.

•On Friday, Dec. 5, someone reported that they had received an e-mail message from a man who called himself a militant and said he had planted a bomb in the Androscoggin Hall Governing Board. The man was contacted and explained to Investigator Chris Gardner that he thought his message was a joke, so he "unsent" it.

•On Friday at 1 a.m. in Hart Hall, three smoke detectors were reported missing and two were reported damaged. Four

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Q & A of the week

Photos by Caleb Raynor

Do you think UMaine students should get Martin Luther King Jr. Day off?



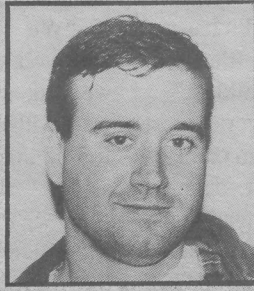
Shannon Hess
First-year student
from Bangor, Maine

"Yes, I think we should give it recognition."



Lysse Waring
Fourth-year student
from Wiscasset, Maine

"I think we should have it off, but I think we should have a whole campus get together to celebrate his life because (people) don't seem to be as aware as they were right around his death."



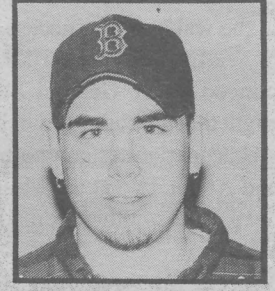
Jay Bowie
Fourth-year student
from Richmond, VA

"Yes, I believe so just because it's a nationwide thing. Just because we don't have a high black-white ratio, we should still have it."



Bryan Long
Fifth-year student
from Shreveport, LA

"Yes, I think he symbolizes the struggle for freedom, whether it be racial equality or freedom of religion. He just kept hope alive and we should keep hope alive."



Matt Libby
First-year student
from Gorham, Maine

"Yes, because I consider him a national hero and he did a lot for this country with diversity."

China

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A male graduate student questioned Wu's concern for China, stating that Wu had become a American citizen. He also condemned his approach to activism, calling him a "human rights businessman."

"I love China. I love my country!" said Wu, vehemently in response. "Just because I love my country doesn't mean I love my government."

Many listeners asked what they could do to help, and wondered why the United States gave China 'Most Favored Trading Nation' status. Wu was less specific in his response to these questions and said China's isolation is a major

barrier for progress.

"There are two ways to control people, by weapons and by isolation. Isolation is like a weapon, it can make us blind," said Wu. "Each of us is like a spot on a piece of paper; with many, many spots, you can change the color of the paper."

In the evening Wu delivered a video presentation at 100 Corbett Hall, in which he focused on his past in the labor camp and examples of human rights abuses.

Imprisoned in 1949 as part of a communist party trap to quell the influence of intellectuals,

Wu spent 19 years in prison. Released in 1979, Wu returned to China several times, posing both as an American businessman and once as a policeman to obtain videotapes.

Wu showed a 1995 documentary by ABC's Nightline detailing an active human organ black market. Fetching up to \$30,000 apiece, kidneys were harvested from recently executed and soon-to-be executed prisoners and sold them to customers in other countries. Wu estimated millions of dollars have been collected for the Chinese military in this manner.

The Chinese graduate student mentioned

earlier was present and again heavily protested against Wu's evidence in front of the surprised crowd. He later embroiled Wu in a long and bitter argument in front of the surprised crowd, which, nevertheless, gave Wu a standing ovation for both programs.

Both Harry Wu programs were sponsored by the Peace Studies Program, which is available to UMaine students as a minor.

"With these programs," said Phyllis Brazee, director of the Peace Studies Program, "we're hoping to foster campus conversation on peace-related issues. That's our central mission."



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• Medicine

Cutler Health Center stresses prevention to ease flu season

By Elizabeth Beaulieu
Maine Campus staff

Flu season is coming and students are running out of time to get flu shots, according to the assistant director for health promotion and community development.

"You want to get the influenza vaccine one to two weeks before the flu season arrives," said Muffy Eastman, R.N.C.S. "Usually we don't see any flu cases until January or February in Maine."

The virus that causes some people to be bed-ridden for several weeks can easily be prevented with a regular shot in the arm, according to Eastman.

"It's worth preventing," she said. "People think, 'If I get sick I'll go to the Cutler Health Center and get some medicine,' but that is really inconvenient when it can be prevented."

Generally students have a low risk of getting the influenza virus.

"Students are young and healthy and they fight diseases all the time," Eastman said. "They can probably resist infection."

However, it's better to be safe than



Muffy Eastman. (File photo.)

sorry, Eastman said.

"It's good to prevent what you can prevent," Eastman said.

All students have one reason for taking the flu shot, Eastman said.

"The last category of the high risk groups includes people who can't afford to be sick for a couple of weeks," Eastman said. "This would include all students."

People 65 and over have the highest risk of getting the influenza virus. Others with asthma, long term health problems, diabetes or other metabolic diseases and HIV are also at high risk, Eastman said.

"Anyone in contact with those who are at high risk, such as nurses or even volunteers, are at risk too," Eastman said.

The effectiveness of the shot is "fuzzy," Eastman said.

"As with anything, whether or not it will take, it depends on the person," said Jan Bruehl, a nurse at Orono Family Medicine. "Generally there is a 80 percent chance of effectiveness."

The influenza vaccine only prevents a person from getting certain strains of the influenza virus, Eastman said.

"The vaccine stimulates your body to produce antibodies against certain strains of the virus," Eastman said. "It takes a week or two to develop the immunity."

The strains included in the vaccine are determined by samples taken from flu victims the previous year, Eastman said. Many use the word "flu" loosely and confuse it with a cold.

"People say, 'Oh, I had the flu,'" Eastman said. "But the influenza virus doesn't last 24 hours. The symptoms last two to three weeks and you are so sick that you can't get out of bed."

Bruehl said flu symptoms include fever, chills, body aches, sore throat, cough and headaches.

"You can function pretty well with a cold, but the flu is more debilitating," Bruehl said. "It saps your energy so all you can do is stay in bed."

Staying healthy is the only recourse for people planning on braving the winter months without a flu shot, Eastman said.

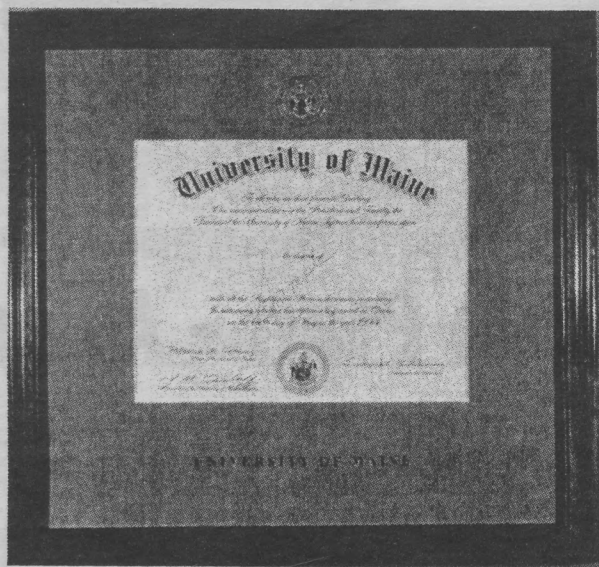
Cutler Health Center, Bangor Health and Welfare, Orono Family Medicine and Old Town Family Practice are still offering the influenza vaccine. The prices for the shot range from \$8 to \$13.

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Sex Matters

By Sandra L. Caron, Ph.d

Q: Why should I talk to my child about sex? Female, Junior

A: Unless you're willing to keep your child locked up in a closet until they reach adulthood, there is no avoiding their learning about sex. Even if they stay at home all day and do nothing but watch TV and listen to radio, your child will see and hear thousands of references to sex. Do you really want to leave it to the soap operas and music to educate your child? Also, don't fool yourself. Children do talk about sex with their friends. Not only may your child's friend be misinformed, but do you really want to

leave it to your child's peer group to teach sexual information? Knowing how little sex education is available in school, you really need to make sure your child has the facts. By assuming primary responsibility for your child's sex education, you can make sure they are getting the correct information and at the same time teach them values you consider to be important. Check out your local library or bookstore for age-appropriate books.

Q: Does pot (marijuana) enhance sex? Male, First-Year

A: Some people report increased inter-

est in sex under the influence of pot. It has been found to lead to relaxation and lowered inhibitions and therefore when used in *moderation* enhances sexual activity. Used in really high amounts, however, can have the opposite effect - leading to loss of desire for sex and inability to reach orgasm for some people. The only thing desired at this point is food.

Q: What is the average time men can have sexual intercourse before ejaculating? Male, Junior

A: The average ranges from somewhere between 2 minutes and 20 minutes. It really

varies from man to man. Some men ejaculate within seconds of intercourse (referred to as premature or early ejaculation), whereas other men can have sex for hours and are unable to ejaculate (this condition is known as ejaculatory incompetence or retarded ejaculation).

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Yearbook

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sity \$8,000.

Mills said he could not say for sure, but he believed all the stolen funds were not repaid.

Rideout said The Prism was unable to fix the problem because nearly all of the students who ran the yearbook last year have graduated and the advisor, who was the director of the Alumni Association, retired and left the Maine area.

Although The Prism was never university affiliated and its bills were not incurred by student interest groups, the SAA and the university are hoping to recruit other organizations to help pay off the yearbook's debts, Anderson said.

"It's a community problem owned by none of us, but by all of us," he said.

At last night's General Student Senate meeting, the senate voted in favor of a resolution to allocate \$5,000 to the Prism from the its rollover budget in order to pay for the

yearbook's debts and to help it become stable once again.

Chris Washburn, vice president for financial affairs, said the resolution will only take effect when the remaining funds are found through other sources to completely settle The Prism's debts.

The SAA is hoping to give between \$5,000 to \$7,000 pending on a final vote, Mills said.

"We are willing to try to move forward," Mills said.

Rideout said he hopes everything will be done as soon as possible.

"I am hoping that we can decide this week and decide what is going to happen and how it is going to happen," he said. "And do it and get these students who have yearbooks on backorder theirs immediately."

Rideout said once the debts are paid off, it would be up to university students what

they want to do with the yearbook.

"They can either decide to stop the yearbook or, with a clean slate, organize and get it off to a good start," he said.

Sen. Chris Barstow introduced a resolution to the GSS to form a yearbook committee service board.

Barstow said the board would have several responsibilities such as working to make sure the accrued debts are paid for and to have the responsibility of The Prism turned over to the student government service board.

"The main reason for creating the board is to produce a yearbook annually, to make sure it's prompt in getting out to students and that it is produced and run properly," Barstow said.

More than 200 students who ordered

yearbooks for the 1996-97 year haven't received them. Other students also report they never received yearbooks from the year before.

Rideout said the yearbooks have been printed and there are enough funds to pay for them, but Herff Jones publishers won't release the yearbooks until the accrued debt is either paid in full or a large amount is paid and a payment plan is put into place.

Washburn said it was important to pay the yearbook's debts off because if it is not done it will give The Prism a bad reputation and may even keep the yearbook from being published again.

"Printing companies aren't going to want to print the yearbook if they see we owe debts to other companies," Washburn said.

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King

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that time, a resolution passed to support the ideals of King but not take the day off on the academic calendar.

The General Student Senate took a similar stance last night, passing a proclamation to support Martin Luther King Jr. Day and other holidays, but not asking to have them off.

"I feel that it's a good compromise," Sen. Mellisa Williams Paradis said.

While the 1994 resolution passed by a close vote, the current Faculty Senate President is optimistic about the holiday's passage this time.

"I would say that I think there's a large number of faculty members that really support this," said Dana Humphrey, professor of civil engineering. "On the other side, there are faculty members that

are really jealous of their class time."

Hoff suggested that instead of focusing on the amount of time students spend in class, faculty should examine the real time on task issue, such as the amount of time a student puts into their work outside the classroom walls.

"It's my view that the accomplishments of Dr. King and the ideals for which he fought are important enough for a university holiday and that we use the day to further his ideals," Humphrey said.

Proposed ways to further King's ideals include holding seminars with off-campus speakers, discussion groups with people already on campus and other events to celebrate minority culture. Humphrey said it's tough for students to attend any of these activities if they are

supposed to be in class.

Special events have been held in the past to honor the holiday. Varner said he's expecting more than 400 people at this year's second annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day breakfast. He said he hopes people will walk away from the meal with ideas to keep King's dream alive all year long.

If the senate does not pass recognition of the holiday, Varner said that sends the message that the university is not willing to "join the real world."

"It's the thing to do in 1997," he said. "I'm not saying take the day off. I'm saying take the day off and do something."

Varner said black students have been encouraged for the last three or four years to skip classes that day and instead watch films about King's life. He said as a 1957 UMaine alumni, it makes him feel good that the holiday looks like it will be adopted by the university.

"I hate to use the word force, but this is going to force us to talk to one another," Varner said.

Hoff saw the passage as an excellent start toward the goal of diversity. When he came for his interview in May, he said inevitably someone in every campus session asked him about his commitment to diversity.

"I think the time has come to ask the campus what's its commitment is," Hoff said. "The president can't do it alone."

While she supports having Martin Luther King Jr. Day off, Student Body President Jenn Nelson would also like to see President's Day, Veterans Day and Patriots Day off.

"For me it's just as important to have

all these things passed," Nelson said. She said she thought a good percentage of students would do something to celebrate the holidays if they had the days off from school. This past Veterans Day, she had wanted to go place flowers and a flag on her grandfathers grave, but couldn't because she had to be in school.

"I was very upset I couldn't go honor my grandfather who served in three wars," she said.

Humphrey said each holiday will be weighed on its own individual merits. The passage of one won't guarantee the passage of others.

"I certainly do not see the senate agreeing to a tidal wave of days off," Humphrey said.

Sen. Jerry Graffam said he brought the idea supporting Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday to the public relations committee in GSS, of which he is chair, and received a lot of negative feedback.

"A lot of people thought it was bad for the public relations committee to support students not going to classes," Graffam, who disagreed with his groups consensus, said. "It's not just because the banks are closed, it's why they're closed."

Graffam said as a public institution receiving government funds the university should recognize that the government deems the day important enough to celebrate.

"Let's face it, kids are going to skip that day anyway. They should do it for a reason," Graffam said.

The public is welcome to attend the 3:15 p.m. meeting in the Dexter Lounge, located in the Alford Arena, and voice any concerns.

Police

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smoke detectors were later found in the men's bathroom. Officers couldn't determine where the fourth detector came from.

•Sometime between 6 p.m. on Dec. 5 and 12:30 p.m. on Dec. 6, a UMaine student had a license plate stolen off of his car—for the second time.

Public Safety Tip of the Week:

License plate thefts are not a rare oc-

currence on campus, according to Public Safety Lt. Mike Zubik. This semester has seen almost a half dozen. In past years, several dozen have been reported stolen in the span of a few months. While it is rare to catch someone in action, people are bound to see other students' collections. It's no fun to have one, Zubik said, unless they can show it off. When they do, Public Safety would like to be notified.

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• Crime

Maine Ketamine thefts spur new drug-abuse debate

BOSTON (AP) — The body of 18-year-old Donald Matthews was dumped outside a shopping center in Fitchburg. He was the apparent victim of a drug overdose.

It wasn't cocaine, LSD or marijuana that police think killed Matthews, though toxicology reports were still pending. Authorities suspect he died after taking a mixture of heroin and "Special K," an animal tranquilizer that is legal in most states.

Special K, or just "K," is the street name for Ketamine hydrochloride, which can be smoked, inhaled like cocaine or dissolved in water for drinking. Fatal in high doses — one

veterinarian last month said less than a half-ounce can tranquilize a horse — the drug causes hallucinations.

Long popular in the nation's clubs, authorities fear the drug is growing more popular with adolescents. A girl who attended the same apartment party where Matthews was last seen last month ended up at a hospital.

More than a decade ago, New York City authorities said Ketamine was suspected in a rash of date-rapes. In 1991, word of the drug's popularity prompted a warning from Roman Catholic Cardinal John O'Connor of New York. But the drug is now showing up in

smaller towns like Fitchburg, a former mill town, population 35,000, some 40 miles northwest of Boston.

Across the country, Special K is a staple at "raves," all-night dance parties for teens, but authorities say they are largely powerless to control the use of the drug. In Massachusetts, no penalties exist for possession or ingestion of the drug.

Brad Bailey, director of the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs, said he first heard of Special K last summer. He is now considering a recommendation that state lawmakers restrict its use — in effect, making possession

illegal — once he learns more.

Kids aren't scoring Special K at typical drug markets, either.

In Nashua, N.H., two teen-agers were charged with 13 burglaries at veterinary clinics in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts, and police say they were part of a ring of Special K thieves.

The Maine break-ins were reported in York County, not far from the New Hampshire line. On the night of Oct. 2, 10 milliliters of Ketamine was stolen from the Homeport Veterinary Clinic in Kennebunkport, and an undisclosed amount of the drug was stolen from Wells Veterinary Hospital that same night.

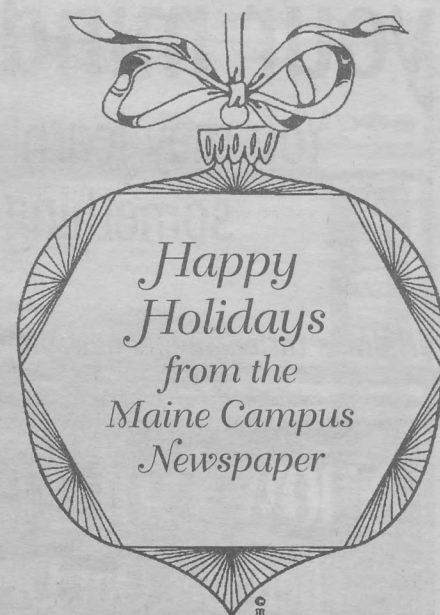
In the weeks before Matthews' death, two central Massachusetts veterinary clinics were burglarized by thieves searching for the drug.

Recently several other states have taken steps to control Special K.

Three weeks ago, Florida made Ketamine possession a felony, following similar moves made by New Jersey, Wisconsin and Illinois. Possession will become illegal in New York on Jan. 1.

Massachusetts State Police Sgt. Steve Matthews said the drug is compared a lot to PCP, or phencyclidine, the "angel dust" that acts as a stimulant and depressant.

The federal Drug Enforcement Administration has been collecting data on Ketamine since 1993, but it is not listed as a controlled substance.



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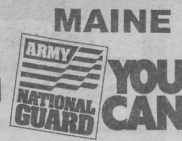
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NATIONAL NEWS

• Science

New satellite can predict storms

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Scientists have a new tool that has doubled their accuracy in predicting space storms that threaten astronauts and satellites in orbit and knock out power and communications systems on Earth.

The tool is an instrument called a coronagraph aboard the SOHO spacecraft, jointly operated by NASA and the European Space Agency. The coronagraph blocks out the bright light of the sun to allow scientists to focus on the sun's dimmer corona.

It enabled them to detect nine giant solar eruptions, called coronal mass ejections, that threw big chunks of the sun's atmosphere toward Earth between December 1996 and June 1997.

All nine eruptions of positively charged particles caused magnetic storms on Earth, reported Nancy Crooker, a space physicist from Boston University.

One of the nine storms, observed on Jan. 10, permanently knocked out a major communications satellite, Telstar 401, said Charles Goodrich, an astrophysicist with the University of Maryland.

Crooker said those solar eruptions heralded nine of the 12 storms detected at Earth during the period, a "remarkable" success rate compared with a previous method that posted a success rate of 1 in 3.

In the past, scientists derived their pre-

dictions of magnetic storms from observing solar flares.

The coronal mass ejections detected by SOHO can occur with no flares or only weak flares.

Just one of these giant eruptions is "like 100,000 Nimitz-class (aircraft) carriers steaming at 3 million knots," said Spiros Antiochos, an astrophysicist with the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington.

Researchers presented their findings Monday at the fall meeting of the American Geophysical Union here.

Also Monday, Daniel Baker, director of the Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics at the University of Colorado, said his research found that Jupiter is another source of high-energy particles, electrons dubbed "killer electrons" because they can disable spacecraft and satellites and endanger astronauts.

Baker said that although the sun dominates the flow of energetic particles to Earth — spewing both protons and electrons, Jupiter's huge magnetic field bombards Earth with electrons at times when the sun is relatively quiet. And Jupiter's electrons pack even more energy than high-energy electrons from the sun.

He said the Earth is "caught in the ebb and flow between these two competing titans of the solar system."

• Captured

Fugitive re-enters jail after 47 years

LINCOLNTON, Ga. (AP) — Nearly a half-century after he walked away from a prison work detail, 75-year-old Sam Turner has been returned to jail.

In 1951, Turner left a work camp where he was serving time for burglary and voluntary manslaughter. He had no problem blending back into society.

Turner, who has been married for 43 years, used his real name to apply for Social Security, get a driver's license and even when he was arrested for drunken driving.

Now a grandfather who uses a cane, Turner was finally caught Monday after his name popped up during a routine search for fugitives in the state's driver's license database.

When authorities knocked on the door, he was watching television in the den of his tiny house in Lincolnton — in northeast Georgia near the South Carolina line.

"Mmmm ... '51. ... I can't recall that, but ...," said Turner, who then took a cane and hobbled toward the door with his grandson at his elbow, according to The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

"We've got to do our job," said Duke Blackburn, executive assistant to Corrections Commissioner Wayne Garner. "But I hope he can go home and live out his life with his family before long."

The officers took Turner to the Augusta Correctional Medical Institute.

Turner was sentenced to three to five years for voluntary manslaughter after killing a man in an 1947 gunfight in Augusta. He was paroled in 1950, but returned to prison less than 10 months later when he was convicted of burglary and sentenced to serve five to eight more years.

Records indicate he was on a road detail when he "asked to be excused and never returned." A reward of \$25 was offered for his capture.

Metro Fugitive Squad agent Lee Blitch explained to the family how to appeal to the state parole board for his immediate release.

Board spokeswoman Scheree Lipscomb said it was not known whether Turner would be released.



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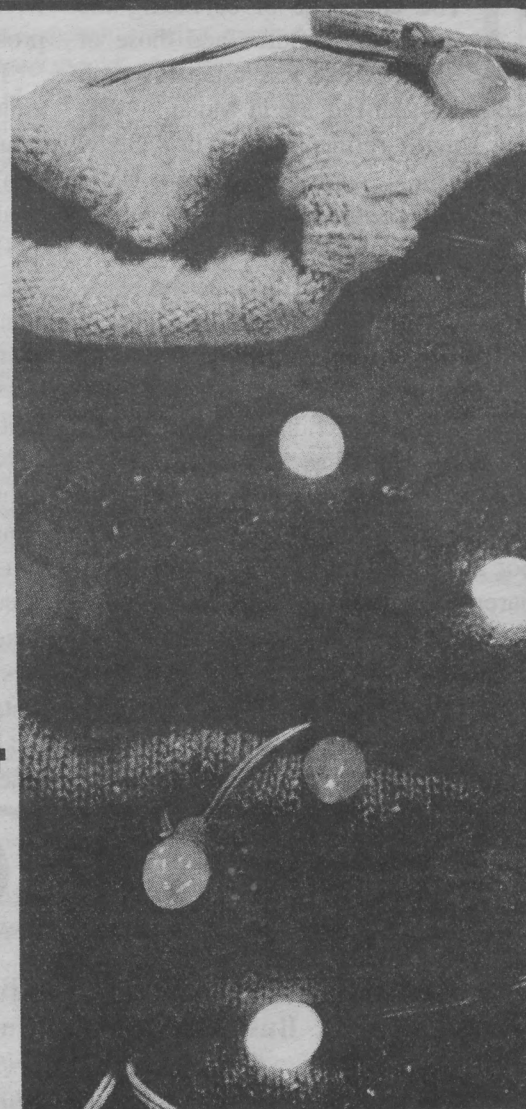
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EDITORIAL

Observing King's legacy

The faculty senate will vote today on whether the University of Maine will recognize Martin Luther King Jr. Day beginning in 1999. The senate would do well by saying "yes" to the holiday.

Opponents of recognizing the holiday say it would disrupt the academic calendar and push the end of the spring semester back a day, forcing the last day of finals to Monday. Such a minor inconvenience, however, should not preclude the campus from honoring a leader of the civil rights movement.

Opponents also say few students would use the holiday to participate in activities. This argument is weak, though. Nobody complains about having no classes on Memorial Day, Independence Day or Labor Day. It's doubtful many people do anything special to observe these equally important holidays.

In 1994, the faculty senate approved by a slim margin a measure that pledged support for the ideals for which King

stood. The move didn't go far enough, however, and was little more than posturing. Without a day off, it's too easy for students, faculty and staff to forget the civil rights movement. If anything, the holiday is similar to a moment of silence, a day to reflect on advances Americans have made in securing civil rights for all. Too often we take civil rights for granted, not realizing the advances King's movement made for people of all races and both genders.

As President Peter Hoff has said, recognizing the holiday is long overdue, a sentiment shared by Faculty senate President Humphrey: "It's my view that the accomplishments of Dr. King and the ideals for which he fought are important enough for a university holiday."

Currently, UMaine and the University of Maine at Fort Kent are the only campuses in the University of Maine System that don't recognize the holiday. It's about time we join the other campuses.

Balancing family rights

The challenge of balancing the rights of children and those of their parents was tested this week when 15-year-old Ingrid Mutan – who has sought refuge at Bangor's Shaw House since running away from home last May – continues to refuse to see her father.

Michael Rutan has blamed the Shaw House in his failed attempts to make contact with his daughter.

Claiming it is an escape route for a kid to turn to, Michael Rutan views the Shaw House as a place where it's apparent inhabitants aren't monitored enough. The shelter maintains it cannot force children to meet with their parents or even attempt to act as a mediator where a settlement could be reached.

Although Shaw House has been criticized for not taking appropriate measures to ensure possible reunions be-

tween children and their parents, the problem rests within the law.

The current law in Maine states that children 16 years of age or older who refuse to live with their parents can petition the District Court to grant them rights of an adult.

However, children as young as 14 can seek or deny medical treatment, which essentially is a form of separation from their parents. Runaways cannot be forced home, nor can they be forced to accept a new shelter elsewhere.

New laws are needed to protect the rights of parents and children while also bringing them together to work out problems. There is a bill in the Legislature, titled Children In Need of Services and State Supervision, that could enable families and state agencies to place children in stable homes. Children who are homeless are a growing problem, and it is time to enact new laws to address them.

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Bill Day

The Balloon
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• Letters

• Commencement speakers are of high caliber

To the Editor:

I read with some bemusement in the Dec. 5 *Maine Campus* the assertion that the University of Maine asks "politicians" to speak at commencement "because they will speak for free."

The honor of being a commencement speaker is one of the highest compliments we can pay to someone who is a friend of the university, a scholar public figure or statesman of considerable reputation. Any university would be fortunate to have commencement speakers like Sen. Olympia Snowe or Secretary of Defense William Cohen, who have spoken at recent UMaine commencements.

Likewise, Chancellor Terrence MacTaggart, who will speak at the Dec. 13 commencement, is an academic leader with a considerable national reputation and would be in high demand as a commencement speaker across the country.

We are honored to have commencement speakers of this caliber. That they would agree to sacrifice precious time to be with us, and that they would do so without asking for a fee, is further testimony to the high regard they hold for this university.

I hope everyone from the campus community will be as generous as our speakers and take the time to attend the ceremony. It is our moment to celebrate the achievement of graduates who have attained their educational objectives and to honor a distinguished leader.

Peter S. Hoff
President

• Religion column lacks facts

To the Editor:

I am briefly writing in response to a statement made in the Dec. 5 column "Suppressing minorities with religion," for brevity is the most it deserves.

Hillary Montgomery made the statement: "... students involved in Christ-loving organizations are worse perpetrators of enforcing gender roles than fraternities and sororities."

I am not going to match my own facts, statistics, quotes from professionals or personal experiences to refute hers, because she obviously has none. Research is an integral part of journalism because it gives

credence to your argument. In resorting to an ignorant statement such as this, Montgomery is eliminating her credibility as a writer and weakening any valid points she may or may not have made.

The column spoke on the submission of women, when, in essence, this woman was submitting herself to stereotypes.

Megan Campbell
President, Pi Beta Phi

• What a Promise Keeper is

To the Editor:

What is a Promise Keeper? What do they stand for? There seems to be some confusion about Promise Keepers. It's been said they are a radical Christian group whose goal is male supremacy.

The commitment of a man to seven promises is what makes him a member of this group. A Promise Keeper is committed to honoring Jesus Christ; pursuing vital relationships with a few other men; spiritual, moral, ethical, and sexual purity; building a strong marriage and family; supporting the mission of his church; reaching beyond racial or church denominational barriers; and influencing his world.

Which aspect of being a Promise Keeper breeds male supremacy? If any man thinks having relationships with other guys, sexual purity, strong marriage and family values is stupid, he should be ashamed of himself. Would any guys have a problem with a woman who made these commitments? Has society gone so far down the tubes that a person is looked down upon if he makes a commitment to improve himself and try to better himself as a husband and a father?

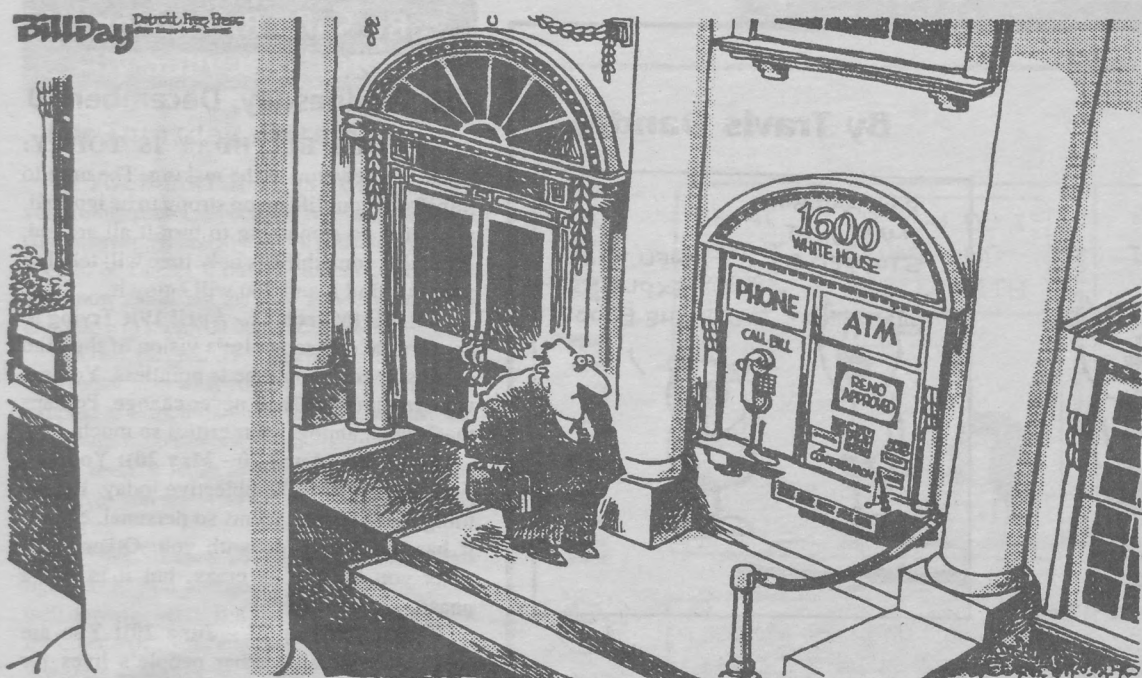
Men should love their wives so much that they would be willing to die for them. In the same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. A man who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one hates his own body, but he feeds and cares for it.

Ladies, if your husband is willing to put you first, die for you, love you as himself, and keep you from any "stain" or "blemish," is it unreasonable for the Bible to require that "the wife must respect her husband"?

If your husband truly loves you and respects you, he won't ask anything of you that he wouldn't do himself.

Jennifer Mathews
Hancock Hall

Op/ED



• Letters

• God loves all people

To the Editor:

When people reject Christianity and the ideas the Bible stands for, they are not rejecting Christians, they are rejecting God. As far as homosexuality is concerned, there is not much Biblical interpretation needed. God loves everyone. Christ died for all of us. It's not the person he dislikes, it's the behavior. Homosexuality isn't looked upon any more harshly than stealing or being greedy or being a drunkard.

We often think of God the way we think of our parents; "they just don't understand me or what I'm going through." God (like your parents) isn't trying to stifle your individuality and creativity, he's just trying to keep us safe. He doesn't want to see us get hurt.

When one person knows that another person is a member of a group, he or she judges the whole group by how this person behaves. We all do it. Before we pass judgment we should know the whole story of what people stand for. What God dislikes are people's lifestyles. Christians, like all people, aren't perfect.

Christians should want to take the same view point as God. Some people are poor representatives of the Christian faith. One bad apple spoils it for the whole bunch. I have little tolerance for people who encourage stamping out "sinners" and "evil-doers." People attacking others like that aren't coming from a Christian standpoint. If you want to know what a Christian stands for, don't take somebody's word for it, look in

the Bible and see for yourself. If they're not trying to do those things that the Bible promotes, then they're not being representative of God and other Christians and they should be told so.

Josh Mathews
Hancock Hall

• Holiday season a time to reflect

To the Editor:

Are you stressed out yet with tests, projects, presentations and all the Christmas hoo-la? Do you remember when we were kids and we used to love this time of year, when it was just a time to have fun? Wouldn't it be nice to go back and be a kid again, just for two weeks, so we could have no worries and could enjoy an old-fashioned Christmas with all of the relatives?

Christmas feels different now. Perhaps it's because we have too much stress in our lives to really sit down and be thankful for what we have and not worry about what we don't have. Maybe it's because we miss the people we don't have in our lives anymore. But is Christmas only for kids?

Too many of us see this time of year and feel sorry for ourselves for what we didn't do, what we don't have or what we have never had before. Well, life happens; hurry up and get it over because you never know what is coming tomorrow. So, enjoy life today; yesterday is gone; tomorrow may never come.

Bill Picard
DTAV

• Frosty the snowMAN...

To the Editor,

Upon returning from a leadership conference in Spoonbury, Mass., Sunday, we encountered a sight so lewd and distasteful that as a group we felt something needed to be done.

This horrific structure that left us all gasping for breath was a giant snow penis standing over 6 feet tall and possessing every attribute of the typical male genitalia (except, of course, for the size).

On Main Street, this phallic nightmare is in plain view of every drunken college student trying to make his or her way home each night. Aside from the sheer difficulty of finding their way home in such an altered state, these students must now cope with the sight of a giant snow penis reminding them of their inability to "score" a member of the opposite sex during the evening's festivities.

In addition to the college students, the younger scholars of the great town of Orono also must be considered. We're sure that by press time more than one of Orono's youngsters has mistaken the penis for a recreational snow jungle gym, climbing all over it as if it was put there for their enjoyment. We don't need to tell you how it must look to outsiders to drive into town and see Orono's youths playing on top of a giant snow penis.

In conclusion, we ask the erec-tors (if you will) of the penis to kindly remove the statue from their lawn for the sake of all students in the area. While we don't challenge the artistic value of it, the giant snow penis is more properly suited to the back yard, where it can be enjoyed in private.

Scott Kriss, Ben Greene,
Jonathan Gaetzi, Bob Swanson

Correction

Public Safety summoned Jessica Anderson, 19, for possession of stolen property, not for theft, as reported in Friday's edition.

Marijuana advocates test people's faith in democracy

They're in front of the Memorial Union and the library. They're even in downtown Orono. You can't seem to avoid them, no matter where you go.

They're trying to collect enough signatures to put the medicinal use of marijuana on next year's ballot. Like it or not, it is their right to do so. Putting this issue on the ballot would give Mainers the opportunity to decide on it, bypassing the politicians in Augusta. As far as the marijuana people are concerned, politicians haven't been very helpful.

Maybe you don't agree with

standing, banding together to do something about it. They've taken matters into their own hands. Our country could use more people like that. It's exactly what our country's founders had in mind: a free exchange of ideas, through which a policy may be changed.

Let's not forget that the petition process is only the beginning. Once the group accumulates enough signatures, it must try to secure enough of the popular vote to have its position adopted as law. Maybe you're afraid it will be. Once it's on the



By Derek Rice

what they're trying to accomplish. Maybe you think marijuana should be illegal in all cases. Maybe you think the people behind the movement aren't being altogether honest. For whatever reason, maybe you choose not to sign their petition. After all, it is your right.

What some fail to realize is that signing the petition, or anyone's for that matter, is not an endorsement of their cause. It is an endorsement of democracy, plain and simple.

This particular movement may be driven by ulterior motives. The rationale is that once marijuana is legal for medicinal purposes, it is just a hop, skip and jump away from blanket legalization. Like a door-to-door salesman who puts his foot on your threshold to keep you from closing the door in his face, these people may be trying to get their foot in the door of the legalization process.

To that end, think of morphine, which is used medicinally but is illegal for other uses. Granted, people abuse morphine, even become addicted, but you know what, that's not the issue at this point. This is something Mainers will have to debate between now and November, assuming opponents can coordinate their efforts as well as the petitioners have. What matters now is whether the marijuana people have the right to have their issue decided by Maine residents. Anything else is superfluous.

These people with their cardboard clipboards and petitions are an example of democracy in action. Government of the people, by the people for the people. Here is a group of people who share a common belief, popularity notwith-

stand, anything can happen. Californians passed such a law this year. So in choosing not to sign the petition, you feel you're doing your part to keep medicinal marijuana off the ballot, thereby ensuring it will not pass.

If you think marijuana, in any capacity, is a bad thing, mobilize your troops and fight back. The only statement you make by refusing to sign the petition is that you hold your personal beliefs above your belief in the democratic process. You don't believe in the cause behind the petition, so you'd rather supersede the petitioners' right than give them a chance to make their case to Mainers.

You know what they call it when unpopular opinions are suppressed? When people are not allowed to petition their government? They call that communism. Just ask Chinese dissident Harry Wu about the conditions in his country. You may find that you like it a lot better than your own.

These people are not asking you to pull a Don Christen and light up on the union steps. All they're asking you to do is to take a few seconds to sign your name and say, "I may not agree with your position, but damn it, I do support democracy."

Sometimes the petitioners are rude to people who won't sign. Their frustration is understandable. Imagine if you were asking someone to take a minute to support your rights and they refused. Rudeness to potential signers is inexcusable, but the underlying frustration is understandable.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Wednesday, December 10

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: There's a new you in the making. The urge to transform your life is too strong to be ignored; you must do something to turn it all around. What that something is only time will tell, but you will find it and you will enjoy it.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): Trying to conform to someone else's vision of the kind of person you should be is pointless. You are who you are; you will never change. Perhaps that's what annoys your critics so much.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): You will find it difficult to be objective today. Everything that happens seems so personal, even if it has nothing to do with you. Others may think you have gone crazy, but it is just a phase.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): You are good at organizing other people's lives for them but not so good at organizing your own. Today, however, you will get it right on every level. You won't always be this efficient, so make the most of it to catch up on those little things you have been avoiding.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Although Cancer is an ambitious sign, you worry that you aren't good enough to compete at the highest level. This has nothing to do with ability and everything to do with confidence. Take a look at some of the people who have made it to the top; if they can do it, you certainly can.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): If you have been thinking about traveling abroad or doing something that takes you into areas you have never explored, now is the time to get serious about it. Planetary activity will point your feet in the right direction and guide you. Make it a giant step.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): How you start the day will set the scene for the next six days. Start it in a positive frame of mind, and you will end it having achieved most of your aims. Finances are obviously a sore point at the moment, but in the greater scheme of things they don't mean a thing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): Choose one approach and stick to it today. Either ignore what others say entirely or accept their advice and follow it to the letter. If you mix 'n' match your options, the outcome will be confused, maybe dangerous. If you make up your mind quickly, you may not be popular but you will get results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): If you haven't yet made a plan for the week ahead, do so now. Better still, make one for the remainder of the month, setting yourself targets that are difficult but not impossible. If you take each day as it comes, you may find each day goes quicker than you expected.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): There is a point in advising you to be cautious today. The more anyone tells you to take it easy, the more you will do the opposite. And why shouldn't you? Excitement and adventure are your friends, and friends should be indulged.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): You thrive on pressure. The harder you are pushed, the better you respond and the more you achieve — and that certainly seems to be the pattern you have settled into over the past few days. Now, however, you need a rest.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Something old can be made to look like something new today — it all depends on how cleverly you dress it up. Of course, this is hardly the most honest approach you could adopt but, to be blunt, honesty does not come into it. Others are ready to buy the illusion if you are ready to create it.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): If you search in the same old places, you will find the same old things. If you ask the same old questions, you will get the same old answers. You need to adopt a more adventurous approach if you are to get the breakthrough you have been dreaming about. You also need to lose your fear of failure.

Mr. GNU



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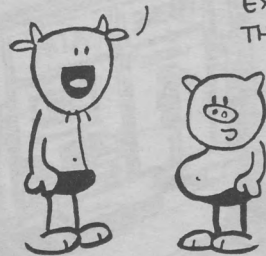


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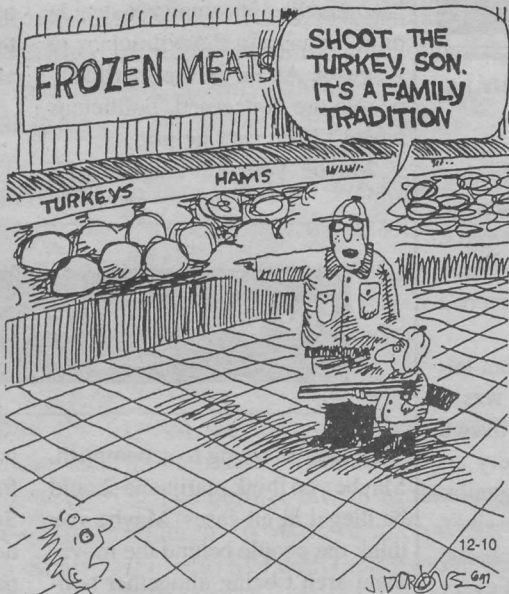
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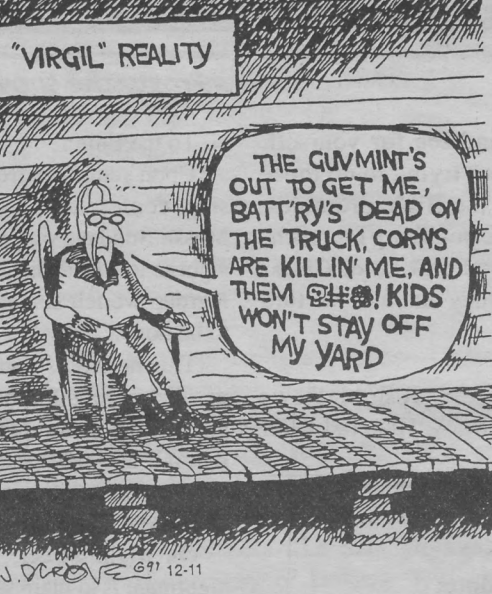
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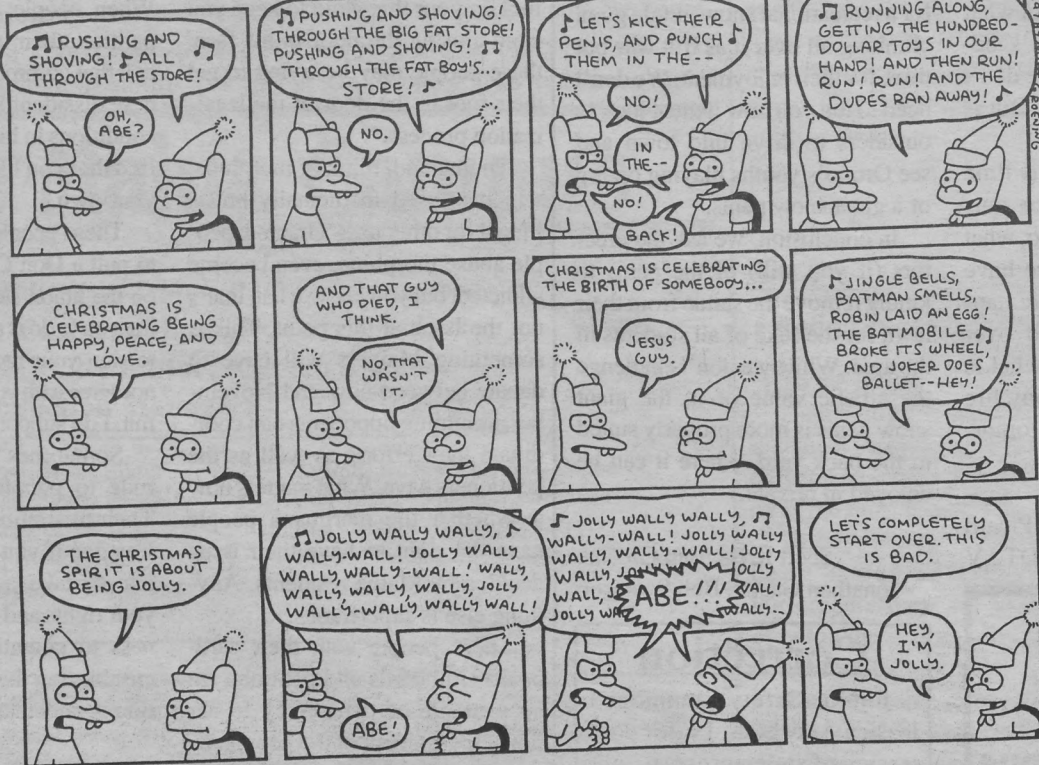
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Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Thursday, December 11

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Mars, your ruling planet, aspects the Sun on your birthday this year. Although this is a positive sign, you need to be careful. You may feel invincible, but you know that is not the case. Moderation in everything will keep you out of trouble.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): If you feel tired today, stop what you are doing. You may be tempted to work through the fatigue, but that will only make matters worse. Your body is telling you that it needs a break — not more of the same. Whatever you are involved in, it can wait if you want it to.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): "If it feels right, do it" is a philosophy that has served you well down the years. But you don't always apply it the other way round and have been known to get involved in things you instinctively know are wrong. Your motto today should be: "If it doesn't feel right, run a mile!"

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Does it feel as if you are washing windows on the side of a high rise? Does the thought that you could slip and fall off at any moment excite you or alarm you? It probably does both, but, today it might be wise to wear a safety harness — just in case.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Planetary activity makes you assertive, even aggressive. Other aspects make you impatient of those who move slower than you. Can you see an accident looming? It may not be an accident of the physical kind, but it could still prove disastrous. Slow down; you've got nothing to prove.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): There is something you want to do that will cost you more than you know you can afford. Should you do it anyway and put yourself in debt? or should you resist temptation and make yourself miserable? Think about it for a couple of seconds, then do what makes you happy. Money isn't everything.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): Don't worry too much if someone keeps telling you that your dreams are too grand for someone of your modest means and station. It suggests that that person believes you might actually make it. And if that person believes you can make it, you must believe it too. You must realize how close you are to your goal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): If yesterday's planetary activity coincided with an emotional problem, you probably woke up this morning with the feeling that you don't want to face the world. If you carry that attitude throughout the day, the world won't want to face you either. Lighten up, it's a passing phase.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): If you find that the harder you work at something the more difficult it becomes today, then give up on it for a few hours until you are more in the mood. Do what you enjoy doing first and do the rest later — it will work better that way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): There is a right way and a wrong way to get something done today. The right way is to be patient and let things develop at their natural pace. The wrong way is to force the issue and cause more problems than you solve. It's results that count — looking good means nothing.

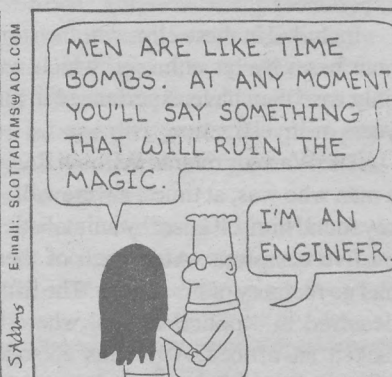
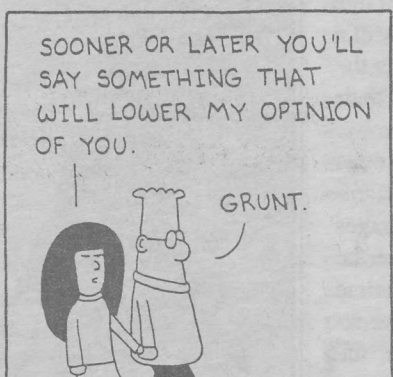
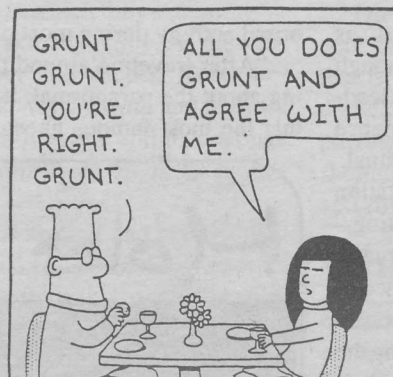
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): There is so much you want to do, so many dreams you want to come true, that you are constantly watching the clock and worrying that time is running out. You're wrong, it isn't — it just seems that way because nothing is going right at the moment. Give it time: There is plenty to spare.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Fate has a strange way of balancing things out. If we get overconfident, a setback will bring us down to earth. If it all gets to be too much, we get a lucky break. Whichever one of these extremes applies to you today, fate will step in and redress the balance.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): If you take out your frustrations on those who don't deserve it today, you must expect to get it back — with interest. Planetary activity warns you not to take anyone for granted. The people you least expect to defend themselves are the people you most need to fear.

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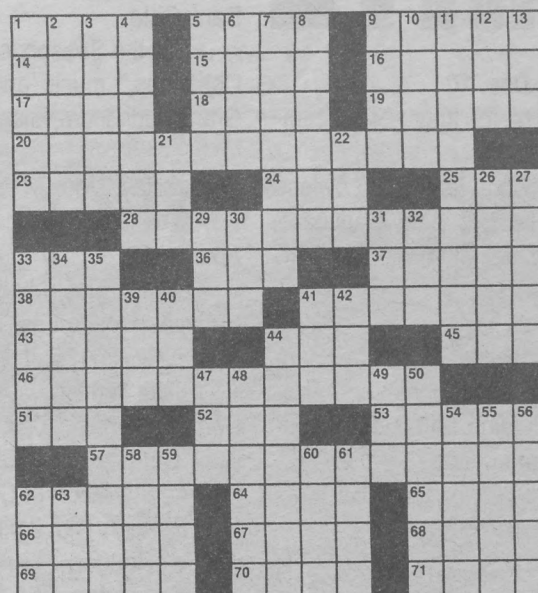
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- 5 Tibetan monk
- 9 Snack chip
- 14 Prefix with dynamic
- 15 Pastoral poem
- 16 "Not you —!"
- 17 Expressway access
- 18 Big bag
- 19 Saltine brand
- 20 Attractions near the Nile
- 23 Doorway
- 24 Elderly
- 25 Orthodoxist's org.
- 28 Sights around road repairs
- 33 "Quiet!"
- 36 Fishing equipment

- 37 — Ababa
- 38 Rural outing
- 41 Fine gold and enamelware
- 43 Viper
- 44 Swiss peak
- 45 Question's opposite: Abbr.
- 46 1, 8, 27, 64, etc.
- 51 That: Sp.
- 52 It's 21% oxygen
- 53 Stallone title role
- 57 Components of some auto engines
- 62 Screen symbols
- 64 Grand Dragon's group
- 65 Barely passing grades
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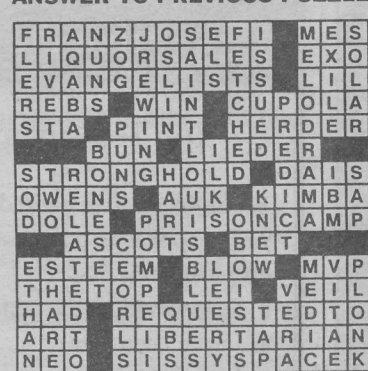
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- 5 Have trouble with esses
- 6 "An apple —"
- 7 Sherlock Holmes's brother
- 8 Acid neutralizer
- 9 "Schindler's List" villain
- 10 Elderly
- 11 Prophetess of Greek myth
- 12 Strike
- 13 "Put — Happy Face"
- 21 Scandinavian war god
- 22 1600, to Cato
- 26 Condescend
- 27 Biblical beasts of burden
- 29 Common conjunction
- 30 Finder's —
- 31 Taxi



Puzzle by Randy Sowell

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- 32 "— to the West Wind"
- 33 Mold
- 34 Devil's domain
- 35 Swift watercraft
- 39 Third man in the ring
- 40 Anger
- 41 Winter bug
- 42 Police alert, for short
- 44 Kind of paint
- 47 Convertible or coupe, e.g.
- 48 Amuse
- 49 White-tailed eagle
- 50 Iraq's Hussein
- 54 Reagan Attorney General Edwin
- 55 Royals great George
- 56 Actor Davis
- 58 "This one's —"
- 59 Applies
- 60 Whip
- 61 "What's gotten — you?"
- 62 German "I"
- 63 — Magnon

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Style and the Arts

• Guest Lecture Series

Ghost hunters frighten UMaine audience

By Derek Rice
Maine Campus staff

For the second year in a row, Ed and Lorraine Warren, America's top ghost hunters, enthralled a packed-house audience at the University of Maine.

The couple was scheduled to speak earlier in the semester, but couldn't because Ed had the flu. Lorraine made a point of apologizing for their postponement.

"You wouldn't have wanted Ed in that condition," she said. "I wanted to throw him out of the house."

The couple has investigated the realm of the supernatural throughout the United States, Europe and Australia for almost 50 years.

Hutchins Concert Hall was almost full to capacity for the presentation, sponsored by Guest Lecture Series.

Amateur investigators and skeptics should be careful, Lorraine said, because once you invite an evil spirit into your life, it is difficult, sometimes impossible, to get them out.

"Once you've started things all these things happening, it's going to wait until you're most vulnerable to attack you," she said. "You have to be super careful when you open these doors."

The Warrens describe their work as mostly spiritual. Once they gather enough evidence, they turn it over to religious leaders. Lorraine said they do respect science and scientists, but remain mostly spiritual.

The Warrens began their presentation with clips from the movie "The Haunting," which Lorraine said was the most accurate representation, in film, of the experience of being in a haunted house. This was followed with clips from news programs featuring the Warrens and a TV show based on their experiences.

Included in these clips was the story of a man beset by lycanthropy, which was the only case they have experienced in all their years of investigation.

The Warrens refer to William Ramsey as a man who was, at times, a werewolf. Ramsey found himself beset by animalistic rages on five occasions. After each of these, he had no memory of his actions. The fifth time occurred in a police station, where he attacked an officer. After this episode, the Warrens had him exorcised. For eight years, he has had no attacks of lycanthropy.

The Warrens' pride and joy in their work is the White Lady of Union Cemetery, which is less than three miles from their home in Connecticut. Union Graveyard was founded in 1760 and has been a source for paran-

ormal activity during most of that time.

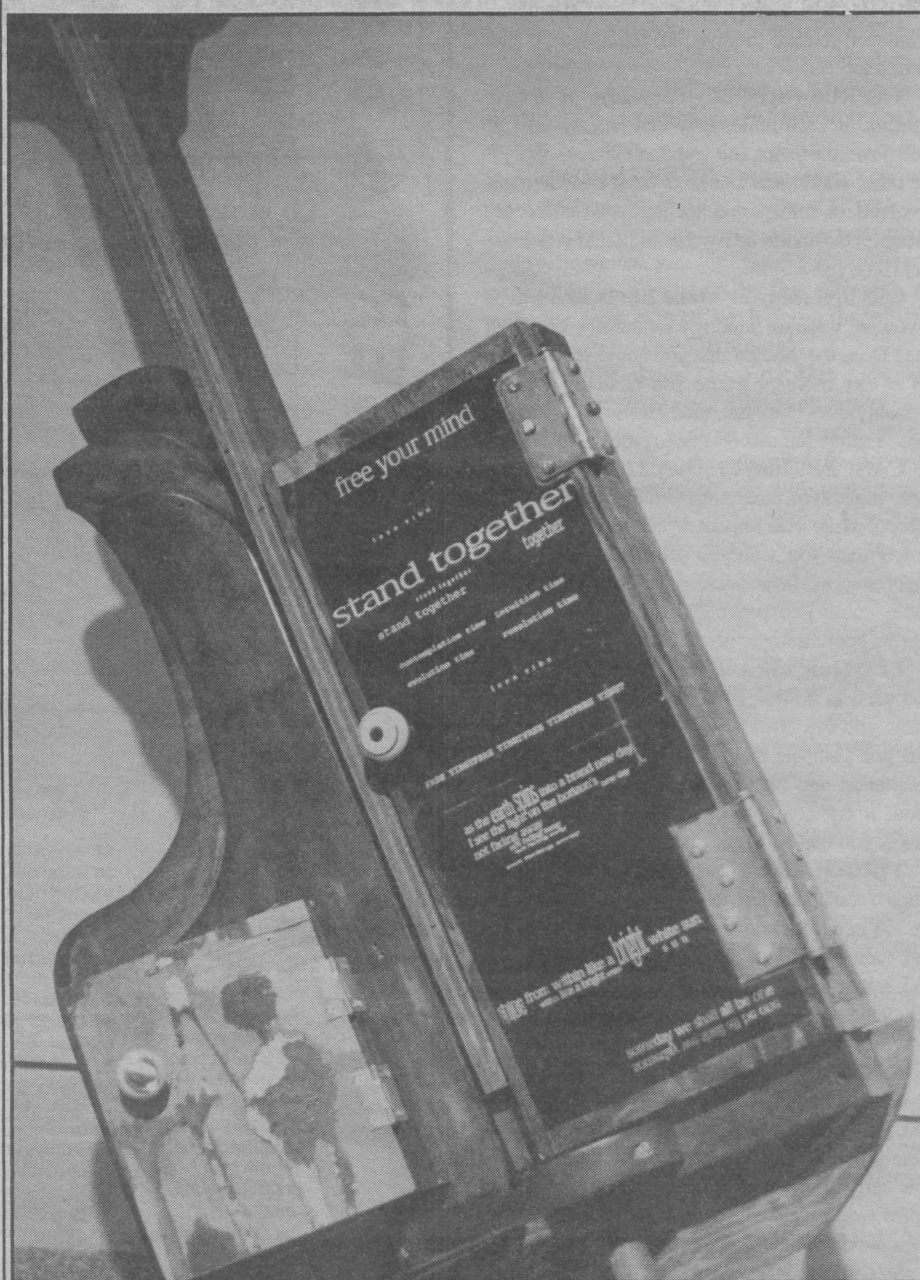
"After traveling around the world talking about the paranormal, it is remarkable that the most famous ghost in America is

three miles from our home," Lorraine said.

The Warrens presented photographic

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Hole in the wall



"Yauch" by Matt Charland is part of the Student Art League's show in the Hole in the wall Gallery. The show will hang through Dec. 12. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

WHAT'S

Wednesday, Dec. 10

• Open forum on the future of the campus Web, 2 p.m., Bangor Lounge.

• Western double feature, "Lawless Frontier" and "The Old Barn Dance," 7 p.m., Left Bank Cafe, Blue Hill. Call 374-2201 for information.

Thursday, Dec. 11

• "Seasonal Affective Disorder" by Sandra Sigmon, part of the Employee Assistance Program Brown Bag Luncheon Series, noon, Bangor Lounge.

• Mona Perkins performance, 6:30 p.m., Left Bank Cafe, Blue Hill.

Friday, Dec. 12

• "Investigating in Timberlands," Forestry Noontime Seminar Series, noon, 204 Nutting Hall.

• Yuletide concert, featuring the University Singers and Oratorio Society, 7:30 p.m., Maine Center for the Arts.

• Maine Masque play "The Cherry Orchard," 7:30 p.m., Hauck Auditorium.

• Performance by Gordon Bok, 8 p.m., Left Bank Cafe.

Saturday, Dec. 13

• Third annual Maine Indian basket-making sale and demonstration, including traditional foods, storytelling, music and demonstrations, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Maine Center for the Arts.

• "The Cherry Orchard," 7:30 p.m.,

Hauck Auditorium.

• Ruby, Bobbi and Friends, 8 p.m., Left Bank Cafe.

• "Tis the Season: a Downtown Family Christmas," music and theater, 7 p.m., Grand Auditorium, Ellsworth. Call 667-9500 for information.

Sunday, Dec. 14

• "The Cherry Orchard," 2 p.m., Hauck Auditorium.

• Crystal Gayle holiday show, 7 p.m., Hutchins Concert Hall. Call 1-800-MCA TIXX OR 581-1755 for more information.

• Jazz brunch with Henry Elliott and Don Carmichael, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Left Bank Cafe.

• An afternoon of Christmas spirit with Paul Sullivan Trio, 3 p.m., Sea Dog Brewing Co., Bangor.

Wednesday, Dec. 15

• "It's a Wonderful Life," 7 p.m., Left Bank Cafe.

• "A Christmas Carol" presented by the Penobscot Theatre Company at the Bangor Opera House. Performances will be 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday through Dec. 23. For tickets or information, call 942-3333.

Thursday, Dec. 18

• Performance by Katrina Devito, 6:30 p.m., Left Bank Cafe.

Friday, Dec. 19

• Performance by David Mallett, 8 p.m., Left Bank Cafe.

• Finals week ends.

HAPPETITIC

From the home office at Beta Theta Pi

Top Ten signs that Christmas came early this year

- 10) Shibles hall is decked out in red and green.
- 9) The bookstore puts up a sign that reads, "Happy Birthday, Jesus, up to 1 percent off most items."
- 8) In preparation, the commons have been serving red and green food for as long as I have been here.
- 7) Josh Cobb has been doing his best Grinch impersonation.
- 6) Sex Matters has been having quite a influx of questions involving tinsel.
- 5) Instead of throwing out old Mr. Gnu comics, you have been saving them to wrap extra crappy presents.
- 4) Your roommate gets thrown in detox for egg nog abuse
- 3) Public Safety hasn't been ticketing as much. (It's either the Christmas spirit or the fact that it's cold out.)
- 2) Rick Rinaldo is finally getting "the ol' Sheep Skin."
- 1) He's graduating, too.

By: Eric Simonds

• In theaters

Star power can't save lethargic 'Midnight'

By Scott McKenna
Maine Campus staff

Author John Berendt and Oscar-winning director Clint Eastwood team up to make the eye-popping, flamboyant but sometimes choppy and uneven screen adaptation of the best-selling novel "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil."

The film is a cinematographer's dream. Its lavish sets make it stand out as a visual masterpiece that captures the essence of the South in grand fashion. The only problem is in the end "Midnight" leaves the audience with a feeling of disorder and lack of fulfillment, which cannot be eclipsed by its visual beauty.

The film has major star power in John Cusack, Kevin Spacey and a screen legend, Eastwood, directing the film, but not even this trio can hold together this cluster of film that unnecessarily rolls on for almost three hours before leaving the audience unsatisfied with its final revelations.

Cusack plays John Kelso, a young writer sent to Savannah to cover a Christmas party thrown by elite citizen Jim Williams (Spacey). Williams is an antiques dealer, collector and restoration specialist who is admired in the community for throwing the best party of the year.

Kelso's task seems pretty simple: Write a 500-word essay on the extravagant party and then head back to New York, where he can get on with his normal life.

Before Kelso realizes what has happened, he is knee-deep in murder, gossip, sex, voodoo and other assorted hobbies the townspeople of Savannah enjoy engaging in. Williams' lavish lifestyle is turned upside down when he is accused of murdering his bisexual lover in an argument. Williams claims it was self-defense. In turn, Kelso sees a major breaking story that could get his stumbling journalism career back on track.

Because Kelso is an innocent outsider

with no biases and is also a partial witness, Williams looks to him for help in proving his innocence. Most of the townspeople relate to the murder as some good old southern gossip in which they can immerse themselves and actually enjoy. As the situation gets deeper and deeper, Kelso becomes obsessed with the truth and realizes that the southern lifestyle and its dealings are much different from anything he has ever seen.

"Midnight" is carried and pretty much propelled by its lush surroundings and the strength of its flamboyant and colorful characters. It makes the South look like something that could only exist in "The Twilight Zone." The problem is, once the film starts delving heavily into its supporting cast and exploring their strange surroundings it almost forgets that there is still a story to be told.

In a scene-stealing role the Lady Chablis, played by herself, brings some much-needed comic relief to the film's serious undertones. Lady Chablis is an eccentric, over-the-top cross-dressing witness who may hold the answers to some key evidence in the trial. Lady Chablis seemingly turns up just in time, as the film is beginning to drag and is in need of a little pick-up.

Adding more life to the cast are some locals who enjoy walking imaginary pets, have fleas as pets, and like to get drunk and show off their firearms at parties. Rounding out the supporting cast is Eastwood's daughter Alison, who is featured as Cusack's love interest and liaison for better understanding and dealing with the eccentric Savannah culture. Alison Eastwood proves she is no victim of nepotism by playing her character with warmth and charm, something most Savannah residents seriously lack.

Cusack adds strength and credibility to the outsider role, who is trying to fit in amid the confusion and desperately trying to understand what exactly he has gotten himself

involved in. One minute he finds himself traipsing around a cemetery with a voodoo priestess and the next he is parading around the city morgue looking for answers.

On the other hand, Spacey is the calm, cool southerner with a low-key approach that accentuates from his classic southern drawl. Spacey has become synonymous with playing strange characters and there is no shortage of it here. There is something sneaky and mysterious about Spacey that usually

ends up making his characters more interesting than the rest, but in Savannah, Spacey's strangeness lets him fit in just perfectly.

"Midnight" does not cast the wicked spell that Eastwood and Berendt had hoped for, but it does give the audience some eye candy to chew on and also introduces some of the strangest and flamboyant characters ever to appear on screen, making the film enjoyable to digest.

Ghosts

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evidence of their findings in a slide show portion of their lecture. The photographs, Ed said, have all been analyzed by experts from the Kodak corporation for validity.

They also presented audiotapes of spirits, recorded in England, which featured the voices of "The Parrot Lady" and Tom and Freddie. Ed said they were evil spirits posing as good spirits trying to gain a window into the mortal world.

Ed Warren said he and his wife have proven in a court of law that paranormal events do exist. He said they were the first people ever to do so and set legal precedent.

"If I can prove it in a court of law in the United States, that should be good enough for anyone," he said.

Ed also had advice for those who are buying new homes. Buyers should trust their instincts when they first enter the home.

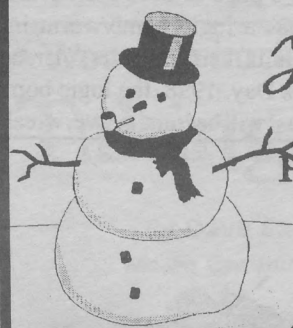
"If you have an uneasy feeling, don't buy it," he said.

Ed talked about 3 a.m. as the devil's hour, and issued a challenge to any skeptics in the audience.

"Dangle your leg off the bed at three in the morning and let me know what happens," he said. "Even I don't do that."

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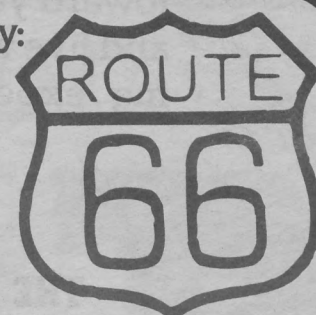
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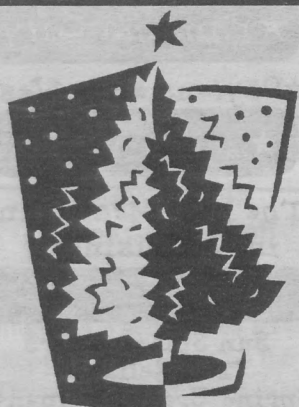
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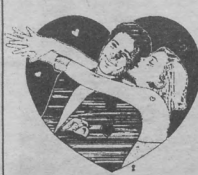
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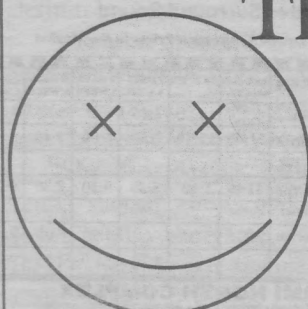
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• Drug war

Judge hopes jail time will help actor

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — A judge who said he was running out of ways to rehabilitate Robert Downey Jr. tried one more approach — jail time.

Municipal Judge Lawrence Mira in the past avoided giving the Oscar-nominated actor jail time after a string of drug arrests and second chances. Mira had even altered the actor's probation schedule so Downey could keep making movies.

But Monday, he ordered Downey handcuffed and led to six months of jail.

"I am running out of ways to rehabilitate you," Mira said. "I'm going to incarcerate you, and I'm going to incarcerate you in a way that's very unpleasant for you."

"I don't care who you are. What I care about is that there is a life to be saved from drugs," the judge said.

Downey, 32, cried as he described a life of battling drugs since he was 8, then said he doesn't know why he can't live free of drugs.

"I have no excuses. I find myself defenseless," he said.

Downey, who received an Academy Award nomination for his starring role in the 1992 film "Chaplin," had been sentenced last year to three years' probation after pleading no contest to drug and weapons charges. He spent about three months in a live-in rehabilitation program.

The probation was revoked Oct. 17, when his drug counselor told authorities

that the 32-year-old Downey had used drugs and alcohol in September. The judge could have given Downey to up to three years in prison or allowed him to remain free in a rehab program.

Despite his legal problems, Downey's movie career had been thriving. His film "One Night Stand" came out last month, and he has two movies coming out in January: "The Gingerbread Man" and "Two Girls and a Guy."

He just finished filming "U.S. Marshals," a sequel to "The Fugitive," and was about to start work on "Blue Vision" with Annette Bening.

Downey's problems began in 1996 when police stopped him for speeding and found crack, powdered cocaine, heroin and a pistol in his pickup truck. A month later, he wandered into a neighbor's home and passed out on a child's bed. Three days later, he was arrested for leaving a

recovery center.

Mira had altered the actor's probation last June so that he could make a movie. Mira agreed to postpone any jail time Downey might receive if he had a relapse during the making of "U.S. Marshals." Producers feared an arrest would disrupt the production.

Downey's other movies include "Less Than Zero," "Restoration" and "Natural Born Killers."

• Internet

Hackers threaten Yahoo! with virus

NEW YORK (AP) — Hackers broke into Yahoo!, the Internet's most popular site, demanding the release of an imprisoned comrade and threatening to unleash a crippling computer virus if he is not freed.

Computer security experts were skeptical of the hackers' claim that they had implanted such a virus.

The hackers, calling themselves PANTS/HAGIS, got into Yahoo!'s World Wide Web site at about 10 p.m. Monday, leaving a digital ransom note.

"For the past month, anyone who has viewed Yahoo's page & used their search engine, now has a logic bomb/worm implanted deep within their computer," it read. "On Christmas Day, 1998, the logic bomb part of this 'virus' will become active, wreak-

ing havoc upon the entire planet's networks.

"The virus can be stopped. But not by mortals."

The note said an "antidote" program will be made available if hacker Kevin Mitnick is released. Mitnick was indicted last year on charges involving a multimillion-dollar crime wave in cyberspace.

Diane Hunt, a spokeswoman for the company, said the message was up for only 10 to 15 minutes and a few thousand people saw it.

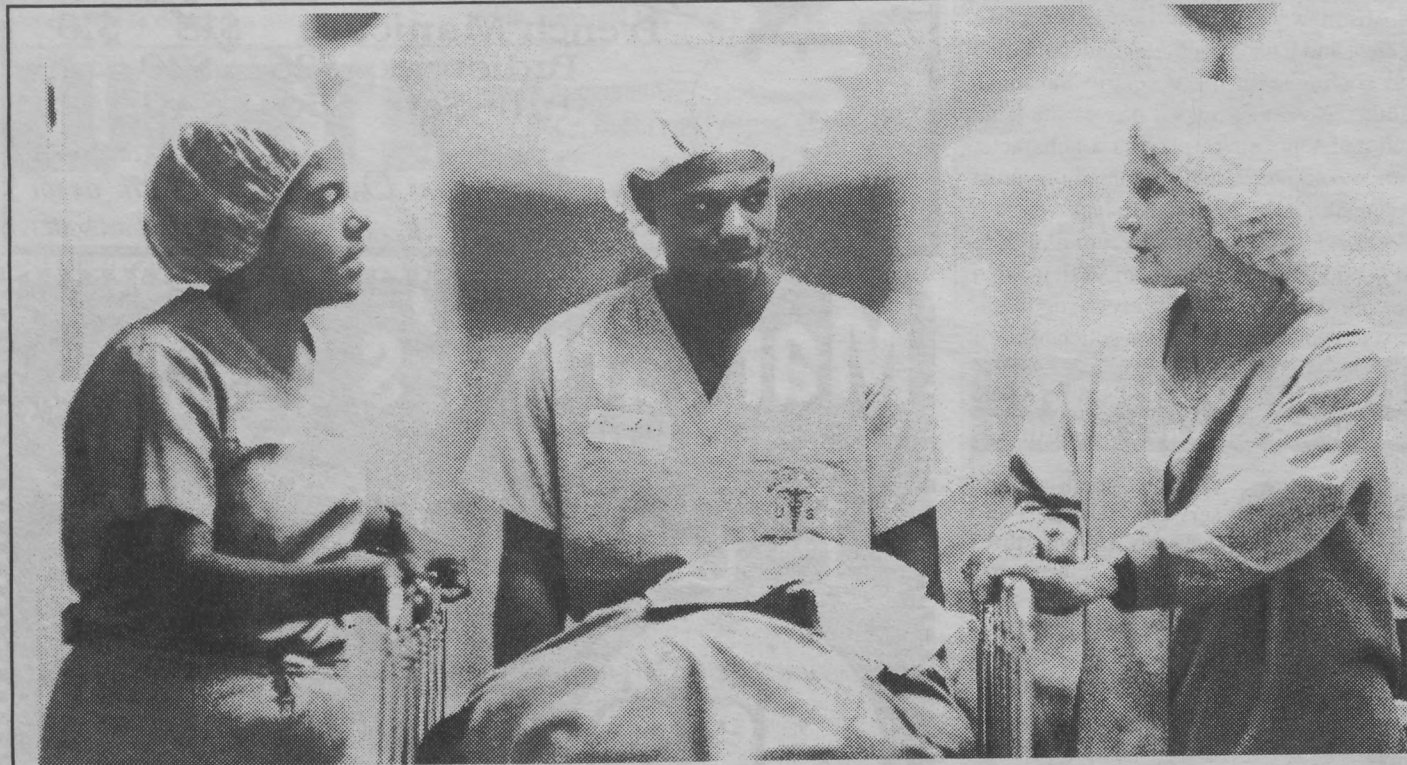
"We immediately took action to see the extent of the damage and moved to correct it," she said. "And about that virus? There is, in fact, no virus."

Yahoo! is a computer directory widely used for searching the Internet. The note

appeared briefly in place of the Yahoo! home page, preventing people online from using the search engine, which got 17.2 million visits in October.

Jonathan Wheat, manager of the Anti-Virus Lab at the National Computer Security Association, said it is at least theoretically possible to exploit security flaws on the Internet and implant such a virus. He said he doubts this group of hackers pulled it off.

"That's pretty much ridiculous," agreed Jamonn Campbell, an information security analyst at the association.



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SPORTS PAGE

• Men's hockey

Bears look to regroup

By Bill Stewart
Maine Campus staff

It has been seven years since University of Maine men's hockey coach Shawn Walsh witnessed his team slide through a three game losing streak from behind the bench.

Following a 7-0 defeat to the University of New Hampshire, Maine continued to sputter as Providence College set a bear trap last weekend sweeping Maine in Rhode Island.

Plagued by inconsistency, the Black Bears are looking to address two areas of concern before heading into this weekend's matchup with University of Massachusetts-Lowell.

"We're missing two big things in emotion and execution," forward Bobby Stewart said. "We've been inconsistent with execution and controlled emotion."

"All teams have their ups and downs. If this keeps happening, however, there will definitely be some problems."

Despite experiencing some turbulence recently, Stewart said the team's attitude has remained positive.

"Nothing good happens out of negativity," Stewart said. "People will question us right now and you can't blame them. However, we'll be OK and we'll rebound."

Maine (7-7-1) is in danger of falling below .500 which has Walsh concerned.

"We're not playing well right now," Walsh said. "However, the areas of concern are correctable. We're having our ups and downs."

The Black Bears defeated Lowell on Halloween night 6-2 in Orono. However, with the series shifting to Tully Forum, Walsh said the team is preparing for the dimensions of their rink.

"It's the smallest rink in the league," Walsh said. "Things happen fast and

we'll have to make quick decisions out there."

Walsh also said they are working on improving their defense after seeing the opposition score 20 goals against the Bears in the past three games.

"We're stressing defense," Walsh said. "We're letting in too many goals and we have to do something about that."

After jumping out to a hot start in Hockey East, UMass-Lowell is also striving to get back in the win column this weekend as well. UNH swept Lowell last weekend.

Following the weekend series with the 'Hawks, the Black Bears will be idle until January 9 when they travel to Merrimack and Boston College. Walsh said the team will be put on training exercises during its extended break.

"We'll have a training program and it will be up to each individual to deal with it," Walsh said.

Maine returns to the Alford for a rematch with UNH January 16 and 17.

Hockey East snapshots

Maine is averaging more than four goals a game which is good for second in the league. However, the Black Bears are also letting in, on average, close to five goals a game.

Heading into last night's action with Boston College, the Boston University Terriers have let in a minuscule 21 goals this season-their best defensive start in 27 years.

Merrimack coach Ron Anderson recorded his 250th career win when his Warriors edged Army 4-3 last weekend.

UNH boasts the league's top two scorers in Jason Krog and Tom Nolan who have notched 20 points apiece.

Providence goaltender Boyd Ballard was named this week's rookie of the week in Hockey East for his strong performance against Maine last weekend.

• Women's basketball

Lawson to make debut

By Josh Nason
Maine Campus Staff

Maine will gain some much-needed rebounding help when Jessica Lawson will make her collegiate debut on the Towson State/Delaware trip on Jan. 8-10.

Lawson, a freshman forward from Aymer, Quebec, has been out all season with a torn miniscus. She had surgery almost four weeks ago, and feels a lot better.

"It's been frustrating and really tough, but everyone's been good about it," Lawson said. "The team is great and has been definitely supportive."

A member of the CCAA National Championship clubs in 1996 and 1997, Lawson brings rebounding, speed in the frontcourt, and defensive intensity to the club.

"She provides us with excellent defense, scoring ability and intensity. Jess loves to play the game, and that's pretty clear," head coach Joanne Palombo-McCallie said.

She went on to say that the 6'2" Lawson

has a knack for inside play, and will not be taking many shots from behind the three-point line.

Martina Tinklova, who missed last Thursday's game against UMass with a left knee injury, will return against the University of Vermont on Sunday.

On the road again: Palombo is excited about the team playing six of its next seven games on the road because of the challenge of playing in a hostile environment.

"It's a great opportunity for us, because it is a total challenge. What's exciting about it is that we are definitely gelling, and it is very clear that we are," Palombo said.

Dec. 14 at Vermont: One of the only teams in America East that can give Maine a challenge, the Black Bears still managed a 3-0 record and a 19.7 winning margin against them last season.

The 4-3 Catamounts will play their first conference game against Maine, and sport the No. 2 scorer in America East in Karalyn Church.

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Sophomore Ben Guite and the Bears will travel to Lowell for a game set with the River Hawks this weekend. (Raynor file photo.)

• Women's hockey

Taking a six week break

By Dave Bailey
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine women's hockey team has the next six weeks off. Sounds like a good time for partying and watching *Mr. Ed* reruns, right?

Well, not quite.

Players will be keeping in shape through a variety of methods, including more esoteric approaches such as snow-shoveling.

"It's a good cardiovascular workout," Maine senior captain Alana Ahearn said.

Other players may want to choose more conventional measures, however.

"They are going to be running every other day and they are going to be doing some kind of weightlifting to maintain their in-season conditioning," Maine coach Rick Filighera said. "If they can find ice to do open skates, they'll do that, too."

"It comes down to being intrinsically motivated and wanting to be motivated and ready to play for the second half of the season."

Maine's next game is at home against Wesleyan on Jan. 17.

Surprise, Surprise

Forward Alicia Gilmore has been an

early-season surprise for the Bears, notching three goals and two assists for five points. She's emerged as a go-to player despite being injured for most of the preseason and missing the first game of the regular season.

Gilmore credits much of her success to her linemates Alison Lorenz and Christina Hedges.

"My goal for the first few games was to get working with my line again," Gilmore said. "I missed quite a few practices. We've been really working well together and I feel we'll get better."

Filighera said he knew from the start that Gilmore would be one of the main wheels in the Black Bear offense.

"She has a lot of heart, she works hard and she's going to be able to chip in offensively," Filighera said. "Her quickness is one of her biggest assets. She's not the best-looking skater, but she is very quick and gets the job done."

Powering up

The term "power play" has become synonymous for "lost cause" as far as Maine's opponents are concerned. Through Saturday's game, rival teams were a diminutive 1-13 on the power play

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FROM THE DEN

The University of Maine announced it will officially retire number 24 worn by Keith Mahaney when he played four years on the men's basketball team. A 1957 graduate, Mahaney broke several school records at the time and is in the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. A presentation of the retirement is scheduled for Sunday, December 21 before Maine battles Husson in the Alford.



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through Saturday's game.

"We make sure that we don't commit too much and [we make sure to] play very defensive-minded," Ahearn said. "We try to make sure that we stay between the dots so that we give them less of a chance to score. We don't overcommit."

Despite having a hard time adjusting to the system at first, the players have found it to be smooth sailing ever since.

"We're doing really well due to the system that we're doing and the way we're playing it," Gilmore said. "I think at first it was kind of difficult for everybody to get into the system, but now that we're getting used to it, it's just getting easier."

Filighera agreed.

"We have good, skilled people in the defensive position," Filighera said. "Our forwards are really using our system well."

He also added that goaltending goes a long way as well.

"If you look at most teams, the teams with the best penalty-killing units usually are the teams with the best goaltending," Filighera said.

Talent isn't the only factor in suffocating penalties. Brains and hard work help to get the job done as well.

"It's more like a mental game when you're on the power play because you need to make sure you're thinking that

there's only four of you, you need to angle yourself correctly so that they don't have a shot," Ahearn said.

"Penalty-killers don't necessarily have to be your best players," Filighera said. "It has to be the players that are desperate and want to get the job done."

Maine has begun to put it together on the other side as well. The Bears were 0-10 on the power play until last Wednesday's game at Bowdoin, when they finally buried two goals with the woman advantage.

According to Ahearn, Maine's early drought can be attributed to the unique system Filighera has attempted to employ.

"We were trying a different system, and with a different system it's sometimes hard to get into the flow of things, and that's what the power play is — working with the flow," Ahearn said. "We finally started to get in with our system."

"It's kind of sad that we have the break now, just when things are starting to click."

FYI

Fans will be able to get a glimpse at the Bears tonight and Sunday when they play two scrimmages against a team of players from the Portland area. The warm-ups will be held from 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. Wednesday and 11:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday.

AROUND THE RINKS

By Deron Treadwell
Maine Campus staff

As the University of Maine men's hockey team nears its three week holiday break the team is struggling. Let's look at some gifts that would look good under the Black Bears' tree this year.

First Period

Both of Maine's top two goalies, Alfie Michaud and Bryan Masotta, have been inconsistent this year.

They each have goals against average over four and are lacking confidence.

The talent is there, however. Masotta was a fourth-round draft pick of the Ottawa Senators and can certainly play better than what he has shown.

Michaud's performance to start this season is eerily similar to the lackluster play at the start of last season.

The good news is that during the final 14 games of last year Michaud had a 2.39 goals against average and a nice .899 save percentage.

He has been regarded as the top goalie most of the year, but the door is wide open for whichever goalie can shake off the slow start and put it together. Maine will continue to struggle until that happens.

Second Period

It isn't only the goaltending that is to blame for

the recent struggle, as the offense left for Christmas break sometime around Thanksgiving.

In the four games since blowing out Boston College 12-5, Maine has scored just seven goals for an average of less than two per game.

In a league like Hockey East with such great forwards it is tough to win when your offense is producing at that level.

The lack of scoring punch only magnifies problems in goal and on defense.

Earlier in the season Maine was able to come back from a slow start to win, but lately once an opponent takes a lead by a couple goals, the you-know-who is up on stage with a microphone in hand.

Third Period

Maine's young blue line corps need a couple leaders.

Last year graduation and defection depleted Maine's talent on defense and like this year, the Bears struggled.

But as the year progressed players like Jason Mansoff and Jeff Libby stepped up their play and were a big part of Maine's great second-half run.

As 1997 turns to 1998, who can Shawn Walsh turn to when the game is on the line to hold the fort? If someone steps forward it could propel Maine to another late-season run and home ice in the Hockey East Tournament. Without a stopper or two the Black Bears won't go very far.

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Sophomore guard Amy Vachon is a former USA Today Maine player of the Year recipient in 1995. The native from Augusta led Cony High School to consecutive Class A Maine State Championship titles. At the Dead River Classic this year she tied the single game tournament record for assists with eight. Although she is accustomed to chalking up assists and passing the ball, this week we dish it out to her...



Amy Vachon (Courtesy photo.)

Name: Amy Vachon
Born: August 23, 1978
Hometown/High School: Augusta, Me / Cony High School
Family: 2 brothers, Aaron, 19 ; Adam, 11; mother, Debbie; father, Paul
Major: Elementary Education

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Winning state championship in high school; playing in the NCAA's.

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What is your favorite place on the road? Louisiana (LSU).

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• The bottom line

Holiday suspension spree

By Josh Nason
 Maine Campus Sports

The relationship between coach and player is one that is pretty simple: one instructs the team on what to do and the other follows those instructions.

Latrell Sprewell crossed that line, and may have moved it a few feet.

In case you are one of the few people in the United States that does not know the story, Sprewell, an All-Star guard for the Golden State Warriors basketball team, assaulted head coach P.J. Carlesimo last week.

After being suspended without pay by the

club for 10 games, the NBA actually showed they have some guts, suspending him for one whole year, retroactive to Dec. 3.

The days that have followed since last Thursday's breakthrough decision have swirled with racial allegations and controversy over whether or not Sprewell should have been fired. The bottom line....damn right he should visit the unemployment line.

The new-style NBA and all of its bad-ass mentality with Dennis Rodman, Allen Iverson and anyone else with tattoos and a sneaker deal have created this environment in

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• Men's basketball

Illinois handles Maine

By Jim Davis
 Maine Campus staff

For the third straight game the University of Maine men's basketball team could not put together a victory on the road losing to the University of Illinois 88-69 Monday night.

The Black Bears wrapped up a week-end road trip that began with the Pizza Hut Classic in Missouri and ended at Illinois where head coach John Giannini was an assistant from 1987 to 1989.

Maine played the fighting Illini tough in the first half trailing 37-29 thanks in part to sinking 54 percent of its three-point shots on a 6-for-11 bombing.

Illinois pulled the trigger on 39 shots in the first period but executed only 15 for a 38 percent result. The Illini managed only 33 percent from the arc on 4-12 shooting in the half.

While Maine has a disadvantage this season with numbers on the bench, Illinois had the luxury of utilizing its 14-man roster.

Three games in a four day span took a bit of steam out of Maine as the team could not make up the difference in the second half. The gutsy Bears were outscored 51-40 as the final whistle sounded.

Marcus Wills continued his super season by rebounding from a six point performance against Texas-San Antonio to put up a team-high 23 points. Unfortunately for the Bears, turnovers continued to haunt the team as Wills accounted for nine of Maine's 26 ball handling mistakes.

In fact, the Black Bear's starting five chipped in at least two turnovers apiece. On the other side of the ball, Illinois managed just twelve give-aways.

Maine captain Alan Ledbetter, coming off his best game of the year Saturday night with 25 points and 18 rebounds, was a non-factor in the contest.

The junior forward was held to just nine points on six shots from the field and a season low five rebounds. Ledbetter entered the game leading all America East players in rebounding averaging around 14 per contest.

Illinois was led by a balanced scoring attack as six players hit double figures led by forward Kevin Turner's 17 points.

Center Brian Johnson chipped in 16 and pulled down a team-high 11 boards for the Illini whose record improved to 6-3.

Maine comes home for the next two games with a record of 3-5. However, this three game skid has no consequence on the team's 1-1 conference record which ultimately counts toward the team's goals this season.

The Black Bears' next two games will be played during Christmas break as they host Husson College on December 21 for a rematch of last year's 73-72 buzzer-beater defeat.

Farleigh Dickinson will stop into Alford Arena on Dec. 30 for the first time since the 1991-92 season when they beat Maine 63-51.

That game will mark the end of the Black Bear's non-conference schedule as the team will finish its last 16 contests against America East competition.

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which Spree somehow lost any sense of honor and respect in attacking his coach.

Think about it: if you were marketed as a god to third-world countries, like all pro ball players, just because you toss an orange ball through an elevated net, wouldn't you object to authority too?

In Spree's defense, he claimed Carlisemo was "verbally abusing" him. Excuse me if I don't hand over my handkerchief to wipe off his tears of torment.

The man makes \$7.7 million per season. He's in the second year of a four-year, \$32 million contract. He has probably had everything handed to him on a silver platter since he graduated high school and went to Alabama. A coach yells at him a few times, and that gives him the right to choke him and threaten his life? Sorry, Spree, but it comes with the trade.

The most depressing things to come out of this whole situation are the reactions from Spree's brethren. Some NBA players have been absolutely asinine in their comments, further projecting the "Billionaire Boys Club" image in which we, as consumers, are just pawns and the players are running the show.

Robert Horry, who once threw a towel at Phoenix head coach Danny Ainge's face and was subsequently traded, said, "Way over-

reaction. I don't know what they should have done, but banning him is ridiculous."

Yes Robert, rewarding him would have been so much better.

How about Spree's agent's reaction to the ban: "It is totally excessive and outside the bounds of any precedent in team sports history. It is an abuse of the commissioner's powers," Arn Teller said.

Comments like these just prove no matter how dumb you think your best friend or roommate is, there is always someone who is worse. In Teller's world, Spree would be named player-coach of the Warriors and also be named majority owner of the team, along with Spree supporter Joe Smith.

By the way, Smith has paid tribute to his ex-teammate by writing "Spree 15" on his shoes before games. Way to support your coach and be known as an honorable man, Joe.

But Spree will not go to the poor house anytime soon. There is no doubt the 21.4 ppg scorer will come back and some team will pick him up.

If he had not been suspended, Spree might be signed by someone now. He will probably go to Europe and make decent money over there, sign with some NBA team in the next year, and make oodles of cash. It just isn't fair.

Hoops

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Church is averaging 23.4 ppg, is No. 1 in field goal percentage, No. 10 in rebounds, and No. 8 in blocks.

Dec. 21 at Rhode Island: They met last season in Portland, ME, with Maine winning a 78-56 contest.

Dec. 27-28 at U Miami Holiday Classic: This will be Maine's toughest challenge of the seven-game road trip with a contest against East Carolina and game against either Delaware State or Big East power Miami, determined by the result of their first game.

"We wanted to go to some warmer weather, and also a very competitive tournament," Palombo said. "East Carolina is very solid, and the University of Miami is very good this year."

East Carolina plays in the same conference as James Madison, a Maine victim earlier this year, and is very similar to them, according to Palombo.

Jan. 2 vs. Boston University: Maine returns home to face the Terriers in a series

that has decidedly gone the Black Bears' way in recent years. In 1996-97 alone, Maine blasted BU by scores of 89-42 and 75-49.

Already this season, though, BU has shown they have some talent. Guard Cara Millett leads the conference in assists with seven a game and is third in the league in steals with 3.4 a contest. In the Robin Hood Invitational last week, she netted 20 assists and 10 steals in two games.

Jan. 8 at Towson: The Tigers have been one of the biggest surprises of the season, jumping out to a 4-1 overall record, 2-0 in the conference. TSU is led by Shniece Perry and her league-leading 10.4 rebounds and 4.8 steals a game. Maine won a 110-72 romp in 1996-97, their highest offense output of the year.

Jan. 10 at Delaware: In the last game before Christmas break ends, Maine will face the Blue Hens, who have come out with a 3-3 record. Danielle Leylert is No. 3 in league scoring at 18.5 ppg.

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To a great group of senior leaders- I tip my hat off to The Senior Skull Cals of '98 your humble advisor BR

Margarita's. Bring in any non-perishable food item and get: a .25 cent well drink or a .25 cent Coors Light. Limit: one per person. **Good thru December 19th!**

Free pregnancy test. Anxious? We'll help. AAA Pregnancy Resource Center. Please call 942-1611 for info.

UMaine **CAREER FAIR** coming soon! **January 29 10-1 pm** in the Union 40 companies/ organizations here for YOU. See the Career Center's FirstClass folder for more info...

We clean Frat Houses No job too dirty- Call Bangor 262-9738

TWO WEEKS STILL CHRISTMAS! Join us for **ADVENT PRAYERS. Thursday Dec. 11 at 12:15** in the Lown Room, Memorial Union. Host by the Newman and Wilson Centers/ Orono Campus Ministries.

Reliable Spring Break Tours Bahamas Cancun & ski trips! **Free food & free drinks!** Sign up before Nov. 30 Organize a group-travel free. Call for details & free brochure. Call 1-888-SPRING BREAK today!

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Happy 22nd Birthday! We love you! Love Beth and D.J.

Congratulations Kelly & Mike! We'll miss you. Best of luck in Boston. Your friends at the Maine Campus.

Erotic Sensations (Formerly Exotica) Exotic dancers male and female for any occasion. Call **990-0425**

Neat stuff cheap Hammond St. Thrift Shop next to Napoli Pizza Bangor ladies clothes and Children's ware.

Foreign students- best rate calling cards available at Worde Shoppe and Wadleigh's (near Pizza Dome)

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APARTMENTS

2-3 br apartments all or most utilities paid. \$485-\$650 827-3718.

Large newly renovated bedroom with private entrance in 3 br apt. close 2 closets \$250. mo all safe 827-6212

Old Town- 1 and 2 bedroom apts. Quiet, clean, heated. Available 2nd semester. Lv. message. 827-7002

5 room 2-3 bedroom \$600 + all utilities. Parking/washer/dryer-share apt. \$300 month. 469-7839

Private rooms on campus only 270/ mo all util. inc. Tim @ 866-0283

3 br apt on bus rt 2 miles from campus in Old Town heat hw inc. 650 mo + deposit 827-2015 or 5373555

Live in woods! Rustic 2br cabin in Greenbush 20 min. to campus. \$225/mo. 941-9531

1 or 2 roommates to share large 4 bedroom house tons of room! Call 872-3206

Orono. Washburn Place Apts. 149 Park Street. Luxury 2 bedroom townhome. Available Jan. 1. Heat, water, sewer incl. No pets. Sec. Dep., Lease req. \$600 p/ mth. Call 945-6955

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Orono seeking responsible m/f to share a bdrm hse parking walk to campus laundry 250 incl all 866-0611

Off campus students! On campus apt. now avbl. 3 bdrm, 3-6 people, furnished, meal plan opt. CALL SOON! x6387

FOR SALE

For sale: 1991 Pontiac Sunbird. Four door, maroon, perfect condition, reliable, air cond., automatic \$4300 or best offer call Erin 866-7553

1974 Guild Electric guitar. Hollow-bodied cherry finish one pick-up. Beautiful cond. Plays great \$450 866-0234

87 Chevy Sprint 4dr AT new brakes, tires great gas mileage! In good shape \$588 or b/o call Ross 945-5593

1989 Mazda B2200 original bedliner \$1900 obo **MUST SELL!** 827-1927

FOUND

Memorial Union Info. Center- Found: clothing, leather jacket, men's coat, umbrellas, scarfs, jewelry, glasses, books, etc. Stop by the Union to identify.

Lost: **BIG** purple sunglasses, in MCA parking lot, today around 5. If found please call 581-3061