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Roommates

Singles risk losing their lone status

By Matthew LeBlanc For the Maine Campus

Though letters were sent threatening their solitude, students holding double-single rooms on campus, will be able to keep them next semester.

According to Director of Housing Services Andy Matthews, letters were sent only to students who are currently living in a nonguaranteed double-single room. The letters notified the students that they could be assigned a roommate before or during winter term. Students are able to acquire a nonguaranteed double-single room if their roommates do not show up or if the roommate leaves during the school year.

"There's always the slight chance that someone could get assigned to you in winter term," said Matthews, in reference to the students with double-single rooms.

Matthews points out that students who requested double-single rooms at the beginning of the semester will be able to keep them. There is no possibility of the University of Maine assigning students a roommate in this circumstance.

The high demand for doublesingle rooms has continued in recent years. Matthews speculates the cause for the trend could be the fact that most first-year students have never shared a room with another person before their entrance into college.

Last year, according to Matthews, housing services guaranteed 350 double-single rooms to students, but 125 of those students canceled their requests.

"We have been pretty much meeting the demand for them [single rooms]," Matthews said.

The number of double-single rooms given to students is dependent on a number of circumstances. The size of the incoming freshman class and the architecture of the dorm itself both play a large role.

Matthews cites the fact that York and Hancock halls, both built in the 1960s, have single rooms that are nicely sized.

Other dorms might have

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· Meal fast

AIDS Day program successful

By Debra Hatch Maine Campus staff

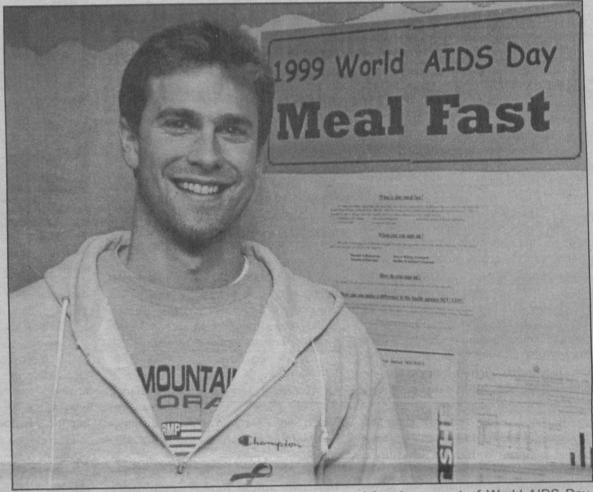
For the past 12 years, World AIDS day has been a time for citizens in every area of the world to come together with the message that AIDS and HIV are not just diseases to be worried about one day a year, but everyday.

Matthew Green, a resident assistant for Knox Hall and senior pre-med student, has been one of the leaders who has organized this year's World AIDS Day events at the University of Maine, most specifically creating bulletin board materials for residence halls on campus and the highly successful meal fast that went on today at lunch.

As an RA, Green said he is expected to either be a part of a committee on campus, or work on a special project for the campus community. Green chose to work on raising awareness about the threat that AIDS and HIV are, especially to students and adults.

Green said he heard of meal fasts in the past and thought it

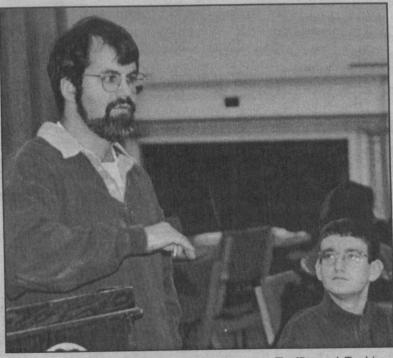
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Matt Green, an RA in Knox Hall organized today's meal fast in support of World AIDS Day. Proceeds will go to benefit the Eastern Maine AIDS Network in Bangor. (Scott Shelton photo.)

Working it out

Parking problem focus of GSS



Chet Rock from the Ad-Hoc Committee on Traffic and Parking presented several of the current plans to the General Student Senate on Tuesday night. (Scott Shelton photo.)

By Matthew LeBlanc
For the Maine Campus

The University of Maine's perennial parking problem once again took center stage as senators took their seats at the 870th meeting of the General Student Senate.

At the outset of the meeting, three clubs were approved unanimously by the members of the Senate. The clubs were the cycling club, the Maine Society of Microbiology and men's rugby.

Quickly after the completion of the approvals, GSS President Justin Kelleher asked guest speakers from the Ad-Hoc Committe on Traffic and Parking to approach the Senate.

The representatives, Chet Rock and Sean Murphy, spoke for nearly one hour on the topic that has plagued UMaine students for quite some time. They cited possible solutions to the problems and also asked for suggestions. "Parking is not a new problem on this campus," said Committee Chairman Chet Rock.

The committee outlined four scenarios that may become the future for parking on campus at the university. The first of the scenarios, which was met with visible dismay from all who were present, was to "continue with the way we're going now," according to Rock.

The second of the scenarios was to begin a tiered parking system. With this system, students would pay a fee and then

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Steiners to perform first concert

By Kelly Michaud For the Maine Campus

Music will ring out across the University of Maine campus when the Maine Steiners perform their first headlined concert tomorrow night.

Beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Hauck Auditorium, the all men's a cappella ensemble will be joined by guest

"I guarantee any person would like something that the Steiners have to offer,"

"It will also be the first time the whole UMaine campus has the ability to hear us sing," added Varney.

In addition to preparing for the concert, the group has been practicing for the Best of College A Cappella competition. The Steiners are one of six groups chosen

"It was the first time we sang that arrangement and for such a large group of people." Dominick Varney

Renaissance, a newly formed women's a cappella group.

"The Steiners have a whole different repertoire — a vocal band with a new sound," said Dominick Varney, business manager of the group, as well as a thirdyear member. "This is the first time all our songs will be compiled into one concert."

The Steiners have performed with the University Singers and at multiple functions, including singing for the Page Farm Society, the UMaine Open House series, the Bangor Health Jam and singing the national anthem at UMaine's seasonopening men's hockey game.

"It was the first time we sang that arrangement and for such a large group of people," Varney said about the national anthem performance.

Tomorrow's performance will showcase music that will be on the group's third album, "Bust It," which is scheduled for release in late January 2000. Proceeds from the show, which costs \$3 for general admission and \$2 with a MaineCard, will be applied toward production and recording costs of the CD.

"[The Steiners] offer vocal music unlike any other group on campus," said Matthew B. Small, a first-year member of the group. "We perform music from contemporary artists such as Seal, Goo Goo Dolls, Third Eye Blind, James Taylor and others.

from the New England area to compete for a spot at the national level.

"All [a cappella] groups in New England were weeded down to six and will perform live and compete on stage," said Steiner Jacob Pelletier.

"The December concert will be a great opportunity to showcase the talent at the university and give us backing to do wellat the competition," added Thomas Clark, a second-year student and Steiner.

The Steiners have a long tradition at

According to Daniel Williams, Assistant Director of Admissions, "The Maine Steiners was an all men's a cappella group that was around during the 50's

"In 1988, a group of guys from the University Singers formed an all male a cappella group. We simply called ourselves 'The Octet," Williams said.

"One of the guys [Michael Martin] who served as the music director, found out about the Maine Steiners through a contact at the Alumni Association," he said. "We adopted the name in 1989 and there has existed a Maine Steiners ever since."

"Our primary purpose was to have fun and enjoy the music," Williams said. "But during the last 10 years or so, a cappella singing has exploded everywhere including college campuses. And with this



The Maine Steiners from left to right: (top) James Mullen, Nick Charron, Jacob Pelletier, Tom Clark; (middle) Matthew Small, Ben Feeney, Todd Daley; (bottom) Keith Luhmann and Dominick Varney. (Scott Shelton photo.)

explosion has come a much different sound, a much more contemporary sound.

"I think the Steiners of today reflect that changing sound of a cappella music in the United States today," Williams said. "But while the group's sound may have changed over the past few years, they still enjoy the music and have fun doing so ... and that's really what's important."

The current group is comprised of nine members, ranging in age from 19 to 23, selected through open auditions each fall to replace graduating seniors. "The number will never go higher than nine, it is already hard enough to find songs with enough parts," Varney said.

The group is led by Musical Director Nicholas Charron and includes Dominick Varney, Thomas Clark, Todd Daley, Benjamin Feeney, Keith Luhmann, Mac Mullen, Jacob Pelletier and Matthew B. Small.

"Everyone will remember [the concert] - it's unique," Pelletier said. "Not many people have heard a vocal band a cappella."

"Everyone is guaranteed a good time," Varney said.

Academia

Schools rated for funds

By Chris Makarsky Cavalier Daily

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (U-WIRE) — Virginia Gov. James Gilmore, III's Blue Ribbon Commission on Higher Education, is recommending that all state public institutions of higher learning should receive funding based on how well the colleges and universities meet performance standards. So far, some university officials support the recommendation, which potentially could increase state funding and aid budget planning.

The commission's recommendation is comprised of three main categories by which schools would be judged: afford-

ability, quality and accountability. Schools that meet these qualifications will receive increased state funding or funding bonuses. Failure to reach the qualifications would result in minimal state support.

"The University of Virginia has absolutely nothing to worry about in terms of funding because the university already has very high standards," said Larry J. Sabato, government and foreign affairs professor and member of the Blue Ribbon Commission.

"A lot of the proposals set forth by the commission are not new here. Many of the measures that were in the recommen-

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Copyright Infringement

Students busted for having MP3s

By Jaime Levy The Chronicle

DURHAM, N.C. (U-WIRE) — As MP3s have become popular, concerns about copyright infringement have proliferated just like the compressed, easily transferrable digital music files. Now, a 71-student bust at Carnegie Mellon University in October, has put the issue in a new light: Should university administrators sacrifice students' privacy rights to enforce copyright laws?

Administrators at Carnegie Mellon insist that their random and unannounced MP3 search on the school's server was not a violation of the fileowners' privacy. Still, Duke officials say they will not adopt a random search policy.

"We have never followed a practice of randomly searching through individual personal folders looking for violations of any kind. I hope we never do," said Charlie Register, Duke's information technology security officer, adding that not all MP3s violate copyright laws.

According to the Office of Information Technology's security and privacy policy, "the university may find it necessary to access and disclose information from computer and network users' accounts to the extent required by law, [or] to uphold contractual obligations or other applicable university policies...."

The statement's practical effect is to allow administrators to look into students' files only if the university receives a copyright complaint from an external source,

like the Recording Industry Association of America.

"As far as randomly searching students' computers..., we should respect students' privacy," said Assistant Dean for Judicial Affairs Kacie Wallace. "But if we learn about them, we'll address them."

Trinity sophomore Nick Atchison, who said he has many MP3s available on the network, said that by making files public, students should accept potential consequences.

"I wouldn't be happy with administrators trying to bust students for having MP3s, but if a student puts it on the network, they know it will be there," he said. "They don't have any right to complain."

Carnegie Mellon administrators estimated that the Pittsburgh school has received about 12 complaints in the last year from copyright owners; in the same time span, Duke has received less than six outside referrals.

The university's policy of acting only in the face of a direct complaint is a legit-imate legal practice, said professor of law David Lange, an expert in intellectual property.

"If a university has reason to think the system is being used by someone in a way that violates the law ...," Lange said, "it is not remarkable to think a university would want to do something to protect itself in that connection."

But trolling the network at random for students illegally using MP3s, Lange said, is ethically parallel to listening in on telephone conversations.

"I'm not in favor of that kind of snooping...," he said. "Rights to privacy outweigh the possibility that someone may be discovered downloading MP3 files."

Carnegie Mellon administrators, however, argue that their search was not a privacy violation because they merely used the search methods available to students.

"[We were] not trying to break into systems," said Paul Fowler, associate dean of student affairs at Carnegie Mellon. "We were doing what any student could do sitting in a cluster ...," he said. "Students don't see it as a privacy issue when their roommate does it, but if somebody who can hold them accountable for their actions [does], they say we're violating privacy."

Administrators chose 250 student files at random; Fowler estimated that there are between 5,000 and 9,000 people on their network.

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· Stacks and scores

Legos used for admissions

By Rachel S. Weinerman Harvard Crimson

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (U-WIRE) — While most high school students depend on Number two pencils and study books to get through the SAT, a group of New York City students will get to use Legos as they face tests for college admissions.

Deborah Bial, a doctorate candidate at Harvard's Graduate School of Education, has designed a new college aptitude test centered around communication skills and small group activities — testing that includes building robots with Legos.

Nine prominent U.S. colleges have agreed to factor scores from the Bial-Dale College Adaptability Index test into their admissions decisions, and by December, some 700 New York City

public school students will have taken the test's inaugural version.

Bial's index is not meant to replace the SAT or any other current standard, Bial said, but is instead a "tool that can be used to help college admissions officers broaden the way they assess and admit applicants."

Bial described the test as a series of interactive workshops. One hundred students undergo testing at the same time, in groups of 10 or 12. Each group takes a different test, aimed at measuring skills students need in their college careers: communication, leadership, strategic thinking and organizational skills.

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The goal isn't necessarily to finish building the robot, Bial said, but rather to demonstrate initiative and an ability to solve complicated problems.

To calculate the final score, evaluators also interview students individually.

Bial's inspiration to design the test, which is being funded by the Mellon Foundation, came as she worked to recruit students for the Posse Foundation, an organization she founded 10 years ago that helps New York City public high school students attend college.

The 700 students who applied for the Posse Foundation scholarships are those who will participate in the Bial-Dale College Adaptability Index.

After the Posse students are chosen; the

top 100 students will be admitted to nine participating universities, including Pennsylvania State, Rutgers, the universities of Michigan and Delaware, and five liberal arts colleges — Beloit, Carleton, Colorado, Grinnell and Macalester.

With a number of U.S. colleges and universities reducing or eliminating their affirmative action programs, Bial said her test was used as a way "to help continue to recruit diverse student groups."

The universities will use the results of this index "heavily but not exclusively," she said.

After the students are considered, Bial said she will track their progress throughout their college careers.

Larry A. Griffith, director of admissions at the University of Delaware, emphasized that this test will be used in addition to grades and test scores. He said he sees this as a way to identify promising students by nontraditional means.

"We're pretty excited about partici-

pating in this research," he said.

According to Griffith, the research will be used to determine whether "life experience, motivation and potential to work well in groups" can be "measured and quantified."

Although Bial said all the universities involved are excited that there might be a new way to assess students' merit, University of Michigan spokeswoman Julie Peterson, said that participation in this study will not affect the overwhelming majority of applicants who do not submit results from Bial's test.

Gary A. Orfield, professor of education and social policy at GSE and Bial's academic adviser, said that this program is still "in its very early stages," and questions remain about what value the test will ultimately have in the admissions process.

But, Griffith said, the research made possible by Bial's work is a "wonderful opportunity ... that deserves to be looked at very seriously."

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Fowler said that the administration's intention was not to bust students, but to develop a "snapshot assessment" of network culture; the analysis was sparked by four complaints about MP3-sharing in the span of a week.

Still, once the school knew about the infractions, it had to respond. The 71 students caught with illegal MP3s in their files lost in-room access for the rest of the semester; 53 of the students attended an information session about copyright law, reducing their punishment to four weeks.

Given the controversy surrounding Carnegie Mellon's search, Fowler said, the school is not likely to conduct anything similar in the future. Instead, the school will beef up education programming and clarify its policies about network use.

"We have to completely change the way we operate ...," Fowler said. "We had created a culture of complacency where students believed they could violate the law with no ramifications."

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be able to park in choice spots around the campus. For a lesser fee, the student would have a choice of less-desirable parking.

Third on the list of choices was the ever-controversial parking garage. With the garage, the representatives said, all green areas of the campus would also become parking areas.

The last scenario presented was that of a green campus in which parking would be eliminated completely from the campus. All current parking lots would become "green areas." A shuttle system around campus would be introduced and "incentives" would be given to students to use the service.

Residents on Campus suggested that "Resident Only" lots be introduced around residence halls. For example, residents of Stodder Hall would have a blue sticker for their car, while residents of Balentine Hall would have a red sticker. If this were to become reality, the colored stickers might be free.

Murphy and Rock also entertained the possibility of parking meters being installed in areas that are generally visitor parking areas, such as the MCA-Bookstore lot.

"Either we're going to have to pay more or we're going to have less convenience," said Rock, summing up all of the suggestions.

With the conclusion of Murphy and Rock's speech, came more guest speakers. Jerry Ellis and Mary Fernandez, representatives from the Academic Advising Task Force spoke about the education of advisors and the advice given to the students.

"We really want to improve this academic advising system," said Fernandez.

When asked by Kelleher about how the advisors are trained to do their job, Fernandez responded, "They have a pamphlet. Whether they use it or not, I don't know." It was also brought to the attention of Fernandez and Ellis that some of the advisers do not take as much interest in their advisees as possible. Responding to her colleagues, Sen. Nicole Poliquin said, "I think students need to take more of an initiative to make a relationship with their advisor."

Fernandez and Ellis ended their speech with a suggestion as to how to improve adviser/advisee relations. They proposed sending first-year students to a full-time academic adviser and then, in the second year, sending them to an adviser/mentor who has experience in the field the student is studying.



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AIDS

would be a good way to tie into the World AIDS Day events. About 60 percent of the proceeds from meals that students donate will go to Eastern Maine AIDS Network.

The Network, started in 1987 as a grassroots response to help people affected by HIV and AIDS, and provide education, outreach and HIV antibody testing throughout Penobscot, services Piscataquis and Aroostook counties.

Denis Cranson, director of EMAN and part-time professor at UMaine, said when they started they were only seeing about four clients. Those four clients have grown into more than 44 people, plus 100 to 125 more who are either children, family or friends of the clients. Cranson also said most of the people they see are in their late 20s and early 30s.

"I thought it was, perhaps, the easiest way to raise awareness [about AIDS]," Green said. "Students aren't always able to give money up front and this way they can give readily without it costing them anything extra."

This year's meal fast was one of the most successful in the past 10 years, said the director of dining services, Jon Lewis. Green said that 1,239 students donated a meal from their meal plan for the meal fast, bringing the total of money that EMAN will receive to about \$2,775.36 from the university because of

Cranson said he was shocked at the amount of people who signed up for Green's meal fast.

Cranson also said that there has been a good response to EMAN's clinic at Cutler Health Center today for confidential and needle-free HIV tests.

Sally McKinnon, associate for clinical management at Cutler, said that the tests, which cost \$35 each, will be done through collecting saliva from the person. The half-hour sessions are confidential and students are encouraged to make an appointment if interested, for sometime today.

"[World AIDS Day] is important because it's reality," Green said. "The fact is that there is no cure and our age group is the one more at risk. People need to know the facts and make good decisions."

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services statistics, AIDS killed about 2.5 million people world-wide last year and 17,171 people in the United States alone.

Cranson said the statistics are misleading. While it appears the numbers are going down in terms of people with AIDS and related deaths, the number of people becoming infected is remaining relatively the same — about 40,000 people a year.

The reason, Cranson said, is that new drugs are able to keep people alive longer and also keep the virus at bay longer. In addition, while the United State's death rate for HIV and AIDS is decreasing some, globally it is not, due to lack of

availability of medications and affordibility of the medications.

"It's important to have a day dedicated because this is such a serious disease," Cranson said. "No other disease in the world has the ability to wipe out the entire population of the world so fast.

"People need to not put this issue on the back burner," he added. "If they take one or two times a day to think about what this disease is and what is lost through the loss of life and realizing the suffering and pain that is going on, it might make them better people."

In addition to the meal fast, Peer Educators, Greek Peer Educators and Athletes for Sexual Responsibility are sponsoring events and opportunities for students to learn more about HIV and AIDS. A candlelight vigil held outside of the Memorial Union at 8 p.m. to remember and support research for a cure to AIDS will culminate the World AIDS Day events.

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smaller single rooms due to the fact that they were not designed the same way Matthews said. Much of the design was left to the architect.

Double-single rooms, if requested, are usually given to the student, but their residence hall preference may not be heeded. If students choose to have a double-single room in a dorm which was not their choice and they find they do not like it, they can attend what Matthews calls an "open shopping day."

Every year, representatives from each residence hall gather at Wells Commons and "If you don't like what's in your hall, you can shop around."

Describing the service he and his staff provide, Matthews said, "We try to provide a good service to students that they can trust."

Fundraising

dation are already in place throughout the school," said Colette Sheehy, vice president for management and budget.

In addition to setting guidelines for higher learning institutions, the recommendation also contains a plan to fund schools in six-year blocks, instead of yearly. The university could benefit from such a plan, officials said.

"Right now, the University is in favor of a reliable funding model," budget Director Melody Bianchetto said. "It would definitely help us to plan better."

Although Sabato said most people inside the university voiced support for the recommendation, he said some expressed concern for other schools.

"If this proposal is passed, other colleges in Virginia may have to worry about meeting the requirements," he said.

"Not all schools are the same, so flexibility is key in this proposal," said Paul Nardo, director of communications for the State Council for Higher Education in Virginia.

"Right now, the proposal has it so that U.Va. will have guidelines for U.Va., and [Old Dominion University] will have guidelines for ODU," he said. "That's the way it needs to be.'

The proposal still has to earn the approval of the general assembly and the governor. The Blue Ribbon Commission is scheduled to present the proposal to Gilmore Jan. 7.

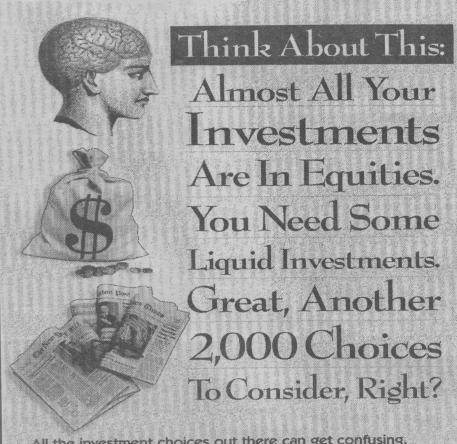
"I am keeping a very open mind over this proposal," state Sen. Emily Couric, D-Charlottesville, said. "I know a little about the concept, and I'm very eager to hear it all when it's officially presented."

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But Del. Mitch Van Yahres (D-57th) said he doubts the proposal has much of a chance of passing.

"Everyone knows we have a very good system here, and fooling around with a system that's doing a good job may not be the best procedure," Van Yahres said.

Funding methods should not be changed "unless they can show us that we have a problem - and I don't think they have shown us that yet."



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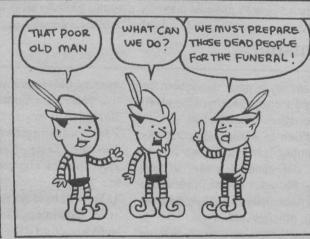


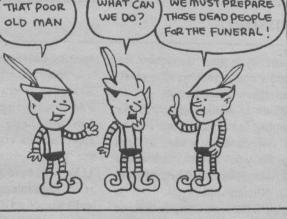
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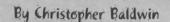


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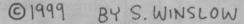


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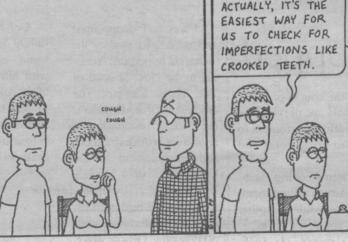
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EDITORIAL

Christmas: Ebay style

is the season — the holiday spirit is definitely in the air and also in our malls, department stores and even on the Internet. That holiday spirit is called shopping. This commercialized-Christmas spirit has reached new levels lately and for good or bad, it will not lessen anytime soon.

The day-after-Thanksgiving shopping rush is one tradition that gets more participation every year. It is not so much driving to the stores anymore. Many Americans did not want to brave the crowds this holiday season, so they chose online shopping. The New York Times reported that between the days of Nov. 15 and Nov. 21, Americans spent \$274 million shopping online. This number is amazing. The article also stated that this year's shopping is supposed to triple last year's figures. The government even projects spending online to exceed \$9 billion this season. Christmas spending has become quite an event for our country.

Maybe this commercialization is good for our country. It is true that the real meaning behind Christmas seems to get lost in this spending fury; getting the best presents on Christmas morning seems to be the ever-present goal, but perhaps embracing the economic prosperity many are now feeling is a good thing. With low unemployment rates in our country, many families can afford to buy lots of gifts this season.

President Bill Clinton is even going to join the millions of on-line shoppers this month when he shows us how he knows how to shop on-line, too. There are great shopping sites out on the Web. For instance, www.cyberrebate.com offers you a 100 percent rebate on gifts you buy. The shopping experience has definitely reached new levels. As Americans click their mouse on great buys online or hunt down that special gift at the mall, the tradition continues.

Smoking ban side-stepped

cts of civil disobedience have been popular throughout the course of history, especially in America. In southern Maine, restaurants are defying the recent smoking ban by using loopholes in the law that allow customers to enjoy cigarettes in their establishments. They are also prepared to go to court and defend what they believe in.

Two restaurants in Biddeford and one in Windham have turned into smoking establishments, thus operating under a different set of rules. One establishment is selling membership in a "club" for \$1 in order for the right to smoke or not smoke inside. Another has a rule — either you take an "invite card" when you enter or else you don't get in.

While these tactics seem like bullying people into smoking, almost 600 people (338 smokers, 258 nonsmokers) have signed into the club. One of those restaurants, Uncle Dick's Smoking Club, expanded just for smokers a few years ago, but after the law, the settings stay empty.

The fact is that even though the law passed, it made a lot of smokers in the state mad. And instead of stewing over it, they did something about it and may bring the smoking ban to referendum sooner than most think. Prosecutors have already filed charges against the Nutshell Tavern, and are looking to do the same with Amanda Mae's.

In our society, we tend to let a lot of things slide that might not pass if we would just say something. For example, everyone speeds and eventually gets caught for it. Why haven't those people tried to raise the speed limit?

It's because it takes a lot of effort and a lot of gusto to stick your neck out on the line, something these restaurant owners are doing by defying the ban. Whatever the outcome, restauranters Gerald McLaskey, Richard Hofsaes and Dick Metayer should be commended for trying to buck the system and not letting sleeping dogs lie.

The state may soon find out that blowing smoke means nothing unless you have something behind it.

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· Letters to the Editor

Editorial lacked compassion

To the Editor:

I was very disappointed and upset after reading the "Ritas not responsible" editorial in the Nov. 22 issue of The Maine Campus. The article stated that Margarita's, the local establishment known for providing alcohol and entertainment to the University of Maine's "responsible" drinkers, should not be held accountable for the unfortunate death of Benjamin Gelson which occurred on Oct. 1.

First off, my thoughts on this editorial conclude that the reason for the editorial board's cold and inconsiderate reaction is simply because they are upset that Margarita's may lose their liquor license.

Gelson died after being served an extreme amount of alcohol at Margarita's. Unconcerned with the death, the board is more concerned with where they are going to drink and hang out if Margarita's is no longer able to serve alcohol. Is that really important? Just for one moment I would like them to think how it would be if it were their friend who died at the young age of 23.

Also in this editorial the board questions the role that Gelson's friends had in his death. It was stated, "Where were his friends to try and stop him from driving if they knew he had too much to drink?" How could the editorial board immediately place all blame on his friends? It is unfair to blame those who cared about him the most. Without knowing details, the board should not assume anything.

Margarita's is responsible for serving Gelson a large quantity of alcohol. The legal system will decide who

is to blame for his unfortunate death. The outcome may seem unfair to some, but we will all have to accept it.

Gelson's friends and family will never see him again, or talk and laugh with him again, they will never enjoy his smile again.

Maybe the ed board should think a little more before treating someone's death so casually.

> Karen Stedman, Orono

Editorial judgment questioned

To the Editor:

I was shocked that The Maine Campus, the student newspaper of the University of Maine at Orono, printed a paid ad in its Oct. 4 issue questioning the existence of the Holocaust.

The printing of the ad is in no way a free speech issue. It is rather an issue of editorial judgment. In questioning whether the Holocaust actually took place, the ad threatens and defames one minority on campus — the Jews — much in the way that an ad questioning whether slavery existed in the United States would insult Afro-Americans.

An Oct. 8 Maine Campus editorial makes clear that the printing of this ad was not accidental but rather part of a deliberate policy on the part of the editorial board "to inform, influence, educate and entertain our readers." In fact, the ad serves to denigrate one group on campus. The editorial board could move toward remedying this insult by publishing an apology to the group which has been threatened and by pledging to the campus as a whole that it will reject such hateful advertisements hereafter.

Jonathan Goldstein, Harvard University

World AIDS Day

To the Editor:

I would like to thank all of the people who participated in the World AIDS Day Meal Fast. At least 1,239 people donated a meal where the proceeds will benefit Eastern Maine AIDS Network in Bangor.

This huge response from the students at UMaine was truly awesome. I am proud to walk among a group of such compassionate and socially aware individuals. Today is World AIDS Day; I urge you all to take a moment and think about the disease and who is affected by it. The face of HIV does not discriminate, for it could be a mother, father, brother, sister, aunt, uncle or a friend.

Your gracious meal donation will be felt by these people and I'm sure that it will warm thier hearts. Recent advances in medications have prolonged the lives of people infected with HIV, however a cure is still far from a reality. Our best weapon in fighting the disease is education.

I ask you to talk about the disease with your friends and family, because in this case knowledge truly is power. Finally, I would like to thank the staff at Knox Hall for all their help, along with the friends, co-workers, and classmates who helped make this project a reality.

Matthew A. Green,
Organizer of the
Meal Fast
Knox Hall

OPINION

· Got Dank?

A black sheep in Britain Looking for your

Spring break 2000 is a ways away, but the Dankster is already planning for it, or at least trying to do so.

This will be the first ever college spring vacation when I i'd like to will actually take a break from Stonehenge

the chaos of everyday life, its hardships, the wonderfulness as well as the stress of being the best editor in chief this paper has

ever had. (I'd like to think so.)

Although the newspaper business is in my blood, I must step back and look toward England and Scotland. Aye, my friend Mark and I will tour London, play pool and drink beer in Liverpool pubs, and sleep with the sheep as we camp out and hike the Scotland landscape.

I'm looking forward to going to the resurrected Globe Theatre, just to see how it may have been when it was OK for men to dress up as women in front of an uneducated audience.

I'd like to ask a Brit myself, why in the world did he let London Bridge be sold and transferred to Arizona, USA.

I'd like to find out how the

British and American languages are so different, and how British women have the most delicious accents and fashion styles I have ever seen.

I'd like to climb on top of Stonehenge

By Stanley

Dankoski



and jump up and down to see if it'll budge. But first I need to find out what city it's located in. At this point in my planning, I just know it's a bit west of London. And Greater London, I've recently been told, has about 7 million residents.

Imagining that figure, from a transplanted Aroostook County boy's point of view, is as insurmountable as trying to warp your head around the idea that neutrinos are these teeny weeny particles ejected from the sun and are so small they go right through us. Do you know what I mean? If you do, please explain it to me.

I suppose the only thing I

can count on is that if I get lost, someone will most likely know which direction to point me in.

My friend Mark is leaving all the travel plans in England up to me. He knows exactly what he wants to do up in Scotland,

> his ancestral homeworld. He wants to buy a real kilt and hike the mountains. I just want to sleep with sheep. As long as I can live to tell that experience, I won't mind doing anything else in that country.

Mark wants to go to Ireland, but right now we're watching how George Mitchell settles the disputes over there. From what I've heard over the past few years, I would feel as safe there as I do going home from work, walking toward my truck (the Dank Tank) at 1 or 2 a.m., finding a skunk waiting to jump in with me. It's the sort of feeling that makes you rethink your life and future as you tiptoe back to the office and pray for another sexy skunk to lure the first one away.

Stanley Dankoski is the editor in chief of The Maine Campus and, oh, did he mention he likes sheep?

Sometimes a great notion

Turkey through adult eyes

By Kris Healey

For 19 Thanksgivings, I had found myself banished to the children's table. I would be tucked away with my 6-year-old cousins and break up food fights and basically be a live-in babysitter for the length of my vacation. That, combined with the fact that an eighthour drive to Waverly, N.Y., preceded these yearly get-togethers, often made the Thanksgiving holiday an undesirable one to celebrate.

I considered not making the drive this year. Traveling eight hours in the back of a car with my sister was starting to seem a little juvenile. In fact, I was preparing my excuses for staying at home when I received a phone call that changed everything.

The voice on the other end of the line was my mother. She began to plead her case. "Kris, the cousins will all be there and your grandparents miss you, this year I promise you'll be at the adult table ..." My jaw dropped. I instantly blocked out the rest of the conversation and began to replay the words in my head ... "Adult table?" I answered. No more live-in babysitter, no more food fights, no more sitting at the fold-out table in the kitchen having to make sheepish trips to the

dining room to grab second helpings from the adults. My mother's promise almost made me want to go to New York.

I decided to suck it up and make the trip. If I didn't drive to New York, I would be either A) microwaving my Thanksgiving Hungry Man dinner, or B) picking up a bucket of Colonel Sanders extra crispy chicken with two sides of mashed potatoes.

Thanksgiving dinner was the usual. The whole family congregated at my uncle's house and watched the Bears lose an important conference game to the Lions. Following that yearly tradition began the slow and steady gorging process. Turkey, all the trimmings and dessert ended with coffee and the customary poker game.

Throughout dinner, I tried to avoid stealing glances at my sister, still trapped in the other room with the younger cousins. At one point our eyes met and her look seemed to say "How could you do this to me?" I felt bad and looked away. I was not just looking at my sister in the other room — I was looking at my childhood. This one symbolic place setting had been yet another step toward adulthood. With my uncles giving me beer, and my \$14 winnings in the annual poker game, I sent my

Thanksgiving seat at the kid's table down the same path as the Easter Bunny and Santa Claus.

We took our leave on Saturday morning. Amid hugs and tears and still-bloated stomachs, I found myself engaged in conversation with my 12-year-old cousin, Erin. She told me that she didn't like me being 20, and didn't like me sitting with the grown ups and didn't like me using big words. She told me that I'd better show up next year with a wife and kids. Suddenly I didn't like being 20 either.

After one last hug from Erin, I jumped in the car with my eyes wide open. Heading home and making the left turn off of Talmage Hill Road. always makes me reflective.

This year, as the long trip home began, I reflected on Thanksgiving's past and wondered about what the future would hold. The week's events had left me in a strange emotional state. With Erin's parting words haunting my thoughts, the clouds that had dogged the week lifted and gave way to a bright orange sun that lit up the road ahead.

Kris Healey is a junior secondary education major.

· A mouthful of Brann

Looking for your Jagermeister fairy

By Nicole Brann

Since I became a college student, I have come to appreciate certain things, such as good food — not Pizza Dome — getting more than five hours of sleep and being able to take a shower without shoes. However, I have also come to appreciate the fact that there will always be those people who exaggerate about how much they drink.

I am sure that all of us have encountered the guy who says: "Yeah, I bought this here 30 pack two hours ago and I'm almost done. I don't feel a fu&*ing thing though!" Or the 105-pound girl that says; "Oh my god, I have had like six shots of tequila and I could have like five more and I would be fineeeeee."

Heard it a few times, right? It's actually pretty funny. Who really cares how much someone else has had to drink? Is there a going to be a prize? Is the Jagermeister Fairy gonna jump out and ride you like a soldier if you can down a bottle of Absolut in under an hour? Somehow I don't think so.

Another thing that kills me is the whole beer goggles thing. If you don't want to hook up with Bertha — the girl with the mustache and the cleavage line longer than College Avenue — then don't. Nobody is forcing you to slide into home face first. Do yourself a favor, if you don't want to end up with a muddy face and a splintered bat, keep your vision 20/20.

Girls can take the same advice. Sure, that guy is big enough to be a football player and he may be wearing that UMaine hockey hat because he plays, but chances are they know girls like you in your tootight tanktop and six-inch platfor shoes. He and his friends have already made the map of the scavenger hunt that probably ends in your pants. Even if you are drunk, don't haul out the ole "I am soo drunk" routine. The only thing you will be left with is an empty treasure chest and a pseudo hockey hat.

For example, a few weeks ago, I subjected myself to black pant haven, Ushuaia. After the third person finally arrived, I was greeted on the dance floor

by a high school friend who said he was completely wasted. I believe his exact words were "I have never drank this much in my life; I am seeing two of you, not that I mind ..." and then he grabbed my ass. As any girl my age would be, I was completely turned on. I wanted to jump on him quicker than a Diva's dancer at Bill Gate's birthday party.

Yeah right. Why do guys think that telling a girl that they are drunk is going to get them a quick lay? What goes with Whiskey and rhymes with trick?

Anyway, during the course of the evening, the guy drank less and less but miraculously became drunker and drunker. Hmmm, I wish I could find that alcohol, in fact I think every college kid in America would like to find that alcohol. After the night ended, I talked to one of his friends and surprise suprise ... the kid had had about six drinks over a span of five hours. Wow, wasted. I wish I could drink like that.

And then there is the group, most often girls. There's usually five or six of them at the only party on or off campus every weekend and they usually come fully equipped with beer-filled backpacks. However, it only appears to be filled. In reality there is only three Busch bottles and maybe a Jack Daniel's sipper. Just enough to give the illusion that a night of whimsy dancing will occur and possibly a little nookie, however none of this is even remotely close to what will happen.

When it comes right down to it, only two of the bottles will be finished and four out of the five girls will participate in the new beer die rule of hugging your partner when they get a plunk or dancing wildly in a fraternity room with three other "hammered chicks."

Despite the lack of truth that is associated with drinking, a good time is usually had by all. Remember one thing though, it is virtually impossible to do the century club with straight Ice 101, no matter what people try to tell you. To the guy that can finish the two 30 packs in a few hours and not "feel a fu&* thing", nice try.

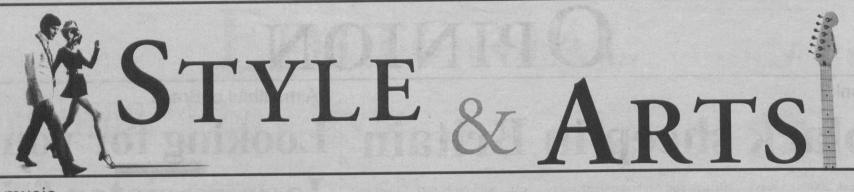
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· New music

Ani releases mellow third album of '99

By Hannah Jackson For the Maine Campus

"To The Teeth," the newest release from folk rocker Ani DiFranco, is her mellowest, most studio-friendly album to date. Being her third, yes third, album of 1999, DiFranco shows that you do not have to be a Backstreet Boy to put a ton of music out in a short period of time. It's also her thirteenth album this decade.

The album combines Ani and her biting, abstract guitar, along with a band. Ani has coined her sound on stage in the past, being the epitome of what a live performer should be. Within her last few efforts, however, she has worked in the studio and still sounds like her old self with a new twist.

"To The Teeth," the title track, is a soft and slow "just Ani and her guitar" song that is very political, but also personal. It is about the fairly recent "kids and guns" phenomenon that has swept the United States. Her voice is soft, then abruptly loud with vibrato, as she attacks all the major television networks, including MTV, interestingly enough. The song is extremely powerful, and halfway through it, more instruments come in to add to the sound.

"Freakshow," an almost Alanis-like song

appears as Track 4. Funny thing is, Alanis came along after Ani did. Interesting ... Anyway, Ani, the pioneer of female folk rock, expresses her original sound in this obnoxious and wonderful song. She uses a circus as an analogy for life. "It's about freedom. She sings it's about faking." . Ani belts in this song with steel drums and bass behind her. It leads in nicely to the next track, "Going Once." In the list of instruments for this song, she credits "Crickets on legs," they provide the background "music." This is a very jazzed up tune. Ani is very breathy, and she croons. The song could be autobiographical. It is about a girl just starting out on her own. The muted trumpet adds depth to the song as well.

"Hello Birmingham," a soulful tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is amazing. It is a true story-telling song. It has only a few instruments, including piano and guitar. It's quiet, except for DiFranco's soft, raspy vocals. The song is almost a ballad, but its jazz elements prevent that general label.

In "Carry You Around," Ani is doing a duet with herself. Her voice is truly showcased in this song along with heavy drums and her own guitar play.

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Ani DiFranco. (Courtesy photo.)

Movie music

Rock sounds collide

'End of Days' soundtrack

By Melissa Hambruch For the Maine Campus

"End of Days," the highly anticipated Universal Pictures film starring Arnold Schwarzenegger, features a soundtrack that is sure to be successful, even if the movie proves to be a let - down.

The movie, which opened nationwide Nov. 24, is a dismal film about the coming of the end of the world. Schwarzenegger, the eternal hero, is the chosen protector of humankind who must battle the evil force that is out to destroy the world. In keeping with the dark theme of the movie, the soundtrack is edgy, and it includes tracks from some of today's most popular groups like Korn, Everlast, Limp Bizkit, Prodigy, Eminem, Sonic Youth and Creed. Classic acts like Rob Zombie and Guns n' Roses also contribute to this collection,

Korn's "Camel Song" opens the soundtrack, followed by Everlast's "So Long," which has a melancholy sound much like the band's popular hit "What it's Like." These songs, along with "Wrong Way" by Creed, have dispirited lyrics, which parallel Schwarzenegger's character. Other tracks have a harder sound, like "Superbeast," by Rob Zombie, "Slow," by Professional Murder Music, Prodigy's "Poison" and Sonic Youth's



"Sugar Kane." Guns n' Roses, who appeared on the soundtrack for Schwarzenegger's "Terminator 2: Judgment Day" with "You Could Be Mine," made a good effort on this new soundtrack, but "Oh My God" is not going to be their big comeback hit.

Giving the "End of Days" soundtrack a light lift is Limp Bizkit with its track called "Crush." Limp Bizkit sounds a lot like LL Cool J in this song, with a danceable back beat and a mellow-sounding voice. Eminem, in typical "Slim Shady" style, has a lot to say about his view of the world in his track "Bad Influence."

The "End of Days" soundtrack is a great compilation, and anyone who is a fan of even one of these bands is sure to like the entire CD.

Our Grade: A

· Christmas tunes

Collins fascinates at MCA

By Hannah Jackson For the Maine Campus

On Sunday night, Judy Collins and the Washington County Children's Chorus took the stage at the Maine Center for the Arts. It was a concert of holiday music, as well as old favorites that Collins has performed in the past. Even if you weren't among the majority age of the audience—40 to 60 years of age—the show was captivating.

The evening began with several holiday songs performed solely by the Children's Chorus. The ages of the children ranged from 9 to 16, and they sang such tunes as "We Need a Little Christmas," "Dona Nobis Pacem" and "The Maine Christmas Song." They sounded young and sweet, very professional for a chorus so young.

After the children's set, the auditorium grew dark and quiet, and then Collins began to sing "I'll Be Home for Christmas" in the dark. Her voice rang through like silver bells, and a hushed murmur filtered throughout the crowd.

Collins was dressed in all black, and she wore her silvery long hair down. The first song she performed with the Children's Chorus was "Joy to the World." She played her guitar, and a pianist was also on hand to accompany. Collins' range was incredible, and she sounded young and vibrant. I was floored when she announced to the audience that she was 60 years old.

After more carols with the children, Collins performed some old classics. "Both Sides Now," a folk singer's staple, reminded me of the oldies stations when I was younger, the song was so familiar. Collins sounds beautiful live and recorded. She also sang "Send in the Clowns," and "The Cats in the Cradle." She encouraged the audience to sing along with her from there on. She did not display the attitude of an arrogant superstar; rather a laid-back, humbled singer who still loves her audience.

Aside from being an advocate for UNICEF, National Public Radio and music, Collins also has a sense of humor. In between songs she would tell jokes that actually made the audience laugh.

"How many folk singers does it take to change a light bulb?" she asked. After some laughter from the audience, she replied, "35. One to change the light bulb, and 34 to cry the evils of electricity."

Collins eventually put her guitar down and played the piano. On "The Christmas Song," her voice soared as if the song were written for her. She even did "The Twelve Days of Christmas" with audience participation, of course.

In between these classic carols, Collins told of her past Christmases when she was young. Her father was blind, but was also musically talented. She said her favorite Christmases were when there was little money, because to her, Christmas

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Science column

Many Mainers opt for CSA turkeys

By Chandler Morse For the Maine Campus

Most people sat down to a big ol' turkey this fine Thanksgiving, probably picked up in the frozen food section of their local grocery store. That bird undoubtedly came from some huge, agro-industrial turkey farm located who knows where and was probably locked up in a small cage its entire life. That turkey money went right into the pocket of Shop'n Save or Shaw's and their corporate headquarters. There is an alternative, however, and some folks sat down to a turkey that was raised right here in Maine, free range, and their purchase went towards supporting a local Maine farm directly.

One such place, The Turkey Farm, located in New Sharon, Maine, and run by Bob Neal, raises free-range birds in a community supported agriculture system, or CSA. CSAs are a way for the community to be more active in the raising of the food that they eat. The economics are simple. Farmers need money to raise a crop. Usually they go to the bank and get what they need at an interest rate of let's say 9 percent, regardless of the crop success.

With a CSA farm, instead of borrowing the money from the bank, they get financial support from residents in return for a portion of the farm's crop, in this case turkey meat. Contributors collect farm produce at least equal in value to how much they paid in, and often receive dividends in the form of extra produce, depending on the season. The Turkey Farm has averaged an extra 8 percent



farm gets its start up cash flow without a heavy interest burden and the sharer gets farm-raised produce, often worth more than the grocery store equivalent.

ing nationwide. Huge agro-industrial farms are falling farther and farther out of favor due to pesticide and nonorganic production methods and the preponderance of nonlocal produce flooding grocery stores. Through a CSA, a community can have an interest and influence on the production of their food, support local farmers, and reduce the role of the massive food production institutions and their profit margins.

Neal, a farmer in Maine since the early '80s and a CSA operator since 1990, has done several surveys to find out about his farm's sharers. The surveys found that the No.1 reason for buying a share of The Turkey Farm was so the sharer could be sure that they were supporting a local Maine farm. Also, people were participating purely because of the quality of the farm's product and because of the chance to help the farm while making their money go a little further.

The sharer deadline has passed for this season, but The Turkey Farm will be selling shares after the New Year. A regular share is \$160 and yields no less than 4 birds. A guaranteed share can be as much as the sharer wants with a \$100 minimum and has a guaranteed return of 5 percent. In addition, you can work for the farm for your poultry. For two days labor you can take home \$150 worth of turkey. But you do not have to take it all at once, all produce from shares can be received anytime throughout the year and they can also be delivered.

The Turkey Farm also sells direct and you can find out more information by calling them at 778-2889, in case you were looking to support Maine agriculture for the Christmas season

· Music

Fiona makes strong CD

By Travis Gass For the Maine Campus

The title alone of Fiona Apple's second album proves to the Top 40 teenyboppers who made "Criminal" a hit, that she sure ain't no Britney Spears.

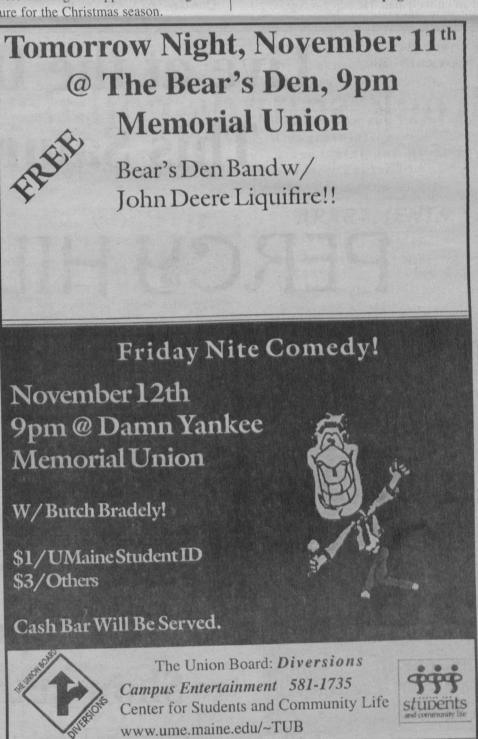
Indeed, many Spears fans would no doubt have difficulty reading all the way through this 90-word doozy: "When the Pawn Hits the Conflicts He Thinks Like a King What He Knows Throws the Blows When He Goes to the Fight and He'll Win the Whole Thing 'Fore He Enters the Ring There's No Body to Batter When Your Mind is Your Might So When You Go Solo, You Hold Your Own Hand and Remember That Depth is the Greatest of Heights and if You Know Where You Stand, Then You Know Where to Land and if You Fall it Won't Matter, Cuz You'll Know That You're Right." Whew! Any adjectives you can think of for this title would probably apply equally well to Apple's music. Pretentious, poetic, intellectual, overblown and intriguing all spring readily to mind.

Yet, given the current brain-dead state of popular music (I'll refrain from any comments on "Mambo #5" here), a little musical and lyrical ambition is much appreciated, and Apple definitely delivers on "When The Pawn."

Surprisingly, given her enormous album title, Apple's latest only runs for a scant 40 minutes, much shorter than her

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• The Bone Collector

Denzel shines in thriller

By Andrea SuretteFor the *Maine Campus*

"The Bone Collector" is a suspenseful thriller in which two cops attempt to track down a vicious serial killer.

Denzel Washington stars as Lincoln Rhyme, a cop who has no feeling in his legs or arms because he was nearly killed while on an investigation. He is propositioned to help in the search for the killer because he is a brilliant detective with indepth forensics skills.

He refuses, until he sees photographs that another cop, the beautiful and street smart Amelia Donaghy (Angelina Jolie), has taken at the scene of the first murder. Donaghy is told she has "the gift" to be a great detective, but she is scared to go with her instincts. With the guidance of Rhyme, they follow the trail of cryptic clues hidden at the scenes of the crimes.

The brutal killer drives a taxi in which he picks up his unsuspecting victims to play out horrific murders that are written in the book, "The Bone Collector." Rhyme and Donaghy search diligently for clues to lead them to the next victim. They search for a killer who taunts them by leaving arcane clues for Rhyme to unravel and Donaghy to unearth, in what just might be enough time to save the victims' lives.

This film was extremely powerful with its all-star cast of Denzel Washington, Angelina Jolie, Queen Latifah and Ed O'Neil. Latifah plays the role of Thelma, Rhyme's live-in nurse. It takes place on the streets of Manhattan where the residents wait in fear of the killer to be caught. The suspense factor is high and it will keep you guessing throughout, ending with a twist.

It is similar to many serial killer films like "Silence of the Lambs," "Seven" and "Copy Cat" to name a few. But each has their own style and twists. "The Bone Collector" is strong because of Washington and Jolie, and the story line also makes it a great film. The suspense will keep you on the edge of your seat: so be prepared.

Our Grade: B+ Rating: R Running Time: 118 minutes

Ani

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This, to me, was the most impressive song on the album, simply because it is quintessential Ani. It is reminiscent of her live performances, but it has the clean studio sound.

Track 12, called "Providence," has the Artist Formerly Known as Prince on background vocals, and Ani on lead, of course. This seems to be the most like Ani's older songs. Their voices harmonize very well, although they do seem to be an unlikely pair. He being a pop king,

she the folk singer. The song is interesting, and Ani's breathing is almost a part of the vocals. You can hear it, and it really makes it her song.

DiFranco can make so much music in a year, and hold her own on stage as well as in the studio. Her personality continues to shine through in her music, and is never hidden. She is edgy but soft, moral but deviant. "To The Teeth" is a formidable addition to her plethora of other albums.

Our Grade: A-

Fiona

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'96 debut, "Tidal." That disc's more propulsive tracks, like "Sleep to Dream" and her breakthrough hit, "Criminal," serve as the models for most of the songs on "When the Pawn." Thus, Tori Amosstyle piano plinking is kept to a minimum in favor of more robust, almost "rocking" numbers that make excellent use of Apple's throaty, strong-lunged vocals.

"On The Bound" kicks off the album in fine style, featuring rollicking piano work and a partially shouted chorus that makes me wonder what Apple would sound like fronting a punk band. "To Your Love" is similarly strong, while "Limp" gets by on some rather risque lyrics ("You fondle my trigger, then you blame my gun"). The lush "Love Ridden" is a throwback to "Tidal's" mellow balladry, and is followed by the somewhat irritating "Paper Bag," which

comes a little too close to becoming a bad Broadway musical number.

"A Mistake" has a funky groove, and might have had a shot at radio air play if Apple hadn't suddenly developed a penchant for cursing (actually, they could probably edit out that "I'm gonna fuck it up again" line). "Fast As You Can" races along at a good clip (hey, it's practically speed metal by Apple's standards), and "The Way Things Are" rocks out with the only electric

guitar you'll hear on the album.

"When The Pawn," like Apple's previous album, can get a little wordy but more than makes up for its shortcomings with strong songs and powerful delivery. And besides, I'll take a gal who can use the word "desideratum" in a song over one whose big hit says "hit me baby, one more time," any day.

Grade: A-

Collins

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was about family, not material things.

I thoroughly enjoyed the show, and was very impressed by Collins and the Children's Chorus. I guess a lot of other people did too, because the MCA was a full house, and gave a well-deserved standing ovation at the end.

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ing fourth with a 3-3-1 record and seven points.

Boston College and Northeastern are tied for fifth place with six points. BC, initially picked as the number one team in the preseason polls, has struggled to a 3-4 conference record. Northeastern is 2-3-2, including ties with Maine and Boston University, and a victory over Boston College.

Providence is in seventh place with a 2-4 record for four points. UMass-Lowell is 1-5-1 for three points. UMass-Amherst

Rank Me: Maine held onto the top spot in the national polls despite not playing a game over Thanksgiving break. The biggest jump was made by New Hampshire, using the strength of a 6-2 victory over No. 2 North Dakota to vault up four places in the polls to No. 4. Boston University entered the polls this week at No. 10.

College football

An early look-ahead

By Damien Pierce Daily Texan

AUSTIN, Texas (U-WIRE) -Kwame Cavil didn't realize what he was in for when he broke away from the huddle, but as he dashed over to his spot at wide receiver, he recognized that something was missing.

Nebraska cornerback Ralph Brown, was standing over him just like Cavil had expected him to and for the most part, the defender's appearance was a spitting image of what Cavil had seen of him on film during the week.

But there was one thing that was absent, and it didn't take the 6-foot 2-inch wide receiver long to notice what it was.

Brown didn't have a mouthpiece. "I just asked him, 'Does this mean you are going to be talking today?" Cavil said. "He just responded with, 'What do

you think?"" Cavil didn't have to respond because he knew the answer.

It was just like any other game for the Texas receiver, who has become more than accustomed to talking with the best

But sometimes, he admits, he may go

"I probably talked a little bit too much that day," said Cavil, who hauled in eight receptions for 84 yards and a touchdown in his last meeting with Nebraska on Oct. 23. "I'm going to have to have a gag rule on me this week because I can't talk as much as I did that game."

But as the Texas wide receiver heads into Saturday's Big 12 Championship game against the Huskers, the truth of the matter is, he won't be able to keep silent, even if he glued his mouth shut.

Cavil needs the talk and even he real-

"I know I say that, but I know that I probably won't last," Cavil said. "I feed off of it."

Especially in the big games.

Cavil talks and talks when the spotlight is shining on him and he backs up everything that he says.

In four games against ranked opponents this season, Cavil is averaging just over seven catches a game along with 88 yards per contest and a couple of scores. Keep in mind that those numbers come in spite of the fact that he is a marked man by most opposing defenses who like to rotate their coverage towards him.

"Kwame isn't one of those guys that you don't have to worry about getting too caught up in the hype," Texas head coach Mack Brown said. "He has fun with it and he doesn't let it effect him the way it might effect some of the younger guys."

Especially since he wasn't expecting to be in the position that he is in now.

When Cavil came to Texas in 1997, he was switched from linebacker to receiver and it never occurred to him then that he

is winless in Hockey East at 0-4-1.

would have 95 catches in a season like he does now.

In fact, he wasn't even sure if he would have one at the time.

"I didn't think I was going to be playing," Cavil said with a laugh.

Thus, Cavil has taken on the mentality of just going out and having fun, especially if the spotlight is on him.

He hasn't played in a bigger game than the one he will play on Saturday against No. 3 Nebraska, but that hardly worries him.

"The only thing we're worried about is getting that respect and confidence back that we might have lost against Texas A&M," Cavil said. "It's a big game because we're playing for a championship and a chance to go to the Fiesta Bowl. It's the kind of game you look forward to."

Illinois prepares for bowl face-off with Virginia

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (U-WIRE) — For the second time in their bowl history, Illinois will play the Virginia Cavaliers in the MicronPC.com Bowl Dec. 30, at Miami's Pro Player Stadium.

The Cavaliers filled the ACC slot allotted for bowl game after posting a 7-4 record during the regular season, which included a 34-30 win over Maryland to end the season.

Though not very familiar with the Cavaliers, junior linebacker Robert Franklin, knows the team's reputation.

"They're a good team, and their losses came to good opponents, and we are going to have to go in with our eyes open and play hard," Franklin said.

Virginia head coach George Welsh, has similar feelings; he said he looks forward to scouting the Illini.

"I haven't looked at them at all yet, but I have seen what they have done this year and I look forward to seeing the tapes," Welsh said.

Welsh knows well of the Illini's past. His 10-2 Cavaliers faced the Illini in the 1990 Citrus Bowl. Behind the arm of Jeff George, who threw for three touchdowns and 321 yards, the Illini downed the Cavaliers 31-21.

"Jeff George was good, that's what I remember about that game. He really hurt us that day," Welsh said.

Virginia and Illinois had similar fates this season — both teams finished with a 7-4 record. After an overtime loss to Duke, the Cavaliers were 3-3 and on the bowl bubble. Despite various injuries, the team responded by winning four of their next five games for a trip to the bowl.

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Wball

Jamie Cassidy led the charge with 29

points and 17 rebounds in 40 minutes of play. Amy Vachon followed with 17 points and six assists, hitting on the bucket that sent the game into overtime.

Kizzy Lopez had four steals for 1-2

Kelly Miller scored 29 points and six assists to lead 6-0 Georgia, while Coco Miller had 18 points.

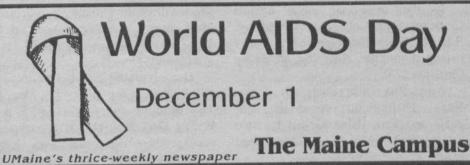
On Friday, Cassidy had 23 points and

14 rebounds to lead Maine past St. Francis 71-62 in the first round of the Dead River Classic.

Vachon had 16 points and 10 assists for the Bears, while Kristen McCormick had 11 points and six rebounds.

Jess Zinobile led 1-1 St. Francis with 25 points. Jen DeFilippo had 10 points.

Maine hit 57 percent of their shots in the second half in earning their first win of the season.



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· Rec sports

Women's rugby wins title

By Hollie Gowen
For the Maine Campus

The women's rugby team earned a new title the weekend before break. For the first time in current team history, the women not only qualified for the New England Championships, but took it by storm Saturday.

In the semi-final game against Castleton State College in Providence, R.I., the Black Bears proved that they belonged in the final by defeating Castleton 22-0.

Amy Ruksznis, Carly Gray and Nancy Dillingham scored the four goals and Erin Paine kicked for two extra points in a Maine-dominated game.

The final was a hard-played, scrappy game where endurance and heart played a big factor in the 7-0 defeat of URI. Nancy Dillingham scored on a breakaway run, and Erin Paine kicked the extra points in the last few heartstopping minutes of the game.

The backs ran a terrific game against a team that was much larger, and the forwards did an incredible job of keeping the opposing team at a standstill. The entire team played part in some nerve-racking goal line stands, preventing URI from getting on the scoreboard and achieving the second shutout of the series.

The team finishes with a record of 2-0 pre-season, 6-0 regular season and 2-0 in the post-season.

In other Rec Sports news, this year's free throw tournament will be held

from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, in the Memorial Gym. Organizations may enter as many men or women as desired. Each participant will shoot 25 free throws.

The top five scorers from each organization will shoot 25 more free throws for a total of 250 shots. The team with the best total out of the 250 shots will be the winner. Organizations must reserve a shooting sport at the Rec Sports office by 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8.

The intramural hot shot tournament will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12. The deadline to enter is at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10. This is a basketball accuracy shooting contest with 18 stations and no time limit. Teams must have at least four players.

Applications for any of the intramurals may be picked up at the Rec Sports office at 140 Memorial Gym.

Rec Sports is currently seeking intramural basketball referees. Students who attend three rules and mechanics clinics and pass the written test will be paid \$6.80 per game. There is still time to attend three clinics.

One is offered from 7 to 8:15 p.m. tonight, Dec. 1. The other two will be from 7 to 8:15 p.m. on Dec. 5, and Dec. 8. Clinics will be in Classroom B of the ROTC Armory.

Those who do not attend the clinics but pass the test will receive \$6 per game. Fraternities entering teams in intramural play should encourage a brother to officiate as many referees are needed to cover the games.

Athlete's

By Stacey Sullivan For the Maine Campus

Name: Nathaniel Justin Fox Sport: Men's Basketball

Number: 32 Position: Forward/Center Major: Communications

Nickname: Big Bird
Favorite team to beat:
Delaware, Drexe and Hofstra
Favorite place on the road:
Colin Haynes House (Mother's

Cooking, etc.)

Pre-game snack or meal:

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Gatorade or Powerade (which do you prefer): Be Like Mike ... Gatorade.

If you could play any other sport at Maine it would be: women's soccer.

I'd give anything to meet: Bill Gates

My hero is: My Grandpa Langley

Favorite class at Maine: Claire Sullivan's "He said, She said"

I wish I'd dropped (class): GEO 100

My friend's think I'm: tall.

Favorite music group: Dave
Matthews Band

Favorite car: Porsche 959

Favorite cereal: Haven't eaten cereal since 4th grade.

Favorite TV show: Seinfeld Re- runs / That 70's Show / Batman-Superman Hour (WB) Favorite movie: Lethal

Weapon 4
Something about yourself not

many people know: I'm shy.

My greatest sports moment at
Maine: I'll tell you in March.

One word to describe head
coach John Giannini: Focused.

When I leave Maine, I want to be remembered for: helping put Maine Men's Basketball on the Map!!

Women's hockey

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Filighera was direct. "We didn't play well at all. They played their game all night and we didn't do anything that we wanted."

The victory improved the Friars record to 5-3-0, good for a second place tie in Division I. It was a different Maine hockey club that had battled Northeastern the day previous.

The Huskies are currently atop the standings in ECAC Division I. This is not by accident. They jumped on the Bears early and freshman goalie Dawn Froats kept Maine in the game early, making several outstanding saves.

Still Maine battled, playing solid defense, backchecking and hustling but unable to capitalize on any breaks.

Northeastern's Brooke White, scored at the 15:12 mark of the first to give the hosts the lead.

The Huskies added two more in the second on goals by Erica Archambeau and Hilary Witt. Facing a three-goal deficit, Maine kept working and put pressure on the Huskies late in the period, forcing a holding penalty.

On the ensuing power play Kira Misikowetz notched her third goal of the year, cutting the lead to 3-1. Maine's work ethic continued in the third period but their inability to generate any offensive chances did as well.

The Bears were only able to record two shots on goal in the period and White added her second goal of the game to seal the deal.

Filighera was pleased with his team's performance, to a point.

"We played well most of the game. Froats kept us in it early and we had a chance to do something coming into the third, but we seemed to be waiting for something bad to happen in that final period.

"I don't understand why we are doing that." The coach added that he thought his team matched up well with Northeastern saying, "player for player, I believe we are just as talented as that team."

Maine also appears snakebitten. This is best demonstrated by the events of the early second period in a 6-0 home loss to Harvard on Nov. 21.

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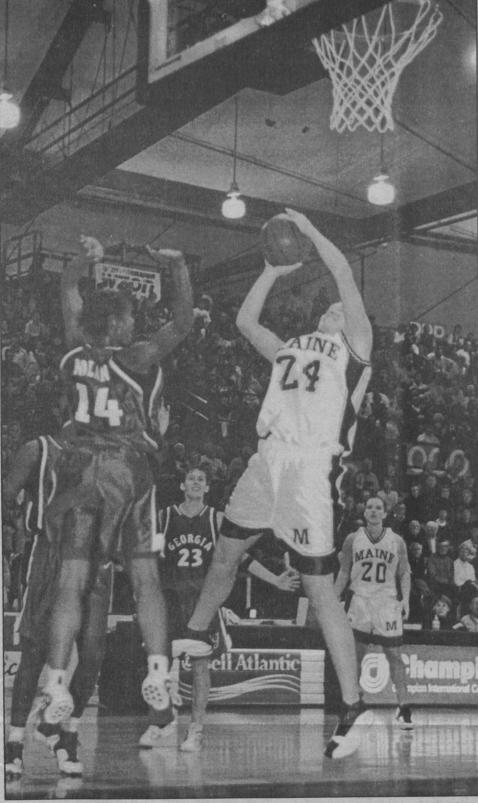


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Jamie Cassidy puts up two of her 29 points against Georgia on Saturday. (Scott Shelton photo.)

Women's basketball

Georgia edges Maine

From Staff Reports

Since Joanne Palombo-McCallie took over the women's basketball program, they have yearned for national respect.

Along the way, they have come so close to being consistently named with some of the country's best with wins over Alabama, Western Kentucky and then

Stanford in last season's Women's NCAA Final Four.

The Black Bears took another attempt at that goal on Saturday, but could not knock off No. 3 Georgia in the finals of the Dead River Classic, losing in overtime 79-68.

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Rank this, College BCS!

By David McDuffie For the Maine Campus

It's the same story every year. When Division I-A college football coaches and administrators are asked if its time for a playoff system in major college football, the answer goes something like this:

"In no other sport does the regular season mean as much."

The retort is invariably the same year after year as major college football moves no closer to a playoff system. Instead, we have the Bowl Championship Series that matches the two top ranked teams to play for the national championship in one of four bowls, the Sugar, Orange, Fiesta or Rose, depending upon the year.

As the regular season draws to a close, we find Florida State and Virginia Tech atop the standings of college football's elite. The best teams in the country? Who knows? Who have they played?

Florida State is a proud member of the sorry excuse for a football conference known as the Atlantic Coast Conference that season after season provides Bobby Bowden's Seminoles with a conference championship and a chance to play for the national championship.

Other than FSU, the ACC proudly boasts of only one other team, Georgia Tech, in the top 25 and they are coming off a loss to Wake Forest and a win against Georgia in which the referees went blind in the fourth quarter, nonchalantly handing the Yellow Jackets a win.

But you might say, FSU did just beat Florida, who was ranked in the top five at the time. And you would be right, but how difficult is it to win a game when it's the only real game you've played all season?

Florida plays in the SEC, arguably the best conference in college football. The SEC has seven teams in the top 25, three currently in the top 10.

And now on to Virginia Tech, who cur-

rently sports an 11-0 record after Friday's lampooning of 20th ranked Boston College. They're now the champion of the oh so powerful Big East, whose second highest ranked team is the previously noted fighting Eagles from BC.

Nevertheless, VT did soundly defeat a top 20 team, thus seemingly justifying their lofty national rank.

But before we justify anything let's check the facts. In reference to Boston College, The Boston Globe reported in last Friday's paper prior to the VT-BC game that "the combined record of the teams [BC] has beaten is a putrid 27-61. Only Syracuse (6-4) is above .500. The other wins were over 1-10 Baylor, 4-7 Navy, 1-10 Rutgers, 2-9 I-AA Northeastern, 5-5 Pitt, 3-7 West Virginia and 5-6 Notre Dame."

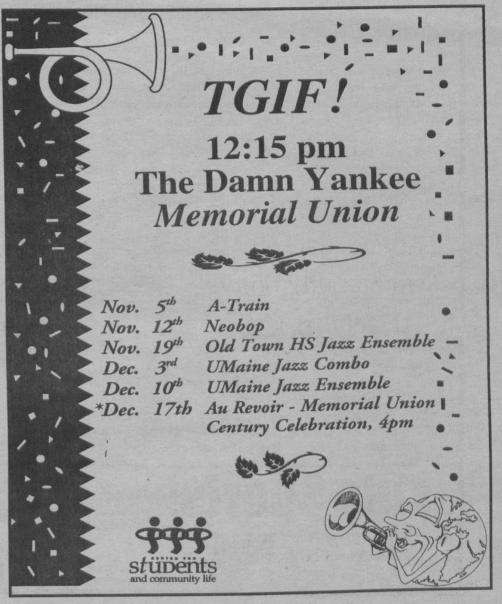
The Hokies' win somehow doesn't seem so impressive anymore. But hold on Hokie fans — your team has beaten three other ranked teams: Miami, Virginia and Syracuse. It's just too bad that none of them remain that way.

This leaves teams such as Michigan and Wisconsin of the Big Ten and Tennessee and Florida of the SEC, all with two losses, shaking their head along with now 10-1 Nebraska from the Big 12. Give any one of these teams one of the daunting schedules of either the Big East or the ACC, and chances are they'll be undefeated at the end of the season too.

But these teams don't have that luxury. They suffer the plight of playing in a legitimate conference. Along with the SEC's seven, the Big 10 has six and the Big 12 has four teams in the top 25.

Let Florida State or Virginia Tech play a complete schedule in one of these conferences, and, in my opinion, they'd be lucky to be in the top 10 much less playing for the national championship.

It's a lot easier to go undefeated when you only have to truly show up once or twice during the season in order to record the weekend's victory.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1999

Women's hockey

Black Bears try to break losing streak



Esther Granville (17) heads down the ice in a recent game. The Bears were in action last night. (Scott Shelton photo.)

By Jim Leonard For the Maine Campus

Continuing their early season tour of ECAC powers, the University of Maine women's hockey team dropped a pair of road games, 6-0 & 4-1 to Providence and Harvard, respectively, this weekend.

Throw in a pre-Thanksgiving 6-0 home loss to Harvard and Maine was 1-7-0 heading into last night's game with Bowdoin.

Many would look at the record and assume the Black Bears aren't very good. This isn't fair. Maine is a team with an identity crisis. They don't know who they are yet and have experienced growing pains at the expense of some talented and established teams.

Yet there have been times when this team hasn't shown up to play as the Providence game illustrates.

Despite a scoreless first period in Providence on Sunday

afternoon, the Friars outplayed Maine from the opening face off. Providence enjoyed a huge territorial edge and confined the Bears to their own end most of

"We didn't do anything special," said Maine head coach Rick Filighera. "They just didn't score."

That changed in a hurry in the second period. Jessica Tabb scored the first of her two goals just thirty-three seconds into the period, putting the Friars on top. They added power play goals by Kerstin Matthews and Jenn Butsch to take a comfortable 3-0 lead into the third.

The third period was more of the same as Tabb got her second goal of the night with Danielle Culgin and Jennifer Krantz finishing out the scoring for Providence.

Summing up the game, See WOMEN'S HOCKEY on

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Men's hockey

Maine regains top spot

By Eric Nelson For the Maine Campus

Nobody saw this one coming. Despite winning their second national championship last season, the University of Maine men's hockey team was picked second in the preseason national poll and third in their conference. Their 9-0-2 start has shocked everyone, including the players and coaches.

"It's a pleasant surprise," said Maine head coach Shawn Walsh. "I wouldn't have thought, given the guys we lost, that we'd get off to this kind of start. I'm also realistic enough to know that it's not going to happen forever, and we have to just scratch and claw for every win we can get."

"I don't think we came into the season expecting this," said Maine captain Cory Larose.

"We don't want to think about how long it might last," Maine assistant captain Ben Guite said.

Walsh attributes the team's

successful start to the players' confidence level. In particular, the goaltenders Mike Morrison and Matt Yeats have been impressive, allowing just 23 goals in 11 games.

"I just think they're flat-out good goaltenders who are relishing their chance," Walsh said. They had a good opportunity to sit and watch and get better last year. They took advantage of that, and now they're reaping the benefits."

Walking Wounded: Five Maine forwards, including three first-year players, are out with injuries, and all but one are expected to miss both games this weekend.

Freshman Robert Liscak is out with a torn ACL in his knee. He will miss this weekend, and the remainder of this season may depend on whether he is able to skate with a brace.

Freshman Tom Reimann is out at least two more weeks with a concussion. Freshman Chris Heisten sustained a sprained

elbow against Brown University and is questionable for Saturday's game. Junior Magnus Lundback is out indefinitely with an irregular heartbeat.

On the bright side, sophomore Niko Dimitrakos is expected to suit up for Saturday's game after missing the last three games with a shoulder injury. Dimitrakos has played in just six of Maine's 11 games this season, scoring a goal and three assists for four points.

Hockey East Update: The Black Bears enter the weekend as the top-ranked team in the country despite being in third place in their conference. New Hampshire holds the top spot with a 5-0-1 conference record, good for 11 points. Boston University is just a step behind at 4-0-2 and 10 points.

Maine is 3-0-2 in conference play, two points behind BU. Merrimack College is a surpris-

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Football: Defensive lineman JoJo Oliphant and defensive back Aaron Dashiell were both named to the New England Football Writers Division I-AA All-Star Team last week.

Oliphant had 55 tackles and 12 sacks, while Dashiell had 105 total tackles with one interception.

be honored at the annual New England Football Writers on Thursday, Dec. 9, in Earl Hunt followed with 21. Massachusetts.

First Team defense as well.

team offense as a return specialist, running back 27 touchdown.

Men's and had seven assists to lead

five Maine players in doubledigits in leading the Black

Sunday. Julian Dunkley had 19 points, five rebounds and three steals for 2-1 Maine. Derrick Jackson had 18, Andy Bedard The 31-member team will scored 16 and Nate Fox fol-

Bears past Brown 92-82 on

lowed with 15 points. Alaivaa Nuualiitia led 0-2 Captains and Awards Banquet Brown with 25 points, while

Maine's Colin Haynes, Oliphant and Dashiell were Corey Thibodeau and Fox all also tabbed to the Atlantic-10 had four steals apiece. The Black Bears will play at Sacred Lennard Byrd was select- Heart this Saturday before ed to the Atlantic-10 third returning home next Monday to meet Troy State.

Men's hockey: After punts for 405 yards and one Maine's game with Quinnipiac on Sunday, Dec. 12, kids 13 basketball: years old or younger are invited Huggy Dye scored 20 points to skate with the National Champions.

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Mad as hell!

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