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• Attorney general

## Homophobic attack prompts third civil rights suit

By Kathryn Ritchie  
Maine Campus staff

The Maine Attorney General's office announced yesterday that it has filed another civil rights lawsuit against a University of Maine student.

Kirk R. Daigle, 26, has been accused of threatening a fellow student based on his minority status.

According to the lawsuit, the incident began last Wednesday, Jan. 21, when an Estabrooke resident, referred to only as "John Smith," taped a "Maine Still Won't Discriminate" poster to his dormitory room door.

Two days later, at 2:30 a.m., Smith was awoken when Daigle entered his room and asked him if he was a "fag" and whether he

"sucked cock."

He then said: "Let me tell you something, John. I'm from Bangor and three of my best friends threw a fag off a bridge and now I come home and find this on your door."

Daigle was probably referring to the death of Charlie Howard, a Bangor man who was thrown off a Bangor bridge on July 7, 1984, by

three teenagers because he was gay.

Howard, 33, had been walking home with a friend from a lesbian and gay support group at the time of the attack. The boys were ages 14, 15 and 16 and were sentenced to the Maine Youth Center.

According to Smith, he continues to feel threatened by Daigle, who appeared to be intoxicated at

the time of the threat. Smith reported the incident to Public Safety in the morning.

Immediately after the announcement of the lawsuit, President Peter Hoff released comments decrying the situation.

"We take these situations very seriously and have made it clear to

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## Siezing the win



UMaine's Cindy Blodgett is fouled by ShaRae Mansfield, of the Western Kentucky University, in Thursday night's upset over the 15th ranked Hilltoppers. See story on page 13. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

• Faculty Senate

## Professors to temper attendance policies

By Paul Livingstone  
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine's class attendance policy was altered by the Faculty Senate at Wednesday's meeting. In a unanimous vote, senators approved an Academic Affairs Committee resolution to eliminate a UMaine professors' option to drop a student for excessive absences from a class.

"According to the current policy, professors would drop students from classes after a certain number of classes," said Gloria Vollmers, chair of the Academic Affairs Committee. "It's our committee's recommendation that we drop this policy."

The policy was changed to allow those students who might have outstanding reasons for not being able to meet the attendance requirements of the course, but still plan to earn credit.

Every professor differed in their implementation of the attendance policy, said Vollmers. Instead of requiring a student to drop a course or withdraw from the university because of an excessive number of absences, the resolution says "the instructor should notify the student" when absences impair the quality of the students' work.

The professors are also now required to explain the attendance policy in the syllabus.

A resolution put forth by the Research and Public Service Committee last fall to form an ad hoc committee to analyze and change



Gloria Vollmers, Academic Affairs Committee chair. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

UMaine's research positions was also passed. The plan calls for Daniel Dwyer, vice provost for research and graduate studies, to direct the committee to develop a plan to "create new partially-funded research faculty positions" in all disciplines and "recruit top level researchers to fill these positions."

The committee is required to report back to the Faculty Senate

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• Dining Services

## York Commons caters to vegetarians, health-conscious

By T.L. Church  
Maine Campus staff

Vegetarians on campus will be happy to know that the University of Maine is making an effort to give them all their dietary needs and wants. In the last few years there has been a substantial change in what is being offered and how often it is being offered.

"Originally, one vegetarian meal a night was offered at Fernald. Then they changed the location to the Yankee and had one meal, four nights a week. In the last four years, though, things have really improved," Sandy Donahue, dining service manager for York Commons, said.

York is the only commons currently featuring a vegetarian side.

The other commons offer three entrees, one of which is a vegetarian item.

"If you are a vegetarian with specific needs, York is the place to go. The other commons have veggie items but they aren't necessarily what vegans would eat, though they are meatless," said Beth Carlson, associate for residential dining services.

Donahue is on a crusade to bring those dining at York Commons as much variety as possible, not to mention giving them their favorites as well. She is trying a gamut of different foods and testing the culinary waters.

"There is always a regular salad bar, but on Thursdays we are hav-

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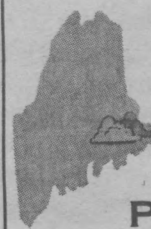
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# WORLD BRIEFS

## • Finland

### Prime minister's wedding car stolen

**1** HELSINKI, Finland (AP) — Prime Minister Paavo Lipponen had to make last-minute arrangements to get to church after a thief wrecked the car he was going to use for his wedding.

A man stole the luxury Mercedes-Benz from a car rental company early Wednesday, drove it in reverse through the store door and through a steel barrier outside, the Ilta-Sanomat newspaper reported Thursday.

Police arrested the man, who they said was drunk. The car was so badly damaged it could not be repaired before Saturday's wedding.

Lipponen, 56, and Paivi Hertzberg, 30, a history teacher, became engaged Christmas Eve after living together for a year. They announced the wedding date two weeks ago.

Although it's common for unmarried couples to live together in Finland, the prime minister's arrangements were subject to considerable criticism, especially from clergy.

Lipponen, who left the Evangelical Lutheran Church during his student days, rejoined the church earlier this month so a minister could marry the couple.

The wedding will be held Saturday in Helsinki's Old Church, followed by a reception for more than 450 people.

## • Diplomacy

### China, Central Africa establish ties

**2** BEIJING (AP) — China and the Central African Republic resumed diplomatic relations Thursday after the African country agreed to drop formal relations with Taiwan. When the Central African Republic established diplomatic relations with Taiwan in 1991, China broke formal ties.

China views Taiwan as a renegade province with no rights as a sovereign state. Beijing insists that countries with which it has diplomatic relations must break their official ties with Taiwan.

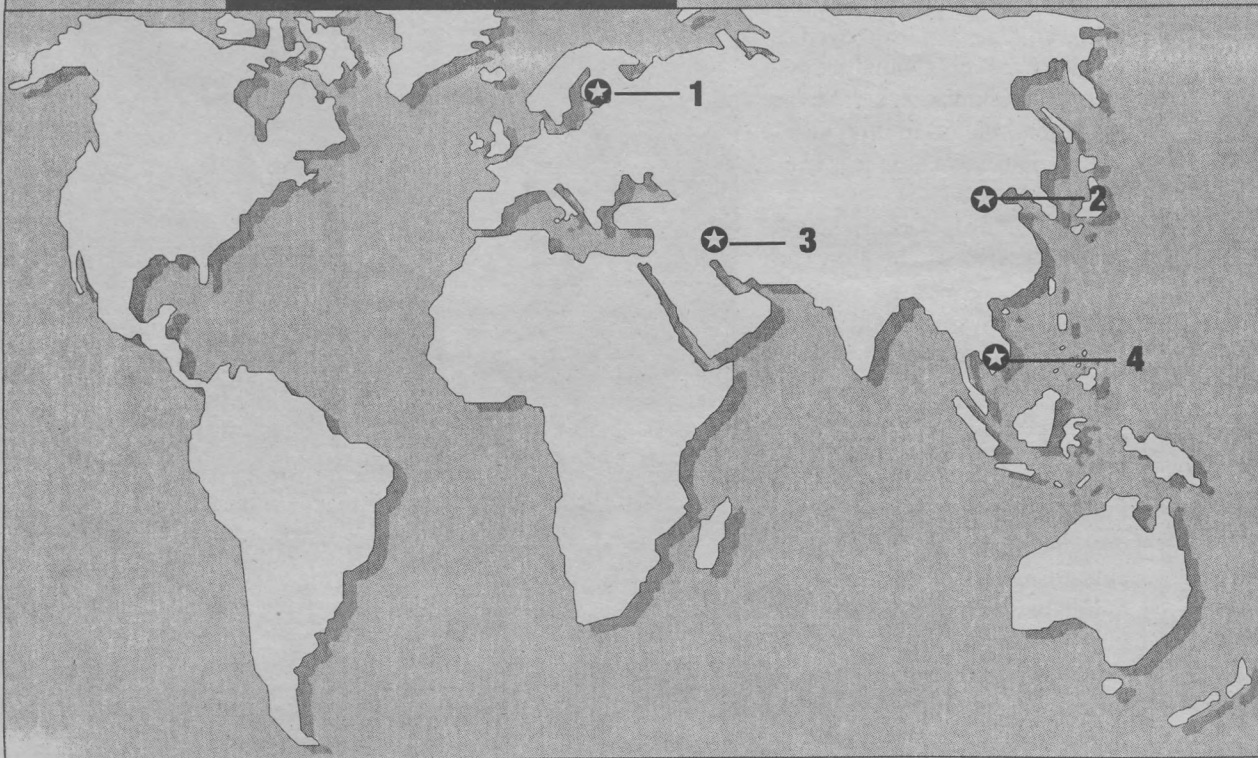
The Central African Republic signed a statement saying it recognizes Taiwan is part of China and that the People's Republic of China is the country's only legitimate government, the state-run Xinhua News Agency said Thursday.

China pledged to support the African country's efforts to defend independence and rebuild.

Since May 1996, Central African soldiers have staged three major rebellions against President Ange-Felix Patasse, whose election in 1993 ended more than a decade of army rule. The latest came in July, when at least 100 people are believed to have been killed.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan this week proposed the creation of a U.N. peacekeeping force to help the country recover.

# WORLD DIGEST



## • Iraq

### Saddam ready to fight, cites devil as evil culprit

**3** BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraqis will defend their country "with expertise, faith and perseverance" if the United States attacks, President Saddam Hussein declared Thursday — adding that there was no reason for the United States to do so.

While the Clinton administration and Congress were laying groundwork for possible U.S.-led airstrikes on Iraq, Saddam was quoted as saying his army will fight "in a manner that will be a subject of admiration."

"They don't have any national interest or any justification to come thousands of miles to attack us," Saddam said. "(But) if the devil pushed these enemies to commit an evil act and an aggression on us, we will be forced to fight them with all our capabilities, expertise, faith and perseverance. ... Their aggression is against God."

His comments, reported by the official Iraqi News Agency, came at the start of Eid al-Fitr, a three-day holiday that marks the end of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. Saddam spoke as he met with members of the ruling Baath Party, the Revolutionary Command Council and his Cabinet, the agency said.

## • Anniversary

### Country remembers the Tet Offensive

**4** HUE, Vietnam (AP) — Strolling past the bullet-scarred walls of Hue's ancient Imperial Citadel, the decorated Viet Cong war hero journeys 30 years into the past.

"The fighting was horrible," Nguyen Quoc Khanh says. "Bullets, mortars, shells. They filled the air in every direction."

Khanh led one of the more than 100 attacks that made up the Tet Offensive, the communist military campaign that forever changed America's view of the Vietnam War.

Although American and South Vietnamese casualties were but a fraction of the enemies, the blitz by North Vietnamese soldiers and their Viet Cong allies across South Vietnam drove a wedge through the United States.

In graphic television footage and newspaper photos, Americans saw images of Viet Cong guerrillas breaching the U.S. Embassy compound in Saigon and two Marines dragging a wounded and bloodied buddy from fighting in Hue.

And perhaps most searingly, they saw the street corner execution of a communist rebel by South Vietnam's Chief of National Police.

"We knew the attack was going to have a psychological effect on the Americans," said Tong Viet Duong, a former Viet Cong guerrilla commander. "We were told America was growing tired of the war."

# Weather

## The Local Forecast

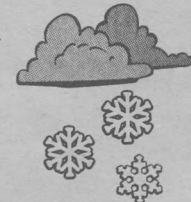
### Today's Weather

Variable clouds with a chance of light snow. Highs in the 30 to 35.



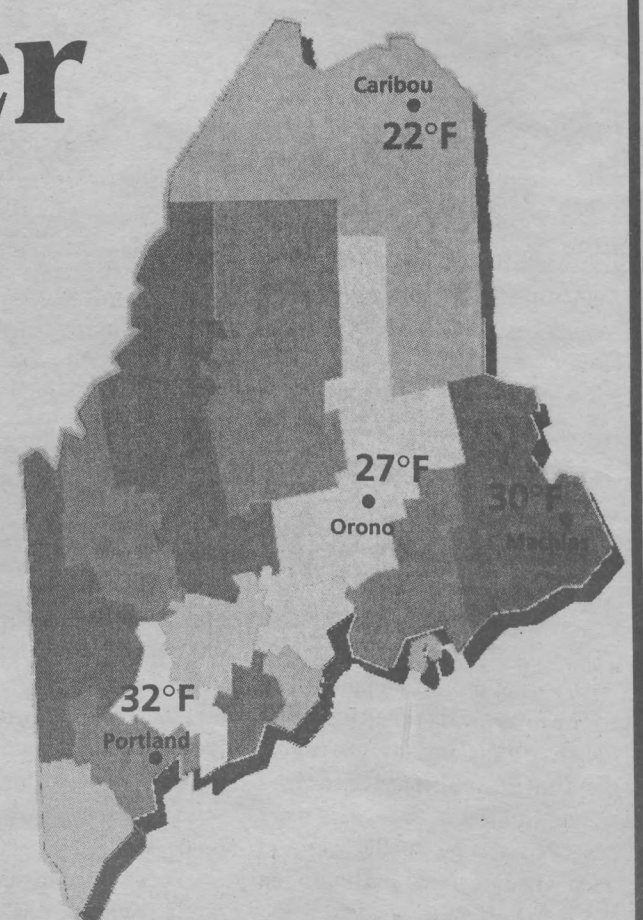
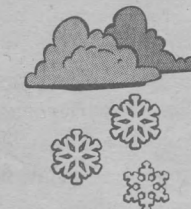
### Saturday's Outlook

Light snow or flurries likely. High near 30.



### Extended Forecast

Sunday... Fair.  
Monday... Snow showers North. Scattered rain or snow South. Tuesday... Snow or mixed precipitation likely North. Rain likely South.





## • Modern Languages

## Language tables promote fluency through communication

By Judy Williams  
Special to the Campus

For those who speak a second language, the Department of Modern Languages and Classics offers a fun and relaxing setting for anyone who is interested in French, Russian, German or Spanish.

The Foreign Language Tables are a great way to meet people who speak different languages and enjoy the company of others, said Elizabeth Markowsky, an instructor of Russian.

Each session consists of people with different backgrounds and interests who come together to speak their language of choice.

The tables are open to the students, faculty and the community.

"We welcome anyone who wants to join us," said Markowsky.

"We try to have a native speaker at each

session. We also encourage students to come, but sometimes we have more faculty," said Markowsky.

Many people come to keep up their language skills or learn more of the language.

"It's one thing to recognize a language in a book and another to speak it. A lot of students can read the language they study, but do not get much practice speaking it. This allows them to speak the language," said Robert Klose, a professor of biology who attends the German table.

The tables help those who attend to become more familiar with the language verbally.

"This gives students the courage to speak the language. It trains their ear to the language and maybe makes them feel more comfortable in the language," said

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Maria Fuentes and Elizabeth Markowski enjoying lunch with a side of foreign language conversation. (Chris Taggart photo.)

## • Police

## Flaunting alcohol consumption before officer results in double summons

By Kathryn Ritchie  
Maine Campus staff

A routine check on the complaint of loud noise in York Hall last Friday ended in a double alcohol offense for the room's resident. Shortly after midnight, Officer Cherie Phelps visited the room and found several underage people drinking alcohol. While she wrote out a summons to Christopher Mastriano, 18, for furnishing a place for minors to consume alcohol, he picked

up a beer and took a drink, which resulted in the additional summons of possession of alcohol by a minor.

In other police business:

•On Friday, Jan. 23, two bicycles were reported stolen on campus, outside of Coburn Hall and the Memorial Union. Both bikes were unlocked.

•On Friday, Jan. 24 at 3:28 a.m., Officers Michael Burgess and Chris Hashey stopped a vehicle traveling the wrong way on a one-way road beside the Doris

Twitchell Allen Village. Ryan Miller, 19, was arrested and charged with OUI.

•On Tuesday, Jan. 27 at 1:04 a.m., Burgess and Hashey spotted a vehicle on Rangley Road traveling in the southbound lane. Jay Brechick, 31, was arrested and charged with OUI.

•On Saturday, Jan. 25 at 3:37 p.m., the theft of a woman's purse in Wells Commons was reported to police. The purse, which had been wrapped in a jacket, contained \$15 and credit cards.

•On Wednesday, Jan. 28 at 11:59 a.m., a resident of York Village told police she returned to her apartment to find someone had come in, messed the place up and stolen a radio, clothes and cash. The door had been left unlocked.

•Police are still investigating four complaints of criminal mischief this week involving a damaged car in the steam plant parking lot, a discharged fire extinguisher

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## Senate

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within one year.

Some debate occurred regarding UMaine's policies on the posting of grades by Social Security numbers. Director of Student Records Alison Cox attempted to explain the current policy and how it should be implemented.

"To prevent identification we have removed any possible alphabetical listing on Social Security numbers," said Director of Student Records Alison Cox. She also suggested that professors truncate Social Security numbers to further disguise the students' identities.

Some professors felt that any posting of

students grades was risky.

"The posting of grades by Social Security numbers strikes me as a very dangerous thing to do," said Vollmers.

Others had heard of students picking up papers outside of the professors' offices and were worried any student could see the grades and names on the papers.

Faculty Senate member Howard Segal read a tribute to former College of Engineering Dean Norman Smith, a 1959 University of Maine Master of Science graduate.

"His death was and remains a terrible loss," said Segal. "Norm practiced the kind

of academic freedom all too rarely found in educational institutions. He left UMaine better than he found it."

Board of Trustees representative Ivan Fernandez gave a report on the funding formula discussion at the trustees' meeting in Gorham earlier this week.

"What occurred at the meeting was anti-climatic," said Fernandez. "The formula will have no impact on distribution for two years."

## York

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ing ethnic salad bars from all over the world. There is also a vegetarian taco bar once a month. We try different sandwiches, such as a veggie Gyro, which is a Greek sandwich," Donahue said.

The only problem with all this variety is that some of the students seem skeptical. Though the names of some of the new items sound tempting, the appearance is a whole other story.

"A lot of the students just eat grilled cheese, so we have started giving taste tests so they try the new items. Most people eat with their eyes and if something doesn't look appealing and it isn't what they are used to, they won't try it. The goal with the taste test is to get them to try it and then form an opinion," Donahue said.

The importance of having a specific area for vegetarian meals is not only fair, but important to helping them keep a healthy diet.

"It is important to have a place like York Commons because it is hard for us to get the calories, protein, iron, calcium and vitamins we need. Without specific substitutes we would be lacking essentials and we would be unhealthy," Suzanne Balbo, a third-year ele-

Based on average enrollment for Fiscal Year 98, the ratio will give University of Maine System campuses a 0.8 percent increase in funding for every 1 percent increase in enrollment and a 0.4 percent decrease in funding for every 1 percent decrease in enrollment.

"The formula is based on current distribution, but still doesn't recognize the different missions," he said.

## Daigle

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students and staff that should they feel discriminated against or threatened, we will intercede quickly," Hoff said in a press release.

"This particular allegation of bias is a good example of why, in my opinion, the governor and legislature acted responsibly last year when they supported passage of anti-discrimination legislation," Hoff said.

This civil rights lawsuit marks the third against a University of Maine student in as many months. Assistant Attorney General Stephen Wessler said the "silver lining" in all three civil rights cases has been the level of superb work by UMaine's Public Safety.

"They get (cases) to us quickly and they do the investigating," Wessler said. "They do a great job."

Daigle's alleged comments come only three weeks before the state is set to vote to repeal legislation which would ban discrimination based on sexual orientation.

While the situation was unfortunate, Wil-

de Stein alliance co-chair Kathleen Worcester said it might bring attention to the need to vote "no" in the Feb. 10 referendum. She said it was a perfect example of someone being discriminated against just because someone thought he was gay.

"It's very likely, percentage wise, that this person was not gay," Worcester said. "Yet they received discrimination for supporting legislation."

She said Wilde Stein has been working on the idea of having "safe zones" in dormitories. By having the question "What is your comfort level with living with someone who identifies as something other than heterosexual?" added to the UMaine housing application, people could be better paired up with roommates.

"(The "safe zone") would make parts of our community safe for the non-heterosexual community and their supporters without separating them from the rest of the community," Worcester said.



Sandy Donahue, manager at York Commons, stands in "Beans and Greens," the vegetarian dining option. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

mentary education major who is a vegetarian, said.

York Commons has two entrees, two pastas, two sauces, plus the stir fry and regular salad bar. The grill has tofu hot dogs, tempah burgers, veggie burgers and grilled cheese. Recently, Donahue added fifteen new sauces and entrees.

"We wanted to try something different and we are lucky to have it at York," Donahue said.

# Student Government 1998 - 1999

**Budgets for Clubs, Boards & Committees will be available Wednesday, February 11, 1998 in Room 102 Murray Hall at 6:00 pm.**

All eligible Clubs, Boards & Committees are requested to send 2 representatives to attend this information session regarding the Annual Budget Process.

## Requirements

Your Club must have funding approval and the president must be an undergraduate student. (To check your status, please come to the Student Government FAO as soon as possible.)

## Deadline

For submitting completed forms to the Student Government Financial Affairs Office (FAO) is: **Tuesday, March 24, 1998 by 3:00 pm.** A sign up sheet will be posted in the bulletin board outside the Student Government office for groups to meet with the Vice-President for Financial Affairs from **February 11 through March 27.**

**No requests for budgets will be accepted after the deadline.**  
Call 581-1778 if you have any questions.



## • Fraternity

## Sigma Chi stands by ideals despite financial loss of house

By Kristen Dobler  
Maine Campus Staff

After living in their house for more than 60 years, Sigma Chi fraternity moved out Sunday due to financial problems.

Adam Page, vice president of the fraternity, said they couldn't afford to pay their house payment and a loan payment because of low residency in the house.

Thirty members are needed each year to keep the fraternity financially healthy. Over the years, the number hasn't been met and Sigma Chi fell behind in its ability to pay its debts.

Page said until this semester, the cost of running the house was financially possible even without the number needed, but the fraternity's housing corporation informed the residents the house had to be shut down in late December.

"We had insufficient residents to support the class," Frank Pickering, Sigma Chi alumni and president of the Rho Rho Chapter House Association, said.

The Rho Rho Chapter House Association is made up of an active group of alumni. Ron Milley, social chair and former pledge trainer of

Sigma Chi, said the housing corporation stepped in after the house Sigma Chi closed down in 1991 for infractions. It established the house with one returning brother and renovated it entirely, taking on a large amount of debt in the process.

"I think we over-extravagantly refurbished the house," Page said.

Milley said Sigma Chi's financial need caused the fraternity to rush for numbers instead of people who stand for Sigma Chi's rituals.

"It caused rifts in our fraternity which caused people not to want to live in the house. Now that we don't have a house and don't have to rush for numbers we can rush for quality people."

Page said while the housing corporation put a lot of stress on the chapter to rush as many as possible in order to keep the house open, it also helped the chapter out a lot.

"They raised a lot of money, did a lot of things and helped to keep the house going a lot longer than it would have without them," Page said. "The trouble came when it almost felt like the housing corporation's house and not the active chapter's house."

Page said the housing corporation's ideas of

what would help the Sigma Chi brotherhood succeed were different from those of the acting chapter.

"It was hard for them to understand what it was like to be a 20-year-old kid in the '90s," he said. "They were trying to make a brotherhood based on what it was like when they were active."

Page said the house shutting down left him with mixed emotions.

"I loved having a fraternity house and a place where all the brothers could meet, but I guess the financial obligations of the house put a lot of unnecessary strain on the brotherhood," Page said. "Now I'm looking forward to moving and putting the whole thing behind and forming a stronger brotherhood."

Ryan Carnegie, Sigma Chi academic advisor and alumnus, said Sigma Chi is going to work hard to make sure they are recognized as a prominent fraternity on campus.

"We going to work our butts off to prove Sigma Chi is a strong Greek organization, and with or without a house we belong on this campus," he said. "Even though the closing of the house doesn't send a positive image of

Sigma Chi to the university community, the guys in this chapter are a great bunch of guys and they work hard and they will be able to contribute to our university environment."

Carnegie said the fraternity will consider holding meetings in a dormitory or a meeting room off campus.

"We've got a lot of options that we need to explore," he said.

Page said Sigma Chi will still have functions at brother's homes, open campus parties at places like the Oronoka and will have social activities with sororities.

Pickering said the house is now for sale and anyone interested in purchasing the house can contact him through Robert Dana, associate dean of students and community life.

## Police

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in Colvin Hall and broken glass in Neville and Holmes Halls.

Police responded to four complaints of the smell of marijuana this week in Gannett, Androscoggin, Cumberland and Oxford Halls. In two cases, officers found nothing. In the other two, candles and burnt popcorn turned out to be behind the smell.

## Public Safety Tip of the Week:

Police are noticing two rules that are frequently being ignored on campus. The first is the new rule that states that when windshield wipers get turned on, headlights must also be turned on. Failure to do so can result in a \$65 fine.

The second rule involves buckling up. Drivers can now be pulled over for not having their seat belt buckled and each non-buckled person in the car can face a summons. Fines range from \$25 to \$50.

## Language

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Markowsky.

Maria Fuentes, a Spanish instructor, agrees that this allows students to become more comfortable with the language.

"I always find even when the professor tries to force the student to speak the language they still are shy. At the tables they don't have the pressure and if you make a mistake, so what? It doesn't matter," Fuentes said.

Freshman Justin Ripley, an international affairs major, spoke German every day when

he spent a year abroad. He believes that the tables allow him to keep up the language.

"It's not work, it's fun, and there is no pressure," said Ripley.

The sessions are offered at noon so people can come in and eat their lunch while talking with others.

"We just have a conversation on whatever you want. We exchange news, books and politics," said Markowsky.

"I like to talk to others that are interested in Spanish; it has nothing to do with the

classes," said Fuentes. "The tables encourage students to practice the language and to meet new people and make new friends. You don't have to speak the language fluently. You can come to learn more of the language."

The Foreign Language tables are offered Monday through Thursday in 207 Little Hall from noon to 1 p.m. Each day offers a different language: Monday-French, Tuesday-Russian, Wednesday-German and Thursday-Spanish.



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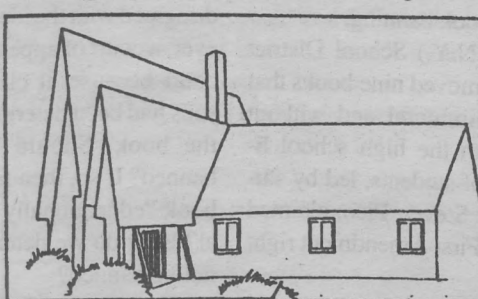
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# EDITORIAL

## Funding formula not the one

The future of research at the University of Maine could be in jeopardy as the board of trustees considers a proposal to alter the formula it uses to determine how legislative funds are divided among the seven campuses.

The plan, drafted by a higher education consultant, suggests that funds be divided primarily on the basis of enrollment.

The current formula designates 50 percent of the system's money to UMaine, 25 percent to the University of Southern Maine, and 25 percent to the remaining campuses. Substantial considerations are made for the unique role played by UMaine.

As the flagship campus and the state's only land-grant university, UMaine is the sole campus to coordinate large-scale scientific research programs like the Quaternary Institute and the Agricultural Experiment Station. Because of the professional research environment, UMaine can demand higher tuition and academic standards.

The Legislature is considering a \$20 million bond issue to account for the loss of research funds, but it cannot guarantee passage of the bond or future funding.

Enrollment at UMaine declined 4.7 percent in the last year while the number of students, particularly nontraditional commuters, at USM increased 4 percent.

The new funding formula would institute a 0.8 percent increase in funding for each 1 percent increase in enrollment and a 0.4 percent decrease in funding for each 1 percent decrease in enrollment.

UMaine already struggles to fund its research programs, maintain its disproportionate number of dormitories and retain the standards that permit the admissions office to reject some of the students who go on to study at Presque Isle or Machias.

Although satellite campuses like UMPI and the University of Maine at Augusta have a legitimate complaint of insufficient funding, overemphasizing enrollment is not the solution.

If the board of trustees approves the funding proposal, UMaine will be forced to accept inferior students simply to increase enrollment and gain funding.

Research programs may not be adequately funded. UMaine would become, in essence, a community college.

## Abolish posting of grades

The U.S. Department of Education's message is clear: "Social Security numbers are considered to be personally identifiable data as part of student records. We've held that the practice of posting grades by Social Security number is improper" under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

Yet, the University of Maine continues to skirt the law and the Department of Education. In response to a column that appeared in *The Maine Campus* last week, the Office of Student Records reissued guidelines Thursday for posting grades.

"It is permissible to post grades by ID/SSN, but only if the listing has been sorted in ID/SSN number," Student Records Director Alison Cox writes — a direct affront to the Department of Education. Not only that, but Cox's latest guidelines are more lenient compared to the guidelines she issued in 1995: "DO NOT post test scores, grades or any other information by student identification number."

The latest guidelines also recommend

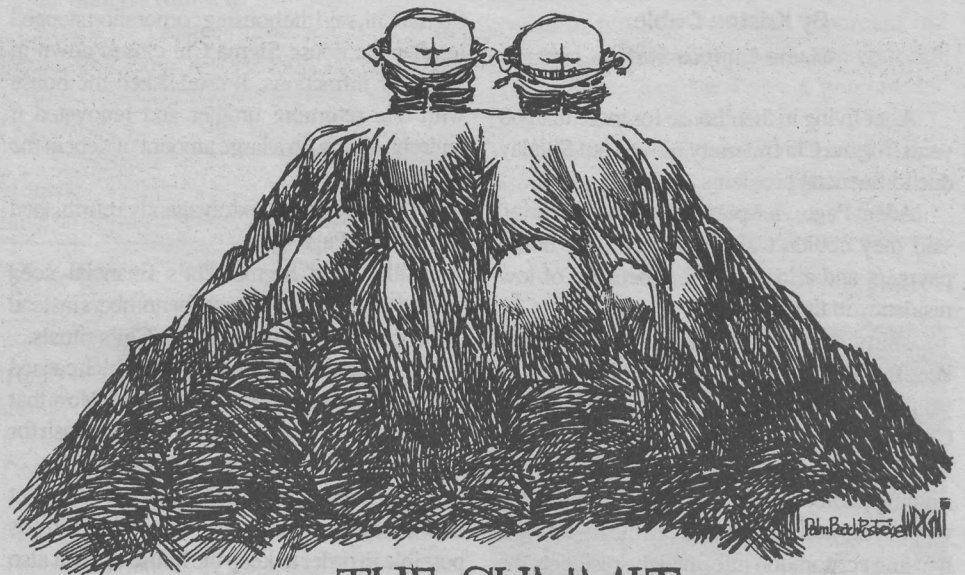
to professors that they inform students when grades will be posted so students can "ask for an alternative, have [their] ID number changed to another number, or even drop the class."

However, the law puts the onus on the university to obtain written permission from students before releasing grades. The law has no implied-consent provision.

Opponents of following the law argue that posting grades is the only practical way to distribute grade information to large classes. There are alternatives, though: Professors could return score sheets and tests before and after class or students could get their grades during their professor's office hours.

Or students could be issued code numbers along with their final exams. Once the exams have been graded, the results could be posted next to the assigned number codes.

By developing a plan unique to the university, professors can avoid the dangers inherent in the current posting policy.



## THE SUMMIT

Netanyahu and Reverend Falwell reach agreement on the peace process.

• Guest column

## Set book-banning standards

By Jason Cunningham

Book banning has become a prominent issue at schools and public libraries across the country in recent years. According to People for the American Way, a civil liberties organization, there were nearly 350 documented attempts to remove or restrict access to books at libraries in 1994 alone. Despite the seriousness and importance of this issue, however, the courts have given little guidance in the matter. As a result, there has been a lot of confusion among school administrators as to what books can or cannot be banned, and how they are to go about determining this.

For example, United School District No. 233 near Kansas City banned the book "Annie on My Mind" from its school libraries. This book, although it contains no vulgarity or sexually explicit material, does deal with homosexuality, a mature theme that children may have trouble understanding or dealing with. On the other hand, the Jacksonville, Fla., school district put "Snow White," a popular children's book, on its restricted book list after some parents complained that it included graphic violence. This shows that there is confusion regarding the standards used to determine what is considered objectionable material. To remedy this, the courts need to formulate specific standards that will both guide school administrators and protect the rights of students.

The confusion surrounding this issue stems from the Supreme Court's decision in *Island Trees v. Pico* (1982). This decision established a precedent in book banning.

The Island Trees (N.Y.) School District Board of Education removed nine books that it considered vulgar, immoral and without educational value from the high school library. A small group of students, led by student council president Steven Pico, claimed that this violated their First Amendment right to read the books.

It is important to note that the claims that were made in this particular case are representative of the basic arguments by both sides of the book banning issue. School administrators and educators believe it is their right to shield students from material that is obscene, vulgar or lacking in educational value. Students believe they have the right, based on the First Amendment, to read any book they want to, and to receive and explore any ideas they choose.

In deciding the Pico case, the Supreme

Court was presented with a golden opportunity to establish a clearly defined standard concerning book banning, but it failed. For example, in the court's majority opinion on the 5-4 ruling, Justice William Brennan declared that, under the First Amendment, school boards could not remove books from school libraries just because they disagreed with the political ideas or philosophies expressed in those books. However, books could be removed if they were found to be persuasively vulgar or educationally unsuitable. But the court did not define what it meant by "persuasively vulgar" and "educationally unsuitable." In addition, Justice Byron White, who voted with the majority, nonetheless felt that the issue was not even worthy of consideration. And the four dissenting justices said that school boards could remove books for any reason. Hence, not only had the Supreme Court failed to reach a definite conclusion, but it had actually added to the confusion through the use of ambiguous language.

No court decisions have since helped to clarify this issue. In fact, they have only lent further proof that the state of affairs surrounding book banning is complicated and confusing.

For example, a school board in Louisiana banned the book "Voodoo and Hoodoo." This book discusses the foundations of African tribal religion, but the board claimed that the book was immoral. A U.S. district court overruled the school board, saying the board banned the book merely because it disagreed with the ideas expressed in it. However, a court of appeals overruled the district court because, it claimed, no specific reasons had been determined for the removal of the book. Should this book have been banned? If so, then for what reasons? Is this book "educationally unsuitable" or immoral? How do we determine what can or cannot be banned?

There are no definite answers to these questions because our courts have no clear position on the issue. Each side believes it has a legitimate claim, but as with any controversial issue, the courts must reach some definite conclusion that will provide a measurable standard and eliminate confusion.

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## OP/ED



## • Column

## Bill and Slick Willie: A private affair

Bill: So now what?  
 Willie: (Sighing) Why do you keep asking me that?  
 Bill: Because this is partially your responsibility! How can you just leave me hanging like this?  
 Willie: An ironic complaint, Chief, given the situation. Anyway, I reject your premise. If this is anyone's fault, it most certainly is not mine.  
 Bill: You have got to be kidding. You are a direct participant!  
 Willie: I beg pardon. I am a tool of your will, not unlike any number

Bill: But I didn't do this!  
 Willie: Maybe, maybe not. I can't remember anymore. I wonder if it's that post-traumatic stress disorder thing...  
 Bill: Oh you are funny. Jesus, what difference does it make if I did or not?  
 Willie: Exactly. I'm often forced to agree with you against my will, but I am currently clear-headed enough to see the essential truth of your angst.

Paula Jones would have been relegated to historical footnotes long ago.

Bill: I need to convince the public to stand behind me.

Willie: Well, if it is any solace, the public wants to stand behind you. More or less, everyone just wants this to go away. I think they're uncomfortable with the reality.

Bill: What would you do, if you were me?

Willie: I am you, in some small way.

Bill: How can you joke at a time like this?

Willie: Levity is important in times of crisis. Anyway, just keep on the charm. It's how you got the office, and Lord knows you've talked me into accepting things that were rather unsavory.

Bill: Do you think I will be forgiven?

Willie: That depends. The public has let you off the hook before. The fact that you are a known quantity works to your advantage. I mean, people know you are sometimes a moral cipher; none of that phony innocence and illusory propriety that provided cover for your predecessors. Reagan and Nixon bombed innocents and undermined democracy; you chase skirts and undermine democracy. If anything, you are probably a better human being than many before you. You do need to be more discreet, though. You embarrass me sometimes.

Bill: Sorry. I'm just confused. I always thought I could be loyal, honest and forthright doing this job, and I wanted to prove that to the public.

Willie: Please. We both know that those traits don't exactly fit with the dictates of your job. Your public knows this as well. They just wish you wouldn't be so obvious.

Bill: So what now?

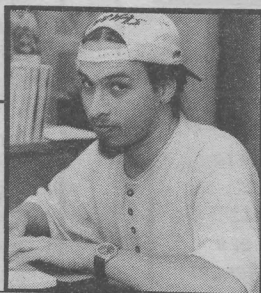
Willie: Well... that coffee.

Bill: Yeah, sorry about that.

Willie: The least of our problems, but it's a start.

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By Scott Labby



of persons in your life, except in my total inability to deny your wishes. I'm simply a functional entity. No offense, but I would have had better taste.

Bill: Fine, then. But we both know that if I go down, you go down with me.

Willie: Interesting choice of words. Still, I concede your thesis. I realize that my fate is far from assured, should you resign the presidency. I accept that Hillary may attempt some sort of unpleasantness. I would ask her not to blame the messenger for the message, if I could. I trust that self-interest will cause you to act as my proxy, should the need arise.

Bill: Of course. But isn't it best for both of us if we come up with a solution?

Willie: I suppose. But I doubt I have any ideas that would be of use.

## Correction

In Wednesday's "Question of the Week" on Page 5, Chad Becker was misidentified as Dian Ward.

Also, the Page 1 story "Life experience benefits non-traditional student" was supposed to run as a sidebar on Page 5. The feature story will run Monday.

## Raising moral standards for leaders

Adultery just doesn't seem to carry the baggage it used to, which is really too bad.

What was once so stigmatized that it was punishable by death has become the easy topic of many a brunch conversation. It has entered the realm of acceptable gossip formally reserved for bad perms, break-ups and weight gains.

As someone who's slated to walk down the aisle to holy matrimony in a matter of months, it bothers me that this human failing doesn't pack the moral punch it used to. It currently ranks somewhere between stealing a candy bar and robbing a bank as a societal sin: not cool and recommend-

in the Oval Office is certainly interesting to the American public. Although it titillates us as a society, it does not seem to be generally enraging us, which speaks volumes about our national morals.

Since Intergrate broke, Clinton has had any number of supporters (mostly male) stand up for him. When cries of impeachment echo through Washington D.C., these men are quick to say, "Presidents have been cheating while in office for years! You can't impeach him for this!" However, maintaining the status

By Kathryn Ritchie



able, but not altogether that bad, either.

Where are the days of Hester Prynne, when adulterers and adulteresses wore a badge of shame for giving in to their sexual desires? When people actually feared what everyone else would think of them if they found out? It seems today that countless numbers of people admit to cheating, even bragging about it to friends. Too often, mates are left to "work through" their pain and anger with little reason to do so.

When the shame connected to adultery is lost, the sanctity of marriage is one step closer to a total collapse. With better odds at winning the Megabucks than having a marriage that lasts happily ever after, that collapse is probably not in the too distant future.

Adultery rocks relationships, leaving one half reeling in the pain of wondering why it happened and leaving the other half with their tail tucked between their legs. Adulterers are nothing but cowardly, self-centered people out for their own personal pleasure. If they had guts, they would end their current relationship before turning to another, or choose to work it out. Of all the problems relationships occasionally face, I know of none that get better by sleeping with someone else.

Of course, the world's most talked-about affair of late is the alleged one between President Clinton and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky. While not an impeachable offense, a young woman giving the President of the United States oral sex

quo is not an iron-clad reason to turn the other cheek this time. Presidents also used to own slaves and withhold the vote from anyone who didn't own property, which didn't make either practice right.

It's time to start demanding more of ourselves and our elected officials. Clinton seems to be a habitual philanderer, and the country seems to be the habitually forgiving wife, slapping him on the wrist at his public gaffe and asking him not to do it again. Instead of being a country of enablers, we need to put our feet down and say, "We will not take this anymore." One of the sacrifices that comes along with the presidency should be keeping your sexual encounters limited to your husband or wife.

As we progress as a nation on all other fronts such as technology, we need to keep developing our morals, or reinstituting them, whichever the case may be. This means showing the rest of the world that we will not tolerate our leaders who cheat on their mates. If they can't stay faithful to the one person in the world they are supposed to love above all else, how can they be faithful to us?

I want the days of Hester Prynne brought back. I want adultery to send shivers up our spines. I want us to think adultery is an unimaginable sin.

I want marriage, which I'm entering quite seriously, to mean something.

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Friday, January 30

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY:** Indulge your whims; trust your instincts; treasure your fantasies. You can afford to take a few risks — indeed, it may be that you can't afford not to. Something you start for fun could develop into something of great importance.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** You won't be happy unless you're on the move today. Social and travel plans will feature prominently over the next 48 hours, although you may find that you have to part with considerably more cash than you were expecting.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** You have so many options to choose from now that you are probably getting confused. And confusion could easily turn to anger if, having started one thing, you realize you should have started something else. Monday's Full Moon will reduce your options considerably.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** Some brave decisions are called for this weekend — brave in that you don't really want to make them but know that you must. There is also the subconscious realization that if you don't make them now they will be made for you.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** Time is a great healer, but work helps too, especially if it makes the time pass quicker. Planetary influences increase your work load, and this weekend's aspects will add more on top of that. Get stuck into your tasks and you'll soon forget why you were so depressed.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** An open mind is a marvelous thing, but it is possible to be too open to outside influences. This weekend you must be careful what you choose to believe in. Some people will believe in anything — you, of course, are too sensible for that.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22):** Speak up or forever hold your peace. If you have something to say this weekend, say it and have done with it, even if it annoys someone you don't really want to offend. If you keep quiet to spare someone's feelings you will both regret it.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** You may be in something of a dilemma today, simply because you have several options to choose from and don't know which to choose. A gathering of old friends may be tempting but if they are that old and that friendly they won't mind, just this once, if you go somewhere else.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** Venus, planet of love, enters your birth sign today, lifting your spirits and helping you see the good in yourself and others. Family and financial problems will never be far from your thoughts, but at least you'll begin to see them in their true perspective.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** You may be friendly and fun to be with 99 percent of the time, but once in a while you reveal a tough streak completely at odds with your easygoing nature. Tomorrow could be one of those times. If you decide to pick on someone, be sure you're in the right.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** This promises to be a dramatic weekend. But, in this case at least, disruptive does not necessarily mean destructive. On the contrary, something new and exciting is about to come into your life.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** Aquarians are reputed to stick by their views and opinions, as are Leos, Scorpions, or Taureans. Which is why, if you're involved with anyone born under any of these signs this weekend, you must be sure not to discuss issues on which you differ.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** Those who think they can take advantage of you today are guilty of a serious error of judgment. You may talk gently, but you're nobody's fool. If others try to capitalize on your kindness, generosity or goodwill, let them know that you don't need them.

### Mr. GNU



THE END.

By Travis Dandro

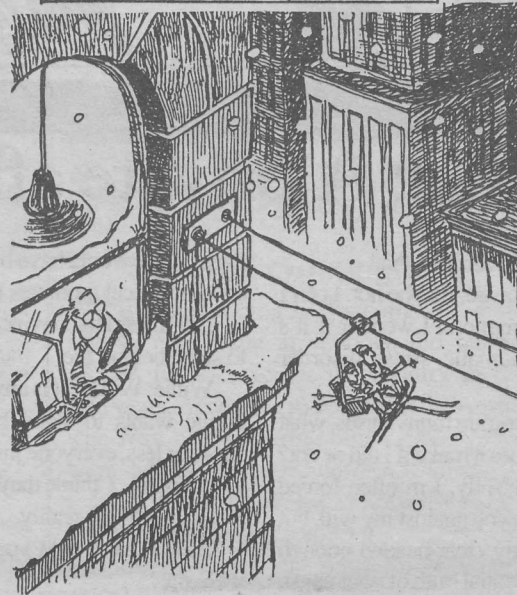
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BY VIEV



HOLLYWOOD PANHANDLING



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Lowell and I were walking down the street and I thought this girl was waving at me but she was actually fanning her face from the heat. I almost said, "Hi."

I'm a jerk.

I told Lowell, "We're losers. We have nothing going on in our lives."

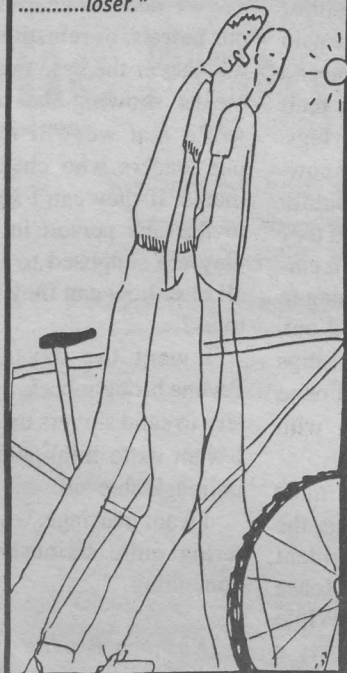
Lowell said, "Yeah, we're losers."

Then I said, "Actually, I'm not a loser, Lowell, but you are."

I said, "Really, Lowell, you can't be a loser. It's virtually impossible because you have a beautiful new mountain bike."

Lowell said, "Thanks, Leold, I forgot I had the bike."

I said, "Yeah, no problem... ..loser."



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"To thine own self be true."

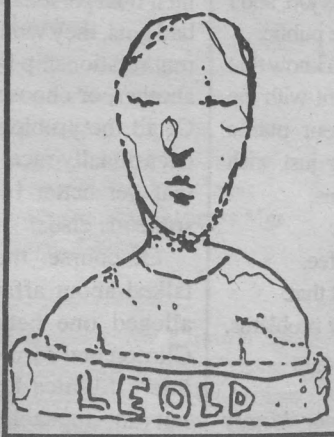
William Shakespeare

"I WILL ACT AS IF WHAT I DO MAKES A DIFFERENCE."

WILL JAMES

"There's no reason to get upset about this."

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Boy, it takes a while to forget your old girlfriend.

The other night I was waiting in the ticket line at a movie theater with another girl and a nearby public phone was ringing and I really thought it was my old girlfriend calling me to ask if I wanted to meet her for an ice cream later on that night.

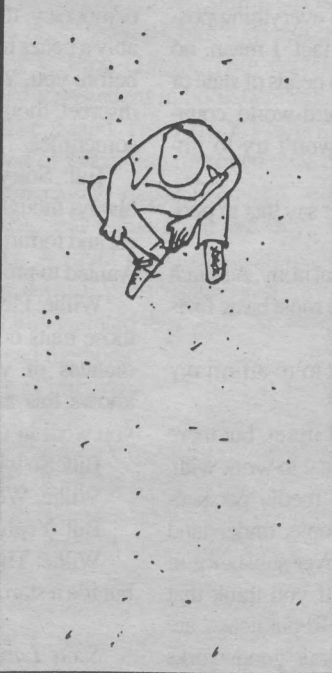
Really, after a while my old girlfriend and I weren't any good anymore, anyway.

I'd better start a hobby.

Maybe I'll paint very tiny figurines of the combatants of the Zulu war of 1879.

Yeah, that'll do it.

I'll paint lots of little things I can barely see.





# Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Saturday, January 31

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY:** You should be on the move this year, but you don't feel entirely confident about the direction you're being asked to travel. Rest assured you are worrying for no reason. Wherever you go and whatever you do, the planets will be watching over you.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** At what stage does a series of minor nuisances become a major nuisance? It all depends whether you deal with them individually or collectively. Tackle problems one at a time today. One by one they are nothing. Taken together they may be too much for you.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** You are under no obligation to justify your beliefs. Anyone who tells you otherwise is mistaken. There are enough bigots proclaiming that their ways are right — don't encourage them. There is only one right way today and that is the way that is right for you.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** It may appear hard to be creative and lazy at the same time — but not if you are a Gemini. You may not want to exert yourself today, but you can still do something useful, such as reading a book or watching a TV program. What kind of book or program does not matter, just as long as it makes you think.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** No doubt you wish your life were less demanding. But think back to how little you achieved when times were easy and how much you achieved when times were hard. You need to be pushed. Be grateful the powers that be think you are worth the effort.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** You have a duty to fulfill. Try as you might to persuade yourself that it can wait until another day, you know it can't. Set yourself a very tight schedule and stick to it come what may. If you are lucky you will discharge your duty and still have time to go out and have fun.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22):** Yours is a practical sign by nature, but you also know how to enjoy yourself. Aspects suggest that you should stop planning everything in detail and let fate decide where you go and whom you meet. A sudden attraction is likely but remember: There is no such thing as coincidence.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** You are likely to be a bit emotional today — make that a lot if you have to say goodbye to someone. While this is perfectly natural, you must not let it get out of hand. You have important things to do, and you can't do them with tears in your eyes.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** If you focus your mind on your weaknesses it is inevitable that you will think of yourself as weak. If you focus your mind on your strengths it is inevitable that you will think of yourself as strong. It doesn't matter how negative you feel today, you must think positive thoughts.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** You may feel anxious about certain things in your life, but are they worth the worry? Of course not. There are only so many hours in the day, and it is a crime to waste even one of them tormenting yourself about things that may never happen. Even if they do, you can handle them.

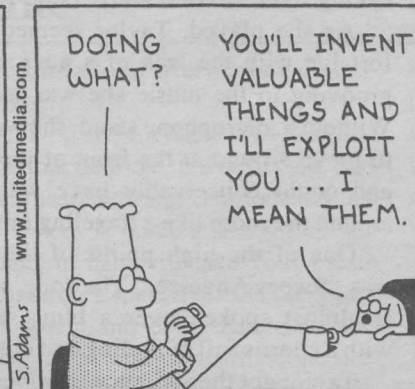
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** If you decide to get tough with someone today, there are two things of which you must be sure: first, that they deserve to be criticized and, second, that there is no way they can turn the argument around and use it against you.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** Keep things simple today, both at home and at work. If you look for complicated answers you will tie yourself up in knots; if you tie yourself up in knots, everything will seem confused — a vicious circle you will find hard to break. The right answers are usually the simple answers.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** Keep your wits about you today, especially when dealing with cash and investments. It is unlikely that anyone is trying to cheat you, but you can never be too careful. Besides, you could be cheating yourself.

# ENTERTAINMENT

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## New York Times Daily Crossword

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### ACROSS

- 1 Kind of sch.
- 5 Word with card or flood
- 10 Presidential nickname
- 13 Wheel hub
- 14 Told
- 15 Something to chew
- 16 Daily newspaper features
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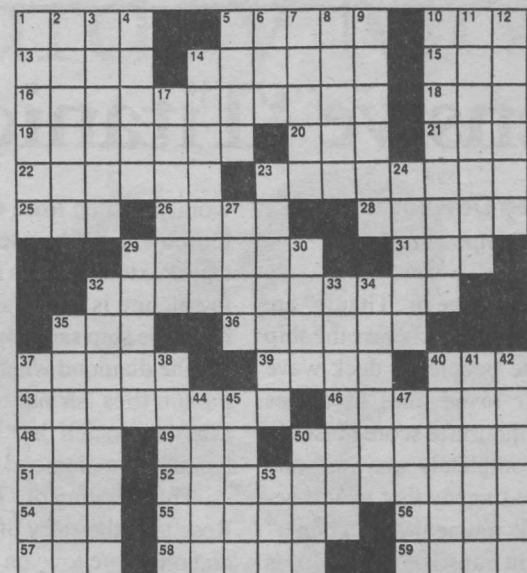
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- 26 Place for a lecture
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- 29 Parodied
- 31 Pulls
- 32 Today's theme, which will help answer the six italicized clues
- 35 Directional suffix
- 36 Sage
- 37 Tobacco pipe
- 39 Neuter
- 40 Suffix in political studies
- 43 Atmosphere
- 46 Conspicuousness
- 48 Retriever, for short

### DOWN

- 49 Soft sound
- 50 Some U.F.O.'s
- 51 el Amarna, Egypt
- 52 Police message
- 54 Clinch
- 55 Seats without backs
- 56 Salinger dedicatee
- 57 Bank statement listings: Abbr.
- 58 Approaching the hour
- 59 1994 Shirley MacLaine title role

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Puzzle by David J. Kahn

- 24 "I can take —!"
- 27 P.O. items
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- 30 Surface
- 32 Bounces
- 33 Area of barren lava flows, in the Southwest
- 34 Football play
- 35 Late author-humorist

- 37 Easy Monopoly purchase
- 38 Modify
- 40 Actually existing
- 41 Upholstery fabrics
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- 44 "Cape Fear" actor
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- 47 Serenaders, possibly
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# Style and the Arts

## • Coffee House Series

# Obstacles can't keep Taylor from performing

By Derek Rice  
Maine Campus staff

Bad weather and a lack of amplification couldn't keep Louise Taylor from going through with her Coffee House Series performance Tuesday night.

"We're missing a PA tonight, so we're going to wing it," Taylor said before beginning her set.

Because of a misunderstanding between The Union Board, the series' sponsor, and the Maine Center for the Arts, the necessary equipment was disassembled at the MCA. Because of that, Taylor's performance was a little different from others in the series. One could say it was almost better.

While most of the performers use some sort of amplifier for their performances in the small Peabody Lounge, Taylor's consisted of her and her guitar. Her voice rang out in the lounge, proving she didn't need to be amplified to be good.

After her first song, she asked if those in the back of the room could hear her, which they could.

"Amazing. Those voice lessons paid off," she said.

As for the weather, Taylor commented on the effects of the two recent ice storms on the state of Maine. "As I came up (I-95), I noticed the trees

would be broken further and further down. It's devastating," she said.

Taylor grew up in Colorado and when she was in her teens, she hitchhiked across the country for six years. Her experiences on the road form the basis for many of her songs, as she said, now that her life "is dull and boring."

For Tuesday's performance, she drew heavily on material from her latest CD, "Ride." She spread the new songs out evenly over the first and second sets.

As she played, Taylor seemed comfortable with the lack of a microphone, grooving to the music she was making. Without a microphone stand, she was free to move around at the front of the room and could conceivably have wandered around the room like a traveling minstrel.

One of the high points of the show was "Sweet Angelee." The song's verse is almost spoken over a blues pattern with a chorus full of feeling and emotion.

Taylor got the audience involved with her song "Shiny Dime." Nearly all in attendance participated, while those who didn't took her advice.

"You should at least move your lips. Pretend you're singing," she said.

The "unplugged" atmosphere gave Taylor the opportunity to play stripped-down versions of her recorded work. On "Ride," there are 15 credited musicians.



Louise Taylor played her set at Tuesday's Coffee House Series despite not having any amplification. (Eric Weisz photo.)

"Last Days of Summer" is a rollicking drinking song that is reminiscent of the Irish Rovers. It is the only cover Taylor does and appears on her CD.

Taylor's song "Too Tired to Leave" appears on "Ride" as a duet with Chris Smither, who opened for B.B. King Mon-

day night in Bangor. Tuesday night, the harmony was hardly missed.

This was Taylor's second Coffee House performance at the University of Maine in a year. She said she enjoyed the experience and looked forward to returning soon.

## • In theaters

# Expensive 'Titanic' more than its special effects

By Greg Dowling  
Maine Campus staff

The first images we see in "Titanic" are an old filmstrip recorded just before the ship left the harbor. The people on deck wave innocently to their loved ones as James Horner's superbly mournful score pulses in the background, completely unaware and unsuspecting of the tragedy that would befall them. From this moment on, "Titanic" holds the audience in transfixed awe. This is one of the most spellbinding, emotional and grand films of our time.

I loved this film. I loved every moment of it. I've seen a countless number of films, and most of them have been escapist Hollywood entertainment, which make up 90 percent of what is released year after year. "Titanic" is one of those rare film experiences that reminds me how amazing a trip to the movies can be. It's a beautifully made film that represents a standard of film excellence that is not a fraction as common as it should be.

The story of "Titanic" begins with a Titanic salvage team led by Bill Paxton ("Twister") searching for a valuable blue diamond pendant necklace, called La Coeur de Mer (the Heart of the Sea), that was on board the Titanic. Using submersibles, they recover some items in a safe in one of the first-class cabins of the sunken vessel. Among these items is a graphite drawing of a beautiful woman wearing the diamond around her neck. These drawings are shown on the news and catch the eye of an elderly

woman named Rose Calvert, who stares at the drawing with wide-eyed shock. She contacts Paxton and tells him that the woman in the picture is her. The drawing is dated the night the ship sank, meaning she was wearing the diamond when the boat went down. Paxton flies her out to the floating rig and asks her to tell her story in the hope of locating the diamond.

The real story of "Titanic" begins here as Rose tells the story of how she met her one and only true love on the decks of the ship, a young artist named Jack Dawson (Leonardo DiCaprio). Rose was 17 at the time and to be married to a pompous businessman named Calvin Hockley (Billy Zane), who provides the film's most grimly ironic line when he looks at the massive ship in the harbor and says, "God himself could not sink this ship."

Rose feels like a prisoner in her engagement, which is more for her clinging mother (Frances Fisher), who feels that marrying rich is the only way to maintain the lifestyle to which she has become accustomed. Rose wants to break free. Then she meets Jack.

Jack is a wanderer who finds work where he can. He isn't ruled by class or money, but by his own instincts. Rose is a wild heart trying to get out and Jack makes it seem possible. They fall madly in love, earning the disapproval of just about everyone.

Of course, history dictates what happens next to the ship when it sideswipes an iceberg. It's in these scenes that we see every myth we have heard about the Titanic come alive. The band playing as the ship sank to keep people calm. The policies of putting

first-class people in the lifeboats first. Numerous acts of heroism and cowardice emerge from the tragedy.

"Titanic" was directed by James Cameron (who also penned the superb screenplay), who is certainly a brilliant technical director, as is shown by his previous credits, including "Aliens," "The Abyss" and "True Lies." "Titanic" is his masterpiece. It's a film that combines his dazzling technical prowess with his now fully blossomed ability as a storyteller. What he does with this film is something I didn't fully understand until I saw the film a second time.

Most directors who make period tales spend most of their energy showing us the differences that separate us from a distant time. They are only concerned with how we differ from the people who lived in a different era. Cameron does not want to do that. What he does is show us all we have in common with these people. He makes us see that we are no different. Jack and Rose are easy to identify with. They each have characteristics we recognize and see in ourselves. It's this very detail from which the

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## From the home office at Beta Theta Pi

### Top Ten signs that we have a parking problem here on campus:

- 10) Parking decals come with a copy of the Lord's Prayer.
- 9) Some shady guy was standing in front of Alford before a game trying to scalp parking spaces.
- 8) President Hoff took a tough stance on the issue and said he supports parking.
- 7) Tuesday is now dollar violation night.
- 6) Sex Matters has been inundated with letters about finding "just the right spot."
- 5) The best parking space you had all year was the time you left your car at Geddy's overnight.
- 4) All faculty are encouraged to invest in mopeds.
- 3) Signs have been posted all over forbidding parking on the third floor of Shibles.
- 2) The signs in front of Fogler say, "10 Minute parking or best offer."
- 1) Facilities Management was spotted painting white lines on the frozen Stillwater.

By: Eric Simonds



## • Performance

# 'Piano man' makes first stop on latest tour

By Mike Reynolds  
Maine Campus staff

Billy Joel played for more than two hours on Tuesday night in Portland. The show kicked off his 1998 tour that will take him around the United States and Europe through the end of the year.

Joel's show, which sold out in less than an hour, was in support of his "Greatest Hits Vol. 3," released last fall.

Joel, who has been making and releasing music for 30 years, had his work cut out for him. Some people had waited three days for their tickets and scalpers were asking outrageous sums for the show – the first in the area for almost five years.

Rumors have also stated that it may be his last tour, citing a trend that seems to be popular among his contemporaries. He has said this will be his last full tour.

Joel did not seem to have lost any of

his youthful energy as he ripped into his hit "The Stranger."

He followed with his hit "The Ballad of Billy the Kid," which really showed the crowd how much he was going to rock the house.

Joel continued with a song off his "Bridges" album, tearing into the disco-era song "Movin' Out."

Joel spent a considerable amount of time chatting with the audience. "Portland is a great place to begin a tour," He said, noting he began his River of Dreams tour in the city five years ago.

Joel continued to belt out a bunch of songs that are showcased on his newest release. He joked he hadn't played "Just the Way You Are" since his first divorce – the audience loved the remark and the song.

Joel, who could easily have played the Civic Center as a single pianist, in-

stead had a band that seemed to have nearly 10 members and a huge stage that included a rotating island for his piano and keyboards on both sides of the stage, which would be used for songs like "Pressure" to enhance the heavy synthesizer effects in the studio version of the song.

There were many surprises in store for the audience, as Joel would debut many songs previously never performed live. "All About Soul" and "This is the Time" were both played live for the first time Tuesday night.

Joel also played songs that would not be considered conventional choices for the man who could probably play a three-hour set of top-20 singles. One of the

songs that fit this description, "The Downeaster Alexa" was surprising to hear live, as it was not a radio hit. It was appropriate because Joel probably will not play any closer to downeast Maine.

Joel's performance was great in that he played a wide variety of songs from different stages in his career, such as "Lullaby", and a newer reworking of "We Didn't Start the Fire." He also played standards that would almost have made any show of his incomplete, such as "Scenes from an Italian Restaurant" and his final encore "Piano Man," which had the entire Civic Center crowd on its feet singing along, making it a wonderful way to end the first show of the tour.

## Titanic

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film draws its almost overwhelming emotional power.

The sinking of the Titanic is a visual and emotional tour de force. It's terrifying, harrowing and heartbreaking. The moment when the ship's stern is pointed straight up and then breaks in half will take your breath away. Cameron's special effects company, Digital Domain, has done seamless work. There was never a moment where the illusion is not 100 percent convincing. Of course, for \$200 million it should be.

Kate Winslet gives her breakthrough performance as a leading lady. The audience falls in love with Rose, just as Jack does. She's strong-willed, intelligent and is never a victim. Winslet also gives Rose a charm

and warmth that is irresistible, and her chemistry with DiCaprio is so fiery and erotic it could melt the iceberg the ship hit. DiCaprio is equally brilliant. He's brave, selfless and endearing. These are two characters who will live on in American cinema.

We have all thought about the Titanic at one time or another. We learned about it in grade school and in our high school and college history classes. James Cameron's masterpiece is the first opportunity we have had to feel it, experience it and live it. This is not something you can get from any history text. "Titanic" will be held as one of the greatest films of all time.

Grade: A+



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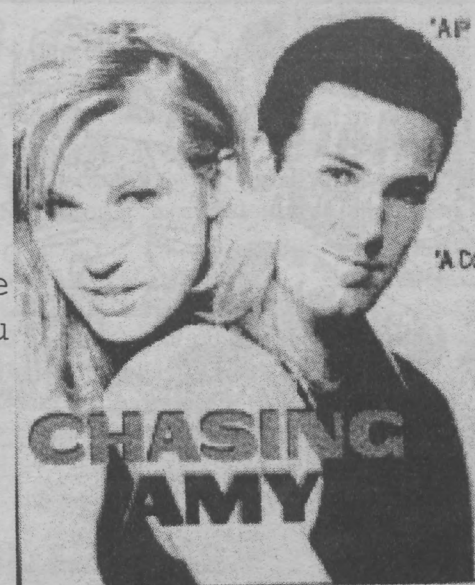
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## • Historical film

**'Mrs. Brown' a well-made, captivating film**

By Derek Rice  
Maine Campus staff

A bust is thrown over a castle wall. A man runs madly through the dark woods, waving a pistol. He shouts, "God save the queen" and fires, but there is nothing there.

These first scenes of "Her Majesty, Mrs. Brown" don't make any sense at first, but have faith. They will by the time the film is over.

It is three years after Prince Albert died of typhoid fever. His widow, Queen Victoria (Golden Globe winner Judi Dench) remains in mourning, as does the rest of the household staff at Osborne House on the Isle of Wight. The queen remains in seclusion from her public. Her rules for conduct at the house are rigid and her staff finds them unbearable.

In an attempt to bring a sense of nostalgia to the queen, thereby easing her back into her official duties, her personal secretary, Henry Ponsonby (Geoffrey Palmer), decides to bring one of her husband's most trusted servants down from Balmoral.

John Brown (Billy Connolly) is a Highlander whose job, ostensibly, is to oversee

the queen's horse, which he brought along with him from the Scotland castle. His ideas on how he should conduct himself conflict with the rules of the household. He listens to no one and calls the queen "woman" when she frustrates him.

Inevitably, Brown coaxes the queen outdoors to ride the horse and get some fresh air. His matter-of-fact approach to addressing her is most likely refreshing after so many years of socially scripted motions.

Brown eventually becomes the queen's personal assistant, much to the chagrin of the staid Sir Henry and others. The queen opens her mind and her heart to the servant, placing him on the same social level as herself. She remains dressed in black, but eases some of the household restrictions.

When trouble arises in the household and the country, attempts to remove Brown prove unfruitful. When he attempts to resign rather than put the queen through the muck-raking his presence causes, the newspapers refer to the queen as Mrs. Brown because of their friendship, suggesting improper actions on her behalf.

When Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli (Antony Sher) persuades Brown to ease the

queen back into public life, she is obviously upset. Their once-strong friendship is damaged, although neither ever says so. When he calls her "woman," she reprimands him for speaking to the queen in that manner. Brown, however, remains as chief of security, protecting the queen from would-be assassins dutifully.

The 62-year-old Dench is excellent as the mourning sovereign. She can be happy one moment in the company of her good friend and weeping the next at the memory of her dead husband. The longtime Shakespearean and stage actress is probably most recognizable as M in the latest two James Bond films. Here she gives a credible performance as a woman whose emotions reach highs and lows within minutes over a 20-year span.

Connolly's performance was a surprise. As a stand-up comic and TV actor, he would seem to be wrong for the part. After all, he was barely tolerable as the replacement teacher in "Head of the Class" and less endearing when he reprised that role in the spin-off "Billy." But here, he takes a serious

role, albeit a fun one, and makes it his own. There is nothing unbelievable in his performance, and it's a shame he probably won't get any awards to show for it.

As Disraeli, Sher is the consummate politician. He changes his moods and facial expressions to fit the situation. It is hard to figure out what motivates him, aside from political aspiration. It is as if his personal feelings are dictated by public opinion.

Director John Madden has done wonders with a cast of virtual unknowns. He avoids the sweeping pageantry of most period pieces ("The Age of Innocence," for example), which sometimes tends to detract from the human qualities of the characters. Instead he puts his actors in enclosed, almost prison-like spaces, and lets them be human.

In most biographies of Queen Victoria, there is no mention of John Brown. Perhaps the royal historians felt it wise to keep servants out of the public eye. This film explores an aspect of the life of the queen that few may be aware existed.

## • Court

**Actor's son faces charges**

NORWALK, Conn. (AP) — No longer a no-show, Kirk Douglas' youngest son went to court for a hearing related to a 1996 disturbance at a psychiatric hospital where he was a patient.

Eric Douglas, 38, faces several charges for alleged incidents involving a girl at Silver Hill Hospital in New Canaan. In court Wednesday, several counts were dismissed but one was added — for failing to show up in court last month.

The case remains sealed because of the girl's age. Authorities have said only that Douglas annoyed another patient at the hospital in August 1996.

Douglas was arrested in February and is

charged with one count of risk of injury to a minor, two counts of disorderly conduct, and failure to appear in court. He has pleaded innocent.

His run-in with the law in Connecticut came two days after he was charged in Long Beach, Calif., with driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

His lawyer, Francis DiScala Jr., called the current charges "groundless." Prosecutor Richard Colangelo Jr. did not return calls Wednesday.

**What's happening**

Friday, Jan. 30

- TGIF Jazz with Cool and Beyond, 12:15 p.m., Damn Yankee.
- Reception for Museum of Art Exhibits "North and South: Berenice Abbott's U.S. Route 1" and "Jonathan Bailey," 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Carnegie Hall.
- Animation Club Film Series, 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., 100 Donald P. Corbett.

- Open stage night, 7 p.m., Left Bank Cafe, Blue Hill. Each act gets 15 minutes or three numbers. Call 374-2201 to reserve a spot.

Saturday, Jan. 31

- Rustic Overtones, 8 p.m., Maine Center for the Arts. Call 581-1755 for information.
- Film, "Chasing Amy," 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., 100 Donald P. Corbett. Presented by The Union Board.
- Anne and David Dodson will be taping a performance to be broadcast later in the spring, 8 p.m., Left Bank Cafe.



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# SPORTS PAGE

## • Women's basketball

# Upset victory

## Blodgett's 32 paces Maine's offense

By Josh Nason  
Maine Campus Staff

A few days ago, co-captains Cindy Blodgett and Sandi Carver talked about how the team needed to step up against the bigger competition.

They did just that Thursday night against No. 15 Western Kentucky.

Maine used a stifling defense to force 22 WKU turnovers and upset the Lady Toppers 76-64 in arguably the biggest win in Maine basketball history.

"Sandi and I talked about that a lot in the past few days that it was about time we pull the team together and win some of these," Blodgett said.

"It feels good to finally get a big win like this, and hopefully it will just take off from here."

Blodgett netted a game-high 32 points on nine-of-13 shooting from the floor. Jamie Cassidy came off the bench and had 20 points to go with eight rebounds.

"I wouldn't call it a huge upset. They are a quality team and they are ranked nationally," Blodgett said. "But we are a quality team as well, and I don't think we felt we are big as underdogs as all of (the media) did."

Leslie Johnson scored a team-high 21 points for 16-6 Western Kentucky. Danielle McCulley fouled out with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

"We played very spurty basketball. For some reason, we didn't play much defense tonight. That is not a characteristic of a Western Kentucky basketball team," WKU head coach Steve Small explained.

Maine moves up to 13-3 with the win, and will face conference opponent UNH on Sunday.

Head coach Joanne Palombo-McCallie said that the club is a known entity and its outstanding players can't be overlooked.

"I think we surprised Alabama; I don't think we surprised Western Kentucky. It was a battle. Tonight we were fortunate to play well and do some things," Palombo said.

## • Men's hockey

# The rematch in Durham

By Bill Stewart  
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine men's hockey team is out to prove a point this weekend when they travel to New Hampshire for a Sunday matinee with the No. 4 Wildcats.

Maine is still in search of its first win over New Hampshire this year, but with the Hockey East playoffs lurking in the distance, a chance to get back on track is also on top of the weekend's agenda.

"We've lost to them three times already this year," Black Bear captain Shawn Wansborough said. "For sure we have something to prove. We want to prove that not only can we play with the top teams, but beat them as well."

The Bears have dropped four straight to

The first half ended with the Black Bears up 37-31. Maine jumped out to a 19-10 lead after Blodgett got on a hot streak with nine straight points on three 3-pointers. WKU had three straight turnovers in that span as well.

Maine jumped out to a 51-37 lead five minutes into the second half, and looked to be on the verge of a blowout. After a WKU timeout, the Lady Toppers began a 10-0 run spurred by a tough full-court press that forced three straight Maine turnovers.

WKU got within two twice, but Maine turned them back both times. In most cases, WKU beat themselves, turning the ball over at one critical juncture that may have decided the game.

With 2:34 left, the Toppers turned over the ball off a missed free throw. Blodgett took the ball on the offensive end, and threw up a right-handed desperation hook that went in.

Blodgett was fouled, converted the free throw, and gave Maine a 64-59 lead they would not relinquish.

It is easy to compare the stature of the win to when then No. 10 Alabama came to Orono, and left with a 75-73 loss in 1994. But head coach Joanne Palombo-McCallie says the differences come with how Maine was known then and how they are regarded now.

"When we beat Alabama, we were a no-name. We had never been to an NCAA tournament. Alabama didn't even respect us coming in here, and we sort of ambushed them," Palombo said.

"You can't take all the bigger games and clump them all together. They have very different characteristics."

Both Cassidy and Palombo credited the hard week's practices for giving the team the determination and drive they needed to win.

"I think (the win) will make us realize that we have to work like we did in practice this week all the time. Now that we have that feeling, we know we can beat anybody," Cassidy said.

nationally ranked foes in Boston University and UNH.

"It's big (Sunday's game) because I'm sure a lot of the guys are doubting themselves after playing four pretty good games and having nothing to show for it," Wansborough said. "It would be a huge lift for the guys mentally to come away with a win."

With a combined 0-6 record against the Terriers and Wildcats this year, the Bears know if they are to make a run at an NCAA tournament berth, their national standings will have to levitate.

"It's coming down to the wire and we're not rated very high," Wansborough added. "If it (NCAA tournament) started tomorrow

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Maine guard Cindy Blodgett storms past Western Kentucky's Kristi Hartley during the Black Bears' 76-64 victory. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

## • Women's hockey

# Lorenz: A closer look II

By David Bailey  
Maine Campus staff

### Second of two parts

Since Alison Lorenz was playing with Boys at Brewer High she was just as much fair game as anyone else when it came to bruising hits and body checks.

It didn't take long for Lorenz to adjust to her environment.

"Playing with boys is actually quite a bit different," Lorenz said. "Checking is a major part of it, and I'm obviously quite little, and it just causes you to have such quicker movements with the puck."

"There's not as much stickhandling. It's more of 'couple of passes and shoot' instead of skate it down the ice."

Things could get downright frustrating at times. Lacking the extensive bulk carried by the rest of the team, Lorenz was rarely a go-to player in the minds of her teammates.

"I didn't have the speed or the size, so I was constantly looking for my teammates, give them a pass and set them up, and I was

not the one that they were going to pass to."

Even though the deck was stacked against her, Lorenz found ways to overcome the obstacles.

"I tried to make up for my lack of size and speed by making sure I played the systems right and that I was where I needed to be at all times. [I needed] just to really have great positioning to try to cut down on my errors and make [opponents] have errors."

### Welcome to UMaine

After a successful high school stretch that included a senior all-star selection in 1996, Lorenz was looking to further her hockey career. Lorenz looked at a myriad of colleges, including Colby, Boston College, and Rochester Institute of Technology, all schools known for their firm commitments to women's hockey.

In the end, however, Lorenz settled upon Maine, a school which only had a club team at the time.

While it was disappointing for Lorenz not to go to a school with a varsity program,

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# FROM THE DEN

Former Maine hockey player Gary Conn is credited with scoring the first goal in modern times for the Black Bears when he connected against Acadia University on November 18, 1977. Dan Sweeney was credited with the first assist.





## Lorenz

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she was determined to make the most of her situation.

"I looked at a lot of Division-I schools, but it doesn't always work out the way you want, and when it came down to it, I decided Maine was where I wanted to go.

"I was just happy that they had a team and I could still play."

For the first time, Lorenz could play a full season on an all-women's team. Previously, her only experience on women's teams came from stints with the junior Olympic development camp in 1994 and 1996.

Having resided on both sides of the fence, she has found the women's game to be more to her liking.

"There's no checking in women's hockey, so you're not constantly having to worry about who's going to hit you next," Lorenz said. "That allows for more stick-handling.

"Comparatively, the league we're playing in now, compared to my high school league, it's a little bit slower. The shots aren't as hard. The type of play is a lot different and I think female hockey players are more unselfish. They're more concerned about their teammates and how the whole team is than male hockey players."

Lorenz made her presence felt at Maine from day one. Playing for last year's club team, she racked up 22 goals and 20 assists as the Black Bears marched to a 10-4-2 record and a playoff berth before being eliminated in the first round by Middlebury.

For Lorenz, the season turned out to be a pleasant surprise, especially playing for a team that many assumed would be the league's punching bag.

"I never thought that I would enjoy it as much as I did," Lorenz said. "We were a

very small team, and people didn't expect anything from us. We just kinda waltzed into other people's rinks. I think a lot of teams were very surprised with what we had last year and they never expected us to have as good a record as we did.

"It was a lot of fun to have people look down upon us and then prove them wrong."

Both outside and inside the university. "Obviously, I think our opponents didn't think we were going to be as good as we were, and I'm sure the university [didn't] as well," Lorenz said. "A lot of people probably didn't even realize that we had a good of a season as we did, or that they thought we would."

Lorenz carried the enthusiasm of last season into 1997-98, Maine's first as a varsity squad. On opening day she notched a hat trick in Maine's 3-1 victory over Sacred Heart.

"It started me off on the right pace, and it kind of threw me into the season real quick," Lorenz said. "It's better to start off on fire than to start off in a slump."

## Looking down the road

Lorenz has been optimistic so far about the current crop of Black Bears, a team in transition as they prepare to jump to Division I from Division III next season.

"I think we're doing great, considering the wide ability levels that are on our team. [There are] people that have played all their lives and people that are just taking up the sport.

"We're playing against teams that have been varsity for years. This is our first season in varsity. We had one loss that we shouldn't have had [a 5-1 loss to Amherst in which the Lord Jeffs ended a 28-game league losing streak], but other than that, I think we're exactly where we should be, and I think we're doing good."

## • Swimming/Track

## Swimming with the Eagles

From Staff reports

## Swimming Updates

The University of Maine women's swim team defeated Xavier on January 8, 112-75. The Bears fell to Providence College on January 24. Susan Herrick continues to enjoy some recent success as she won five races in her last two meets.

The Black Bears will host Boston College tomorrow at 11:00 a.m.

The UMaine men's swim team will look to bounce back after falling to Xavier and Providence, 102-93 and 172-121, respectively.

Jordan Pike won the one- and three-meter diving competitions against Providence while freshmen Jeff Small and Dana Barrows placed first against Xavier.

"I was pleased with my time because we were in the middle of our training," Barrows said. "We weren't expected to do as well and Xavier was a pretty fast team."

The men will also host BC tomorrow at 11:00 a.m.

"It should be a good meet," Barrows said. "They are sort of on the same caliber as us."

## Indoor track

The UMaine women's indoor track team has enjoyed some success recently as they finished second in a field of six at the Challenge Cup Series held at Yale University.

Sophomore Katie D'Entremont won the shot-put and broke her own collegiate record in the weight throw (47'10"). Senior Johanna Riley won the long jump, and also garnered the third highest distance in UMaine history, when she jumped 18'01".

The women will be in Boston tomorrow to participate in the Terrier Classic at Boston University.

The men's indoor track team will compete at the University of Rhode Island before going to the Terrier Classic on Sunday.

Joe Moody qualified for the NCAA's when he won the 800 meter run at the Challenge Cup and he almost broke the UMaine record with a time of 1:50.80.

## • Women's hoop

## Bears back in conference

What: New Hampshire at Maine

Where: Sunday at 1 p.m. at Alford Arena

Who: **Maine: (12-4, 8-1 America East)** Cindy Blodgett (27.9 ppg, 6 apg, .845 free throw pct.), Jamie Cassidy (19.3 ppg, 8.7 rpg, 1.8 blocks), Amy Vachon (2.67 steals, 6.60 apg); **New Hampshire: (7-10, 4-5 A.E.)** Orsi Farkas (15.5 ppg, 7.2 rpg, .599 field goal pct.), Kelly Karl (2.53 steals, 4.18 apg), Kimberly Kassick (.65 blocks a game), Allison Godfrey (.722 free throw pct., 6.6. rpg)

The Lowdown: After stunning No. 15 Western Kentucky, Maine will look to beat the Wildcats for the second time this season after a 75-61 win at Durham earlier.

Cassidy will have her hands full with Farkas, who was named America East co-Player of the Week. UNH has the best defense in the league, allowing opponents just over 62 points a game. Maine, ranked No. 1 in offense, will test the age-old adage of "defense beats offense" in this, their second game of a five-game homestand.

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Phone: 581-7728  
Place: Basement of Kennebec Hall

AZ

Jan 27th 7:00 pm  
Game Night  
Feb 5th 7:00 pm  
Make Valentines with AZ  
Feb 8th 1:30-3:30 pm  
Ice Skating

## Contact

Rush Chair: Jenn McKay  
Phone: 581-6327  
Place: Basement of Oxford Hall

FM

Feb 10th 6:00 pm  
Movies & Popcorn  
Feb 11th 6:00 pm  
Pizza with the Sisters

## Contact

Rush Chair: Carlea Peters  
Phone: 581-6951  
Place: Basement of Knox Hall

PBF

Jan 29th 6:00 pm  
Mocktail Madness  
Feb 1st 3:00 pm  
Snow Fun & Cocoa  
Feb 3rd 5:30 pm  
70's Craze  
Feb 4th 6:30 pm  
Garden Party

## Contact

Rush Chair: Darby Labbe  
Phone: 581-7276  
Place: PBF House College Avenue

XQ

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Jan 29th 7:00 pm  
Picture Yourself a XQ  
Jan 30th 7:00 pm  
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Jan 31st 11:00 am  
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Feb 1st 4:30 pm  
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Rush Chair: Jen Fogarty  
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## Durham

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row we wouldn't be in it."

The Wildcats (17-4-1, 9-3-1 in HE) enter the contest having blown Boston College out of their rink 9-3 on Tuesday. With a plethora of goal scorers coupled with a goaltender who the Bears have penetrated just once this year, the Wildcats feature one of the nation's more prolific teams.

"They are as explosive as any team in the country," Maine coach Shawn Walsh said.

"They have a bunch of snipers who can put the puck in the net," Wansborough said. "We can't let them loose in close range and we have to limit their chances."

Wildcat forwards Jason Krog, Mark Mowers, Tommy Nolan and Derek Bekar have combined for 155 points this year. The Black Bears as a team have registered 229 points this year.

Wildcat goalie Sean Matile has been unstoppable this year, and if the Black Bears are to snap their five game winless streak, they will have to find ways to create more scoring opportunities.

"We haven't been able to get to him. We've played three games and scored just one goal, so the law of averages is on our side," Walsh said. "We just need to create more second chances."

Walsh also pointed out that he would like to see his freshman class step it up as the season begins to shift gears.

"Our freshmen need to get it going and I'd like to see them emerge and start playing better," Walsh said.

Wansborough also acknowledged the importance of getting a boost from the freshman class.

"Every year the freshmen come in and have big shoes to fill," he said. "They are expected to improve and feel more comfortable and get more mentally tough."

**Paw Prints**

UNH has won six of the last seven meetings between the two schools.

Wansborough has racked up 20 career points while suiting up against the Wildcats.

Maine is 3-7-2 on the road this year.

The first period of play has been a crucial element to the outcome of games played this year for Maine.

The Bears are 7-1-0 when leading after one, but are a dismal 0-8 when trailing at the first intermission.

However, goals have been hard to come by recently. Maine has scored just six goals in its last five games.

Maine goalie Alfie Michaud needs just 17 more saves to break the 1,000 save plateau in his career.

## • Women's hockey

## Brother versus brother

By Dave Bailey  
Maine Campus staff

It may not exactly be a civil war, but this Sunday's women's hockey tilt between Maine and Rochester Institute of Technology will certainly be a brother-vs.-brother battle.

The game pits Black Bears coach Rick Filighera against Tigers coach Bob Filighera, the man who replaced Rick when he departed RIT after the 1996-97 season.

Rick Filighera couldn't help but feel emotional when thinking about it.

"I have mixed emotions," Filighera said. "First of all, I coached the last two seasons with my brother and it was an enjoyable experience. I do miss being with [Bob] on a daily basis, working towards a goal, so the camaraderie of not being with [Bob] is difficult."

Then there's the added pressure of facing his old team. Rick coached at RIT from 1995-97 (where his record was a glittering 24-9-2) and admits to missing his old players, while

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## • Men's basketball

## Bears playing short-handed

By Jim Davis  
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine men's basketball team heads to New Hampshire this weekend for a rematch with the Wildcats Saturday night, and will play a make-up game with Towson State on Sunday.

Saturday night's contest is the second meeting between the Black Bears (5-12, 2-7 America East), and New Hampshire.

Earlier this month, Marcus Wills torched the Wildcats as he nailed 30 points to lead the

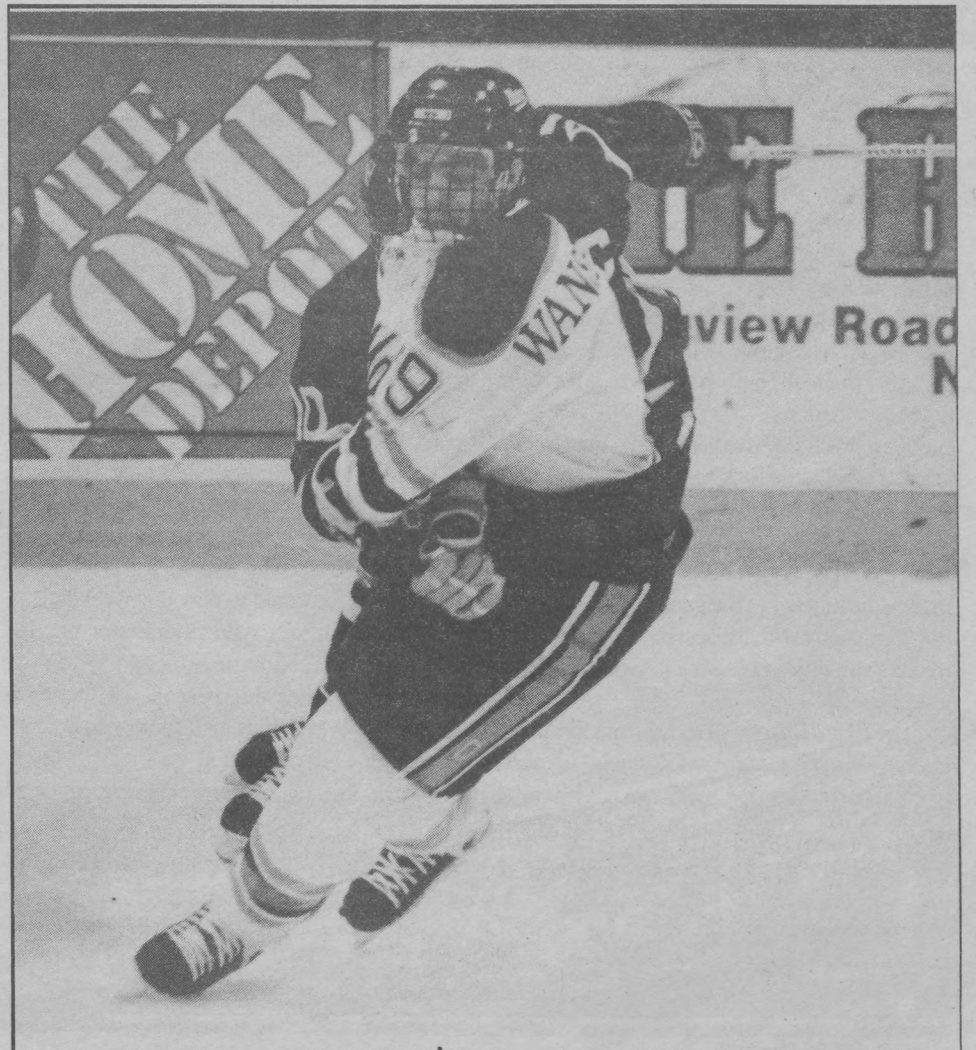
Black Bears to a 68-65 win over their conference rivals.

This time around the Bears will be without the services of guard Fred Meeks. Meeks, who is averaging 21.1 points per game, suffered a concussion in practice this week and will miss both games.

Maine head coach John Giannini says he believes the team's bench players must fill that void by providing solid minutes.

"Obviously when you lose your leading

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Maine captain Shawn Wansborough and the Black Bears will look to get win No. 1 against UNH this year. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

## preview

**What:** Maine at New Hampshire

**Where:** Whittemore Center

**When:** Sunday at 1 p.m.

**Key Players: Maine** — F Steve Kariya-17 goals, 18 assists, 35 points, F Shawn Wansborough 10-11-21, F Matthias Trattnig 6-6-12, D David Cullen 7-19-26, D Adam Tate 0-10-10, G Alfie Michaud 7-9-3, 3.74 GAA. **New Hampshire** — F Jason Krog 24-33-47, F Tom Nolan 12-28-40, F Derek Bekar 18-18-36, D Christian Bragnalo 1-11-12, D Eric Lind 1-9-10, G Sean Matile 17-4-1, 2.46 GAA.



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## Hoops

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scorer their is room for concern, but we have to expect players like Rashaan Thompson and Todd Tibbetts to step forward," Giannini said.

New Hampshire (7-10, 3-6) is paced by the team's leading scorer Matt Acres' 13.4 points per game, freshman Andy Cavo (10.5 ppg), and Carlos Bradbury (9.2 ppg). Ken Rassi leads the Wildcats in rebounding, hauling down 6.9 boards per contest.

Wills isn't bothered by the burden of playing two games within a 24-hour span because he says that the team has been coached for these types of situations.

"Our practices have been really intense like game type of situations so we should be ready for this," Wills said.

Despite being the No. 2 leading scorer in America East play, Wills says he still needs to make adjustments to his game.

"I'm happy with the scoring but I gotta stop making the little mistakes like with my passing," he said.

The Black Bears will move from the Whittemore Center Saturday to Lundholm Gym on

the campus of UNH on Sunday to play Towson State in a game that was rescheduled due to the ice storm on January 8.

Towson (4-12, 2-7) is currently tied with the Black Bears for last place in the conference.

The Tigers are led by 6-6 senior Ralph Biggs, who has averaged 15.8 points per game, and Ryan Lexer's 9.4 ppg.

Giannini said that while winning two conference games this weekend is a priority, the ultimate goal for Maine is to continue to improve and learn as the season progresses.

"Our main focus is to improve our team play," Giannini said.

Tip-off on Saturday night is at 7:30 p.m. Sunday's game is at 1 p.m.

**Black Bear notes:** Bears guard Corey Thibodeau strained his abdomen in practice this week but is expected to play this weekend.

Maine captain Allen Ledbetter has led the team in rebounding in twelve out of seventeen games this season. Ledbetter is currently ranked third in the nation in boards, snagging 11.5 per game.

## Hockey

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at the same time emphasizing that it's now part of the past.

"It's difficult," Filighera said. "I got close to some of the players on [RIT] because this would have been the third year that I would have been with some of the players."

"There was a lot of excitement there. We felt we could really contend for a title there. It was hard [to leave] because when you're working with a group of people to achieve a goal and then you're not there when the season starts, it was tough."

"I do like the players, and I do like the coaching staff, and I did like the school, but

I'm a Maine Black Bear now."

Being brothers, the two Filigheras can read each others' coaching styles like a book. But Rick won't spend any time worrying about what Bob has up his sleeve.

"I know [Bob] knows what I'm going to do, and I know what [Bob's] going to do," Filighera said. "Basically, it's going to be a battle of wills. Hockey always comes down to who's playing the best on that day."

"When it comes to Sunday, it doesn't matter what [Bob's] doing. I really worry about what my team does. If my team does what they do well, we're going to win."

## Preview

**Who:** Maine (5-3-2 overall, 3-3-1 ECAC Alliance) vs. Rensselaer (8-2-2, 4-1-2), RIT (4-3-2, 3-2-2)

**When:** Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Sunday, 12:10 p.m.

**Where:** Saturday's game is at Alford Arena, but you'll have to travel to Bouchard Arena in Brewer for Sunday's contest.

**Key Players:** **Maine:** Forwards Alison Lorenz (15-7-22), Jamie Schofield (3-9-12), Goaltender Amy Oliver (5-2-2, 2.59 GAA). **RPI:** Forward Cindy Acropolis (18-11-29), Goaltender Nina Lynch (6-2-1, 3.65 GAA). **RIT:** Forward Katie Obyc (7-7-14), Goaltender Melissa Norris (4-3-2, 2.89 GAA).

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