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## Quad-raphonic



Terez Fraser, Bethany Klebaur and Emily MacCarone groove to Strange Pleasure in the Stewart Quad. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

### • Sports

## Compliance goes inclusive

By Bill Stewart  
Maine Campus staff

Sitting outside of Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance Tracey Flynn's office is a little sign right next to the door reading, "Complaint Department... press button for service." Nailed adjacent to the sign is a mouse trap. A couple of computers anchor the square lobby area of the office stationed on the second floor of the Memorial Gym, and the high-pitched humming of the fax machine provides ample background noise to an otherwise silent room.

The afternoon sun radiates over the campus and acts as a catalyst to

the clamor that embraces the landscape outside. Although the atmosphere in the compliance office is not completely synonymous to that taking place outside, a certain feeling of comfort is apparent. Change can do that.

The blinds are pulled as if to preserve a darkness that once served as a backdrop to a system that failed more than four years ago — a darkness that is the only reminder of a troubled period of time.

Buried among some of the athletic teams' offices — men's and women's soccer, softball and field hockey — the compliance system once served as a tactical war room where plans for the troops were designed and installed. A war that was eventually lost when the University of Maine announced in December 1995 the results of a self evaluation report riddled with countless violations among some of its athletic programs.

The self report was just the beginning, however, to a launching pad of sanctions that the NCAA levied on UMaine, followed by a lengthy appeal process. The scenario of events sparked a series of renovations, including the institutionalizing of the entire system.

"What you have to have is an institution that is willing to buy into the concept, because it is so much easier for somebody to say, 'Well, you do it, I don't need to know those rules,'" Athletic Director Suzanne Tyler said.

And the university did. Flynn,



University of Maine President Peter Hoff. (File photo.)

who inherited a healthy system that was put in place, in part, by former Compliance Director Tammy Light and former President Fred Hutchinson, acknowledged the role the sanctions played in rebuilding the system.

"It's an extensive system, but it's a direct result of some of the problems we ran into in the past," Flynn said. "Compliance needed to be put in place to ensure all NCAA rules were being followed. Each individual school has its own character that maybe makes some rules more important than others."

At UMaine, all of them were. Despite the complete makeover, though, could something like this happen again?

"Absolutely," UMaine President Peter Hoff said. "With a system as complex as this, it is easy to trip without meaning to. I wasn't here during the darkest days of the

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### • Sales

## Local businesses now online

By Stacia Hook  
Special to the Campus

Bangor residents have been visiting Bett's Bookstore since it opened on the corner of Main Street in downtown Bangor in 1937. But something happened three years ago that changed the way owner Stuart Tinker does his business. These days, nearly half of Tinker's customers have never even seen the inside of his shop.

"They don't know what kind of store they are dealing with, whether it's a multi-million dollar corpora-

tion or a hole in the wall, like we are," said Tinker.

Like most shop owners, Tinker was once focused on store merchandise, in-house sales and local customers. Thanks to an investment three years ago in a World Wide Web page, he is now up at 5 a.m. to check e-mail, fill orders and ship his books as far away as Moscow before settling down to deal with local customers.

While the internet has helped several businesses like Tinker's expand their sales beyond the state and country, the number of local

businesses actually connected to the internet is not as high as national analysts may think. Business Online, an internet service provided through ReplyNet, reports that many industry analysts claim as much as 50 percent of U.S. businesses are online. The company, however, has found that less than 10 percent of businesses are online, and of that perhaps only one in three companies are connected fully with internet services that include more than just e-mail.

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### • Calendar

## Faculty Senate votes to extend winter term

By Paul Livingstone  
Maine Campus staff

Students will have an extra week to ski or do homework next year if the spring semester change approved by the Faculty Senate Wednesday takes effect in spring 1999, as planned. Sponsored by the Academic Affairs Committee, the resolution bumped spring semester later by one week in response to increasing concern from administrators that winter term was too short.

"There was a common feeling that for winter term a nine-day class was insufficient for a three credit course," said Academic Affairs Committee Chair Gloria Vollmers.

The second reason for the semester change arose following the April 1 Faculty Senate meeting, at which the change was first discussed. The committee argued that

administrators who made academic standing decisions over the course of winter terms had trouble notifying students of their academic status and "addressing appeals to those determinations prior to the students' arrival on campus."

"This change would give an extra week for students to get off probation," Vollmers said.

The current number of students on academic probation is 1,061.

Winter term has been increasing rapidly in popularity in the last two years. Although the number of courses offered has remained near 20, the number of students attending have risen from just over 200 in 1997 to 369 in 1998.

Professor of History Howard Segal expressed reservation about the resolution.

"I have severe concern for winter term. This issue deserves seri-

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Gloria Vollmers, Academic Affairs Committee chair, explains the resolution proposing a shift in Spring semester. She was also elected Faculty Senate president. (Caleb Raynor photo.)



# WORLD BRIEFS

## • Extraction

### U.S. teams remove enriched uranium

**1** TBILISI, Georgia (AP) — U.S. teams removed a cache of highly enriched uranium and spent nuclear fuel from storage in a former Soviet republic Thursday, in a secretive effort to safeguard the potentially dangerous material, officials said.

"They removed the uranium overnight," said Zurab Saralidze, deputy head of Georgia's Physics Institute near the capital, Tbilisi.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said earlier this week the operation stemmed from concern the material would fall into "the wrong hands" in the volatile Caucasus region.

Aside from Saralidze's statement, Georgia officials refused any further comment, citing an agreement with Washington to keep details of the shipment secret.

At about 6 p.m., a U.S. military cargo plane took off from Tbilisi airport. It was not immediately clear whether it was carrying the radioactive material to Britain, which has agreed to accept it for reprocessing.

After the flight took off, guards told reporters the uranium had been taken out of the country. There was, however, no immediate official confirmation.

The cache consists of 9.5 pounds of highly enriched uranium-235 and two pounds of spent nuclear fuel. Institute officials say the material could be sufficient to build a nuclear weapon.

## • Complication

### Spokesman admits he misled media

**2** LONDON (AP) — Paul McCartney's spokesman admitted today he had misled the media about where Linda McCartney died and described reports of an assisted suicide as "ludicrous."

"Linda did not die in Santa Barbara, she died in another place," Geoff Baker told NBC's "Today" show, acknowledging that he had been the source of reports that she had died in Santa Barbara, Calif.

Mrs. McCartney died Friday from breast cancer at age 56.

Carla Lane, a close friend of the McCartneys in England, confirmed she died in Arizona. "When the illness became more serious, she went there because she loved it above all places and that's why she went and that's where she died," Ms. Lane told The Associated Press.

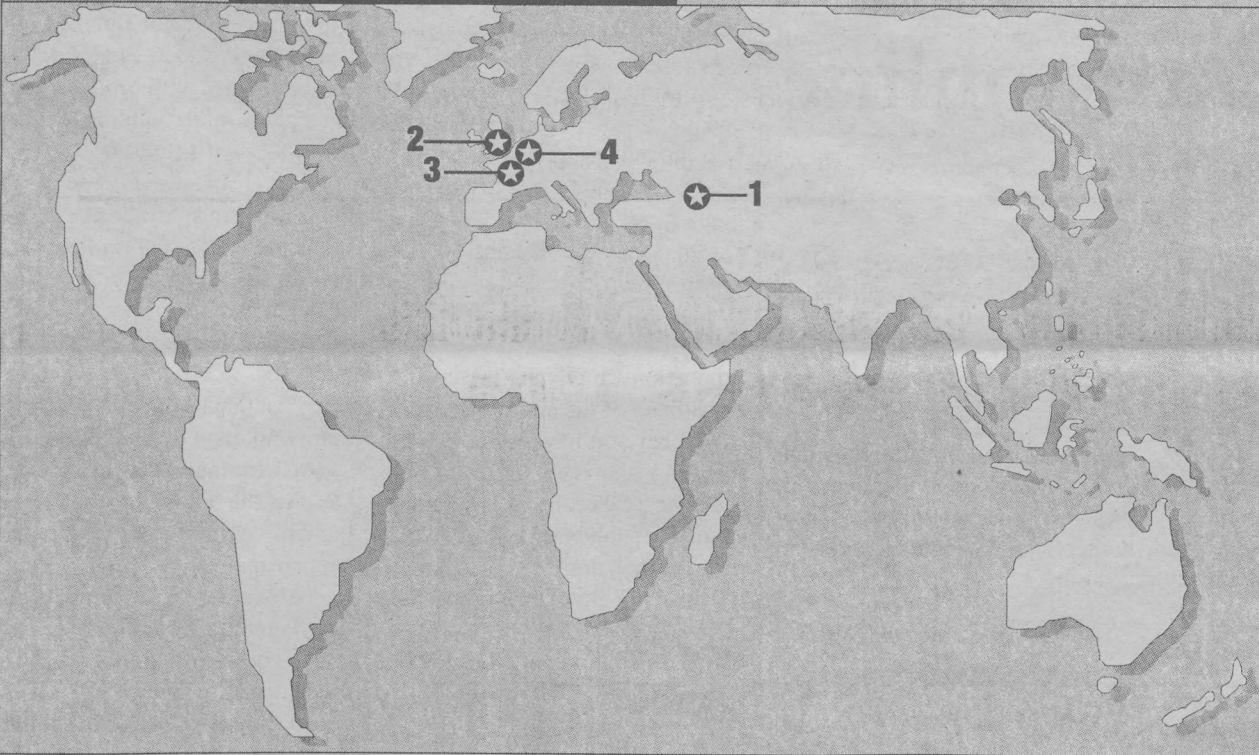
"Nothing was certain, but it was said that she didn't have long to go. It so happened that she went sooner than expected," she said.

Baker said he misled reporters to protect the family's privacy. "Let them have one tiny, private place," he said.

He hinted that earlier reports Mrs. McCartney died on the family ranch in Tucson, Ariz., were correct.

"You guys know where it is, it's been reported where it is," he told "Today."

# WORLD DIGEST



## • Movies

### Film festival features better lineup this year

**3** PARIS (AP) — The 1998 Cannes Film Festival features a better movie lineup and more star power than last year, organizers of the world's biggest cinema jamboree boasted Thursday.

Unlike 1997, when the Golden Palms went to small, if well-made films from Iran and Japan, next month's festival is shaping up as a battle of bigger directors, including Americans Hal Hartley and John Turturro.

Also competing are British directors Ken Loach and John Boorman, France's Patrice Chereau and the Danish director who won the festival's 1996 Grand Jury Prize, Lars Von Trier.

"The general caliber has gone up," festival chief Gilles Jacob told a news conference, noting the festival had more candidates to choose from this year.

The 22 films in competition at the 51st Cannes festival include four each from France and the United States, three from Britain and two each from Denmark, Italy and Taiwan.

Among American films shown at the competition, Mike Nichols' "Primary Colors" opens the festival and the new blockbuster "Godzilla" by Roland Emmerich closes the May 12-24 event.

## • Retained

### Witness briefly escapes; officials offer resignation

**4** BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Belgium's interior and justice ministers resigned today after the brief escape of a key suspect in a deadly child-sex ring whose activities stunned Belgium in 1996, local media reported.

VRT television and other media said Interior Minister Johan Vande Lanotte and Justice Minister Stefaan De Clerck stepped down to take responsibility for the escape, which caused great consternation and embarrassment to a government already accused of inept law enforcement.

Dutroux was recaptured four hours after he fled the Justice Palace in Neufchateau, 125 miles southeast of Brussels, after grabbing the gun of a policeman. Dutroux was there to examine documents for his trial on child abduction and abuse charges.

A car he had hijacked got stuck in mud near Saint Medard about eight miles away, police said.

Authorities had set up roadblocks along highways in southern Belgium and alerted police in neighboring France.

The resignation reports came as Prime Minister Jean-Luc Dehaene prepared to go before parliament to explain how Dutroux could have broken free.

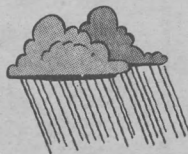
Questions emerged immediately why Dutroux was taken to the courthouse amid very light security and why the policeman's gun was unloaded.

# Weather

## The Local Forecast

### Today's Weather

Cloudy, chance of drizzle. High around 50.



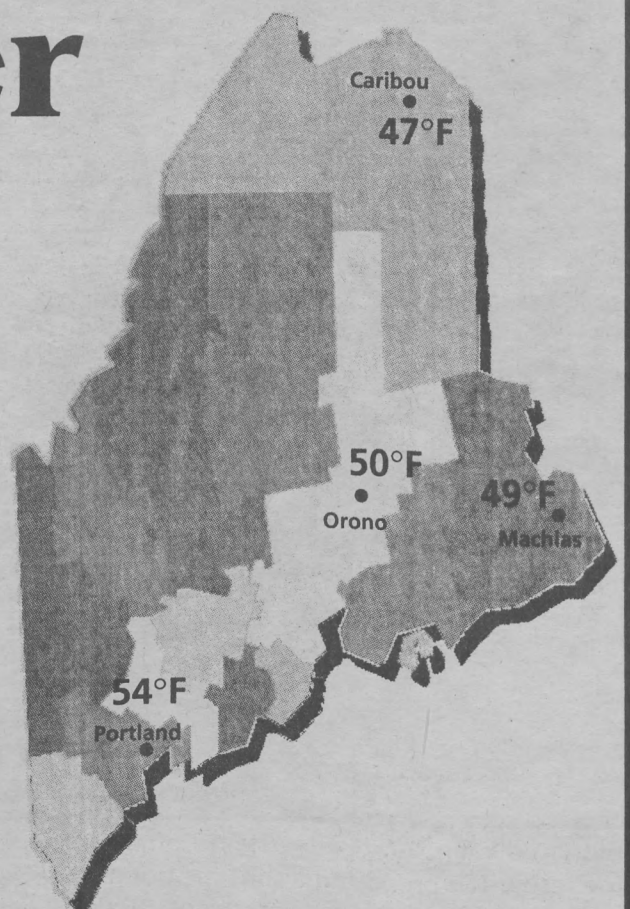
### Saturday's Outlook

More clouds than sun. Highs around 60.



### Extended Forecast

Sunday...Chance of rain.  
Monday...Fair.  
Tuesday...Fair





## • Budget

# Cutler Health Center weighs options for deficit

By Stan Dankoski  
Maine Campus staff

The director of Student Health Services and other faculty met Monday afternoon to look at the Cutler Health Center budget deficit. The problem was the inability to support health services with the current comprehensive fee.

The brainstorming session, as SHS Director Mark Jackson called it, provided an opportunity for the SHS, finance, athletic and student life departments to figure out "why do we have the problem?" Jackson said.

"It was a very good meeting. I think we're on the right track."

The deficit grew out of the University of Maine's general effort to downsize, which began in 1991. Since then, UMaine became smaller than intended, Chief Financial Officer Mark Anderson said.

"We have excess capacity," Anderson said. "And with that capacity, we can increase customers without increasing costs."

However, the issue is tricky to solve with many views on the values of the center's services.

"The health center is fully funded by the comprehensive fee," Jackson said. "And we only get about 32 percent of the fee, while the athletic department gets most of the rest."

While the university was downsizing, Student Health Services used the compre-

hensive fee to upgrade services and staff. However, recent years brought a low number of traditional students, who make up approximately 70 percent of students who pay the fee.

Student enrollment in 1991 was 12,804, and it dropped down to 8,917 in 1998. The gradual yet definite drop affected the services Cutler Health Center offered, and SHS was not able to make ends meet.

"There appears to be a consensus that students are satisfied with health services and that they don't want to see any decrease," said Jackson.

"But students would also like to see us use their current health insurance coverage more effectively."

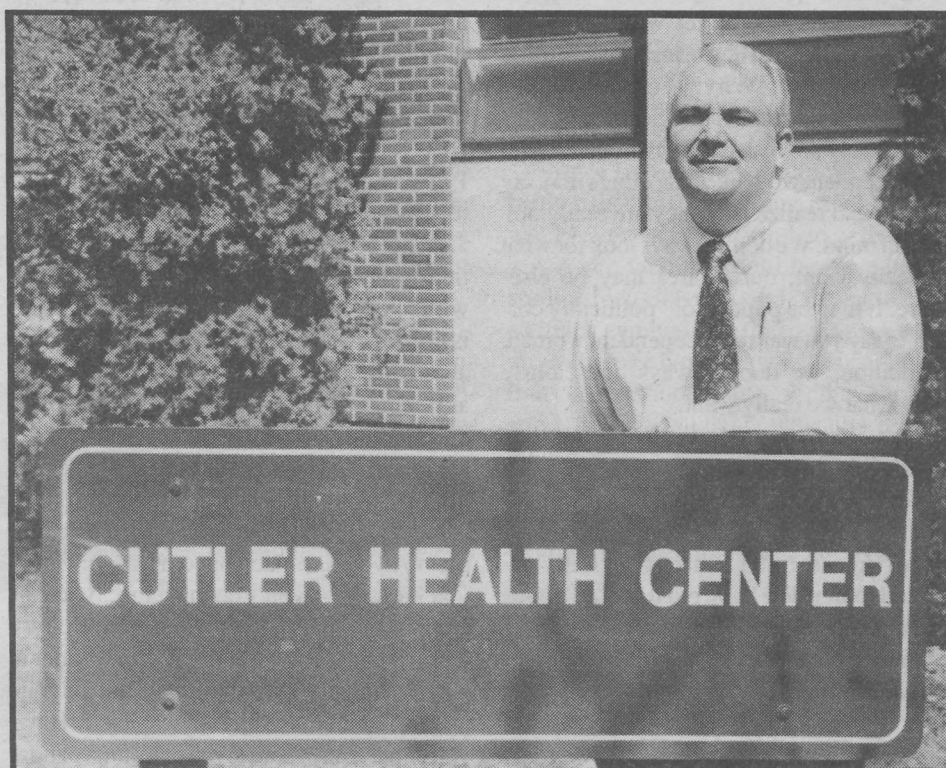
One option that the group considered was a "pay as you visit" plan. It would charge an amount for each visit, which would be co-paid by the patient's insurance company.

This option, Jackson said, may lead to no mandatory comprehensive fee at all.

"You have to think about it," he said.

"The comprehensive fee is about \$400 per student. One student may use the services only once, and the value of that service would be, say, \$30. And the student will never use our services again. Put that in contrast to a student who uses our services that would amount to \$500 worth of care, then it's really not fair."

Anderson said that it is a "philosophical issue" of community.



Mark Jackson, Director of Student Health Services. (Eric Weisz photo.)

"Will everyone be willing to pay for services for all, or will they think of paying for their own? It's a tough issue," Anderson said.

The group is planning to allow students to voice their concerns and issues with Student Health Services and the comprehensive fee.

"We'd like to start right away and get

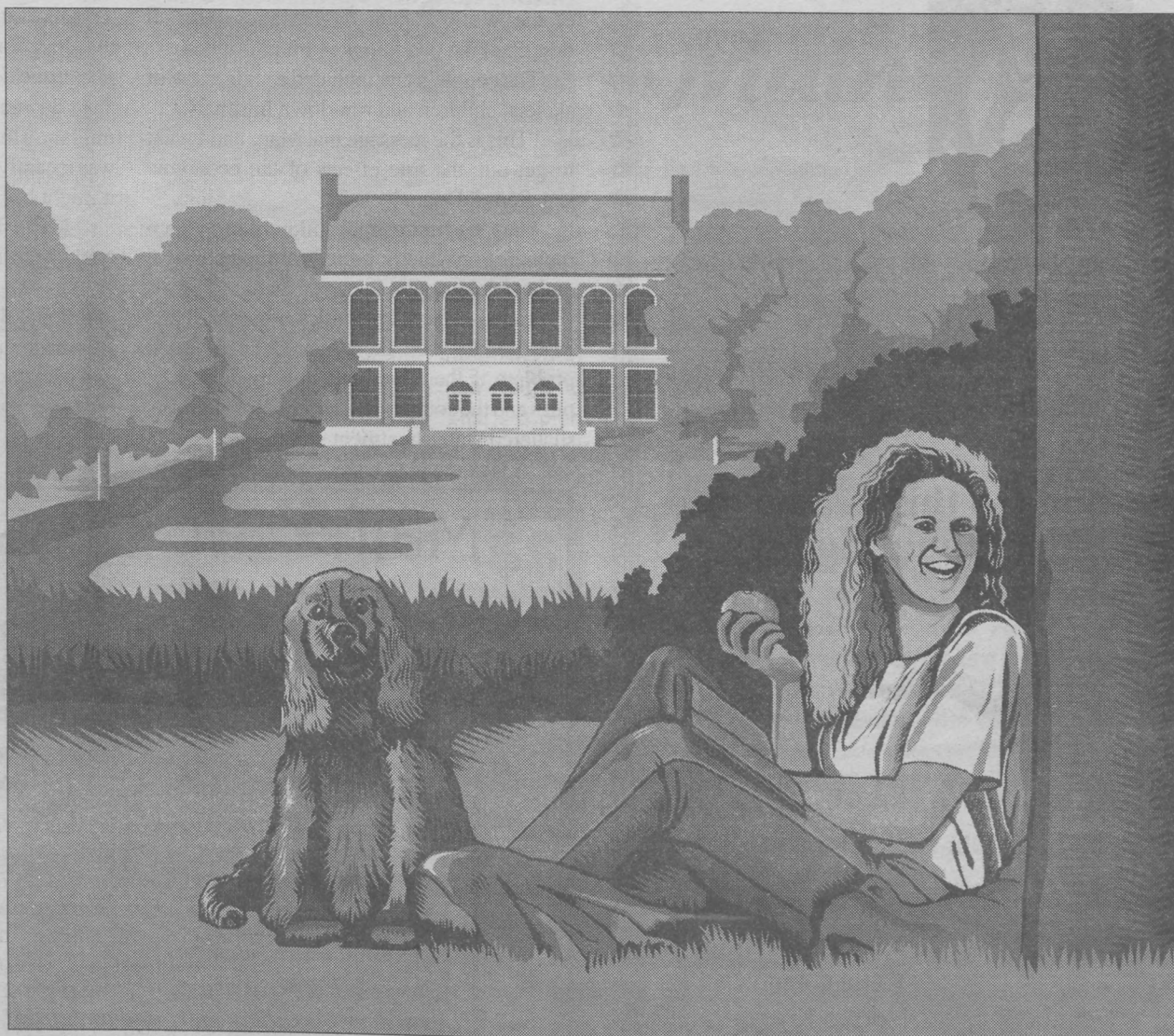
students together right now," said Anderson.

"But we realize that students in the next few weeks are very busy. The most likely solution would be next fall. We'd like to work with [the General Student Senate] throughout next semester, and I think we

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## UMAINE SUMMER

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# Sex Matters

By Sandra L. Caron, Ph.D.

**Q: Men claim they are looking for independent women, yet when they get involved with one they often can't handle it and run away. Why? Female, Senior**

**A:** This is complicated. Some men may be genuinely interested in a relationship with an independent woman, while others may say they are and realize later they are really not. Keep in mind: We don't always look for what we really want; our desires may be elsewhere. It may be popular or "politically correct" to say you want an independent woman. In addition, we don't always consciously know what we really want.

**Q: I'm in a relationship that has lasted almost the entire school year. With the semester wrapping up, I really am not sure about things. I feel I am in love with my girlfriend but I am not sexually attracted to her. We have even talked about getting engaged and I'm wondering if our relationship can last without the physical part being there. Male, Senior**

**A:** It sounds like you have a nice friendship going with this woman. However, I don't believe you can have a long-lasting

romantic relationship with someone you aren't attracted to. What is interesting is that your question is almost the reverse of what many people worry about who say, "All we have is sex, sex, sex — Is that enough of a basis for a long-term relationship?" I guess I'm wondering what you would like in a relationship. Do you wish it were different? Have you ever experienced sexual attraction to another person you were involved with? I am also concerned about why there is no attraction? How does your partner feel about this? Is she okay with the relationship as it stands? Or does she feel rejected? What are her expectations for the future? Again, I am referring to sexual attraction, not sexual activity; you can have one without the other. I think sometimes people avoid the sexual part to avoid intimacy or connection. Since you know you won't be that close, you can protect yourself — keep yourself at a physical and emotional distance. I also wonder if part of your lack of sexual attraction for your partner concerns a fear of sex itself. Have you experienced some type of trauma or hurt feelings around sex? I think you are right to

ask yourself now if this lack of sexual attraction is going to be a concern for the future. Ignoring it will not make it go away. These are just some of the issues you may want to look at with a professional. Talking with someone you can trust will give you the perspective you need to make important decisions. Including your partner in these conversations will be essential. Good luck!

**Q: My boyfriend recently informed me of the fact that he masturbates 3 or 4 times a week. We have a very good relationship in that we communicate well and love each other very much. We have sex at least once a week (protected of course). He told me he was satisfied with what we have and that I'm not the reason he does this. Is this normal for him to be doing this? I mean do other men with healthy relationships do this also? And why so many times? Am I wrong for feeling so useless and unneeded? Female, Senior**

**A:** Masturbation is the on-going love affair that each of us has with ourselves throughout our lifetime. It is the primary form of sexual expression. Unfortunately,

there are many inaccurate assumptions about masturbation. For example, it's too often assumed that the only reason single people masturbate is because they have no regular sex partner; it's also assumed that people in on-going relationships do not masturbate because they have a sex partner. But these assumptions do not fit the reality. For example, it's actually quite common for men (and women) with sexual partners to masturbate. I can appreciate your feeling that your partner's masturbation is some form of rejection. But please recognize that, in general, men seem to use masturbation as a *supplement* for intercourse, while women use it as a *substitute*. Hopefully, you can find reassurance by talking to your partner about your feelings.

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## • Voices in the wilderness

# Peace activists share consequences of Iraqi sanctions

By Brad Morin  
Maine Campus staff

University of Maine students received a gut-wrenching introduction to the realities of the economic sanctions against Iraq Thursday night.

"These sanctions are a weapon of mass-

destruction," peace activist Mary Donnelly said. "We have a policy of starving people. The government of Iraq is not suffering, it's the people of Iraq who are."

Mary and Mike Donnelly described their recent visit to Iraq on a humanitarian mission to bring medical supplies to the war-torn country. Their talk was sponsored by the Maine

Peace Action Committee.

The Donnellys traveled to Iraq in February as part of a group called Voices in the Wilderness. It is based in Chicago and each delegate from the United States travels to Iraq under the threat of twelve years in prison and a \$1 million dollar fine from the US government.

"We did not take that very lightly," Mike said. "It just seemed right to go to Iraq."

The couple brought \$125,000 worth of medicine to a pediatric hospital in Baghdad. They spent ten days meeting with doctors, Iraqi families, religious leaders and members of the World Health Organization who all described the conditions in Iraq.

The couple's talk included a slide show of skeletal children and run-down hospitals.

"This is the message that Mary and I want to get out, the true effects of the economic sanctions," Donnelly said.

Mary said many Iraqi children suffer from malnutrition which inhibits both their physical and mental growth.

Iraq also faces epidemics of parasitic diseases. Mary said there would be no such problem if there were enough medical supplies and the country was allowed to rebuild its shattered water-treatment system.

"A lack of clean water has caused a lot of

these problems for children," she said.

Mary said Iraq imported nearly 70 percent of its food before the war. The United Nations has allowed Iraq to sell \$2 billion worth of oil every six months to buy food and supplies. Much of that money goes to war reparations and the financing of UN operations in Iraq. She said the money that is left over to buy food is inadequate.

"In 1998 70 percent of all pregnant women are malnourished," she said. "Women often don't have enough calories to breast-feed their babies."

Mike said that a large portion of the money that Iraq does get for food and material supplies is held up in the UN by the US because they do not want anything going to Iraq's military. He said a request for powdered milk was recently held up because of a concern that it might be used for weapons," Mike said.

"It can be used to culture bacteria that could be used for biological weapons."

The couple's voices often cracked with emotion as they showed slides of children in an Iraqi hospital dying of malnutrition, leukemia, and parasitic infections.

Mike said Iraqi doctors believe the in-

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## Congratulations to this Year's Sophomore Owls Honor Society

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## • Recreational sports

## Student Rec Center plan calls for innovative new facility

By Hollie Gowen  
Maine Campus staff

People are once again discussing the possibility of building a new recreational sports center on campus. The problem with the current facility is that it's not large enough to accommodate the needs of the campus community, said Dave Ames, director of recreational sports. The building itself was constructed in the 1930s and is antiquated.

These two problems have led to the formation of a student recreational center committee to look into a new recreational center. The group has been given the task of deciding whether to go ahead with a new facility and if so, how to proceed. The rec center debate has been going on for quite a while now, and there are many issues to solve before it is over.

A student referendum didn't answer the question two years back.

"A few years ago, a group of students started a push for a new rec center," Ames said. "It was decided that it would be taken to a vote, and it was merged with the referendum for the Memorial Union expansion."

Problems arose when a ballot box was left unattended. Someone found it and protested the vote, causing the whole thing to be thrown out. The Memorial Union went ahead by presidential mandate, but nothing was decided on the rec center.

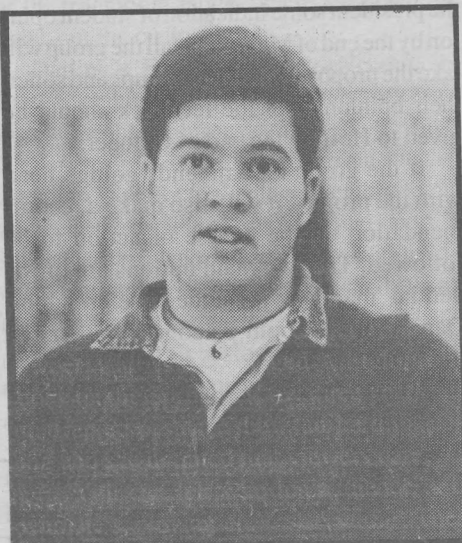
"To have the end result all thrown out was very frustrating," Ames said.

The current committee was formed last June by former President Fred Hutchinson. It is co-chaired by Ames and Robert Dana, associate dean of students and community life, and has 17 members.

"It's very important to have this student representation," said Chris Barstow, a recreational sports supervisor and general student senator. "On this committee students have a say in how the center will be funded and designed."

It is the committee's job to make a recommendation to the president to either go forward with the project or not. While the committee already feels that the university should undertake the project, it wants to solicit student opinion before making a recommendation.

"The general consensus of this room is that everyone is in support of the rec center," said Scott Morelli, vice president of student government, during a meeting. "It's



Scott Morelli, Vice President of student government. (File photo.)

good for the institution, but we need to make sure it's something students want."

The group has met a few times this year, and the co-chairs had a meeting at the beginning of the semester with President Peter Hoff.

"My feeling is we should do anything we can to make this campus more conducive to student activity," Hoff said.

The committee's efforts to solicit student opinion began this week with a recreational sports survey that was sent to students. The mailing included a preliminary proposal for the rec center with a general outline of the plan and questions for the students.

The plan calls for a new facility with lots of activity areas, including basketball and volleyball courts, racquetball and squash courts, multipurpose rooms and an aerobics studio. An indoor climbing wall and martial arts area are mentioned in the plan, as are amenities such as steam rooms, hot tubs, a lounge and juice bar.

"You can get as innovative as you want," Ames said while discussing the possibilities.

The estimated cost of the project is \$9 million to \$10 million. How this money will be raised is a big area of concern. Morelli, who isn't convinced there is overwhelming student support, said he wouldn't count on the university coming up with the money on its own.

"One idea is that the administration would come up with half, which would be \$5 million," Morelli said. "That's a pipe dream, though, because they can't even come up with \$1 million for the union."

Dwight Rideout, a committee member and the assistant vice president and dean of student services, said the development office is in charge of raising the \$1 million for the union and to date has raised \$250,000. He said there is no reason to believe the office won't get the rest of the money. However, he stressed that the \$5 million figure was just a brainstorm.

"We were just trying to decide what students would consider a reasonable ratio," Rideout said. "Students probably won't want to pay the same heavy proportion they'll be paying for the union."

The committee discussed the possibility of private donors being found to partially fund the project, and student fees are also likely to be part of the plan in one form or another. The survey gives \$100 as a possible figure students would be charged. Barstow said if fees were imposed it wouldn't be until after the building was constructed. Student ownership is an important consideration in who pays.

"We want it to be at least 50 percent student ownership," Barstow said. "We want as much student control as possible."

The cost of construction is not the only financial matter that will be an issue with a new facility.

"Capital costs versus operational costs need to be considered," said committee member Chet Rock.

There has been much talk about what a new complex would provide for the university community.

Ryan Eslinger, a recreational sports supervisor, said a new complex would solve

the issue of overcrowding.

"Room for recreational student athletes is basically non-existent in our current building from 2:30-6 (p.m.)," Eslinger said.

Ames said the new building would go further than just providing more space. It would act as a hub of student activity.

"A rec facility would be the center of student focus," Ames said. "It would create so much campus spirit. People would rally around it. We have to have these amenities that other schools have. We have to have something for students who live on campus."

Besides solving the problem of a lack of space for practice and games, a new facility would also provide space for equipment and storage.

"Storage is something we are just so hurting for in our facility, it is unbelievable," Ames said.

Committee members mentioned that good recreational facilities are important for the recruitment of new students. They can also be key to retaining those already attending the university.

"Students just don't realize what they are missing out on because they haven't gone to other campuses and seen what is possible," Barstow said. "If it was up to me, I'd be out there shoveling dirt and starting construction myself."

Some committee members feel the university doesn't really have a choice in the matter.

"This institution can't afford not to do

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## We want you for Maine Day 1998



### Schedule of Events

#### Wake-Up Parade

Line up @ 6:45 AM  
Parade @ 7:00 AM

#### Service Projects

9:00 AM - Noon

#### Picnic

Noon - 1:30 PM

### Other activities to be announced...

Join the fun on Wednesday, April 29 and help keep our campus clean. Maine Day was instituted as a campus-wide holiday in 1935 by President Arthur Hauck. He envisioned a day where students, faculty and staff could work together to build community and beautify the campus. When Hauck was president, sidewalks were desperately needed on this campus, so he helped students to build them. We no longer need sidewalks, but our campus is in need of your help. Carry on the tradition today and sign up as individuals, dorms, fraternities and sororities, clubs, or just a group of friends. Help us make Maine Day 1998 better than ever, and keep the 63 year tradition alive.

To sign up for a project, or tell us what your project is, please fill out a form. You can either get them at the Crossland Alumni Center or in the Student Activities Office, 2nd floor Memorial Union. Projects can include raking leaves, picking up butts, painting murals in dormitories, and cleaning University Park or the University Gardens. All those who volunteer can eat at the Maine Day picnic in the afternoon. Be creative and sign up for a project today!

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## Rec sports

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this," said Rideout.

Students' opinions cover a variety of angles on the situation. One recreational sports supervisor feels that the issue of space can't continue to be ignored.

"We definitely need a new center," Esslinger said.

"The facility we have is not adequate for the students we have."

Some students agree that something needs to be done about the facility and are excited about the opportunities a new complex would offer.

"I think it's a good idea because it would provide a more diverse atmosphere to attract a variety of students," Victoria

Jackson said.

In comparison to other schools' facilities, this university is hurting, another student said.

"I think it would be great to get a new building," Dave Anderson said. "I've been to so many other schools where they have something similar, and I've always felt we were lacking."

Some students, however, just feel the cost outweighs the benefits.

"To tell you the truth, we are pumping enough money into this place already," Glorijane Tootill said. "Our current facilities are quite adequate. We have two gyms already; we don't need a third."

The committee hopes to finish collecting data before school finishes, and it will give the president some indication of student opinion by the end of May. Next fall the group will take the proposal to student groups and solicit their opinions. All the feedback should be given to Hoff by the end of October.

If the group recommends going ahead with the project, it will also make a recommendation on the course of action to be followed. The two main options are presidential mandate or student referendum. Dana said he would personally rather see the latter option.

"I don't think any community initiative should be singularly decided," Dana said.

"It should be a community effort."

The majority of students on the committee are against a presidential mandate. They feel either a student referendum should be held or a resolution in support of the center would need to be brought before general student senate.

"There has to be some kind of vote along the way," Morelli said.

Whatever the committee recommends, though, the final decision is in Hoff's hands.

"Until students really start beating down my door demanding this, I'm not sure it's something we just want to jump into," Hoff said. "We want student enthusiasm and involvement."

## Iraq

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crease in leukemia is a result of the use of depleted uranium armaments by the armies in the Gulf War.

One picture showed a mother holding her daughter on a hospital bed. Mary described the encounter.

"She said, 'Go ahead and bomb us- we're used to it. Lift the sanctions, they're worse than the bombings,' we heard this many times," Mary said.

The couple was in Iraq during the recent crisis over arms inspections and UN Secretary General Kofi Annan's successful negotiations. Their group held a press conference outside the negotiations and displayed signs denouncing the sanctions and supporting Annan's efforts to negotiate.

The couple has been involved in civil disobedience before. They were members of the "Plowshares," a pacifist group that boarded ships at Bath Iron Works, spilling fake blood on the decks.

The couple urged the audience to get involved in the effort to end the sanctions by writing to Maine's representatives in Congress.

They said a larger flight is leaving New York on May 6 to bring medicine to Baghdad. They urged students to hold a vigil for the flight to express their support.

"We have to take direct action both legally and illegally to show everyone about this," Mike said. "That's the way change is going to happen."

## Cutler

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might even be able to issue recommendations by the end of fall."

"The system is so broken that we probably don't even know where it is broken," Anderson added. "We have to question our values, and then do we question our limits. Another question would be, 'Is health services a clinic, or does it also serve as an educational function?'"

Health services would serve an educational function as a tool to learn about disease prevention, said Anderson.

"We've had a lot of favorable responses

from Peter," Jackson said of President Hoff. "I have a lot of enthusiasm for this administration, and I truly believe we can pull through."

"This is obviously a long process. We're still placing the issues out on the table, so the summer would give us more time to think about this. We took the first step last Monday. There'll be many more committee meetings. Student involvement is the next one."

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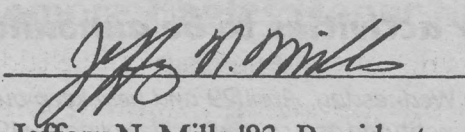
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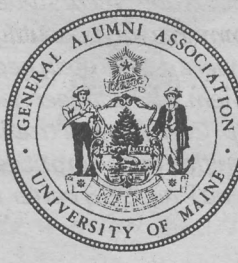
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## Internet

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Most local business owners who have connected to the internet have been drawn to the network for its low advertising cost and large audience. Compared to other advertising media, a web site is relatively low in cost, and once businesses establish sites, they are inexpensive to maintain. Interactive Marketing Group, a local firm specializing in business web sites, typically charges \$350 for site creation and the initial posting and a quarterly maintenance fee of \$90.

"Most sites are for advertising purposes — 'this is who we are, what we do and how to contact us,'" said Raeanne Rice of Mid-Maine Communications, a Bangor firm specializing in web storage. "If you take out an ad in a newspaper, you are limited to a market area and a time frame. On the radio, you reach local people. With the internet, you can reach everybody."

Essentially, a web page is a marketing tool like a brochure or TV ad, but more interactive and accessible on a larger scale. Local businesses with national and international appeal can now afford to invest only once, reaching neighbors and foreign customers with a single advertising tool.

"It opens it up to an international market," said Richard Cory, creator and founder of Artistic Designs, a web page design company. "The World Wide Web is a world-wide market."

S.C. Francis is one of six local artists who sell products over the Penobscot Indian Art homepage, and he advertises to people outside of Maine with the help of his internet connection.

"We could get more people from out of state," said Francis, who does business from his computer in Old Town to as far away as Europe and Asia.

Web pages are different from other advertising in one major respect. In order for a potential customer to access a business web site, they must either know the web address and enter it into a web browser such as Netscape or Internet Explorer, or pull up the address through one of the search engines that these browsers offer. In a sense, the

customer must seek out the business, instead of the traditional model where the business seeks out the customer.

Darling's Ford/VW/Audi dealership in Bangor maintains a site with inventory listings and contact information.

"The page is a form of advertising, but the intention is really to display inventory to an audience that is getting more internet savvy," said a Darling's spokesman. "For an individual to hit the web site they have to really want to visit."

Rice offers this customer-initiated advertising style as one of a web site's biggest advantages.

"People can contact businesses over the internet via e-mail and not feel like someone is going to come knocking on their door or try to telemarket them," said Rice. "There is less pressure on the customer; it is more comfortable."

But even while this type of non-aggressive business contact can serve to put a customer at ease, with the long and sometimes confusing nature of web addresses customers usually need some help searching out a site. Internet search engines have proved to be a popular medium for advertising a web address to the public, because they allow an internet user to enter a key word or subject that they want to find web pages on. The search engine will then provide the user with a list of sites that have been registered with the search company and are related to that word or subject.

"It is not just limited to Maine or Bangor or the U.S.," said Rice. "Registering with a search engine makes it possible for everyone on the internet to have access to your site."

While search engines and a worldwide audience can give a local business attention from a larger market, not all businesses get the same response as Bett's Bookstore. Tinker, who receives more than 100 e-mails a day, said he owes his international success to his shop's unique specialty in Stephen King novels, which constitute the bulk of his e-mail sales.

"For a local store to be successful on the

internet they have to have something that nobody else has — they have to have something that is a hook," Tinker said.

McLaughlin Seafood restaurant owner Reed McLaughlin invested in a web page over two years ago and has seen very little response from customers looking to order Maine lobster over the internet. McLaughlin is undaunted, however, and said he will continue to maintain the site, despite his losses.

The Grasshopper Shop operates a store just across the street from Bett's Bookstore. The two businesses' web pages, however, may as well be miles apart. "Compared to Bett's 100 e-mails a day, it is just a drop in the bucket," said The Grasshopper Shop webmaster Wendy Schweikert.

"We basically did it to say that we are using the internet, we are trying this medium. The response has been negligible; it hasn't impacted business pro or con," she said.

Schweikert plans to redesign The Grasshopper Shop's original page in hopes of maximizing use of the company's internet space.

"Right now it is essentially a copy of the brochure, what we are, where we are," Schweikert said. "I don't think that's the best use of the internet. It needs to be more interactive and more informative."

While interactive sites may be a benefit to business, online shopping can actually slow down the sale process. Because the products are not in front of the customer, it can be harder for both buyer and seller to determine exactly what the customer wants. Tinker said that of the 100 e-mails he gets, almost 75 percent are inquiries and not orders, and it can take several e-mails between customer and business before an order is placed. Schweik-

ert's business experiences the same inconvenience, sometimes corresponding with a customer trying to place an order from another state seven or eight times before making a sale.

"Because the internet is a very personal medium, it takes a lot more time and effort to make a sale over the internet that would have taken only a few minutes in the store," Schweikert said.

Cory said that while internet advertising and transactions can surely benefit a company that has something to offer a country-wide or international market, it is important for business owners to realize that the internet is not a quick-fix for business success.

"A lot of small-business owners get started thinking that the internet is a gateway to millions and a new Jaguar," said Cory. "We have to deflate that. Not that it isn't possible, but to get to that level you need to spend that much just advertising your web page."

Cory and his firm have discovered what they call the "IBM" syndrome among many of their customers, referring to an IBM commercial where rubber sunglasses are turned into a highly successful business through internet sales. While his firm tries to help businesses have realistic expectations of an internet page, success stories like Bett's Bookstore make it hard to dispel the hopes of fortune among owners.

Three years ago an internet firm representative walked into Bett's Bookstore and offered Tinker a web page for the same price as one weekend newspaper advertisement.

"I really didn't expect to get anything out of it," said Tinker. "But the first order we got off the web page paid for the computer we bought. It has worked beyond what I ever expected."

## • National news

## Senior citizen delivers four

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A 55-year-old woman who became pregnant by test-tube fertilization has given birth to quadruplets, making her possibly the oldest known person in the United States to deliver four babies at once.

The three girls and one boy remained in intensive care Thursday at Mary Birch Hospital for Women. One was in critical condition.

At the woman's request, the hospital refused to release her name. She gave birth on Saturday; the babies were two months

premature and were delivered by Cesarean section. Their weights were not disclosed.

Heather Kowalski, a spokeswoman for the American Society for Reproductive Medicine, said the woman is believed to be the oldest in the United States to give birth to quadruplets.

The unmarried woman underwent in vitro fertilization, in which an egg and sperm are combined in a lab dish and the fertilized egg is then transferred to the woman's uterus.

**The STUDENT ACADEMIC CONFERENCE TRAVEL FUND** for Undergraduate Students will hold its third competition of the academic year.

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## Senate

from page 1

ous consideration," Segal said. "We need to look at which courses should be offered and whether this could reduce the appeal of fall or spring semester."

Student Government President Lyn McLaughlin reported the findings of her survey of UMaine students she began after the April 1 meeting.

Of the 150 students she received input from, 60 percent were in favor of lengthening the semester, 30 percent wanted no change and 10 percent favored shortening spring break by a week.

"Most people had no problem with shortening summer and lengthening winter," McLaughlin said.

Associate Professor of Mathematics Phil Locke suggested setting guidelines for courses suitable for teaching in a three week period.

"We wouldn't want to do that with May term. We'd like to trust faculty judgment," Vollmers said.

"Accreditation won't hinge on this, but it could be affected," Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education Doug Gelin said.

Professor of English Richard Brucher spoke out in support of the resolution.

"There's no denying there's a certain amount of expediency in finishing a course in such a short amount of time," Brucher said, somewhat jestingly. "There could be a grievance case, however, if we begin refusing professors certain courses to teach during these short terms."

The new winter term for 1999 will run from Dec. 28 to Jan. 15 and the spring semester will start Jan. 19 and end May 14. May term next year will begin May 17 and stretch to June 3.

In addition to approving the spring semester shift, Faculty Senate also accepted a new five page Electronic Communications Policy.

Drafted by the 19-member Faculty Senate Committee on Electronic Communications, the policy attempted to cover all the bases of information technology on the UMaine campuses while leaving room for future policies as needed.

"This proposal was drafted to address real, perceived and potential abuses of the

university's electronic communications resources," University Environment Committee Chair Brucher said. The University Environment Committee endorsed the policy.

Finance and Institutional Planning Committee Chair Hank Metcalf worried that the policy might be too constrictive from the students' point of view.

"I think students are concerned about freedom of speech and freedom of expression," Metcalf said.

Electronic Communications Committee Chair Nancy MacKnight said the new policy fulfilled that concern.

"Student members seemed to feel they were in favor of this," MacKnight said.

Professor of Sociology Steve Barkan pursued this issue further by comparing the FirstClass policy to that policy which allowed anti-homosexual activists to set up a table in the Memorial Union three(?) weeks ago.

"If somebody got on FirstClass and made similar statements as those made at the table in the Union, would that be construed as creating a hostile environment?" Barkan

said.

"I think it will fit with existing policies," MacKnight said.

In addition to these resolutions, Faculty Senate approved a third to limit gender-equity funding for athletics. In the past two years, the percentage of the E & G budget that went towards gender-equity averaged 4.3 percent. The University Environment Committee recommended future funding not exceed this amount.

"This is a compromise," Brucher said. "In the future it may change in amount, but not in proportion."

At the end of the meeting, Vollmers was elected to lead Faculty Senate next year as president and Professor of Spanish Kathleen March was elected secretary.

## • State news

# Fire camera comes to state

BRUNSWICK (AP) — A thermal imaging camera that can help locate victims trapped in smoke- and flame-filled buildings will soon become part of the fire-fighting arsenal in five Maine communities.

Brunswick is one of five municipalities that received a \$19,500 grant for the high-tech gear. The others are Portland, Westbrook, Rockport and Carrabassett Valley.

The camera has been used across the country, and firefighters say it's helped save dozens of lives.

"There are a number of uses for this camera," Brunswick Fire Chief Gary Howard said. "We can use it in a smoke-filled building to find victims or to find fire hidden between the walls."

"These units are so sensitive that in a building full of smoke," said Bath Fire Captain Lawrence Renaud, "we can follow hand prints from residual body heat on the walls and go right to a victim." Bath and Topsham already have thermal imaging cameras.

The camera can also be used to find smoldering hot spots. Without the camera, firefighters must search for hot spots and wait at the scene to make sure they don't flare up.

"This camera does a color image so firefighters can see gas if they are at a gas leak," said Stephanie Arseneault, the director of the DFL Foundation, which awarded the grants. It can also transmit to a television monitor at a command post outside a fire scene, allowing supervisors to keep track of their personnel as well as victims.

Chief Howard says he can hardly wait to receive the firefighting device.

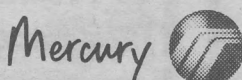
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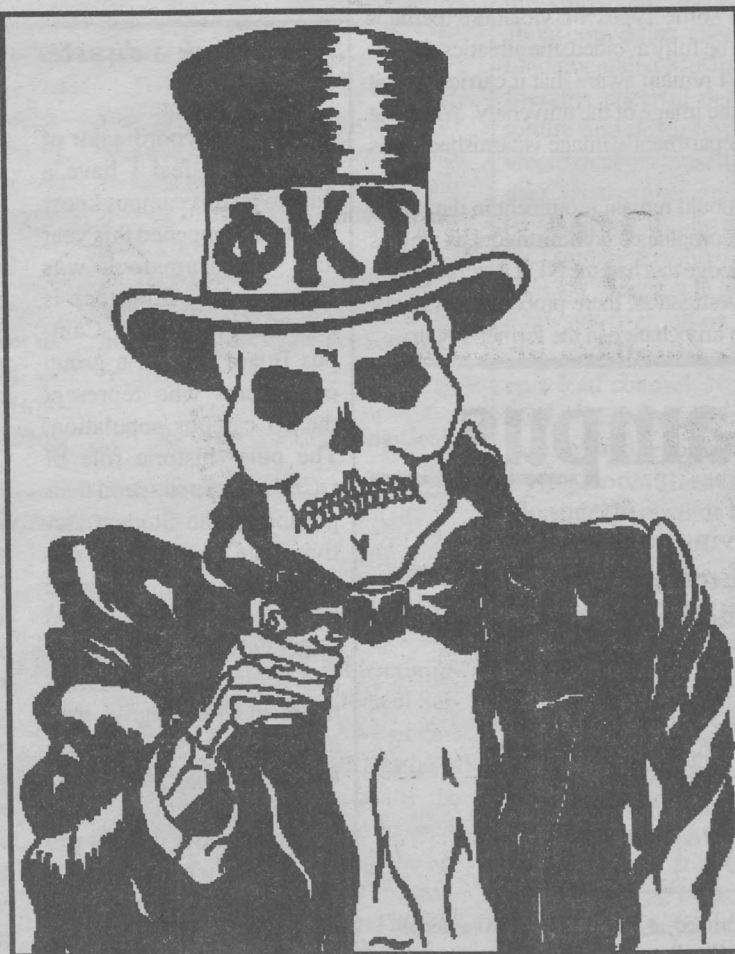
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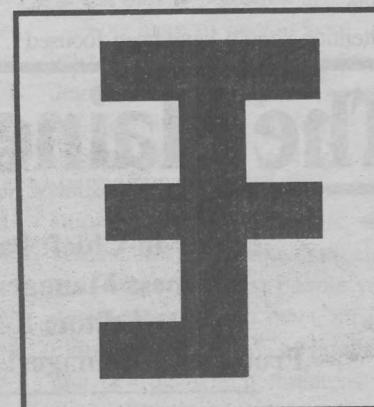
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# EDITORIAL

## Semester shift inconvenient

At yesterday's faculty Senate meeting, the university's spring and summer calendars for next year were adjusted to avoid endangering the University of Maine's accreditation.

Winter break will be extended from three weeks to a full month, lengthening winter term to a 14-day session because some members fear that the current session is not sufficient to cover the material for a three-credit course, and UMaine could be penalized for its meager winter term when its accreditation comes up for review next year.

Although the wisdom of compressing a full semester of material into nine days is doubtful, the change is unnecessary. Shifting the break will not resolve the inadequacy of some condensed courses.

Administrators also complain that winter break is too short for their department to assess at-risk students and determine whether they ought to be permitted to return for the spring semester.

The department estimates that 1,061 students, more than one-tenth of the student body, were reviewed last spring. If so many students are at risk that the administrators cannot review their records, the problem

runs far deeper than timing. The issue of academic suspensions must be addressed, but adding a few unnecessary days to winter break will not solve the problem.

Spring break will be pushed back one week under the new calendar, as will the end of the semester. This would introduce dozens of scheduling conflicts for the numerous groups that count on the deserted UMaine campus for spring meetings – facilitating one of UMaine's best public-relations tools. May term will be shoved into June, and the entire summer session will be disrupted.

Certain courses, like introductory psychology or literature, lend themselves to a winter term while others like physics or higher mathematics do not. The session should be limited to those courses that can adequately be examined within the nine days.

If the university made a substantive effort to offer courses when students need them, during the regular school year, then winter and May term would not be so essential. The short winter session should be limited to the appropriate courses, and the traditional calendar remain in use.

## Rule compliance paramount

The University of Maine compliance system has undergone a series of changes in the last few years, stemming from multiple violations that occurred within the athletics department.

In December of 1995 the university announced the findings of an internal investigation centering on the men's hockey program. Seven months later the NCAA placed the university on probation for violations discovered in the investigation.

During this period, the university found itself in the midst of restructuring a compliance system that was years behind its necessary operating capacity.

The university should be applauded for its efforts to install its new system during the ongoing investigation, which focused on the athletics department. The need for institutionalization is now readily apparent in hindsight, and is presently up to par.

Unfortunately, it took a full-scale investigation, and thousands of dollars, before any changes were made.

More attention should have been focused

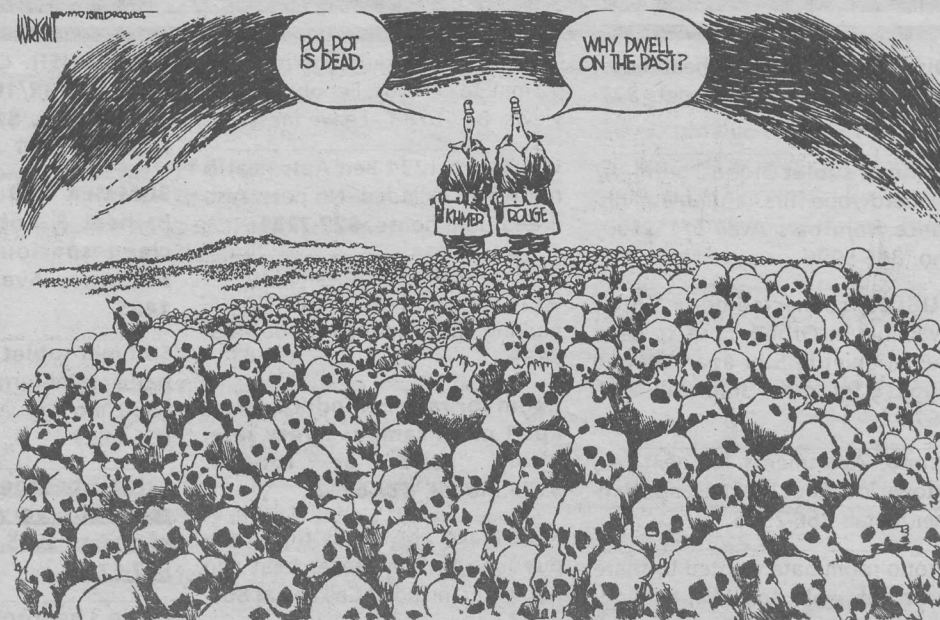
on the compliance system to make sure there were no violations taking place. The university did not realize the insufficiency of the compliance system until it was too late.

There should have been more of a push to update the compliance system at the start. There was a distinct lack of motivation within the various departments the new system encompassed. Here lies the danger for future updates.

Administrators have stated that there was a lack of urgency in the manner in which the system was installed. While the athletics department was taking its time, the remainder of UMaine suffered for the violations.

While some types of violations perhaps could not be fully avoided, the athletics department must remain aware that it carries with it much of the image of the university. When the athletic department's image is tarnished, so is UMaine's.

This should remain prominent in the minds of future compliance administrators as well as the knowledge that had the NCAA not conducted the investigation, there probably would not have been any change in the former system.



### • Letters to the Editor

#### • Probation, not suspension

To the Editor:

The article written by Kristen Dobler on the front page of the Wed., April 22, issue of *The Maine Campus* was inaccurate and misleading in the reporting of the Tuesday, April 21 General Student Senate's actions concerning the Human Rights Coalition.

The caption under my picture read NAACP President James Varner expresses disappointment after the senate withdrew approval and budget monies from the Human Rights Coalition. Two points need to be clarified:

1. The vote not to fund the Human Rights Coalition was done over a week ago

at the senate's Tuesday, April 14, meeting and was reported in *The Maine Campus*' April 15 issue.

2. The caption under my picture should read that I am elated after the student senate just voted to continue the Human Rights Coalition on probation next year and that only students would be able to reserve meeting rooms, and that I can continue as co-advisor to the club as long as the membership so desires.

Further, toward the end of Ms. Dobler's article, she states that the Human Rights Coalition was suspended for the next school year. This is misleading and should have

read that the Human Rights Coalition will continue to serve the student body next year, but will function on probation. It should also be noted that the resolution to strip the Human Rights Coalition from operating as one of the student senate's clubs did not pass.

Human Rights Coalition members and advisors alike feel that it can be just as effective next year as it has been during this past year and will strive to improve in those areas of concern to the student senate.

Peace.

James Varner  
Co-Adviser

#### • Bumstock a disaster

To the Editor:

As a past coordinator of Bumstock I feel I have a duty to let this campus know what has happened this year and why Bumstock was such a fiasco. Bumstock is organized by the Off-Campus Board (OCB), a group of students who represent the off campus population. The other historic role of OCB has been to spend their portion of the Student Activity Fee on just that; student activities. Because OCB was always interested in providing quality music and films and other entertainment with integrity, they have always been a target for the prying eyes of Student Government.

Bumstock is usually run by people who help each other out from year to year, pass down information, strategies and philosophies from OCB 'generation' to 'generation'. One small example of this is the sound crew hired to engineer Bum-

stock. For at least the last five years a very professional crew was hired out of Portland. These people knew what they were doing and did it with no hassles or blunders. This year, a different, inexperienced crew was hired, and by all accounts did a miserable job.

Earlier this year, Student Government saw that OCB was smaller than usual and most of the experienced members had graduated. Through the leadership of the former ROC president and presidential wanna-be, they attacked, investigated and harassed the OCB until anyone with an open mind and independent thought retired or quit in disgust. So, what OCB was left with was a new president with Student Government ties and an inexperienced board. These people attempted to organize Bumstock with their only solid philosophy being the removal of beer from the hospitality tent. Hence, the 26th annual

Bumstock was a failure. The cancelling of Friday night (no part of Bumstock has ever been cancelled before), the terrible sound the rest of the weekend, the weak artwork on T-shirts and posters, the lack of any sort of stage decoration, the violence of the attendees, the amount of high school students at the festival, the advertisement of Bumstock on commercial radio (anyone else think the previous three items may be related?), the commercialization of the event, and the general negative attitude about the weekend. The very heart and soul of Bumstock was ripped out last weekend. Bumstock is about having fun, music and celebrating Orono's spring, not about nationwide taco and pizza fast food restaurants.

The disaster that went on at the Hilltop Concert Field last weekend results from the poor and inexperienced

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## OP/ED



## • Letters to the Editor

## • Ex-nominee sounds off

To the Editor:

I wish to reply to the Wednesday, April 22, article titled "Senate overturns VPSE nomination" in *The Maine Campus*. As the former programming consultant for both ROC and OCB, and as the nominee recommended by President McLaughlin, I have brought into question the decision made by GSS to overturn her decision. My role as a programmer as well as my prior experience in leadership prompted me to apply for this position. For those of you who don't know me, the words Adam Sandler, Wallflowers, and Bumstock should ring a bell. All three events had a high success rate, a high level of professionalism, and much expertise.

It was my mission this year to bring the best acts to students, and I feel I have gone above and beyond the call of duty to play that role. It was ROC that sought my expertise when I told them we could bring Sandler here and suggested how it was to be done. ROC officers seemed excited and gave the go ahead for the project. Soon after the Sandler event I suggested the Alford Arena as a viable facility to program in and proceeded to spend hours of my own time negotiating deals with Jim Dyer, assistant director for athletics, for use

of the facility.

The Alford is not a concert arena, and was never designed to be such. It is structurally unsafe for hanging equipment and it falls short of electrical requirements and stage requirements. These took a long time to figure out, and through the course of dealing with these headaches I've learned a lot and have made significant contributions to the level of entertainment here on campus. With Bumstock this year, I handled the addition of private security, intelligent lights, spotlights, and a spectacular fireworks show. These things don't happen by themselves, and if senate can't figure that out I'll spell it out for them.

I'd also like to respond to Sen. Justin Kelleher's statement in Wednesday's article, "He has a bad attitude towards those who are higher than him or those with differing opinions. This isn't anything against Channing, but this is a very important issue."

Kelleher reports me as not having the leadership skills necessary for the position. First, I respect the fact that Kelleher has opinions, as I feel anyone is entitled to them. However, I do have the right to disagree

with them. Recently, I disagreed with Sen. Kelleher on another issue regarding the Bumstock cleanup. A thousand or more new students and their parents were scheduled to tour the campus Sunday and everything from women's apparel to beer cans were scattered around campus.

Kelleher suggested to me that the decision as to when the cleanup occurs lies in the hands of the students and not in the hands of the administration. I suggested otherwise. I felt the need for a prompt cleanup, and although OCB President Chris Barstow claimed there were no volunteers available, I fully cooperated with Facilities Management in the cleanup. Kelleher then suggested my actions were insubordination to Barstow.

To be honest, I feel that Kelleher was unfounded in objecting to McLaughlin's nomination. He has no solid evidence to show that I am lacking in leadership skills or that I have a bad attitude.

To be honest, it is not student senate that I need approval from, but the students who have benefited from the shows.

Channing Geele

## • An appeal for remembrance

To the Editor:

I would just like to make an addition to the story titled in the Wednesday, April 8, edition of *The Maine Campus*.

The article stated that on Nov. 19, 1993, a medical helicopter crashed in Casco Bay. I would like to point out that one of the paramedics on that tragic flight was an alumnus of the University of Maine. Matt Jetson worked for the Portland-based Aid-Med company and was a former emergency medical technician for the University Volunteer Ambulance Corps. After his graduation in 1989, Matt continues to donate

badly needed equipment and offered training sessions to UVAC whenever possible.

As an alumnus, Matt continued on in Emergency Medical Services and pursued his love of caring for the injured and sick as a leader in the field. He made the ultimate sacrifice trying to save another's life, and it would be appropriate for the campus community to remember Matt and his uncelebrated role as a medical professional while attending UMaine.

Mark Fogarty  
UVAC Equipment/Maintenance Coordinator

## Thou shalt covet UMaine

Well looky here, chilluns'. The days are dwindling, the suits are swindling, and spring has reared a fuzzy cranium, rubbing this flatulent cooze of a winter from its eyes like a giant, septic sleepyseed. And what shall we talk about today? So many questions of crucial import to the future of western civilization! Will the Maine Stein Song be sung at graduation? Exactly how dopey will this week's *Sex Matters* column be? And what will the future Churchills, Thatchers and Kennedys in Student Government do next? Hot stuff! Well, I'm not equipped to discuss the philosophical realities of such pressing social concerns, especially since my liver is currently using oxygen bet-

pair of fours? Moron.

Anyway, I did manage to get permission to plagiarize, before my new friend took his leave on the arm of some post-modern Magdalene. I hope I do justice to his kindness, and I also hope to win my shirt back, long before Judgment Day. A brief singeing by the Burning Bush, then, before you are deluged with quasi-biblical wisdom next week.

## THE COMMANDMENTS

1. *Watch thy back, for administrators will try to mount thy asses and ride herd over thee until thou art broken and bleeding.*

Of course, we all know the first



## By Scott Labby

ter employed by my cerebrum. What can I give you? Advice, dear reader. This week and next, I humbly offer the intellectual toenail clippings of your favorite Guinness-soaked columnist, a supercalifragisexyfreaky-deakysuperfunkychunky survival guide to UM. In the form of the Ten Commandments, no less! Whoa, you may be thinking. That stuff's copy protected! Right you are, bucko, and we all know that the Christians are very serious about copyrights. (Second only to fundamentalist Muslims, who use friendly, cheerful deterrents like torture and death to protect their ideological patents. Historically, the Christians have done this better, but, hey, times change, and the fanatics do too.)

Don't fear my being struck by a lawsuit from up on high, however. I got permission from heaven's lead counsel. No kidding. I got home from dinner on Easter Sunday, and who did I find in my living room, feeding Kitty-Munchies to my little funky-monkey coon cat? Jesus! You should have seen my face. Anyway, he hadn't come for my soul, or anything else that might have required more formal attire. He just wanted to play cards. None of my friends were up for gambling with a major theological figure, so we were on our own.

Well, I lost my shirt, 266 dollars, a bottle of Jose Cuervo, and 3 Cuban cigars. I was numbed.

Half-Naked Scooter: Wassup! How did you pull that off, J.C.?

Big Guy: You ignorant lunkhead, I'm all-knowing. Why in the name of...well, me, did you try to bluff with that

administrative boner (so to speak) was pulled way back in the Garden of Eden. In this scenario, a deity put naked people and fruit together, then acted surprised when things got a little out of hand. It is hard to imagine a more predictable case of anti-authoritarianism; this set the tone for rational rebellion for all time. Without question, this model has been followed closely for millennia, and our guys here at UM have not bucked the trend. We must take care not to imitate Eve, who would have been better off tying the weak-kneed gimp with the missing rib to a tree, wrapping the snake around her neck, and making off for less-regulated pastures.

2. *Thou shalt have no colleges but UMaine, for she is the one true light, no matter how screwed up she may appear to thee.*

You have to love it here. At least, I do, since I'm getting my degree. Really, though, this place is something. You get more diversity here than most people think. You get the stupid, the very stupid, the bores, the frats, the cranks, and the skenks. You also get some of the best people you could ever hope to meet, struggling against the tide of intellectual detritus which threatens to overwhelm their good intentions. This mirrors the reality of the everyday world, and isn't that what we are supposed to be learning? This is a hell of a training ground, for sure. And next week, I'll give you some more tips for surviving it, from my little word processing Mt. Sinai. Cheers!

Scott Labby is a senior history major and is a columnist for *The Maine Campus*.

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decision making skills of the Student Government cronies currently occupying the OCB office. These people should go back to what they do best, nine plus hour senate meetings and psuedo investigations. They should stop destroying twenty five years of Bumstock tradition. I hope that students with integrity and taste choose to get involved and take back one of the last independent student groups on this campus.

Kris Mueller  
Bumstock Coordinator 1995 - 96



# ENTERTAINMENT

## Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

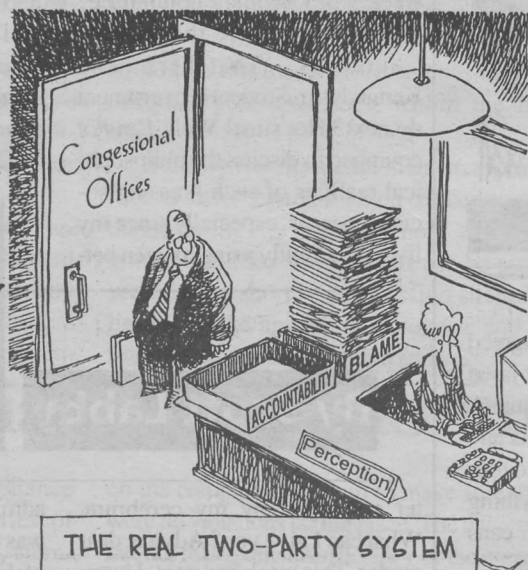
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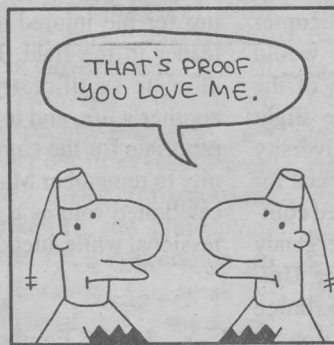
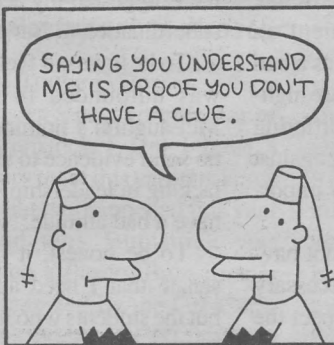
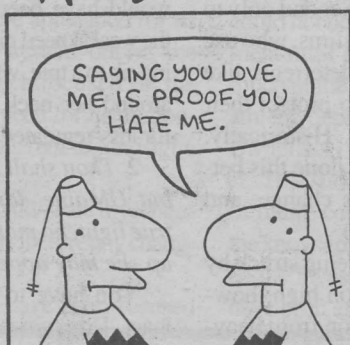


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### LIFE IN HELL

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For Friday, April 24

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



# Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Saturday, April 25

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY:** Your birthday chart looks very good. You must have done something to deserve this good fortune. Or maybe the people who count just like your face. In either instance, you can look for harmony in all areas of your life this year.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** The more you try to influence the outcome of something, the less effect you seem to have on it. What does this suggest? For one thing it suggests that you leave well enough alone. The situation will quite happily resolve itself, allowing you more time to indulge your passion for, well, passion.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** No matter how much pressure you find yourself under today, you know you won't crack. Someone in authority will notice your composure and mark you down as one to watch. Could it be your career is about to take off?

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** There is no point in getting angry with people who are either too stupid or too selfish to see that their bad behavior is getting them nowhere. It will hurt them far more if you ignore them than if you shout at them, so pretend you can't hear them and, with any luck, you won't.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** These are serious times for you. If your attitude is positive and you refuse to be disheartened, even difficult situations will work out for the best. Money and career matters are especially well-starred today. If you act as if you can't possibly fail, the chances are you won't.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** If it is true that love makes the world go around, then your head should be spinning. A splendid aspect means that no one is immune to your charms. For that reason alone you must be careful whom you impress—you may end up with more admirers than you know what to do with.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** It takes a lot to impress a Virgo, but someone seems to have done the trick. You, however, are much too practical to drop everything simply because there is magic in the air. Romance can be fun today, but if you suspect it is going to cost a fortune, one way or another, you may decide to give it a miss.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** What a day this should be. Potent planetary activity spells passion with a capital "P". No one will be untouched by your charms today—no one in his/her right mind would want to be.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** What do you want from life? Why haven't you got it yet? The answer to the second question is easy: It is because you haven't been honest with yourself about the answer to the first. Until you acknowledge what you really desire, you will continue to get things you don't really need.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** If others are offended by your excessive behavior, that is their problem. With Jupiter, your ruler, in fine form over the next 48 hours, you probably don't care what anyone thinks. In fact, you are liable to prefer it if they think your actions outrageous. Ignore advice, reject tradition and have fun.

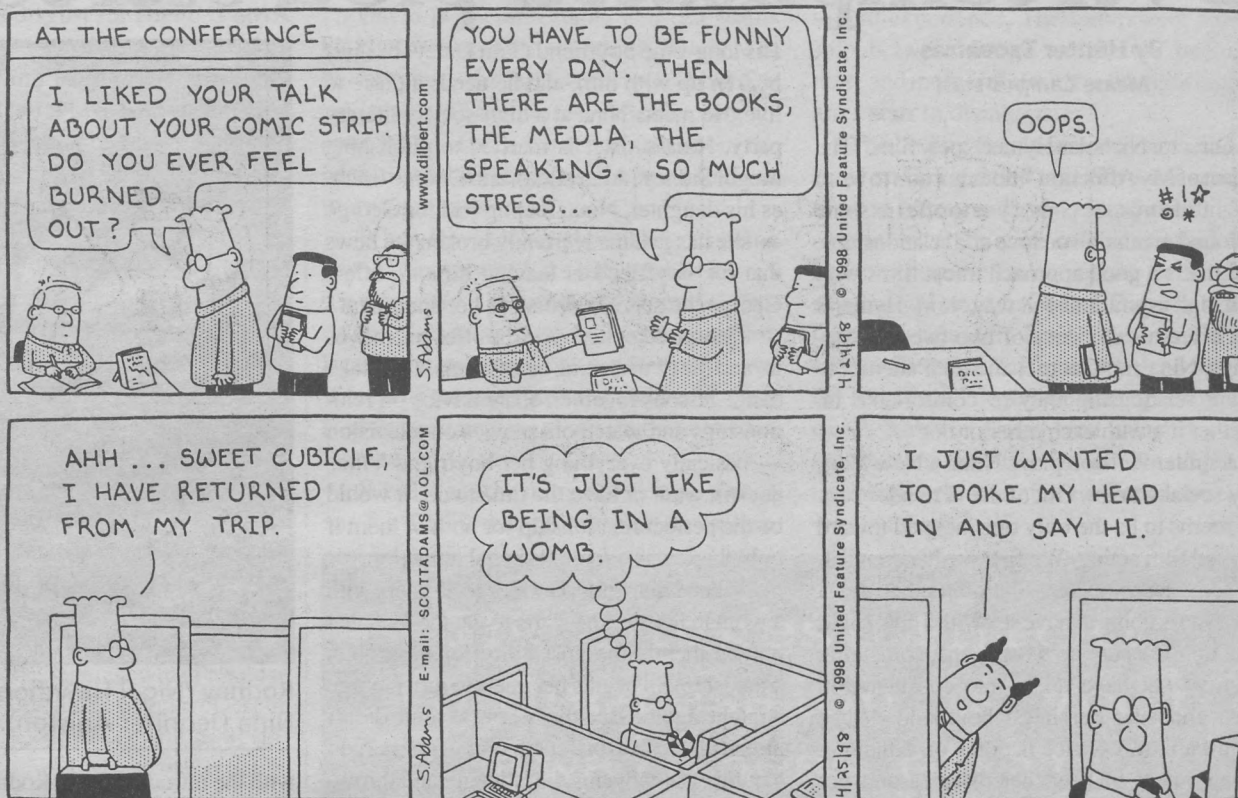
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** You will be in a wonderfully mellow mood today. It doesn't matter what goes wrong, you can't be bothered to get upset about it. Now you can see life for what it is. It makes you wonder why you ever saw it any other way. You could feel this way all the time if you try.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** In a year full of special days, this is a very special day. If you realize it is special, you will make the effort to make it more special still. What is so special about it is simply that you now have undeniable evidence that anything is possible for those who believe. And you most certainly do.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** It is one of the wonders of life that when we lose something we gain something too. So instead of lamenting over what you have lost, try celebrating what you have gained. Whatever it is, one thing is certain: Once you get used to it, you would never swap back in a thousand years.

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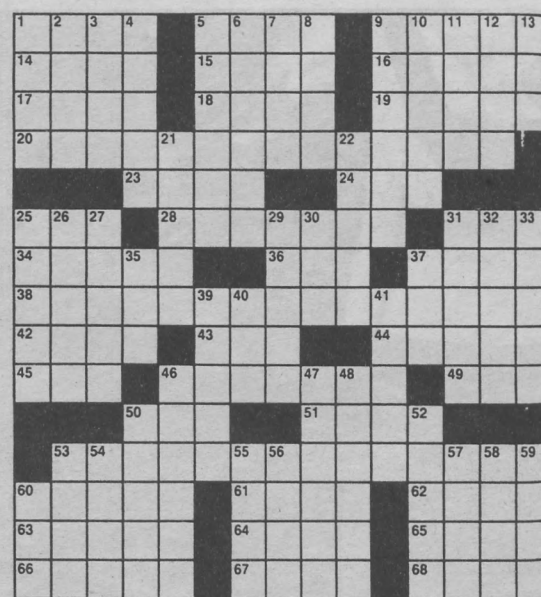
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- 19 Hammerin' Hank
- 20 "Just one gosh-darn minute!"
- 23 Rebel (against)
- 24 Vim
- 25 Part of the Dept. of Trans.

- 28 Like a taxi
- 31 Scrooge's cry
- 34 The "A" in James A. Garfield
- 36 Tire fill
- 37 Inter \_\_\_
- 38 "Be polite!"
- 42 Actress McClurg
- 43 Handyman's vehicle
- 44 Detail map
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- 50 Hockey's Bobby
- 51 Farm unit
- 53 "Hush!"
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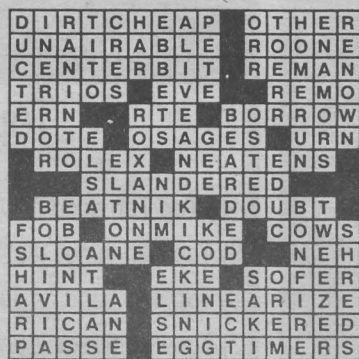
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- 10 Purse part
- 11 Scarce
- 12 February 14 figure
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- 21 Scrumptious
- 22 "La Bohème," e.g.
- 25 Widely known
- 26 Put up with
- 27 Golfer with an "army"
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- 30 Basketball backboard attachment



Puzzle by Gregory E. Paul

### ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



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- 32 Buenos \_\_\_
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- 39 Egg maker
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- 48 The "A" in S.A.G.
- 50 Playful water animal
- 52 "Come in!"
- 53 "Brandenburg Concertos" composer
- 54 "\_\_\_ each life some..."
- 55 Horse's mouthful
- 56 Celestial bear
- 57 Donated
- 58 Not new
- 59 Sinclair rival
- 60 "Send help!"

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# Style and the Arts

## • The Movie Hunter

# Overcomplicated plot, stereotype hurt film

By Hunter Tzovarras  
Maine Campus staff

Director Nicholas Hytner's new film, "The Object of My Affection," does not aim to be an insightful romantic comedy or to offer us some profound revelation on love and relationships. And that's a good approach; most films with such high aspirations fall way short. Hytner's film offers us the story of two twentysomethings, Nina and George, and their attempt to find a relationship they're comfortable in, whether it's with each other or not.

Jennifer Aniston plays Nina, a New York City social worker. Out of the "Friends" cast, she seems to be the only one inclined toward talented film acting. We first see her counseling some teens on sex. She offers the advice that if she is going to have sex with a guy, she'd want to make sure he's her friend, something she may not have taken into consideration when choosing her latest boyfriend, Vince (John Pankow). Vince is dotes on Nina, but she's content to keep her distance and not move the relationship along to the next step — living together.

George (Paul Rudd) teaches first grade.

His long-time boyfriend (Tim Daley) has just broken up with him, and he needs a place to live. He meets Nina at a high-society literary party. Nina's sister is married to publishing mogul Sidney (Alan Alda), and George teaches his daughter. Nina, feeling bad for George — she has just inadvertently broken the news that his boyfriend is leaving him — offers George the spare bedroom in her apartment.

George takes her up on the offer and moves in, and the two become best friends. They take dance lessons together, share advice on relationships and watch old movies on television — basically everything her boyfriend Vince doesn't want or have the time to do. It would be the perfect relationship for both of them if only there was a mutual sexual attraction.

When Nina finds out George has slept with a woman before, she starts to get the idea that maybe there's the possibility for more than friendship. So begins her quest to turn George straight again. But the story, as if it didn't already have its work cut out for it, goes off on a number of tangents, introducing and throwing in so many other complicated situations that in the end only serve to clutter the story.

Some of the film's best scenes come late,



Rodney (Nigel Hawthorne, left) shares a laugh with George (Paul Rudd) and Nina (Jennifer Aniston). (Courtesy photo.)

with the introduction of Rodney (Nigel Hawthorne), the perennial outsider who sullenly knows that he has romantically failed in life. He offers Nina the most insightful advice of

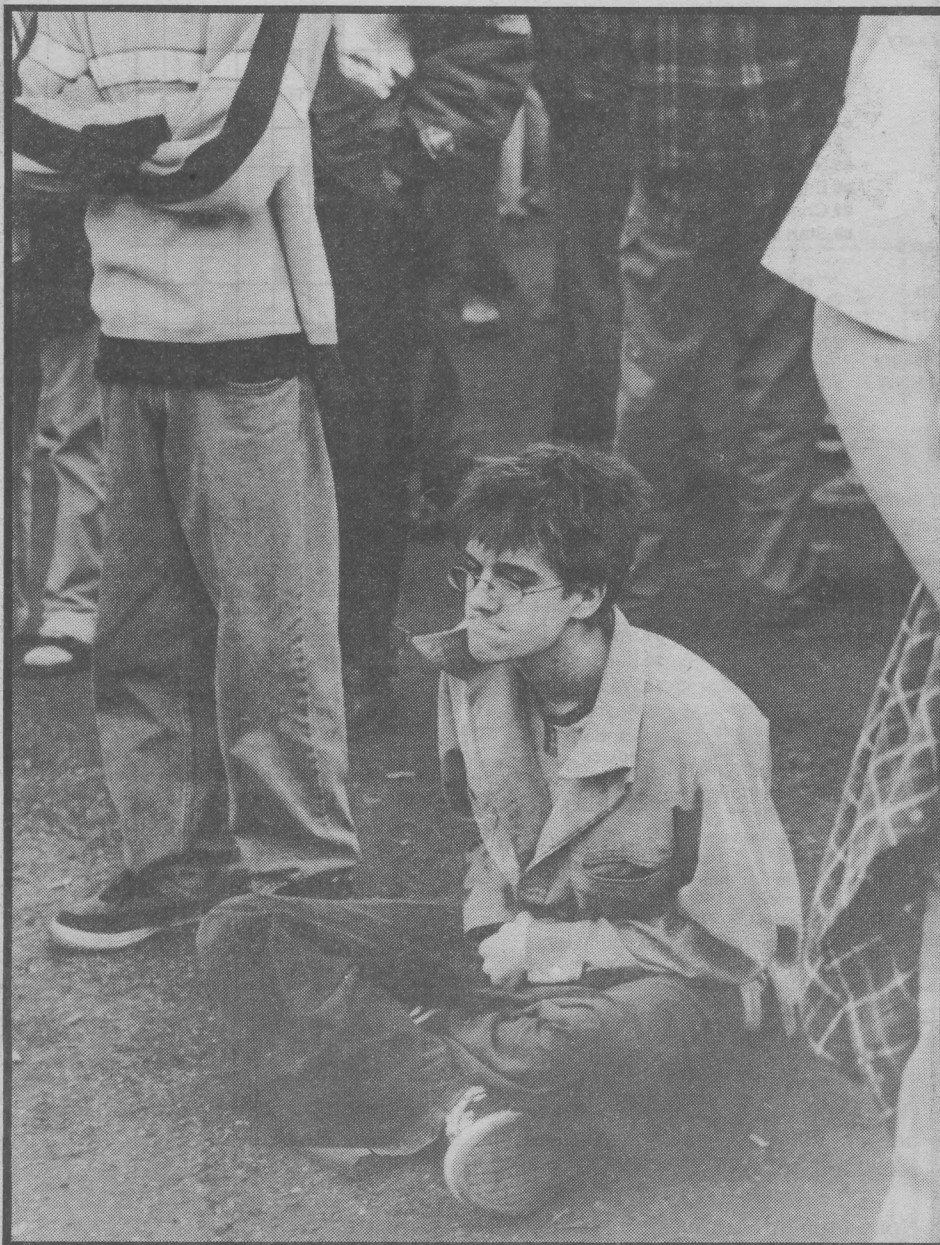
the movie. Hytner, who worked with Hawthorne in "The Madness of King George,"

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## • Hilton's Head

# After 26 years is Bumstock worth it?

By Chris Hilton  
Maine Campus staff



Bumstock brings everyone together — even ones that don't feel like dancing. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

Every year, people from all over the state flock to our university for the two-day festival known as Bumstock. Here music and vast consumption of alcohol hold hands. With the 26th Bumstock behind us, we can look back and ask a very important question: Is Bumstock worth it?

Crime at the university is always at its highest during Bumstock. Eleven such crimes were reported this year, mostly OUI and possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, and I am most certain dozens more were committed. University, town, county and state law enforcement officers were present. University cops pulled over pretty much anyone doing the slightest thing wrong. For example, a friend of mine was pulled over and was told

that three-quarters of drivers pulled over were under the influence Friday night. Could this increase in crime be due to the large numbers of individuals who were not affiliated with the university, such as visiting friends, high school kids that heard it was the "cool" thing to do, or people who just want to have a good time? Possibly, but probably not. Although the increased number of OUI violations is troubling, it is not surprising, considering the association Bumstock has with alcohol. I think 11 people slapped with summonses out of the thousands in attendance is not too bad at all.

Then there were the problems with the weather. Bumstock is traditionally a rainy weekend. I recall at least two out of the last four Bumstocks were wet, and I was quite surprised that last year's experienced good weather. But

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From the home office at Beta Theta Pi

## Top Ten rejected Top Ten lists

- 10) Top Ten good things I could say about Shibles.
- 9) Top Ten things that would get a drink thrown in your face at Margarita's.
- 8) Top Ten good deals I have gotten at the bookstore. (Not enough material.)
- 7) Top Ten things found in the hallway of Gannet after Bumstock weekend.
- 6) Top Ten things that will get you a one-way ticket to the substance abuse counselor.
- 5) Top Ten numbers between four and seven.
- 4) Top Ten best fraternities on this campus.
- 3) Top Ten people who actually write this list.
- 2) Mr. Gnu's Top Ten witty retorts to my years of criticism.
- 1) Top Ten ways to say goodbye.

by Eric Simonds



## • Not at the Mall

# Characters' lives resolve around ice cream

By Elisabeth Gold  
Maine Campus staff

Wednesday night I headed over to Donald P. Corbett to catch the 9 p.m. showing of "Strawberry and Chocolate." The film was advertised as "a social comedy about a deep friendship that develops in Cuba between a straight political science student, David, and a repressed gay artist, Diego."

The two meet when Diego approaches David one afternoon while he is eating ice

cream at a cafe. Diego apparently has had his eye on David and does everything in his power — from slowly licking ice cream off his spoon to calling him endearing names — to make him aware of his interest. David is annoyed and his disgust for Diego is obvious.

Diego lures him back to his apartment claiming he has photographs of David. Once there, the real seduction begins, with Diego humming around the apartment in blatant satisfaction, preparing tea and rambling on

about art and literature. We also are getting a glimpse of Diego's ulterior motive, his desire to hold an art exhibit featuring works that are likely to upset the Cuban government.

David is uncomfortable and just wants his photos, which are apparently nowhere to be found, but he is also curious about Diego's covered sculptures. After leaving his apartment, he tells his roommate about the occurrence, who tells him he must find out more about this man.

When David jokes about Diego's being gay, his roommate asks him how he knows for sure. David answers with a smile, "Because when there was chocolate ice cream, he chose strawberry." As the film moves on, we see the two men growing closer, for there is always something that brings them back together.

We also see the immense feelings Diego has for David that he is trying to repress,

because David had requested a halt to his overwhelming sexual innuendoes.

Nancy, Diego's "vigilant" neighbor, adds to the sexually tense atmosphere with her frequent presence and becomes David's first sexual experience. The bittersweet friendship between Diego and David becomes more and more ambiguous as the rigid boundaries start to disintegrate.

The ending to this film was amazing. It came so fast and tied together what seemed to be at times randomly placed scenes. We see the two at the same cafe where they first became acquainted eating ice cream, instead now David has taken Diego's strawberry ice cream, imitating the initial flamboyant flirtation that once repulsed him. In the last scene Diego painstakingly confesses his love for David, and as soon as the words come out of his mouth, David jumps up and gives him an affectionate embrace. It was touching.

## Worth it

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this was the first time I heard of it being canceled. I was quite irate when I found out Friday night around 9 p.m. that it had been canceled for the night and had been since 7 p.m. I was up at the field about a half an hour before they called it off and it was raining awfully hard, but I still couldn't figure out why. Then I learned that the rain was shorting out equipment and the speakers were being blown out. So the two-day festival had become, in actuality, a one-day affair, considering the very few people in attendance during the set of [Int 21h], one of the last bands to go on Friday.

There were also problems with the organization. Bumstock, I admit, is a long, strenuous event to plan and OCB president Chris Barstow and his crew should be commended for their good job, but the rain really put a damper on things Saturday. In addition, the coffee tent (or whatever it was called) was also poorly organized. There were no set times for performers and there could be an hour or more between acts. For example, my band, Candy Crank, played there, and after our set we were asked if we would play for another 40 minutes. However, I would jump at the chance to play the tent again. And this was but one of the many instances where this happened. I admit I threw in this example as a shameless plug. Oh, by the way, we are dirt cheap.

Finally, there was a lack of communication. One part of the crew had no idea what was happening in another area (sometimes due to

the walkie-talkies malfunctioning). A prime example of this was the fence that was in danger of collapsing Saturday night. Some friends of mine and I were recruited to hold up the fence. So, being the good people that we are, we obliged the request. But one of my friends asked one of the security dudes a question, and the guy demanded to see his pass. When it was revealed that my friend — Heaven forbid! — did not have an "all access" pass (uh-oh!), we were kicked out of the backstage area.

In closing, I shall reiterate what I asked at the beginning: Is Bumstock worth it? Despite the increased crime, difficulties with the weather and equipment, problems with the organization, the goons in the pit who decided to brawl to the Rustic Overtones instead of moshing, and it being more of a social event than a musical one, the answer is an astounding "Yes!" Once a year, Bumstock unifies an extremely apathetic campus into being excited about something. Some say it is just an excuse to drink alcohol, but that is not the point. Despite my own personal grievances with this year's Bumstock, I enjoyed this one more than any other. So, if you hear that someone is proposing to do away with Bumstock, fight it tooth and nail. Because if Bumstock goes, what else are you going to look forward to? Family and Friends Weekend?

Chris Hilton is a junior history major who can't stress enough that Candy Crank is a dirt-cheap band to book.

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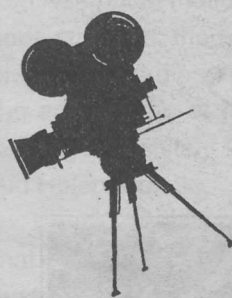
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## • On TV

# Springer denies staged-fight allegations

CHICAGO (AP) — All of a sudden, it's Jerry Springer who's taking the hits, not the guests on his fists-flying talk show.

Rolling Stone magazine and a TV entertainment show are reporting that the fights are about as real as a pro wrestling match, a charge the show denies. And the NBC station that brought Springer to the big leagues has scraped the show off the bottom of its corporate shoes amid rising criticism that it has degenerated into a pornographic slugfest.

Springer has a history of profiting from sleaze. And as media watchers doubted that his top-rated daytime talk show will suffer from the allegations, Chicagoans braced for a double dose of "The Jerry Springer Show"

on a new station.

"Nobody ever lost any money underestimating people's taste," said Christopher Sterling, a George Washington University media scholar.

The show "is like wrestling," Sterling said. "The whole thing is a put-up job."

On Thursday, Chicago's WFLD-TV, owned by the Fox Broadcasting Co., quickly snatched up the syndicated show in a multiyear deal that will air it not once, but twice daily.

A day earlier WMAQ-TV said it was ending its contract with Springer, whose profile the NBC station tried to raise a year earlier in a brief but disastrous stint as a news commentator.

The WMAQ announcement came just hours before the syndicated show "Extra" was scheduled to air a report saying that many of Springer's fights are staged and guests are coached. On Friday, Rolling Stone hits the newsstands with similar allegations.

Show spokesman Jim Benson denied the allegations and said the show has "strict production guidelines and policies."

Suzanne Muir, a Canadian restaurant owner who helped staged a high-profile hoax on the Springer show three years ago, said reports of staged shows are hardly shocking and she doubted that viewers care.

"You can tell who his audience is by who he's playing to," she said. "These people have just come from a fresh cock-fight or a tractor pull."

The Springer show, which featured such topics as "I Strip With My Family," had been broadcast in Chicago daily from WMAQ's downtown studios. It will continue to be produced there under the new deal with WFLD-TV.

Larry Wert, WMAQ's new president

and general manager, said only that he determined the show did not fit with his station's goals of making "the strongest connection with the community."

About 75 protesters outside the NBC Tower shifted gears after the changeover and marched to WFLD studios a few blocks away, vowing to shame Fox tycoon Rupert Murdoch for reviving Springer's show in Chicago.

"We want you to understand, Mr. Murdoch, you are not crafty or cunning. You are sick. And we're coming after you," said the Rev. Michael Pfleger, who's leading a Springer boycott.

WFLD had no immediate comment.

Henry Travis, a 28-year-old computer worker who watched the protesters, didn't seem fazed by hearing that the show may be faked.

"It would actually be somewhat reassuring," Travis said, "because if you see 'I'm sleeping with my cousin and my other cousin' or 'My brother is the father of my baby,' it's almost reassuring to find out ... it's not really happening."

## Object

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should have included Hawthorne in more scenes. The same criticism can be given for his use of Alda's character, who offers the film's best comedic scenes.

"The Object of My Affection" has many scenes that work well and an equal number that fail; there is almost no in-between. The ending plays more like a movie situation than a real-life one: It is full of unexplainable holes; it doesn't even give an explanation for why everything ended up this way.

In some recent films, it seems as if the only barrier between love is sexual orientation. Former movie issues of contention such as age, race, class and religion have already been addressed in many films (not

always intelligently or thoroughly, though), and are given little attention now. The problem I have with sexual orientation as a solvable barrier to transcend in the search for love is that it assumes sexual preference, either personally chosen or genetically determined, to be something that can be changed. Race, religion and class are needed barriers to transcend and break down because they only perpetuate bias and insular social attitudes. But there is no societal prejudice making it difficult for gay people to have relationships with straight people, or vice versa. It's just personal preference. Why bother to change that?

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## • Country music

# Award stuns Brooks

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (AP) — Garth Brooks always sells out his concerts, his records soar to No. 1 and a cable TV special was a spectacular success.

Still, the Oklahoma native was stunned when he got the entertainer of the year honor at Wednesday night's Academy of Country Music Awards.

For a megastar, Brooks sure is humble. He seemed to suggest George Strait, his idol, was more deserving.

"George, you the man, you are!" Brooks declared as he looked over to Strait and got an appreciative nod.

"We haven't won in a long time, so I was surprised," Brooks said backstage. He hasn't won a top entertainer prize from the academy since 1994, when he grabbed his fourth in a row.

Strait wasn't left out. He won the male vocalist award for the second straight year, and his "Carrying Your Love With Me" CD won the top album trophy, also for a second consecutive year.

Brooks and Strait shared the biggest part of the evening with another man in a black hat, Tim McGraw, and his wife Faith Hill, whose romantic "It's Your Love" won four awards — top song, single, video and vocal event.

"Oooh! Where's the party at?" McGraw asked as the couple picked up one of their trophies. Miss Hill was thrilled, saying back-

stage: "We got enough to buy a new piece of furniture."

Trisha Yearwood was picked top female vocalist before debuting her new single "There Goes My Baby," and Brooks & Dunn, last year's entertainer of the year, won the top duo or group trophy for a seventh consecutive year.

Kenny Chesney and Lee Ann Womack won the new artist awards, and The Kinleys — sisters Jennifer and Heather — were the top new group or duo winner.

A somber note came early when Brooks & Dunn dedicated the show to the people of the South who have been hit by tornadoes. The celebratory atmosphere also took a brief detour to pay homage to the late Tammy Wynette, Carl Perkins and John Denver.

The academy's Special Achievement Award was presented to Brooks for his unprecedented efforts in the field of country music, including his big Central Park concert last year.

Winners were selected by the 3,000 members of the academy, who awarded the Pioneer Award to Charlie Daniels.

"How's this for a surprise, big guy?" a giggling Brooks asked as he introduced Daniels. There was videotaped praise from former Presidents Carter and Ford and a standing ovation from the audience.

A flabbergasted Daniels said later: "I was never so shocked in my life."

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# SPORTS PAGE

## Compliance

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compliance issues, but I can certainly understand how people make mistakes and hardly knew what they were doing at the time.

"It's a very complicated system."

A complicated system that can't afford to fail again, and the components are there to ensure that it doesn't. The system is now an integrated one that incorporates not only the athletic department, which was the case previously, but the admissions department, financial aid, student records and student support services. The rationale for a campus-wide system?

"We're a member institutionally of the NCAA," Tyler said. "The institution is a member of the NCAA. Not just the athletic department."

"I think that it is everybody's responsibility," Hoff added.

But that wasn't the case before, says Assistant Director of Student Aid Helen Violette.

"The institution hadn't put an emphasis on compliance," she said. "We had a compliance officer who wasn't full-time. Coaches may have been given information, but I don't think there was pressure for them to keep up-to-date with what was happening."

Tyler acknowledged the condition of the compliance department, which was headed by former Director Woody Carville and former Athletic Director Ed Plozak, before it was remodeled.

"It was just a few people in the athletics department (and) it wasn't even the whole athletic department buying into the concept," she said. "They had the expectations that people were going to tell them they didn't have to know the rules, and that somebody was going to tell them if they were doing something

dean would go through to make sure that all of your courses are counting toward your major.

"I get the information back and make sure that it is following the rules and regulations provided by the NCAA."

With a structured system currently in place and the communication with coaches more open, does it leave room for any potential conflicts between coaches and university officials?

Assistant Director of Admissions Jeff Cole says that although everyone is working together, instances do crop up in relation to the acceptance process of students applying to the university who also plan to compete athletically.

"At times there's always going to be turbulence when your goals (of coaches and admissions counselors) aren't exactly the same, and unfortunately they are never going to be exactly the same," said Cole. "There have been instances, but for the most part there's a decent relationship and we're just trying to improve it."

Cole has migrated across the university spectrum as well, having been an assistant coach in the Black Bear football program before accepting his position in admissions. As a result, he can put the two views that occasionally differ into focus.

"I came from the football department, so I can see both ends of the issue," Cole said. "Their job (coaches) is, when it comes down to it, is to win games and represent the university. So, they're out looking for the best athletes they can possibly get. Our job here is to make sure that they can be successful as a university student."

"It's just a matter of communication."  
**Prior Awareness**

**"There wasn't a push for it, but they understood the need. They didn't beg to get involved." — Suzanne Tyler**

wrong.

"Otherwise, they were going to operate as they always have, and the rules change so much."

"What I think may have existed here at Maine to a large extent existed at other campuses," Flynn said. "One person trying to do it all."

Violette's primary responsibilities in compliance include monitoring the aid a student-athlete receives to ensure it doesn't exceed either state or federal limits.

Violette is not alone, however, in the checks and balances system. Associate Director of Student Records Peter Reid also plays a pivotal role in the system concerning eligibility issues with heavy emphasis on the continuing education level with returning student-athletes.

"I am the certifying officer for continuing academic eligibility," Reid said. "What basically happens is that your unofficial transcript of your course work would go to the dean's office, and the

The compliance system was put in place during the investigations, but there wasn't an aggressive movement within the university to push for a new system. Instead, there was what Hoff refers to as "a serious professional commitment."

"There wasn't a push for it, but they understood the need," Tyler said. "They didn't beg to get involved."

So why a blanket feeling of obligation rather than a heavy push to install a new system?

"I guess that can happen very easily when something bad happens," Cole said. "You can get discouraged and not see the light at the end of the tunnel. Luckily, there were some people who were motivated."

Like Hutchinson, whose hiring of Tyler was symbolic of the initial phase of restructuring.

"The president gave me that charge," Tyler said. "I told him I'd like to sit down and talk about my goals for this year, and he said compliance and this investigation were number one and all other things are secondary."



Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance Tracey Flynn inherited a model system. (Jason Kirk photo.)

## A system without a chance?

By Bill Stewart  
Maine Campus staff

Although a model compliance system was put in motion when the violations surfaced, there was talk about a plan for upgrading the old one prior to the announcing of the sanctions, according to Assistant Director of Student Aid Helen Violette.

The NCAA was providing software that could be installed in the computer system, but the athletic department rejected it after experiencing some problems with compatibility.

"We had looked at it at one time," Violette said. "When the software came out there were lots of problems with it, and a lot of institutions didn't jump on it."

Violette acknowledged that they were looking at things from just a financial aid standpoint, and a system that could benefit all components of the university could not be operated.

"We had heard about the software and we had approached athletics about the software, and there were some issues with compatibility with the computer equipment and lack of money to upgrade it so we could network," Violette said.

Without the funds or a push for the funds, the system could not be upgraded.

"We had initially gone forward to discuss the compliance software, but there was the issue of different equipment across campus because we didn't have the option to network," Violette said. "So it was, 'How are we going to implement a software that everybody could benefit from?'"

However, there is always a bottom line.

"There were some hesitations," Violette said. "There weren't enough funds to buy the new equipment (and) there wasn't a true commitment."

"A lot of people thought that what we had in place was sufficient."

## FROM THE DEN

The 1974 University of Maine golf team captured the Yankee Conference Championships — and only appeared on a golf course four times that year. They had no home course, and had to practice inside because there was four inches of snow on the ground.





## • Baseball

## The battle for the playoffs

By Jim Davis  
Maine Campus staff

The balls are being thrown with a little more velocity, and the bats are being swung with a little more precision as America East action kicks into fifth gear while jockeying for postseason invitations is vastly developing.

While Delaware (15-1) and Northeastern (12-4) appear to be virtual locks for the tournament at Delaware May 14-17, spots three and four are up in the air as four teams—Vermont (8-8), Towson (7-9), Maine (7-9) and Hofstra (7-9)—battle it out for the next two weeks.

Maine may have the advantage by playing its final two out of three conference series at Mahaney Diamond.

The Huskies have to be wary of a potential fall from second place as they host the mighty Hens of Delaware. Northeastern is 3-1 at home this season.

Towson heads to Hofstra for a four-game set Saturday. The Flying Dutchmen are just 3-5 on their own diamond.

Not to be counted out for the final spot is Drexel, which heads to Hartford, the only team yet to host a game this season. The Dragons are 6-10 and are in position to sneak into the postseason.

**Player of the Week** honors went to Carlos Pena, a first baseman for Northeastern. Pena cranked out a .545 average (6-for-11, 7 RBIs, 9 BBs and 6 runs

scored) in leading the Huskies to three out of four over the Catamounts of Vermont.

**Tom Koutrouba** led Maine to a 1-0 win over Hartford and earned **Pitcher of the Week**. The righty pitched a complete-game three-hitter and struck out a career high 14.

### Diamond Dandies

Maine's back-to-back 1-0 shutouts over Hartford marked the first time that feat had ever been accomplished in nine years of America East play.

Matt Phillips has made the most of his starts for Delaware, posting 20 straight victories dating back to 1996. Now 30-4 in his career, Phillips is just a trio of wins away from the school's all-time record set by Jamie Wilson in 1993.

As if driving in the game-winning hit in his first at-bat of the season wasn't enough, Hofstra's Scott Coppola also pitched an inning of scoreless relief in a 5-4 win over Pace.

### Conference Quote of the Week:

"You always want better pitching, but we can't all go out and buy ours like Maine did," joked Vermont head coach Bill Currier Thursday on the status of his staff thus far.

### Milestones

Saturday's game between Maine and Vermont marks the 100th meeting between the two rivals. The Black Bears hold a 67-32 edge.

## • Baseball

## Offense-hungry Maine tops UMass

By Jim Davis  
Maine Campus staff

The UMass Minutemen got a taste of what Husson, Hartford and Colby already knew.

You can't stop the Maine Black Bears, you can only hope to contain them.

A 21-8 slaughter over the Atlantic 10 leaders at Portland's Hadlock field Tuesday, not to mention its seventh straight win, has 18-19 Maine feeling pretty good about the game of baseball.

UMass held its only lead of the day at the end of the first inning, 2-1.

Maine countered with five runs in the second highlighted by Kraig Jarvais, who cracked a two-run home run over the left field wall. Keith Croteau singled but was forced out at second on Brian Poire's fielder's choice.

T.J. Sheedy followed with a two-run shot to left center. Gabe Memmert capped the inning with his eighth homer of the season to give Maine a 6-2 advantage.

The Minutemen would retaliate with two runs in the next frame, however, and put the score at 6-4. But they got no closer as the Black Bears blew up for 11 runs in the middle three innings and opened up a 17-4 gap.

"We've done everything right to win," said Maine head coach Paul Kostacopoulos.

Jim Bailin (1-2) worked six innings for his first win as a Black Bear, allowing seven runs, all earned, on ten hits while walking three and fanning one.

Tom Morelli came on in the seventh for an inning-and-two-thirds of work and allowed one run, a homer by Shaun Skeffington, and two hits. Rick Hewey pitched a

perfect ninth.

UMass used four pitchers in relief of Nick Skirkenich (1-1), who was rocked out of the game after three innings for giving up eight runs, six earned, and six hits while walking five.

Skirkenich's replacement, Rich Hartman, was ineffective in his one-inning stay, allowing five runs, three earned, on seven hits.

Maine outit UMass 21-12 and was led by Sheedy, who went 4-for-7 with two homers, four runs scored and six RBIs. Poire (4-for-5) tied the school record for runs scored by crossing the plate on six occasions.

Every starter for the Bears had at least one hit.

UMass fell to 22-8 and will prepare for Harvard, who it will take on in the Beanpot Tournament championship game at Fenway Park this Sunday.

Maine heads into a huge four-game set at Vermont with a head of steam. The Catamounts are in third place in the America East, just one game ahead of the Black Bears at 8-8.

"I marked this weekend at the beginning of the season as a critical weekend," Kosty said. "We're 7-9 and we've got to take care of business."

The Bears survived the toughest part of their conference schedule, with series at Delaware, Towson and Northeastern, with a 3-9 mark.

After sweeping Hartford at home and beating up on a regional power such as UMass, Kosty says the team is playing the type of baseball that will get them into the postseason.

"The biggest thing is that we're moving in the right direction," Kosty said. "However slowly it might be, we're getting ourselves in position for the playoffs."

## • Horse racing

## An interesting field at the Derby

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — There will be something new in this year's Kentucky Derby, but once the gate opens the race should be like it is almost every year — a heart-pounding charge in which talent often needs the strong support of luck.

The cast for 124th Derby May 2 is an especially rich mix of speed horses, middle-of-the-pack horses and stretch runners. It is a great betting race.

Among the cast in what is shaping up as a 17-horse field are two unbeaten colts and a Horse of the Year.

Indian Charlie and Event of the Year each are undefeated in four starts.

Favorite Trick, who won the honor as a 2-year-old, will be only the second Horse of the Year to run in the Derby. The first was Secretariat in 1973.

The new wrinkle will be the post-position draw, which will be held from 5-6 p.m. EDT Wednesday on ESPN.

In previous years, the number drawn for a horse specified the post position. This year, however, if a horse draws No. 3, it means his connections will have the third

pick as to what post position they want.

"It's still luck," said Bob Baffert, trainer of Indian Charlie and Real Quiet, 1-2 finishers in the Santa Anita Derby.

"I don't think it matters," Nick Zito said. Zito trains Blue Grass Stakes winner Halory Hunter, whose principal owner is Rick Pitino, coach of the NBA Boston Celtics.

While there will be several proven 3-year-olds in the field, there also will be the usual suspects who make the Derby both interesting and crowded.

For instance, there is Nationalore, believed to be history's richest maiden. The colt, bred, owned and trained by Cho Myung-Kwan, a native of South Korea, is winless in 15 career starts, but he has earned \$283,767. Most of the money was earned with third-place finishes in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile and the Hollywood Futurity.

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• Softball

# Maine rolls past Colby

By Dave Bailey  
Maine Campus staff

The University of Maine softball team warmed up for its biggest weekend of the season by pounding Colby College 7-0 Wednesday at Lengyel Field.

Maine's batters showed patience at the plate, walking eight times, while three pitchers combined to strike out nine batters.

Prior to the contest, some Black bears were in limbo as to whether the game would actually count or not.

"We didn't know if it was going to be a scrimmage or not," Katherine Fraser said.

The Black Bears poured it on early and often against the White Mules.

The score was 1-0 Maine when the Bears decided to put the Mules away in the second inning, plating four runs.

A throwing error on a Kathryn Murphy ground ball by Colby pitcher Brooke Fizzsimmons scored Mary Wells to make it 2-0.

Murphy scored on a fielder's choice groundout by Fraser to make it 3-0 Maine.

One out later, Jillie Cassie hit a grounder that was snagged by Colby shortstop Steph Patterson, but she couldn't get the ball out of

her glove and Cassie was safe at first.

After stealing second, Fraser and Cassie scored when Stacey Sullivan's fly ball clanked off of Patterson's glove for a single.

With the bases full of Bears in the third, Fraser hit a squibber that traveled all of 15 feet, but it was enough to advance the runners and make the score 6-0.

"I put it in the holes," said Fraser. "Both my hits were infield hits."

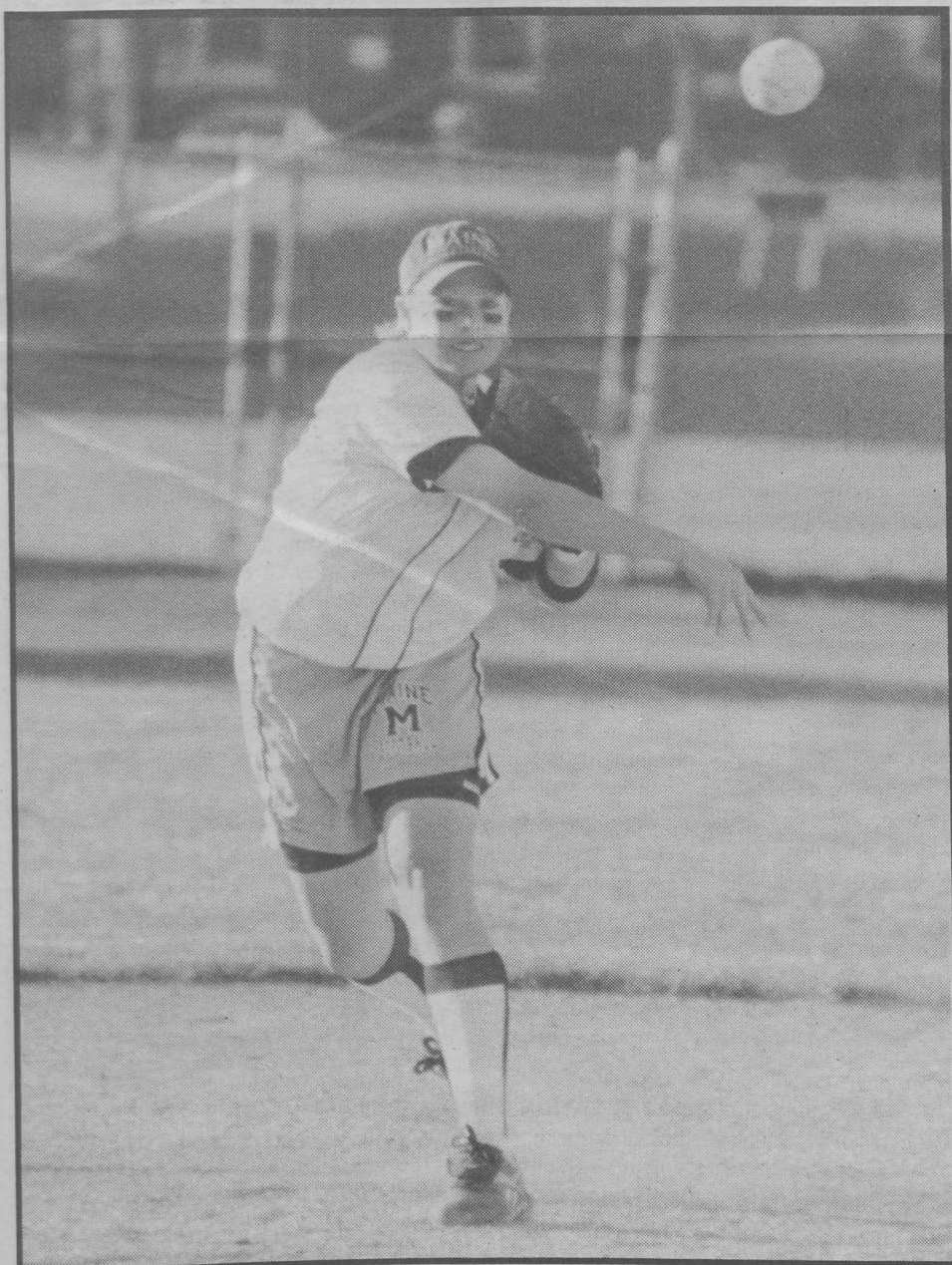
Meanwhile, Maine's pitchers kept the outmatched Colby batters in check all afternoon. After Alice Bishop (2-3) allowed just one hit over three innings, Jen Burton came on in relief and whiffed five of the six batters she faced.

"She (Burton) pitched two innings and she's gotten a lot better," Fraser said. "It was good for our confidence."

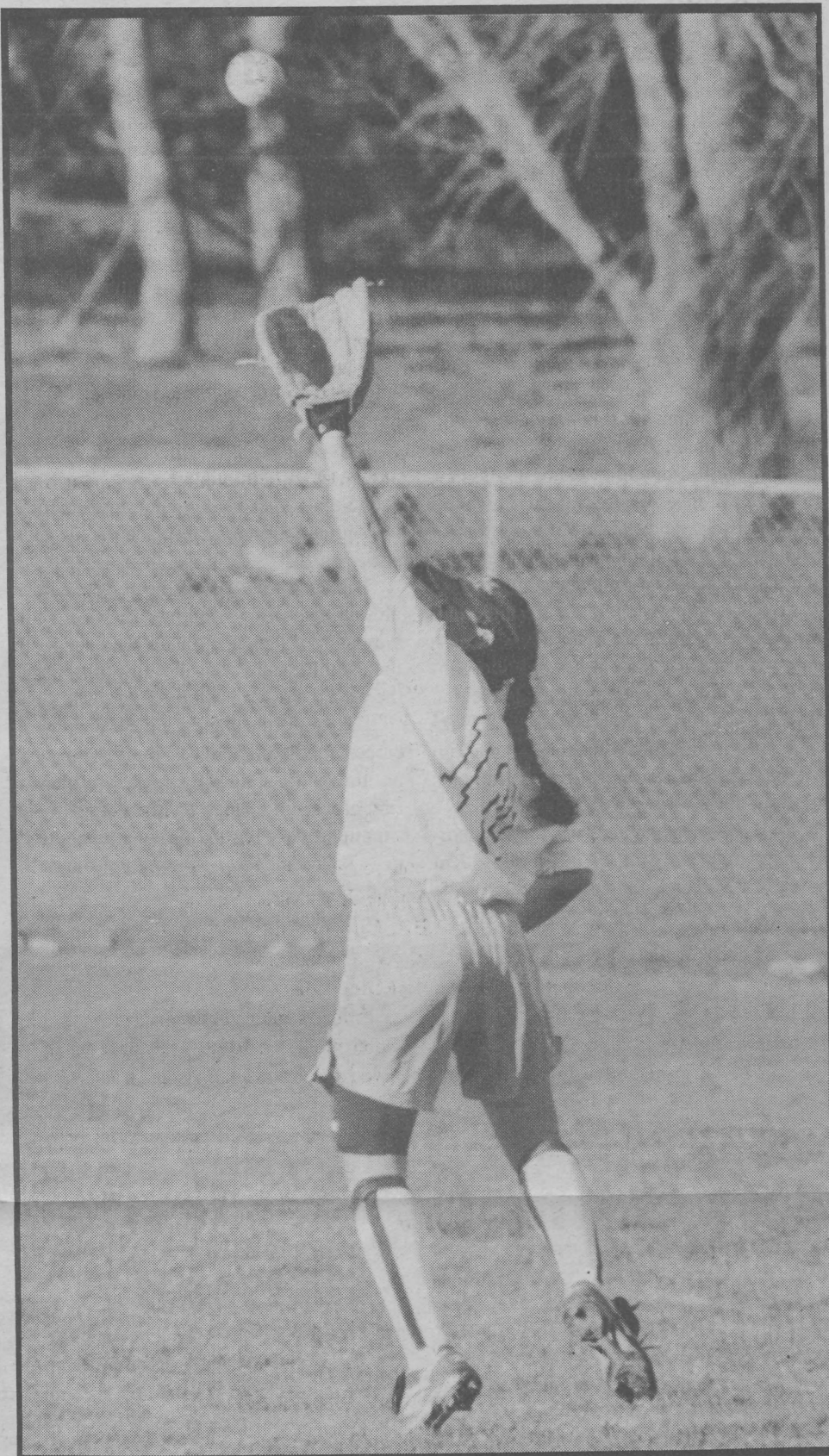
A Murphy sacrifice fly in the fourth rounded out the scoring.

"It was good to get a win," Fraser said. "It was good to get it under our belts."

Maine's biggest test of the year comes this weekend when Towson (Friday) and Delaware (Sunday) invade Lengyel Field to wrap up Maine's season.



Maine shortstop Michelle Puls fires a bullet over to first during Wednesday's afternoon win over Colby. (Caleb Raynor photo.)



Black Bear Katherine Fraser goes back to make a fine catch in Wednesday's action. (Caleb Raynor photo.)



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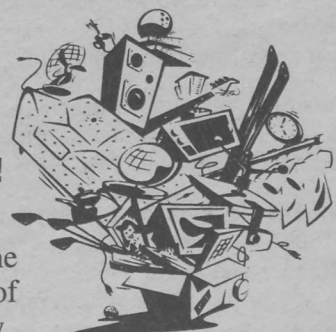
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# Ripken: Another milestone expected this weekend

BALTIMORE (AP) — Every now and then Cal Ripken feels a twinge in his lower back, a reminder that he's a mere mortal and not really an Iron Man.

Not literally, anyway.

Ripken, who is expected to make his 2,500th consecutive start Saturday night, isn't impervious to pain. During his incredible streak he has endured a sprained left ankle, a twisted right ankle, a twisted right knee and severe lower back spasms.

Ripken's uncanny threshold for pain is not the only reason he hasn't missed a game for the Baltimore Orioles since May 29, 1982. His tireless work ethic and unwavering consistency have made it easy for the eight managers he's played for to write his name on the lineup card every day.

It's been more than 2 1/2 years since Ripken passed Lou Gehrig's seemingly unbreakable major league record of 2,130 consecutive games. When he takes the field at third base Saturday night against the Oakland Athletics, Ripken's 2,500-game run will be larger than the next 22 current streaks combined.

"Twenty-five hundred? It's a round number and I'm proud of it," Ripken said. "I'm proud I can still go out and play every day. The toughest thing is to keep a fresh approach."

Now 37, Ripken knows there will soon be a day when he will have to fight to hold onto the starting job. That, and the Orioles' quest to get into the World Series for the first time since 1983, keep him motivated.

"When I'm sweating on the field and think I really don't have to work that hard, I start to think that my career will be over before I know it and how good I'm going to feel when we have success," he said. "The rewards keep me running hard."

There was a time last summer when Ripken wasn't certain he could walk, let alone run. A herniated disk in his back was pressing against a nerve that runs down his left leg, and doctors prescribed six to eight weeks of rest.

Ripken immediately rejected the advice, although he almost removed himself from a game in Oakland on Aug. 2. He stuck it out, then singled in his next at-bat and homered the next day.

"That was the hardest injury of my whole career," Ripken said. "The dilemma had nothing to do with the streak. We were in first place and headed for the playoffs — a situation every baseball player wants to be in — so I decided I had to play through the pain."

Although he sometimes ached so much

that he couldn't sit down in the dugout, Ripken made it through the season. He then spurned offseason surgery, instead working diligently to strengthen his back. The regimen continued this spring, when he hoisted a medicine ball thousands of times before, during and after exhibition games.

"I wish I could put a camera on Cal from the time he walks into the ballpark to the time he leaves," Orioles manager Ray Miller said. "I'd show it to a minor league player and say, 'If you want to be a great player like a Lou Gehrig or a Babe Ruth, just do this every day.' His work ethic is just phenomenal."

Ripken was hitting .289 with 13 RBIs in 20 games through Thursday, but as soon as he slips into a slump, detractors of the streak will insist that he voluntarily sit himself

down.

"Early on in the streak, the criticism kind of bothered me. Maybe it was immaturity on my part," Ripken said. "I thought it was so unfair. Now that I've dealt with it for a number of years, it doesn't make me angry. It just makes me focus."

The criticism is easier to deal with than back spasms. Ripken was prepared to sit out a game in July last summer before Brady Anderson, his closest friend on the team, begged him to at least test the back in warmups before deciding.

Ripken played the entire game.

"Talk about a guy who can grind it out," Anderson said. "He told me afterwards, 'Maybe I thought I really was the Iron Man.'"

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