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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1999

• Question 1

Pro-choice rally held outside Union

By Penny Morton
For the *Maine Campus*

A small but vocal group rallied outside of the Memorial Union on Friday afternoon to encourage students and faculty to vote "no" on Question 1 during the upcoming Nov. 2 election.

"Pro-life men, you've got to go; when you get pregnant, let us know!" the group yelled. "Not the church, not the state, women will decide our fate!"

Question 1 on the ballot — "Do you want to ban a specific abortion procedure to be defined in law, except in cases where the life of the mother is in danger?" — is being advertised as a potential ban on "partial-birth" abortions.

Sharon Barker, director of the Women's Resource Center, said that supporters of the bill are try-

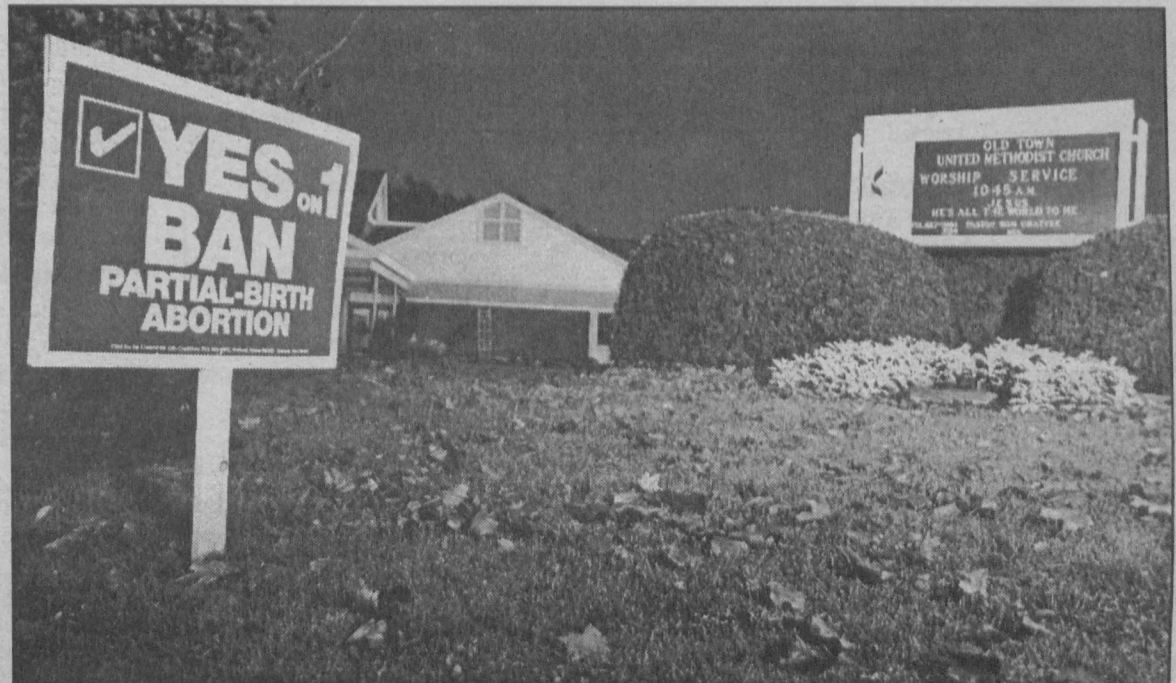
ing to outlaw something that is already illegal.

"The hidden agenda of the bill is to attack abortion," she said. "It's forcing women's organizations to take time and resources away from the work of maintaining women's health and options."

Tamara Mellow, co-president of the Student Women's Organization, said that because the question does not specify the certain type of abortion, passing the bill could endanger abortions at any stage in the pregnancy.

"If this is passed they'll spend at least a year trying to define partial-birth abortion, and doctors will be afraid to perform any abortions at the risk of losing their medical licenses and possible imprisonment," she said.

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Various denominations such as the United Methodist Church in Old Town have supported the controversial referendum that will appear as Question 1 on the Nov. 2 ballot. Sides remain at odds on the question, also known as the "partial-birth abortion" referendum. (Mark Lipczynski photo.)

Ballots clarified

By Kevin Brooks
For the *Maine Campus*

Question 1 — Citizen Initiative

Do you want to ban a specific abortion procedure, to be defined in law, except in cases where the life of the mother is in danger?

A "yes" vote on this question would ban, as of yet, an undetermined abortion procedure. The only time such procedures would be allowed is if the mother's life was in danger.

A "yes" vote is pro-life. A "no" vote is pro-choice and would keep the law the way it is now.

Question 2 — Citizen Initiative

Do you want to allow patients with specific illnesses to grow and use small amounts of marijuana for treatment, as long as such use is approved by a doctor?

A "yes" vote would allow doctors to approve use of marijuana for patients with certain

illnesses. This would also allow the patient to grow small amounts of the drug.

Question 3 — Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$56,042,031 bond issue for improvements to highways and bridges, airports and state-owned ferry facilities; development of rail corridors and marine infrastructure; and replacement of public transportation fleets statewide that makes the State eligible for up to \$112 million in matching federal funds?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$85,464,097 representing \$56,042,031 in principle and \$29,422,066 in interest (assuming interest is 5 percent over 20 years).

A "yes" vote would allow the state to bond approximately \$56 million for use on transportation items such as commuter rail service throughout Maine, as well as highway improvements (apart from the turnpike widening). It also makes the state eligible for up to \$112 million in

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• Groovin' on the L-train

Question 3 aids railways

By Mark Lunt
For the *Maine Campus*

A long, lonely whistle echoes through the crisp early morning air, as somewhere, an unseen freight train rumbles across the misty landscape. It is a scene rarely witnessed in most parts of Maine these days, but that may change in the near future.

On Tuesday, Nov. 2, voters will be asked to support bonding \$56 million to fix or upgrade elements in almost every sector of the state's transportation infrastructure. Included projects range from the rails and highways to air and seaports. An added incentive to the deal is the \$112 million in Federal funds that will become available if the projects are funded — money which will go to other states if Question 3 fails at the ballot.

The largest portion of the money, \$19.7 million, will go to reinstating rail service in several parts of Maine. Three major projects are planned by the Maine Department of Transportation: reconstructing a

rail line between Brewer and Ellsworth to allow passenger trains to run downeast, eventually establishing service all the way to Calais, a rail line between Brunswick and Rockland to be used for both passengers and freight; and a rail line running from Brunswick to Lewiston and Auburn to be primarily used for private freight.

"An overwhelming majority of citizens want to see passenger rail return to Maine," the Director of Policy Alan Sterns said. He added the completion of these lines should help reduce traffic congestion, especially of large trucks, as consumers and businesses are offered alternatives to the highway system.

One major point of contention in the bond involves one of these rail links. The line between Brunswick and Lewiston was abandoned by Guilford Transportation in the 1980s as unprofitable. The state plans to construct a bridge across the Androscoggin River, linking the line to businesses in Auburn and opening up new

opportunities for revenue. Guilford has now tried to reverse its abandonment in order to deny the use of the line to its competitors, but Sterns said, "We're currently in litigation."

"We believe that we have a very strong case," Sterns said. "If Guilford succeeds in court, the scope of the project would have to be cut back significantly."

Highway and bridge construction forms the second-largest portion of the bond at \$19.2 million, which would also bring in \$48 million in Federal dollars. This money would go into the general fund, where it would be used for more than 90 road projects, reconstructing 150 miles of road and repaving 107 miles. Rebuilding roads, where they are torn down to the roadbed and built anew, is several times more expensive than merely repaving them, but is necessary to fully fix streets which have badly deteriorated.

"Maine's communities always unconditionally support

See QUESTION 3 on page 5

Today:

• Weather

Mild, more sun than clouds.



• Local

It's all Greek to me.

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• Editorial

Get out and vote on Nov. 2.

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• Style

Blues band Apartment
Three rocks the house.

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• Fraternities and sororities

The week in Greek, from Alpha to Zeta

By Lindsay Lawrence
and Matthew Allen
For the *Maine Campus*

Alpha Gamma Rho

• On Oct. 28, AGR worked at the Orono Public Library to help put on its annual Halloween costume party for children.

• Last semester, the brothers held a successful bowl-a-thon for the Maine Literacy Volunteers.

• They also have contributed all bottle and can money toward helping a Maine handicapped van that was in need of repair.

Alpha Phi

• Rebecca Krupke, a studio art major in Alpha Phi, won a \$500 scholarship from the Alpha Phi Foundation. Only 70 such scholarships are awarded throughout the nation. Rebecca is the first sister from the Delta Nu chapter to receive such an honor.

• Alpha Phi will be hosting a time management workshop at 7 p.m., Monday Nov. 1, in the basement of Hancock Hall.

• Alpha Phi is participating in Women's Week from Nov. 1-14. Contact them through FirstClass for more information on days and events of volunteering.

Alpha Phi Omega

• Bananas, the mascot of the University of Maine, is an Alpha Phi Omega member and attends most local and nonlocal sporting events.

• APO also operates the Late Night Local, a van which offers safe passage every Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m.-2 a.m. It is sponsored by Dr. Robert Dana and Student Health Services in Cutler.

Chi Omega

• Chi Omega is in the championships for intramural soccer against Pi Beta Phi.

• To help raise money for Panhellenic, Chi Omega also participated in the Haunted Trail on Oct. 27.

Delta Zeta

• For national Make-A-Difference Day, DZ members painted the children's room of the Orono Community Center.

• Five sisters were accepted into Order of Omega, the Greek honor society.

FIJI

• The brothers recently volunteered at the Bangor Civic Center's Antique Show.

• FIJIs passed out candy to kids at the "Safe Trick-or-Treat" on Oct. 31, in the

fieldhouse.

Gamma Sigma Sigma

• The sisters held "Dog and Pony" on Oct. 24, with Alpha Phi Omega, where the members in training or new members from both organizations received their big brothers for Sigs and big sisters for APO's.

• The sisters also participate in a food run every Friday evening from Stodder and Hilltop to package leftovers and take them to Manna soup kitchen.

Lambda Chi Alpha

• Lambda Chi held its 8th annual North American Food Drive on Oct. 31, at Wal-Mart. Last year the brothers collected 32,500 pounds of food for the Good Shepherd Food Bank.

Phi Eta Kappa

• Phi Eta is planning with Pi Beta Phi a Thanksgiving Dinner for Downeast Big Brothers and Big Sisters Agency from 1-4 p.m. on Nov. 20, at Pi Phi's house. There will be games and activities for kids.

Phi Kappa Sigma

• Over the past two weeks, Phi Kappa

Sigma brothers logged more than 30 hours of community service at the Hirundo Wildlife Refuge.

• The Phi Kappa Sigma Haunted House on Oct. 28, was a huge success. Last year the brothers raised more than \$900 for Leukemia Society and hope to have raised more than \$1,000 this year.

Phi Mu

• Phi Mu currently holds the highest GPA of all sororities on campus, which is higher than the UMaine all-women average as well.

• Oct. 18, was national Philanthropy day, with all Phi Mu chapters across the country participating in a philanthropic activity for the Children's Miracle Network. The UMaine chapter made dinner and delivered it to the Shaw House in Bangor.

Pi Beta Phi

• The major philanthropic efforts of Pi Beta Phi go toward support of the Children's Miracle Network. Last month the sisters held a volleyball tournament at the Pi Phi house to raise money.

See GREEK on page 5

**WMEB is having a can drive,
and we want you to help.**

**Please bring your canned or non-perishable
goods to the WMEB studio,
located on the 1st floor East Annex and help the
less fortunate have a better Thanksgiving.**

**For your generosity,
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El Cheepos (\$2 Cover)**

Parking ban established

Last night at midnight, a campuswide winter parking ban went into effect. Cars that usually park in blue lots at night will no longer be able to do so and drivers will be forced to seek an alternative parking solution. Red lots will be the only lots that will be allowed to be parked in from midnight until 6 a.m.

Parking coordinator Cynthia Thomas and the ad hoc committee are currently seeking ways to improve parking on campus.

If anyone has questions or concerns, they are encouraged to visit the folder on FirstClass under the Campus Connection discussions folder.

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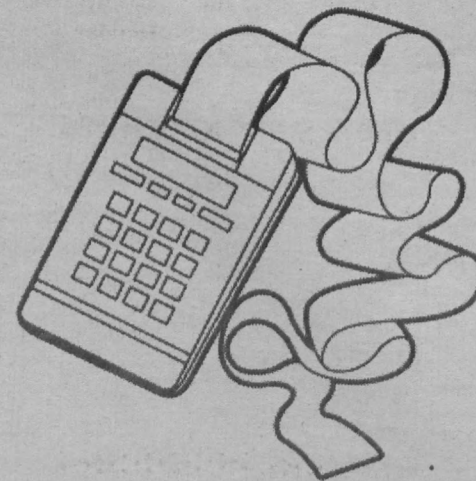
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International Week '99

October 30 - November 7




SCHEDULE

All Events are Free and Open to the Public Unless Otherwise Noted



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

- 10:00am - 5:00pm  **Culturefest '99**
Featuring Food, Cultural Exhibits, Talent Show and Style Show Memorial Union / MCA
- 11:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum
- 8:00am - 5:00pm  **Northeast Mesoamerican Conference NEMAC**
Registration \$20 for students, \$25 for others.
Call 581 - 1901 for information.
DP Corbett Business Building




SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

- 11:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum
- 9:00am - 12:00noon  **Northeast Mesoamerican Conference NEMAC**
See October 30 DP Corbett Business Building
- 1:30pm - 4:00pm  **Northeast Mesoamerican Epigraphy Group**
NutMEG Meeting. DP Corbett Business Building



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- 12:00noon - 12:45  **Panel Discussion: Holidays Around the World**
International students speak about the meaning of holidays in their countries. Bangor Lounge
- 2:00pm  **Lecture by Gloria Frasier Giffords**
"Holy Faces for Holy Places: Popular Mexican Religious Paintings of the 19th Century"
. Bodwell Lounge



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- 9:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum
- 12:00noon - 1:30pm  **Canadian Studies Distinguished Lecturer: Marc Boucher** will speak at the Canadian Studies luncheon on "Québec and Canada: Nation - Building in the North?" Marc Boucher is U.S. National Affairs Director for the Québec Government.
. Bodwell Lounge
- 4:00pm - 4:45pm  **Lecture: Day of the Dead, An Important Mexican Holiday.** Come learn about this fascinating celebration
. Bangor Lounge





WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- 9:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum
- 12:00noon - 1:30pm  **Canadian Lecture Series Brown Bag Lunch**
Assoc. of Graduate Researchers in Canadian Studies
Presentations by UM Faculty and Graduate Student Canadianists. All welcome. Bodwell Lounge





THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- 9:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum
- 10:00am - 11:30am  **Lecture: "Acadians in Maine" by Don Cyr**
Adjunct Faculty at UMPI and Director of the Maine Acadian Culture Project
. Page Farm and Home Museum



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4 continued

- 12:00noon - 1:00pm  **Maritime Luncheon \$10**
All invited, reservations required. RSVP to dining@maine.edu by Nov 1st. Bodwell Lounge
- 1:00pm - 1:45pm  **Lecture: "Downeast Food: Its Historical Importance"**
by Sandra Oliver. Food Historian and author of the book Saltwater Foodways Bodwell Lounge
- 2:30pm - 3:30pm  **"Maritime Mincemeat" Sandra Oliver**
Presentation and demonstration
. Page Farm and Home Museum
- 3:00pm - 5:30pm  **Canada-in-the-Classroom - Canadian-American Center.** After-School Workshop for K-12 teachers
Tentative focus: Introducing a pilot program - Middle School Canadian Research. Free, RSVP to bamtzn@umit.maine.edu or 581-4225
. Bodwell Lounge
- 4:30pm - 6:30pm **International Food** at all Dining Commons. Featuring French, Mexican, African, Greek, Chinese, and Cuban entrées.


FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5





- 9:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum
- 12:00noon - 1:45pm  **Panel Discussion: Songs, Stories and the Island Community.** Sandy Ives and Friends
. Bangor Lounge
- 4:00pm - 5:30pm  **George Elliott Clarke, Poet, Editor, Playwright**
He will present a reading and discussion of his poetry. Refreshments to follow. Sponsored with the Department of English 402 Neville
- 8:00pm  **Concert: An Evening from Prince Edward Island**
Performances by Crowbush, Hold the Haggis and Friends Minsky Hall

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- 11:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum
- 1:00pm - 3:00pm  **Folk Tradition Festival Workshops \$10**
Topics: Prince Edward Island (PEI) Fiddle, PEI Accompaniment, PEI Step Dance, PEI Ceilidh dance, Songmaking, Storytelling. Class of 1944 Hall
Above workshops repeated
- 3:00pm - 5:00pm **Evening Ceilidh \$10**
Catered Buffet Dinner followed by music, dancing and singing in the PEI Style from 7 to 9. Performances by Crowbush, Hold the Haggis from 9 to 11. The Chaisson Family featuring "J.J. Chaisson" will play for a dance, PEI style. Wells Commons

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 11:00am - 4:00pm  **Mexican Art Exhibit**
"Images for Eternity: Mexican Tomb Figures and Retablos" Hudson Museum

- Sponsored by:
-  Office of International Programs
 -  Canadian-American Center
 -  Maine Folklife Center
 -  Hudson Museum

The 3 biggest myths about Question 1

Myth 1: The proposed law is too vague.

FACT: The statute is clear. Read it for yourself:

§1597-B. Partial-birth abortions prohibited

1. Definitions. As used in this section the following terms have the following meanings

A. "Abortion" means the intentional interruption of a pregnancy by the application of external agents, whether chemical or physical, or by the ingestion of chemical agents with an intention other than to produce a live birth or to remove a dead fetus.

B. "Partial-birth abortion" means an abortion in which the physician performing the abortion partially vaginally delivers a living fetus before killing the fetus and completing the delivery.

C. "Partially vaginally delivers a living fetus before killing the fetus" means deliberately and intentionally delivering into the vagina a living fetus, or a substantial portion of a living fetus, for the purpose of performing a procedure the physician knows will kill the fetus, and kills the fetus.

2. Partial-birth abortions prohibited; exception. A physician may not knowingly perform a partial-birth abortion and thereby kill a human fetus. This prohibition does not apply to a partial-birth abortion that is necessary to save the life of a mother whose life is endangered by a physical disorder, illness or injury.

Myth 2: Partial-birth abortion is already illegal in Maine.

FACT: Any type of abortion is legal in Maine up to 24 weeks for any reason.

Late-term abortions are illegal in Maine, except when the life or health of the mother is at risk. However, partial-birth abortions can be performed prior to 24 weeks. A partial birth abortion is just as gruesome at 22 or 24 weeks as it is at 30 or 36 weeks.

Myth 3: Supporters of Question 1 want to ban all abortions in Maine

FACT: That's a smoke screen. Question 1 would ban only partial birth abortions. Nothing more.

Have you noticed? Opponents of Question 1 don't want to debate the issue of partial-birth abortions. They just try to change the subject. They don't dare try to defend partial-birth abortion as a valid, necessary *medical* procedure, so they try to attack the motives of Question 1's supporters. The plain fact is that no matter what anybody says, Question 1 will do only one thing—ban partial-birth abortions. Nothing more.

Vote YES on 1

Paid for by Maine Right to Life Committee, 8 Green St., Augusta, ME 04330.

Ballots

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matching funds.

Question 4 — Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$15,500,000 bond issue for the following purposes:

(1) \$7 million to construct water pollution control facilities, providing the state match for \$15.5 million in federal funds;

(2) \$2.5 million to protect the state's drinking water resources by granting funds to cities and towns for the closure and cleanup of their solid waste landfills;

(3) \$500,000 to protect the public health, safety and the environment by providing funds for the cleanup of tire stockpiles;

(4) \$1 million to abate, clean up and mitigate threats to the public health and environment from uncontrolled hazardous substance sites or other hazardous waste discharges; and

(5) \$1.5 million to construct drinking water system improvements that address public health threats, providing the state match for \$7.5 million in federal funds.

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$15,662,500 representing \$12.5 million in principal and \$3,162,500.00 in interest (assuming interest at 4.60 percent over 10 years).

A "yes" vote would allow the state to bond \$15.5 million for use on environmental issues, dealing mainly with water pollution and drinking water cleaning improvements, as well as tire stockpiles and hazardous waste discharges. It also makes the state eligible for a total of \$23 million in matching federal funds.

Question 5 — Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$9.4 million bond issue for the conversion to digital broadcasting by the Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$11,778,200 representing \$9.4 million in principal and \$2,378,200 in interest (assuming interest at 4.60 percent over 10 years)

A "yes" vote would allow the state to bond \$9.4 million to allow Maine Public Broadcasting System to convert to a new, government required, digital signal that would allow MPBC to continue broadcasting past the government's required date for conversion to a digital signal.

Question 6 — Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$26,420,000 bond issue for infrastructure improvements at Maine's seven technical colleges that must be matched by at least \$7 million of private or in-kind donations?

Total estimated lifetime cost is

\$33,104,260.00 representing \$26,420,000 in principal and \$6,684,260 in interest (assuming interest at 4.60 percent over 10 years).

A "yes" vote would allow the state to bond \$26.4 million to improve Maine's seven technical colleges (such as Eastern, Southern, and Central Maine Technical Colleges). Bonding this money requires that at least \$7 million is matched by private or in-kind donations.

Question 7 — Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$50 million bond issue to purchase public lands and easements statewide from willing sellers for conservation, water access, outdoor recreation, including hunting and fishing, wildlife and fish habitat and farmland preservation, to be matched by \$25 million in private and public contributions?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$79,250,000 representing \$50 million in principal and \$26,250,000 in interest (assuming interest at 5.00 percent over 10 years).

A "yes" vote would allow the state to bond \$50 million to purchase public land from those who are willing to sell for conservation, water access, outdoor recreation and wildlife preservation. The bond would be matched by \$25 million in private and public contributions.

Question 8 — Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to require that a petition for a people's veto be voted on at the next statewide or general election, rather than at a special election?

Currently, Maine's constitution requires that a petition for people's vote be held at a special election, usually when no other votes are to be cast. Voting "yes" would amend the constitution so that any petitions for people's vote are held during a statewide or general election, to improve voter turnout on these special issues.

Question 9 — Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to allow for reduced property taxes on property that will be maintained for historic preservation or for scenic views of significant vistas?

A "yes" vote on this amendment would lower property taxes for lands that are historical preservations or scenic views of important sites.

COMMUTER/NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT

ARTIST'S RECEPTION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1999

5:00-7:00 PM NUTTER LOUNGE,

MEMORIAL UNION

•Come meet the artist, Bernice Cross, and see her paintings.

•Refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by the Non-Traditional/Commuter Services Center for the Students and Community Life



Greeks

from page 2

• The sisters also support the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program, Manna soup kitchen and Pi Beta Phi's national philanthropy, the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts.

Pi Kappa Alpha

• PIKE volunteers regularly at Hirundo Wildlife Refuge, which included raking, painting bird houses, blazing trails, marking trails and more.

• The brothers also helped winterize doors for the Page Farm on campus.

Rally

from page 1

Currently, more than 95 percent of all abortions are performed in the first 15 weeks of pregnancy, and only two partial-birth abortions have been performed in Maine in the last 15 years.

About 15 students and faculty members attended the noon rally. Friday's event served as a kick-off to the bigger rally, which will be held today at noon in front of the Memorial Union.

Question 3

from page 1

transportation issues," said Geoff Herman, director of the Maine Municipal Association's State & Federal Relations department. The MMA, along with several major Maine newspapers, have urged voters to vote "yes" on Question 3.

"Commerce is almost like electricity — it follows the path of least resistance," Herman said. "It only flows easily when nothing is resisting it."

Herman added that Maine's highway system had been allowed to deteriorate in the economic troubles of the early '90s, to the point where the state had "a really bad infrastructure."

Marine improvements rank third in the

budget at \$11.6 million, with \$8.9 million being invested in the Portland waterfront. Most of this money would go toward converting Bath Iron Works' Portland site to service the region as a ferry and cruise ship dock to accompany long-term plans of a convention center and other facilities. Sterns said \$20 million has already been invested in both the Searsport and Eastport facilities.

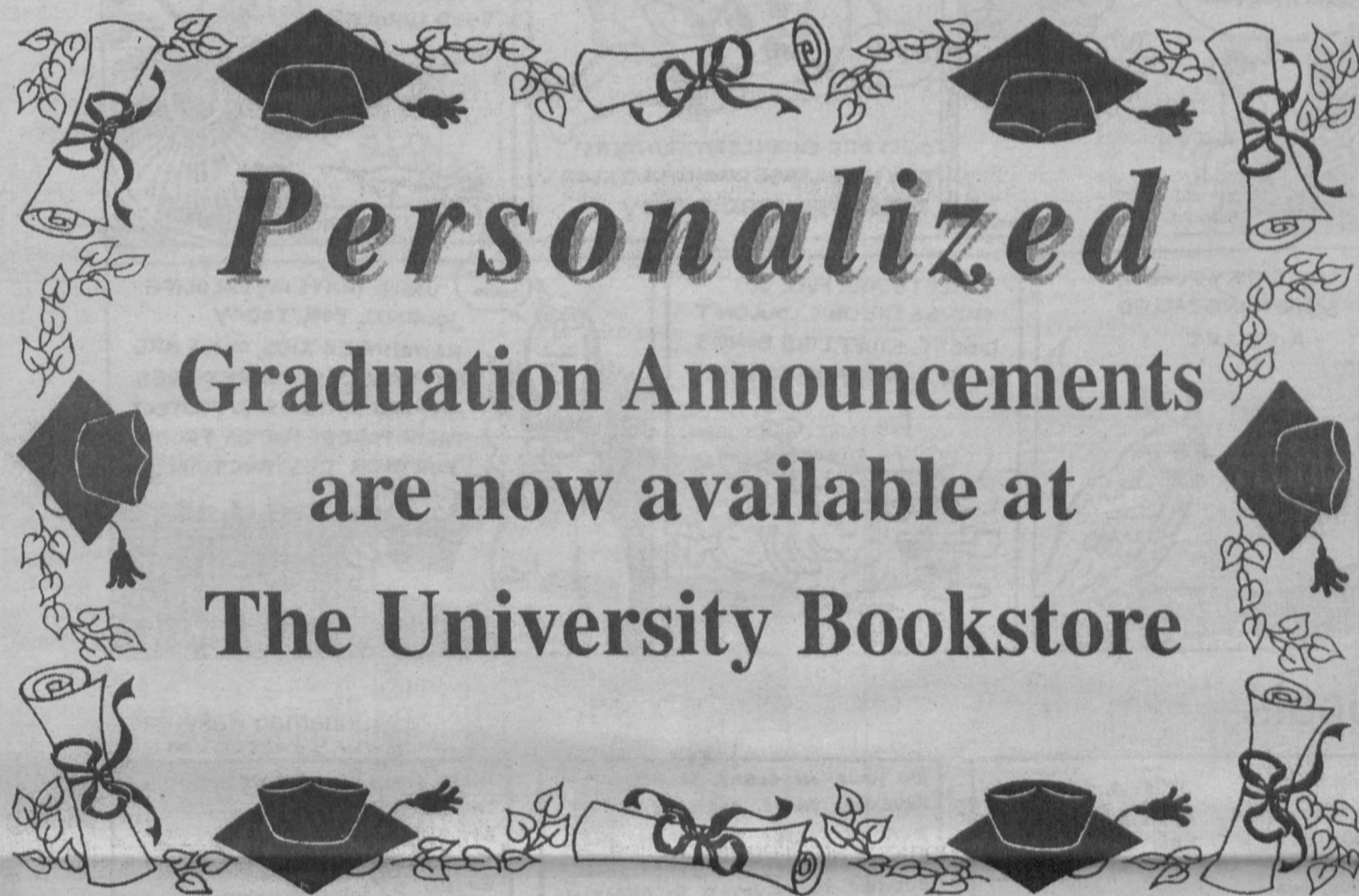
"With the withdrawal of BIW, Portland needs this capital to convert the area to a commercial system," Herman said. "This is a vital piece of Portland's waterfront re-development."

Minor investments would also be made in Bangor and Mid-coast Maine marine infrastructure.

Herman shudders to think about what would happen should the issue fail to pass.

"I don't even want to think about it ... the state road and bridge system would deteriorate fairly quickly," he said. "The state would have a very hard time moving funds down to communities."

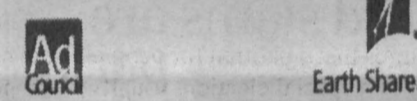
Sterns said he is confident that Question 3 will pass, but added that if it did not, "the projects on this bond are so important that the legislature would immediately regroup to find out what we had done wrong."



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DON'T BUY THE LIE

vote NO on 1

- If the question one referendum passes, almost ALL abortions in Maine will be illegal.
- It's intentionally vague and confusing.
- "Partial-Birth Abortion" is not a medical term or procedure.
- Late-term abortions are ALREADY illegal in Maine.

RESIDENTS OF ORONO & CAMPUS VOTING SITES

- DTAV
- American Legion
- Orono Fire Station

*residents of other towns, contact town office.

respect women's right to choose!

VOTER VANS

shuttles to DTAV from 9:30-7:30pm. Stops include dorms, dining commons and the Union. Hop on the bus! Register on voting day 2-8pm w/student ID.

voting day Tuesday, November 2nd

* sponsored by the student women assn.

Entertainment

Mr. GNU

NEIGHBOR'S WILDLIFE JOURNAL ENTRY #18 OWLS!

MOST OWLS ARE NOCTURNAL, AT DUSK THEY GET OUT OF BED AND GO SEARCH FOR FOOD

OUCH!

OWLS ARE EXCELLENT HUNTERS! THEY HAVE LARGE POWERFUL TALONS FOR GRIPPING THEIR PREY

DID YOU KNOW OWLS EAT MOST FOOD WHOLE?

LATER THEY PUKE UP SOMETHING CALLED A PELLETT

ACK!

PELLETS ARE FULL OF THINGS THE OWL COULDN'T DIGEST, STUFF LIKE BONES HAIR AND EYEGLASSES

WELL THAT'S MY WILDLIFE JOURNAL FOR TODAY. REMEMBER KIDS, OWLS ARE EXTREMELY SEXY CREATURES AND IT'S UP TO US TO PROTECT THEIR FOREST HOMES FROM FURTHER DESTRUCTION!

Goats

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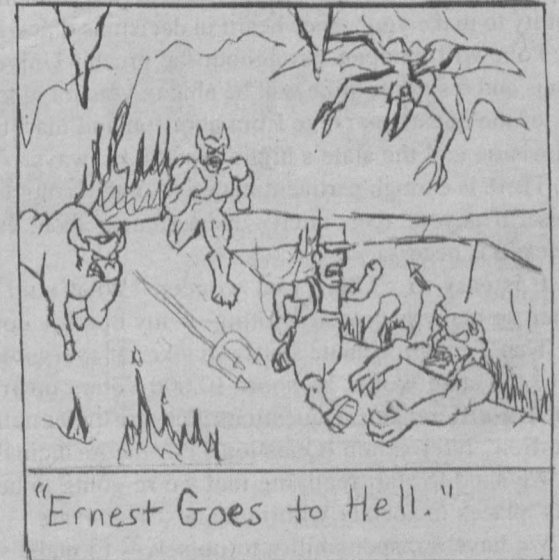
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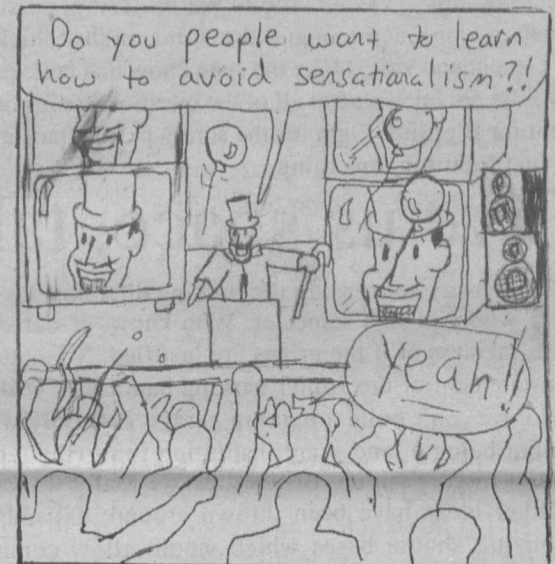
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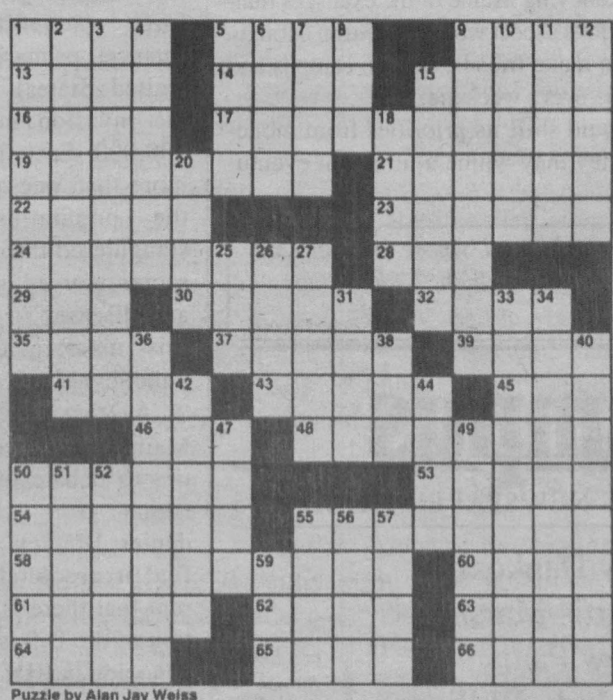
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EDITORIAL

Take a stand on Nov. 2

This Tuesday shouldn't be a standard weekday for anyone on campus. Sure, it is only Nov. 2, and you may be scrambling to rush to your 9:30 a.m. lab. However, this Tuesday is different from most others in that you'll have the ability to make your voice heard in decisions that will affect the way this state is run.

Polls will be open throughout the greater University of Maine area, where students and residents alike will be able to vote on nine referendum questions. The topics of the questions range from abortion and marijuana issues to the fates of public television and the state's highways and by-ways.

There is enough pertinent material on the ballot to light a fire under anyone with a pulse. If anyone feels utterly dispassionate about every issue being posed, maybe a checkup is necessary.

It is easy to sit back and wonder, "What kind of effect could I possibly have when so many people are voting — my opinion doesn't count?"

That's an unfortunate stance to take. If everyone on campus held that same position, the state would be short 10,000 voters up front. Surely 10,000 votes could make a difference on questions that are potentially as tight as the "partial-birth abortion" referendum (Question 1) or the medicinal marijuana issue (Question 2).

We need to start realizing that we're going to be the adults taking over our parents' places in society within the next few years.

We have a responsibility to ourselves to make sure we don't leave college facing problems we could have avoided by walking to DTAV one cold Tuesday and checking off "yes" or "no." We're losing passion for our problems. Captain America won't come in and throw his mighty shield to protect us forever.

Get out and vote. Make the state know that college students have valuable opinions. If you're not interested in all of the questions, focus on one specific issue. Fight for pot. Fight for Big Bird. Fight for the sorely lacking pavement on the Bennoch Road.

Just fight for something.

Give us space, take the cars

Intensity concerning the parking dilemma has been on the steady climb for the whole of this semester. Who knows if our campus has reached a climax of laziness or if the gripes are justified. No matter, it is still a dilemma. With the re-instatement of the winter parking ban things will only become worse.

No, we can't build a parking garage. Not only would a garage be a horrible eyesore but being a land-grant institution limits the type of building and placement of buildings we construct. Besides, do we really want to become another UMass?

Other ideas have been thrown around: expanding the existing parking lots or organizing shuttle buses which would allow commuters to park off campus. For some reason, however, the most promising solution is being avoided like the plague.

Freshmen don't need cars. Almost all major universities in the country deny this privilege to incoming freshmen and they also require that the student live on campus for their first year. UMaine concerns itself only with preserving tuition dollars by not ruffling the feathers of out-of-state student drivers.

It would be quite remarkable if out-of-state enrollment dropped dramatically simply because students would have to bum rides for a year. What the university doesn't realize is that this solution would be beneficial in numerous ways besides just freeing up space.

To start, it would be a bonus for the environment. Relieving Maine of the exhaust of hundreds of cars cannot be seen negatively. The public relations aspect would be reason enough. Not to mention that freshmen would be encouraged to make friends, stay on campus and create new activities locally instead of leaving for home every weekend.

This solution seems obvious. If only UMaine would shift its priorities from monetary to sensibility. Freshmen don't need cars. Sure they may whine a little, but eventually they'll learn to walk.

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• Letters to the Editor

• Take a stand against terror

To the Editor:

In the Oct. 25 issue of The Maine Campus Dilnora Azimova wrote a long article — on East Timor. While I was glad to see such coverage; I was appalled to find some glaring historical inaccuracies. She writes, "After the annexation of the province from Portugal in 1975, Indonesia financed East Timor to build its poor infrastructure economy, helping to educate most of its population." Indonesia invaded East Timor in 1975 with an overwhelming military force (supported and financed primarily by the United States). During the invasion more than 200,000 East Timorese, more than one quarter of the population, were slaughtered through massacres, forced starvation and disease. To overlook this mass genocide is unbelievable.

As the University of Maine community continues to debate the speech rights for Holocaust denier Bradley Smith, I find it absolutely abhorrent that there is no mention of the U.S. supported genocide in East Timor. I do not blame Azimova by any means. I blame her sources. The U.S. media tends to "overlook" such atrocities when they reflect poorly on our foreign policy. Sometimes genocide can slip down a "memory hole," as it were.

I urge everyone to educate himself or herself on the situation in East Timor. Don't take it from

me. Begin by examining some alternative sources for news other than Disney (ABC), Westinghouse (CBS) and General Electric (NBC). For example, check out the Web site for Z magazine (www.Znet.org), or the Fair/Extra media watchdog site (www.fair.org), or go to the library and read The Nation. Get involved. There are numerous groups on campus devoted to issues of peace and justice. Take a stand against terror.

Joe Dinan,
Old Town

• Southern hospitality overlooked

To the Editor:

I recently picked up the Oct. 25 issue of The Maine Campus ... the first that I had ever thumbed through ... and was so appalled that I had to write this letter. I have never read a more self indulgent article than the one Andrea Page wrote entitled "Home

Sweet Home."

It pains me that she was unable to use a program intended to expand cultural experiences to gain more than the idea southerners exist only to be the brunt of a northern elitist joke. According to Page, the only worth while things about living below the Mason-Dixon line is football, a job at McDonalds and a warm winter. It is a shame that her cultural program did not teach her to appreciate the beautiful willow and cypress trees, and the genteel quality of southern life.

Did Page bother to try and adjust to the culture, or simply spend five months there with her northern nose in the air?

In conclusion ... yes, cultural differences between the north and the south are rampant. It is a shame that Page was not able to appreciate the cultural experience she was offered, or the incredible opportunity she misused.

Katherine Shuhy,
Bangor

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OPINION

• Tuning out the boob-tube

Reasons to hate television

By Aaron Plourde

There are several reasons why I hate television. First of all, almost everything on the boob-tube is mindless junk. A prime example is Jerry Springer. I can't believe people watch that show. "Mothers who are in love with their step-sons, next on Jerry Springer." Come on folks, give me a break!

Then there are the wonderful soap operas that litter afternoon programming. I've often wondered why people enjoy these daytime dramas. The only conclusion I've come to is that soap operas make people feel better about their own lives. We see these characters cheating on each other, lying to each other and unhappy until they succeed in sleeping with everyone on the show.

Unfortunately, Jerry Springer and soap operas are not the most annoying facets of TV. No, that crown belongs to the commercials.

There are all kinds of commercials out there, from infomercials, multisegment commercials, to comedic commer-

cial. Now don't get me wrong, some commercials are entertaining and humorous. I thought the Budweiser frogs were funny the first 10 million times I saw them. Then they came up with the ingenious idea to add lizards and a weasel. A weasel who sings? Is that comedy?

Looking for something to do on a Friday night? Well, pull up a chair, there's an infomercial on, I guarantee it. My favorite have been the Ginsu ads. They would talk about the knives for hours, informing us all about how they could cut through four feet of pure steel. We would be in trouble if slicing through metal with a kitchen knife is truly a necessity. Yet, by the end of the commercial I wish I had one, too.

Although all commercials become irritating after time, the one element of television advertisements that has always been terrible, is the local commercial.

Imagine watching a program that for once is entertaining or informative, and then just as you are drawn into the show, bam, a local commercial interrupts. It's like getting laid

and then your mother walks in. Everything is ruined. Local commercials always seem to have the same common elements: cheesy jingles, monotone announcers and graphics straight from the '80s. My favorites are the Sid Porter ads. The guy yells at the camera "Come on down to Sid Porter's, we have the best deals in Maine!" I hate when someone hollers at me. For that exact reason, I would never buy a car at Sid Porter's.

Why do we watch so much TV? In part because it is the one thing we can count on in this world. If your date dumps you, there's always MTV. If your bored, there is always McGuyver or Baywatch re-runs. I think we need to get off our couches and try something new for a change. Maybe learn how to play the guitar or crochet. If all else fails don't worry, I guarantee the Home Shopping Network will still be on.

Aaron Plourde is a sophomore business major with a minor in "the ladies."

• Bench Mentality

Join the citizens league of logic

By Jason Canniff

I am a solitary man in a hostile universe. Flanked on all sides by leftists, rightists, feminists, the Godless and the smitten power of Allah himself, I am lost within a cesspool sea of doublespeak and verbatim when trying to take an intelligent angle on Question 1: "An Act to Ban Partial Birth Abortion." Even my front yard, Coombs Park, is littered with their art projects. They, the proprietors of the \$20 word, believe that with some construction paper, a stake, trusty tools and a catchy phrase, that I will float with that sea current toward their shore.

Ah, but we of good vision have steered clear of shoddy roadside politics in the direction of common sense. So, even if you have bad vision, splash some holy water on your face, take out your reading glasses and look closely at what you have written. Pull up a chair. Let's read:

"Do you want to ban a specific abortion procedure to be defined in law, except in cases where the life of the mother is in danger?"

Now re-read it with as many times as you have patience for. Got questions? You should.

Your weekend friends say that Question 1 is "a narrowly focused proposal that protects the health of women and the lives of children."

Your enemies say that "the vaguely worded referendum is a thinly veiled attempt to kill all abortion rights by focusing on an obscure medical practice rarely used in Maine."

Let's pretend that the proponents and opponents of question one aren't part of an interest group. Let's pretend that the Campus Crusade for Christ and the Student Women's Association don't sit on polar opposites of each other on the rhetorical totem pole. Let's pretend, for just a moment, that you are an individual, autonomous of any outside influence - capable of good vision and good driving.

Now re-read the question. You may come up with some questions. Yours may be "What the hell does that mean?" Mine may be "Under what circumstances may the mother's life be in danger?" Then you would ask, "What about overly-obese women who get raped - who do not know until it is too late? Would they fall

under this legislation?"

Being a college student, you have access to the Internet, and you could log onto www.ourchoice.com for one side, and then www.calmaine.org for the other. Then you would read the "Maine Citizen's Guide to Election Day Nov. 2, 1999," to find the exact wording, definitions, rabble and babble in subsection 1597-B of Question 1, and then you would ask, "Exactly how long did it take to write this question?" An issue of pro-choice, pro-life, Good God, Bad Pagan has simply turned into an issue of diction, of decent political writing.

I assure you that author, master of that \$20 word, has taken advanced courses in politics, augmented with a daily rub of pig-Latin, creamed over with love, scripture and constituency.

This in mind, I invite you to quit paying dues to the Christian Civic League of Maine, the Maine Right to Life Committee, or your weekly tithe to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Maine. Stop shaving your head on the back steps of Fernald Hall in the name of the Maine Choice Coalition. I implore you all to pull yourselves above the water, take a step out of the borders of perpetual influence, and test the pH level of the seas outside your major, your church, your present horizons.

So, join "The Coalition of the League of Citizens for Common Sense", an age-old nonprofit group - a no dues, no constituency, no contingency. Blessed with bifocals and good peripheral vision, members will drown roadside politics under the weight of self-reliance and intelligence, providing a clearer view of what the University of Maine, and ultimately Mainers, really believe in a hostile universe.

Jason Canniff is a junior English major and also a photographer for The Maine Campus.

• What do you believe?

Age old questions on religion

By Marc Asch and Debra Hatch

Question: What religion do you consider yourself a member of, if any?

Marc: My family belongs to the Reform Jewish movement. Although I am proud to be Jewish, I am not very active in any synagogue, and I have agnostic and atheistic leanings.

Debra: I'm a United Methodist with generally conservative views on how much religion should be a part of people's lives.

Q: How do you feel about organized religion?

M: If religion gives people a personal sense of meaning, then it's good for them.

D: I think there are still a lot of kinks to work out of organized religion, but the benefits it provides are far greater than not having it out there for people.

Q: What does religion offer to people?

M: It gives us a sense of identity. A meaning.

D: Religion offers people something to believe in. It's very hard to find something that will help you through life, lean on when you are in trouble or guide you to finding your true self.

Q: How do you feel about the campus religious groups?

M: During orientation, a member of Campus Crusade for Christ tried to recruit me. The name of the group in itself is scary. However, since then I have met several members of this group and have found them, surprisingly, to be among the nicest, most accepting, people at the university.

D: I'm pleased to see such a broad variety. They offer students on campus the chance to make their own decisions about their faith journey and also allow for a support system and new look at old issues.

Q: Do you think religion has a place on campus?

M: If people want to pray, it's their God-given right. (Alternately, it is a right given by their Goddess, gods, Jesus, Satan, Allah, Buddha, Jehovah, the great big nothing in the sky, Mother Nature, the Big ol' stanky boot in the sky or whatever else one may believe in.)

D: Definitely. I think that if these groups, including the pagans, were excluded from being able to gather and share their ideas, feelings and beliefs many people would still be lost and searching for something to make them whole. Religion is a segment of society that has been around since the beginning of time.

Q: Do you think public schools should have religion classes?

M: Hell, no. It is wrong to force religion upon people. Such activities should be reserved for Sunday School.

D: I would love to see classes offered to high school and middle school students which talk about the whole spectrum of religions and a sampling of their beliefs.

Final Thoughts:

M: Throughout history religion has been used as a method to justify many despicable acts. It still is today. Telling someone "God says its OK." is a great excuse. However, religion is not all bad. Religion can also be used to motivate people to do good deeds and to strive for a higher level of humanity. If it helps people to find meaning and value in their lives, then it is a good thing.

D: Religion is supposed to be very personal. The main goal as a Christian is to love everyone, despite their differences and faults, since God loves us all. I urge people to keep an open mind when they see people sharing the word of God with those who may not believe. The man giving out Bibles by the Union is simply trying to spread a message which you don't have to listen to if you don't like what he is saying.

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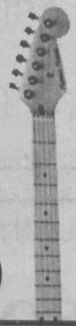
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STYLE & ARTS



• Bear's Den

Apartment Three shines with soul, energy

By Hannah Jackson
For the Maine Campus

On Thursday night, Boston's Apartment Three took the stage at the Bear's Den, to promote their new album, "Smiles from the Ashtray." The show began at 9 p.m., and while few people were in the audience, this had no effect on the blues, rock/pop music of Apartment Three.

The three founding members of the band: Dan MacMillan (guitar-vocals), Fran Castagnetti Jr. (percussion), and Nik Chisholm (guitar-vocals), all attended high school together and the other two members, Bill Egan (bass) and Jeff Bellucci (electric guitar) came to the band in 1998 and 1999. The group sounded amazing, just as good as the CD, which can be a rare occurrence these days with all the studio-created voices out there.

The band looks like a bunch of college guys, but plays like professionals. Despite the meager audience, they remained energetic and happy, as though it was a full house at Fox Woods. It was obvious that the band loves what they do. Halfway through the show, the guys of Apartment Three interacted with the audience.

"If anyone can tell me where some 'festivities' are after the show, then let me know," Chisholm said.

Though the audience was small, there was still the token drunkard. He yelled things to the band carelessly, and the response was equally funny: "Hey thanks!



Thursday night at the Bear's Den guitarist Dan MacMillan and bassist Bill Egan, members of the band Apartment Three, performed in front of a large crowd of students. (Anne Malcolm photo.)

Even if it's mock enthusiasm, we'll take it!" Chisholm said.

The show wasn't a dolled up spectacle, or a coffee house-like, laidback show. It was an energetic and fun show, where a band displayed their great talent and still-intact humbleness. They are just a band trying to get people to know who they are, and working as hard as

possible to do so.

Chisholm and MacMillan are the two major extroverts of the band. They both alternated as lead singer, and the songs they each did were perfectly suited to their voices. Since the band is so new and unknown, audience members didn't really know the songs. They performed a majority of the songs from "Smiles from the

Ashtray," and it was impressive how great they sounded live.

The gum-chewing, laid back Castagnetti Jr. on drums and introverted Egan playing the bass, gave depth to the band. Jeff Belucci spoke through his Hendrix-like guitar licks with much soul

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• Music Review

Donnas break punk stereotypes

By Josh Nason
Maine Campus staff

In the field of popular music today, women often get pushed off to the side, unless you're Britney Spears or Christina Aguilera — a young, fit female willing to bare a lot of skin in order to go platinum.

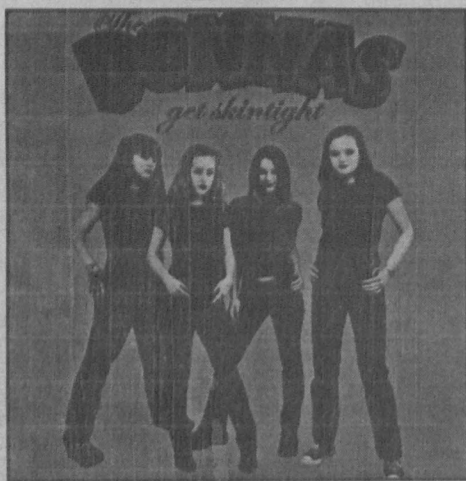
Enter The Donnas, a four-girl punk band out of Palo Alto, Calif., who don't fit any stereotypes, which is what makes their latest album, "Get Skintight," so good.

There are two real trains of thought when it comes to punk rock in the 1990s. There is commercial punk like Blink-182 or Green Day. There is old-school punk like the Sex Pistols or Operation Ivy. Then, there is young punk, best typified by participants on the Warped Tour.

The Donnas are best aligned with the latter, with some ties to the old school. The best thing about this album is the simple nature of the disc, from the lyrics to the song titles.

With names like "Get U Alone," "Get Outta My Room" and "Hot Boxin'" you know you're in for something different.

Take the album's title track, a song



about trying to pick up a guy while wearing skintight jeans. Now, this isn't any syrupy-sweet love song, but rather a song about going out to the bars and taking someone home.

Donna A (vocals), Donna R (guitar), Donna C (drums) and Donna F (bass) come together to create a sound that just isn't heard a lot today — original.

Other than a cover of Motley Crue's "Too Fast For Love," all of the material is written by the group, refreshing in today's musical world of excessive sampling and covers.

Donna R's guitar work screams of the

old days of hard rock 'n' roll best heard in a dingy bar with cheap beer, while Donna A's uncompromising vocals harken back to a young Joan Jett.

While obviously strong-minded women, they do have a submissive side. On "You Don't Wanna Call," Donna A sends out a message to someone who won't call her: (I guess I'll just stare at the wall/'Cause I know you'll never call).

Just as quick as they go from gum-chewing girls waiting for someone to call, The Donnas return to their hard-punk style in "Searching The Streets," where Donna A takes the listener on a journey through the dark alleys of a big city in the early morning "searching for fresh meat."

Like a lot of young bands, The Donnas have gone through a lot of name changes and early albums, but have come through to produce a solid effort in "Get Skintight" on a great punk label in Lookout! Records.

Anyone needing a severe attitude infusion in their music collection should definitely pick this CD up and feel what's it is like to be skintight.

Our Grade: B+

• Morse Field

High school bands play at UMaine

By Erin Dawley
For the Maine Campus

Music blared from Morse Field on Saturday night, as the Maine Band Director's Association State Marching Band Finals took place.

High schools from all over the state came here to the University of Maine to compete with each other to see who would be named state champions. The schools are split up into divisions based on number of band members.

Zero through 40 members are put into Division I, and 41 members and up are put into Division II. There is also an open division that any band can enter.

The bands all had very different styles. The Leavitt Hornets' color guard wore white masks, and all of the color guards had different colored banners that they used in their routines. The bands played music that was both fast and slow, some songs being recognizable, and others not

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• He said / She said

Romance alive in 'Tango'

By David B. Hall
and Hannah Jackson
For the *Maine Campus*

She: "Three To Tango," directed by Damon Santostefano, is an interesting romantic comedy starring Mathew Perry and Neve Campbell.

The story takes place in the windy city of Chicago. Perry plays Oscar Novak, an architect who is about to embark on a large project with his partner, Peter Steinburg (Oliver Platt). Another team of architects is also vying for the project, but it becomes obvious that Oscar's team is preferred. In fact, Charles (Dylan McDermott), his boss, likes Oscar so much that he asks him to spy on his mistress, Amy (Campbell), an artist, at a party to make sure she doesn't fool around with anyone else. But there's a catch — a rumor is going around that Oscar is gay, when in fact it is his partner Peter who is. Charles loves this and completely trusts Oscar with Amy.

Oscar loves his job and does not want to lose it because of something trivial like sexual orientation, so he keeps up the charade, which becomes painful and difficult for him because he falls for Amy.

He: Oscar is living a straight man's nightmare. I actually enjoyed this movie because it dared to stretch the romantic comedy genre. Sure, it has the classic scenes that most romantic comedies share, but the themes behind it struck me as intelligent. It is a powerful idea that a rumor can spread so heavily that the people closest to you don't even believe you. Many people have had first-hand experience with this and can relate.

She: The main reason Oscar kept it up was so he could get the \$90-million job. Now, that's a lot of money — but would you sacrifice your heterosexual manhood for that? But it was a perfect situation for Amy. She could tell Oscar anything about herself and not worry that he was thinking anything sexual about her, or so she thought.

He: In one poignant bubble bath scene, the naked but cleverly covered Amy tells Oscar about a college experience with another female. Now, what is this? Neve Campbell has done the lesbian chic thing more than once in her past movies ("Wild Things") and even her TV show ("Party of Five"). Neve, is there something you want to tell us?

She: Looks like she's subtly telling the world something, all right. I thought that Campbell was different from her usual roles in this movie. She wasn't playing her signature whiny character "Party Of Five" (Julia) and the "Scream" movies (Sidney). In a TV interview, she claims she's taking a break from teen movies. I say a romantic comedy isn't that much of a stretch, honey, but it's a start.

This was one of the few romantic comedies I've liked. The only thing is, Perry can't seem to stop playing Chandler from "Friends." He did it in "Fools Rush In," too. Enough already!

He: I was expecting Perry to play Chandler, which he did, but only to a point. As for e Campbell, she didn't stray too far from her cute, girl-next-door roles, but she did show a more assertive side, as opposed to the "Please, help me" character. In "Three to Tango," Perry is better matched.

She: From being hit on by a famous pro-football player to being "Gay Professional Man of the Year," Perry spends a full three weeks as a member of the gay community. This also was an outlet from "Friends." If you can recall a couple of seasons ago, Chandler's co-workers suspected him of being gay, when in fact he was not. There was a lack of originality here, but so what? I still liked the movie.

He: While the movie was formulaic and predictable, I feel that it is a good watch anyway because of the themes and ideas that the creators are trying to express. One major idea was how rumors can destroy a person's reputation, and how hard it is to get it back.

Another theme is a backward one. Oscar was "out of the closet," but in real-

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Apartment

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and intensity. Each player did their part, and created one unique and infectious sound called Apartment Three.

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Tango

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ity, he was in another "closet" — he wasn't gay. Oscar could not tell his boss his true sexual orientation for fear of losing his job. It usually works the other way around.

"Three to Tango" is definitely not as lame as the title suggests. Campbell and Perry are cute together, and it is

well written. I will put my official stamp of approval on this romantic comedy. But folks, this will be the only one.

His Grade: B+
Her Grade: B+
Rating: PG-13
Running Time: 98 minutes

March

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as common. Some of the bands had students who performed solo pieces in the middle of their shows.

According to Chris White, the band director here at UMaine, this is the first year that the competition has been held in Orono. White estimated that there were approximately 1,000 to 2,000 people in attendance.

When asked what the judges look at when making decisions about scoring, White said that they look at general effect, which is the overall picture, music, marching and color guard, which has its own individual sections of scoring.

Al Yesue, chief judge at the event, coordinates all of the judging assignments at the marching band competition every year.

"There are seven adjudicators that the judges look at," Yesue said. "There are two in general effect, one in music and one visual. Then there are two ensemble adjudicators, which measure how well the group plays cohesively, and also one music and one visual," Yesue said.

"There is one music and one visual for field adjudicators, which look at overall appearance, and there is one percussion adjudicator."

Yesue also said that there are some schools that win fairly regularly in each division. In Division I, All-City in Portland wins, in Division II Lewiston High School wins on a regular basis, and in the open division it's Westbrook High School, according to Yesue.

The people who come to support the marching band participants are usually parents, friends and alumni of the bands in the competition. Everyone seems to have a really good time, just enjoying the music.

"I used to be in the Lewiston High School Band, and now my brother's in it. It's sort of a family tradition. I really like coming to watch," said Jamie Bannister, a 1997 graduate of Lewiston High School. "All the bands are really good, and it's something to do on a Saturday night."

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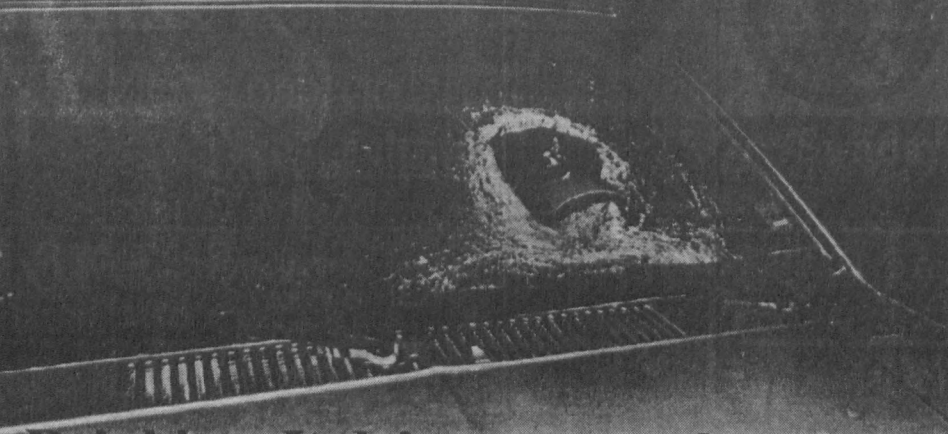
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eventual game-winner off assists from Niko Dimitrakos and Doug Janik, then returned the favor, assisting Ben Guite's goal less than four minutes later.

Dimitrakos again had the assist.

Dan Kerluke opened up the scoring in the first period off assists from Eric Turgeon and Tom Reimann. Ohio State matched in the second period on a goal from Jean-Francois Dufor.

Mike Morrison made 32 saves on 33 shots for the Bears, while Aho had 41 saves on 44 shots for the Buckeyes.

On Friday, Maine got late goals from Martin Kariya and Larose to help the Bears edge OSU 3-2.

Kariya's unassisted score at 12:36 in the third period knotted the game, and Larose's first goal of the season would be the game-winner two minutes later on assists from Matthais Trattng and Robert Liscak.

Janik scored off a Jim Leger assist in the first period to get Maine a 1-0 advantage, but OSU came back in the second with a goal from Eric Meloche and in the third from Nick Ganga that gave OSU a 2-1 lead.

Matt Yeats made 24 saves on 26 shots for the Bears, while Aho had 29 saves on 32 shots for OSU.

Football: Quarterback David Corley passed for two touchdowns, caught one and ran for another as William and Mary crushed the University of Maine 37-13 on Saturday in Williamsburg.

With the defeat, Maine falls to 2-6 overall and 1-4 in the Atlantic-10. The Tribe improves to 4-4 overall and 3-2 in the conference.

Corley's touchdown catch started a run of 23 straight points for W&M. After tak-

ing a 17-7 lead into the half, the Tribe scored on its first three possessions of the second half.

"They made the plays when it mattered, and we didn't," Maine head coach Jack Cosgrove said.

Royston English ran for 79 yards and one touchdown in the loss, while Brian Scott completed 22-of-43 for 249 yards and one touchdown.

Scott threw two interceptions and was sacked three times.

Phil McGeoghan led all receivers with a game-best 146 yards on 10 catches with one touchdown score.

Swimming/Diving: Maine swimmer Krystal Fogler set three school and one pool record, but it was not enough for the swimming and diving teams to defeat Central Connecticut on Saturday.

The women lost 123-105, while the men were defeated 126-113.

Fogler set records in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 52.3, broke the 50-yard freestyle mark with a time of 24.39, and had a 52.99 in the 100-free.

Fogler is the great-granddaughter of Raymond H. Fogler, a Sigma Chi brother for whom the UMaine library is named.

Sarah Guerrette, Jamie Turnage, Katie Mann and Marcy Barrows finished first in the 400 free relay.

Gene Connolly led the men, finishing first in the 1,000-yard freestyle, while Kevin Fox placed first in the 200 breaststroke.

Jamie Cunningham, Scott Osgood, Brian Forrestall and Jon Dewitt placed first in the 400 relay.

For diving, Ashley Simpson was first in both the 1- and 3-meter events for Maine.

Cross-Country: The Maine men

placed third out of nine teams at yesterday's America East cross-country Championships in Manchester, Conn., while the women's team finished fifth.

Ben Ray led Maine in 11th place with a time of 26:17.9. Gabe Rivard was 14th at 26:52.6.

Danielle Donovan was the first finisher for the women in 24th place at 19:46.2. Nicole Pelletier wasn't far behind in 26th

place.

Volleyball: Hofstra downed Maine 15-0, 15-0 and 15-0 in volleyball action on Saturday.

The Bears fall to 0-15 overall and 0-8 in America East. Jaimie Moores had three digs and three returns to lead Maine, while Leslie Taylor had four returns.

Maine will be away next weekend with games at Towson and Delaware.

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UNH

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game. Purcell picked up his hat trick five minutes into the second half. Doug Lawver knocked the ball down in front. Weymouth dove to make the save, but Lawver tapped the ball to Purcell, who put the ball into the open net.


Purcell scored twice in the final 17 minutes to ice the game for the Wildcats.

"It should be if you score two goals in this game, you have a good shot at winning it," Atherley said. "We just weren't very good defensively. Invariably, our nemesis throughout the entire match was that we got caught ball-watching on five of the six goals."

Maine outshot New Hampshire 17-15 in the game. Weymouth had four saves for Maine, while O'Neil made five stops

for New Hampshire. Prior to the start of the game, the five Maine seniors who were playing the final home game of their collegiate career were honored. Weymouth, Jeremy Palotti, Brown, Josh Carpenter, and Zach Sherry exchanged handshakes and hugs at midfield as the lineups were being announced. Maine will close out its season Tuesday afternoon at Harvard University.

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• Men's soccer

UNH rolls past Maine

By Eric Nelson

For the *Maine Campus*

On a day to honor the University of Maine's five departing seniors, a junior from New Hampshire stole the show.

Adam Purcell scored five goals as the University of New Hampshire Wildcats rolled to a 6-2 victory over the Maine men's soccer team.

"We knew he was going to be their life," Maine head coach Scott Atherley said. "He is the heart and soul of their team."

Ricky Brown had a goal and an assist for Maine. Aaron Benjamin also scored a goal, and Mike Manfre added an assist. For New Hampshire, Zach Zeldner scored a goal, and Drew Ferrigno and Jay Heimgartner each had two assists.

The Black Bears (2-11-2 overall) finished their America East schedule with a record of 1-7-1, placing them last in the conference.

Maine came out with determination from the start of the game, pressuring the Wildcats and controlling the flow of play. They had several great chances to take the lead early in the game. Benjamin took a long pass from Brown, but his shot sailed just wide of the New Hampshire goal. Later, Brown streaked past the New Hampshire defenders, but goalkeeper Shaun O'Neil dove to his right and

deflected the shot wide of the net.

"The difference in the game is that we had four or five golden opportunities in the first 15 minutes of the game," Atherley said. "I felt that if we capitalized on those chances, then the game could have been over in the first 20 minutes."

New Hampshire withstood Maine's early pressure and opened the scoring 21 minutes into the game. Purcell fired a shot that was blocked by a Maine defender, but he regained control of the ball and shot it past goalkeeper Aaron Weymouth. Purcell doubled New Hampshire's lead 14 minutes later with his second goal of the game on an assist by Ferrigno.

Undaunted, the Black Bears mounted a furious rally. With less than four minutes to go in the first half, Benjamin took a pass from Brown, raced toward the goal, and fired a shot past O'Neil.

Brown tied the game less than two minutes later. He took a pass from Manfre, dribbled past the New Hampshire defenders, and rifled a low shot into the net.

"To our credit, we battled back in the first half to get it even at 2-2 with two late goals, so it was a brand new game," Atherley said.

The new game soon turned into the old

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Cassidy

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Chantal Macream had the honor of backing up Amy Vachon and proving to be one of the team's sparkplug players.

The sophomores earn clout this season with the strength that they brought to the team in their freshman year.

Lacey Stone, Tracy Guerrette, Eva Moldre and Andrea Pardia return after a successful season with the Bears last year. All four are very aggressive, smart and quick with the ball.

The incoming youngsters, Anna James, Pam Cruz and Christy Grover have proven thus far to be key components to the team.

"I really want to bring a strong work ethic and positive energy to the team," James stated. "I can't wait to step out on

the court and see all those fans."

Maine head coach Joanne Palombo-McCallie talks of her team with smiles and tons of faith and confidence.

"We have a great group of women, really motivated," Palombo said. "The only thing in question is the role of leadership. The two seniors that we lost had great leadership and now we just need the other girls to step up."

"We have a great schedule," she said. "Every year we want to play the best to give ourselves the best opportunity. We have lots of great opponents and not to mention the conference will be stronger than ever this year."

The Bears will play their first home game against Boston College on Nov. 15.

Bears

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with less than two minutes remaining to cut the lead in half. Raffi Wolf also received an assist on the play.

The goal served as a wake up call for the Black Bears, who came out flying in the third period. Concordia goalie Jessika Audet stepped up, turning away all 10 shots she faced in the period. Concordia got an insurance goal on the power play with 8:12 left from Lisa Svirsky and survived a late UMaine power play to secure the win.

Despite the loss there were some positive developments for Maine.

Cronin turned in her second consecu-

tive solid performance in net, recording 28 saves. The sophomore line of Sara Caza, Esther Granville and Jennie Howell clicked as well. The Black Bears learned they can play with an elite team, even after a lackluster start.

The Maine women will take the preseason lessons into conference play this weekend. Maine opens its conference schedule with a pair of games at Niagra beginning on Saturday afternoon at 3. These two split a pair of games last season and Niagra comes into this weekend's action ranked 8th in the current ECAC poll.

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• Women's Basketball

Cassidy and Co. hoping to get to next level



Jamie Cassidy will be the centerpiece of Maine's "triple threat," along with Amy Vachon and Kristen McCormick. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

By Heather Day
For the *Maine Campus*

For the University of Maine women's Basketball Team, it's season number two without Cindy Blodgett.

And the team has never looked better. With the loss of graduating seniors Andrea Clark and Kelly Bowman, the Bears gain three freshmen and a whole lot of positive attitude and leadership.

Leading the group are seniors Amy Vachon, Jamie Cassidy, Katie Clark, and Kristen McCormick.

The goals for the team are the same each year, to make the America East championships and then the NAAs, and come in with tons of positive attitude and energy.

Clark, having had problems with her foot in the past couple of seasons, is back, healthy, and ready to lead the Bears through a tough and grueling schedule.

Cassidy, who was the fifth leading scorer in the nation last season, returns as the 1999 ECAC and America East Player of the Year. Her height, skill and talent as one of the best on the court have made it difficult for anyone to guard her.

"We have a great team, we're excited and it's going to be a great season," Cassidy said. "I can't wait to get started."

Kristen McCormick hopes to return to her form of last season, where she was fifth in the nation with a three-point field goal percentage of 45.2.

"Things are looking better than last year," McCormick said. "We've just got to beat the best to be the best. I think we have a good shot to hit the top 25 and stay there."

Point guard Amy Vachon returns to the

lineup with her record of fourth in the nation with 8.1 assists per game and of breaking her own record for assists in a season with 234.

"We had a long pre-season and I can't wait to get on the court," Vachon said. "It's definitely going to be hard to let this all go come May."

The juniors will have no trouble taking over some of the leadership roles due to their success last season.

Martina Tinklova was third on the team last season in scoring with 10.2 points per game.

Kizzy Lopez was deemed one of the most improved players of last season, coming through during key moments during the season. She also received the third best rebound average on the team.

"I'm really looking forward to pursuing championships," Lopez said. "The team is great; the atmosphere, how well we communicate and get along. I'm really excited about the team."

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1999

• Field hockey

Maine wins last two to close season

By David McDuffie
For the *Maine Campus*

In what marked the final game for four Maine seniors, the women's field hockey team made the most of it by shutting out the University of Delaware 2-0 on Sunday afternoon.

In a ceremony before the game, the team honored its senior leaders, Danielle Burke, Briana Banks, Shannon Clifford and Lisa Curtis, before upsetting the slightly favored Blue Hens.

"It was very emotional," said Maine head coach Terry Kix. "We played extremely hard and intense the entire game. We just wanted to win for the seniors."

After a first half that saw neither team reach the scoreboard, Maine recorded the game's first goal on a Jennifer Johnson goal assisted by Shannon Clifford. They increased their lead to two goals later in the period on the game's final goal by Kristi Knights, who ended the season leading the team in goals scored with seven.

"This was an emotional win for us," said Knights after the game. "The seniors have worked hard for four years. They deserved it."

With the win, Maine rapped up their season in impressive fashion winning their final two games by a combined score of 6-1, while boosting their final



Maine's Shannon Clifford gets the jump on a Delaware player during Sunday's game. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

record to 9-10, 3-5 in America East contests.

"I think the team has improved vastly over the course of the season," said Kix, moments after recording the 101st victory of her nine-year career. "We played with a lot of heart," she added,

"and we're just glad to finish with a win."

Friday: The Maine women's field hockey team broke a two-game losing streak on Friday in what coach Terry Kix called "an offensive explosion" defeating Towson University by a score of 4-1.

"We've had a couple disheartening losses in the past couple of weeks," Kix said.

Maine was coming off a 1-0 loss to Northeastern on Oct. 16, and a heartbreaking overtime loss to New Hampshire on Oct. 23, in which they fell once again by the final score

of 1-0.

"I think we showed a lot of character today to come back from the loss to UNH," Shannon Clifford said.

Clifford, who was finally back to 100 percent after suffering for three weeks with a fractured elbow, scored two goals.

The first was assisted by Steph Chakmakian and Noriko Karya, with the other by Chakmakian and Briana Banks in the first period that helped Maine to a 2-0 halftime lead.

Maine wasted no time at the outset of the second half padding their lead with a goal scored by Kristi Knights off of a Jen Johnstone assist just 16 seconds into the period.

Maine scored again with a goal by Kristy Ferran on Chakmakian's 3rd assist of the day giving them a 4-0 lead with 11:57 to play.

Towson's Joanne Engstrom was able to prevent the shutout when she scored her team's first and only goal with only 7:26 remaining.

The impressive victory gave Coach Kix her 100th during her nine-year career and the team momentum heading into their final game on Sunday vs. Delaware.

"We were just glad to get the victory," Kix said. "We want to finish strong and keep up our confidence."

• Women's Hockey

Bears lose to Canadian champs

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The University of Maine learned some valuable lessons about special teams play in their home opener on Friday at the Alford Arena.

The Black Bears gave up two power play goals and couldn't convert on their four power play opportunities in dropping a 3-1 exhibition decision to Canadian champion, Concordia of Quebec.

Coach Rick Filighera was prophetic early in the week in stating that his team needed to improve on their special teams play if they hoped to win games

against high-caliber opponents.

Concordia exploited Maine's weakness, scoring on two-of-three power plays and killing off two key Black Bear woman advantage situations in the third period enroute to the win.

Assistant coach Shantal Gammie noted that Maine "came out a little tentative."

Indeed, Maine had posted an eye-popping 90 shots on goal in their previous two victories, yet managed only four first-period shots on Friday.

Conversely, the visitors were skating well and peppered Black Bear goalie Mandy Cronin with 15 shots. Cronin was up to the

task, making several sparkling stops throughout the period and allowing her teammates to stay in the game.

Maine was nearly headed to the locker rooms at the break with a scoreless tie despite a sluggish start when their hearts were broken.

With a little under two minutes remaining in the first, Maine was penalized for too many women on the ice. The Black Bears seemed close to weathering the storm when Concordia's Annie Boucher scored with just 16 seconds remaining in the period for a 1-0 lead.

The second period proved

equally frustrating. The Bears played more disciplined hockey, allowing the visitors just six shots on net.

However, Leanne Martell potted the eventual game-winner at the 13:43 mark to give the visitors a 2-0 lead. Maine again had trouble getting shots on net, posting only six themselves. This caused Filighera to shake up his lines in an attempt to find an effective scoring combination.

The strategy payed off as Colleen Baude scored on a feed from Kira Misikowetz, who had been centering a different line,

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Men's Hockey: The University of Maine continues their road back to the #1 national ranking, and may get it, thanks to two big victories over Ohio State this weekend.

With the wins, Maine improves to 5-0 and will host Northeastern next Friday night in their Hockey East opener.

Ohio State falls to 2-6.

On Sunday, the Black Bears went trick-or-treating on goalie Ray Aho, scoring two goals in the second period en route to a 3-1 win.

Corey Larose scored the

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