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# Gore's daughter, Lieberman come to Orono, Bangor

By Matt Shaer  
National Politics Reporter

Karenna Gore-Schiff arrived on campus this week to campaign for her father, Vice President Al Gore.

Acknowledging the importance of Maine in the upcoming election, Gore-Schiff took the stage at Wells Conference Center Monday afternoon amid cheers from local supporters and assembled media.

The rally itself was short and spirited, as Gore-Schiff covered familiar ground with new confidence.

"I think a lot of people in Maine have been left out of the [country's] prosperity, [but] my father will work hard for all middle class Americans," said Gore-Schiff, detailing the plausibility of her father's social security, health insurance and income tax plans. "He is a really principled fighter."

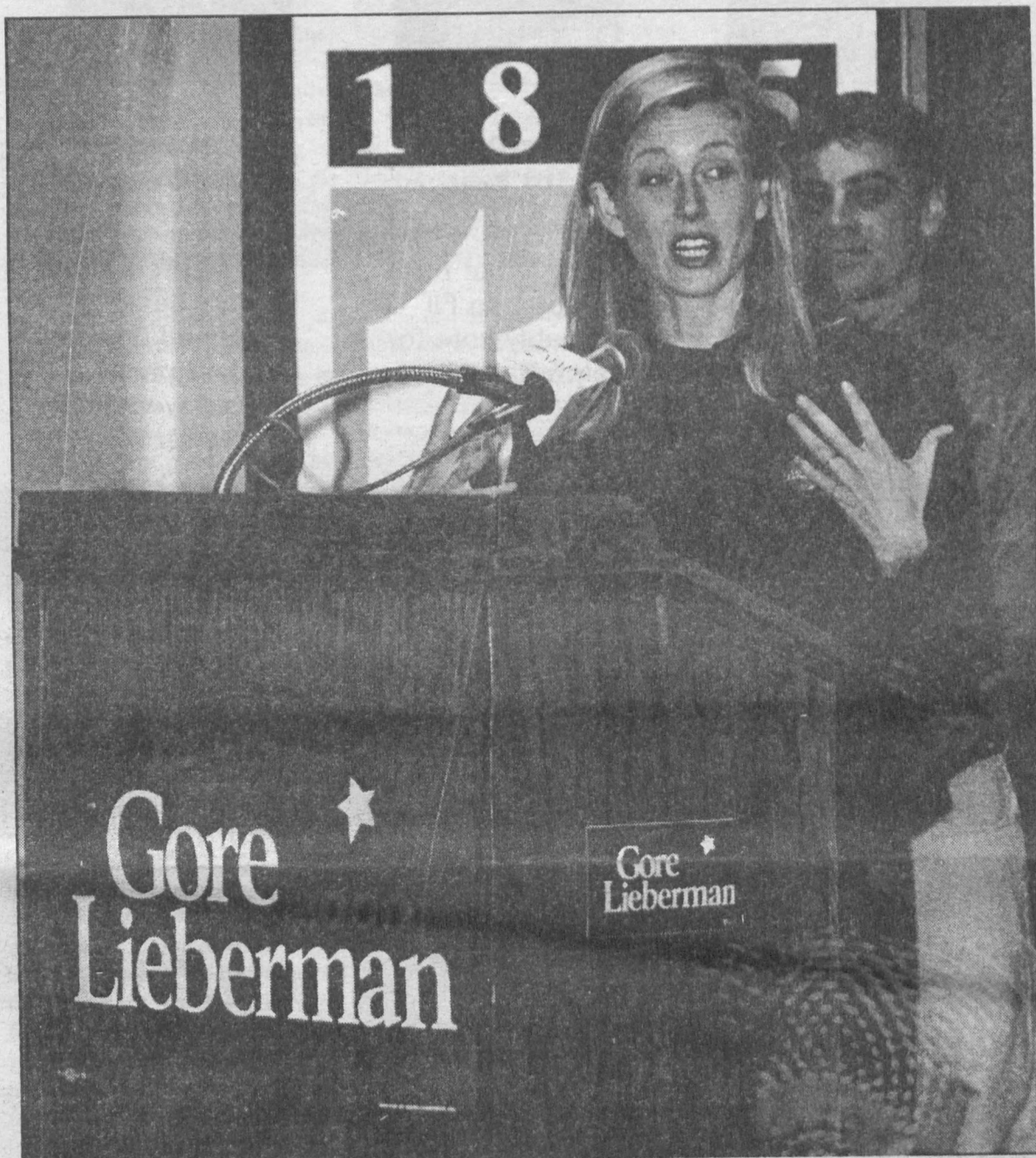
On the subject of collegiate concerns, she said:

"College-age voters have a lot of power, and in this election my dad is offering a vision where more people have an opportunity to go to college."

She emphasized the importance the next president will have on the younger generation in terms of abortion rights, which she says could be banned if Bush becomes president.

"These are issues which resonate with college students!" she

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Karenna Gore-Schiff, the daughter of Vice President Al Gore, spoke in favor of her father's campaign on campus Monday afternoon in Wells Conference Center. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.

## Gore-Schiff leads Dems week in Maine

By Anthony Saucier  
For The Maine Campus

Remember the hoopla about the "lovely" Gore daughters in the 1992 election? Well, the eldest child of Al and Tipper is back in the news again and campaigning on behalf of her father.

Just prior to her appearance at a Monday afternoon pep rally at Wells Conference Center, Karenna Gore-Schiff ponied up to a table of eight "working" women at Mama's Kitchen Restaurant in Bangor.

In a tactic used by Republicans and Democrats alike in the 2000 election, candidates have been sending "surrogates," individuals familiar with the candidate's stands, to represent them in swing states like Maine. James Roosevelt, grandson of the nation's 32nd president, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, is campaigning in Bangor this morning, fielding questions about Gore's take on senior issues.

Unlike her appearance at the university to regurgitate her father's plans, Gore-Schiff was confronted by direct concerns from jobs to education at Monday's roundtable in Bangor.

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# Bounty Taverne ship filled with angels and beer cans

By Jessica DiSanto  
Community Reporter

The infamous pirate Blackbeard could not have built a more sturdy or entertaining ship than the one found at The Bounty Taverne in Bangor.

The Bounty, located behind the Holiday Inn on Main Street, is known for its pirate ship theme, which sets it apart from other nightclubs in the area.

According to Peter Lebel, a manager of The Bounty, the ship scene is what attracts most people to the club.

"People come in and see the ship," Lebel said. "It's a unique setup."

And indeed it is. Stepping through the front entrance of The Bounty is like stepping onto the set of a Robinson Crusoe movie.

The first thing that customers come upon is the dance floor of The Bounty, set in the center of the club. Above the dance floor a sign with the name of the club casts an eerie red glow as a member of The Bounty's staff occasionally flashes the light on and off. A mirror situated below the DJ's booth reflects dancers as they grind to the music.

On one side of the dance floor is a short series of steps that lead up to another level of the club. Peering into the middle of the room, is like taking a glimpse on board of the upper deck of a great sailing vessel. The walls, lined with wooden posts, come together to enclose the configuration of the room into the bow of a ship.

Ropes dangling from the ceiling and flowing down the walls spill shadowy images across the room.

On the other side of The Bounty is an area partitioned off from the rest of the club. Customers are able to watch the dance floor and smoke as they sit in leather-upholstered chairs by tables lit by lanterns. It wouldn't take much imagination to envision Disney's Captain Hook sitting and chatting here with patrons at The Bounty.

And Saturday it might have been possible to see Captain Hook.

The Bounty hosted three Halloween parties on Friday, Saturday and Halloween. Contests were held for opportunities to win airfare to Orlando, Fla., gift certificates for lodging at

other Holiday Inns around the state and local restaurants and the chance to win \$10,000 by participating in a dice roll.

The Bounty, generally a 21 and over nightclub, has come to target local young people. Friday nights are aimed at allowing those between the ages of 16 and 21 have the opportunity to experience what life in a nightclub is all about while staying "chem-free."

Chemical-free nights at The Bounty began about five years ago. Each Sunday and Wednesday night during the summer the club was open to young adults, giving them a chance to enjoy the dance club atmosphere in an alcohol-free atmosphere.

It wasn't until this summer when The Bounty was drawing more than 300 teen-agers to the chem-free nights, that it was decided every Friday night would be chem-free.

"Kids want something to do, too," Lebel said. "They want [to experience] the club scene."

Lebel urges those who are going to The Bounty on Friday or Saturday

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Both customers and staff at The Bounty Taverne were in costume for a Halloween celebration Saturday night. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

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# QUESTION OF THE WEEK: What would you base your decision on when you vote for president?

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**Jeremy Beane**  
4th Year

"The Alaskan petroleum reserves and gun control policy. Bush's views on those are in my favor."



**Sarah Bishop**  
1st Year

"I don't want to vote for Al Gore because it would be a continuation of the last administration."



**Chrissy Dantoni**  
3rd Year

"I don't like Bush or Gore, so I'll probably vote for Ralph Nader."



**Chris Duffy**  
2nd Year

"I'm so tired of our military being weakened down by ignorant presidents. I would have to vote for Bush."

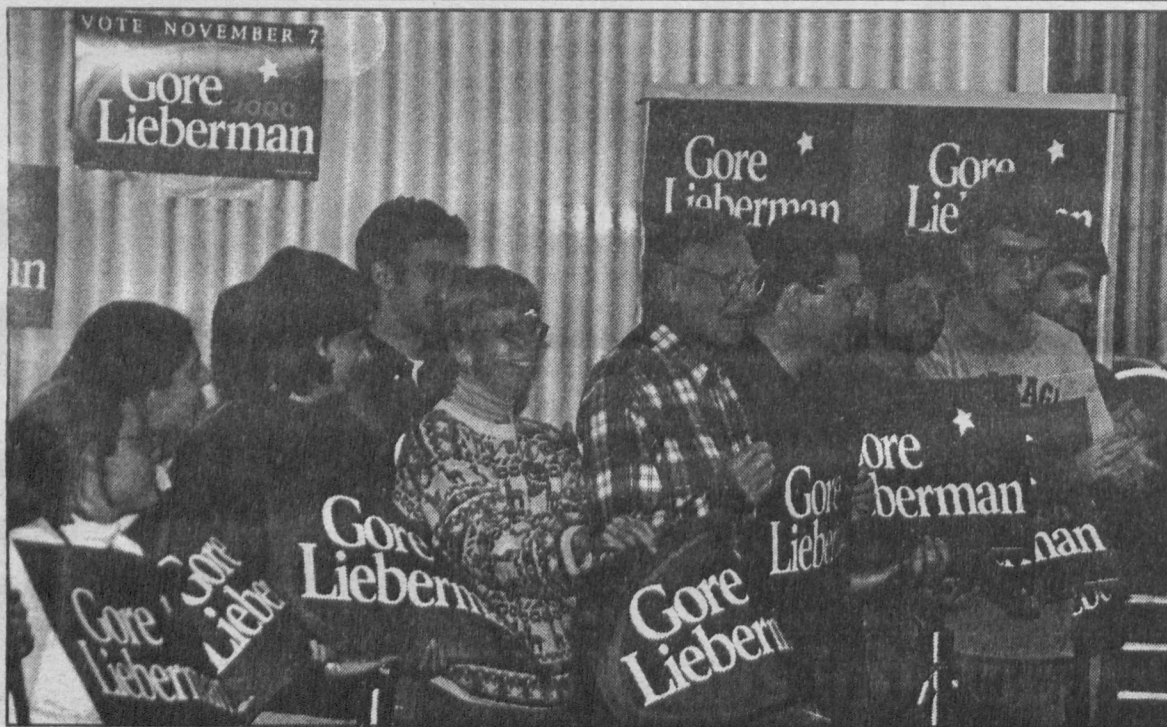


**Zack Pike**  
3rd Year

"I'm so tired of bi-partisan government that I'll have to vote for Nader or some other third-party candidate."

## Gore-Schiff

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A supportive crowd turned out to see Karenni Gore-Schiff speak at UMaine. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.

concluded among cheers.

Following her speech, Gore-Schiff took interviews with local television stations and The Maine Campus.

Fielding a question concerning

Clinton's involvement in the Gore-Lieberman ticket, she was adamant.

"The president has been publicly supportive, but my father is running as his own man," Gore-

Schiff said.

As to Nader's supposed destructive impact?

"There are huge differences between my dad and Bush," she said, dodging the question, "[I think] voters understand this."

Outside the rally, a supporter offered positive thoughts.

"Karenni brings a new, fresher air to the campaign," said the supporter. "She is so enthusiastic, it's hard to tune out anything she says."

However, not everyone was convinced.

"She sounds like a carbon copy of her father," a skeptic said. "Gore's trailing by too much, how much can this girl actually do?"

Gore-Schiff, the eldest of two daughters, has had an increasingly active role in her father's campaign over the past year. Pursuing a career in law, she graduated from Harvard in 1995 and is now preparing for the bar exam.

## Women

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Jane Searles of the Maine Center for Women, Work and the Community addressed the state's economy shortly after the gathering began.

"Right now, there are less people going to school and a good deal of the manufacturing jobs have left the state," Searles commented.

While not opposing the argument, Gore-Schiff was optimistic about the situation for working women.

"I know a lot of women my age looking to start a career and there are jobs out there that just aren't being filled," Gore-Schiff said. "There are so many untapped resources." She cited trends in the Maine business where industrious female entrepreneurs will receive support.

"The Small Business Administration is becoming more generous in giving loans to women and businesses started by females are growing at twice the rate of businesses started by males right now," Gore-Schiff said confidently.

Laurie Sanborn, a student of funeral services at the New England Institute in Massachusetts, spoke briefly about her urge to return to Maine after completing school.

"I want to settle down and have a family in this area," Sanborn noted.

A mother of a one and a half year-old herself, Gore-Schiff used the segway to speak a little about parenting.

"I remember thinking that my mom's campaign to put labels on rock albums wasn't cool," Gore-Schiff said, "but when I became a mom, I saw the incident from a different aspect. We need to try and get the tools for parents to have more control."

Gore-Schiff later explained how strengthening the work of parents would come through a higher respect for teachers.

"We have to treat teachers like professionals," Gore-Schiff said. "Teaching used to be just a women's profession and as a result, it is undervalued."

Towards the end of the discussion, Gore-Schiff took time to address one of state's more controversial subjects: gun control. While Al Gore is for trigger locks, background checks and ending the loophole that applies to firearms bought at gun shows, she explained that her father was not in favor of taking away the right to own a gun.

"People on both sides of the gun control issue can get hyperbolic, but my dad doesn't want sportsmen or homeowners with legal handguns to lose them," stressed the candidate's daughter.

Surrogate campaign efforts continued yesterday as Al Gore's running mate, Joe Lieberman appeared at the Bangor Opera House to address Gore's stands on healthcare.

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# Changes in sleeping patterns may cause insomnia

By Shirlee Engel  
McGill Tribune

MONTREAL (U-WIRE) — Four o'clock in the morning and you toss angrily onto your right side, stare at the wall, try once again to close your eyes. Quickly you rebound to the left, imagine sheep hopping gracefully over a fence projected onto your door; you begin counting them one by one. Time passes. You are still counting.

Another hour goes by. Frustrated, you kick off your covers, stumble into the living room, plop yourself down on the couch in front of the TV. You stare listlessly at the image on the screen and yawn loudly. You figure the infomercials will make you drift off. But you're wrong — regardless of your efforts, you simply cannot put your mind to rest, and what's worse is that your alarm clock is about to go off.

Now for the comforting part: you are not alone. There are probably a lot more people tossing and turning around the city, all who suffer from the same problem of sleepless nights and bleary-eyed days in what seems like an endless cycle. An estimated one in three adults gets too little rest to function properly because of trouble falling, or staying, asleep.

Young adults need between 6-1/2 to 8 hours of continuous sleep daily. When wakeful nights occur more than two days in a row, your ability to function normally can be greatly affected. If you are taking more than 30 to 45 minutes to fall asleep, wake up many times during the night or very early and cannot get back to sleep, or don't feel refreshed after a night's rest,

chances are you suffer from what is commonly called insomnia. It is, quite simply, not being able to get the Zs.

Dr. Henry Olders, a geriatric psychiatrist and expert on sleep disorders at the Jewish General Hospital, says that there is a great misconception around the concept of insomnia.

"Insomnia is a symptom, and a symptom is typically due to some underlying cause," he says, adding that many people actually suffer from what is called delayed sleep phase syndrome, which is characterized by a great deal of difficulty falling asleep at night, usually accompanied by difficulty waking and getting up. This often disappears as people get older.

"The most common type of insomnia is psycho-psychological insomnia," Olders said. "That is basically a fancy way of saying [we] don't know what the cause is."

Experts say insomnia can be caused by several factors, many of which are preventable. Most importantly, changes in sleeping patterns can throw your body off-course. Other main triggers are the use of caffeine or other stimulants, sedatives or depressives such as alcohol, depression, stress, anxiety, worry and even sleeping or napping excessively during the day.

"A lot of it may be a question of lifestyle, and that is a question of choice," says Olders. "And in making that choice, you have to know what the consequences are."

The lifestyle of a typical student is full of irregularities.

"What many students do is during the week they burn the candle at both ends," he says, outlining a ritual involving going to

bed quite late and waking up early for classes, which results in sleep deprivation. Many students try to make up for the lost hours on the weekend, often sleeping in until noon or later.

"If I don't get enough sleep during the week because I'm always so busy, I will sleep in much later than usual on a Saturday morning," says McGill University U1 student Rebekka Friedman. "I have to or I can't function."

However, people need to be up for an average of 18 hours. Getting up really late throws the body off balance, resulting in insomnia on the weekends, especially Sunday night.

"It's a vicious circle which builds on itself," says Olders. "I think the most effective way (of breaking out of this) is probably to be consistent about getting up in the morning whether you have slept or not." He adds that getting up around the same time every day is key.

## STRESS

Many sufferers say that stress and anxiety cause their insomnia.

"When there's stress in my life, like school, personal things, I have trouble sleeping," says Alma Ehrlich, a U2 student.

However, Olders says that it is a misconception to think that stress and anxiety alone are the culprits. "If someone is truly sleep deprived, nothing will keep them awake. Stress by itself will not cause someone to have difficulty sleeping," he says.

Another important point is that many people can subconsciously perpetuate their sleep problems; thinking that daytime impairments are due to poor sleep may feed

into a self-fulfilling prophecy.

"I think one misconception that a lot of people have regarding sleep is that if you haven't slept well, you will not be able to function," says Olders. "That's incorrect. The reality is that people can function very well without sleep. You will be sleepy but that's easy to fix." He says that quick doses of rest during the day can alleviate sleepiness.

"A short nap of 10 to 15 minutes is all it takes to get you energized," he says. "It may not carry you through the day, but it will help."

## HELP FOR THE SLEEP-DEPRIVED

Olders says that his approach to treating sleep disorders is reducing the amount of time a person stays in bed, otherwise known as sleep restriction. This seems to be a contradiction to the concept of not being able to sleep at all, but spending too much time in bed can make it harder to fall asleep when you actually want to get a good night's rest.

Some believe that sleeping pills could be the answer to a night of staring at the ceiling.

"Sleep medications are typically a bad idea," he says. "They are effective in the short term but have potential side effects." Some of these are quite dangerous. The use of sleep aides has been linked to motor vehicle accidents and higher frequency of visits to the emergency room. The effect can be identical to that of consuming alcohol, a depressant of the cen-

tral nervous system. The most common sleep medication side effects include depression and psychological addiction.

Still, there are many non-prescription drug therapies available that do not cause addiction. Herbal medicines such as kava, which relaxes muscles and reduces stress and anxiety in some people, may be helpful. However, it is important to remember everyone is different, and what works for one person may not for the next.

"I know people that have taken herbal medicines to help them sleep," says Friedman. "They say that it works, but I think it may be a placebo effect at work instead."

Despite the numerous treatments available, Olders says that even seeing your doctor is not always the answer to kicking insomnia. Many prescribe the anti-depressant Ativan, but often this is not an adequate solution to an underlying set of bad lifestyle choices that can be easily altered.

Basically, skip the appointments with the MD and opt instead to work on fixing what's wrong in your routine.

Still, if your grades, social life and general well-being are suffering, you may want to see someone.

"It is important to deal with the underlying disorder than to treat the symptoms," says Olders. "But if the symptoms are causing an inability to function during the day, or affecting social relationships, then [one] should seek professional help."

## Bounty

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night to arrive when the doors open at 9 p.m. because the "earlier the better."

About 300 people attend The Bounty during the weekends and it does get a little crowded.

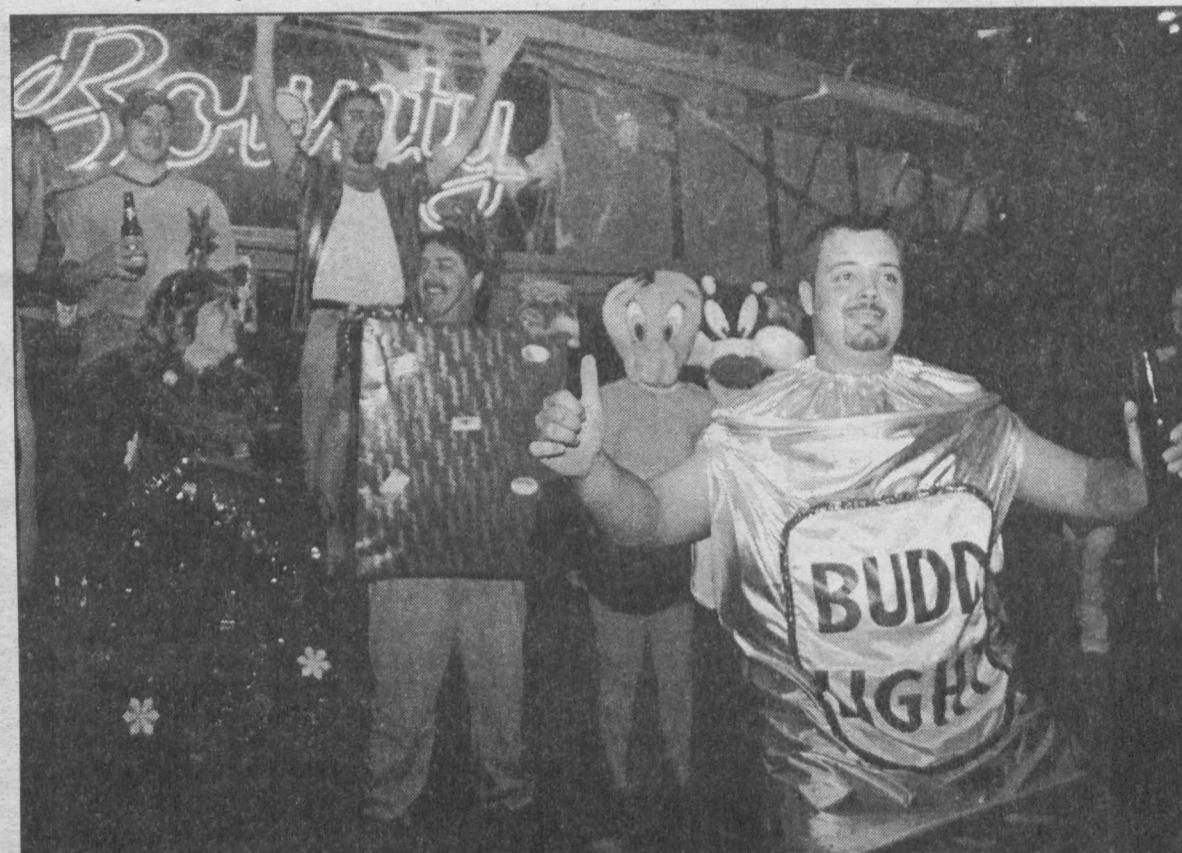
"I like coming here," said Angela Smith, a customer of The Bounty. "I like the ship theme and it's a fun place to just socialize

and to have a good time."

Another feature that The Bounty has to offer is the Tipsy Taxi. The Tipsy Taxi is a service which The Bounty offers to those who find themselves without a designated driver and are too intoxicated to drive. The Bounty staff will call for a taxi and will pay for the cab fare.

According to Lebel this is one feature that many take advantage of.

"It saves not only on OUI and lawsuits, but is a responsibility that we stress," Lebel said. "We like to have people come out and have a good time, but we also want to see them safe and back here next week."



One of the winners of a costume contest dance in victory, at the Bounty's Halloween bash Saturday night. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

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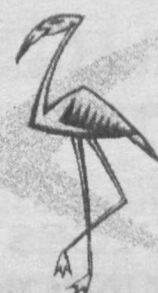
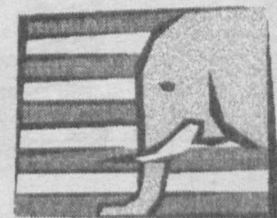
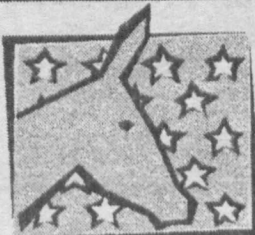


When my children came into my life, I realized how important it is to eat well—not just for them, but for me too. After all, I'm not doing them any favors by taking chances with my own health. Food can be powerful medicine, and the best prescription is to eat more low-fat vegetarian meals. The more fruits, vegetables, and whole grains you eat, the more your body will thank you.

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## Q5 ends discrimination for ill's vote

By Kimberly Leonard  
Style Editor

On Nov. 7, Question 5, a constitutional amendment, will ask: "Do you favor amending the constitution of Maine to end discrimination against persons under

guardianship for mental illness for the purpose of voting?"

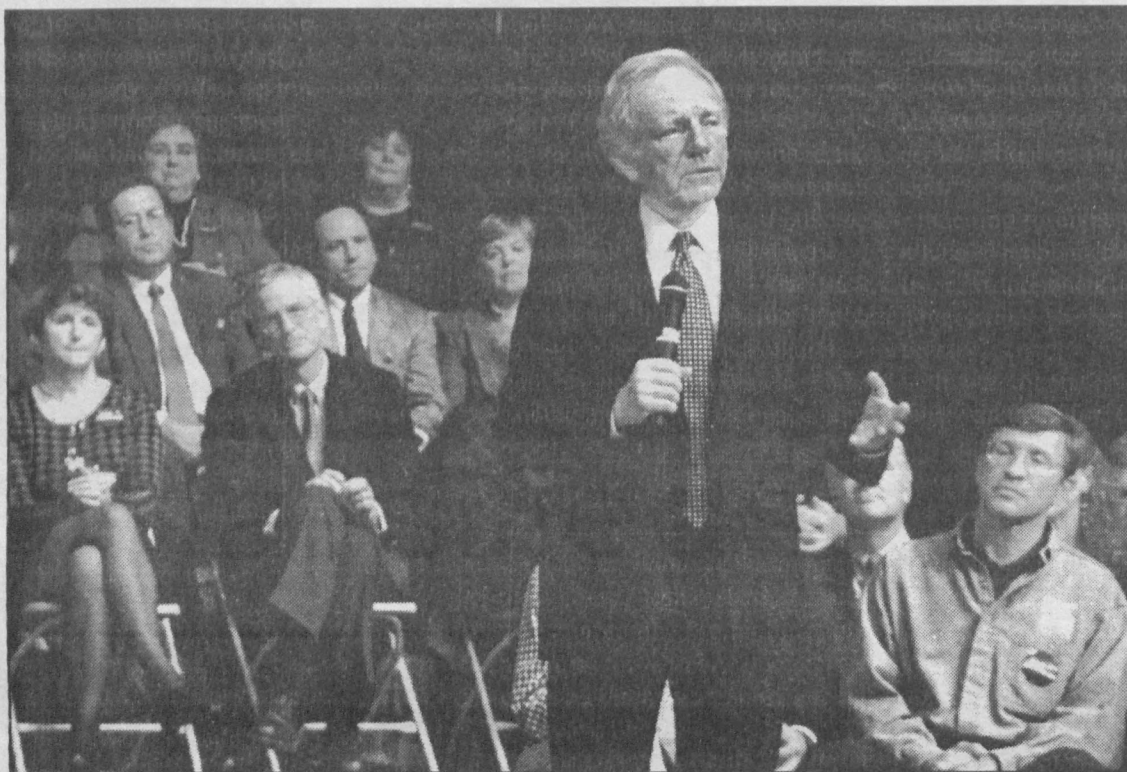
Under the current wording in the Maine Constitution, Article 2 Section 1 reads:

"Every citizen of the United States of the age of 18 years and upwards, excepting persons under

guardianship for reasons of mental illness, having his residence established in this state, shall be an elector for governor. ..."

If amended, the article would no longer hold the voting exclusion of people under guardianship for mental illness.

### Lieberman at the opera



Democratic Vice Presidential Candidate Joe Lieberman spoke to local residents at the Bangor Opera House Tuesday morning. CAMPUS PHOTO BY VALERIE DOYLE.

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## Lieberman galvanizes UNevada supporters

By Mike Zigler  
The Rebel Yell

LAS VEGAS (U-WIRE) — At the Democratic rally on the steps of Ham Hall at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas Thursday evening, vice-presidential candidate Joe Lieberman told a crowd that the Democratic plan is to continue expanding American opportunity. Afterwards, he explained his stance against deadbeat fathers, college betting and gasoline prices.

Lieberman insisted he does not oppose gambling and used his tendency to spend \$50 on slot machines when visiting casinos as evidence. He is, however, for banning college sport betting.

Lieberman co-sponsored a bill to extend the 49-state ban on college sports betting to Nevada.

Despite the problem with illegal college betting, Lieberman said he agreed with the argument some coaches made when they said legal gambling gives a "legal sanction" to do it.

Al Gore, Democratic presidential candidate, differs with Lieberman on the issue. Gore believes the decision belongs to the state.

Lieberman said that his stance on this issue is not due to his faith as an Orthodox Jew.

During his speech, Lieberman said he and Gore plan to attack deadbeat dads and ensure they financially support the children they father.

A controversial proposal in Nevada is to run a background check on the winners of large jackpots in casinos to see if they owe on child support. If so, the winnings would be garnished so the support payments would be met.

Although he is not fully aware of the proposal, Lieberman said he would be open to such a law because child support is a serious obligation that needs to be fulfilled. He also said a more logical way to run such a program would be to use a state-run lottery as an arm to collect child support since it is a governmental entity.

Lieberman, who was involved in the collection of child support when attorney general of

Connecticut, took legal action on behalf of his state to collect child support from fathers who refused to pay.

One example Lieberman used was when he took steps to access tax funds that were typically returned to the people because these funds were a result of excessive taxes. However, if the person owed on child support, the money would be withheld instead of returned.

He also spoke about the recent sharp price increases at the gas pump.

Lieberman explained that little could be done in the short term to reduce gasoline prices due to the nation's heavy dependency on foreign oil. He defended the Clinton administration's decision to increase the nation's petroleum supply.

"[Opening up the strategic oil reserve] was at least a way to say in the short run we're not going to just roll over every time the oil producers and the big oil companies decide that they want to raise the prices," he said.

The U.S. does not need to drill in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to decrease the nation's reliance on foreign oil. Such drilling, which has strong bipartisan support in Alaska, would destroy the environment, and stands as a major difference in long-term oil policy between the Democratic and Republican presidential tickets, Lieberman said.

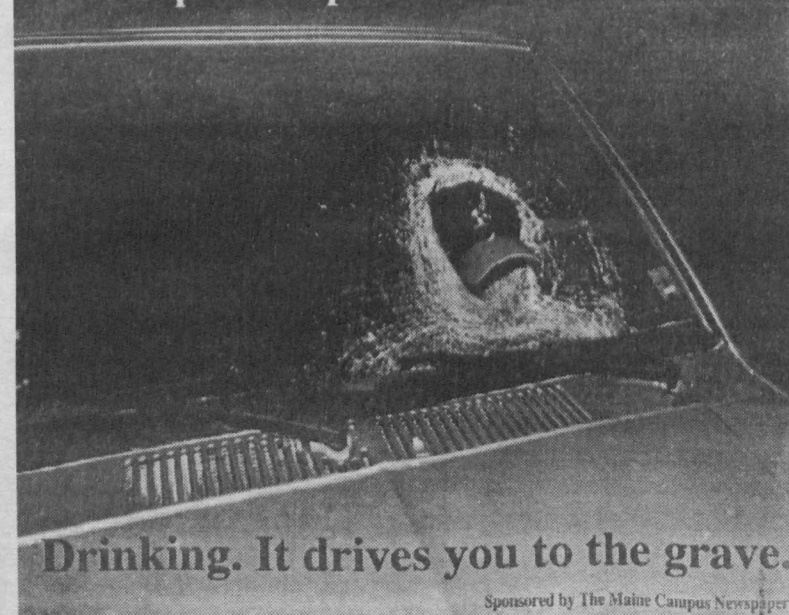
During his speech to a crowd estimated at 600, he compared the Democratic positions to those of the Bush-Cheney ticket.

Lieberman said America changed for the better in 1992 because Clinton and Gore took office to expand American opportunity. They decreased unemployment, government spending and crime in eight years, Lieberman said.

Lieberman asked the crowd if they wanted to keep going forward or if they wanted to go backward. He encouraged them to yell "forward" with each item of change from the past eight years he read.

From his "forward or backward" speech, he gave the crowd a tip on how to vote this year.

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# GSS passes constitution changes to students

By Amanda Erskine  
Student Government Reporter

After a year and a half of hard work improving and molding a proposal to change the University of Maine Student Government constitution, the new changes are ready to be introduced to the student population as a referendum in the December student presidential elections.

The proposed changes, sponsored by Student Government President Chris Moody and GSS President Justin Kelleher, have all been approved by the General Student Senate.

If the referendum is approved by the student population they will immediately be put into effect.

The first change to amend the constitution is in Article 6 Section 3, dissolution of assets. The origi-

nal constitution states that, if the Student Government comes to an end, the money will go to the University of Maine.

The student government wants to change it so the money will be then dispersed among the students. Chris Moody and Justin Kelleher explain that the money should go back to the students "who paid for it in the first place," as the money the GSS has to allocate comes from student activity fees.

The next change involves the cabinet. Currently the cabinet comes from various groups such as fraternities, sororities, on-campus, off-campus and two GSS members, to give reports at the GSS meetings, and to act as an advisory group to the president.

If changed, the president will

have the responsibility to appoint these individuals then have them go before the GSS for approval by a majority vote, rather than have them be simply brought for the constituencies. Moody and Kelleher both deem this important as this could "allow for personality conflicts, personal biases, etc., ... to alter the effectiveness and direction of the cabinet."

The removal of Articles 10 and 12 from the constitution is next in the list of changes. Moody and Kelleher find these articles nonessential explanations of how the "old will work with the new," and are labeled as "added baggage" and by removing them they will be able to simplify the constitution with an "effort to clean house."

In addition to articles 10 and 12, the student govern-

ment is also asking for the removal of Article 5 and any other mention of "service board" in the constitution.

The reasoning for this is that service boards "promote active clubs to a more recognizable standard," Moody and Kelleher write as an explanation, "it has since been made aware that being a service board allows for a greater responsibility than a typical club structure can handle."

Next on the agenda of changes is to propose the election date of the President and Vice President of the Student Government to be moved from February to December. The reason for this said Moody and Kelleher is to give the incoming president and vice president more time to get used to their position and "to allow for December graduates to

run for position."

The last proposal is to hold Executive Budget Committee elections once a year in October. In the past there was two elections for the EBC members.

This Moody and Kelleher rationalize because the members need to be well-informed in how the budget procedure works.

Now there is plenty of time to allow new members to be familiar with the workings before the budget process begins.

"No one has been wanting to tackle the constitution, but we believe it is a big deal, and it has taken a long time to formulate our thoughts because it takes time to take the sensible approach," Moody said. "[Kelleher and I] are the first couple to take it on, and, in my mind, they are big problems."

## Middle East conflict re-routes Semester at Sea voyage

By Rachel Randall  
The Pitt News

PITTSBURGH (U-WIRE) — Students on the fall 2000 Semester at Sea voyage face major changes to their itinerary with tension growing between Israelis and Palestinians in the Middle East.

The ship, which still had ports of call in Egypt, Turkey, Croatia, Spain and Cuba, will now be sailing to Kenya, South Africa, Brazil and Cuba instead.

The Institute for Shipboard Education made the decision to alter the itinerary after the recent outbreak of violence between Israelis and Palestinians and the bombing of the USS Cole in Yemen.

"Prudence dictated that we rearrange the schedule because of the unpredictability of the region at this time," Paul Watson, director of enrollment management at ISE, said.

According to an ISE press release the decision was made

after a careful analysis of information and advice from the Department of State, Pinkerton Global Intelligence Services and other sources both in the United States and the Middle East.

All of the countries on the new itinerary are regularly visited by the spring program of Semester at Sea and therefore ISE has "extensive and established contacts in each country," according to the news release.

This is not the first time that tensions in the Middle East have

caused problems for the Semester at Sea program.

In 1997, Semester at Sea students were in Cairo, Egypt, when a terrorist attack claimed the lives of 68 people in Luxor, Egypt.

None of the 70 students were injured, however, students' trips were cut short as they were asked to go immediately to their hotel rooms and were escorted back to the ship from there.

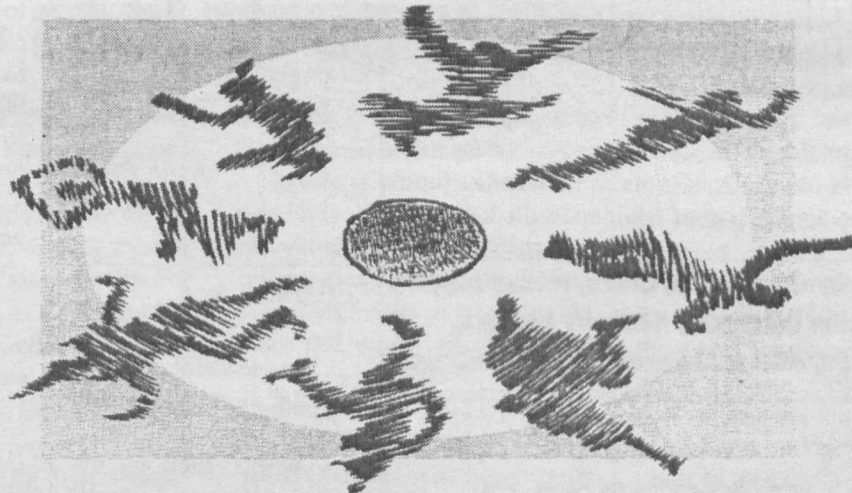
Watson predicts that any disappointment students may feel because of this semester's itin-

erary change will most likely dissipate as soon as they begin visiting the countries on the new itinerary.

The ship will return to the United States on its previously scheduled arrival of Dec. 22.

E-mail and mail notifications have been sent to the students' emergency contacts, which were provided by students prior to the voyage. Any other questions should be directed to the ISE office at 1 (800) 854-0195.

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# EDITORIAL

## On Nov. 7 write off Coffman

On Saturday, a party was broken up by the Orono Police Department. The only change from the usual Saturday night bust was that the party was held and paid for by a declared write-in candidate for the Orono town city council. And although Ralph Coffman's attempt at gaining votes by providing a party space for his constituents was creative, it was nonetheless irresponsible and not becoming of a potential city council member.

Coffman, who is also the owner of the Riverview Town Houses, otherwise known as Riverplex, advertised his party by posting signs on Stillwater Avenue, Bennoch Road, College Avenue and downtown Old Town. The spray-painted signs boasted the party was "paid for by Ralph Coffman," and people should "come party with Ralphie."

The party, which drew 300 to 500 people, began at 6 p.m. and was broken up shortly before midnight by the Orono Police Department, which responded to a noise complaint. The bust resulted in the arrest of nine individuals and Coffman himself. It is not the first time Coffman has had a brush with the police. This past summer he was charged with possession of marijuana after being pulled over for driving erratically.

Coffman's actions are not representative of a person who is qualified to sit on city council in order to make intelligent, responsible and well-informed decisions. Further, his attempt to target college students in such an irresponsible manner in order to gain votes is pathetic. On Nov. 7, vote responsibly — don't write in Ralph Coffman.

## In memoriam of Bubba

The University of Maine lost a brave soul last week, and the Maine Campus staff had come to know him as "Bubba." Gary L. Martin bravely lost his second battle with cancer on Oct. 26, 2000, at the age of 48.

Bubba was a custodian here at the university and, until the middle of last year, worked the night shift in Chadbourne Hall.

Bubba was dedicated to his work as a maintenance man, even when he stopped by our office to complain about university bureaucracy. He loved his job, he loved meeting and talking with people of Chadbourne Hall offices and other buildings he maintained.

And he loved his wife of just over a year, Gail Dyer-Martin, who also works at the university. He talked about her all the time.

Only a select few here at the Maine Campus really know Bubba. Those who have graduated remember him fondly. He would stop by to deliver gossip and story ideas. But most of all, he delivered us laughter and good will from a stressful day.

Survived by his wife, mother and a large loving family, Gary Martin leaves the people of the university a little bit better and more fulfilled after he touched the lives of many.

Those who knew Bubba who wish to make a contribution in memory of Gary "Bubba" Martin may consider a donation to the "Gail and Gary Martin Family Fund" or the American Cancer Society in his name. Donations to the family fund may be sent to Howard Dunn, in care of the University of Maine Credit Union.

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## Letters to the Editor

• Jon Thomas

On Nov. 7, we all have the opportunity to cast votes in an election cycle many are calling the closest in 40 years. Please make sure you take the time to stop by the voting booth to make your marks for the future. One of those offices you will be voting to fill directly impacts the University of Maine. Our representative to the Maine House of Representatives has traditionally been a University of Maine student. As a result of term limits, Kathleen Stevens is not eligible to run for re-election. I am writing to ask you to make Jonathan R. Thomas her successor.

While a student at this University, Thomas has tirelessly fought for the needs of the student body. His place on the board of trustees always ensured that the voice of the student would be heard. Electing him as our representative will ensure the voice of this university rings strong in the state capital.

Without a doubt, Thomas will represent this campus and the Orono community strongly for the duration of his term.

Keith Hinds  
Orono

• Parking lots

The peaceful slumber of a fall morning on south campus was disturbed a few weeks back by the sound of rapid metal clanging. Curiously, I peered out my window to see that a sign was being put right in front of my truck. One of my roommates approached the workers and found out that

my completely legal parking space of five minutes ago was being transformed into a service spot. Upon calling Public Safety, I was told that I had a whole 10 minutes to move or I "might" get a ticket.

This event made me question why the administration changed the policy so that commuter lots and resident lots are now separate. The resident lots that provide for York Village, York, Aroostook and Kennebec halls contain 357 spots. Given 357 spots it would seem logical that only 357 decals be sold to south campus residents. But no, as a matter of fact, 444 decals were sold to residents of these halls, a difference of 87 vehicles.

How can Public Safety legitimize giving a ticket to anyone parking illegally on south campus when they themselves are the ones who displaced almost 90 cars? Where are 90 cars supposed to go? It is not as if the resident lots on the rest of campus are able to take on this burden. What is the administration doing about this problem? All they seem to be doing is issuing more tickets. If they want to legitimize displacing 90 cars then I am going to legitimize parking in my old spot.

And as far as that sign goes ... I'm hooking a chain up to it right now.

Alex Ernst  
York Village

• Mary Cathcart

The Democratic Party is fortunate to have an excellent candidate for state Senate District 7. I am giving my unqualified support to Mary Cathcart.

On many occasions I

have turned to Mary for help, and I have also had the opportunity to meet with Mary in her Orono home. She was always ready to listen and to act for the working families whose voices needed to be heard.

I also know Mary Cathcart to be a well-informed advocate for many causes.

One of her best qualities is her ability to understand the concerns of all levels of working people. Her long-standing association with the University of Maine is no secret. Cathcart came to Orono as a faculty wife many years ago, and she is still listening and learning about the current situation we are in.

This was very ably reflected in the last session of the Legislature. Mary went all out to secure additional equity funding for university employees, secure a major renovation for the antiquated Aubert Hall to provide our students with a state-of-the-art chemistry program, and to restore Fogler Library as the best library in the state of Maine. Her service on the Appropriations Committee is a major plus for the district.

Cathcart has strong ties to our area. She has raised her family here, owned a small business and knows the issues that face us. Her efforts to aid the development of Ayers Island, working with Environet and the wood composite program are examples of her commitment to the economic development of this district.

I encourage all Democratic, Republican and unenrolled voters in District 7 to vote for Mary Cathcart on Nov. 7. Every vote counts.

Chris J. McEvoy  
Orono

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# OPINION

## Up close and personal

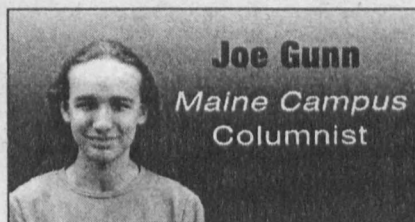
One aspect of college life I always pass along to friends of mine on the verge of graduating high school is that in college "the world just seems to come to you." I tell them it's as if the world is collectively aware that you will soon be given the reins of society, and, as a result, they want to sell their slant on the world to you. We are as a result the recipients of the largest marketing ploy that we will ever face in our lives.

Just what are we going to think, believe and do once this society is in our hands? The ploy we are being presented with this year is, of course, who our next president will be. I recently witnessed the marketing of the two possible choices (the successful Green movement notwithstanding) in person.

My first exposure occurred nearly two weeks ago, when a chance encounter with the UMaine College Republicans, while on my way to pick up a birthday present for my stepfather in the University Bookstore, led to my attending and actually participating in a campaign rally for Gov. George W. Bush.

Wow, talk about the world coming to you. As a reporter, I probably could have played the bipartisan role (which I have done successfully as the

campus political reporter) by standing off to the sides and asking anyone who would bother to care that a college reporter was there what it felt like to get close to their choice for president.



**Joe Gunn**  
Maine Campus  
Columnist

However, I saw it as an opportunity to actually witness the inner workings of one of these rallies you hear so often about, so I seized it.

I actually volunteered along with the campus group that was nice enough to drag along a staunch bi-partisan reporter (my immense thanks to Matt Gagnon for the ticket). I ended up spending two hours on a beautifully warm Friday afternoon handing out tickets to young twentysomething couples, fortysomethings, their children, and kind elderly couples.

I must say that it was a personal reward for me to see the glimmer of pure joy in their eyes when I gave them their tickets. I had the satisfaction knowing that I was doing a small part in helping them get to see who they believe will

make their lives better. And my reward for my spontaneous volunteering: I ended up on stage less than 10 feet away from our next potential president. And just think: four hours earlier I was stopping by the Memorial Union on the way to my existentialism class!

My second personal exposure to the presidential campaign occurred the other day, when I attended the Karenna Gore-Shiff rally over in Wells Conference Center.

It's really kind of amusing that, whether it's 2,000 people in an airport hanger or 100 in a reception room, they still blare their entrance with theme music (I still can't get Bush's out of my head! Ack!) Both were the same in content in that they spouted canned lines, which, if you followed the campaign enough, you could mouth along with them. They were not really big into the specifics, besides lines like "I have a plan for yada-yada," and of course them making it seem that the only thing keeping them or their father away from the White House were the voters of Maine.

Oh well, another instance of the world advertising itself to us, I suppose.

*Joe Gunn is a second-year journalism major.*

## Female vote could make the difference

The time is winding down. Soon our next president will be chosen. So where will you be on Tuesday, Nov. 7? Hopefully, the answer will be in a voting booth.

Women voters are especially important in this election.

Many college women have not decided which presidential candidate to support. Recently, I wrote a column containing a guide for college women on the issues that matter most in this election. One candidate was not discussed and that was the Green Party's Ralph Nader. Below is a discussion of Nader's views on women's issues as well as more information for women to consider about all the presidential candidates.

Ralph Nader has something going for him that the other two major party candidates do not. That is, he chose a woman to be his vice presidential candidate. Winona LaDuke, a Native American from Minnesota, is running with Nader, and together they both support the National Organization for Women's platform. They support economic rights for women, the Equal Rights amendment, homemakers' rights, reproductive rights, lesbian-gay rights, ending violence against women and eliminating racism.

One interesting issue that Nader has proposed solutions for is ending merchants' mistreatment of women. In his book, "Women Pay More and How to Put a Stop to It," he writes that there is a "long cross-cultural tradition of marketplace exploitation of women, where sellers of goods and services overcharge, cheat or damage women's health and safety." Nader hopes to work to eliminate this practice.

There has been a significant gender gap this year in polls. In a recent Washington Post tracking poll, 55 percent of all women supported Al Gore compared to 36 percent of men. Men were 17 points more likely to support George W. Bush. This gap could be caused by the differing opinion on issues important to men and women.

On the issue of abortion, both liberal and conservative women voters have clear choices with

the presidential candidates this fall.

Nader supports a woman's right to choose. He has said that we have seen governments around the world forcing a woman to have a child or to not have a child and he believes that should not happen here in the United States.

Bush has been pro-life, but has said he will support abortion in the case of incest, rape or physical harm it could cause the woman. He does support banning partial-birth abortions. Gore has been pro-choice and fully supports the Food and Drug Association's recent approval of the abortion pill RU-486.

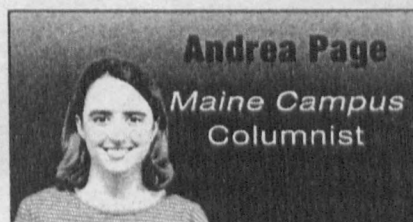
One concern for many women has been upholding the 1973 decision, Roe vs. Wade. The New York Times said recently that "rarely have the politics of abortion been more complicated than they are in this presidential election or involved higher stakes."

The concern for many feminists and pro-choice supporters is that if Bush is elected he could possibly appoint Supreme Court justices who could overturn this landmark decision. This same article stated that only two appointments on the Supreme Court could overturn Roe v. Wade.

Bush is the choice, though, if you are pro-life and wish to have those values be important in the White House. Bush has not been making an issue about the Supreme Court topic and has overall kept things fairly neutral on the campaign trail, focusing instead on other issues such as education, Social Security and tax cuts.

Check out the issues that matter most to you by reading as much as you can and surf the Web to the informative Internet sites that offer oodles of information. MTV's Choose or Lose campaign is especially geared toward college-age voters, with info on issues that we care about most. When Nov. 7 rolls around next week just make sure you vote and have your voice heard.

*Andrea Page is a senior secondary education major.*



**Andrea Page**  
Maine Campus  
Columnist

## Assessing the real drug war

I recently opened up a previous Bangor Daily News (Oct. 24) and there, under the Spotlight section, stood the following

**Jason Moor**

Special to the Campus

words: "7,000 students denied aid because of drug records". Zooks, I thought. As it turns out, those wild and crazy Washington pee-shooting think-tankers are up to their most ambitious, creative initiative yet: preventing federal aid from all those drug-abusing college students. And so, the war on drugs continues.

By furthering the war on drugs, Bill Clinton, Bert and Ernie are doing some great things for our society. For one, it appears they are creating an actual purpose for public safety officers; assisting a huge number of not-at-risk-to-society youths in fashioning a criminal record to their and society's detriment; expanding more jails as additional people are sent to jail for a consensual crime; and, gosh darnit, creating some really good political entertainment as politicians continue Richard Nixon's political toy.

And speaking of which, isn't there irony in the fact a criminal assisted in creating a law?

I must say, thank God we are creating, I mean, winning the war on drugs. I feel safer already. For one, at UMaine, as the federal law becomes more well-known, I feel as though I can walk through campus on a Friday night from party to party without fear of being assaulted by those dangerous people whom I refer to as "smokers of thy weed," who are only one of the particular offenders sought out by the new policy.

Don't pretend any one of you hasn't felt threatened by one. Maybe you will admit you even exist as one. At parties they sit in the corner and laugh chanting "make love not war" tones and repel any despondent members with incredulous smiles.

Appropriately, it makes me want to sneer in my McCarthyistic voice, "Communists, communists!" I can deduce that in the secret lingo of their laughter plans are in the making to steal little children and take over the world, if only they could stop smiling. Chills run down my back, and I cheer as our campus Public Safety arrives so they can incarcerate these threats to society. Holy hash, Clinton,

thank you for aggressively regulating this particular consensual drug.

Speaking of drugs and unfairness, how about senior citizens caravanning into Canada to smuggle medications back into the states? This is terrible. As more and more seniors become drug terrorists, prescription drug companies are unfairly losing revenue. Righteously, I have asked God to step in; however, he is in Bermuda with Anna Nicole Smith (I guess she sees the potential for making money off of the old spirit). Thus, it's the government's responsibility to put a stop to this horrible delinquency.

I mean, how impolite for a fellow American to spend her money elsewhere. Who cares if the prices for medication are a bit too high? Like I will tell my future child to deal with it and get a third job at McDonald's. Maybe then these law-breaking geezers will learn to appreciate the value of their money and stop hurting those drug companies.

And so my ironic endeavor concludes. But I am left wondering, which is the real drug war? Who is fighting for my protection?

*Jason Moor is a senior English major.*

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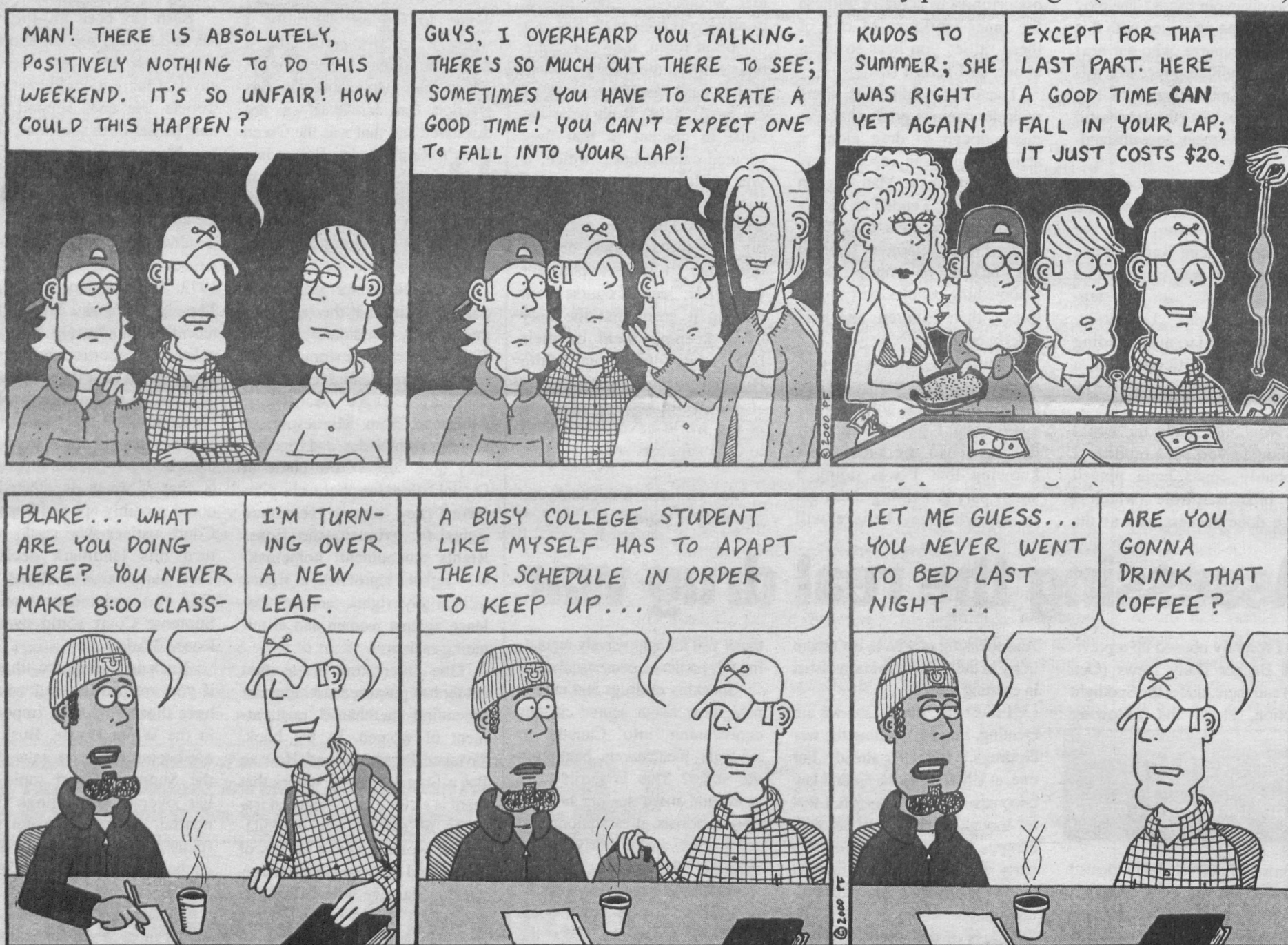
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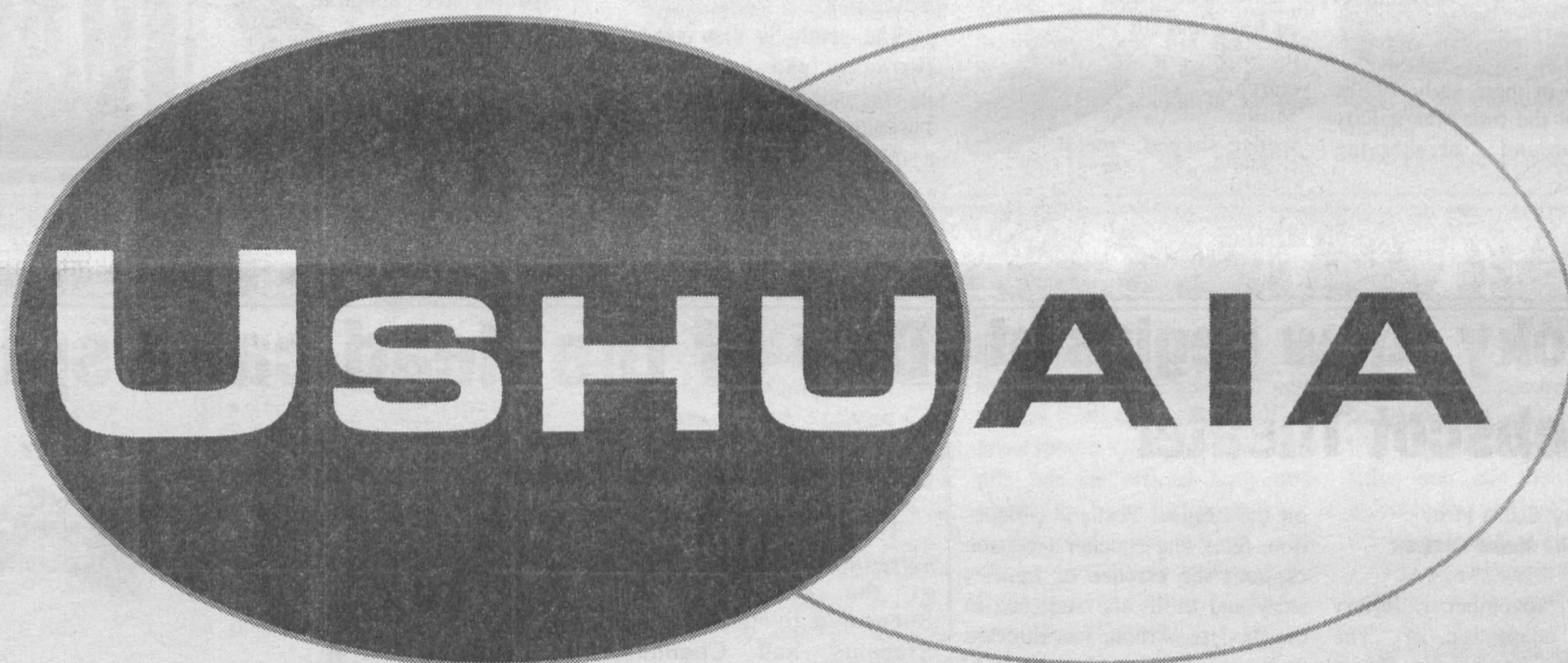


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# style & arts

## CANDY CORN: SWEET TREAT OR CULTURAL ICON?

By David B. Hall  
For The Maine Campus

Whether you like it or you hate it, candy corn is a Halloween institution and for millions of trick or treaters, their bags filled to the brim with the jagged, teeth-shaped, tri-colored candy. But where did this syrupy sweet treat come from?

In a large wave of Europeans that boarded crowded boats in order to see the Statue of Liberty in the 1830s, two German brothers had their eyes set on making it big in the United States. Their names were Gustav and Albert Goelitz.

Opening a confectionary in 1834, while still in there early 1920s, business at the time was strictly based around neighboring

Illinois towns. Still, the Goelitz brothers rose to the top of a business that was hit or miss in those days.

In 1893, in the middle of a recession, the brothers sold much of their plants to other companies, keeping one plant open for their sons to run.

In 1898 a new generation of candy making Goelitz were running the confectionary and by 1900 a new form of candy was invented: candy corn.

According to Rob Muller, Goelitz Confectionary Company marketing manager, things haven't changed in the making of candy corn since the early 20th century.

"We take wooden trays and fill it with corn starch," said Muller. "A wedge-shaped metal

frame gets impressed into the starch, so it's molded like a footprint in the sand. The you fill it up one colored squirt at a time."

In the 1900s, machines would not add the different colored candy sections like they do now.

Instead workers called "stringers" would walk back and forth along long lines of kernel-shaped trays, pouring the hot candy into the molds.

They had to repeat this process three times to get the desired pattern. Their average weekly pay at that time was around \$5.22 for sixty hour weeks in hot, humid working conditions.

The candy is then aged for two days and candy factory workers sift through the duds and package the cream of the crop.

Today, Goelitz candy corn is

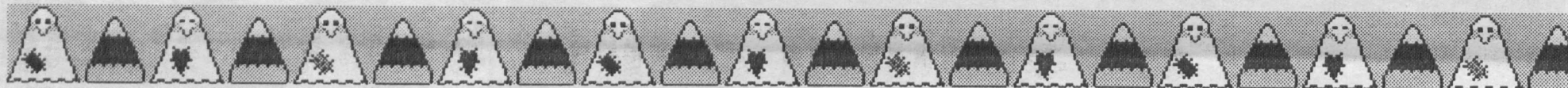
seen as the finest candy corn on the market.

Candy corn is not only a Halloween treat anymore. Through clever marketing, candy corn is now a candy for all holiday seasons.

Red and green colored candy corn goes hand in hand with Christmas just as smoothly as pastel colors go with Easter. A bag of pink, red and white candy corn is also a great cheap gift to give to a lover on February 14.

Regardless of what you think of the sugar saturated cones that are sure enough to give nasty stomach aches, it's not going anywhere. According to the

National Confectionary Association, 20 million pounds of candy corn will be sold around October 31 alone. This averages out to about 8.3 billion kernels of the candy corn.



## Spooky show begins at Penobscot Theater

By Julia Hall  
For The Maine Campus

Starting November 1, Jeffery Hatcher's adaptation of "The Turn of the Screw" by Henry James will be terrifying theatergoers with a play that is considered one of the most bone-chilling ghost stories of all time. It will be performed by the Penobscot Theater Company.

Phantoms walk the halls in the dead of night at Bly, where chaos has taken over the Victorian household. After a governess is hired under strange circumstances to take care of the master's two very odd children, bizarre and creepy things begin to happen, the cause of which is left to interpretation. This story is one of the most famous and renowned in literature and has been adapted from novel into dramatic form by Jeffery Hatcher.

Jeffery Hatcher is one of the many playwrights who have fulfilled James's dream of writing for the stage. His adaptation was commissioned by the Portland Stage Company and was originally produced in Portland in 1996. His version has only two cast members—one woman to play the governess, and The Man, who plays all of the other characters (the housekeeper, Mrs. Grose, the Uncle, and the little boy Miles).

Matthew Arbour, director of this production who also worked

on the original Portland production, feels that Hatcher's version captures the essence of James's story and thrills the audience in the process. Arbour has directed two previous plays for the PTC (The School for Wives and Over the Tavern) as well as productions for other companies. His credits include plays for the theaters in Monmouth, Boston Playwright's Theater, Out of Cake, Dark Water Theater, Bowdoin College and Portland Stage.

Gracing the stage for this terrifying performance are Collene Frashure as The Woman (the governess) and Mark S. Cartier as The Man. These two actors have between them numerous productions where they held both the roles of actors and director. These productions include several Shakespearean plays (Frashure has participated in numerous Maine Shakespeare Festivals) as well as plays like "A Christmas Carol," "Lend me a Tenor" and "Sheer Madness." Providing the garb for this show is resident costume designer Ginger Phelps, who has been with the Penobscot Theater Company for seven seasons. Supplying the lighting and the set will be Lynne Chase and Greg Mitchell.

"The Turn of the Screw" will play from Nov. 1, to the 19 at the Penobscot Theater Company, 183 Main Street in Downtown Bangor. For ticket information contact the box office at 942-3333.

## Day of the dead calls spirits

By David B. Hall  
For The Maine Campus

The dead are invited to a celebration Thursday, Nov. 2, at the Hudson Museum. Sponsored by the Center for Students and Community Life, a lecture, poetry readings and refreshments are planned to celebrate a Mexican tradition known as Dia de los Muertos, "Day of the Dead."

Originally an Aztec celebration, Dia de los Muertos was seen to Spanish conquistadors when they arrived as an awful festival of the macabre. After failing to ban the month long celebration of honoring the dead, Spanish officials took liberties with the tradition and spun it to fit their Catholic theology.

Dia de los Muertos was changed from August to coincide with All Saint's Day and All Soul's Day, which are at the beginning of November. Also the festival was shortened to three days.

Starting at noon on Oct. 31, the souls of dead infants and small children called angelitos, or "little angels," follow a path of marigold leaves to their homes, where an altar is set up in their honor.

Many times favorite foods, treats and gifts are laid out for the departed souls to enjoy. By noon the next day all

angelitos must be returned to their resting-place because adult souls rise and head to their homes.

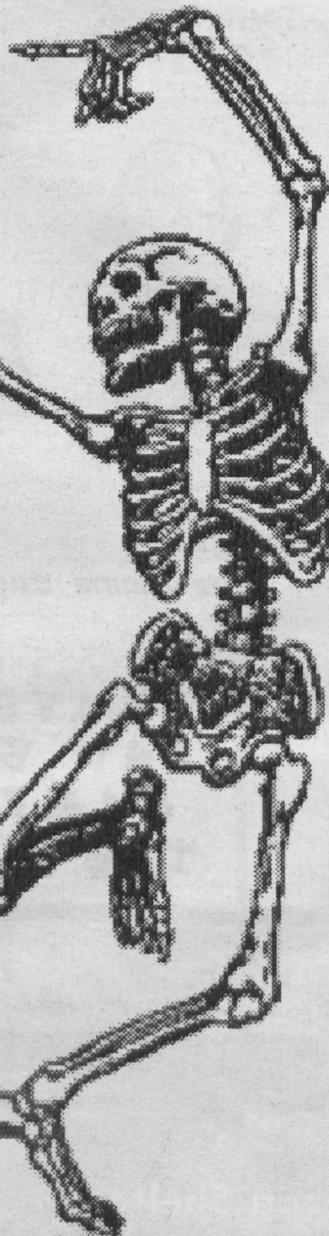
Gifts for adult souls usually consist of pan de muertos (bread of the dead), cigarettes, and a bottle of tequila, along with any other favorite earthly treats the soul once loved.

Many people in Mexico and Central America celebrate Dia de los Muertos but southwestern states like Texas and New Mexico also take part.

By noon on Nov. 2, all souls must be returned to their graves. In case of souls that don't wish to return, people don wooden masks that look like skulls, called a calveras, and scare the souls back to the land of the dead.

Eunice Kullick will decorate an authentic altar and talk about the significance of Dia de los Muertos, while students will read poetry from Mexican authors.

Also pan de muertos, a traditional bread of the festival, and other refreshments will be served. This celebration is free to the public and will start in the Hudson Museum at 12:30 p.m. on Nov. 2.







**Locally:**

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Devino Auditorium, DPC,  
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Third Annual Women Composers Concert  
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The Nine Sacred Herbs of Medieval Times  
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"The Un-Releases," Chicks on Speed

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# Torres named to arts commission

By Erik W. Cattelle  
For The Maine Campus

Mark Torres, Penobscot Theatre Company's Producing Artistic Director, was appointed recently to the Maine Arts Commission.

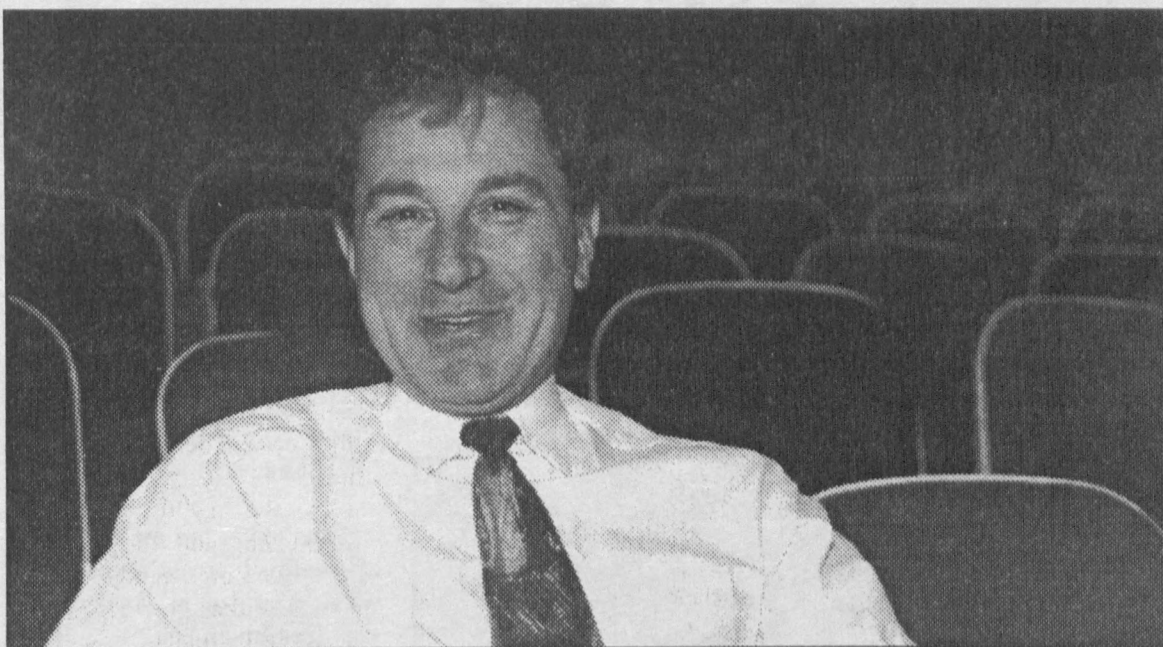
The Maine Arts Commission, with the help of Torres and other professionals, guide policy-making decisions that affect the future of arts and culture in Maine.

Torres came to Maine after performing in Broadway's "Amadeus" and founding Moving Target Theatre Company. After moving the company from New York to Dallas, Texas, he decided to settle down in Maine.

"Theatre in Bangor seemed important to the community and I like that," said Torres. "It is important to have a high quality organization downtown for a reflection of how good the community is."

His appointment to MAC was based on his expertise in theatre and his vision for it. For Torres, it is a sort of acceptance and verifies his progress with theater in the region.

"Guys like me do what we do and don't assume we have a great deal of knowledge," said Torres. "By virtue of doing it year after year, you



Mark Torres, director of the Penobscot Theater Company. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

develop the knowledge."

The Maine Shakespeare Festival attests to his knowledge. The festival started out as a hole in PTC's schedule. During the summer months, there were no productions scheduled. To fill the hole, Torres felt the need to bring in the most famous name in theatre, Shakespeare.

"Shakespeare is the best, he is the Tiger Woods of playwrights," said Torres. "He is Eugene O'Neill, Tennessee Williams and Neil Simon all rolled into one."

The festival turned out to be so

popular there are plans of building a new amphitheater on the Bangor riverfront.

As a member of MAC, Torres is helping with the development of a five-year plan to aid in guiding policy-making in Maine.

The commission understands the importance of connecting to, and communicating with, the different art groups throughout Maine, not just the individual artists. Torres and other professionals were brought in for this reason.

For Torres, the challenge

remains of maintaining professional theater in the Bangor area.

"I want people to come, especially young people," said Torres. "It's your theater, not mine. My job is to make it work and bring it to people."

The Penobscot Theatre Company concludes the 2000 fall season with "Turn of the Screw," by Jeffrey Hatcher beginning Nov. 11 and "A Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens. Student rush tickets are available for \$3 the night of the show. For more information contact

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# Playstation 2 hits stores hard

Justin Bellows  
News Editor

Last Thursday marked Sony's release of the Playstation 2. The current demand for the new game console far exceeds the supply. Many retailers were unable to fill all their pre-ordered sales. Stores that did not pre-sell the new sys-

tem saw their limited supplies disappear, leaving a line of frustrated customers. A sign a Circuit City said "Sorry we are temporarily out of the Playstation 2. We aren't any happier about it than you are."

Accessories for the Playstation 2 were in short supply as well. The new 8MB memory card was

more scarce than the system itself. Sony Dual Shock 2 controllers were also difficult to find. Most retailers had generic knock-offs but the official Sony controllers were the first to go.

Retailing at \$299, the Playstation 2 is a four-in-one entertainment package. The system plays DVD-ROM movies as

well as audio CDs. The system is completely backward compatible. In addition to new software, the PS2 plays all original Playstation titles and can be adjusted to enhance the original graphics and cut load times.

The new console features USB ports and a "firewire" digital con-

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**How old is too old for trick-or-treating?** If you're too old to walk, or if you're younger and your legs are broken.

**What do you plan on doing for Halloween and what is your costume going to be?** I celebrated Halloween this weekend and that was fun. I was a devil until I thought my cape was going to get dunked in the toilet, so I took it off, and then I kept sitting on my tail and that wasn't comfortable, so I just put on skeleton earrings and went as

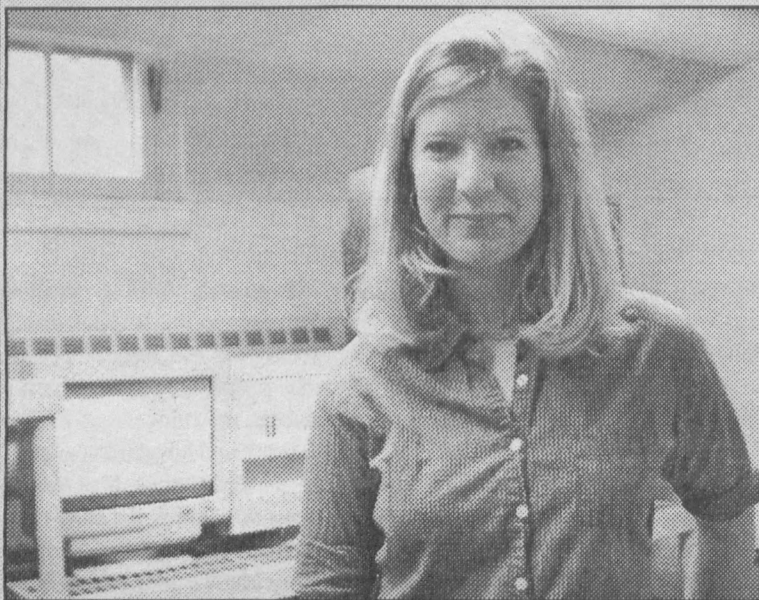
a person with two very little people who had died on my ears.

**What country would you most likely go to, provided you had all means necessary?** I would absolutely go to Greece and get a tan.

**Are ghosts real?** Yes. (My great-great-great-grandfather told me to say that.)

**Have you ever had any ghost-like experiences?** Yes and they made me cry. Because I am somewhat pale (and I can't help it, sheesh I was born that way) all the mean kids called me "Casper" when I was growing up. And "Milk," too, so I don't drink that.

**Has UMaine cracked down too hard on partying?** No, but I do have a bone to pick with the Old Town Police Department.



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.

## Playstation 2

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nection. Sony is creating an Internet server to provide on-line gaming for the PS2. The Dual Shock 2 controllers are completely analog allowing for pressure sensitive buttons and joysticks.

Through a series of pre-orders, phone calls and hot tips I managed to procure a PS2, an extra Sony controller, an 8MB memory card and two games. I spent all weekend "reviewing" Tekken Tag Tournament.

Fourth in the Namco series, Tag Tournament is all you would expect of the newest Tekken. Most of the characters from Tekken 3 are represented in one way or another. The most convenient feature of this game is that many of the moves have the same button combinations as Tekken 3. This allowed me and my colleagues to really put this game to

the test and check out the advanced grabs and combinations.

Tekken Tag Tournament opens with a flawlessly animated movie depicting characters from the game in various situations. The game loads quickly to a title screen similar to Tekken 3. For Tag Tournament, players pick two characters to a side. You can switch between your characters by pressing L1 or R1. The change is smooth, the incoming character blends right into the fight. If you tag with your opponent on the ground your partner will fly in from off-screen and land on your opponent, damaging him further.

The character graphics in this game are fantastic. There is no pixelation in evidence. Their clothing moves realistically in sync, right down to the wrinkles

and cuffs. The flesh tones are full and convincing. The characters respond instantly, performing brutal combinations of kicks, punches, grabs, throws and blocks at lightning speed.

The foreground reacts to the conditions of the match. In one Serengeti-like level, grass bends as characters step back and forth and dust puffs up when someone hits the ground. In another level, leaves waft up off the ground, displaced by a fallen fighter.

The backgrounds, for all the levels, show an incredible depth of field. Things further back look distant, not just smaller. Background movements are diminished proportional to their distance from the match. There is always some sort of crowd or gathering watching the match, cheering fighters and sometimes aping their moves. There is a small amount of interaction between partners before and after the rounds. They argue back and forth if you lose and shake

hands or hype each other before a match.

I barely scratched the surface of Summoner, the other launch title I purchased but it looks to be a solid RPG.

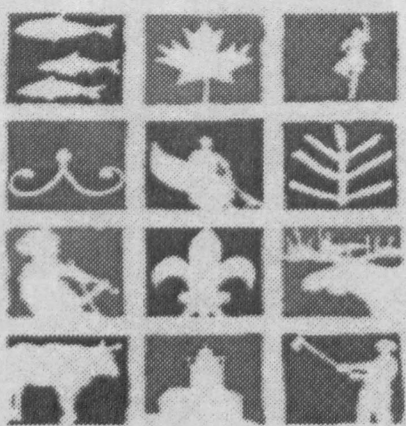
I tried a few original games with the driver set to smooth texture mapping and reduced load time. The results were not always noticeable but some games did react favorably. Twisted Metal 2 is much better when enhanced by the new system. The far background is much crisper and the graphics more distinct. Graphic glitches caused by edges are nearly nonexistent. On a whole, the game is much less pixelated. The load time is definitely shorter.

Sony is planning to have enough systems to meet this holiday season's demand. Games will continue to be released through Christmas. I really don't expect the price to come down until the new year at least. People are paying high prices for the system on E-bay so if you get a chance, buy two.

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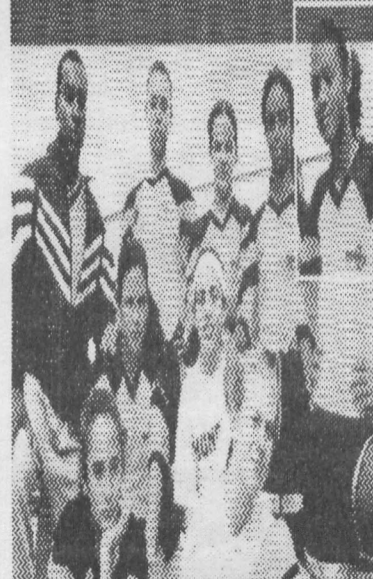
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# Oklahoma claims top spots in BCS and polls

By John Dawson  
Daily Texan

AUSTIN, Texas (U-WIRE) — Posed with the prospects of a rematch of Oklahoma's 31-14 victory over Nebraska on Saturday, Sooners' coach Bob Stoops dismissed the idea as premature.

"We're not in the [Big 12] Championship game yet," he said. "We realize we have four Big 12 South games coming up. To me that's the most important part of the season."

Saturday's victory vaulted the Sooners past Nebraska, garnering number one billing in all the major polls, including the Bowl Championship Series. The BCS is a formula combining polls, schedule strength and other factors to determine which teams should meet in the national cham-

pionship game.

Despite the flurry of hype, such early talk of national championships is lost on Stoops.

"We're midway through the year; it means very little," he said.

By virtue of the Sooners' new team-to-beat status, conventional wisdom would dictate that other teams will be shooting for them.

So does this worry Stoops? Not at all.

"Why would I be concerned about being 7-0? No. I'm concerned about getting to 8-0," he said.

Getting to eight wins shouldn't be a problem for Oklahoma. Its next opponent, Baylor, has never beaten the Sooners in nine tries.

It will likely take five more wins, though, for Oklahoma to

reach the national championship game, including a game at Texas A&M and the likely rematch with Nebraska in the Big 12 Championship.

Nebraska, on the other hand, requires a bit of help to get to Miami. With Virginia Tech and Florida State both ranked ahead of the Huskers in the BCS, Nebraska must count on losses from both teams to leap-frog its way to the title game.

The Cornhuskers' picture should be clearer after this weekend when Virginia Tech, perhaps without Michael Vick, travels to Miami to face the Hurricanes. Without Vick, the Hokies are mortal, nearly dropping their game against Pittsburgh, during which the sophomore quarterback sprained his ankle.

Florida State, meanwhile, plays both Clemson and Florida in Tallahassee, Fla., to finish out its schedule.

Still, Huskers' coach Frank Solich, like Stoops, doesn't want to look too far ahead.

"If we accomplish anything down the road, it has to start this week and that's with Kansas," he said.

Nebraska faces Kansas in Lincoln on Saturday.

"The most dangerous thing is to start putting pieces of the puzzle together. Our coaches understand that and our players understand that," he said.

Forgotten in all the title talk is still-unbeaten TCU. Trying to clamor for some legitimacy in their undefeated season, some reports have suggested that the Horned Frogs are trying to make

Virginia Tech a late addition to their schedule. The Hokies' opener against Georgia Tech was cancelled due to lightning, leaving a hole in Virginia Tech's schedule.

Barring a major coup, though, TCU will not make it into the Orange Bowl race. Ranked ninth in the BCS, the Horned Frogs' weak schedule combined with skepticism from pollsters will likely preclude them from consideration.

Situations like the Horned Frogs are in have led some to believe that the current BCS system isn't the best.

"Does [the BCS] put the best teams together? I don't necessarily think so," Solich said. "Until someone comes up with a better format a playoff system we'll never know."

## Men's hockey

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"Our line can get the momentum going," Shaneberger said. "We can get the big hit, or apply pressure down low. Although we get good offensive rushes, we're a defensive line."

Shaneberger says the freshman Lyall is a perfect fit between the twin towers. "He covers us when we go low," Shaneberger said, describing their work in the corners. "He's (Lyall) smart, moves the puck well and does a good job on faceoffs."

Clauson, a converted defense-

man, may end up returning to the blueline at some point in the season to accommodate a roster laden with talented forwards. "It doesn't matter," Clauson said. "I just want to help this team win. It doesn't matter what position I'm playing."

The Hanover, N.H. native does admit he's having fun at his current position. "Our line is going good right now," he said. "It's always fun when you play this way."

Shaneberger believes that suc-

cess is based upon their similar style of play. "We're both gritty, dirty-nosed players, who like to go into the corners and bang bodies, as well as crash the net."

"I like hitting," said Clauson. "Physical hockey is my game. He (Shaneberger) plays the same way. We compliment each other pretty well."

They're the crash line, although you might call them the cash line. They've been money so far.

## Tobacco

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ice of the National Cancer Institute, reports chewing tobacco and snuff contain up to 28 carcinogens, or cancer-causing agents. Some of these agents include formaldehyde, arsenic, and polonium, which gives off radiation.

In addition, the nicotine delivered by smokeless tobacco is two to three times higher than that of a cigarette. According to Cancer Net, someone who dips or chews eight to 10 times a day receives the same amount of nicotine as someone who smokes 30-40 cigarettes a day.

OSU head trainer Terry Noonan said the school follows NCAA guidelines.

"I do not allow it in my facility (OSU training room) at all," Noonan said. The problem is the school cannot monitor what student-athletes do in their spare time.

"It's a hard rule to enforce," Noonan said. "The NCAA is getting tougher and more involved, they're putting more teeth into the matter."

The reason the NCAA doesn't test for nicotine is because it is not on its list of banned substances, Wilfert said.

"It is not included in the banned drug list, probably because the drug testing program is more about performance enhancement," Wilfert said.

Retired dentist Terry Miller, who has been screening OSU athletes for the past three years, said he will inform an athlete if he

feels that athlete is at risk.

"If they're heavy users you can definitely see the change," he said. Miller inspects athletes' mouths for signs of cancer caused by smokeless tobacco.

Cancer Net lists several drawbacks to using smokeless tobacco.

Users are prone to cancer of the throat, lips, tongue, cheeks, gums and the floor and roof of the mouth, according to the Web site.

In addition to the cancer risks, users could suffer from gum disease, gum recession, loss of bone in the jaw, tooth decay, chronic bad breath and increased risk for heart disease, according to Cancer Net.

Miller said OSU athletes have avoided major problems.

"I haven't seen any that have progressed to the cancer stage," he said. Miller said the highest percentage of users could be found among baseball and football players.

Gautreaux said most athletes know what they are getting into when they use smokeless tobacco.

"I think everybody that uses it knows about the health risks," he said. "That's the reason why I didn't do it. I'm the type of person that thinks about stuff in the long run and it wouldn't do me any good to be using it."

So why don't all athletes think this way? Ron Heitzinger believes he has the answer.

Heitzinger, executive director

of Heitzinger & Associates, tours up to 25 universities and colleges a year to lecture on the effects of drugs and alcohol.

He said nicotine addiction is the key issue.

"Chewing tobacco is just getting nicotine into the system in a different way," he said. "Some types of snuff or dip have slivers of fiberglass in them to cut the mouth open so the nicotine can get into the bloodstream faster."

Heitzinger said what makes nicotine so addictive is the calming effect it has.

"Nicotine is not an upper or a downer," he said. "It gives people the belief they're not feeling nervous."

Heitzinger said he would not be surprised if there were a lot of smokeless tobacco users at OSU.

"I find that further from inner cities — towards more rural areas — usage goes higher."

He said the "scary" thing is that most users don't know the specifics of the risks involved.

Heitzinger says there is no schedule for development of cancer.

"The big thing is there's no time table," he said. "That's the scary part."

Gautreaux said athletes don't think about cancer.

"A lot of them think, 'it's not going to happen to me,'" he said. However, Gautreaux said athletes should take responsibility for their actions.

"You make your own bed," he said, "so you have to lie in it."

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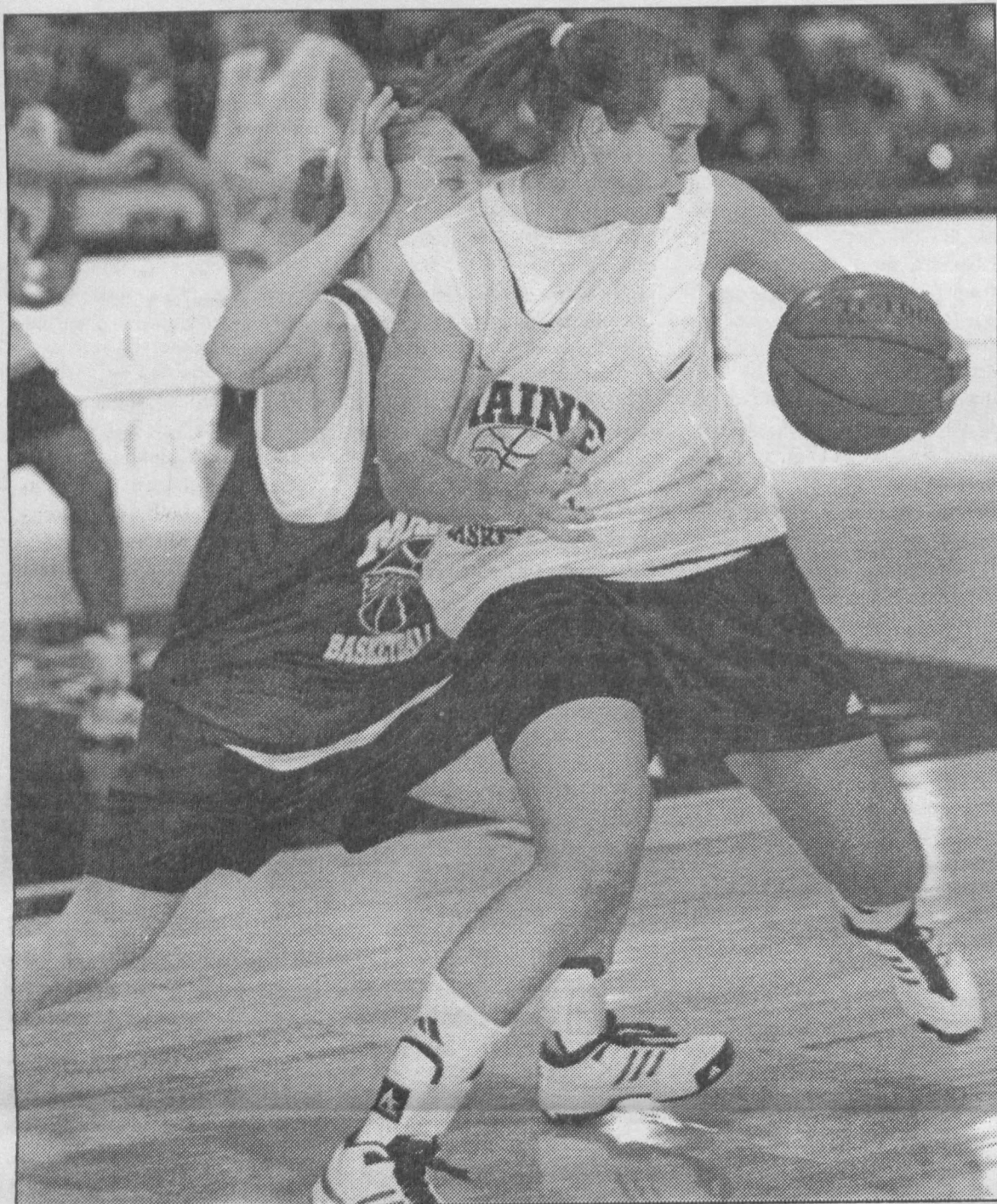
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# Women's basketball team kicks off Versyp era



The women's basketball team opened up the year with a Blue-White game on Sunday afternoon. Because of a limited number of players, the team had to play four-on-four due to injuries. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.

By Joseph Bethony  
For the Maine Campus

This year's edition of the University of Maine women's basketball team is eager to build on the success of the past six seasons. With a new coach, only the fifth head coach in the program's history, and a new system, the players are looking forward to hitting the court.

"Our team is really enjoying having a fresh start," said sophomore guard Ellen Geraghty. "They're [the coaching staff] doing a great job teaching us and being patient with us, but yet pushing us to still continue the greatness of Maine basketball."

The team is virtually unrecognizable to the one that went 20-11 last season (14-4 in America East) and earned an at-large bid to play in the NCAA tournament for the second straight season. The new coach, Sharon Versyp, took over the team that lost three starters and currently has only ten players on the roster. Amid all the challenges, Versyp is still pushing the Bears.

"We've got ten players on the roster and we're going hard right now," said Versyp. "The kids are real focused and they get a lot of repetition this way. What we're trying to do is make sure we do stay healthy and don't wear them down too much physically."

Versyp had served as an assistant for the past three seasons at James Madison University in Virginia where she recruited a top 25 class in 1999. In 1996-97, she was an assistant for a Louisville Cardinal team that made it to the NCAA tournament. Versyp, a former Miss Indiana Basketball and Purdue University graduate, promises that her team will surprise both opponents and UMaine fans alike.

"You'll see some traps, some blitz, some full court, some half-court traps," said Versyp. "It's going to be a variety and I'm always going to try to keep the other teams on their heels. You just have to be creative when you

have ten players."

Conditioning will be an important aspect for the Black Bears given their roster situation. There are only 10 players on the roster because guard Pam Cruz ruptured her anterior cruciate ligament during the summer and will miss the season. Combined with the absence of Martina Tinklova, who is not playing due to injury, the Bears have found other ways to attack their opponents.

"We'll definitely be running, we're going to be a running team this year," said sophomore center Christy Grover. "That's a big difference from last year."

Another difference from last year is the absence of a go-to player, a player that can be relied upon for a basket in any situation. All-America East center Jaime Cassidy filled that role last season, but now she's playing in the WNBA. The loss of Cassidy, guard Amy Vachon and four other players from the team that lost to North Carolina in the first round NCAA tournament, means the Black Bears have to make up for the loss of 71 percent of their scoring, 78 percent of their assists and 55 percent of their rebounds from last year.

Additionally, with only one senior on the team, co-captain Kizzy Lopez; this team is somewhat short on big game experience. However, that is a situation that coach Versyp feels does not make too much difference.

"Sometimes when you're young you have no fear, you don't know any better," said Versyp. "They're more experienced than we think. They're experienced in winning and experienced in tradition, learning from the players before them and now they have the chance to show it."

The Black Bears do not have to wait very long to try to prove their coach right. The season opens for the Bears on Nov. 19, in Orono against Fordham.

"Everyone is eager to get going, we're well practiced," said junior co-captain Tracy Guerrette.

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## Baseball

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## Cross country runs well despite harder course

By John Contreras  
Sports Editor

The men's cross country team finished second at the America East meet last weekend and the women's team followed with a fourth place showing. Boston University won both the men's and women's divisions.

The men's second place finish was its highest since 1994. The Delaware course proved tough for the field.

"The course was pretty tough," women's head coach Mark Lech said. "A bit different than we had seen all year."

Both the men's and women's teams have been preparing for a tough hilly course, but after the actual race, Ben Ray shared his thoughts.

"The course was cruel," Ray said. "There wasn't a flat section throughout."

Ray finished 11 overall in the meet, second on the UMaine team behind Joseph Luchini. Luchini ran a men's best time of 25:49.46, good enough for eighth overall.

"It was a tough course it was real hilly there were a lot of ups and downs and turns which made it kind of hard to get into a real groove," Luchini said.

The women's top finisher was Nicole Pelletier (11th overall), followed by Vanessa McGowan.

"The course had a lot of rolling hills and one that was pretty much straight up for 150 meters," McGowan said. "I think it would be fair to say that we all crawled up that one."

The women ran a 6,000 meter course, which is a switch from

the 5,000 meter distance they are used to. The BU team was tough to contend with and had strong men's and women's runners.

"BU's women were just too strong from the beginning" Lech said.

The individual men's winner, Jochen Bieckfoss ran a time of 25:01.47 and is one of BU's latest recruits.

"BU had a good meet," Luchini said. "They are a real tough team they have some new recruits this year who are really good. The overall winner of the race was a freshman from outside of the country who they recruited."

Maine finished ahead of Vermont and New Hampshire and the teams will always take pride in beating those schools.

"Beating UNH and Delaware was a moral victory for us," Lech said. "We hadn't beaten them in a couple of years."

The women got solid finishes from Danielle Donovan (23:52.03), freshmen Meg Brunton (24:04.28) and Janeen Shepard (24:04.47).

The men's team also got strong runs from Michael Lansing (26:14.75), Edward Caron (26:14.98), Nolan Tobey (26:15.59) and Gabe Rivard (26:24.38).

The men's team gained some experience this year and can draw on the experience to become even more competitive next season.

"The exciting part about this team is that next year we are all returning," Luchini said. "And with a little more experience on our side next year I think we are going to be a real tough team to beat."

## NCAA dips into tobacco usage in college sports

By Nick Trougakos  
Daily O'Collegian

STILLWATER, Okla. (U-WIRE) — Carlos Gautreaux always respected what his mother said.

When she found out he had tried smokeless tobacco, he knew she would be mad.

Gautreaux's mother was cleaning his truck when she found a can of dip.

"She asked me, 'What the heck are you doing with this?'" he said.

Gautreaux is not a regular user of dip, or snuff, as some brands of smokeless tobacco are called. The former Oklahoma State baseball player said he has only tried it a few times.

"I did it a couple of summers just because games got to be so boring that I really needed something to do," he said. "It wasn't like I was even close to being addicted because I've never been one to just sit at home and get a spit cup and sit there and dip."

"To me the taste really isn't that good," he said.

Gautreaux doesn't blame his mother for being upset, however.

"I respected her comments about it," he said. "She wouldn't be getting mad about it if she didn't care about me."

Gautreaux's mother isn't the only one concerned about smokeless tobacco. Both snuff and chewing tobacco have come under NCAA scrutiny.

The NCAA has banned the two substances from the field of competition.

Mary Wilfert, NCAA program coordinator for health and safety, said the ban is in place because of health concerns.

"Tobacco is not a banned substance in regards to NCAA drug testing," she said. "But there is legislation banning the use of tobacco on the field of competition, by student-athletes or by athletics personnel."

"The NCAA legislation was especially concerned with tobacco used visibly by student-athletes," Wilfert said.

The health concerns that trouble the NCAA include oral cancer, mouth disorders and nicotine addiction, Wilfert said.

Cancer Net, an Internet serv-

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## The latest from rec sports

Updates from men's and women's rugby

By Felicia Skira  
Rec Sports Reporter

The 2000 Black Bear 5K race took place on Sunday, October 22, at the University of Maine. The race is part of the Sub Five Saucony Road Race Series. The 10 finalists are as follows: Andrew Goupee (16:26), Scott Minkowsky (16:54), Erik McCarthy (17:02), Tim Wakeland (17:06), Newell Lewey (17:23), Ludo Bruyere (17:32), Hugh McLean (17:48), Steve Holmbraker (17:59), Ed Hughes (18:01), and Christopher Jones (18:41).

The fraternity division in the intramural cross country run was held Oct. 24. The five finalists were Jarod Barns (12:44), Rob Craig (13:03), Matt Moore (13:11), Nick Thompson (13:24), and Bill Ford (13:30). The total team points earned for the event were as follows: Phi Gamma Delta and Beta Theta Pi, were tied with 34; Phi Eta Kappa, 35; Sigma Chi, 50; Sigma Phi Epsilon, 109; Pi Kappa Alpha, 113; and Lambda Chi Alpha, 128.

In intramural soccer this week, the men's dorm team Concord Trailways took over the campus championship when playing against Stodder STD All Stars, with a result of 7-3. Stodder STD All Stars played Estabrooke Elephants in the men's dorm final, with a score of 6-4. Concord Trailways and Arabian Viruses, leading the former team to the campus finals, played the independent championship with a score of 4-3.

Femmes-Bot and No Names played the women's soccer championship, with a final score of 6-1,

respectively.

The men's independent champion in whiffleball, Red Sox Forever, beat Penobscot, the men's dorm team 12-7 for the championship.

In the fraternity indoor softball championship, Phi Eta Kappa played Beta Theta Pi Monday, Oct. 30, at 9 p.m. Both teams have one loss.

In the tennis tournament, there were several categories. In the men's dorm doubles, Matt James/Terry Tibbetts (Somerset) beat Chad Daley/Paul Lessard (Hart), 9-3.

The men's independent doubles, Jeff Cowie/Tim Cowie beat Chuck Ames/Karl Gifford, 8-4. The men's independent singles, Karl Gifford beat Tomokazu Miyakozawa, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4. The women's doubles, Taeko Kusakai/Kristie Oldenburgh beat Kirsten Austin/Sarah Sullivan, 9-6. The Women's Singles, Taeko Kusakai beat Amanda Clemons, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2. Lastly, in men's fraternity doubles, Lance Pinette/Dave Roehring (Phi Eta Kappa) beat George Woodward/Tarun Rathnam (Pi Kappa Alpha), 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.

The Fraternity flag football championship was finished and Phi Eta Kappa beat Pi Kappa Alpha 21-0 to win the championship. The dorm and independent championships will be played soon.

Outkast played the women's intramural field hockey game against Da Bears, with a result of 5-3. Outkast won the championship with a 7-0 record.

Chi Omega won the sorority championship in soccer when they played Alpha Phi, with a

score of 8-1. Chi Omega went undefeated this semester.

For sport-club results this week, the rugby team finished its season.

**Rugby Clubs:** The Maine Men's rugby team traveled to Middlebury, Vermont this weekend to play in the New England Rugby Division II collegiate championships.

On Saturday Maine lost a tough one to Yale with a score of 28-14. Ben Lankhurst and Bo Kennedy scored tries and Mark Griffin kick both conversions. On Sunday Maine lost in a snowy game against Providence College with a score of 20-10. Dan Shaw and Garret Gustafson both scored tries. Although the club would have liked to have more success over the weekend, they did enjoy their best season in years.

The UMaine Women's rugby team earned the title of conference champions after their 22-5 victory over Colby College. Overcoming Saturday's cold and blustery conditions, the undefeated UMaine team proved successful with tries from Daniel Wentworth, Jaime Madore and Amy Ruksznis. Madore added to the score by converting two out of three kicks and one penalty kick. The forwards and the backs both looked strong and were pleased with the overall effort and teamwork at Saturday's showing.

The women will be top contenders going into the New England Championships and they tentatively plan to host a playoff game on Sunday, Nov. 5 against Green Mountain College.

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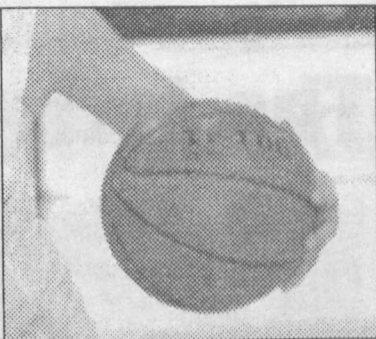
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## Maine's defensive line provides offense

By Jim Leonard  
Men's Hockey reporter

In hockey circles their line is typically referred to as the "checking" line. Ordinarily, they deal in pain. Their responsibilities include dumping the puck into the corner and attacking the opposition as they attempt to clear it from the zone. The work is fast, brutal and unglamorous. If they do their job correctly, the result is often invisible to the untrained eye, however, every good team needs a line like this one.

At the University of Maine, this group is comprised of Kevin Clauson, Gray Shaneberger and Cameron Lyall. While they have provided the necessary physical presence on the ice for the Black Bears, it's Clauson and Shaneberger's offensive production and high-energy play that has turned heads.

"We just try to go hard every shift," said Clauson, a junior who transferred from Western Michigan in 1998. "Our job is to pressure their defense and force mistakes. The other stuff is a bonus."

That other stuff Clauson refers to is scoring, something rare for a checking line. Clauson and Shaneberger came into the season

with five career points each. Through the weekend they had nearly surpassed those totals in only five games. Clauson currently has a goal and three assists, while Shaneberger has a pair of goals.

"I like that line," said head coach Shawn Walsh. "They're big and they play with a lot of energy. They've done some good things for us so far."

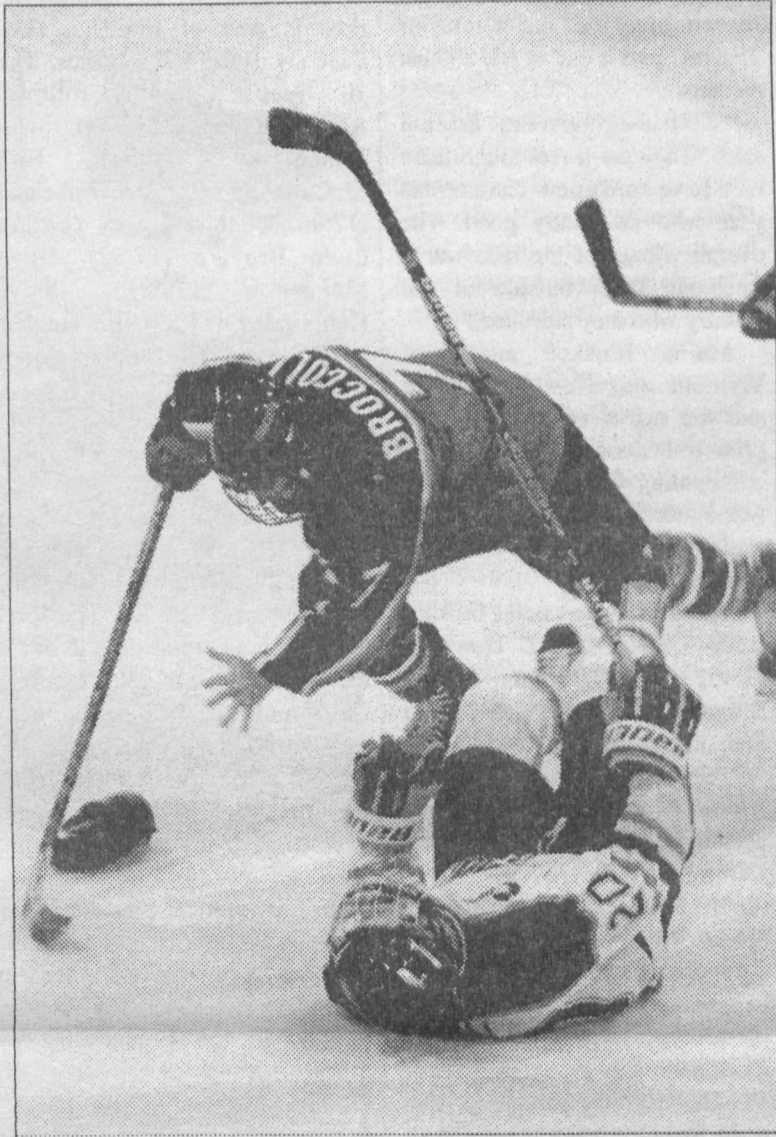
Shaneberger says that his experience with the Black Bears last year gave him the confidence step up his game this year. "I knew what they expected," says the Sewell, N.J. sophomore. "I spent hours in the gym and also worked on my stickhandling. This year I'm playing with more confidence."

Clauson notes that the two just seem to have a feel for each other. "I don't know exactly what it is," he said. "I just seem to know where he's at on the ice, we work well together."

Shaneberger says "it's a roommate thing. We've lived together for the last two years. He knows my tendencies and I know his and we play off each other on the ice."

Both players understand that despite their early season scoring production, their effectiveness is measured along the boards.

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Maine's Cameron Lyall plays physical with Ohio State's Broccoli during last weekend's series against the Buckeyes. CAMPUS PHOTO BY SCOTT SHELTON.

## Postseason auction starts

By John Contreras  
Sports Editor

Every free agent loves Carlos Delgado. The offseason began this week as many players filed for free agency and many players are up for grabs. The Blue Jays signed Delgado before the World Series to a four-year \$68 million deal and every free agent this year wants to thank him and every owner wants to strangle him just as much.

The prices are rising to keep a competitive team. Manny Ramirez and Alex Rodriguez are the two highest-profile free agents but this year's class is full of talent ... to the highest bidder, of course. The Yankees are interested in all of them of course and rumors are flying about Ramirez making his Yankee debut, but he's not the only one looking to be in pinstripes.

Before the boys in the Bronx put together their recent string of World Series titles, the free agent market was filled with players who just wanted to be on a championship caliber team and have a shot at the title. Now the stars looking for a ring want to play for the Yankees. The Yanks have created this Microsoft-esque monopoly of players' hearts because they produce the championships that make guys want to leave their current team.

Baseball gurus are now giving Alex Rodriguez the opportunity to demand \$20 million a year after Delgado signed his deal. The talks don't stop without some gossip about A-Rod playing third base alongside Derek Jeter, but I don't see this happening. Rodriguez wants to play short, that's his position and while Jeter and Rodriguez are friends, A-Rod at third base is a waste of defensive skills.

Mike Mussina is also in the market for a new team. He is the best pitcher out there this year. If the Red Sox are serious about next year, they have to go out and get this guy. Mussina has great stuff and adds a veteran presence. Pedro and Mussina would be a nasty combo.

Look for Mike Bordick to head back for the Orioles. The Mets never thought of him as long term but they needed a solid shortstop to make their run this year after Rey Ordonez went down with an injury.

Other free agents this year are Mark Grace, Ellis Burks and David Segui. Every free agent should send Carlos Delgado a thank you card for raising the stakes for the free agent market. The Blue Jays owner should consider himself responsible for let-

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## SPORTS SHORTS

By John Contreras  
Sports Editor

**Field Hockey:** Maine beat Delaware and Towson in conference action last weekend. The team defeated Delaware on Sunday 4-3. Maine got a pair of goals from freshman Rebecca Ouellett, and Jen Johnstone and Kristi Knights each added a score. Maine jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the game and Delaware wasn't able to rebound. Delaware did put together a late rally and got two goals from Stacey Thomas, her second score coming with only one second remaining.

Maine downed Towson on Saturday on an overtime goal by Kristi Knights. The senior scored the game-winner midway through the first overtime in the come-from-behind win. Maine was down 0-1 and came back to tie the score at one on an unassisted goal by Karli Bundy with under eight minutes left. Towson outshot Maine 12-9 in the contest.

**Volleyball:** Maine lost to conference power Hofstra and beat Hartford last weekend. On Sunday, the team lost to Hofstra in three games, 3-15, 6-15, 6-15. Hofstra continues to lead the America East conference and holds the top spot heading into

the last part of the season.

On Saturday, Maine downed Hartford in a five-game affair. Maine won by the count of 7-15, 15-8, 15-9, 13-15, 15-9.

Maine used a balanced attack to beat the Hawks with Leah Voss leading the way with 17 kills. But Adrienne Poplawski chipped in 13, Randi Olin added 11 and Dawn Dommermuth had 10 kills. Cheryl Elliott posted 42 assists in the win. Maine hosts Vermont and New Hampshire this weekend at the Pit.

**Swimming:** The swim team kicked off the season at Rhode Island and Central Connecticut State last weekend. The Maine men's team lost to Rhode Island by a 161-122 score. The Maine women lost 127-116.

For the women, Jamie Cail won three individual events. Cail took the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:11.09, the 500-yard freestyle in 5:15.75 and the 400-yard individual medley in a time of 4:38.66. Krystal Fogler took home two wins in the 100-yard butterfly (1:00.45) and the 100-yard backstroke (1:00.24).

On the men's side, Chris Swenson won the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:04.19 and he also took first in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:18.35.

## Men's soccer finishes season against Harvard

By Kevin Gove  
Men's Soccer Reporter

The University of Maine men's soccer team faces Harvard tonight at 7 p.m. in their final match of the season.

The contest will be played at Falmouth High School, a venue where the Black Bears have produced two victories this year.

Maine (2-11-2) defeated Holy Cross 3-2 on Oct. 3 and beat New Hampshire College in a pre-season scrimmage at the neutral field.

"For some reason we've always played pretty well when we go there," Black Bear head coach Travers Evans said. "Hopefully we can continue that [tonight]."

Maine seniors Russell Hutchison and Jason Skilling are nursing nagging injuries and may not see action in the final contest of their careers.

Hutchison, the team's leading scorer, has a slight tear of the meniscus on his left knee. It's highly unlikely he will play tonight according to Evans. Skilling was sidelined over the weekend with a hamstring injury. It is still questionable whether or

not he will be used against the Crimson.

Although the underclassmen may be called upon to play greater roles this evening, Evans will not be filling holes with inexperienced players.

Seven of the Black Bear's freshmen have appeared in 11 or more matches this season. Freshmen and sophomores have accounted for 23 of Maine's 37 scoring points on the season with only the one game left.

Harvard (7-6-1) is also a young team. Freshmen Ladd Fritz and Spencer George are second and third leading point-getters for the Crimson.

Since the Black Bear's victory over Holy Cross they have gone winless in eight straight games. A 2-2 tie at Hartford has kept the streak from being a losing one.

Harvard enters today's match with a season-long three game losing streak.

Even at this point in the season a win can be beneficial according to Evans.

"It would be nice to get a little momentum swing with a victory going into the off season," he said.