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• Administration

Interim director takes helm at Equal Opportunity

By Kathryn Ritchie
Maine Campus staff

The interim director of the Office of Equal Opportunity has been appointed to the position permanently by University Maine President Peter Hoff after a national search yielded 60 applicants for the position. Evelyn Silver accepted the job last week after finalist Maria Santos declined to accept it.

"I feel really excited about continuing to work with the community," Silver said. "I know the campus. I know what the concerns are."

Silver has been at UMaine since November 1996 when she became

the associate director at the Office of Equal Opportunity. She stepped into the interim position last July 1 when Sue Estler returned to teaching at UMaine.

Silver was one of four finalists to come before the Office of Equal Opportunity search committee. After an interview process with each candidate, the committee recommended three individuals to Hoff, who made the decisions from there.

Silver said her job will entail working on diversity issues and compliance with discrimination laws, "creating and sustaining a campus climate in which we do

have problems, they're resolved quickly and effectively." She also works with students when they have a complaint against a faculty or staff member that concerns discrimination. In an average year, the director might see 10 to 15 students with complaints. Silver said she can only offer statistics about what they come to her for, as the problems and resolutions are confidential.

"There's a lot of work at the office that can't be talked about

publicly," Silver said.

Silver said Hoff has included the new position of assistant director of the Office of Equal Opportunity in next year's budget, which should help her office to become more pro-active. The new assistant will focus on training and education for university faculty, staff and students. Silver said the campus needs more education on issues such as when speech and e-mail cross the line of protected

speech and become harassment.

"One of the concerns is that the office is somewhat overburdened," she said.

Hoff's appointment of Silver must be approved by the board of trustees at its meeting next month. BOT approval is almost guaranteed when the president makes a recommendation.

"I can't think of a time when they haven't," said Joe Carr, UMaine spokesman.

• Special assistant

Rosser fills new diversity position

By Paul Livingstone
Maine Campus staff

After just a year of getting acclimated to the University of Maine campus, Director of Admissions Sherman Rosser is excited to be starting a new job in Alumni Hall.

Addressing widespread concerns surrounding the university's lack of diversity, President Peter Hoff has created a new position that reports directly to the president's office. Titled special assistant to the president for diversity, the job is geared to boost the amount of diversity at UMaine.

"I think I can use the words excitement, exhilaration and new beginning to sum up how I feel

about this new position," Rosser said. "As Peter Hoff said in his inaugural address, he has made a commitment to multi-cultural affairs, and I am excited that he is following through with it."

"I think it's a wonderful match between skills," said Hoff. "I think this will help increase the number of people on campus who are persons of difference."

Hoff said the duties of the special assistant to the president for diversity go way beyond admissions.

"The key reason for having the position is that UMaine is under-rated as a place that can serve mi-

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• GSS



Sen. Melissa Williams Paradis fields questions concerning a proposed funding approval for the Human Rights Coalition, which passed unanimously. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

Senate refuses 'pub crawl' funds

By Kathryn Ritchie
Maine Campus staff

The General Student Senate grappled with the idea of university sponsored drinking last night when it considered allowing student funds to pay for the buses for a Portland "pub crawl" at the end of the month.

The debate stemmed from a Senior Skulls request to add a line to their budget for the annual Portland trip. While this move would give them no direct money from Student Government, it would allow them to accept money from other Student Government-funded groups, such as the Off-Campus Board. It didn't take long for a host of issues, including liability and university sanctioned drinking, to pop up.

"This doesn't endorse drinking alcohol. I don't endorse alcohol," Scott Morelli, GSS president, said. When the move failed, Morelli suggested the senate review other "loopholes," such as drinking at OCB held events at the Oronoka.

The resolution was touted as a major loophole in GSS law by several

senators, as it was a way to have the university indirectly pay for drinking. Others brought up the question of safety, saying they preferred to send people down on a large bus with a safe driver. Others touted the idea of continuing a tradition. Newly sworn-in Sen. Oreo Nalley was quick to add keeping women in the kitchen had once been tradition as well.

The Skulls had prepared a waiver for bus riders to sign before going on the trip this year, but even the waiver does not protect Student Government from a liability suit should someone get hurt on the trip.

The resolution eventually failed. After a discussion over the group at last week's funding meeting, Sen. Melissa Williams Paradis sponsored a resolution to remove funding approval from the Human Rights Coalition. For two years in a row the groups' advisor, James Varner, submitted the HRC's budget request to the GSS, after being told the first year that requests can only be filed by students.

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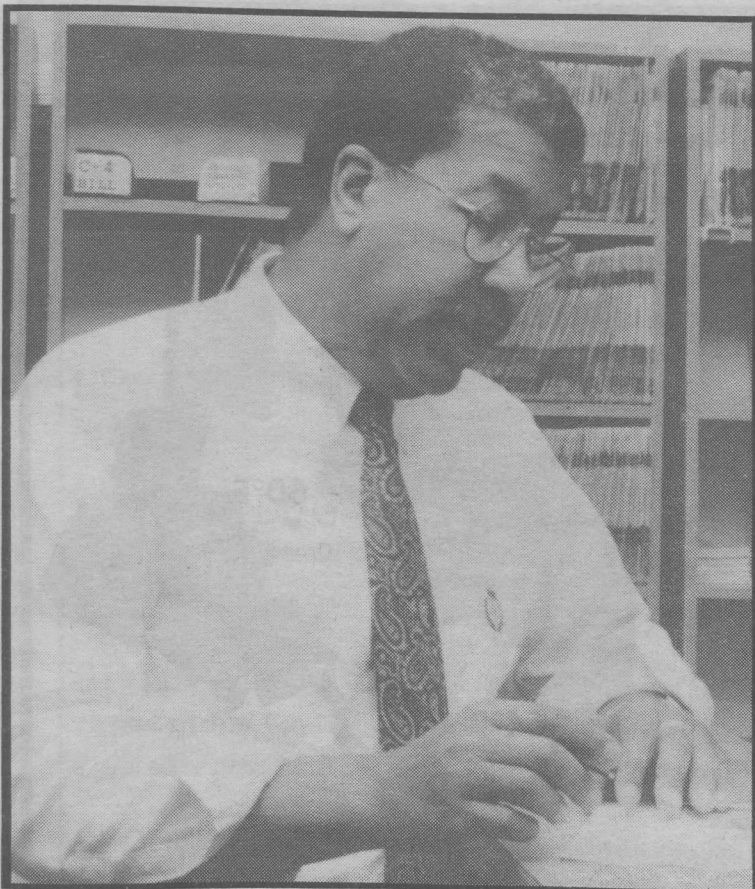
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WEATHER



Mostly sunny with
temperatures
reaching 60.

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Director of Admissions Sherman Rosser Jr. (File photo.)

WORLD BRIEFS

• Negotiation

Party considers acceptability of plans

1 BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Northern Ireland's two major Protestant parties bitterly disagree about the landmark peace accord, but they agreed on one thing Tuesday: President Clinton shouldn't try to sell it to people here.

The government of the Irish Republic, meanwhile, freed nine Irish Republican Army prisoners in a bid to boost support for the accord among the outlawed group's supporters.

The Ulster Unionist Party, already split over its leaders' decision to accept the deal, said a possible Clinton visit the week before a May 22 referendum might be "misunderstood" by Protestants resentful of foreign pressure to compromise, making rejection more likely.

"I think it might be misunderstood if he was to directly involve himself in an electoral process here in the province," said a senior Ulster Unionist negotiator, Reg Empey, arguing that Protestants "want to make up their own minds."

Leaders of the IRA-allied Sinn Fein party spent Tuesday at a secret location considering how to sell to their hard-line supporters an accord that the party's negotiators accepted, but falls far short of a united Ireland.

The deal will be the focus of debate this weekend at Sinn Fein's annual conference in Dublin, but leaders are hoping to delay a vote over whether to accept it until later this month.

• Legislation

Yeltsin signs bill, asks for a repeal

2 MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris Yeltsin decided to sign a bill today that would require Russia to keep artworks looted by the Soviet army from Nazi Germany, but immediately appealed to the country's courts to overturn the law.

The law was to be signed tonight or Wednesday, Sergei Shakhrai, the president's representative to the Constitutional Court, was quoted by the ITAR-Tass news agency as saying.

The Interfax news agency reported that Yeltsin had already signed the bill today. The president's press office could only confirm that the law was on Yeltsin's desk.

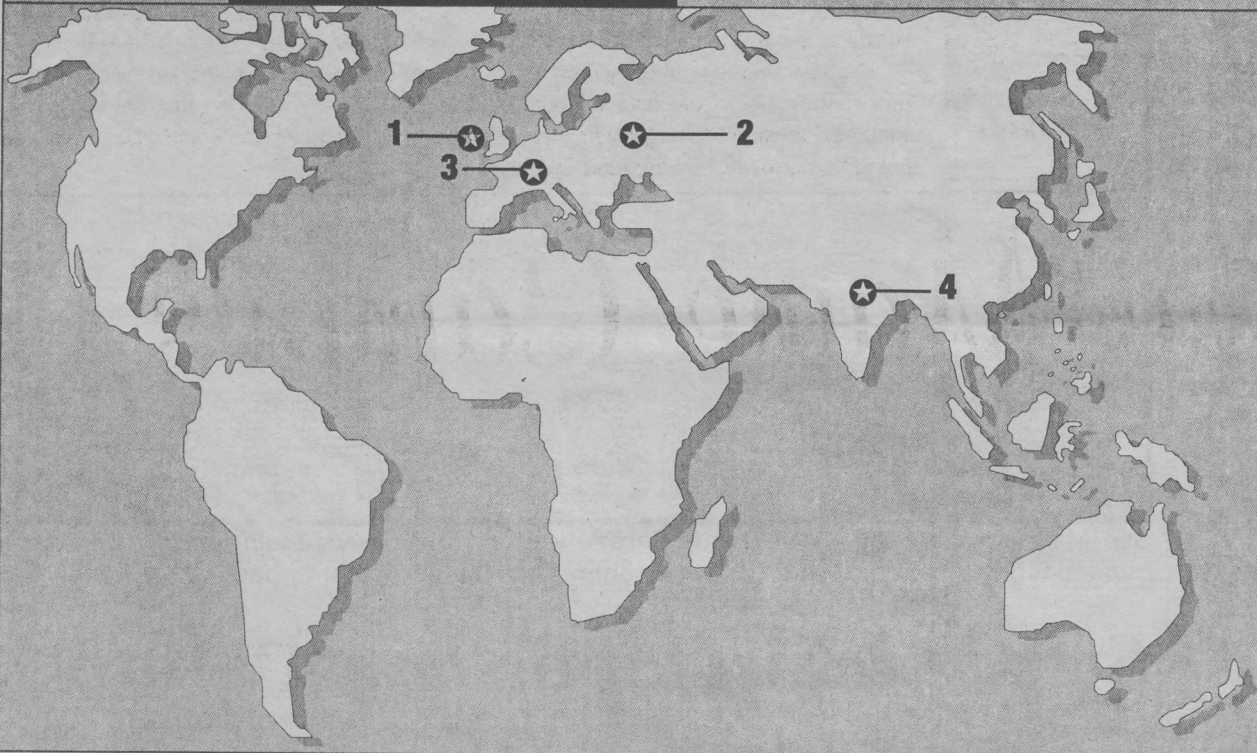
The art works were looted at the end of World War II. Germany and other countries where the "trophy art" originated now want the collections returned.

A law passed by the Russian parliament would keep the art in Russia. Yeltsin vetoed the bill last year, but was overridden by both houses of parliament. Yeltsin still refused to sign.

The Constitutional Court ruled last week that the president must sign the bill, a decision Yeltsin called a "major slap in the face."

"The signing of this law would complicate our relations with certain countries" and make it more difficult for Moscow to reclaim art plundered from the Soviet Union during the war, Yeltsin told reporters in the Kremlin today.

WORLD DIGEST



• Human rights

U.N. criticizes Saddam, Iraqi policies, practices

3 GENEVA (AP) — International sanctions have not prevented Saddam Hussein from summary executions and other atrocities against Iraqis, and the human rights situation is deteriorating, a U.N. expert said today.

"I don't think that if these sanctions would end tomorrow, the regime would change its ways because still it would only feel secure by maintaining its present policy of oppression," former Dutch foreign minister Max Van der Stoel told reporters.

Van der Stoel claimed that more than 1,500 Iraqis were executed last year. His 22-page report, presented to the annual session of the U.N. Human Rights Commission, also criticized Hussein for abusing Iraq's ethnic minorities.

Mohammed Salman, an official at the Iraqi mission in Geneva, rejected the report and accused Van der Stoel of basing his conclusions on reports from sources which "are not trustworthy and aim at overthrowing the national legitimate regime in Iraq."

Iraq routinely refuses to let the expert visit the country. Van der Stoel lamented the government's "absolute refusal to cooperate."

• Ritual

Hindu Pilgrims gather on banks to celebrate

4 HARIDWAR, India (AP) — Millions of Hindus stripped down to loincloths or thin ris today and plunged into India's rushing Ganges River, believing the water will free them from the cycle of death and rebirth.

The ritual is the largest religious gathering on earth according to The Guinness Book of World Records.

An estimated 10 million pilgrims converged on the town, including the naked to immerse their bodies in the river while chanting.

"This is the last chance to free ourselves from sins before the end of the millennium," said Jerry Gobind, a Hindu who traveled from Toronto.

Israeli tourist Noam Zaradez marveled at the crowd. "It's amazing. Here is the population of all of Israel," he said.

"I was amazed that even in the cold of night, they kept going in the water," Zaradez said. "It is incredible how much they are willing to suffer for their belief."

Mindful of the recent fatal stampede last week during the Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca in Saudi Arabia, authorities deployed 25,000 police to maintain order in Haridwar.

The sea of pilgrims was channeled to the river along a labyrinth of fenced lanes. Bathers who lingered too long were yanked out of the water by police.

Weather

The Local Forecast

Today's Weather

Sunny with mixed clouds.
High in the mid-60s.



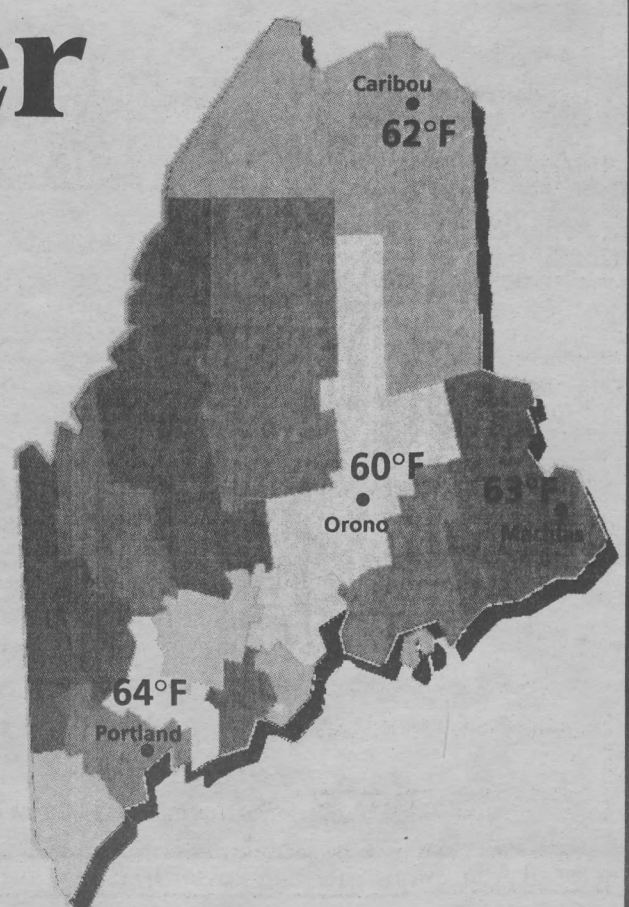
Thursday's Outlook

Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 40s to mid 60s.



Extended Forecast

Thursay...Mild.
Friday...Chance of rain.
Saturday...Fair.



• Financial Affairs

CFO candidate enthusiastic about relationships

By Kristen Dobler
Maine Campus staff

Although financial times have been difficult at the University of Maine, the situation is turning the corner, one of the candidates for the university's chief financial officer said.

"I've been trying to get a feel for the financial position of the university," Robert Durringer said. "While it's not great, it's looking up."

Durringer visited the university Monday and Tuesday to meet with numerous members of the university community.

Currently the director of business affairs at

Oregon State University, he is responsible for that university's business operations. Durringer said the position of chief financial officer is intriguing.

"It's like working on a big piece of machinery with 1,000 moving parts," he said. "The work itself is very interesting."

After meeting most of the people he would be working with, Durringer had praise for the staff.

"They're a very competent and dedicated bunch of people," he said.

Durringer said that compared to Oregon State, which is a large research-based university, UMaine is a place where everyone seems to know each other.

"It's much more cozy," he said.

At a meeting open to university students, Off-Campus Board President Chris Barstow said students are looking for a CFO who is willing to communicate and work with students.

Durringer said he has a good grasp on working with students and the college experience because he has taught at six different schools and has two sons in college.

"I know what goes on in the classroom and what works in the classroom," he said. "I think I have a good handle on it."

Scott Morelli, vice president of Student Government, said one of the biggest problems students face at UMaine is the lack of communication about financial issues, and he asked Durringer if he would be willing to make communication easier.

Durringer said he would be willing to give as much information to students as he could, but he cautioned them not to target where funds are going too narrowly, because funds might go to

people who don't need them and leave them instead of people who do.

"Sometimes you have to trust people," he said. "If you make it too targeted it might not go to the right person."

Durringer said he would make sure students were informed as to what purpose and how much of their funds were being used.

Barstow said Student Government has recently been looking into the numerous fees UMaine students have to pay, in particular funds controlled by the administration.

"We want to look at some of these fees and change them back to student-controlled fees," he said.

Oregon State's system for deciding fee costs is run completely by its students, and Durringer said he will be able to use his experience there to aid UMaine students in trying to do something similar.

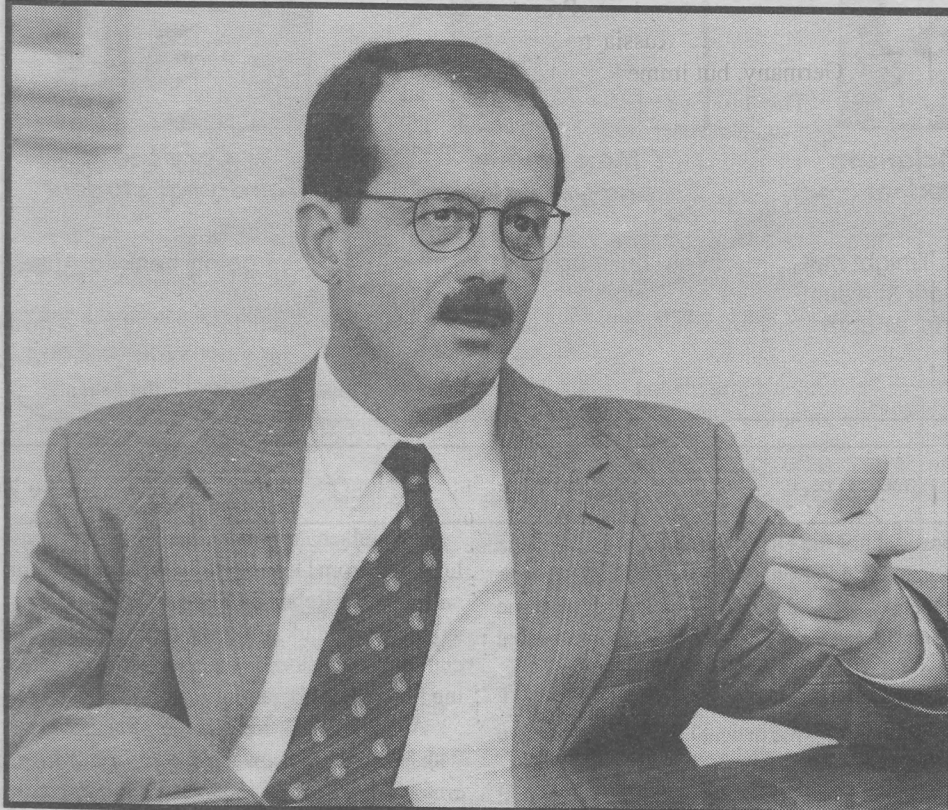
"I've worked with it for the last five years, and it works great," he said.

Student Government doesn't want to go to the same extreme as Oregon State, but make fee decision-making more student-centered.

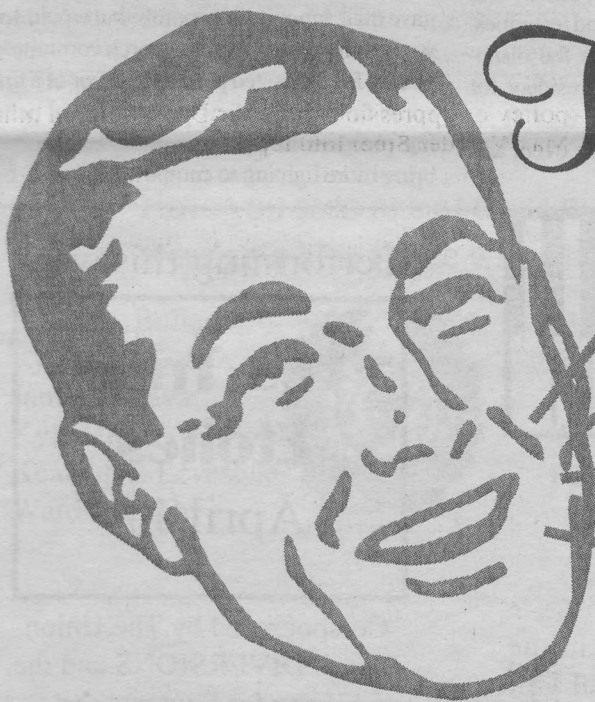
Morelli said Student Government is currently working to form a student fee committee where students have a say on whether fees are created, raised or lowered.

Durringer seemed surprised that students didn't have more control over the cost of their fees, and he encouraged them to form the committee.

"You need to get that going," Durringer said. "Student fee committees give you so much power."



Robert Durringer, director of business affairs of Oregon State University is a candidate for UMaine CFO. (Caleb Raynor photo.)



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STYLE AND ARTS EDITOR — The applicant for this position should have a strong interest in cultural developments on the UMaine campus, ranging from concerts at the MCA to the latest art show. Can also cover concerts in Bangor or further away. Responsibilities include maintaining a staff of writers, designing page layout for the style section of the paper, and writing regular editorials for the opinion section. Will also work with the photo editor.

SPORTS EDITOR — The Blodgett era at UMaine may be over, but there are plenty of other athletes at UMaine looking to make their name. The sports editor keeps track of the latest scores and events in sports, and writes columns and stories with a staff of writers. Other responsibilities include working with the photo editor and designing page layout for the sports section.

Q & A of the week

Photos by Eric Weisz

Have you found a summer job yet?



Mitch Kogut
Third-year student

"I'm already employed. I work at Sam's Club."



Chris Harris
Second-year student

"I have a wide array of things awaiting me, and I just need to choose something to do."



Angela Melanson
First-year student from

"Hopefully I have. I might waitress or I might work at a summer camp for kids, or both."



Max Smiley
Second-year student

"Yes, building boats."



Cary Lee
Third-year student

"No, I'm going back to Australia."

GSS

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shaky, with several people admitting they were on the HRC's membership list though they had not been active for months. Paradis' contends that the HRC is a front for the Bangor chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, of which Varner is president.

Varner addressed the senate prior to debate over the resolution.

"Is it worth it to sort of knit-pick at an organization?" he asked. "I'm a volunteer. I don't get paid for the work I do. I do it because as I wind down in my work I want to make a difference."

Paradis wondered aloud whether students who can't put together their own budget deserve

to have a group at all.

"Everyone makes mistakes, but come on," Paradis said. "Mr. Varner should not have a pet project by having the Human Rights Coalition as his cause."

The funding revocation eventually passed unanimously. Next week, the senate will vote on a resolution to remove the HRC's final and preliminary approval, as well as its club recognition.

A proposal to investigate all 79 boards and clubs to ensure they are properly following GSS guidelines failed, with many senators citing that there is too little time left in the school year to complete the task.

In other senate business, Chris Barstow,

president of the Off-Campus Board, asked the senate for additional funds to cover Bumstock expenses. He said original estimates of some items had gone up and contracts, both verbal and written, had already promised the money.

"I'll be honest with you," Barstow said. "When I first came in here I didn't want to have to do this."

His resolution, asking for \$1,500, included a \$300 "bumper" the group will give back if it is not spent. Barstow also promised proceeds from Bumstock merchandise up to \$1,500 will be returned to GSS after the weekend festivities.

The allocation passed, despite the disapproval of Brooke Jellison, vice president for financial affairs. She suggested that OCB already had \$20,000 to spend on the event and needed better organization.

Several senators mentioned receiving a two-line letter from Dean of College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Rebecca Eilers regarding the consideration of Mark Anderson for the chief financial officer position. The senate has been lobbying for his consideration.

Another senator credited *The Maine Campus* with letting them know they had a Student Government meeting with a CFO candidate yesterday.

"I'm just a little leery about the fact we're being uninformed about the meeting," Barstow said.

At the end of the night, the senate quickly gave their support to proposals that would seek student input on academic search committees; eliminate segregated parking in favor of a first-come-first-serve policy; promote equal ticketing practices at athletic games; and work to bring more lighting to campus.

Off Campus Students

Residential Life offers walk-in service for students who wish to live on campus for Fall 1998.

If you currently live Off-campus and are interested in living on-campus for the 1998-99 academic year, there is still time to apply for Fall.

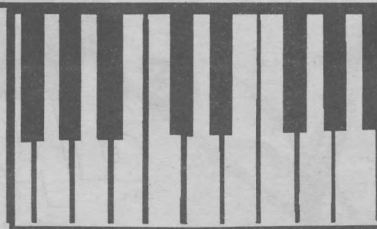
Most options are available, except York Village & Doris Twitchell Allen Village, and you will receive an assignment when you turn in your completed housing application.

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STUDENT ID#

\$15 PAYMENT BY: CHECK#

SIGNATURE:

PHONE:

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EXP DATE:



LEGAL affairs

BY TED CURTIS

Spring is here, and to help readers retain a cheerful and happy outlook, the following tips on avoiding problems are offered:

Thinking of renting an apartment for next year?

1. Read a copy of the Maine Attorney General's Consumer Law Guide's chapter on renting apartments and have any proposed leases reviewed by our office.

2. Check with the municipal code enforcement officer to see when the apartment was last inspected.

3. Be sure you know any prospective roommates well and are really comfortable with co-signing a lease with them. If a roommate moves, you probably will be responsible for meeting all obligations of the lease.

4. Ask the previous tenants if the landlord is reasonable, respects tenants' rights, fixes apartment problems cheerfully and returns security deposits promptly. Is the landlord local or absentee?

Drive a car?

1. Do not carry alcohol in your vehicle if

you are under 21.

2. Be sure you have adequate insurance, including uninsured motorists' coverage.

3. Buckle up.

4. If in an accident, exchange information with the other driver, stay at the scene, report immediately to the police.

5. If you are injured, seek immediate medical evaluation.

Thinking of partying?

1. Don't.

2. If you must, under no circumstances sell alcoholic beverages or pay for alcohol, except from a licensed purveyor and only if you are over 21.

3. Designate a driver who does not drink.

Student Government Legal Services, provided by Curtis and Griffin, is located on the third floor of the Memorial Union (581-1789). Office hours are Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Curtis can also be reached via e-mail at TCurtis@Maine.Maine.edu. Copyright Theodore S. Curtis Jr. 1998.

Rosser

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norities," Hoff said. "There's a tremendous opportunity here to encourage students from all over the attend this university."

Just what Rosser's duties will be as the new special assistant are not yet clear, but they will involve a lot of looking and a lot of listening.

"One of the first things I will be doing is finding out what the [university] community wants. I'll be listening to student groups, faculty and staff," he said.

To complete his picture of the state of diversity at UMaine Rosser will use models from other universities that have greatly improved diversity in the student population. His efforts will encompass not only the student population but the entire university's staff.

"For diversity, we're not talking just color, but also age, gender, and education background," Rosser said.

His goal, he said, is to establish applicant pools for positions at UMaine that feature people from all walks of life. Rosser also wants to address the needs of the ALANA community both on campus and to prospective students.

Although there is already an assistant

dean for multicultural affairs, Hoff insisted there is a need for someone reporting directly from the students to the president.

"There's a lot of personal diplomacy involved here. I see the assistant both on the road and in the office, a sort of president's liaison to the students," Hoff said. "Sherman's all over the campus all the time. He's great for the job."

Rosser will be using BearWorks as an outline for his approach to diversity. He said it won't be his primary action plan, but as a member of the Blue Ribbon Panel, he feels he has a head start on the job.

The University of Maine has been contending with the diversity problem for some time. The university has had difficulty meeting Title IX requirements, though that has been alleviated with the creation of the women's ice hockey team. Other problem areas include a paucity of minority faculty.

Rosser agreed the quest for diversity won't be easy.

"It will be a long, hard battle, but we can chip away at it almost immediately."

UMaine will fill the vacant position in the Admission Department with an interim director once Rosser begins his new post May 1.

UMaine Sports:

the victory, the defeat, the pride.

Read it in Sports.

The Maine Campus

UMaine's thrice-weekly newspaper

Have you seen one of these men
wearing a blue fleece with this insignia?

Adam L. Bullard
Ryan B. Crosby
James Ezhaya
Kyle Hill
Kenneth J. Levesque
Ward R. Libby



Thinh Ly
Gregory W. Napoli
Jamison Pelletier
Wesley Petteway
Patrick Taylor

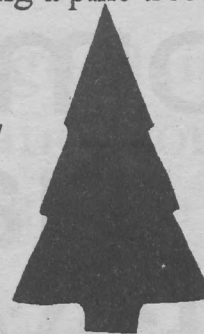
Ask him about the
Senior Skull Honor Society

The Senior Skull Honor Society was founded in 1906 to "Publically recognize, formally reward and continually promote outstanding leadership and scholarship, and exemplary citizenship within the University of Maine community."

Membership in the Society is considered the highest all inclusive honor to which a male student at the University of Maine can aspire. Today the Society consists of a group of seniors who have shown outstanding leadership abilities, academic achievement, community and campus involvement, responsibility and integrity while an undergraduate at the University of Maine. Members are considered the consummate role models for the University men.

Have you seen one of these women
wearing a pine tree on her face?

Sara Barron
Kimberly Cassidy
Jenny Collins
Andrea Downs
Tara Eisner
Mary Forbush



Susan Gilpatrick
Amy Hamilton
Lauren Hudacik
Cassandra Magoon
Charlotte Martin
Shari St. Pierre

They has just been selected for the
All Maine Women Honor Society, Class of 1999!

The All Maine Women Honor Society was established in 1925 by University of Maine President, Dr. Clarence Little. It is the highest all-inclusive senior honor society to which a junior woman can aspire. Members are selected based on commitment to personal excellence, exemplary scholarship, student leadership, community service and devotion to the highest ideals of the University of Maine. An All Maine Woman is identified by a small pine tree worn on her face. The roots of the tree represent our alumnae, the trunk of our current members and the branches of our new inductees.

STATE NEWS

• Legislature

Environmentalists blast failure to pass toxics bill

AUGUSTA (AP)—The Legislature's failure to pass a bill setting new standards for the release of toxic chemicals has enraged environmental and other groups, who accuse Gov. Angus King of turning his back on public health.

King responded Tuesday that the real blame lay with "well-intentioned" legislators who tried to strengthen the bill and wound up fright-

ening the influential business lobby.

Although an amended version passed in the Senate, a bill renewing the "Toxic Use Reduction Act" failed in the House last week.

The original law passed in 1989 is credited with bringing about major cuts in reducing hazardous wastes and toxic chemical releases. Goals were set up to 1998, so the Department of

Environmental Protection submitted a bill earlier this year that included new ones.

A majority of the Legislature's Natural Resources Committee threw its support behind a version that would have required businesses to cut their toxic chemical releases and hazardous waste 10 percent by 2002, 20 percent by 2004 and 30 percent by 2006. It would also set identical but voluntary standards for cutting the use of toxics.

However, the business community objected to a provision they said could have forced companies to disclose important chemical information to competitors. King said "they had every reason to be concerned."

Although the administration supported some amendments passed by the Senate to overcome that criticism, the bill came up for debate in the hectic closing days of the legislative session.

"But by then, it was too late to turn around the perception in the Legislature that this was a

heavy-handed bill that would somehow punish those companies who had done the most in the way of reduction in the use and release of toxics," King said.

Anne Hagstrom of the Natural Resources Council of Maine accused King of doing nothing to help the bill pass.

"It certainly wasn't our impression that the administration gave it any kind of lift at all," she said.

Hagstrom also charged Maine's business lobby with not wanting to renew the toxics use law in any form. Although the old law still stands with its previous standards, "there's no pressure on the companies to continue to reduce toxic chemicals," she said.

The state AFL-CIO, Maine People's Alliance and the Maine Public Health Association also expressed outrage.

King and business leaders disputed the allegations.

"I could tell you that I personally gave it more attention in the last three weeks of the Legislature than probably any other single subject, with the possible exception of the budget itself," King said.

Chris Hall, executive vice president and general counsel at the Maine Chamber and Business Alliance said business wants a program that continues to build on the success already achieved. But many felt the

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After Bumstock's wrath...
Let's clear a path!

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• Election

Inmate begins campaign for 2002 gubernatorial race

PORTLAND(AP)—Elwin "Al" Martin, a former Cumberland County sheriff's candidate, plans to run for governor in 2002. But first he needs to complete his prison sentence.

Martin expressed his latest political aspirations the same day a judge sentenced him to 2 1/2 years in the slammer for firearms violations.

"I'm dead serious about this," Martin, 66, said in a telephone interview Monday from the Cumberland County Jail. "We need to turn the state of Maine back to the people, you know what I mean."

Martin admits he may not be the smartest candidate for governor. He only com-

pleted through the fourth grade. And he has a criminal record that dates back 40 years when he carved out a reputation as a safecracker.

In 1994, he was an independent candidate for Cumberland County sheriff running against Wesley Ridlon, a Democrat. But three weeks before the election, Martin was arrested on charges of sexually exploiting two teen-age girls in Biddeford. Police said they confiscated a videotape showing the girls performing a striptease.

Martin spent the final days campaigning from the York County Jail and lost the election by a 2-1 margin. Many were sur-

prised he got so many votes.

At one point Martin fled to Denver and lived under an assumed name. Police eventually caught up with him after he attacked his roommate in a dispute over money.

Martin said he is prepared to clean up

his act, but acknowledged that it's hard to break old habits.

"I know I'm not a great and intelligent person," Martin said. But he added, "I think I have something to offer. I think I can make a difference."

• Culture

Italian smoker lands in jail

BANGOR (AP) — An Italian tourist has been sentenced to seven days in jail and a \$1,000 fine for assaulting a flight attendant who asked him to stop smoking on a trans-Atlantic flight.

Continental Airlines Flight 45 from Milan to Newark, N.J. made an unscheduled stop in Bangor Friday after Ignazio Miliano, of Ribera, Italy, lit up in a bathroom.

A flight attendant apparently asked Miliano, 47, to put out his cigarette. "My understanding is he put his arm on the stewardess. I suspect they asked him more than once (to stop smoking)," said Norman Kominsky, his lawyer. "He was angry that he couldn't smoke."

Miliano was removed from the plane and charged with simple assault. Forty minutes later, the 144 remaining passengers on the DC-10, including Miliano's

son, took off for Newark, where the defendant's relatives were waiting.

Miliano was sentenced Monday by U.S. District Judge Morton Brody.

Miliano has been held since Friday at the Penobscot County Jail, which has a no-smoking policy.

"It's difficult for him. He doesn't speak English and he doesn't understand anyone at all. They won't let him smoke in jail and he is evidently a very addicted smoker," Kominsky said.

The incident was not the first in which a jetliner has been diverted to Bangor International Airport because of an unruly passenger, said Bob Ziegelaar, airport director. Such cases occur a couple of times a year and usually involve an inebriated passenger.

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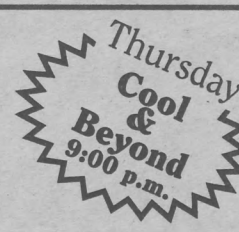
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7. Patients should be aware that new warts may develop during therapy, as Aldara is not a cure.

Carcinogenicity, Mutagenesis, and Impairment of Fertility

Rodent carcinogenicity data are not available. Imiquimod was without effect in a series of eight different mutagenicity assays including Ames, mouse lymphoma, CHO chromosome aberration, human lymphocyte chromosome aberration, SHE cell transformation, rat and hamster bone marrow cytogenetics, and mouse dominant lethal test. Daily oral administration of imiquimod to rats, at doses up to 8 times the recommended human dose on a mg/m² basis throughout mating, gestation, parturition and lactation, demonstrated no impairment of reproduction.

Pregnancy

Pregnancy Category B: There are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Imiquimod was not found to be teratogenic in rat or rabbit teratology studies. In rats at a high maternally toxic dose (28 times human dose on a mg/m² basis), reduced pup weights and delayed ossification were observed. In developmental studies with offspring of pregnant rats treated with imiquimod (8 times human dose), no adverse effects were demonstrated.

Nursing Mothers

It is not known whether topically applied imiquimod is excreted in breast milk.

Pediatric Use

Safety and efficacy in patients below the age of 18 years have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

In controlled clinical trials, the most frequently reported adverse reactions were those of local skin and application site reactions; some patients also reported systemic reactions. These reactions were usually mild to moderate in intensity; however, severe reactions were reported with 3X/week application. These reactions were more frequent and more intense with daily application than with 3X/week application. Overall, in the 3X/week application clinical studies, 1.2% (4/327) of the patients discontinued due to local skin/application site reactions. The incidence and severity of local skin reactions during controlled clinical trials are shown in the following table.

3X/WEEK APPLICATION

3X/WEEK APPLICATION WART SITE REACTION AS ASSESSED BY INVESTIGATOR

	MILD/MODERATE		SEVERE	
	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	MALES
	5% Imiquimod N=114	Vehicle N=99	5% Imiquimod N=114	Vehicle N=99
Erythema	61%	21%	4%	0%
Erosion	30%	8%	0%	0%
Excoriation/Flaking	18%	8%	0%	0%
Edema	17%	5%	0%	0%
Induration	5%	2%	0%	0%
Ulceration	5%	1%	0%	0%
Scabbing	4%	0%	0%	0%
Vesicles	3%	0%	0%	0%

Remote site skin reactions were also reported in female and male patients treated 3X/week with imiquimod 5% cream. The severe remote site skin reactions reported for females were erythema (3%), ulceration (2%), and edema (1%); and for males, erosion (2%), and erythema, edema, induration, and excoriation/flaking (each 1%).

Adverse events judged to be probably or possibly related to Aldara reported by more than 5% of patients are listed below; also included are soreness, influenza-like symptoms and myalgia.

3X/WEEK APPLICATION

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	5% Imiquimod (n=117)	Vehicle (n=103)
	5% Imiquimod (n=156)	Vehicle (n=158)
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APPLICATION SITE REACTIONS		
Wart Site:		
Itching	32%	20%
Burning	26%	12%
Pain	8%	2%
Soreness	3%	0%
FUNGAL INFECTION*	11%	3%
SYSTEMIC REACTIONS:		
Headache	4%	3%
Influenza-like symptoms	3%	2%
Myalgia	1%	0%

*Incidence reported without regard to causality with Aldara.

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OVERDOSAGE

Overdosage of Aldara 5% cream is unlikely due to minimal percutaneous absorption. However, persistent topical overdosing of Aldara 5% cream could result in severe local skin reactions. Hypotension was reported following multiple oral doses of >200 mg of imiquimod and was resolved following oral or intravenous fluid administration.

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• Drugstore cowboys

Thieves steal drugs from Rite-Aid

YORK (AP) — Thieves made off with more than \$4,000 worth of prescription medication from a Rite-Aid pharmacy, and police believe the same burglars may have robbed as many as eight other stores.

The latest break-in was committed either late Saturday or early Sunday, police said Monday.

It is similar to recent Rite-Aid burglaries in the Northeast, including one in Milford, N.H., Detective Sgt. Kevin Leconte said.

"Rite-Aid has eight thefts with similar patterns," he said.

Leconte said the burglars left behind some tools that may help police narrow the focus of their investigation.

In the York burglary, the suspects took drugs, including the narcotic Percocet, from the pharmacy portion of the store, police

said. "It was apparent they were only inside for a few minutes; they knew what they wanted," Leconte said.

Although the store is equipped with a burglar alarm, police did not receive a signal. Leconte declined to say what may have happened.

In December, a substantial quantity of narcotics was taken in a weekend burglary at a Rite-Aid store in Auburn. The burglars disabled an alarm by cutting a phone line.

In November, burglars broke into the Rite-Aid in Kennebunk, stealing \$30,000 worth of prescription drugs, including Percocet. Federal drug agents told local police that the burglaries may be related to dozens of burglaries at pharmacies across New England since 1996.

Toxics

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committee was biased against companies using essential toxic chemicals, he said.

"The world will not end," Hall said. "People will continue to use, release and generate less hazardous waste all through 1998, because that's actually good business."

Hall noted that the state's toxic reduction program is still funded.

Hall and DEP Commissioner Ned Sullivan both said they were committed to trying to pass another toxics reduction bill next year.

Rep. G. Steven Row co-chair of the Natural

Resources Committee disagreed his panel's final product was that different from King's original bill. He also noted many of the criticisms that surfaced were addressed in several Senate amendments, including one letting companies get a 30-day postponement from releasing sensitive data to the state if there is a dispute.

"I think the expectation is that the 119th Legislature next year will basically reenact this law in some form," the Portland Democrat said. "I do believe that there is a lot of support for this. I know there is."

• National news

Napalm transport in limbo

SAN DIEGO (AP) — With 12,000 gallons of napalm already on a train headed for the Midwest, the Indiana company that agreed to recycle 23 million gallons of the Vietnam-era warfare chemical now wants out of the deal.

Two 6,000-gallon drums of the jellied gasoline infamous for raining fire in Southeast Asia are on the train somewhere between California and Indiana. The train was believed to be in New Mexico on Monday, a railroad spokesman said, but its exact location could not be determined early today.

The shipment — the only one so far — left Saturday.

Pollution Control Industries in East Chicago, Ind., had agreed to a \$24 million contract under which the 23 million gallons stored at the Fallbrook Naval Weapons Facility north of San Diego would be turned into fuel for cement kilns over two years.

By Monday, the company's desire to get out of the deal had gone public.

"Though we still feel it's the right environmental thing to do and that we're the right company to do it, we're just not big enough to withstand this political pressure," PCI President Robert Campbell told The Post-Tribune in Gary, Ind.

And in a letter to the Navy and Battelle Memorial Institute, the project's primary contractor, PCI attorney Steven Jay Katz said: "PCI hereby advises Battelle to cease making any further shipments and to recall all

shipments already made."

The Navy had little public reaction. Lt. Cmdr. Jon Smith of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command in Alexandria, Va., said he only could confirm that the letter was sent.

He said he didn't know what might happen to the 12,000 gallons already en route.

"The Navy first of all has to confirm (the disposal company's intentions) through our primary contractor Battelle, and if that is the case, we'll immediately begin looking at other alternatives," Smith said.

Citizens along the train route were angry that the Navy began shipping the napalm over the weekend. Rep. Jerry Weller, R-Ill., accused the Navy of ignoring the concerns of the Environmental Protection Agency and the residents of East Chicago.

"The Navy definitely tried to pull a fast one by moving the napalm on the Easter and Passover weekend, when the members of Congress, like everyone else, would be home with their families," Weller said.

The worries are misplaced, said Rep. Randy Cunningham, R-Calif. He insisted that the napalm posed less danger than many fuels routinely shipped by train.

"When you say the word 'napalm,' people are scared," he said. "But you can actually throw a hand grenade into this napalm and it would not ignite."

Besides New Mexico, shipments had been expected to pass through Arizona, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri and Illinois.

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EDITORIAL

Halt private education funding

Under a rural school choice program unique to Maine and Vermont, families that live in towns without public secondary schools may send their children to any public, non-sectarian private school, with the state picking up at least part of the tuition.

A 1981 law bars eligible families from using the funds to send their children to religious schools. Five Raymond families have challenged that law on the grounds that it infringes on their free expression of religion. The state denied their attempts to send their sons to Cheverus High School in Portland.

Lawyers for the state argue that state and federal constitutions prohibit the use of state money to finance the exercise of religion.

The plaintiffs, whose cause is being helped by the Institute for Justice, a school choice advocacy group based Washington, D.C., claim the law discriminates against religion and violates state and federal constitutions.

While the plaintiffs may, on the surface, appear to have the strongest case, there is one pesky detail that stands in

their way: The First Amendment states, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Denying funds to families who want to send their children to religious schools does not prohibit the expression of religion; churches are free to all. To fund an education at a religious institution would, however, be like the state writing a check to a particular religion, which the Constitution forbids.

A simple, more equitable solution to this quandary would be to change the rural school choice program to remove all private schools from the list of schools where parents may send their children. Why should someone who lives in a town without a secondary school be allowed to attend a private school at no cost, while someone who lives a few miles away, outside the town limits, would have to pay for the same luxury?

If the Constitution still means anything, these five families will lose their lawsuit. If the Maine Legislature has any sense, it will revisit the state's policy of funding rural children's education.

Bank mergers have drawbacks

While Monday's largest banking merger in history may have been a giant leap forward for the industry, it could be a devastating leap backward for banking service in this country. NationsBank Corp. and BankAmerica Corp. have merged, establishing a nationwide \$62.8 million banking empire. Banc One Corp. and First Chicago NBD Corp. also merged the same day, creating a \$28.8 million corporation in the Midwest. And that's just the beginning.

Citicorp, a national bank, and Travelers Group, an insurance company, also intend to merge. The partnering frenzy is common to more industries than just banking, but it doesn't bode well for investors who prefer to have a human face in front of them when they deposit a check.

Convenience is the most persuasive argument going for the NationsBank merger, but it may be years before customers see a real change in the way they do everyday banking. NationsBank brags about the ability to expand the investors'

range of services, from mutual funds to stock underwriting, but there's no mention of what fees may be involved and what things the companies will sacrifice to meet efficiency goals. They are also not lingering on the decided job cuts, in NationsBank's and BankAmerica's case nearly 85,000, that will be needed to make the mergers work.

Already these life-insurance giants are expanding into the insurance and brokerage markets, something that hasn't been done since before the Great Depression. The predominant danger with such mega-corporations is that they have the ability to corner the market in certain regions of the country, preventing any others from entering and competing.

Not that other mega-banks will want to; they have their own regions staked out. Smaller banks will have to serve narrow niches in small communities. Although the federal government can easily keep watch on them, the larger banking giants of the country will be increasingly harder to track.



• Guest column

Preserving cultural identity

By Ussi Atuk

The people of the United States must finally become acquainted with the conditions under which Indian people are forced to exist.

A full and comprehensive treatment must be given to Indian affairs as they really are, with special emphasis on how a misguided and sometimes dictatorial paternalism has affected a race of people already gashed and scarred for more than 500 years by betrayal, mass murder, forced removal and oppression so great that their mere physical survival is little short of a miracle.

As I continue to be strong in spirit, I will continue to defend what is my birthright. I am proud to be an Indian. I am a militant. We, the Indian people, need to maintain our own economic status.

The U.S. imperialist government uses romanticism and mysticism and preys upon Indian people for their gain. Multinational corporations use us for their pawns and assets. The U.S. imperialist government has given us malnutrition, poverty, disease, suicide and bureaucratic promises of a better tomorrow.

Your America has not been a land of your proclaimed equality and justice for all. The treatment of our people has been a national disgrace and tragedy.

We are true Americans.

Wounded Knee I, in 1890, proved that the U.S. Army was willing to murder Indians to suppress their lands. Wounded Knee II, in 1972, proved that Indians still have courage and faith, and that at least some of them would rather die than submit to another century of disgrace and penury.

If any vestige of America's self-respect and national honor is to survive the pitiless scrutiny of history and world opinion, the average citizen must become a student of Indian affairs so that Americans can salvage the lives of Indians and the self-respect of all Americans.

Only Americans themselves can tear away the unwarranted pressures, the corrosive policies and the stifling duress imposed on Indians by the government, often at the instigation of corporate interests. Only Americans can alter the course of history and replace greed, racism and corruption

with love, honor, justice and respect.

Despite bitter memories, Indians believe in the stated dream of America, where the rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness will become a reality as they were for the first people of this land, before the coming of our white, black and yellow brothers and sisters.

In keeping with the belief that all human beings are created equal and recognizing the diverse needs of the American Indian, I am committed to ensuring that those needs are met.

I believe and therefore advocate a program that values the cultural rights, health and welfare of the American Indian individual while educating other cultures about Indian culture and heritage, and how we respect Mother Earth and all creatures. I believe a council of both Indian and non-Indian representatives should endeavor to develop the human and natural resources of the American Indian.

Because many American Indians have lost their cultural identity, no longer identifying with their native roots, and because Indian people have unique problems, I am committed to helping Indian people overcome these challenges in order to preserve and enhance the Indian culture.

Further, I recognize that each Indian nation has its own distinct traditional values and spiritual beliefs, and as such, I will strive to help each maintain its own identity and to preserve its right to practice religious beliefs in the tradition of its tribal ancestors.

I also recognize the rights guaranteed all Indian people as stated in the U.S. Constitution, and believe that Indian people should exercise those rights. Therefore, I will strive to see that Indian people have a greater choice in matters that affect our cultural heritage and birthright, and I will support and defend policies that recognize the sovereign rights of the American Indian self-determination.

In addition, I believe that all Indian people are worthy of respect and we deserve special honor and more recognition as keepers of the Earth's fragile environment.

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• Column

Town meeting brings out characters

Bound by the dual restrictions of course work and finances, I broke with tradition and traveled north for my spring break last month. Upon arriving in my hometown, I put in an appearance at Thompson's Yankee Grocer to satisfy the local busybodies who typically greet me with mothball-scented hugs and doubtful new gossip. But instead of the usual pleasantries, each subsequent greeting mirrored the one before: "Are you coming to the

friends and family when the event dominated our local weekly. To augment the official but colorless report, townspeople sent a slew of letters to the editor criticizing an ignorant selectman and "his band of merry idiots."

Whether the issue that packs the auditorium is the purchase of a new snowmobile trail grooming machine, the demise of harvest break or the invasion of countless

and, despite 20 years of residency, no one has forgotten. A patron of the arts and defender of education, she alone makes more sense than a dozen members of the prevalent clan, but isn't taken seriously because she lives alone with four cats and extols the superiority of "Bahston" in every conversation.

The Sidekick: He seconds every motion and always votes with the winning faction. He perpetually calls for secret ballots and insists on following parliamentary procedure because he studied Robert's Rules of Order as a member of the Future Farmers of America 10 years ago. However, because no one else in the town understands the procedure he spends most meetings explaining the circular quandary of why we need yet another motion before the vote can be taken.

The Voice of Reason: Blessed with the gift of stating the obvious, she can boil an issue down to a few well-chosen words, delivered with a dry Tim Sample-esque sense of humor. She comments infrequently, but when she speaks she is rewarded with thunderous applause from the gallery.

This peculiar ritual creates public policy out of mass confusion. Town meetings grant each person — the town manager and village idiot alike — complete equality of representation. Yet somehow, through an imperfect process mired in ignorance, perfect governance emerges.

The immediacy of policy-making grants the participants of a town meeting unrivaled concern for civic affairs and the idealism to believe that they can change their situation. It breeds strong leaders. Besides, for pure entertainment, when theatrics ensue at the hog meetin' it beats cruising up and down Main Street any day.

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By Misty
Edgecomb

hog meetin'?"

I had unwittingly dropped into the midst of a crisis. The turmoil over a certain gentleman's scheme to raise thousands of pigs on his property had escalated to the point of climax for rural New England life. We were having a town meeting.

Aside from police scanners' chirping in dark-paneled dens all over town, this time-honored experiment in democracy provides most of the year's excitement. The semiannual town meeting never fails to draw a raucous crowd, and before the marathon proceedings are completed, attendees manage to air all the dirty laundry of the last four decades. New England town meetings make even the University of Maine General Student Senate look like a model of efficiency and professionalism.

I have exercised my civic virtue at the farcical meetings since junior high school, and will resolutely defend the custom. To my great amusement, our free-for-all method of governance never fails to astonish those who emigrate from the stiff, dignified sphere of town councils and mayors. I remember a California native being drawn into the fray one long evening, then sending newspaper clippings to her

smelly hogs, the plot of this little melodrama changes little over time. Irrationality rules the day, but certain stock characters appear in every civic gathering:

The Agitator: This resident is chaos personified. He will passionately argue either side of any item just to keep things interesting. The real fun begins when two agitators at a meeting are brother and sister, ex-spouses, double cousins or bound by any number of unusual genealogical knots.

The Expert: She has lived in the town for longer than anyone can remember and will recount a somewhat applicable historical precedent in great detail for any issue that may arise. She often rambles on for hours in a booming voice because everyone respects her too much to tell her to shut up.

The Good Ol' Boy: Always looking out for the interests of the snowmobile or rifle clubs, he has been elevated to a position of authority for being somewhat more literate than his comrades, and speaks on their behalf regardless of his ending every phrase with "there" and his inability to pronounce the word "resolution" if his life depended on it.

The Outsider: She is from away

Getting by on autopilot
a dangerous affliction

Little did Thomas Edison realize when he invented the light bulb that his invention would change humanity so much. The invention spawned the industrial revolution and introduced shift work into people's lives, creating the 24-hour workday for society as a whole.

As a result, we Americans have become sleep-deprived zombies as we try to outdo ourselves and others in school and the workplace. Our worth to society is no longer measured by the quality of our work, but by how few hours we sleep. People who insist on getting a good night's, eight-hour sleep are ridiculed as lazy, while people who boast of getting by on

got there; you took the correct exit to get off the interstate, but you didn't think about it — you just did it.

Appropriately enough (or inappropriately), sleep researchers call this phenomenon "automatic pilot." But although we think being able to drive long distances safely without thinking is a good thing, it's not; it makes us feel infallible, enticing us to push our bodies even further.

Automatic pilot has also been found in train engineers, computer operators and nuclear plant en-



By Ryan
Robbins

only five or six hours of sleep are hailed as ambitious.

If you have two jobs, one that requires you to work until 2 o'clock in the morning and another that requires you to work at 10 o'clock that same morning, chances are your second boss won't be understanding.

In general, most people need eight hours of sleep, but Americans average a scant six hours, 57 minutes. In a study conducted between 1997 and 1998 by the National Sleep Foundation involving 1,027 Americans, 37 percent of adults surveyed said they were so tired their daily activities were affected. An even more alarming finding was that 23 percent of adults surveyed said they had fallen asleep while driving in the last year.

But despite driving while tired being as dangerous and, arguably, more prevalent than driving while drunk, we continue to scoff at getting sleep when we're tired, preferring to drive that extra, perhaps last, mile.

In a revealing study conducted by German researchers, a subject drove 50 kilometers in the country, 100 kilometers on the Autobahn and another 50 kilometers in the country at night. When the researchers analyzed data from electrodes connected to the driver's scalp, they found a 20-minute period in which the driver didn't blink while on the Autobahn.

The researchers' conclusion? The driver's eyes were open, but his brain was asleep.

The same thing happens when you drive home after a long day at school or work: You get home, but you don't remember how you

gineers. Further research results suggest that automatic pilot is not borne from monotony, but from the body's resistance to adjust to a different circadian rhythm, or daily cycle.

In simple terms, a person's circadian rhythm dictates that person's preference for morning or evening. Some people are "morning" people and able to get up at dawn and climb into bed at dusk. Others are "night" people, preferring to get up late in the morning or early afternoon and climb into bed after midnight. Most people, though, are neither morning or night people, which causes problems for those with extreme circadian rhythms.

Researchers say you can change your circadian rhythm, but I've never been able to do so, always ending up staying up late.

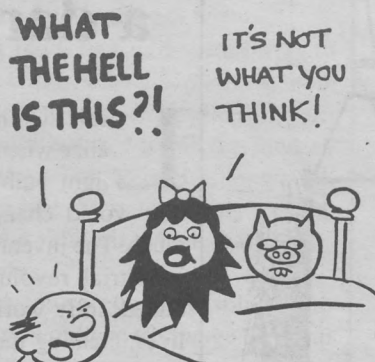
Employers should recognize the stress that shift work can put on the body and draft work schedules accordingly. Why do so many supervisors insist on having meetings begin early in the morning? Why do coaches of athletes pay strict adherence to the unwritten rule that practice should be early in the morning?

Professional athletes routinely resort to working with their body's circadian rhythm instead of trying to go against it. The 1994 U.S. men's volleyball team, which won the gold, had practices in late evening, when their games were scheduled. Maybe we could learn something from them.

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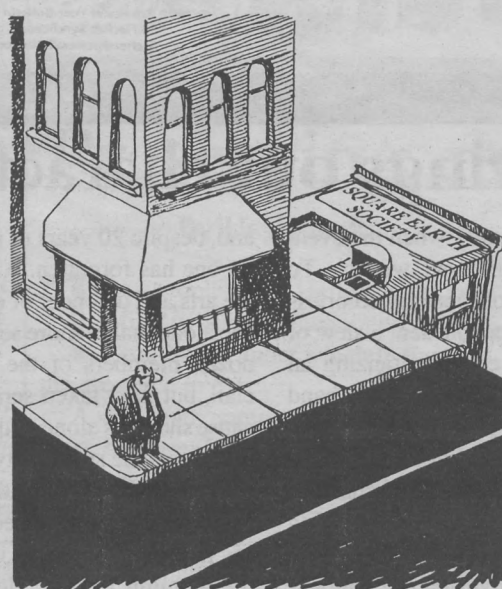
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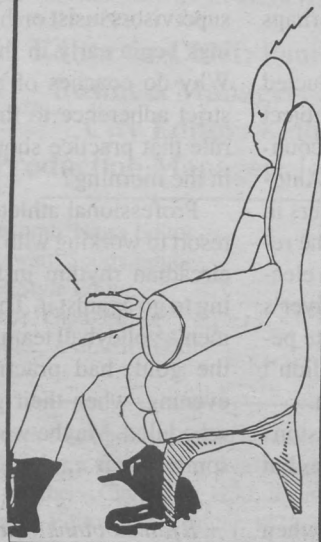
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After my meal the waitress gave me a fortune cookie.

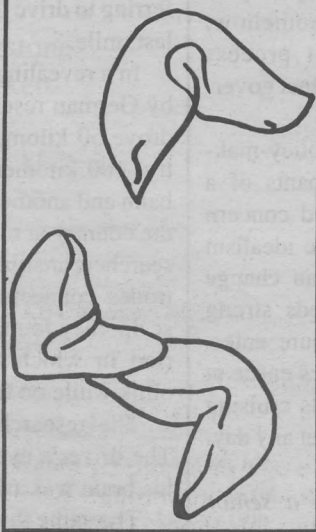
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That sounded great but why can't the fortunes be more personal like, "Hi Leold, your girlfriend is going to dump you Saturday night."

That would be nice.

I can tell you one thing, I'd be eating a lot more Chinese food.



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My ex-girlfriend Sheila is hassling me about who owns this special gold edition Batman comic book.

She says it's hers. I think it's mine.

Really I don't care. I'd just like to totally end this thing with her.

I wish she'd go off and die somewhere. No, I don't mean that. But maybe she could develop a limp. No, no, I don't mean that either.

You know what would be nice?
A very slight facial twitch.... something to remember me by.



Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Wednesday, April 15

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: You will be successful at whatever you do over the next year. You may or may not make money from it — that is not so important — but your name will be up in lights. Don't follow the herd, follow your instincts, even if it means you are the only one in step.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): If you feel dissatisfied with your lot, now is the time to start making changes. Speed and surprise are the elements you need to succeed. A positive aspect means there is little doubt you will accomplish your aims. Don't think, act — now.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): What you feared would take months to accomplish can be done in a few days if you push yourself to the limit this week. If you are ambitious, now is the time to let important people know what you can do — and that you will go elsewhere if they don't encourage and reward you.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): When was the last time you felt so courageous? You are in the right frame of mind to do something others say is impossible. It may be impossible for them, but they don't have what you have: a desire to succeed at all costs.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Why is it that something has to go wrong before something else can go right? Be that as it may, what happens next is a perfect example of a negative situation having a positive outcome. Complain all you wish: You will come to love it by the end of the week.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): Trust your instincts today, even though what they ask you to do is likely to annoy some people and make others think you have lost your head. You can't explain the way you feel nor should you try. Actions speak louder than words. The consequences will speak for themselves.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): You can't walk away from your responsibilities — although it is pleasant to daydream that you can. The planets denote that you have duties to fulfill. Other planetary influences suggest you will be well rewarded for your labors.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): Is it a bird? No, it's a Libra rushing from crisis to crisis faster than the speed of sound. You may not know why you feel compelled to be a superhuman good samaritan today, but you know better than to resist your natural instincts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): There is no way of knowing whether a certain situation will turn out for the best or for the worst. Maintain a positive attitude and be prepared to act when the news you have been waiting for comes through. It may be a serious situation, but you don't have to worry about it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): You are an energetic person by nature, but the power that is flowing through you now seems unreal. We all have hidden reserves that we are normally unable to tap, and those reserves are flowing freely today. Use them to your best advantage.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Because you have been so careful in the past you should now throw caution to the wind and do something utterly outrageous. Not only will you enjoy the luxury of being totally self-indulgent, you will impress important people and improve your chances of moving up in the world.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): You won't find it easy to keep your feelings in check today. Planetary activity makes you excitable to say the least — but what's so bad about that? Solemn behavior is for solemn people; free spirits such as yourself are allowed to break the rules.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Are you scared by the thoughts you've been having? Are you afraid to mention them in case others think you're crazy? You have never been more rational. Talk to someone you know and trust today — that person has been thinking the same things too.

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Thursday, April 16

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: There are so many positive aspects on your birthday this year that you are sure to create something wonderful. You are a unique and talented human being: Show the world what you can do.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): You have big ideas running through your brain, and you can't wait to test them out on people whose opinions you value. Before you do, however, test them out on someone closer to home. It could be embarrassing if you have overlooked something simple but important.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): Say what you mean and mean what you say today, because important people are going to be listening. If they like what they hear — and they should — you will probably be offered something to your advantage before the end of the week. Don't think twice — take it.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Be extremely careful what you say and, more to the point, what you offer to do today. You may promise more than you could ever hope to deliver. The best way to help those in need is to do something of a practical nature.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): You will be tempted to gamble today. You may even get lucky and win. But there is no guarantee that you will, despite what you want to believe. Planetary activity reminds you there is no easy route to success: It takes hard work and common sense, especially about money.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): What you hear today may shock you or delight you — it may even do both — but do you really believe it? Your instincts tell you that someone close is embroidering what is really quite a simple story, merely to make his/her own role look bigger. Pretend not to notice — it makes no difference to you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): If it isn't broken, don't fix it. And don't break something just so that you can show how clever you are at mending it. There are many positive things you can do with your time today, and at least one thing is genuinely broken and in need of repair.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): You have so many options that you don't know where to start. Start with whatever is sitting in front of you at this moment. One thing will lead to another, and before you know it you will have created something of real and lasting value.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): You feel that you owe something to someone who has helped you so many times in the past. You do. That doesn't mean, however, that this is the right moment to start paying back. That person is getting along quite nicely. Save your assistance for when it is needed.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): Your mind is moving at such a speed today that the rest of you may take a while to catch up. Your thoughts become words so quickly you could easily say something rash. You may not notice, but others will. Be careful.

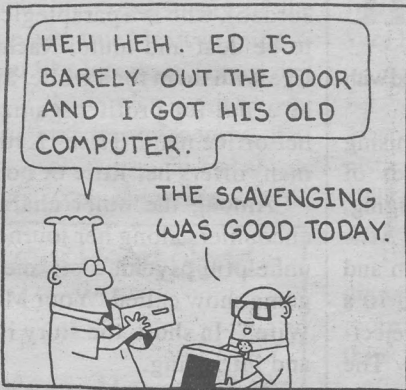
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Think big today. Make plans that stretch years into the future. Everyone needs a vision — something to aim for and help make meaning of life — and you are no exception. The practical side of your nature will no doubt say "what about the details?" but they come later, when the time is right.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Almost any day this week is astrologically perfect for deciding what you want to do with your life. If you feel the time is right, make that decision today — if not, don't put yourself under pressure. Tomorrow will do just as well.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Use your imagination to create something special. You are a highly creative person, but you don't always live up to your potential. If there is a project you have been toying with, make up your mind that you will start it today. Make it your No. 1 priority for the rest of the year.

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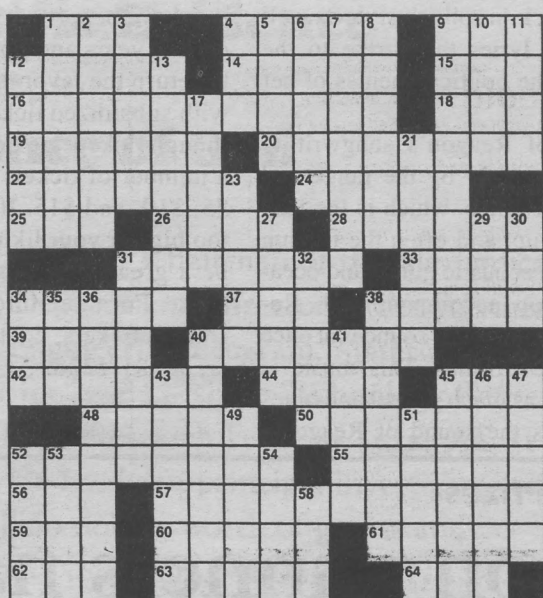
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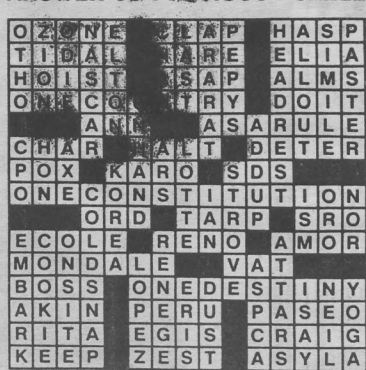
- ACROSS**
- 1 Where St. Pete is
 - 4 Transmitter starter
 - 9 Musical syllable
 - 12 Create friction
 - 14 Start
 - 15 Pasty
 - 16 Shared dwelling
 - 18 Mary Steenburgen sitcom
 - 19 Live
 - 20 Big name in flying
 - 22 With "of," in total agreement
 - 24 Purple shade
 - 25 Continental Div., e.g.
 - 26 Early course
 - 28 Serve a sentence
 - 31 Yield
 - 33 Collar type
 - 34 "Sweet" stream of poetry
 - 37 Further matter?
 - 38 Answer to "You wouldn't believe it"
 - 39 Croquet field
 - 40 Stiff and formal
 - 42 Raid site
 - 44 San Marino money
 - 45 Racket
 - 46 Hokey
 - 50 Tune-up, oil change, etc.
 - 52 Smooth worker
 - 55 Sulky person
 - 56 Legal thing

- DOWN**
- 1 Linguistically knowledgeable
 - 2 Falls into disuse
 - 3 "There's — chance of that"
 - 4 Japanese drama
 - 5 Sufficient, once
 - 6 Diner order, with "the"
 - 7 Decline again
 - 8 Verdi opera
 - 9 St. Paul, for one
 - 10 Dancer with a few fans
 - 11 "My Way" songwriter
 - 12 Modern info-keeper
 - 13 "The Fly" star, 1958
 - 17 Element 54
 - 21 Diner
 - 23 Old gold coin
 - 27 Step on it
 - 29 Small business co-owner
 - 57 Kind of experiment
 - 59 Bridge between two vowels
 - 60 Blake of jazz fame
 - 61 "The King"
 - 62 Vaudevillian Eddie
 - 63 Alamogordo event
 - 64 Short time



Puzzle by Gilbert H. Ludwig

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- 30 Chemical suffix
- 31 Big bird
- 32 Like some columns
- 34 1936 campaigner Landon
- 35 Much
- 36 Bitten before?
- 38 First CinemaScope movie
- 40 Dispatched
- 41 Mourning band
- 43 First-class
- 45 Latin case
- 46 Peaceful
- 47 Social misfits
- 49 "Could — more specific?"
- 51 Selects
- 52 "Carmina Burana" composer
- 53 " — My Heart"
- 54 Grand slam foursome
- 58 Court decision

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Style and the Arts

• Theatre

Student-produced 'Reckless' imaginative

By Derek Rice
Maine Campus staff

Anyone who wants to get away from the whole Bumstock experience that will descend upon campus this weekend will be able to check out a student-produced play in Cyrus Pavilion.

"Reckless" is theatre graduate stu-

dent Christopher Snipe's thesis production. He is also co-producing the show with junior Eric Milligan and the Maine Masque.

The most remarkable thing about the production, aside from the sheer magnitude of it, is that it was entirely student-produced. Students formed their own production company and raised money to

finance, produce and direct the two-act absurdist play.

Rachel (Kristen Williams) is comfortably wrapped in the happiness of her marriage to Tom (Christopher Ashmore). On Christmas Eve, as Rachel prepares for the morning, Tom seems edgy. His guilt causes him to confess that a hit man is on his way to kill his wife.

Rachel escapes out the window and into the night. She meets a kindly stranger named Lloyd (Barrett Hammond), who takes her to meet his wife, Pooty (Misty Jordan), who is a paraplegic and pretends to be deaf and mute. Rachel decides to live with them for a while. She takes a job at a not-for-profit organization, where her office mate, Trish (Katherine Penniman) offers her little or no assistance.

Among the other characters Rachel encounters along her journey are several unhelpful psychiatrists and the host of a game show called "Your Mother or Your Wife?" In short, the story is fast-moving and intriguing.

The pacing of the play may require some patience on the part of the audience. There are more than 20 scene changes, which leave the theater mostly dark while stagehands set up the next locale. Just sit back and enjoy the music, which is well-thought-out. It complements the previous scene beautifully. The selection ranges from the Eurythmics to R.E.M. to the Turtles. It will be difficult to keep from singing along most of the time.

Keep in mind that the eventual payoff

is well worth the wait. Also remember that any loose end that you feel is left hanging will be resolved somehow before the lights come back up.

Dreams play an important role in the play, as therapist after therapist wants to talk about Rachel's dreams. Others share their dreams with Rachel, eventually leading her to discover her own.

As Rachel, Williams must be in every scene. This can be taxing on any actress, but she pulls off the job marvelously. Hammond, Jordan, Ashmore, and the rest of the cast play important roles in Rachel's life, and create memorable characters in the process.

The complex, revolving set was designed by senior James Beer and costumes were designed by graduate student James Day. The two will travel to the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival's national competition in May for their work on another thesis project, "Unidentified Human Remains and the True Nature of Love," directed by graduate student Claude Giroux.

"Reckless" was first produced in New York in 1988, and was made into a film in 1995, starring Mia Farrow, Scott Glenn and Mary-Louise Parker. Playwright Craig Lucas also wrote the screenplay for the movie.

In the end, the basic theme of the story is perfectly articulated by Rachel, who has seen death and sorrow fall on several Christmases: "Things just happen."

• Spruce Run

Reagon to play benefit

By Mike Reynolds
Maine Campus staff

Toshi Reagon will help Bangor-based Spruce Run, as they celebrate their 25th anniversary, which makes them the second oldest domestic violence organization in the United States, with a special benefit concert this Saturday at Maine Center for the Arts at 7 p.m.

"Justice" is her first album. It is an intimate encounter with Reagon's heritage. The influences of her mom, Bernice Johnson Reagon (founder of Sweet Honey in the Rock) and Casselberry and Dupree - all three of whom join her on her album - make for a rhythmic, reggae-influenced sound. Many songs have a chant-like feel. Toshi's mark is definitely felt as well. There are shades of her rock 'n roll-ish style as well as her heartfelt lyrics that strike to the simple core of the political themes of her songs.

The depth of Reagon's songwriting skills is matched only by the range and versatility of her voice, which is the lead vocal, the back-up, and often the rhythm section. With an acoustic guitar and occasional percussion accompaniment, Reagon's voice soars, and her sound is at once intimate and electrifying. This music is rhythm-infused: as much gospel and blues as hip-hop. It is the sound of Reagon's

roots—gospel, folk, and blues—merged with her brand of urban acoustic.

Reagon, a fierce and uncompromising singer, melds the traditional sounds of southwest Georgia congregational singing, migration blues and other traditional African American styles with the rhythm and blues and rock & roll of the 60's and 70's on her most recent recording, "The Rejected Stone." The album was hailed by The Washington Post as "possessing both a passionate edge and rolling momentum...as a singer, Reagon projects a soulful intensity of her own." Toshi is currently working on two recordings, one a solo acoustic recording and the other featuring the hard slamming rock of her four piece band.

Many of the students on this campus have participated in fundraising events that have benefited Spruce Run throughout the years and Spruce Run would like to return the favor by providing students with subsidized tickets to this event. Although tickets are priced at \$20, we have a number of tickets that we can sell for \$5, \$10, and \$15. If you find Bumstock too big for your liking, this show should be a great way of supporting a worthy cause. For more information on the subsidized tickets, contact Ann Schonberger, at 581-1228.

• Pulitzer Prizes

Fiction winners named

NEW YORK (AP) — Philip Roth, one of America's best-known authors, was awarded his first Pulitzer Prize on Tuesday for his 22nd novel, "American Pastoral."

He was chosen in the fiction category over two other finalists: Don DeLillo's "Underworld" and Robert Stone's "Bear And His Daughter: Stories."

Paula Vogel won the Pulitzer for drama for "How I Learned To Drive," an off-Broadway production about a young woman molested by her uncle and its subsequent effect on her life.

"I am very high right now," she said from Providence, R.I., where she lives. "I am so proud of the production of my play we have in New York and grateful to director Mark Brokaw and all the actors and actresses who played the roles."

The prize for biography was awarded to "Personal History" by Katharine Graham, chairman of the executive committee of The Washington Post Co. Mrs. Graham was

publisher of the Post from 1969 to 1979 and its chairman of the board from 1973 to 1993.

The Pulitzer for general non-fiction went to "Guns, Germs, and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies" by Jared Diamond, a professor of physiology at the University of California, Los Angeles.

"I'll be damned. Oh my god," Diamond said. "I'm delighted. What else? Thrilled. Pleasantly surprised. That sums it up for the moment."

The poetry award went to Charles Wright for his collection "Black Zodiac." Wright, the winner of the National Book Critics Circle award earlier this year, is an English professor at the University of Virginia. "Black Zodiac" was his 11th collection of poems dating to 1970.

"It's better than a poke in the eye with a sharp stick," Wright said. "One always hopes to win. This is my fifth time as a

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Student Art Show



Cassie Frayer, a senior art education major, poses with her work "Music" (ink), which won Best of Show in the Department of Art Juried Student Exhibition. Juror's Awards were given to Sarah Tabor for "The Formal Garden" (book); Jon Ferland, "We All Live ..." (wood and cloth); and Carol Ann Livingstone, "The Self" (monoprint). The show opened last week and will run through May 1 in the Carnegie Museum. For more information, call 581-3255 or e-mail umma@umit.maine.edu. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

• Out to lunch

Bangor restaurant a chance to escape weather

By Minzette Peterson
Maine Campus staff

Because the weather was cruel enough to give us a little taste of summer and then swiftly wrench it away, I'm sure that many of you would do just about anything to speed the return of blue skies and sunny days. Given Mother Nature's contrary attitude this winter, we are left with three choices: wait patiently, go for a vacation or give creativity a chance. One possible way to put imagination to use might be to stop in Bangor on Stillwater Avenue at a little place called Pepino's, located right behind the Maine Mall. With thoughts of Mexico well in mind, at least we can dream of what is to come.

The restaurant is charmingly decorated with vivid colors splashed at every turn. From the dinner napkins to the woven wall hangings, and the plates and figurines on every side, this place will definitely brighten up the mood, if not the skies. Potted plants and palms remind one of near-tropical climates with lush green fronds splayed over mosaic-tile inlay. High ceilings and

arched windows convey spaciousness and lightness, while the warm desert colors provide a welcome relief from the dark browns and dirty grays outside. One surprising touch is an elegant folded screen tastefully separating the kitchen from the dining room in both sight and sound, something seldom seen but often deserved.

The menu reminds one of a first-level Spanish book, filled with foreign words that all sound familiar, but no one knows what most of them are. Thankfully, there is a small list for interpretation at the end for those who are unfamiliar with Spanish. With only one page of choices available, the possibilities are amazing. Most of the dishes have at least three different fillings to choose from (including vegetarian options), and combinations of different items are available. This may be just what you need to "spice" up your life, since many of the dishes are made with true Mexican spirit — jalapeno. If you like tomatoes, lettuce and cheese, south of the border is where you want to be. Whether you prefer enchiladas, burritos, tacos, quesadillas, chimichangas, salads or others, consider trying it here.

They even offer eight different Mexican beers to accompany your meal for \$2.75, although if you are in the mood for Sangria, margaritas or anything else from the fully-stocked bar, Pepino's can help you.

The prices are directly proportional to the serving sizes. The appetizers are \$3.95, salads \$5.65, combinations \$7.50 and entrees \$12.95. Whether you order to satisfy a small hunger or a huge appetite will determine how much you will spend. Be forewarned that they have a variety of deserts that look absolutely delectable as well, most in the true Mexican tradition, so you might consider saving some room.

So the real question now is, "Why go to Pepino's when Margarita's is right down the

street for most of us?" There are several answers to that, although which one should be yours doesn't really matter. To be honest, the food and the prices at both establishments are comparable. However, if you are tired of the same old crowd that hangs out at Margaritas, or you want to brighten up your day dreaming of desert sands and sunny days, or you just happen to be closer to Stillwater at the time, consider the possibilities the next time you are in the mood for Mexican.

Update: The Thai Orchid, on Mill Street in Orono, now serves beer and wine. The restaurant started doing so about a week after a review was published in *The Maine Campus*.

Prizes

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finalist so I was fairly fatalistic about it. I'm very happy."

Aaron Jay Kernis won the music prize for "String Quartet No. 2, Musica Instrumentalis. The composer is a self-taught pianist who first won national attention with his 1983 orchestral work, "Dream of the Morning Sky."

"I'm completely speechless," Kernis said. "I'm 38, which makes this even more incredible. I'm very shaken by this."

The Pulitzer for history went to Edward J. Larson for "Summer for the Gods: The Scopes Trial and America's Continuing Debate Over Science and Religion."

The Pulitzer Board awarded a special citation to the late composer George Gersh-

win, marking the 100th anniversary of his birth.

In "American Pastoral," Roth writes about subjects close to home — New Jersey, especially Newark, and Jewishness. The book follows the life of a storied high school athlete, Seymour "Swede" Levov, who, as a decent soul, deserves better than he gets from life.

Roth won National Book Critics Circle awards for "The Counterlife" in 1988 and his 1992 memoir "Patrimony." His "Sabbath's Theater" won a 1995 National Book Award.

Vogel's plays have been performed in Canada, England, Brazil and Spain. She won an Obie for her 1992 off-Broadway production "The Baltimore Waltz."

Scientific Evidence for the Existence of God

Dr. Walter Bradley is Chairman of the Mechanical Engineering Department, Director of the Polymer Science and Engineering Program, Materials Thrust Area Leader for NSF Offshore Technology Center, and Senior TEES Research Fellow at Texas A&M University. He has been principal investigator to over two million dollars worth of grants and contracts from NSF, DOE, AFOSR and NASA, resulting in over 70 technical journal publications. He has received six major research awards and two university-wide teaching awards. Dr. Bradley has co-authored *Mystery of Life's Origin: Reassessing Current Theories*, (1984, Philosophical Books, Inc. New York).

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• Nielsens

NBC regains top rating spot from CBS

NEW YORK (AP) — Season leader NBC returned to the top of the television ratings on the strength of its Thursday night schedule, even though viewers don't yet appear overly sentimental about the impending demise of "Seinfeld."

NBC won last week's prime-time crown with an 8.8 rating and 15 share, beating second-place CBS's 8.0 rating and 14 share, Nielsen Media Research said Tuesday.

NBC's five Thursday night series were the most-watched shows of the week.

"Seinfeld" had 29.6 million viewers last week, narrowly below its season average of just over 30 million. NBC didn't get a boost even though it aired an original episode and received a burst of publicity over filming of the final "Seinfeld," to air May 14.

Still, "Seinfeld" was behind only "ER"

in the weekly ratings. NBC also pointed out that it has more viewers than "Cheers" did during the buildup to its final episode.

For the week, ABC finished in third place with a 7.4 rating and 13 share, Fox was fourth with a 6.2 rating and 11 share, the WB was fifth with a 2.7 rating and 5 share, and UPN had a 2.3 rating and 4 share.

ABC's Wednesday night comedies, "The Drew Carey Show" and "Two Guys, a Girl and a Pizza Place," were the network's two highest-rated entertainment series. It compensated for ratings disasters like the new "Push," which finished in 86th place for the week.

"The X-Files" on Fox, once seemingly a threat to break the Top 10, sunk to 56th place last week, although it was a repeat episode.

A rating point represents 980,000 house-

holds, or 1 percent of the nation's estimated 98 million TV homes. Share is the percentage of in-use televisions tuned to a given show.

NBC's "Nightly News" finished first in the evening news race with a 7.6 rating and 17 share. ABC's "World News Tonight" was second with a 7.2 rating and 16 share, followed by the "CBS Evening News" at 7.0 and 16.

For the week of April 6-12, the top 10 shows, their networks and ratings were:

"ER," NBC, 20.7; "Seinfeld," NBC, 19.9; "Veronica's Closet," NBC, 15.8; "Friends," NBC, 15.4; "Just Shoot Me," NBC, 14.2; "PrimeTime Live," ABC, 13.4; "60 Minutes," CBS, 12.9; "Frasier," NBC, 11.8; "The Drew Carey Show," ABC, 11.4; "Touched By an Angel," CBS, 11.4.

• Chairman of the Board

Sinatra not on death bed

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Frank Sinatra spends his days soaking up the warmth of the sun and his family, despite reports he is on his death bed, his wife says.

"The rumors are just crazy. You can't believe it. He's doing very well. You'd think they'd just stop with it," Barbara Sinatra said Monday.

The 82-year-old entertainer hasn't been seen in public since before a January 1997 heart attack, which led to tabloid reports that he is gravely ill and has been given last

rites by the Catholic church several times.

"It doesn't bother him anymore. I guess he's used to it. You just roll with the punches," Mrs. Sinatra said during a telephone interview to promote the Frank Sinatra Las Vegas Celebrity Classic charity golf tournament. "He's strong and walking around. We're enjoying friends."

She said he hasn't ruled out attending next month's tournament, which benefits the Barbara Sinatra Children's Center at Eisenhower Medical Center in Rancho Mirage and the Las Vegas Opportunity Village.

• Recycling

Company pulls curvy cans

ATLANTA (AP) — Coca-Cola's new curvy can is being pitched into the recycle bin.

The company pulled the contoured, red 12-ounce can from four of five test markets as it tries to resolve problems and come up with a can that repeats the success of its curvy bottles that lit up sales four years ago.

Consumers liked the cans, but not enough to pay extra for it, company officials said. There also were problems fitting the cans into some vending machines.

"This is just a natural part of the testing (and) learning," company spokeswoman Polly Howes said Tuesday. "We continue to work on it."

The company had tested the cans for about a year in Terre Haute, Ind.; Tucson, Ariz.; Las Cruces, N.M.; and Brownsville, Texas. The cans are still available in El Paso, Texas, as development continues.

One problem to work out is the cost of

production. Mike Harris, sales manager at Coca-Cola Bottling in Tucson, said some consumers balked at paying the extra 10 percent to 12 percent it added to the cost of a Coke.

"It was pretty good for just kind of a test," Harris said.

The contoured can was used only for Coca-Cola Classic in the test markets.

John Sicher, publisher of Beverage Digest, said he expects testing of curvy cans to continue because Coke's contoured bottle has been so popular. He said production costs will eventually come down.

"Coke's test was just that — a test. When and wherever we see the shaped can again is dependent upon an awful lot of variables."

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ON THE SAME TEE

Gilpatric works through nerves to make golf team

By Bill Stewart
Maine Campus staff

Growing up in Kennebunk, Susan Gilpatric enjoyed a homespun childhood flavored with a wide variety of athletics.

Whether it was kicking the soccer ball around or dribbling a basketball, Gilpatric knew at an early age that participating in athletics would become a staple in her life.

And it is, only not in soccer or basketball, but rather golf.

"Since the day I could walk I was out on the golf course," said Gilpatric, who is the only female at the University of Maine to play for the varsity golf team. "I grew up on one."

Although she didn't think about playing golf seriously until a later age, it comes as no surprise that her game would flourish as the years passed by. Now in her junior year, she is doing something that is not only unique, but a testament to women branching out in athletics.

"I wanted to go to school where I could play on a ladies' team, but financially it wasn't possible," Gilpatric said. "So I came here, and my first two years I didn't try out. And then last year I got the courage and decided to come out and try out and I made it."

"I wish they had a girls team, but they don't. The university doesn't sponsor one yet."

Despite making the team, the tryout process fueled the nerves and butterflies associated with any bold attempt of something new. Gilpatric remembers walking out to the greens her first day of collegiate tryouts and the experience she had with the men on the Black Bear squad.

"I was really nervous," Gilpatric said. "I mean, the guys were awesome. The first day I remember one of them in particular, and I played with him and he was just so nice and very calm and cool about it, and I didn't think they realized why I was there — we were just playing golf."

"I was so nervous the first few holes and it really showed."

Although she was nervous heading into the first days of tryouts, she says it didn't compare to the way her stomach turned before playing in her first collegiate match held at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

"The whole night before the match I thought I was going to be sick," Gilpatric said. "We teed off the first day and the other teams were like 'Oh, we're playing a girl.' I don't think they knew what to expect and I didn't know what to expect. I was scared."

Playing on a predominately male golf team is nothing new to Gilpatric, however, because during her high school career she

played on the boys' team, and her competition also consisted of playing — and beating — them on the course.

"In high school, guys were like, 'Oh no, we're playing against the girl today,'" Gilpatric said. "And they were kind of like 'Whatever, we can beat her.' Half the time I'd end up beating them anyways, so by the end of it they were like, 'Wow, we lost to a girl.'"

"It was great, I loved it."

Playing on the boys' team in high school did help her with her game though, both physically and mentally.

"Whether I played against girls or guys, it didn't matter. But it was neat playing against the guys because first of all, they are better than a lot of the females, so it kind of gives me something extra to push for," Gilpatric said. "They also hit it farther, and I am sure if I didn't play in high school against guys I wouldn't be able to hit it as far."

Gilpatric credits her family for her increasing involvement in golf, despite saying it is just a hobby. With both her parents frequently enjoying those trips to the tee, and an 18-year-old brother who also plays, her family is submerged in the game.

"Both my parents are really big golfers,"

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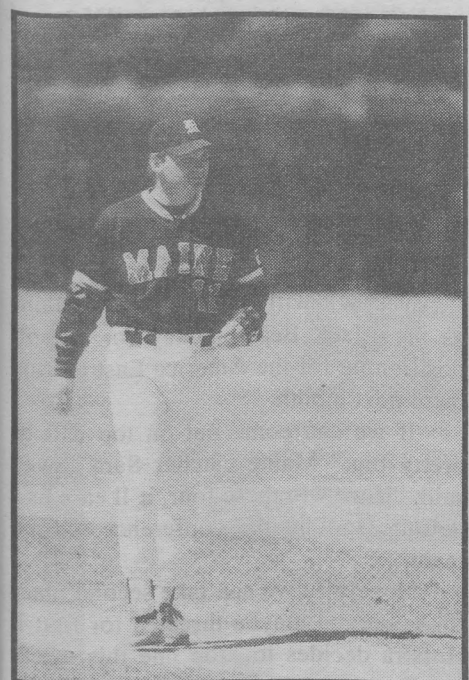
• Baseball

Black Bears will battle Braves in home opener

By Jim Davis
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine baseball team will look to break in Mahaney Diamond this afternoon against Husson College in the Bears' home opener.

Today's game marks the official end of a 30-game road voyage.



Coach Kosty says the home opener today couldn't have come soon enough. (file photo.)

"If we needed a shot in the arm, this is what we needed," said Maine head coach Paul Kostacopoulos.

While the Black Bears have struggled to gain victories on the road thus far, Kosty is optimistic that his team will find some comfort in knowing that several losses weren't as bad as they seemed, especially last weekend's series with Northeastern in which the Bears dropped the last three games.

"Even though we lost three out of four this weekend, it wasn't sloppy," Kosty said.

Husson comes to town looking to avenge last year's 20-3 pummeling that took place on the Orono campus.

While a conference win won't be in the works, Kosty says he believes that bragging rights are up for grabs today.

"Anytime you go out there, there's pride involved," Kosty said.

The Black Bears (11-19, 3-9 America East) need a win today to build some momentum heading into its series with Hartford this weekend, another reason for Maine to not take this

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Conversely, if we win, it could turn things around, and we could roll off four or five games in a row." — Paul Kostacopoulos

game lightly.

"It's important because if you don't win it can be devastating," Kosty said. "Conversely, if we win, it could turn things around, and we could roll off four or five games in a row."

Other than Julian Bracali not being able to play the field due to a nagging injury, the Black Bears have enjoyed a sound spring.

"We're fairly healthy," Kosty said. "We haven't had any pitching injuries,

which is key."

While Black Bear ace Tom Koutrouba

will be spared for the Hartford series, Kosty said that he is pleased with Koutrouba's improvement with each appearance.

"He's started to pitch rather than throw," Kosty said.

Kosty credits his pitching coach for aiming the lefty on the straight and narrow.

"Greg Hamilton has done a great job settling him down and keeping his composure," Kosty said.

Kosty is hopeful that the rest of the team will follow suit and continue to do what it takes to pull out some wins in the coming weeks.

"You just gotta keep battling and battling, and something good is bound to happen," he said. "You just gotta keep doing the little things."

Maine is 38-2 all-time against Husson since the first time the teams played in 1974. Husson last beat the Black Bears 6-0 in 1995 on their own turf. The Bears have never lost to the Braves in Orono.

FROM THE DEN

The University of Maine softball program boasts six conference first-teamers since 1992. The Black Bears have also placed 11 players on the conference second-team.



America East Softball wrap-up

By Dave Bailey
Maine Campus staff

Even though the America East softball season isn't even halfway through, it's never too late to think about the postseason.

Four teams qualify for the America East tournament. The winner of the tourney will then play host to the Atlantic 10 champion in a best-of-three "play-in" for an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament.

Hofstra stands alone in first place in the America East with a 5-1 conference record. The Flying Dutchwomen have ripped off five consecutive wins since losing to Maine April 4.

Maine is 4-2 in league play, good enough for a second-place tie with Hartford as the two teams prepare to lock horns this Sunday in Orono.

Delaware checks in at fourth place with a 3-3 record, with Vermont right behind at 2-2.

Boston University is in sixth place with a

3-5 record and will look to get back into the playoff hunt this weekend at Vermont.

Treading water are Towson (2-4) and Drexel (1-5).

League Leaders

Maine shortstop Michelle Puls has a 33-point lead in the batting race, pounding out a Herculean .402 average through 34 games.

Puls also leads the conference in hits (29).

Maine catcher Sara Jewett leads the America East in RBI (24), is tied for the home run lead (four) and is eighth with a .337 mark.

Jen Pawol of Hofstra leads the league in total bases (64) and triples (five), and she is tied for the home run lead as well (four). She is second in stolen bases with 11 swipes.

Maine pitcher Carrie Green is eighth with a minuscule 2.25 earned run average.

Pitching, defense and what?

Pitching and defense have supposedly been the keys to winning. Try telling that to the University of Delaware.

While the Blue Hens lead America East in pitching with a 1.33 ERA and in fielding with a .960 fielding percentage, they rank next-to-last in batting with a woeful .235 average. (In comparison, league-leading Hofstra stands at .288.)

For its efforts, Delaware is only 15-14 overall with a 3-3 mark in conference play. Apparently hitting is more than just a mop-up duty.

Player of the Week and Pitcher of the Week accolades both went to Hofstra's Jen Smith. Smith went 8-for-12 at the plate last week, hitting her first career home run in the second game of a twinbill at Boston College last Thursday.

On the hill, Smith was 2-0 with a 0.93 ERA in 15 innings pitched with 14 strikeouts, including a three-hitter versus BC.

Rookie of the Week honors went to Meghan Henning of Hartford. The first baseman went 8-for-19 with nine RBIs, hitting safely in six of seven games.

• Softball

Maine ready for home opener

By Dave Bailey
Maine Campus staff

Will the real University of Maine softball team please stand up?

Maine (14-20 overall, 4-2 America East) is coming off a doubleheader split at Boston University last Friday in which the Jekyll-and-Hyde Black Bears exhibited both their good and bad attributes.

Maine opens its home schedule this weekend against Vermont and Hartford.

"We've got the Maine team that can play with anyone, and then you've got the Maine team that makes you wonder, 'Who are these people?'" Maine assistant coach Deb Smith said.

In game one, Maine pounded out 11 hits and made just one error in a 5-2 victory over BU.

"We left a lot of runners on base in the first few innings, but then we really started to capitalize," Smith said. "We got really gutsy performances out of the seniors. They put everything together that game."

Third baseman Mary Wells was among the stellar seniors, bashing a key RBI double in a two-run rally in the fifth inning.

"She had been struggling at the plate her first couple of times at bat, and then she drove a double up the middle and really capitalized on that," Smith said.

Game two, however, was another matter altogether, as Maine had more errors than hits (four to three) in a 5-0 loss.

"We didn't have the offense," Smith said. "We had a lot of miscues in the field. We had one particular inning in which we allowed at least two unearned runs."

"We made it a little bit more difficult on ourselves as far as we weren't able to put that game away."

Pitcher Jen Burton allowed five runs (one earned) on seven hits as her record sunk to 2-6 on the season.

"It wasn't a stellar performance, but Jen had a better game than what she's had of late," Smith said.

It is under this backdrop that Hartford and Vermont come to town.

Of the eight coaches polled in the America East conference, eight picked Hartford to finish dead last.

Don't look now, but the Hawks have soared to a second-place tie in the conference with Maine, racking up a 4-2 conference record (12-13 overall).

"They've been the surprise team of the conference this season," Smith said. "They've got a lot to prove."

Every win will need to count for Maine as the Black Bears jockey for playoff positioning for the America East tournament next month.

"If we can come out on top it'll be pretty big," Maine catcher Sara Jewett said. "If we win these four, it'll earn us a definite spot in the conference tournament."

"Hopefully we can take second place for good and maybe threaten for first if Hofstra decides to drop one this weekend."

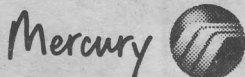
"We've got control of our own destiny right now," Smith said.

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America East wrap-up

By Jim Davis
Maine Campus staff

With less than a month to go in America East play, the University of Delaware has established what many coaches and players around the league already knew.

The Blue Hens, who boast an overall record of 25-5 and a dominating 11-1 conference mark, are this year's cream of the crop.

Delaware continued to wreak havoc on its competition last week, posting three victories against a solid Towson team.

While Northeastern holds the No. 2 spot at 9-3, the fight for third is tight between 7-5 Vermont and Hofstra.

The Catamounts and Flying Dutchmen will engage in important matchups Friday, with Vermont facing Northeastern at home and Hofstra at Delaware.

Towson sits alone in fourth place at 6-6. The Northeastern series will be the Tigers' first games on the road this season.

Maine and Drexel are locked in fifth place at 3-9. The Black Bears will host the Dragons the weekend of May 2.

The Hartford Hawks are struggling at 2-10 and will make a stop in Orono for a four-game series this weekend.

Player of the Week honors were given to Vincent Michello, who led Hofstra to a four-win sweep over Drexel last week. Mich-

ello hit .533 and drove in 8 RBIs in the series.

The first baseman knocked in the game-winning runs with a three-run double Sunday to ensure the sweep.

Pitcher of the Week was awarded to Dom Borro, who threw an impressive four-hitter for Towson in a 2-1 win over Delaware. Borro's performance ended the Blue Hens' 20-game win streak.

Rookie of the Week went to Vermont's shortstop, Micheal Cole. Cole hit .438 and had seven RBIs in four games.

Records Fall

The man who tagged UMaine hurlers for eight long balls in a series two weeks ago has kept his binge going. Delaware outfielder Kevin Mench hit four more balls out of the yard this last weekend against Towson. Mench now owns Delaware's single-season record with 21. Mench, a sophomore, is already just six homers shy of breaking the career mark of 46.

With his two dingers and six RBIs at Hartford, Vermont's Dana Forsberg earned the school's career records for homers (21) and RBIs (107).

Maine's T.J. Sheedy ranks 27th in the nation with his .440 batting average. Sheedy is currently fourth in America East in hitting behind Delaware's Brad Eymann (.447, 20th), Hartford's Earl Snyder (.450, 17th) and Mench (.457, 15th).

Baseball

Yankee Stadium in repair

NEW YORK (AP) — As dozens of engineers probed and X-rayed Yankee Stadium's skeleton, the team played an exhibition game in eerie near-silence Tuesday and got ready for a crosstown move to Shea.

Monday's crash of a 71-year-old steel-and-concrete joint into the stadium's middle deck forced Mayor Rudolph Giuliani to postpone the first two games of the Yankees' series with Anaheim.

With no clear idea of when the stadium will reopen to the public, the American League moved Wednesday's series finale to Shea Stadium, the home of the National

League's Mets.

"I think everybody's sort of in disbelief," Yankees pitcher David Cone said. "Baseball players like to know what their routine is."

Yankee Stadium, due to celebrate the 75th anniversary of its opening on Saturday, was ringed by dozens of city trucks, with hundreds of municipal workers in green hard hats and orange construction vests checking the ballpark's frame. Jerome Hauer, director of the mayor's office of emergency management, said the inspection was about half complete.

Gilpatric

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Gilpatric said. "We have pictures when I was a little girl, maybe when I was 18 months old, holding the pin for my dad."

"Having two parents who are really into the sport kind of got me into it a little."

Next year Gilpatric will enter her senior year, where she is hoping to become one of the leaders on the UMaine golf team.

But she has already accomplished some-

thing this year, something more grand than any club could do.

"I'm out there to play. I'm really grateful to be able to play here, and I don't think of myself as special," Gilpatric said. "It's neat that I'm the only girl on the team, but I think there could be more girls, and I think a girls' team could be started, but I don't know if the university wants to sponsor one."

Basketball

Webber offers his defense

WASHINGTON (AP) — The day after Juwan Howard's lawyer offered a taste of a possible defense against allegations of sexual misconduct, Chris Webber's lawyer did the same.

Attorney Marcelle Solomon said Tuesday that Webber wasn't even at Howard's house at the time an alleged sexual assault occurred.

"It is important to note that, according to the Montgomery County (Md.) Police Department, the alleged sexual assault happened around 4:30 a.m.," Solomon said. "Since Chris left Juwan's residence at about 2:30 to 3 a.m., Chris does not know what, if anything, happened to anyone after he left that prompted an allegation of sexual assault."

In a complaint naming Washington Wizards teammates Howard and Webber, a Con-

necticut woman contends she was sexually assaulted during a party on April 6 at Howard's suburban Maryland house. Neither player has been charged, and a grand jury is to hear the case Thursday.

Solomon said he had witnesses who can verify the time Webber left Howard's house.

Montgomery County police had no immediate reaction to Solomon's remarks. The time of the alleged assault, along with other details of the woman's accusations, has not been released because the case documents are sealed.

However, Police Chief Carole Mehrling responded to a statement made Monday night by Howard's lawyer, Billy Martin, who disclosed details of his own investigation because of what he called "rumors" that police wanted to arrest his client.



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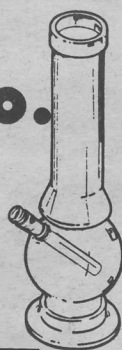
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