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• Race

## Exploitation at issue

By Kathryn Ritchie  
Maine Campus staff

"Yes, the Earth does revolve around the sun, and yes, black athletes are exploited."

That was the assessment given by one panelist at Monday's discussion in the Bangor Lounge on "The Exploitation of the Black Athlete: Myth or Reality?" Most of the panelists, who were either coaches or connected to athletics, agreed that exploitation exists. The only question that seemed to

remain was to what degree.

Scott Labby, the director of multicultural peer tutoring, who offered the sun analogy, said in the next 20 to 30 years, the debate will shift from whether it happens to why it went unchecked for so long. He cited a study done a few years ago by the Journal of Blacks in Higher Education, which found that out of 50 Division I colleges, not a single one graduated a black athlete over a period of four years.

While the statistics aren't as striking at the University of Maine, several people talked about having more

importance placed on black athletes' performance on the playing field than in the classroom. Todd Williamson, an athletic academic counselor, said he sees many athletes "just maintaining" their grades to keep them eligible to play. Grade point averages to maintain eligibility are a 1.8 minimum going into junior year and a 1.9 entering senior year. NCAA requirements are even lower.

"If you want people to perform to the highest ability, you need to give

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• Administration

## Halstead announces resignation

By Krista Marrs  
Maine Campus staff

Mansfield University of Pennsylvania announced last Friday that the University of Maine's vice president of student affairs, John Halstead, had been appointed its 25th president. Halstead said he is excited about his new position but will greatly miss the people of Maine.

"The decision of becoming



John R. Halstead, vice president for Student Affairs. (File photo.)

president fits in well with my professional background and values and Mansfield's need for a future in leadership," said Halstead. "But we are going to miss Maine and the people of Orono."

The announcement came Friday from the chancellor of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education and the chair of trustees at Mansfield. Some 300 community members and students attended a reception at Mansfield to welcome Halstead, his wife, Kathy, and their 13-year-old daughter, Christine.

"The people in the community of Mansfield are very warm and friendly," said Halstead. "They really made us feel welcome."

Halstead's family was given university shirts, hats and other [Mansfield] Mountaineer items by students and faculty.

"Some of the students came by to welcome my daughter as well, as the move may be a little traumatic for a teen-ager," said Halstead.

Halstead has been vice president of student affairs at UMaine since 1987. He has also worked at Gonzaga University, Ohio State,

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• GSS

## Verdict on FEPC complaint evades senate

By Kathryn Ritchie  
Maine Campus staff

Members of the General Student Senate spent more than eight hours last night debating four questions: Was an oral complaint given by Student Body Presidential Candidate Ryan Eslinger to Mellisa Paradis, Fair Elections Practice Committee, and accepted by her? Was Eslinger's signed statement received by the FEPC by 3:30 p.m. last Thursday? Did the FEPC follow its own guidelines? And, did FEPC member Melissa St. Peter deliberately interfere with the election by announcing to her Women's Studies Class not to vote for Eslinger?

These four complaints were brought to the senate last evening by Eslinger after his original complaints were rejected by

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Mellisa Williams Paradis, Melissa B. St. Peter, Jerry Graffam and Hillary Maher at Tuesday's GSS meeting. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

• Public safety

## Despite budget woes, security proves invaluable

by Kristen Dobler  
Maine Campus staff

The Security Division of University of Maine's Public Safety Department is a little-known group that

is saving the university thousands of dollars each year.

"We're the part people don't see," said Security Guard Supervisor Jim Dalton. "We have a small, dedicated group of people who are

somewhat unknown."

Dalton said campus security entails a multiple mission including safety concerns and maintenance responsibilities.

"Our job is prevention," Dalton said.

While the university's maintenance workers are available during the day, security is responsible for handling all maintenance the hours maintenance workers don't work. Security must choose to either fix small problems or call in professionals. Dalton said security does as much as it can to limit damage and save the university money.

"If a security guard can handle it — he can do it," Dalton said. "If it's just a question of flipping a switch and if we don't have to call a professional to do that, we're saving the university money."

Dalton said the money saved by

security doing simple repairs has exceeded the amount guards are paid. In 1997, the Security Division handled 1,274 maintenance problems at a savings of \$53,040. For 1997, the Security Division saved the university \$71,290.

Dalton said security has been downsized because of cuts in Public Safety's budget. It employs three full-time guards and one part-time guard. They are on full-time weekend duty.

According to standard manning formulas, the minimum number of security guards to cover the campus effectively falls between 7.4 and 8.9.

"I would be overjoyed if they gave me six," Dalton said. "We understand the realities of budget problems and what you see is what you get."

Security Guard III William Clark said more problems occurred a few

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Jim Dalton, security supervisor. (Eric Weisz photo.)

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# WORLD BRIEFS

## • Cut

### 'Amistad' opening scene censored

**1** KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — Censors say the opening scene of the movie "Amistad" is too much for Jamaican audiences: The screen fills with blood as rebellious slaves hack to death European traders bringing them across the Atlantic. So when the movie opens Wednesday in Jamaica — where more than 90 percent of the people are descendants of West Africans brought here by slave traders — the scene will be cut.

Critics assailed the government-appointed Jamaican Cinematographic Authority's decision to cut the scene, saying that dilutes the movie's version of Caribbean black history.

"Everything that deals with the history of our people is treated with the conspiracy of silence," said Rex Nettleford, vice chancellor at the University of the West Indies. "It's a real disappointment."

"I associate censorship with a closed society," said Douglas Graham, owner of the three theaters where the film will be shown. "We live in an open society. I don't think any part of the film should be deleted, cut or censored."

The Cinematographic Authority also prohibited the movie from being shown to people under 18. The film carries an "R," or restricted rating in the United States, which means viewers under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

## • Recognition

### Honored butler keeps secrets safe

**2** LONDON (AP) — When Princess Diana died, the first friend to reach her side was her butler. At her island burial, he was the only mourner from outside her immediate family. The queen has honored him for his loyalty, and the government wants his advice on a national memorial.

Paul Burrell has been described as one of the most important people in Diana's life, yet his name is virtually unknown to the millions who watched the circus of her life and follow the dramas of her death.

"My rock," she called him.

"The Boss," he called her.

Burrell, 39, was Diana's servant for almost 10 years and became her confidant as she found fewer people to trust. In the last year of her life, he accompanied her on trips to Angola and Bosnia.

He is still at Diana's Kensington Palace home, where he lives with his wife and small sons, seeing to her personal possessions and taking inventory. And he is still keeping her secrets.

Many requests to interview Burrell arrive at the princess's office, but he does not respond to them, a spokeswoman said. "He never will," she added.

## • Tribulations

### Indians participate in Democratic processes

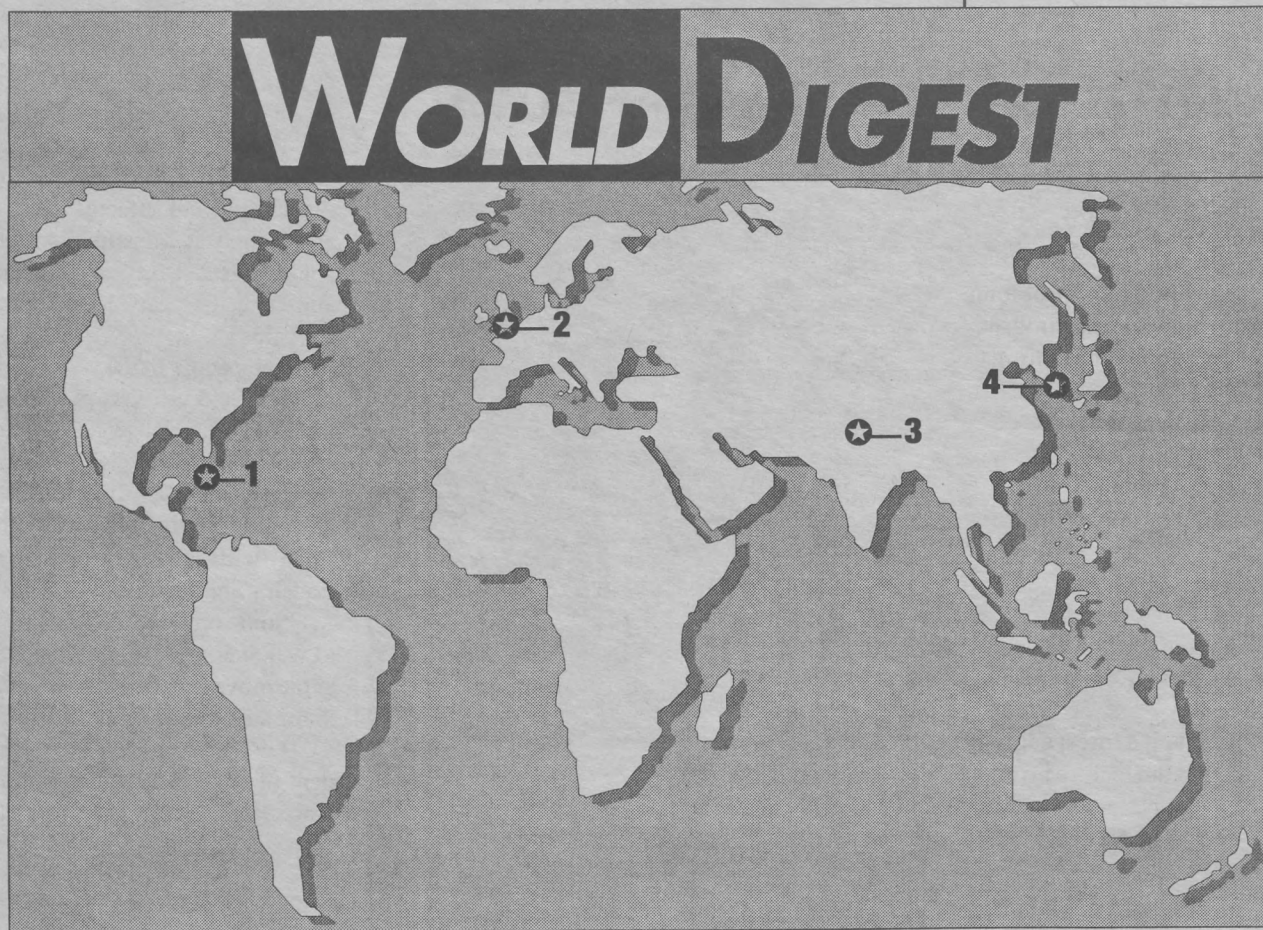
**3** NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Indians voted in large numbers despite bomb explosions, shootings and threats of violence during parliamentary elections, prompting government officials and analysts to declare today that the world's largest democracy is thriving.

More than 55 percent of India's nearly 600 million registered voters turned out Monday to elect 222 deputies in the first phase of staggered voting, similar to turnout figures in previous elections. It will take five more days of balloting to complete the elections for India's 545-seat lower house of parliament.

"In the turbulence of a maturing democracy, the elections are a resounding success," said B.G. Verghese, political analyst at the Center for Policy Research.

Still, election-related violence killed 22 people Monday. Twenty died in the eastern Bihar state amid land mine explosions, snatching of ballot papers and intimidation of voters. One person died in the northeastern Assam state and another in southern Andhra Pradesh.

In addition, at least four boys were killed by an explosion today in the southern town of Coimbatore, police said. The boys were playing cricket in a neighborhood park dominated by Muslims. Explosions in the same town on Saturday killed 54 people.



## • Controversy

### Reporter faces possible libel conviction, fines

**4** SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A court convicted a Korean-American journalist of libel Tuesday and fined him \$2,000, saying he had damaged a rival news organization's prestige through a false report.

Richard Choi, 49, a newsman for Los Angeles station KBLA-AM, or Radio Korea, has one week to appeal.

"The defendant reported on the rumored bankruptcy and merger of a rival company," Judge Hwang Chan-hyun said. "He deserves punishment because the false report caused damage to the concerned newspaper."

Choi was arrested in mid-December after reporting from Seoul that the Hankook Ilbo-Korea Times newspaper group — which runs an FM radio station in Los Angeles that competes with Choi's station — was in financial trouble and might be merged with the Hyundai group.

Hankook sued, accusing Choi of trying to cripple the newspaper during South Korea's financial crisis and causing the withdrawal of advertising.

International press groups — including the World Press Freedom Committee and Reporters without Borders — urged South Korea to release Choi, saying he was simply doing his job as a reporter.

## Weather

### The Local Forecast

#### Today's Weather

Very windy, snowstorm expected. Highs near 31.



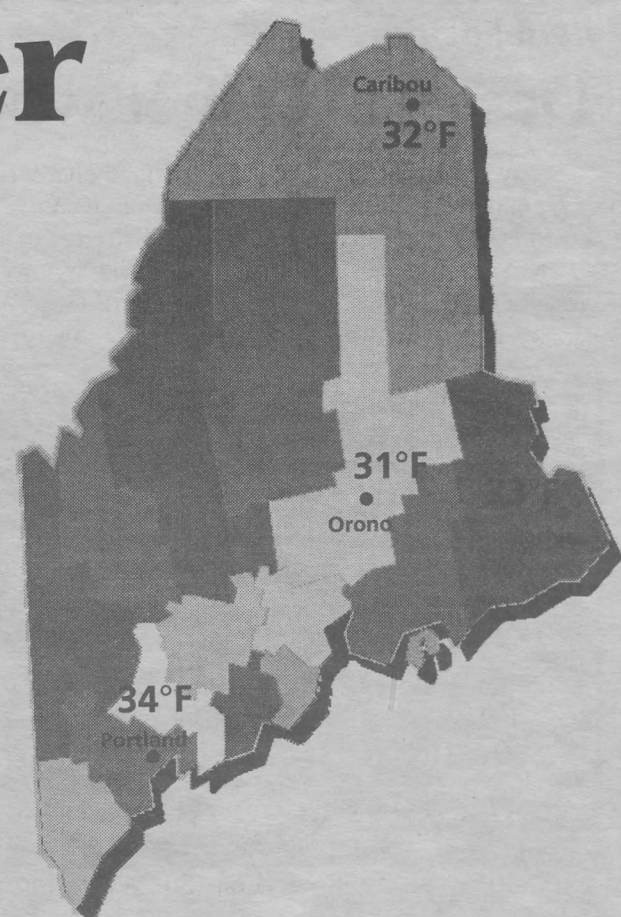
#### Thursday's Outlook

Cloudy, cold and wet. Peaking at 36.



#### Extended Forecast

Friday...Cold, overcast, rain. Saturday...Overcast, light rain. Sunday...Chillin'.





## • Philosophy

# Morality impossible in dealing with environment

By Kristen Dobler  
Maine Campus Staff

Humanity must connect and form an equal relationship with nature to benefit both the environment and itself, said Roger Gottlieb, a professor from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts.

"Nature is not an abstraction separated," Gottlieb said. "How many times have we created our own worst enemies, gone in for the kill and then claimed it was just?"

"Environmental Ethics Ain't as Easy as it Looks," the first lecture of the Marshall Dodge Memorial Philosophy Lecture Series, was held last night in 101 Neville Hall.

There are many people who are willing to face the truth about the environment, Gottlieb said. Although these people find it easy to work to solve the problems humanity faces with the environment, solving them is harder than it looks.

Gottlieb told the audience a story of an ethicist, which he later revealed to be himself, who spent a sleepless night troubling over environmental crisis and what could be done with it.

The ethicist pondered over the relationship of morals to the environmental crisis and how important humanity was in it. Most people have a drive to be moral, but it's impossible to be moral when dealing with the environment.

Environmental ethicists know things must be changed, but they don't know how to deal with it because a sheer moral obligation is impossible, Gottlieb said. If humanity is going to be moral, then it would have to discontinue destroying the environment, an almost impossible venture.

"How can we say we know what is right when we know things are wrong?" he said.

The ethicist, while seeking to be part of the solution, knew he was a part of the problem, Gottlieb said. When he uses

plastic utensils or drives a car back and forth every day without carpooling he is adding to the problem he wants to solve.

"Environmental crisis is not just outer, it's inner," he said. "The most mundane things we do can affect people all over the world."

People concerned with saving the environment feel a nagging sense of unease because they know they do many of things they complain about. Gottlieb said the individual is a contributor, but humanity as a whole is to blame.

Despite envisioning divisions of perfect harmony between the earth and humanity for the future, the ethicist runs into problems facing present issues. Among other things, humanity has to face tough resources and little time, Gottlieb said.

Humanity also has different ideals including anthropocentrism, commodification and consumerism. What sounds good to a person living a wealthy lifestyle can sound like a waste of money to someone who is starving. Not every person will be happy with the way issues are handled.

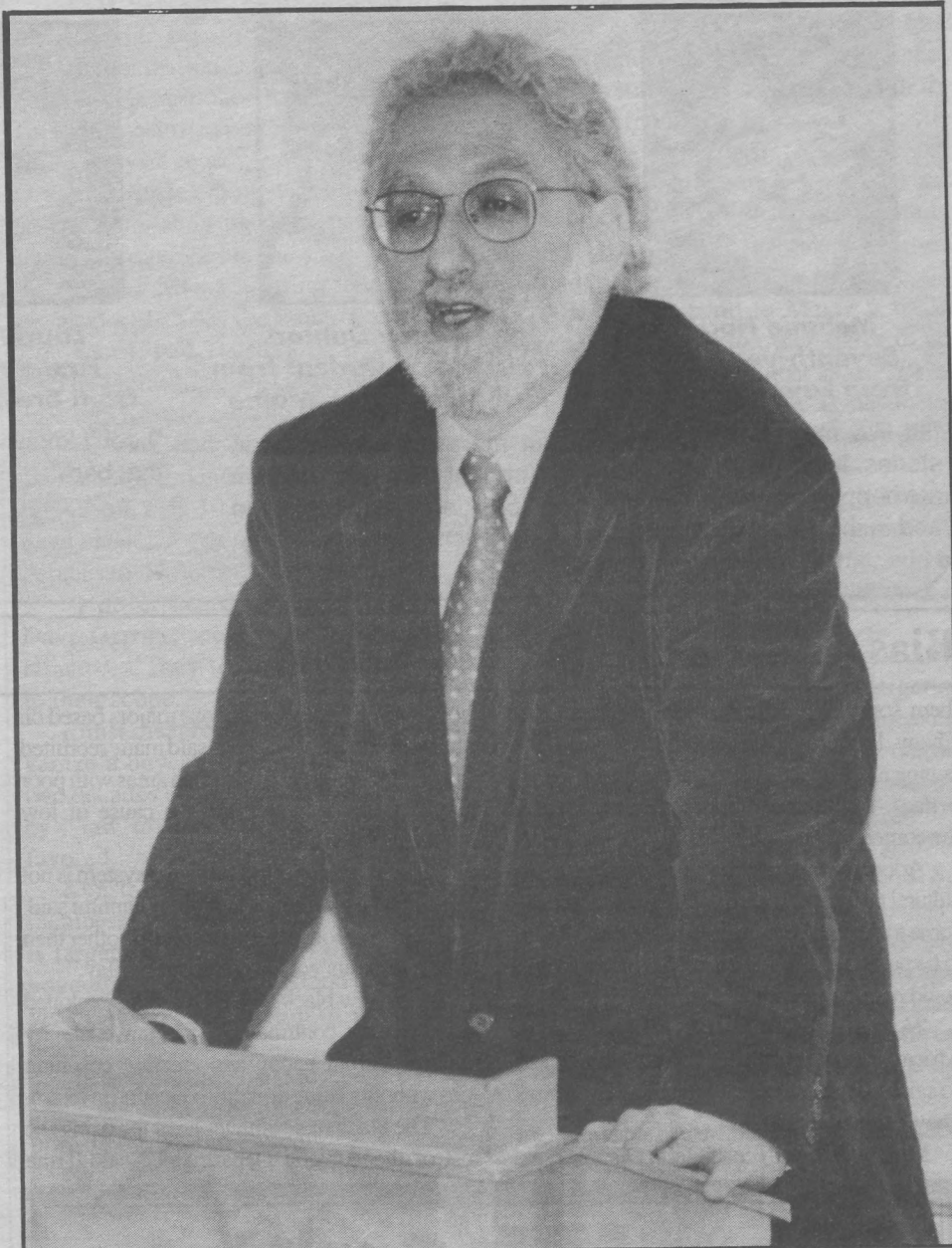
"A view of nature can be conditioned because of where you are in history," he said.

Humanity also runs into problems when it doesn't consider the environmental nature of an area when wanting to maintain a stable environment and a stable society.

"If we really want to preserve an ecosystem we should see who lives near or in it or ask them what they think," Gottlieb said.

Gottlieb said humanity can't avoid hurting the environment in some circumstances because its culture is dependent on destructive agents such as vaccines and automobiles.

Unna Chokkalingam, a forest ecology graduate student, said the lecture brought across the paradox of saving the environment and preventing further destruction well, but she felt it was possible to live alternate lifestyles and avoid one that would damage the environment.



Roger Gottlieb, WPI professor, lectures on environmental ethics Tuesday night. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

"There are a lot of lifestyles and it is more obvious when you live in a developing country or culture," she said. "It can be quite good."

Ram Kanagaratnam, a forest management graduate student, said he had questions as to the role an individual plays in

saving the environment.

"Little changes are important because they are ripple effect," he said. "Each and every word counts."

The lecture series is made possible by the Marshall Dodge Memorial Grant and will continue for two years.

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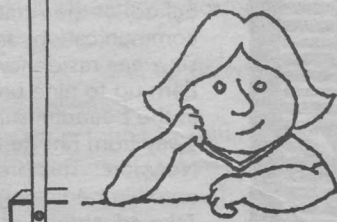
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#### Campus Ministries

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Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. • Newman Center  
Thursdays, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. • Newman Center

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- Crime prevention information

#### Student Health Services - Student Health Insurance

Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

& 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Thursdays, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

- Student health insurance plans
- Acadia - international and domestic
- Claims assistance
- Information on benefits

#### Student Financial Aid

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- Receive assistance with filing financial aid applications
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#### SPECIAL EVENT

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#### Counseling Center

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# Q & A of the week

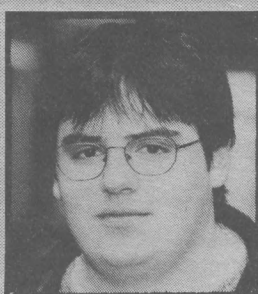
What would you change about The Maine Campus?

Photos by Caleb Raynor



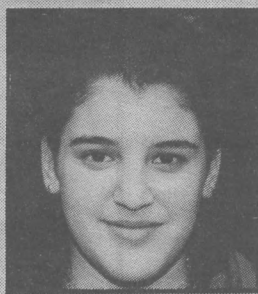
**Melanie Hodgkins**  
Seventh-year student  
from Fayette, Maine

"I'd like more social activity stories. More real things that are happening on the campus and in the community."



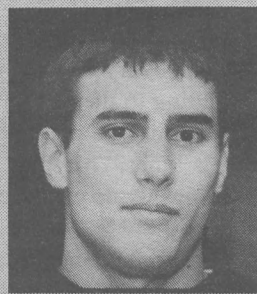
**Sidney Dunton**  
First-year student from  
East Millinocket, Maine

"Put more national news in the front of the paper. I live on campus, so I don't get the news much."



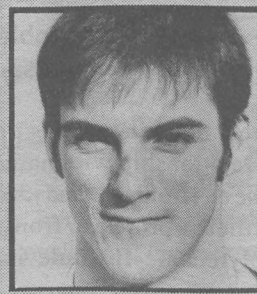
**Laurie Leighton**  
First-year student  
from Brewer, Maine

"I don't know. I don't think it's that bad."



**Nick Lamphere**  
Third-year student  
from Lisbon, Maine

"I don't read it too often. Probably have a section for activities going on on campus."



**Dylan Andrews**  
Second-year student  
from Norway, Maine

"Some of the questions [for Question of the Week] are pretty bad, almost pointless. That's about it."

## Bias

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them something to make them perform," said Ebony Laprocina, a student athlete who said getting a 3.0 is more important than participating in track. "Athletics only goes so far. Academics is the cornerstone for what happens after college."

Adonis Ferreira, the assistant dean for multicultural programs, said he has seen black students come to the university with high aspirations, only to be pushed into less challenging majors so they could maintain academic eligibility.

"A lot of us here have less expectations of African-American students than white students," he said. "I deal with these students all the time. They have potential."

Men's basketball coach John Giannini said

he has seen his players choose majors based on ability and interest level. He said many recruited black athletes come from urban areas with poor school systems, which are the cause of low academic aspirations.

"The solution with our current system is not allowing these students to play," Giannini said. "I would love for some other solution other than telling students you're not going to play."

Many saw black athletes as being exploited because they contribute to the university by making alumni happy and creating coaching jobs without getting a quality education in return.

"The black male athletes are supporting the rest of the Athletic Department," said Trina

Kudlacek, the director of academic support services for student athletes, because they dominate Maine's big revenue sports.

Football coach Jack Cosgrove said he didn't see sports as "exploiting," but instead "providing opportunity." When he played football at UMaine

## Halstead

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Holy Cross, Boston University and Michigan State. He said the move is going to be a good way to exercise leadership.

"By becoming president, I can exercise leadership in a highly professional way that fits with my values," said Halstead. "I have worked in both large and small universities, but this size seems to fit best."

Mansfield University is in the mountainous northern tier of Pennsylvania and has about 3,000 students.

"Mansfield has a strong liberal arts program, as well as good teacher education curriculum," said Halstead. "The campus also has a strong music program and several music groups."

Although he has lived in many different towns and cities, Halstead said Orono has been one of the best places for his family to live.

"Maine has a quality of life that cannot be compared to any place else, and the Orono

community has just been the best fit for my family."

Halstead said it is going to be hard to leave the area where his daughter grew up, and where he has spent many years working with friends and colleagues. He said he is also going to miss the many traditions on campus.

"I am greatly going to miss the traditions, such as Maine Day and Family and Friends Weekend, not to mention all the friends and colleagues I have worked with over the past 11 years," Halstead said.

"I am grateful for all the support from faculty, staff, President Hoff, my friends in the community, and everyone else who supported my candidacy for Mansfield's president," Halstead said.

Bonnie Bates, administrative assistant in Alumni Hall, has worked for Halstead for more than two years and said she will miss him.

## 1998 Summer Employment Interview Days

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## Security

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years ago when each security guard checked all the buildings on campus. The buildings are now prioritized by importance.

"In order to deal with the manpower crisis certain priorities had to be made," Dalton said.

Guards have 6.6 minutes to check out a building, but they run into difficulties when they find a problem and have to stay there until it's repaired.

"We're good but we can't be in the same place at once," Dalton said. "Considering that, we do quite well."

Security is in charge of patrolling 50 classroom and administrative buildings. Dormitories and dining commons are not patrolled, but do receive maintenance support from the Security Division.

Dalton said security has to deal with numerous problems including fire, electrical and biohazards.

"There are times when it gets a little tense," he said. "The job in and of itself does have a certain degree of risk."

"Demographics are changing big time at Public Safety. We're trying to keep up," Dalton said. "Things have gotten bigger, but the budget has shrunk."

Clark said the university has expanded greatly from when he first started working and security's roles have changed a lot with it.

"When I first started we only did patrol, but now we do maintenance, too," he said.

Each security guard is required to complete a one week course at the Northeast Security Officers Training Academy and in total spends 118 hours in training per year on various issues.

"Security is a game best played ahead of the curve, it's better not to play catch-up," Dalton said.

Although security covers a lot of ground, the university community is unfamiliar with

who the guards are and what they do. Dalton said guards run into professors who have been at the university for ten years and who don't have any idea who the guards are.

Dalton would like to remind faculty and staff to close their doors and windows and turn off their coffee pots at the end of the work day to ease pressure on the guards.

Dalton said most students don't recognize security guards because they work at night and/or they can't tell the difference between a security guard's uniform and a police officer's uniform.

"Security is geared towards prevention and police are geared towards apprehension," he said.

Dalton said most are happy to see security once they discover they aren't the police.

On duty, security guards carry a microwave, a hand-held computer that reads barcodes at checkpoints on buildings. The information from the micro-wand downloads information into a computer and allows security to do numerous reports.

Dalton said the wand's data records what each guard does on his run, allows guards to scan or type in any problems they find and helps security to record everything they deal with on campus.

Security keeps a secure hold on the campus since it is open to anyone. Dalton said a guard never knows who or what they are going to run into; they have to take everything seriously.

"We try to keep [UMaine] closed, but it's a constant battle," Dalton said.

Dalton said many people believe they are safe because they live in Maine.

"We in security like to be the voice of doom," Dalton said. "It's a mind-set and it's how we have to be. We have to keep the campus safe when all those around you are thinking education - not safety."

## • State news

## Gay group boycotts Maine

AUGUSTA (AP) — Against the wishes of a Maine gay rights group, a Florida-based organization is launching a boycott of Maine in response to the last week's vote to repeal the state's gay-rights law.

The gay advocacy group known as the Oral Majority is urging its followers not to visit Maine, shun its lobsters and avoid buying antiques from the state.

"I know Maine is going to get hit on the head with this," the group's president, Bob Kunst, said Tuesday.

The Maine Lesbian-Gay Political Alliance opposes any boycott to punish Maine for the vote and dismissed the Miami group's threat. Unofficial, incomplete returns from Feb. 10 balloting had Maine's newly enacted gay rights law repealed 51 percent to 49 percent.

"I never heard of the group," said Dave Garrity, spokesman for the Maine alliance. "They're certainly not national in their scope."

Kunst disagreed, saying he helped organize a boycott of Florida orange juice two decades ago that resulted in a "privacy" law in that state that homosexuals favored.

Kunst, who did not say how many members Oral Majority has, said his group is targeting Maine as part of its ongoing boycott of the Cayman Islands, which last year refused to let a ship of gay tourists dock.

As of Tuesday, he said, the group had collected signatures of 4,000 people supporting the Maine boycott.

Supporters plan to sell bumper stick-

ers, buttons and T-shirts with slogans such as "Boycott the Pain in Maine" and "Mad Mothers Against Maine." In addition, they plan to publicize the boycott through the Internet. Information will also be distributed at large gatherings of gays.

Kunst blamed Maine gay activists and their supporters, whose coalition Maine Won't Discriminate ran the anti-repeal campaign, for last week's outcome.

Asked to respond to Maine activists who have appealed to other states to not launch any boycotts, Kunst said, "Bring me there and let's put the issue on the ballot and win it. Otherwise, we're going to show no mercy."

The head of the Christian Civic League of Maine, which led the repeal effort with the Christian Coalition of Maine, said he does not believe the boycott will work in Maine.

Michael Heath, the civic league's executive director, said a boycott targeting Colorado for its passage of a measure prohibiting state or local laws protecting homosexuals from discrimination was not effective.

The Colorado law was passed in 1992 but ruled unconstitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court four years later.

"I wouldn't be surprised to see pro-family groups and individuals encouraged to come to Maine by this vote," said Heath.

Last week, Gov. Angus King said no one should interpret last week's vote as a sign Maine is hostile to any visitors, but said some economic harm to Maine might be inevitable. King supported the gay-rights law.

## Senate

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FEPC on Friday, Feb. 13.

By 2:00 a.m. this morning, only three verdicts had been decided and much of the future of Student Government was left a question mark. GSS chose to disregard the first complaint and issued a guilty verdict on the second complaint, which allowed Eslinger to continue with his appeal.

A non-guilty verdict was issued on the complaint regarding FEPC following its own guidelines.

The contents of almost all of the debate were kept behind closed doors after the GSS called an executive session early in the evening. Senators could be heard laughing and clapping in the Damn Yankee. Many took frequent breaks, often taking time to comment on the absurdness of the evening.

A rough time-line of last night's events:  
6:00 p.m.: GSS begins its regular meeting.  
6:30 p.m.: Executive session called with a vote of 14-8. The complainant, Eslinger, and the accused FEPC, start a trial on complaint numbers one and two, calling witnesses.

8:30 p.m.: Eslinger and the FEPC leave the room, allowing GSS to debate.

8:45 p.m.: Executive session is sus-

pended. Complaint number one is tossed out; a guilty verdict is rendered on complaint number two.

9:05 p.m.: Executive session resumes on a vote of 17-5. Trial on complaint number three begins.

10:15 p.m.: Eslinger and FEPC leave the room, allowing GSS to debate.

10:45 p.m.: Executive session ended, not guilty verdict returned.

11:00 p.m.: Executive session resumes on a vote of 16-4, trial on complaint number four begins.

11:35 p.m.: President-elect Lyn McLaughlin, who was acting as a proxy for an absent senator, leaves the room crying, and recess is called.

12:00 a.m.: Eslinger and FEPC leave the room, allowing debate.

12:35 a.m.: Both are called back into the room for more trial testimony. Shortly thereafter, Chris Barstow is seen kicking chairs and being held back.

2:00 a.m.: Meeting on complaint number four continues.

Due to printing deadlines, *The Maine Campus* was unable to cover the entire senate meeting. An update will run in Friday's edition of the *Campus*.

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# EDITORIAL

## Students' right to know

Yet again, the line between public and private has been tested. The opponents: *The Maine Campus* and Student Government Inc.

Last evening, General Student Senate President Scott Morelli called for an executive session to address complaints made by C. Ryan Eslinger, former Residents On Campus president and Student Government presidential candidate, against the Fair Election Practices Committee.

Under certain conditions, the GSS can, indeed, enter into executive session. Any public body can. However, only under certain circumstances can one do so. In addition to a mandatory three-fifths vote in favor of such a session, the body must not approve ordinances, rules, resolutions, regulations or appointments, nor can the session involve decisions regarding a public body. Only if a complaint is narrowly tailored to an individual can the GSS correctly enter executive session.

The primary sticking point, however, is the stipulation in Robert's Rules of Order that in this situation an executive session must be held to deal with complaints. We understand the interest of the GSS to ad-

here to its guidelines to the fullest extent. However, as shareholders of the interests of University of Maine students, senators should consider the right of students to learn about complaints that could affect them profoundly.

Before the session was voted on, *The Maine Campus* counseled against passing Morelli's motion. However, the motion passed 14-8. Maine's right-to-know law states: "A motion to go into executive session shall indicate the precise nature of the business of the executive session."

The nature of Eslinger's complaint was not adequately explained prior to the executive session.

While this law intends to protect the privacy of individuals, it does not allow public bodies to conduct closed meetings dealing with public bodies, notably the GSS's dealing with the FEPC.

Moreover, the necessity for an executive session was rendered unnecessary by Eslinger's submission of a document to the *Campus* that explained the four complaints against the FEPC. If the complaints become public, then so should any debate regarding them.

## Honors Program proposal elitist

When the Memorial Union expansion begins this summer, the Thompson Honors Center will be squarely in the way of progress. The Honors Program will have to relocate to another building on campus. Colvin Hall, the proposed new site of the program, would have to be renovated to bring it into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act at a cost of about \$1 million.

Aside from the cost, however, the move could send the wrong message to the rest of the university community.

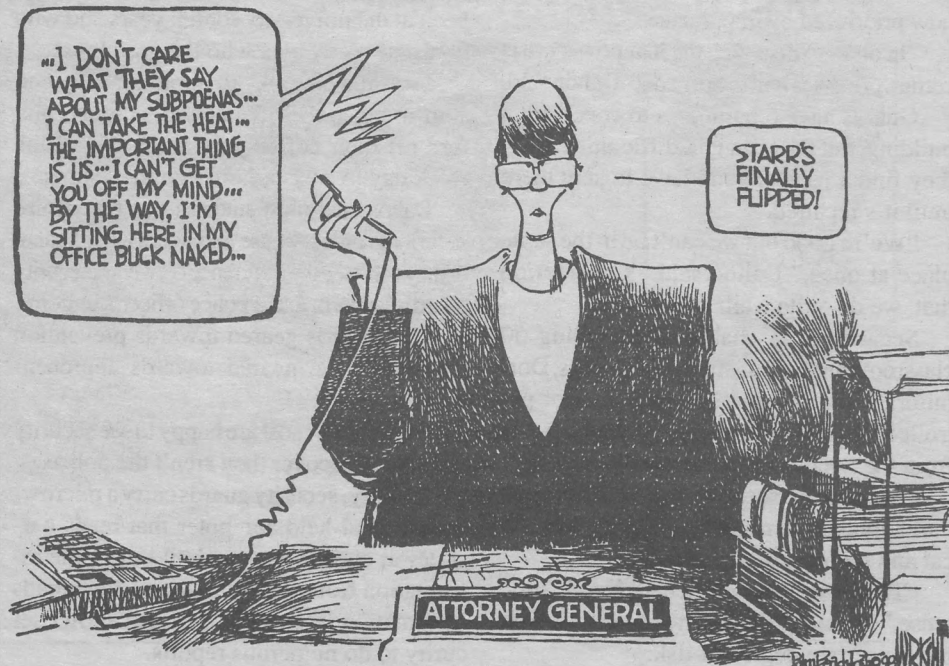
Any time a group of students of like interests establishes group housing, it sets up the potential for others to view that group as elitist. The Colvin proposal would have Honors students taking classes on the first floor and living on the other three. Although Charlie Slavin, the program's director, has said the program is not looking to be elitist, the proposed setup could create academic envy among students and staff, and make the program seem as if it is insulating itself from the

rest of the university.

Another problem with the proposal is the discrepancy between the number of students in the Honors Program and the housing space available in Colvin. There are currently about 200 students in the program, but only about 40 could be housed in Colvin. Who would decide which students would be allowed to live there and what criteria would be used?

The current setup provides a place for Honors students to meet away from their homes. Part of the college experience is to meet different types of people in both living and classroom settings. If the two are the same, the variety of types of people one meets becomes rather limited.

While this proposal is still in its early stages, the Honors Program does need to find itself a new home. Those in charge should consider alternative buildings where the center itself could be located and leave the housing concerns to Campus Living.



### • Letters

#### • 'Country boppin': What's the point?

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the column in Monday's *Maine Campus* written by David Bailey titled "Country boppin' Maine fans."

First I have to ask, what is the point of this column? Is he trying to say that there aren't enough students at University of Maine sporting events? Or is he just belittling the fans that do show their support for the UMaine women's team and the Eastern Maine basketball tourney?

His examples are poor. We shouldn't get excited for these events because they are not pro teams or the participants have no chance of making the pros? We have even more right to avidly cheer for these teams because they are friends, relatives and neighbors, rather than just a bunch of guys that use Portland as a stepping stone to the "big club."

He insults all the fans that cheer, "That's our Cindy," but I am sure when former Sea Dogs Charles Johnson and

Edgar Renteria made big plays in the World Series for the Marlins, he felt a little something more for them and cheered a little louder.

As for the makeup of the crowds, yes there are fewer than desired students at events. But I bet if he looked a little closer at UMaine sporting events, he would see all the same devotees that he listed as supporters of HIS Portland pro teams.

If the point of his article is to get more students to UMaine sporting events, he should stick to that theme rather than slam those of us from eastern Maine. And I agree with him on the point that there should be more students there. But as far as the fan base being like a soaked Kleenex, maybe that is because there are too many narrow-minded David Bailey's there and not enough old folks and passionate eastern Maine fans.

Jake Metzler  
Androscoggin Hall

#### • Deal with it, Eslinger

To the Editor:

The recent general student body presidential election between Ryan Eslinger and Lyn McLaughlin has seemed to cause quite a "controversy" here on the University of Maine campus. Yet, I am left wondering who is causing all the controversy. When observing the actions of Ryan Eslinger, I must say he is causing a lot of commotion on behalf of himself.

All I have to say is: Deal with it. Eslinger was not elected president because the student body did not want him in the position. Many people did not feel he would work for us, the students, so we elected someone who we hope will. Eslinger needs to stop blaming others for his loss. McLaughlin won fair and square, regardless of any accusations made over the election.

I am upset that Eslinger is wasting students' money by appealing to various boards, and now even the General Student Senate.

Time is being spent that could have been used for doing something productive, but instead it is coming up with the same results. McLaughlin won, not Eslinger. I think it is about time Eslinger wakes up and smells the defeat in his coffee and gets on with his life so Student Government can get something accomplished for the student body.

I would love to state that Eslinger is a sore loser and a baby, but then I, too, may be one of the many facing the FEPC being blamed for his loss in the election.

Jennifer Major  
Orono

#### • Labby defended

To the Editor:

I write this letter in response to the madness that has followed Scott Labby's column from Friday, "Passing the Bottle." First off, I am happy to see that this discussion (I hesitate to really call it a debate considering the irrationality and incoherence of many involved) has made it to the paper. Since the article clearly isn't a broad attack on religion and Christianity, I certainly am not going to enter into that here.

The most absurd point made by those who would see Mr. Labby removed from the paper for his blasphemy is that they believe his writing to be subpar. Come on, I ask you, do you read anything but the funnies and Harlequin romance novels?

As for the article in question, those people who got beyond Mr. Labby's use of shocking images of Jesus and the pope found themselves securely in the middle of a non-whining argument, which expressed the dismay that many of us felt after the results of the Feb. 10 vote. I feel kind of silly explaining the article, but apparently some people missed the point. I ask you, why do you think Jesus was in a bad mood at the start of the column? I can only assume that people know who Liberace and J. Edgar Hoover were. For those that don't, one was a flamboyant pianist and the other was a dress-wearing director of the FBI. For Jason M. Brown, who wrote to the editor for Monday's edition, Labby's article was about gay-rights and its necessity in our society. Why else would Liberace and Hoover demand locusts and earthquakes to Maine?

Lastly, the thought of Mr. Labby's perspective on our society being removed from print frankly scares me. I feel secure in the belief, though, that the insanity of a few individuals won't lead to that end. Mr. Labby writes about things that many people think about, but in a way that most of us can only hope to imitate.

Jerry Turcotte  
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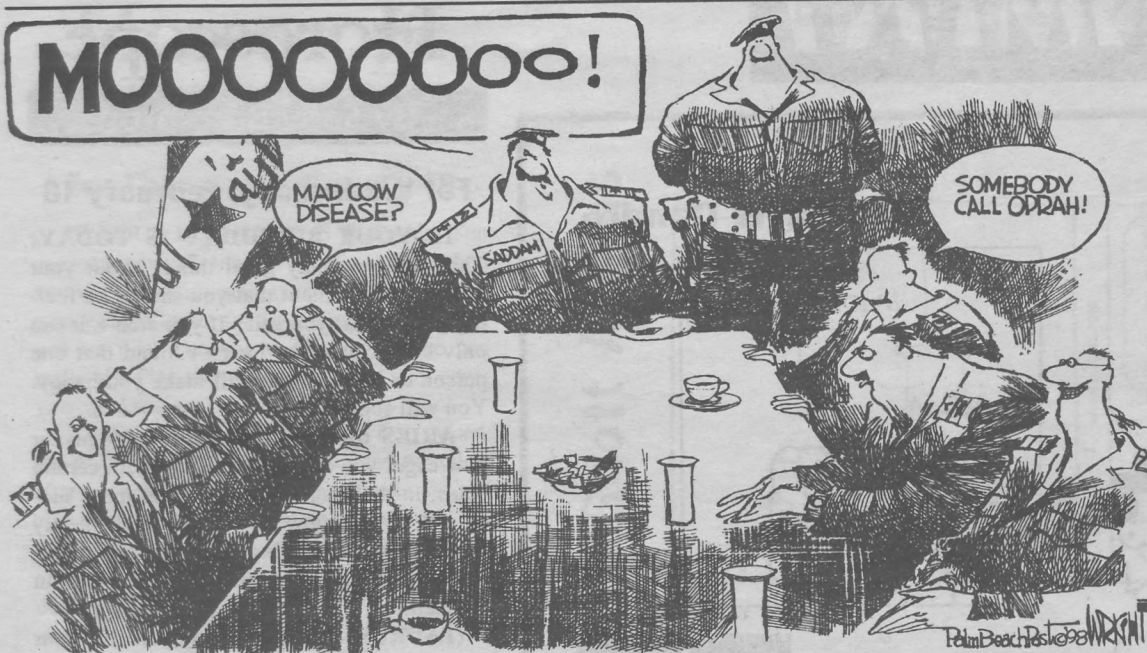
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## Op/ED

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## • Column

## Merchandising encourages stereotypes

Forget the new B-cup Barbie... make way for Cindy. Despite Barbie's aerodynamic bust and hefty thighs, the revamped fashion queen could be getting her perky little butt kicked by a university-sponsored likeness of women's basketball star Cindy Blodgett.

Blodgett recently became the first female collegiate athlete in America honored with a signature line of merchandise. The collection includes T-shirts, pen-

bookstore.

She is hailed as a mentor, a role model, a basketball goddess. Her name is synonymous with the women's team. The thought of her impending graduation instills fear in leagues of fans who believe that Cindy IS the team. I have no doubt that life at UMaine can continue without her familiar mop of brown curls and double-digit scoring

young boys can aim to be like, yes, Cindy Blodgett. The determination and ability required to excel in a sport are not dependent on the presence or absence of testosterone.

Professional female athletics have become a cultural phenomenon in recent years as women seek their niche in the sports world. Rampant commercialization set in almost immediately following the birth of the Women's National Basketball Association. Chanel and Donna Karan sent hooded sweat shirts, track pants and sneakers down the catwalk, and athletic-goods companies discovered the glory of an untapped market.

The advertising mavens of Madison Avenue have crafted slick campaigns for Nike and Reebok that exploit the supposed emotionality of female athletics. Ads like the current Cammi Granato spot use fuzzy footage to depict young girls determined to play sports with the boys — girls who face insurmountable odds and emerge victorious with tears streaming down their cheeks.

These irritatingly sappy promotions actually encourage gender stereotypes while purporting to champion equality, as modern women's athletics are degraded to a "League of Their Own"-style marketing tool.

Cindy Blodgett merchandise, or general women's basketball merchandise for that matter, should not be marketed exclusively to young girls. The separate but equal tenet of Title IX provides for financial security in women's athletics programs, but cannot impact the negative societal attitudes encouraged by the current women's athletics media blitz. For true equality in sports we need to see the players as athletes first and women second.

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By Misty Edgecomb



cils, socks and other small items emblazoned with No. 14 and is sold at Bear Necessities in Alford Arena.

In her defense, Blodgett has vetoed the doll scheme, and the \$4,000 to \$6,000 of anticipated profits has been dedicated to an endowment fund for women's athletic scholarships. But Blodgett is already a household name in our diminutive state. Is it really necessary to elevate her to iconic status with what essentially qualifies as an endorsement that has no place in amateur athletics?

Blodgett gained statewide celebrity early when she led the Lawrence High School Bulldogs to four consecutive state titles and set as-yet-unchallenged scoring records. By the time she enrolled at the University of Maine, not one, but two biographies of her 18 years awaited purchase at the

runs.

Cindy is a phenomenal athlete, but so are her Black Bear teammates, like Sandi Carver and Jamie Cassidy. The girls who have played exceptionally in Blodgett's shadow these last four years are no less role models for young Maine athletes than the one and only No. 14.

Female athletics have yet to earn complete respect in the eyes of your average beer-guzzling Lay-Z-Boy jock, yet the members of the UMaine women's basketball team have made great strides by attracting a loyal following that puts their male counterparts to shame. A line of UMaine women's basketball merchandise is justified, but a line of signature Cindy goods is not.

University officials have packaged the Blodgett line as a source of encouragement and support for young girls entering athletics. How socially conscious of them. But why aren't young girls permitted to seek role models of both genders? Blodgett herself names Larry Bird as the formative figure in her life.

Athletic talent need not be polarized by gender. Young girls should emulate Tommy Moe, and

## U.S. flag needs no protection

Not content with conducting meaningful business, Congress is once again considering an amendment to the Constitution that would ban flag desecration.

In 1995, the House of Representatives voted 312-120 in favor of a similar amendment, but the Senate narrowly missed the two-thirds majority needed for passage, voting 63-36 in favor.

The 1995 amendment would have given Congress the power to outlaw flag desecration. The latest amendment would give states the power to outlaw desecration. Sponsors of this session's amendment say the difference will sway peers who were leery in 1995 of giving

es."

The problem is that if the amendment passes, not everyone will be able to adequately express their opinion of the flag and what it represents.

There is no compelling reason to ban flag desecration. Desecrating the flag does little more than hurt some people's feelings, hardly a reason to make it a crime punishable by prison or a fine. Surely the police have better things to do than look for flag burners and people who allow their flag to be tarnished by the elements.

Realizing that hurting people's

By Ryan Robbins



the federal government too broad a power.

As always, supporters of an amendment have dismissed logic and are focusing on appealing to people's emotions.

"I have met with veterans groups, many, many times, and they inform me that their No. 1 priority is protecting the flag that they fought to defend," Massachusetts Rep. John Moakley said during the House's debate last summer. "I think the very least this country can do for these men and women who risk their lives defending the United States is to grant them that wish."

Veterans did not fight to defend a piece of cloth. They fought to defend the ideals and principles the flag stands for. One of those principles is free speech, and that includes the right to burn the American flag to express contempt for the United States. It is this right that sets the United States apart from the rest of the world.

The House sponsor of the amendment, Gerald Solomon of New York, argues that Congress should approve the amendment because an overwhelming majority of Americans favor it. While it is true most Americans favor protecting the flag, democracy has its failings. "Law, in democracy, means the protection of the rights and liberties of the minority," Alfred E. Smith once said. That includes unpopular opinions.

"This proposed amendment would not interfere with our right to free speech," Solomon told his colleagues last June. "Anyone who wishes to express his or her ideas about our flag is certainly free to do so, and accept the consequenc-

emotions isn't justification enough for an amendment, proponents also argue that flag burning represents a danger to society. Moakley told his colleagues that burning the flag is "an act of violence against a national symbol which represents the intangible spirit of liberty."

There's nothing like using a hot word like "violence."

Solomon went further, telling of how a disabled veteran who witnessed a flag burning was "so overcome that he jumped into the fray and he was injured, and then a lawsuit was brought against him."

Whatever happened to personal responsibility? The flag burner's actions were toward the government, not the disabled veteran. And if they were, the government could have prosecuted the flag burner under the fighting words doctrine. If the veteran knew he couldn't keep his emotions in check, he should have left the scene, which is what a lot of flag supporters should do. It is difficult for flag burners to make a point when nobody is paying attention.

It is time for the flag waving zealots to put their flags down and ponder the words of Justice William Brennan, who wrote in the Supreme Court's ruling striking down the Flag Protection Act of 1989: "If there is a bedrock principle underlying the First Amendment, it is that the government may not prohibit the expression of an idea simply because society finds the idea itself offensive or disagreeable."

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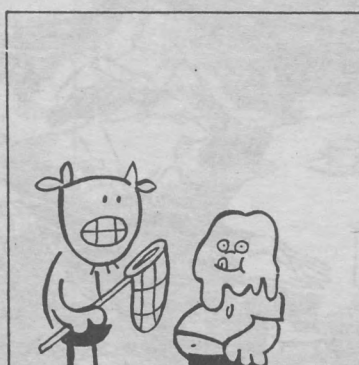
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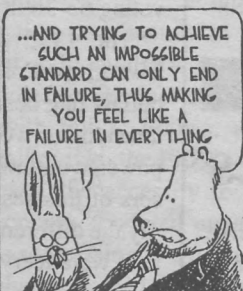


By Travis Dandro

## NON SEQUITUR



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I had this girlfriend for a short while but she was beyond me. She was more sensitive and more intelligent. I couldn't figure out what she was thinking.

I just couldn't keep up.

I did small-minded, narrow, stupid, mean things.

I'm ashamed of myself.

She was related to a famous classical composer, Mendelsohn.

It could have been a match if she was stupider and less sensitive.

I had a different girlfriend later on who pretended to be stupid and insensitive. I really appreciated that.

We stayed together a long time.



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When I blow out the candles on my birthday I always wish for personal stuff.

I don't wish for world peace, a better job or that I'll have the perfect love.

I ask for tighter jeans, smaller ears and more light bulbs in my bedroom.

My brother says these types of wishes show a lack of maturity.

I think he's jealous because it seems my jeans are getting tighter, and my ears are definitely getting smaller.



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Yesterday I went to the park with my Uncle Petain. He was proud to show me how his dog, Phil, retrieves arrows.

But on the last shot the arc of the arrow was so high that the dog had enough time to lie waiting for the arrow to come down... crashing into its poor throat.

However, Phil was too smart for that. He jumped aside and let the arrow thump into the ground.

Uncle Petain was so upset with himself that he threw down his bow and arrows, and yelled, "That's it... no more Fetch."

The last time I saw Phil in the park, Uncle was holding a plastic bag over Phil's head to see how long it took before Phil blacked out.

Uncle Petain really has a way with animals, but he's a little restless.



## Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Wednesday, February 18

### IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY:

There are so many good things about your chart at the moment that you should be feeling good about yourself. If you aren't, it can only be because you haven't found that one person or pastime that will make you happy. You will soon.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** No matter how eager you are to push ahead with certain plans, in the long run you will be more successful if you slow down and think deeply about what you're doing. The next few weeks may be exciting. You will learn a lot about yourself.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** Put your friends first today. In a few days you may have reason to ask them for help. You are likely to get it if friends and family feel you learned a lesson in manners.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** For some time now you have been of the opinion that certain people are taking you for granted. Fortunately, today there is something you can do about it. A timely reminder of what life would be like without you should do the trick.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** It's time to come out of your shell and show the world you are alive and kicking. The best way to do this is to say something controversial, even if it annoys someone you wouldn't normally wish to antagonize. If you want to make your mark there's no point in doing so halfheartedly.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** Financially and emotionally the next few weeks will prove crucial to your long-term aims, so don't pretend that everything in the garden is rosy when you know that major changes will have to be made. Be brave and do something suitably dramatic.

**VIRGO (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** This should be one of those days when you instinctively realize that it is the little things in life that are most important. Forget about work and making money. What matters is that you spend time with those who mean the most to you.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** You've had so many good ideas in recent weeks that it may be difficult to decide which to start on first. Choose wisely or you could waste time and energy in the wrong direction. Ask yourself what is the most creative thing you could be doing — then do it.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** You aren't the sort to give up on something just because the going gets tough. On the contrary, you enjoy the challenge. But there are times when it is wise to accept that a situation is bigger than you are, and this is one of them. A graceful retreat is your best course of action today.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** If you are wise — and Sagittarians are always wise — you will realize that your life isn't as complicated as you thought it was. Your priorities got a little muddled in the wash, but planetary activity over the next few weeks will remind you what is really important.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** Too often in life we realize too late that the things we wanted we did not need and the things we needed we did not want. Take a few minutes today to assess your current priorities. Have you really got them the right way round? Be certain.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** The past few weeks have been exhausting to say the least, but because you have achieved most, if not all, of the goals you set yourself you should be happy. You should be in the habit of winning. Keep it going — your momentum can carry you to new and more satisfying heights.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** Although it is unlikely that the world will change instantly for the better, planetary activity today suggests you can at least see signs of better times ahead. You can also see what needs to be done to improve a relationship that is on the slide. Don't think about it, do it.



# Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Thursday, February 19

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY:** You can transform your life, but you must have faith in yourself. Planetary activity on your birthday is a wonderful influence for the coming year. It means you are finally coming to terms with who you really are. Play to your strengths and play down your weaknesses.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** Don't worry too much about whose toes you tread on today. You have lots to do, and it's not your fault if slower moving individuals get in the way. Say sorry, but make it quick and continue with what you're doing. The finishing line is within sight — don't slow down.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** When you put your mind to it you are impossible to beat. Planetary influences suggest you will push yourself and everyone around you to the limit. In fact, it is no longer a question of if you will accomplish your objectives but when.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** You will be unusually decisive today. You know what you want, you know where to get it, and woe betide anyone who stands in your way. This applies as much to your social life as it does to your business affairs. If you want someone's attention, grab it.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** It is time to get serious about your long-term aims. There are things you will have to do and sacrifices you will have to make if you are to become a success. Daydreams are fun, but if you want them to come true a supreme effort is called for.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** You think you know your limits, but do you? Something is about to happen that could push you above and beyond the artificial boundaries you have set for yourself. By this time next week you should be operating on a more exciting and fulfilling level. You won't ever go back to the way you were.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22):** You seem to feel as if forces over which you have no control are pushing you in a direction you don't want to go, but what can you do? Stop worrying for a start. If experience has taught you anything it is that the right things happen at the right time — although you may not realize it until later.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** You will discover something interesting today, something that can, if you wish, be used to make certain individuals do something which goes against their better judgement. But remember the adage that power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely. Act dishonorably and you will regret it later.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** Planetary influences suggest that while others are rushing about like chickens minus their heads, you will be calmly and methodically moving closer to your ultimate objective. You deserve to succeed — but then you knew that already.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** You know exactly what you should be doing and you know exactly why you should be doing it. So even if you are feeling kind of lazy, make an effort to change your life. It need only be a small effort: Once the ball is rolling it will quickly pick up speed.

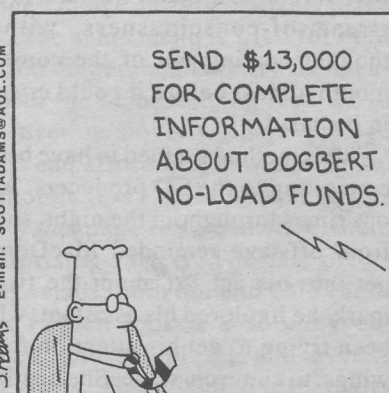
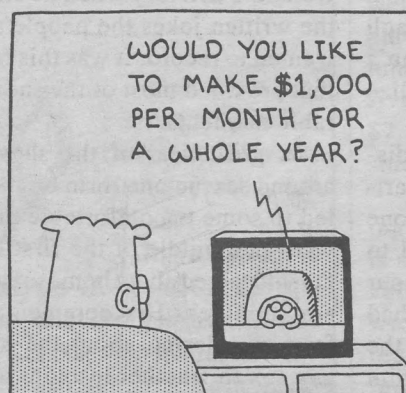
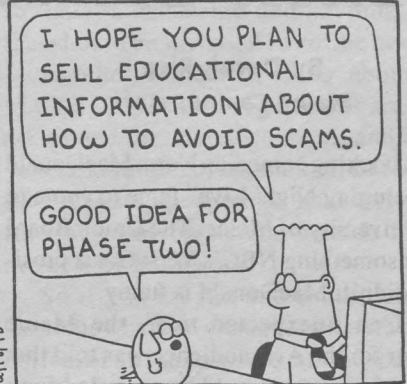
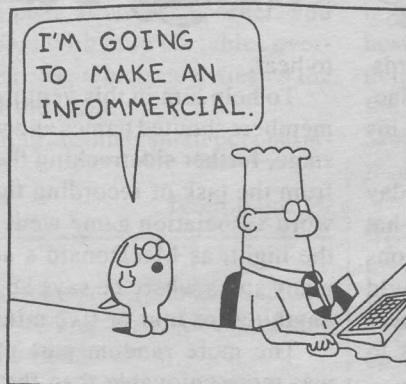
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** There is a meaning to your life. If you think about it for a while, it should be obvious what that meaning is. Planetary activity means this would be the ideal time to rethink your priorities and make the necessary changes.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** The way you look at the world is changing and will continue to change for some time. While this may be disturbing for you, think how worrying it is for those who don't know why you are behaving so erratically. Someone close needs to be reminded of how much you care today.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** Practical issues will dominate the day, even though you may want nothing more than to daydream your life away. Deal with career and money matters at once and you will have plenty of time to yourself tomorrow to let your imagination wander.

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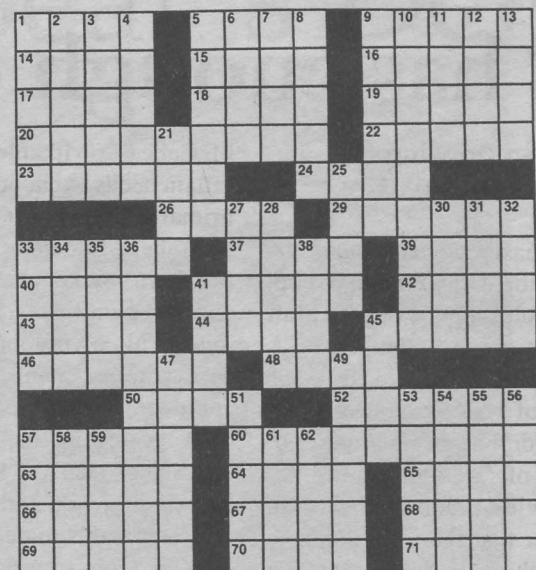
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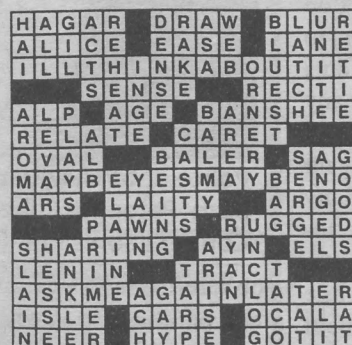
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  - 26 Alpine transport
  - 29 Not just
  - 33 Cousin of a stogie
  - 37 Colorless
  - 39 Arm bone
  - 40 Prefix with mechanics
  - 41 Tasmanian
  - 42 Bonkers
  - 43 Caroled
  - 44 "Got you"
  - 45 Fernando's farewell
  - 46 Famous last words?
  - 48 Garage job
  - 50 Cheer (for)
  - 52 Lawrence's land
  - 57 Eastern mystic
  - 60 Melville hero

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- 1 Stands for
  - 2 Lake life
  - 3 Western resort
  - 4 Shuts vehemently
  - 5 Handyman's assignment
  - 6 Molokai meal
  - 7 Like some charge cards
  - 8 "All kidding"
  - 9 "Little" storybook character
  - 10 Cartoon character with a big gun
  - 11 Agricultural chemical
  - 12 Enervate
  - 13 Entreats
  - 21 "Tell the Marines!"
  - 25 One-on-one
  - 27 Copies
  - 28 Get tangled up
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Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Gorski

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- 32 Lab runners
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- 34 Wife of Jacob
- 35 Composer Thomas
- 36 Onetime CBS anchor
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- 41 Purcell's "and Aeneas"
- 45 Hawk's home: Var.
- 47 Boom and zoom
- 49 "Ode to Billie Joe," e.g.
- 51 Govt. security
- 53 Drop off
- 54 Double-deckers, e.g.
- 55 That is
- 56 "which will live in infamy": F.D.R.
- 57 Glance over
- 58 Drop off
- 59 Love overseas
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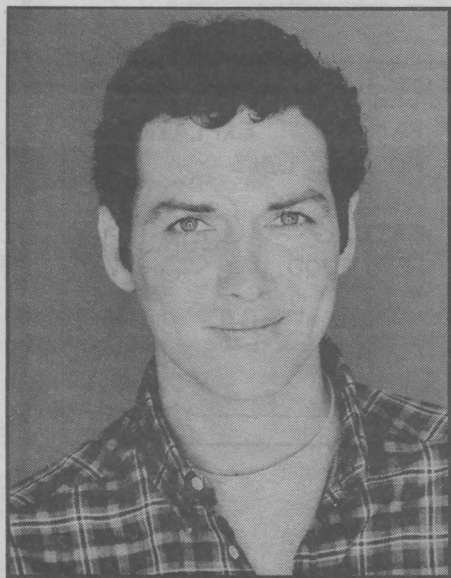
## • Performance

# MacDonald's stand-up long, rambling, funny

By Derek Rice  
Maine Campus staff

In booking comedian Norm MacDonald of "Saturday Night Live" fame to come to the University of Maine, The Union Board knew something NBC's West Coast president didn't: MacDonald is funny.

As an unexpected treat, the Maine Center for the Arts audience was told that the performance would be recorded for a



Norm MacDonald entertained the MCA audience for two and a half hours Monday night. (Courtesy photo.)

forthcoming CD from Mercury Records. For most of the night, however, MacDonald gave the CD's producers, in his words, "no usable material."

For two and a half hours Monday night, MacDonald engaged in somewhat conversational comedy with connections between subjects that few others would make. Who else could make the connection from a dancing Santa to Jesus to Hitler in the space of two minutes?

MacDonald's act is reminiscent of the way William Faulkner wrote. It is almost stream-of-consciousness, with each thought coming out of the comedian's mouth almost before it could crystallize in his head.

This method seemed to have been disconcerting to the CD producers. At various times throughout the night, someone from offstage reminded MacDonald to get into his act. At about the two-hour mark, he implored his assistant, who had been trying to get his attention from the wings, to come on-stage. She handed him a piece of paper that read, "Do your act."

It took the comedian a few minutes to warm up, perhaps because he knew he was being recorded and had to do his older material at some point in the night. For the last year, he said, his act has been "just talking," meaning he comes out and talks about whatever the audience wants

to hear.

To help him in this venture, audience members shouted names and words at the stage, further sidetracking the comedian from the task of recording the CD. This word-association game went on most of the night, as MacDonald's act contains many spots where he says he "won't say anything for four or five minutes."

The more random part of the show was more enjoyable than the "act" part. There was an obvious change in MacDonald's delivery when he started doing the written jokes the people at Mercury wanted to record. It was this randomness that provided most of the show's memorable moments.

A great deal of the show revolved around sex, in one form or another. This led to some uncomfortable moments toward the middle of the first hour. MacDonald talked about homosexuals for several minutes. His commentary ranged from wondering about the specifics of gay sex to whether lesbians are actually gay. The audience seemed to be relieved when he moved on to other subjects.

MacDonald said "Saturday Night Live" was putting together a tribute show for Chris Farley, who MacDonald called "a great man." The show will air this weekend.

"You should watch this show and then

never watch 'Saturday Night Live' again," he said.

Earlier this month, MacDonald hosted the ESPY awards, which recognize athletic achievements from the last year, on ESPN. He said his impression of how the show had gone was different from how others perceived it.

"I thought it went good, but afterward, everybody hated me," he said.

On the subject of Monica Lewinsky and the president, which was another audience suggestion, he said the story was a welcome change from the usual news from Washington.

"I like this story because it's one I actually understand," he said. "There's nothing more interesting than that."

MacDonald has a movie, "Working Man," due out in May. Its release date is the same as the blockbuster "Godzilla," which is something MacDonald is less than thrilled about.

"Stranger things have happened, but this won't be one of them," he said. "This movie will bomb and everyone will say, 'Hey, that Ohlmeyer was right.'"

MacDonald ended his show by singing the theme to "Gilligan's Island" to the tune of Bruce Springsteen's "My Hometown."

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## • In theaters

# Film has enough excitement, suspense for two

By Greg Dowling  
Maine Campus staff

"Desperate Measures" stars Andy Garcia as Frank Connor, a San Francisco cop, whose nine-year-old, angel-eyed son Matt (Joseph Cross) is dying of leukemia. A bone marrow transplant could save his life, but because of Matt's unique genetic makeup, no donor has been identified. Through a twist of fate that could only happen in the movies, Frank discovers via the FBI computer that the only donor is imprisoned psychopath Peter McCabe (Michael Keaton).

Frank goes to visit McCabe to ask for his help in saving his son and he is met, of course, with little mind games as McCabe muses, "All those years locked up in jail and I'm being given the chance to kill again." Of course, McCabe agrees to the transplant, but Frank suspects, and the audience knows, that he's planning to escape, which is precisely what he does. The race to keep little Matt from dying begins, as Frank tries to detain McCabe without killing him because if he dies, his marrow cannot be used.

"Desperate Measures" is not a terribly thoughtful thriller, but it is a damn efficient one. Director Barbet Schroeder ("Single White Female," "Reversal of Fortune") stages the movie with great panache, and brings out an outrageously entertaining performance from Keaton. The film's ad campaign has touted Keaton's character as the next Hannibal Lecter. I don't think that's going to happen, simply because

McCabe is too likable. A truly memorable villain needs to encompass all of our most primal notions of evil personified, but McCabe, while quite reprehensible, has a Southern cracker charm that gets the audience giggling. He's almost too entertaining for his own good. This is not to say he's without menace, because nothing could be farther from the truth. Keaton delivers chilling lines like, "Did you want to test my resolve, Frank? You want to know where you end and I begin?"

Clearly this material could have been done as more of a probing psychodrama rather than as a thriller, but the action potential in the storyline is too exciting to resist. Even the most familiar shootouts feel more enthralling than they have any right to be. Although after a while I started to consider a line said by an FBI agent (Brian Cox), who asks Frank, "How many more people are going to have to die tonight so that kid of yours can live?" That's actually a reasonable question, and while it's not one we're intended to think about to enjoy this thriller, it's hard to get past it, as we see many police officers get shot, burned and stabbed by McCabe, while under orders that they cannot shoot to kill.

Garcia is fully sympathetic as the desperate father who is trying to balance his frantic need to save his son with the very real human cost it's racking up. I also found his shift into practically becoming partners with McCabe to be effective. To save his son, he has to protect McCabe. While this bizarre codependency isn't really developed, Garcia does an excellent



Police detective Frank Connor (Andy Garcia, left) tries to persuade psychopath Peter McCabe (Michael Keaton) to donate bone marrow to save Connor's son's life. (Courtesy photo.)

job at reflecting a swallowing of revulsion for what McCabe is with his need for the psychopath's help. Garcia's scenes with his son are touching, and as I looked around in the theater, I saw several people wiping away tears in these tender moments. It also helps that Matt is played by such a strong young actor in Cross. Often in a story like this, the child is there as a threatened object to pump up the melodrama, but Cross's character is so intelligent and sweet without being precocious, we can see why Frank is fighting so hard for him.

I really enjoyed this film's action

scenes, which include a thrilling catwalk explosion, car chases and the bridge-top climax. I realize that these are scenes we've all seen hundreds of times, but the story brings an urgency to the action that makes it intensely gripping.

"Desperate Measures" isn't deep, but I admired its skill and energy. It's difficult to find a really suspenseful thriller in a market riddled with painfully predictable action pictures, but "Desperate Measures" is a fun ride with enough suspense and excitement for two movies.

Grade: B



## • Out to lunch

## Market Cafe refuses to fall into one category

By Minzette Peterson  
Maine Campus staff

I don't suppose very many of you have ever heard of the Market Cafe, although it is located right on Stillwater avenue here in Old Town. Even if you hadn't heard of it before, that's no reason not to try it out after reading this. The

Market Cafe is, first of all, a market, which sells various beers and wines to take home, all of which are readily affordable (no pricey imports here). However, if you peek around the corner, you can see a room with only six tables overlooking the river, which qualifies as the cafe part of the place.

The "dining" room is small but charm-

ingly decorated, with paneled walls and high white ceilings to ensure that the small area doesn't feel claustrophobic. The rack of potato chips and wines in the middle of the floor may not have been the best choice of decoration, but then again, neither are the bright orange price tags on the pictures hanging from the walls. Somehow, in a place as laid back as this, it really doesn't seem to matter.

The service is casual at best, with a friendly "Seat yourself" upon entering, given by the waitress in sweatshirt and baggy pants. Dress code is certainly not anything to worry about here. However casual the appearance, neither the food or the service seems to suffer at all.

The menu is primarily Greek food, a welcome change in this town of pizza places. The same menu is used for both lunch and dinner, and is fairly inexpensive, with the items ranging from \$2 to \$7 — even us poverty-ridden college students can afford that now and again.

Although it is a select menu, covering only one page front and back, there is a surprising variety. The cafe offers various salads, both hot and cold sandwiches (which looked absolutely delectable), unusual pizzas and even a few desserts. There is also a specialty board with four truly Grecian specials to pick from.

The most unique part of the menu, though, was the espresso list. That's right — this tiny cafe is also an espresso bar of sorts, with flavored cappuccino, espresso, latte, mochaccino and anything else that should be included in coffee heaven.

Another wonderful thing about the Market Cafe is that vegetarians are well accounted for. Humus, tabouli and other vegetarian alternatives abound. Of course, they do carry pepperoni, ham and steak for true carnivores. Who wouldn't want the best of both worlds?

So if you are out and about, looking for somewhere to chat over breakfast and coffee, or an inexpensive, out-of-the-way place for lunch or dinner, stop by and check it out. They are open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. during the week and until 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, but it's closed on Sundays. You might have to try it out soon, because if the city has its way, this place will soon have to decide whether to be a "market" or a "cafe," which would be a shame, because that is one of the very things that makes this place so unusual. If you are a registered Old Town voter, you can sign the cafe's petition against this demand.

Regardless of politics, the facts remain: Considering the convenient location, unique variety and a price tag like this, who can afford not to try it out?

## Norm

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MacDonald's opener, Boston's Chris McGuire, was funny for his half-hour. His subjects ranged from the Maine Turnpike to baldness.

The Irish comedian said God invented sunburn "to tell the Irish to get back in

the pub."

Of his college years, McGuire said he ate mostly soup and the ironically named Ramen Pride noodles.

"If you're opening that package, dignity has gone out the window," he said.

# What's happening

Wednesday, Feb. 18

• Open house at the Women's Resource Center and the Women in the Curriculum program in Women's Studies, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., 101 Fernald Hall. All are welcome to come and meet staff and students who work in the program and enter to win door prizes.

• "Working it Out: Personal Identity from Auschwitz to Oil Spills," a philosophy colloquium by Marshall Dodge Memorial Lecturer Roger Gottlieb, 11 a.m., Bangor Lounge.

• "Human Liberation Ain't as Easy as it Looks," a lecture by Gottlieb, part of the Socialist and Marxist Studies Luncheon Series, 12:30 p.m., Bangor Lounge.

• Performance by the Georgian State Dance Company, 7 p.m., Maine Center for the Arts. Call 581-1755 or 1-800-MCA-TIXX for tickets or information.

• "Kiss Me, Kate," a School of Performing Arts production, 7:30 p.m., Hauck Auditorium.

• Open blues jam, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Left Bank Cafe, Blue Hill. For information, call 374-2201.

Thursday, Feb. 19

• "Exploring the Women of Color Experience at UMaine," part of the University of Maine's Black History Celebration and part of the Women in the Curriculum Series, 12:15 p.m., Bangor Lounge.

• "Teaming With Wildlife: The Third Federal Aid Program to Support Wildlife — Will it Become a Reality?" by Ray Owen, a Wildlife Ecology Seminar, 3:30 p.m., 204 Nutting Hall.

• "From Death Row and Date with Death: The Case of Mumia Abu-Jamal," part of the Peace and Justice Film Series, 7 p.m., 100 Donald P. Corbett Business Building.

• "Does Religion Have a Place at the Public University: Does God Have a Place in the Public Forum?" a lecture and discussion by John Hannah, offered by Campus Crusade for Christ, 7:30 p.m., Damn Yankee.

• Thursday Night at the Bear's Den with Sex Wax, sponsored by The Union Board, 9 p.m., Bear's Den.

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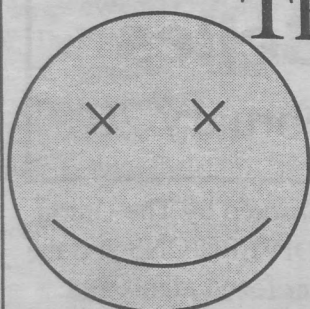
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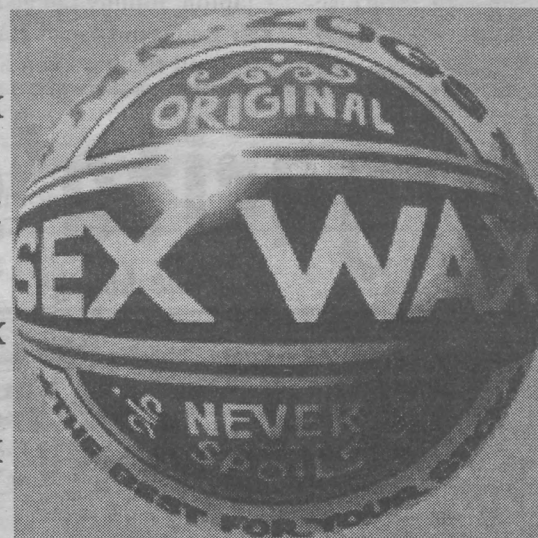
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## • Commentary

## Sequel has fan of original singing the 'Blues'

By Chris Hilton  
Special to the Campus

Perhaps the biggest malady plaguing the movie industry is the sequel. Never better than the original (with a few notable exceptions like "The Empire Strikes Back," "The Godfather Part 2" and "Aliens"), sequels are commonly made for one reason: money.

Although every film has a profit motive driving it, the sequel is all about the big score. Quality is usually thrown aside to capitalize on a possible lucrative movie franchise. Just ask those in the horror genre. They thrive on a movie series: "Halloween," "Friday the 13th," "Nightmare on Elm Street," "Crittters" and now "Scream." But unlike other genres, horror movies were generally not top-notch quality to begin with. People expect that from horror movies.

The first time I saw "The Blues Brothers" was during my junior high years. I was spending the night at my cousin Jarrod's house, and my uncle Mike rented it. He assured us we would really like it. I didn't believe him, but I watched regardless. I was blown away. The comedy, the music, the action, the police car pile-ups — everything anyone could possibly want in a movie. Since then I have watched "The Blues Brothers" at least a dozen times. I love this movie. I firmly believe that "The Blues Brothers" is the best movie ever.

I think one of the reasons why it is the best movie ever is the talent themselves. John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd are, of course, the title siblings, Jake and Elwood, respectively. Then there are the supporting roles and cameos: Carrie Fisher, John Candy, Bill Murray, Frank Oz, Twiggy and Paul Reubens, a.k.a. Pee

Wee Herman. Then there is the music: Cab Calloway, James Brown, Ray Charles, John Lee Hooker, Aretha Franklin and others.

Then there are, of course, the chase scenes, which are the two best car chases in the history of cinema. The first involves a heated chase through a mall — in cars. A bunch of cop cars were destroyed in the process, but it has nothing compared to the chase toward the end of the movie: a heated chase scene through the beautiful state of Illinois ending in the Midwest's most populous city, Chicago. The carnage was amazing. That movie holds the record for the most cars destroyed, and it's easy to see why.

If you have not been able to connect where I am going with the previous paragraphs, allow me to point it out to you: my favorite movie now has a sequel. "Blues Brothers 2000" is now playing at movie theaters everywhere. Fifteen years after the original, this sequel is attempting to recapture the spirit of its predecessor. The cast is a little different, of course. Belushi is long dead, but they have found a (probably fitting) replacement in John Goodman. He plays Mighty Mack McTeer. How he meets up with Elwood I do not know. Others have reprised their roles: Franklin, Brown, Oz, and Kathleen Freeman as Sister Mary Stigmata (a.k.a. The Penguin). The Blues Brothers Band is back, too, with all your favorites: Mr. Fabulous, Blue Lou Marini, Duck Dunn, Willie Hall and my personal favorite, Matt "Guitar" Murphy, not to mention new musical guest stars such as Wilson Pickett, B.B. King, Eric Clapton, Johnny Lang, Travis Tritt, Erykah Badu and Isaac Hayes among others. And there's even a little kid Blues

Brother to appeal to the fanciful youngster in all of us. So with the still-rockin' rhythm and blues and even more big stars, this must be a great idea, right? Well, no.

I am sure John Goodman will make a suitable substitute for Belushi (I loved him in "King Ralph" and "Revenge of The Nerds"). However, the very fact that they (Dan Aykroyd and director John Landis) felt the need to find another funny fat guy in the first place obviously tries to instill within us a sense of nostalgia and familiarity. How can there be "The Blues Brothers" without the fat guy? Will anyone really care, or even notice, that the original fat guy died about a decade and a half ago? People liked John Goodman in "Roseanne," right? He's a funny fat guy. A look at his track record shows he'll accept any part you throw at him. So why would he mind being a replacement for the man who embodied the spirit of the original? Plus, he gets to sing and hang out with the dude who does the voice for Miss Piggy! What a sweet gig.

In closing, "Blues Brothers 2000" is

just plain wrong. Although it was written by Aykroyd and Landis in 1982 when Belushi was still alive, it has just now been released as a film in 1998. "Blues Brothers 2000" may actually be a good movie, but I really don't care; it's the principle.

I wonder if it is just part of the huge puzzle Aykroyd is building with all his House of Blues joints. First, it started off as just one House of Blues. Then a few Houses of Blues sprouted up, which led to a House of Blues on every freakin' block. Then there was the "Smokin' Grooves" tour, an annual hip-hop summer concert tour, followed by the "Live From The House of Blues," a weekly syndicated concert series that featured such performers as Billy Squier and They Might Be Giants. So it just seems natural that a movie, a sequel to the film that got the ball rolling, would be the medium to put the peak on The Empire That Danny Built. So when "Blues Brothers 2000" comes to Spotlight and my friends go see it on buck night, I'm going to kick back with the original "The Blues Brothers." I encourage all of you to do the same.

## • Crackdown

## Coffee windows a no-no

MIAMI (AP) — Jaime and Mirtha Bianchi open their Roma restaurant in Little Havana before dawn on weekdays and wait for their regulars to sidle up to the coffee window for a morning jolt of caffeine.

The sidewalk window, an institution in Latin America, is not just a place to argue politics. For the cost of a potent cup of Cuban coffee, you can find out who ran off with whose wife or husband, who died, who got burglarized, arrested or fired.

The state, however, sees the open windows as a health violation and recently began insisting that proprietors install sliding glass or screens to separate the chef and his food from the customers.

Cuban-Americans in Little Havana see this as a cultural blunder. "This is just stupid," said Mrs. Bianchi, who is from Cuba.

She and her husband, who was born in Colombia to Italian parents, opened the restaurant in 1966, a few years after hundreds of thousands of Cubans fled to Miami to escape Fidel Castro's Communist rule.

"This has to have been dreamed up by someone who has never traveled outside Florida," she said in Spanish.

The state Department of Business and

Professional Regulation contends the coffee windows violate the health code by being open continuously.

Warnings were issued three months ago and businesses that flatly refuse to comply could face fines of up to \$1,000 a day.

One coffee shop owner said it would cost him \$25,000 to bring his restaurant up to code.

Doug Philips, a state spokesman, said no restaurants have been shut down over the rule, and inspections are so infrequent it could be months before any shops are fined.

Miami-Dade County is more than 55 percent Hispanic. In the heart of Little Havana almost all the signs are in Spanish.

The coffee windows in South Florida range from small, dirt-stained wood counters to elaborately tiled counters 50 feet long.

At many of them, the outrage over the crackdown flowed as freely as the thick, sweet "cafecito" sold for 35 cents an ounce.

"Cultural gestapo," said Gustavo Lorenzo.

"Are they trying to start a revolt, or what?" asked Osvaldo Moncada.

"Dumb," said Esteban Lamela.



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# SPORTS PAGE

## • Men's hockey

# Let the talk begin...

By Bill Stewart  
Maine Campus staff

There is an Olympic-size buzz rippling through the University of Maine men's hockey team lately, as players representing four countries have placed their bragging rights for international dominance on the line.

The Black Bears are showered with an international flavor on their roster and the cannons aimed at the frozen lakes for global supremacy have been fired.

"Canada will win for sure," junior forward Bobby Stewart from Ft. McMurray, Alberta said. "I'm not even worried about it and won't lose any sleep over it either."

Stewart isn't the only Canadian on the team to share those sentiments.

"Canada is a powerhouse," sophomore forward Ben Guite from Montreal, Quebec said. "Of course Canada will win."

With a team loaded with NHL stars including Wayne Gretzky, Eric Lindros, Keith Primeau, and an unstoppable goalie in Patrick Roy, Canada has emerged as the favorite to capture the gold.

But don't tell that to Black Bear forward Marcus Gustafsson, a native of Knivsta, Sweden.

"Canada will choke," Gustafsson said. "They don't know how to represent their country. The Canadians always say how Sweden can never win the big game. All we say, though, is we're the defending champs."

Sweden took home the gold medal in the 1994 Lillehammer games by edging Canada in a shoot-out in the title game.

Should Sweden repeat its Olympic glory in Big Hat this year, Gustafsson has already planned his celebration.

"We'll be taking a ride in our cars around campus waving our Swedish flags," Gustafsson said. "Notify the campus police if Sweden wins."

"I have to agree with Marcus (Gustafsson)," sophomore defenseman Robert Ek from Lulea, Sweden said. "We'll be taking a ride around campus."

However, the Swedes aren't the only ones who will brandish their flags should they attain the gold.

"I have a flag, too," Helsinki, Finland native Tuomo Jaaskelainen said. "I have lots of hope for my team."

Although Sweden and Canada have enjoyed much of the spotlight, where does this leave the U.S.?

"I have already counted the Americans out," Gustafsson said.

"Oh, the Americans will talk about 1980," Stewart said. "They are good for winning a gold medal once every 20 years. The next winter Olympics they'll have a shot."

The Americans have won the gold twice (1980, 1960) since the Eisenhower administration.

"Canadians think hockey revolves around them," Black Bear forward Jason Vitorino from Brookline, Mass. said. "We beat them in the World Cup so they are yapping right now. But they won't be yapping when the Olympics are over."

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## • Women's basketball

# UConn too strong for Maine

By Josh Nason  
Maine Campus staff

In a matchup featuring two of the nation's best players, it was the supporting casts who decided the Black Bears' game against No. 2 UConn Monday night.

17-year-old forward Svetlana Abrosimova showed why she is a future superstar, leading the Huskies with 24 points, along with five rebounds, five assists and three steals, in UConn's 98-70 win.

Another freshman forward, Kelly Schumacher, shredded the Bears inside for career-highs in points and rebounds with 19 and 12, respectively.

16-7 Maine kept pace with the national power throughout the first period, paced by Klara Danes (13 points, six rebounds). The junior drove inside and picked up key fouls on 6'5" center Paige Sauer, forcing her to the bench.

The Huskies continually went inside on a smallish Maine front line, as they sport 10 players over 5'11" on their roster.

The Bears got burned for 60 points in the paint, compared to Maine's 32.

But five early UConn turnovers allowed the Black Bears to grab a 20-17 lead almost midway through the first half.

Nykesha Sales took over from there, scoring eight straight UConn points to put the Huskies up 27-21.

Jamie Cassidy scored eight of her team-best 24 points in a row on a 3-point play, a

layup and three free throws to bring Maine back to within two at 29-27.

The sophomore forward also collected 10 rebounds on the night, and hit on 12-of-16 from the free throw line.

UConn turned it on down the stretch, outscoring the Bears 22-13, paced by Schumacher's 13 points, leading to a 53-40 Husky lead at halftime.

One of the more surprising occurrences was the performance, or lack thereof, from Cindy Blodgett. UConn kept the ball out of her hands, and when she did get the ball, failed to give her good looks at the basket.

The senior scored only nine points on four-of-15 shooting, the first time Blodgett has not scored in double figures in 77 games, a streak dating back to Nov. 25, 1995, against Alabama in Orono (four points).

In 105 career contests, she has scored single digits only three times, with the other time against Northern Illinois in late November of 1994 (eight points).

All-American candidate Sales pumped in a quiet 20 points, but was a presence on the defensive end, grabbing four steals and six boards.

Forward Stacey Hansmeyer also scored 12 points for 25-2 UConn.

The second half got no better for Maine, as coach Geno Auriemma's club upped the advantage to 24 with seven minutes remaining, and held the Black Bears to just 34

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Maine forward Marcus Gustafsson says Canada will choke in Olympic men's hockey competition. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

## • Women's hockey

# What about their future?

By Dave Bailey  
Maine Campus staff

Crystal Sellars has been with the University of Maine women's hockey team for the last three seasons.

While she doesn't play much, she considers herself a hard worker who has devoted an innumerable amount of time to the team.

Despite this, however, the junior probably won't even try out for the Black Bears next season, even though she has one more year of eligibility remaining.

Why?

With Maine jumping to Division I from Division III next year, the competition will be tougher than rawhide. With Division I waters comes high-priced recruits on scholarships.

And many of the Black Bear backups, and even some of the regulars, could be left off the boat as a result.

"It's not going to be a matter of people who sit the bench most of the time not making it," Sellars said.

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## FROM THE DEN

The University of Maine men's hockey team has posted 36 wins against UMass-Lowell, New Hampshire and Providence; the most victories against any team in program history.



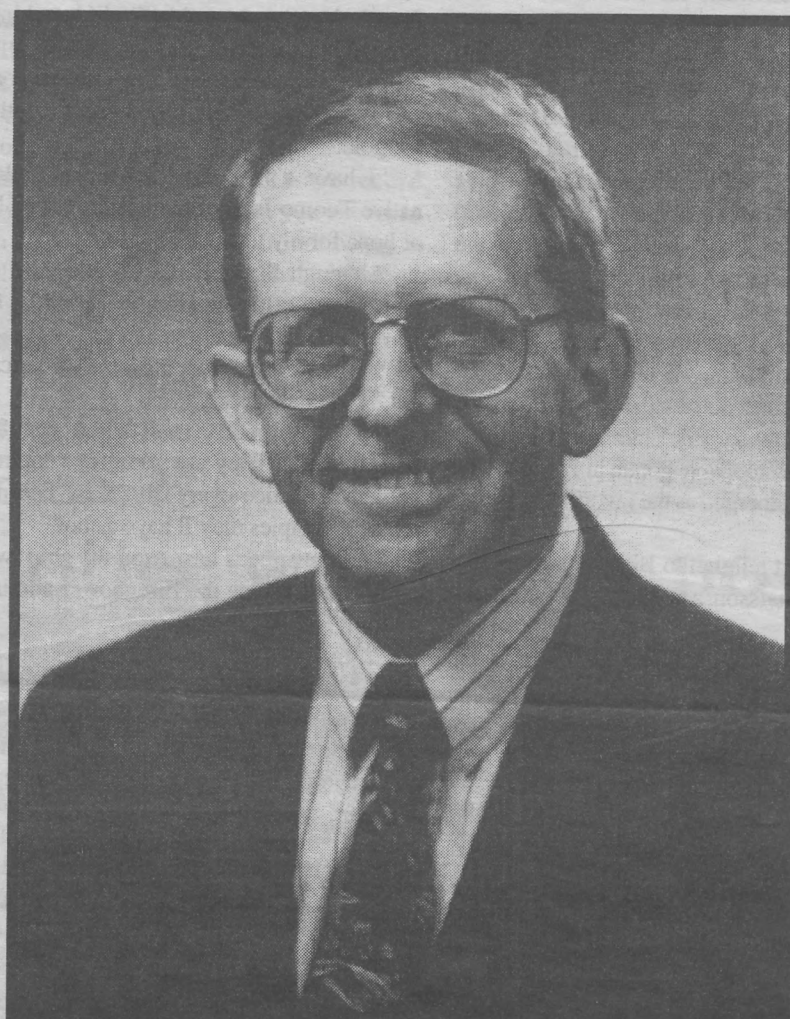


# Does Religion Have a Place at the Public University?

## Does God Have a Place in the Public Forum?

Dr. John Hannah is Department Chairman and Senior Professor of Historical Theology at Dallas Theological Seminary.

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# Hoops

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percent shooting in the period.

Abrosimova was near unstoppable, hitting for 15 points in a 30-19 run to open the half, including two 3-pointers.

As the front line of Sauer, Schumacher and Hansmeyer hammered the post, Maine could only manage free throws and an occa-

sional jumper the rest of the way.

**Game Notes:** A Sales basket late in the second half tied her with Rebecca Lobo for third place all-time on the school scoring list...UConn outboarded Maine 51-23 and scored 33 second-chance points...The Huskies outscored Maine's bench 31-11.

## PREVIEW

**What:** Drexel (7-8, 11-2 conference) @ Maine (16-7, 11-4).

**Where/When:** Alford Arena in Orono, Maine @ 7:30 p.m., Thursday night.

**Who: Maine:** G Cindy Blodgett (27.7 ppg, 4.72 apg, .342 3-pt. pct.); F/C Jamie Cassidy (17.9 ppg, 8.5 rpg, 1.73 blocks); Klara Danes (9.2 ppg, 5.6 rpg); G Amy Vachon (6.6 ppg, 6.95 apg, 48 steals).

**Drexel:** Laura Lyons (10.7 ppg, 57 steals, 4.5 rpg); Maureen Michaels (10.0 ppg, 2.4 rpg, 79 assists); Michelle Maslowski (9.4 ppg, 5.6 rpg).

**Common opponents:** America East teams.

**Season series:** 1-0, Maine won 69-64.

**Outlook:** With Maine coming off a spirited performance against UConn Monday night, just three conference games remain, with this the first of two straight home games.

The Black Bears are two games in the win column behind front-running Vermont, and look to be locked into second place for the tournament. The Dragons lost their best player in Jen MacNeill to a knee injury, and will need to attack the middle in order to defeat Maine.

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"The U.S. will come back and take it."

Should the Stars and Stripes reach a heroic return to golden glory, the celebration won't consist of a joy ride, which the Swedes have already planned.

"He (Gustafsson) is that drastic because they won't ever win," Black Bear defenseman Jason Price from Eden Prairie, Minn. said. "We'll take it just like another win."

But if Sweden pulls it off?

"The Swedish flag will be burnt," Vitorino joked.

The U.S. will have a tough road to the podium, however, with the powerful Czech Republic and a rematch with Canada looming in its path.

"Canada will win of course," Maine goalie Alfie Michaud from Selkirk, Manitoba said. "In Canada, you're born with a pair of skates. In America you have basketball and football, too."

The U.S., despite falling to Canada on Sunday, entered the Olympics with high aspirations, mostly because of its success in the 1996 World Cup, where they upended Canada

for the title.

Stewart says that bitter taste of defeat still lingers.

"The whole team got together in a room in Cumberland Hall to watch that game," Stewart said. "That was tough to take."

However, the defeat in the World Cup — formerly the Canada Cup — gives the Canadians a chance to exploit the revenge factor, which also evokes a certain attitude from its inhabitants.

"We are cocky because we know we are the best," Guite said. "We rattle everyone. The Americans, Swedes, Finland — even the Austrian (Matthias Trattnig) got his share."

"Canadians will be cocky, but the Swedes won't say anything until they win a game...if they win another game," Stewart said.

Maine coach Shawn Walsh says he thinks Canada is the team to beat, but hopes his team isn't staying up all night to watch the spectacle.

"The biggest dilemma we're facing this week is to make sure they watch the games on the VCR," Walsh said.

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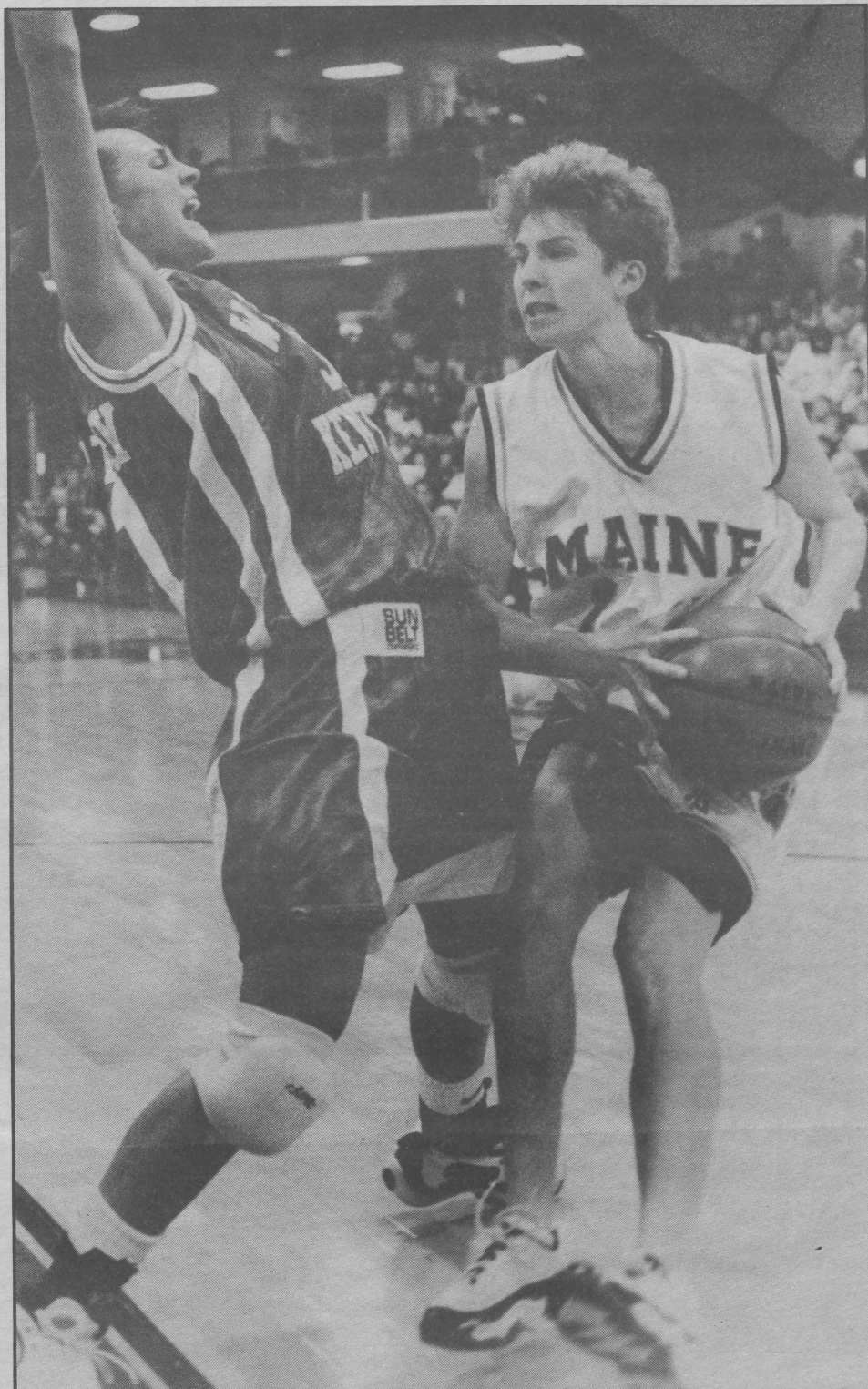
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UConn held Maine guard Cindy Blodgett—shown here against Western Kentucky—in check Monday night as the Huskies rolled over the Bears 98-70. (Raynor file photo.)

## • Track

# Bears tune up for championships

By Edén Hindley and Steve Hedlund  
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine women's track and field team competed at the St. Valentine's Invitational, turning in some impressive performances along the way.

Leading the way was the 4x400m relay team of Vanessa McGowan, Maggie Vandenberg, Johanna Riley and Maegan Limoges, placing seventh overall with a universi-

ty record of 3:53.53.

Co-captain Riley won the high jump with a 5'6" leap. Katie D'Entremont shined as she placed fourth in the shot and sixth in the weight throw.

Co-captain Limoges placed 18th in the 200m (26.00), now fifth on the all-time performance list. Vandenberg placed 15th in the 400m (58.47) and broke a 10-year

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## Track

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record to become the indoor 400m record holder.

Maine was strong in the 500m as Karen Noyes placed 14th (1:21.89) and Eden Hindley 17th overall (1:22.45.)

McGowan cruised to 10th overall in the 800m (2:16.69), becoming fourth on the all-time performance list. Freshman Danielle Donovan blazed to a ninth-place finish in the 1000m (3:01.46), now the third all-time performer at Maine.

The 3k racers all had stellar performances. Nichol Stevens finished 15th (10:04.20), now third on the all-time performance list. Patty McCormick finished 19th overall (10:15.14) and qualified for New England, and Michelle Tolosky placed 36th (10:56.81), a 10-second personal record.

The UMaine men's and women's teams head off to BU this weekend for the America East Championships. Both teams have potential to bring home individual and team championships.

## Men

Boston University hosted the St. Valentine's meet Saturday, where the men's indoor track and field squad faced some of the

country's top competitors.

The non-scored open meet gave the Black Bears the opportunity to clash with national contenders before the team heads back down to BU for the America East Championship this weekend.

Sophomore Derek Davis finished the highest among the Maine men with a third-place leap (6'7 3/4") in the high jump. Junior Joe Moody also had a top performance, running out of the fastest heat of the 800m and placing 11th (1:51.59).

Sophomore Peter Phelan, who placed 17th in the 55m hurdles (8.20), and first-year competitors John Black and Kermit Brawner had strong showings. Black sprinted 37th in the 55m (6.85) and 50th in the 200m (23.63), and Brawner ran 17th in the 500m (1:07.36).

In the middle-distance events, junior Michael Collins raced a ten-second personal record in the 3000m (8:41.9) and placed 33rd.

Northeastern is the front-runner going into Saturday's meet. However, BU, Delaware, New Hampshire and Maine all have legitimate opportunities to capture the conference title.

## Women's hockey

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"It's going to be a matter of people who sit [on] the bench most of the time not trying out, and those that play somewhat trying out and not necessarily even making it.

"[The switch to D-I is] that big a change." Experience is a telling factor as well. A floor hockey fanatic in high school, Sellars decided to give ice hockey a shot at UMaine when she saw a sign that said "Women's ice hockey — No Experience Necessary."

Back in their days as a club team, the Bears could afford players with minimal exposure to hockey.

But this is a new era, and experience is just as important in Division I as sticks and helmets, as Sellars acknowledged.

"It's such a big change that you've got to have been at hockey for a long time," Sellars said. "You've got to be good at it [and] you've got to know what you're doing.

"People like me probably won't even try out [next year] because there's just absolutely no chance, and it's not even a question

of playing."

Maine head coach Rick Filighera declined to comment on the matter.

Maine center Alison Lorenz said that those on the edge should at least give it a try next year, even if the situation appears insurmountable.

"I wouldn't encourage everyone not to try out, but everyone needs to understand what a big jump this is we're making," Lorenz said.

Lorenz also noted the huge talent differential between scholarship athletes and walk-ons.

"A lot of [the backups] haven't played hockey that long, and we're going to be having players that have played hockey all their lives coming in."

So what becomes of those who are left out?

"[Some players] might transfer," Maine backup goaltender Sarah Dolan said. "Not everyone would feel too bad about being cut, though."

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