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Setbacks delay Union expansion until fall



The Memorial Union expansion and renovation project is still under way. CAMPUS PHOTO BY MARK DWYER

By Kelly Michaud
News Editor

Students were once told that when they came back from semester break, they would be walking into a completed Memorial Union. As construction continues on the expansion and renovation project, wires dangle from the ceiling and tarps and plywood have turned the

building into a maze.

University of Maine students are caught in a waiting game and there is no guarantee when the buzzer will sound. If the project had gone as originally planned, the Union would have been completed in May 2000.

According to administrators directly involved in the project, the project was first put out to bid in December 1998. The bids came

in at more than \$1.5 million over budget. As a result, certain concepts had to be scratched and areas redesigned.

In November 1999, the project was put out to bid once again, with the completion date slated for mid-August 2001. Food services and other promised venues were slated to be open for the cur-

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Student's death leaves unanswered questions

By Amanda Hebert
Assistant News Editor

whether it was intentional or an accident.

For the third time in 13 months, a student at the University of Maine has died by their own hand. Hannah Corbeil was found dead in her Orono apartment Dec. 18, 2000. Her body was found around 3:30 a.m. on Monday, the first day of finals week for the fall semester.

State police say she died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head but would not call the death suicide.

"We had ruled that it was a self-inflicted wound," Steve McCausland, spokesman for the Maine State Police Department, said. "It was left to be determined whether it was a suicide or an accident."

Jim Ferland, administrator for the Maine State medical examiner, said while it has been more than a month since Corbeil's death, there is still no answer to

Although Corbeil's two roommates and a male friend were in the 14 Water St. apartment at the time of her death, foul play has been ruled out as a possibility.

"We determined that there was no crime here," McCausland said. "They were questioned, but there was no crime."

He said the three have been cooperating with police throughout the investigation.

McCausland said there was no suicide note or any other clear indication that Corbeil intended to commit suicide.

"There was no note, if there had been it would have been solved in the early hours," McCausland said.

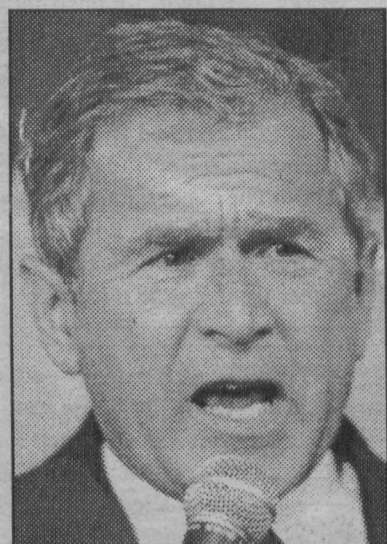
Police would not release the caliber of the gun used, saying only that it was a handgun and Corbeil was the owner.

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Josh Marn, Mark Grasberg and Ben Boscillo play a pick up game of hockey Friday at 'The Berg', the recently constructed ice rink near Lengyel gym. CAMPUS PHOTO BY KATHIE CONNELLY.

Bush announces plans for education, defense



President George W. Bush. File photo.

By Matt Shaer
National Politics Reporter

President George W. Bush surprised even his harshest critics Saturday, when only a few days into office, he introduced an array of initiatives he plans to unveil in the next few weeks to fulfill his

campaign promises.

In his first radio address as president, Bush promised immediate action towards reform in public schools across the country.

"I want to make all of our public schools places of learning and high standards and achievement," Bush said. "Our country must offer every child, no matter what his or her background...a fair start in life with a quality education."

Bush subsequently detailed a plan to reform the nation's ailing educational system. His proposal would include mandatory testing in math and reading from the third through eighth grades with monetary rewards or penalties for each school depending on the results.

In a more conversational step, the president promised the passing of a voucher bill that would make it legal for poor students to receive money from the government to pay for private tuition, a tutor or an after-school program. The money would come from fed-

eral and state aid the failing schools would otherwise receive.

Democrats in the House of Representatives and the Senate have promised to oppose the bill if it is sent through Congress, claiming that it would drain the already meager federal funds allotted to public schools.

"Vouchers drain funds from failing schools at the very moment when schools need these resources the most," House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt said Saturday on NBC's Meet the Press. "We must not allow 'reform' to erode the federal responsibility to support priorities like helping disadvantaged students and putting a quality teacher in every classroom."

Bush however, claims he has bipartisan support for his proposal. In his national radio address, he said, "I met this week with congressional leaders in both parties, and we found

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Polar Bears break ice, open 'Berg'

By Jennifer Gundersen
For The Maine Campus

into barrels and carried by truck to the field.

Rain hampered their first attempt but did not dampen the spirits of the University of Maine Polar Bear Club.

The Polar Bear Club, which built an outdoor ice rink for skating and hockey on campus, had lots of work to do after an unseasonable rainstorm ruined their first rink in December. After 160 hours of work and 35,000 gallons of water, "The Berg," as members call it, opened Jan. 11 on Lengyel Field.

To flood the field, water was pumped from the Stillwater River

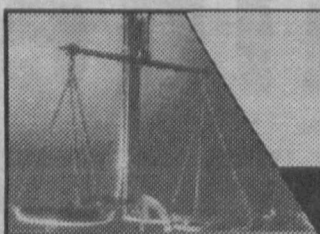
Now that the rink is built, it still requires attention. Three or four club members re-surface the rink every night by scraping the ice and spraying it with a hose.

"People have really gotten behind the rink this year," Ryan Labrecque, the club's president, said. "We are much more organized and I think it shows."

The idea to build the rink was first brought to Recreational Sports last winter.

"We wanted a place to skate and do a little stick and puck,"

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LEGAL Affairs

BY JENNIFER O'LEARY

By Jennifer O'Leary
Legal Affairs Columnist

According to Maine State Law, it is illegal for minors to possess tobacco products.

Until recently, Maine State courts had not decided whether police officers have the authority to search minors seen smoking cigarettes.

Superior Court Justice S. Kirk Studstrup ended this questionable procedure in a recent case, deciding that police officers did not have the authority to search minors in this scenario. Justice Studstrup deemed such searches as a violation of the Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

The decision came out of a recent case where a police officer saw three juveniles on a street corner in Waterford. One

of the juveniles was smoking a cigarette, a civil offense under Maine law. The officer spoke to the juvenile and determined that he was under age 18. Then the officer did a pat-down search of the juvenile. According to Justice Studstrup's opinion, the search was not conducted for officer safety but rather to find the remainder of the cigarettes.

During the search the officer found an illegal butterfly knife. The juvenile was charged with the juvenile offense of trafficking in dangerous knives. Justice Studstrup determined that the civil violation was complete when the police officer witnessed the 16-year-old juvenile smoking a cigarette.

Patterson, the juvenile's attorney, argued, "You can summons him [the juvenile] right there; there was no need to look on his

person for anything else...you can't give him a violation for smoking a cigarette and then immediately give him another one for having them in his pocket."

Furthermore, Patterson argued, "In order to conduct a warrantless search, the law is clear you need to have exigent circumstances and you have to have reasonable suspicion of criminal activity."

This marked case provides the current path the tobacco laws are taking. A minor may be summoned for smoking a cigarette, however, a police officer cannot search the minor looking for more cigarettes.

The issue of search and seizure has recently made headlines at the University of Maine and other campuses across the United States. The Legal Services staff is in the process of

creating a brochure detailing student rights on this volatile subject. More details will be forthcoming in future Legal Affairs columns.

A quick reminder...

You still have time to fill out an application for the Maine Rent Refund Program. Applications are available at all municipal offices as well as in the Legal Services office in the Memorial Union. The program allows you to receive up to \$1,000 back from the state if you meet the following requirements:

*You were a resident of Maine for all of 1999.

*You rented or owned a home for all 12 months and occupied that home for at least six months.

*You made less than \$27,400 if you are single, or \$42,600 if you are married or have dependents (if you shared an apartment with room-

mates but were not dependent on each other, everyone should fill out the form as if they lived alone, claiming only the money that they individually paid).

The Rent Refund Program is a tremendous opportunity for students to receive money back from the state. However, if you plan to apply, act quickly. The deadline for submission of applications is Jan. 31, 2001.

Legal Services of Student Government is located on the third floor of the Memorial Union (581-1789). Office hours are Monday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Legal questions may be presented to the Legal Services office, conveyed to us by inter-office mail, or sent to Theodore Curtis or Jennifer O'Leary on FirstClass. Copyright Theodore Curtis, 2000.

Career Fair brings variety, job opportunities

By Kelly Michaud
News Editor

In a few short months thousands of graduating seniors will be entering the work force. The University of Maine is trying to give its students a head start on their job search.

On Wednesday, Jan. 31, UMaine's Career Center will host its fourth annual Career Fair at Alford Arena from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Over 140 representatives from

state and national companies, organizations, health care facilities, government agencies and internship programs are scheduled to attend.

Director of the Career Center, Patty Counihan, explained how the fair is the best way for students to get solid, first-hand information from employers.

"Students can learn what employers look for when they hire and it is a wonderful networking opportunity," Counihan

said. "These companies have jobs and internships to fill and word has spread that this is an excellent fair and the quality of our students has a lot to do with that."

The Career Fair has broadened its venue of employers even more than past years. Previously the fair has been flooded with business and engineering companies. Now more health care, education, scientific research, journalism and non-profit organizations are attending.

"Any student who doesn't take advantage of this wonderful program is missing a once-a-year opportunity to talk with career experts in virtually every field of employment," John Beacon, dean of enrollment management said.

Students from all class levels are encouraged to attend. Even if you're not in the job market yet, many companies offer internships which, according to Counihan, are a crucial experience.

"Internships help you find out if this is what you love or not," she said. "Even if it's a horrendous experience, you're developing skills and can show you're ready for the working world."

Beacon expressed how, for most students, finding a rewarding and satisfying job is the goal of attending college for four or more years.

"Who wouldn't want to know what the job market is like or is going to be like in the next two or three years, in his or her major field of study?" he said. "Who wouldn't want to learn what the various starting salaries are for different companies? [Student's] questions can be answered at the fair."

For the first time, invitations were extended to parents to help keep them engaged in their student's education, according to

Beacon.

"Some parents will attend and will learn a great deal about the job market in Maine and across the nation from experts in today's employment market," he said. "I have received numerous thank you notes from parents who appreciate being kept informed about events on campus like the fair."

Students who may be apprehensive about approaching prospective employers can put some of their worries to rest. The Career Center has compiled pointers on what to bring with you, what not to do and sample questions to ask representatives. This information can be accessed at the Career Center, located on the third floor of Chadbourne Hall, or via the center's Web site at www.ume.maine.edu/~career. The site also contains a complete listing of organizations attending the fair.

The fair is sponsored by IBM, MBNA New England, Bath Iron Works, Kiewit Construction Company, Envisionet, Irving Woodlands LLC, National Grid U.S.A., MUNIS, Unicel and Wright Enterprise LLC.

The fair is free and open to the public. The concessions stand will be open for student convenience. For more information, contact the Career Center at 581-1359.

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The Darling Marine Center is part of the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture. Faculty at the Center are members of the School of Marine Sciences. The Darling Marine Center is located in mid-coast Maine, 100 miles south of the Orono campus and 60 miles northeast of Portland.



A former University of Maine student was killed last week in her hometown of Barrington, R.I.

Katherine E. Brown, 20, was enrolled at UMaine for the

1999-2000 academic year before returning her home state.

Her boyfriend was arrested for her murder later that night. The 20 year-old man allegedly has a history of abuse against Brown.

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Please sign up ahead of time for the workshops that you plan to
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Bodybuilders risk exercise dependence

By John Contreras
Sports Editor

Every year, New Year's resolutions and spring break getaways send people running to the gym. While many people will attempt to jump start their lives with a new weight training program, about half won't make it past the six-month mark, according to Dr. Bruce Hale, director of academic services for student athletes at the University of Maine. Hale is also a former sports psychology professor at Staffordshire University in England.

Hale's latest research in coordination with his British colleagues, targets bodybuilders who can potentially become exercise dependent. This new area of study looks for characteristics in bodybuilders who put working out ahead of all other aspects of their lives just to maintain their physique and improve their self

image.

"They blow off work [and] they don't keep a steady job because they're so involved in bodybuilding," Hale said.

Bodybuilders who are exercise dependent workout even if they're injured against medical advice, workout when they're sick and are obsessive about their body image. These same people can potentially suffer from withdrawal symptoms, such as not sleeping well when away from the gym and cut out other social aspects of their lives to work out.

Exercise dependence, also called muscular dysmorphia, is a psychological problem similar to anorexia in that people with anorexia feel too big and people with muscular dysmorphia feel they're not big enough, Hale said.

Exercise dependence is a serious problem, but the number of people it effects is minute. A visit to Latti Fitness Center probably

won't turn up an exercise dependent bodybuilder. Hale is quick to point out that not working out is much more of a prevalent problem in our society.

"We have a much bigger problem in this society ... with the millions of people who don't exercise enough to attain health benefits and huge numbers of people who are obese and overweight," he said.

These studies target bodybuilders because these same dependency traits are not seen in competitive power lifters or professional athletes. The difference is the reasons they work out, according to Dr. Hale. Bodybuilders attempt to improve their image, while other athletes and power lifters are interested in the strength and athletic performance results of weight training.

"They're [bodybuilders] not doing it for some ultimate long term goal," Hale said. "It's because they don't feel like they look good. We're talking about some psychological concerns about body image."

These psychological concerns can sometimes lead to steroid use or other muscle enhancing drugs.

Further research in this rela-

tively new field will focus on accurately measuring the criteria for exercise dependence. Research will also concentrate on gender differences and differences between drug and non-drug users. This field of study started with runners who run too much. The research carried over into those who workout at any expense. So how much exercise is too much?

"That's probably the \$64,000 question," Hale said. "I don't think there's anyway to really classify that for individuals." Maintaining a balance lifestyle is the key, according to Hale, including regular exercise three to five times a week and getting your heart rate up long enough to receive physical benefits.

"It's a real interesting area to study," Hale said. "The bigger concern for me in physical education is that not enough people do any exercise and I don't like to provide them for arguments for not exercising."

According to Hale, the problem with New Year resolutions is that people don't truly intend to make a life change.

"A lot of people didn't mean it in the first place," he said.

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a lot of agreement on the basic goals of reform. No one is content with the status quo, most are open to new ideas, everyone agrees at least that the problems are serious and action is urgently needed."

In addition to the education reform bill, Bush has busied himself with defense related concerns. In a national address on Friday, the president hinted at his plans for reducing America's substantial nuclear arsenal while reviving support for a national missile defense system.

Bush is not the first president to push for such a system. Former President William Clinton had also expressed interest in the idea, later withdrawing support in deference to technology he deemed inadequate and unsafe.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld initially said last week on CNN that it was "too early to discuss details of a national missile defense development to protect the United States and its allies."

After further questioning, Rumsfeld conceded, "The president has not been ambivalent about this. He intends to deploy a missile defense capability for the country."

Although Bush has garnered support for the plan, he is still far from earning broad bi-partisan acclaim. Critics of the proposal claim that deploying the missile defense system would only anger nuclear powerhouses like China or Russia. Some question the fiscal responsibility of such an action.

In Moscow Friday, President Vladimir Putin spoke out against missile defense systems. Putin has warned that Russia will scrap all existing arms control agreements if



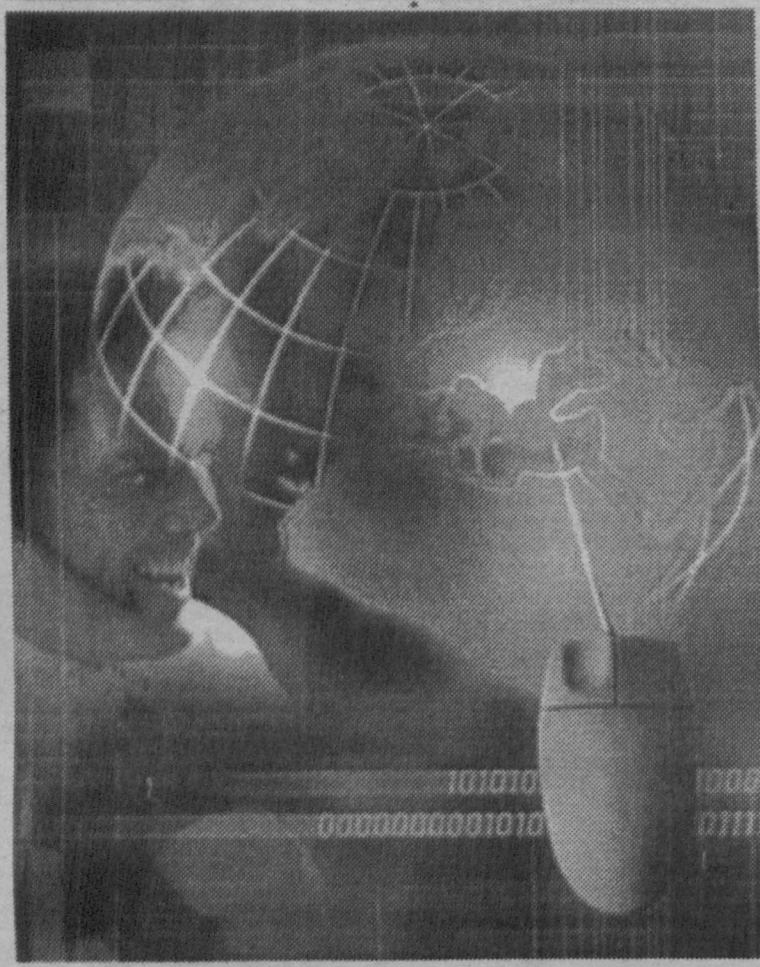
Freshman Travis Proctor squats at Latti Fitness Center. CAMPUS PHOTO BY MATTHEW J. STEPP.

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rent spring 2001 semester. But they are not.

According to Jon Lewis, executive director of Student Auxiliary Services, "it is certain that students graduating in May will not see a fully completed Union."

Completion of the \$12.5 million project is slated for the middle of the fall 2001 semester.

The delays can be attributed to two major factors.

"A shortage of sub-contractors caused a delay in the general contractor's [D.L. Poulin] schedule and we lost some time when we considered changing to a food court design," Lewis said.

The floor plans from 1999 depict the food service operation as a marketplace dining facility. Six months into the project, the plans were changed to resemble a food court like that in a mall or airport. The food court would have put the project over budget, so administrators reverted to the original marketplace concept.

The market will be comprised of various food venues. There will be a bakery featuring Pillsbury products and Starbucks coffee. The grill area's menu will serve breakfast as well as grilled chicken, burgers, fresh fish, grilled sandwiches and french fries.

The university signed a contract with Jump Asian Express Cuisine and according to Lewis, will honor their contract with the chain.

The deli will have the same style sandwiches found at M.C. Fernald as well as pizza and pasta. A counter is also set aside for traditional home cooked foods such as turkey, meatloaf and baked potatoes. Taco Bell, Campbell's Classics soups and a salad bar round out the rest of the marketplace.

Parallel to the marketplace will be a 550-seat dining room. Blueprints indicate a small bar will be on the south end of the dining room and adjacent to it, there will be lighting and sound equipment for performances.

The former Damn Yankee will be filled with a mixture of overstuffed chairs and tables. According to Lewis, there will also be a late-night sweet shop parlor in the area where Taco Bell used to be.

The former Bear's Den is still scheduled to house student organizations including *The Maine Campus* and WMEB.

"We will be working closely with the contractor in an attempt to have the student offices ready for the fall 2001 semester," Lewis said. "We will notify everyone well in advance of the moving dates."

According to Lewis, not all of the student offices have been assigned. Any recognized student organization needing office space should notify Joe Mollo, director of Campus Activities and Events.

D.L. Poulin is scheduled to complete the dining area portion of the Union in mid-March. But don't get in line for food quite yet.

"As soon as the contractor is finished with the space, kitchen equipment will be installed and Dining Services will prepare the area for operation," Lewis said.

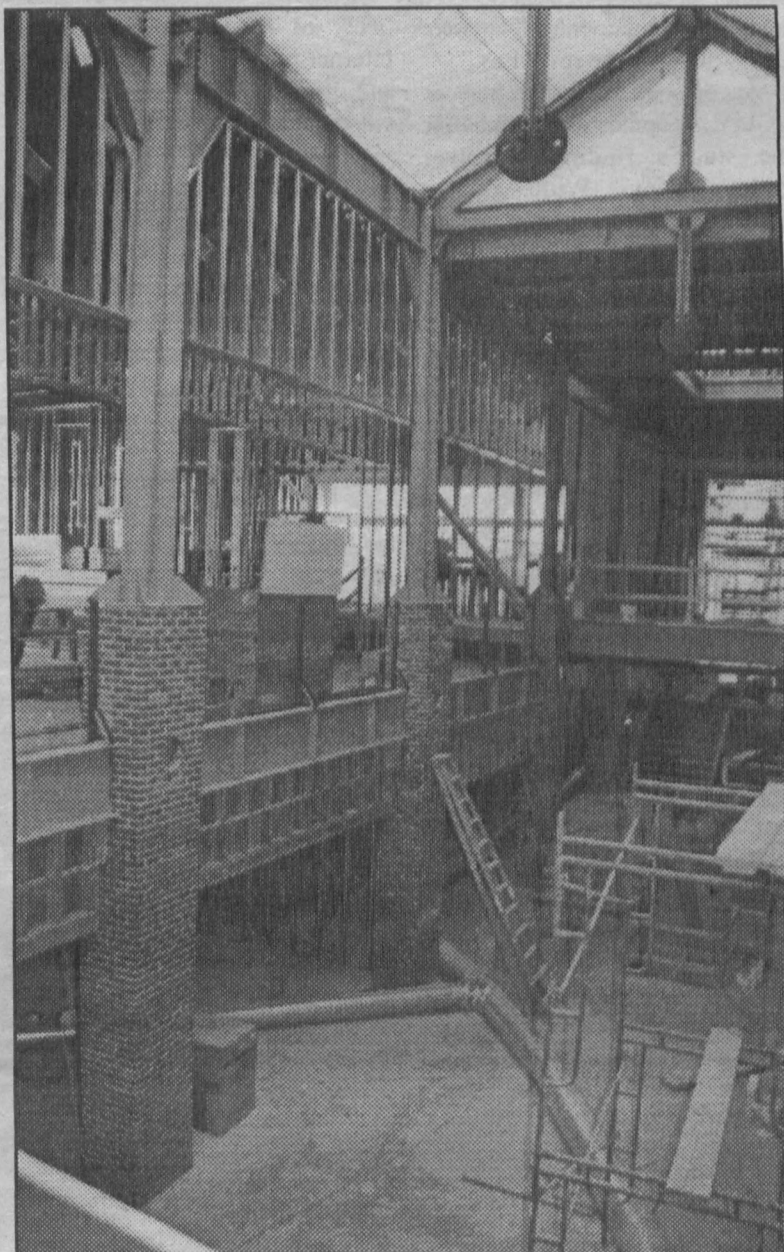
The process will potentially take an additional four weeks to complete.

"Delays are always possible and occur frequently in construction," Lewis said. "Our primary concern is for the quality of the project we receive from the contractor."

The future of two existing eateries on campus will be determined once the Union facilities are open. M.C. Fernald will reduce its operation hours back to Monday-Friday during lunch hours. If it can financially survive competing with the Union, it will remain open. The same goes for the Oakes Room in Fogler Library.

"We will be sensitive to the university's needs but they need to be financially viable operations," Lewis said.

A forum has been scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 8 at 3:30 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge of the Union. A panel of administrators having direct responsibility for specific areas of the project will be available to answer questions.



Memorial Union construction. CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANNE MALCOLM.

Study reveals technological gender gap among freshmen

By Lindsey Olsen
The Daily Free Press

BOSTON (U-WIRE) - Young women entering college have less confidence than men in their computer skills, according to a study conducted at the University of California at Los Angeles. The study found only a two percent difference in regular use between the genders, yet men are twice as likely to rate their computer skill levels above average.

The UCLA researchers surveyed the attitudes and habits of 400,000 incoming college freshmen nationally, revealing a record number — 78.5 percent — of college freshmen reporting regular use of computers in the previous year of high school. However, the gap in confidence levels between men and

women was the widest since computer-related questions were first included in the study in 1985.

No similar study has been conducted at Boston University as of yet, however Mark Crovella, associate professor in the computer science department at BU, claimed "this is definitely not the case with my students."

Although Crovella admits his observations might be slanted because his students are self-selected for their interests in computers to begin with, he said he sees no difference in proficiency or confidence levels between the

two sexes.

Margrit Betke, an assistant professor in the computer science department, believes the study was based on her experience, but warned it could be misleading.

"[I've] never had a female student who boasts about computer factoids the way some male students do," she said. "When it comes to real skills, my female students are just as confident and capable as my male students. Unfortunately, I don't have many female students in computer science."

"I'm about 40 percent confi-

dent in my computer skills," said June Mastromarino, a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences. "It just seems like men are more encouraged in computing fields. Take engineering for example. There are lots more men in [the College of Engineering] than women."

Kelly Wilson, a College of Communication freshman, said she is quite confident in her computer skills, even though she's never taken a computer class.

"I'd rate my confidence level at about 75 percent. I don't think men are actually better skilled at

computers than women. I think they just pretend to know more than they do because they're trying to hide the fact that they're actually very insecure about their skill levels in other areas," Wilson said.

Shana Leonard, a COM freshman who took Computer Science 101 last semester, agreed with Wilson. "The boys in my class didn't know any more than the girls did. They would pretend to know what they were talking about, but when it came down to actually

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doing the assignments, they were just as dumb as the rest of us."

According to researchers at UCLA, a popular explanation for the study's findings involves childhood toys. While a large majority of boys have grown up playing computer and video games, researchers said girls have traditionally played with Barbies and dolls. This theory is based on the findings that women are less

likely to frequently partake in Internet chat room discussions and spend much less time playing video games than do males.

A number of organizations have been founded recently in attempts to encourage women to become better educated in computers and to prevent them from being disadvantaged in the future, something study organizers fear. The Association for Women in

Computing (AWC), founded in 1978, is a non-profit organization promoting the advancement of women in computing professions.

Their work is in addition to the work of companies like Mattel, which is also trying to attract women to computers. They have begun to target young girls by creating computer software that appeals to them, including a number of games featuring Barbie.

Corbeil

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Ferland said a final ruling on the case is pending investigation by the Orono Police Department and the State Police.

Sgt. Robert Bryant of the Orono Police Department said the local and state police investigation is now in its final stages, however the last moments of Corbeil's life remain a mystery.

"We are still looking into what led up to the shooting," he said.

He said police hope the last pieces of evidence, now at the lab for testing, will help them determine what exactly happened that night.

Corbeil was originally from East Haddam, Ct. She was a senior majoring in forestry at UMaine and was scheduled to graduate this May.

"She was a hardworking, dedicated student," David Field chairman of the forest management department said. "She was working very hard to do well here."

Field said Corbeil had been in two of his classes in the past, and her work both at the university and at Pat's Pizza in Orono kept her very busy.

For the staff at Pat's, Corbeil's

death came within days of the one-year anniversary of former employee Barbara Barn's murder.

"It was extremely hard for us — there are people here who are still suffering over Barbara's death," Ann Rosebush, day manager at Pat's said. "We are a family here."

Bruce Farnsworth, a manager at Pat's, said Corbeil had been working at the restaurant as a waitress and a bartender for a year and a half.

"She was a good worker, always here, always willing to help out," Farnsworth said.

The violent deaths of two co-workers within one year have been hard for Pat's employees to handle.

"You don't think these things are going to happen around here," Farnsworth said. "You don't expect lighting to strike twice."

In addition to being a forestry major at UMaine, Corbeil was a former member of the Rugby team and the Army ROTC. She was also a member of the Society of American Foresters and loved the outdoors.

Corbeil's death comes barely a year after Andrea Amdall, a junior at UMaine, jumped from her fourth-floor window in Somerset Hall to her death in November 1999. In October 2000, the body of Richard P. Fournier Jr. was found along a path near the Hilltop area of campus. The freshman died of a single gunshot wound to the head. His death was also ruled a suicide.

Corbeil was remembered by family and friends at a funeral service Dec. 23 at St. Bridget's of Kildare Church in Moodus, Conn.. She was later buried in Moodus Cemetery. Those who wish to send memorial contributions may send them to the Nature Conservancy, 4245 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 100, Arlington, Va. 22203; or Society of American Foresters, 5400 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, Md. 20814-2198.

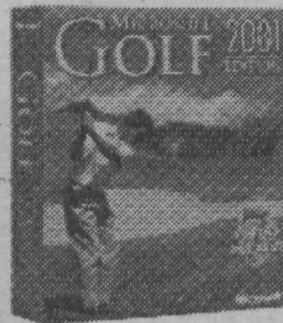
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Cohen donates defense documents

By Joe Gunn
Campus Politics Reporter

A top cabinet member of the Clinton Administration has given the University of Maine a gift. Nine days before leaving office, William Cohen, Bangor native and former Secretary of Defense, donated official papers from his four years in the Pentagon.

The gift was an addition to an earlier donation made by then Senator Cohen in 1996.

His first donation consisted of more than 1,400 boxes of his public and personal papers from his 24 years of service in Congress. Instead of coming in boxes, the 70,000 documents from his tenure in Washington D.C. were contained in a dozen CD-ROMs.

Cohen's donation was officially announced at a dinner held in his honor at Norumbega Hall in Bangor on Jan. 12. The event, attended by members of the UMaine administration and 300 friends and family, was one of Cohen's last public appearances as head of the Defense Department.

"This latest donation by Secretary Cohen underscores his commitment to the university and the people of Maine," UMaine President Peter Hoff said. "And by sending his [papers] to this, the state's flagship university, Secretary Cohen is reiterating symbolically his belief that his public papers should remain in the public domain."

The university established the William S. Cohen Center for International Policy and Commerce following Cohen's first donation in 1996. The primary goal of the still-developing center is to promote Maine's involvement in the new global economy as a means of ensuring

that the state's businesses will remain competitive in the 21st century. By creating a forum for discussion of international policy issues and trade practices, the Cohen Center hopes to promote policies that will be beneficial to the people of Maine.

Cohen touched upon this goal on a nation-wide level in a speech given during the ceremony.

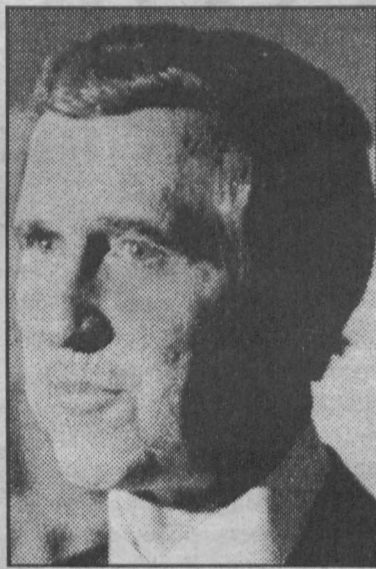
"Business follows the flag ... business goes where it's stable. As soon as there is a sign of instability, capital flows out."

Cohen said he agrees with the Bush Administration's policy to review where U.S. troops are currently deployed, but he views military presence as one of the keys to a stable economic trade. For example, he said that a stable Asia is good for a state as small as Maine, as Malaysia is one of the state's biggest trading partners.

Cohen, 60, graduated from Bangor High School and Bowdoin College before receiving a degree in law from Boston University. He was elected to the Bangor City Council in 1969, and later briefly served as mayor of the city. He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1972 and to the Senate in 1978.

Cohen, a moderate Republican, distinguished himself as being independently minded by twice breaking with his party during prominent episodes during his time in the Congress. He voted in favor of impeachment proceedings against President Richard Nixon during the 1974 Watergate scandal. He also supported the majority opinion of Senate Democrats in 1986, holding President Ronald Reagan responsible for alleged illegal actions of subordinates in the Iran-Contra affair.

In 1996, Cohen accepted President Clinton's nomination as



William Cohen. File photo.

Secretary of Defense, becoming the highest-ranking Republican in the Democratic administration.

During his tenure, Cohen faced a variety of international challenges to U.S. power and global stability. Such challenges included the continued sanctions against Iraq, the alleged terrorist campaign directed against the West by Islamic militant Osama Bin-Laden and the bombing of the American destroyer U.S.S. Cole in Yemen. The attack killed several naval personnel.

Cohen has also authored nine books on such topics as governmental policy and his personal experiences in government. In addition, he has co-authored a few spy novels as well as published collections of his own poetry. He currently plans on remaining involved in defense and national security matters by starting a small consulting firm with a few of his long-term associates.

Cohen's newest donations to UMaine will be catalogued over the next two years by the Special Collections department of Folger Library before they are presented to the public.

Same-sex partners' health care benefits jeopardized

By Kate Reynolds
The Daily

SEATTLE (U-WIRE) - Just nine months after benefits were granted to same-sex domestic partners, they could be taken away if a Washington state Senate bill passes.

Last May, under the direction of Gov. Gary Locke, the Public Employees Benefits Board extended health care benefits to the domestic partners of state employees, including same-sex partners. Sen. Dan Swecker, R-Rochester, and Sen. Pam Roach, R-Auburn, along with other legislators, are sponsoring Senate Bill 5232, which would overturn the previous legislation.

Swecker said the reason for ending these benefits is to limit the rise of health care costs, and to prevent any further increase in the number of people eligible for benefits.

In May, the PEBB estimated that the total cost to cover the new benefits would be \$2.9 million this year, or 0.5 percent of the total medical benefits per year. Based on an assumed 1 percent enrollment growth, each state employee's medical plan would rise \$2.43.

Opponents of Swecker's proposed bill argue that employees receiving these domestic-partner benefits account for less than 1 percent of enrolled employees. Out of the anticipated 1,000 state employees eligible for same-sex partner benefits only 434 have signed up.

Loren Meissner, a systems analyst in Medical Centers Information Systems, wrote a letter to University of Washington President Richard McCormick asking him to openly oppose Swecker's legislation.

McCormick may not be able to take an active role in lobbying for or against the Swecker bill because of policies against using state facilities to influence specific legislation.

If not able to oppose the legislation openly, "(McCormick) should at least educate the administration and the UW community about same-gender partner issues and the potential effects this legislation will have."

McCormick, Meissner said,

should stress the impact that this legislation will have on the gay, bisexual, lesbian and transgender communities here at the University of Washington. If the UW wants to maintain diversity and attract talented faculty from around the country, it needs to be able to provide benefits to same-sex domestic partners, Meissner said.

"The existence of domestic-partner benefits goes far beyond cost," he said. "To me it is a clear message from the UW and the state of Washington that diversity and non-discrimination based on sexual orientation is a clear commitment from the UW."

McCormick said he opposes the bill and he predicts the bill will fail.

Swecker said the PEBB does not have the authority to give benefits to unmarried couples, regardless of their sexuality. There are many constituents in Washington state, specifically his constituents, who do not want to pay for the benefits of unmarried couples, he said. He believes there are other people who have a greater need for state benefits, such as children taking care of invalid parents and retired state employees.

Additionally, Swecker has filed a lawsuit in Thurston County against Washington state, and he said there have been other lawsuits filed.

The next step for SB 5232 is a hearing in a budget committee to which the Senate referred it. Currently there is no set date for this hearing. Swecker hopes to convince Sen. Lisa Brown, R-Spokane, chairperson of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, that providing benefits to same-sex domestic partners could be a major drain on state health coverage funds. He also hopes to show her that it is not legal under the national Defense of Marriage Act (1996), which legally defines marriage as a union between an man and a woman.

The bill has a referendum clause attached to it, which means that if this bill passes both the House of Representatives and the Senate, the issue will be put before Washington state voters.

Ice rink

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Labrecque said. "We are a very hockey oriented group."

"Because students are so busy this rink is very accommodating," Laurie St. Clair, a first-year member, said. "It's here all the time. You don't need to worry about knowing when it's open."

Last year's rink was located on the mall, but extensive site surveying concluded that the area next to Lengyel Field was a much better location.

The new location provides a flatter surface and better lighting for night skating.

"This location is also closer to more dorms," Labrecque said. "More people can see the rink from their windows so more people are coming over."

The Alumni Association and the Polar Bears hope to hold a Valentine's Day event at the rink.

"They want to have music and skating and we are here to provide the ice," Labrecque said.

The Polar Bears went through an extensive pre-planning process for the rink.

"Most people think it only takes one or two months to put this thing together," Labrecque said. "Really we have been working on it for eight months."

The Polar Bears had to be officially recognized as a club and then request money to fund the project. Student Government, the Comprehensive Fee Committee and the Center of Student and Community Life gave the Polar Bears money for tools and equipment. Richard Chapman, vice president of Student Affairs, also gave the group the money for a snow blower out of the student affair's budget.

"Dr. Chapman and everyone else were very helpful," Matt Poulin, a group member, said. "We were happy to have all the support."

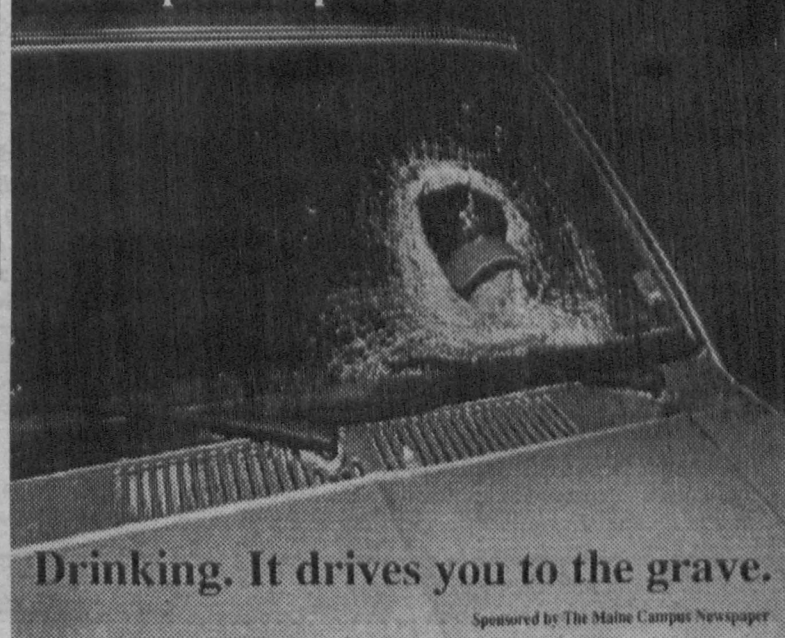
"Last year we were just happy to have anything," Matt Hebert, Polar Bear treasurer said. "This year things have improved ten-fold. The surface is bigger and better and we got it started much earlier in the winter."

Vice President Alan Sherburne joins Labrecque and Hebert as the officers of the Polar Bears. The club has approximately 25 members and meets once a week at 9:30 p.m. in the TV lounge of Stodder Hall. Anyone interested in joining should contact Ryan Labrecque or Matthew Hebert through FirstClass. The club also has a Web site at www.polarbearclub.org.

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Growing career fair good for students

The annual Career Fair is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 31, this year at the Alford Arena. Traditionally held at Wells Conference Center, the fair had to be held at a larger venue to accommodate the more than 140 representatives of different companies from across Maine and the nation.

With this, many companies coming to the University of Maine all at once, students have a better chance of finding a good job. It's not guaranteed that every major here will be represented, however there are many more companies that accept applications from students studying in any field.

Whether students are searching for an internship or trying to land a job to pay their educational loans, the fair is worth students' time. In addition to the potential of making a good impression on a probable employer, the fair may also be one of the most opportune times to see what the job market is like. Company representatives are there to tell you what they look for in an applicant. If you already know what field you want to pursue, have your resume and portfolio ready. Don't be afraid if you feel you have minimal experience, for other aspects of your life, like hobbies or interests, may make you unique and set you apart from the rest of the crowd.

To help students prepare for the fair, the Career Center has compiled some dos and don'ts and other tips to make the event as beneficial as possible. You can find these at its Web site, www.ume.maine.edu/~career, or go to the office on the third floor of Chadbourne Hall. You can also call the office at 581-1359. Good luck, and put your best foot forward.

Campus community still waiting on Union

In fall 2001 the Memorial Union is scheduled to open but the completion of the building will be bittersweet. Students have been dealing with unfulfilled promises and the constant delays have demanded patience. But while students wait they have nothing concrete to rely on. Quite often throughout the construction phases, students have been left clueless about what is going on behind the tarps and makeshift walls.

The administration has made a feeble attempt to educate the students about the Union's progress. Halfway through construction the food court design was scrapped and students learned of the decision after the fact. Students are dealing with an inoperable Union and the administration isn't keeping the students informed.

The UMaine campus offers opportunities for communication from forums to the Internet. A conference on FirstClass with updates about the progress could easily answer student's questions. It's the least that the students deserve since they contributed to paying for the building.

When seniors graduate in a few months, they will never step foot in a completed Union. And their money helped create the building they'll never use.

And when fall arrives, things will most likely remain hectic. The former Bear's Den will house student organizations. No one knows exactly which groups will be in the space or when they will move in. There is little, if any, communication. *The Maine Campus* is one such organization that is slated to move its offices to the Union but the staff has not been contacted about when this will occur.

Furthermore, other office spaces have not been designated to specific groups and if groups want to be in the Union they must seek out Joe Mollo, director of Campus Activities and Events. The administration will finally address student concerns on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 3:30 in the Bangor Lounge of the Union and maybe then will they tell us when the waiting will be over.

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When Fox TV shows go bad

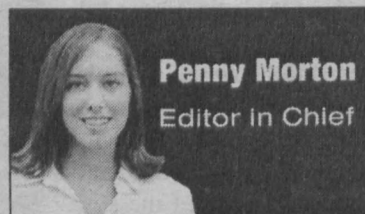
The Fox television network, with such programming gems as "When Animals Attack," "World's Deadliest Police Chases" and "Who Wants To Marry a Millionaire?", has long held the dubious distinction of being the sleaziest network on TV. However, hoping to maintain their lead in trash TV, they have come out with a new low in entertainment: "Temptation Island."

Because of this show, I have forever lost an hour of my life that cannot be regained. Last Wednesday, mesmerized, I allowed myself to be sucked onto the Island, a fantasy place where smut reigns and morality is for losers.

For those smart enough not to tune in, allow me to give you a quick plot synopsis. "Temptation Island" borrows from MTV's "The Real World," "Survivor," "Divorce Court" and late-night Cinemax. Four "seriously committed" couples are separated into two groups, the men and women, and will spend two weeks at opposite sides of a Caribbean island. During the time away from their loved ones, they will share accommodations with 13 single men and women, the "tempters" who will try and make sparks fly on day-long dates and nighttime drinking binges.

Over the course of the show, the men and women will watch video highlights of each other's dates and will communicate

only through video messages. At the end of the two weeks, the couples will get back together to discuss the relationship and decide whether or not to stay together.



Penny Morton
Editor in Chief

Fox touts the program as a chance for couples to explore their feelings for each other and decide if they have really found "The One." Translation: Fox has found yet another forum for feeding the skanky American viewing audience their four food groups: Sex, Deceit, Conflict and Drama.

It is reported that Fox received only 250 applications for the show, while casting directors for "Survivor: The Australian Outback" received over 49,000. This does not come as a surprise. How many truly committed couples out there are willing to go on national television to test the strength of their relationship? How many people out there want America to watch as their mates flirt with good looking models and guzzle rum drinks in a hot tub?

And even more shameless than the couples on the show are the disgusting tempters, referred to by Fox as "singles." They are men and women who are paid to go on "dates" with the couples and whose sole purpose is to lure the couples into cheating on one another. I believe, in some states, this is a profession

that can get you arrested.

So far, it would appear that the Big Sleaze Award goes to the couple of Taheed and Ytossie. Thoughtfully, Fox had included a rule that stated no couple with children may participate. Clearly this is because Fox is extremely interested in family values. Taheed and Ytossie, as it turns out, have a child stashed back home and will soon be kicked off the island for this violation.

How low can one possibly sink? What kind of person pretends that they do not have children to remain eligible to participate in a program designed to corrode their relationship? What happens when that child turns on the TV and sees Mommy kissing another man and Daddy cussing her out? What kind of example are we setting for young people with this kind of programming?

However twisted, "Temptation Island" is sure to remain a hit throughout its six-week run. For those of you who are curious, the show airs on Wednesdays at 9 p.m. As for me, my love affair with "Temptation Island" is over. It's fun, but I'm afraid of commitment.

Penny Morton is The Maine Campus editor-in-chief.

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OPINION

Letters to the Editor

• Recycling

UMaine is not honoring Maine's Recycling and Waste Reduction Law 2137. We have no recycling coordinator although state law requires one. We provide no recycling education for students and employees although the law requires it. This is true although the major recyclable that we produce is the most valuable recyclable of all, office paper with a value of \$135 to \$160 a ton.

State Law also requires each University of Maine campus to implement a waste reduction program for routinely used materials. "The program must be designed and implemented to achieve the maximum feasible reduction of waste." The Faculty Senate authorized a Waste Minimization Committee in

April 1999 and sent it to the University Administration. As of January 2001, twenty-one months later, no committee meeting has been called.

What is the result of this neglect? Visit our dormitories and examine their basement trash rooms, where recyclables must be taken. Or look inside classrooms, computer rooms and other campus locales on a late afternoon. You will find recyclables and returnable cans and bottles in trash containers, and trash in recycling containers. Even when properly presorted, much paper is not recycled. Even the "University of Maine Recycles" sticker on the door of my building is partially scratched off. One person told me that our poor compliance is because the "law has no teeth." How sad.

Many campus citizens still sort recyclables from trash. And properly bagged recyclables are still picked up and taken to the Campus Depot for processing. The Campus Depot, threatened several times with shutdown, still operates. This is the extent of UMaine's commitment to State Law 2137.

Our university once set up a recycling system and operated it with care and pride. This program is now being trashed. If the students at Maine's Flagship University don't learn to care about their environment, what is the future of Maine's environment? Does anyone care?

Marquita Hill
Cooperating Prof. of
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Bush sets ill tone for women

Abortion rights have always been a highly sensitive subject, especially in politics. The 28-year-old *Roe vs. Wade* ruling by the Supreme Court gave women the right to legally choose whether or not to have an abortion, and provided supplemental material for pro-life advocates to contest and protest. But the right for a woman to choose what happens to her body as well as being educated about her choices, whether it's abortion or not, is a fundamental right. One which should not be violated by political pundits making law. Around the world more than a half-million women die from pregnancy-related cases annually. Safe options from family-planning are the key to helping reduce this statistic.

On his first full day in office, President George W. Bush reinstated a policy which his father before him and former president Reagan had set, restricting funds to international family planning clinics. In former president Bill Clinton's tenure, the Reagan-Bush era policy was nullified.

The policy, a major non-moderate move, requires family-planning groups which accept U.S. funds to stop performing abortions with funds received from NON-U.S. sources. These groups are also required to stop providing counseling and information about medical options to women or speaking out in favor of abortion. There will be, White House sources say, no reduction in the \$425 million in aid allocated for family-planning, meaning clinics will be the ones to choose to accept or decline.

The last Bush administration

tried to impose the policy on U.S. federally funded family-planning clinics, reaping an angry backlash against the administration



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and aborting bipartisan support. It wouldn't be surprising to see the sins of the father repeated in the son. Bush said in a memorandum that: "It is my conviction that taxpayer funds should not be used to pay for abortions or advocate or actively promote abortion either here or abroad." He also asked for "widespread bipartisan support," something he hasn't received yet.

So what does this mean for women both here and abroad?

It means we have just ushered in, after a massive ballot battle, a four-year reign of repression and degradation for women and their reproductive rights. Bush said he will do all he can to eliminate abortion—a value right-to-lifers and many Christians applaud. His nomination of two staunch abortion-opponents, attorney general John Ashcroft and secretary for health and human services, former Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson, is the beginning. Coupled with Supreme Court justice and judicial appointments in the near future, women's reproductive rights are in major jeopardy.

The censorship of information to people in countries where reproductive information is not widely accessible—except in family-planning clinics—should

have no place in U.S. foreign policy. Moreover, by restricting what information doctors and counselors can provide is medically and morally unethical.

And the new policy could have devastating consequences. If family-planning clinics refuse U.S. money there will be less options for women to know their choices, less contraception available to people, greater incidences of STDs and the AIDS virus, higher birth-rates and more poverty. And unfortunately more unwanted pregnancies and abortions, possibly from unsafe clinics rather than family planning clinics—meaning that the good Bush thinks will come from denying money to family-planning clinics will be for naught.

In order to do what Bush wants—"To work toward a day where every child is welcomed in life and protected by law"—he and his administration need to focus on education, not restricting funding or information, but by supporting women by giving them options before they have to face the idea of abortion or unintended pregnancy.

Debra Hatch is a senior journalism major.

A UMaine Christmas is all books and miniature trees

I know the holidays are over, but you'll have to listen to just one more holiday grudge that's been bugging me all vacation—the fact that there is no holiday season for college students. I don't know about you, but I just couldn't seem to get into the Christmas spirit with final

papers due and exams to study for. Then when exam week finally ended, before I could breathe a sigh of relief I realized I hadn't even had time to finish my Christmas shopping. What was once a fun outing, choosing the perfect present for everyone while watching all the other happy holiday shoppers, has now become a chore to add to my ever-growing to-do list.

As I take down the Christmas decorations from my dorm room door, I think about everything I missed this Christmas. How did I miss all the decorated houses and shop windows, all those TV specials like the Grinch and Garfield's Christmas. What happened to the smell of Christmas cookies baking in the oven and the extra care I used to put into wrapping each gift? Oh, that's right—I was busy studying.

To make matters worse, all of my friends that go to other colleges were all done with school, enjoying these pre-holiday activities, trying to entice me away from my books.

But what are the UMO students doing? We're stuck here till the last possible week studying for finals. And sure, we get a lot longer Winter Break than most, but I'd rather have that one magical week before Christmas than that whole month after the holidays when the only excitement left is the post-holiday sales.

The Christmas season used to be this happy time, where people stop to chat a little longer than usual, smile a little more frequently and always have a cheery Christmas song humming away in their heads. Not so for us college students. If someone came to visit the campus that week before Christmas they'd see a bunch of Scrooges with scowls on their faces, heavy backpacks on their backs and "Bah, Humbug" on their lips.

At least for me, finals week completely inhibits me from getting into the Christmas spirit. Or is it just the college atmosphere in general? Sure, the commons

do a nice job of decorating and you'll see the occasional miniature fake Christmas tree in a dorm room, but that still doesn't

make me feel all warm and fuzzy with that Christmas glow.

This led me to the realization of how disconnected a college campus is from the rest of the world all year round. We are like our own miniature community. There's really no need to ever leave it. We have places to eat, to do our laundry, to exercise, a bank, jobs, our own police force, health clinic and newspaper. Everything we need to survive is right here on campus and then some. Except of course for that one element campus life can't seem to provide—a dose of the real world. I find myself referring to the rest of the world as "out there" as if I'm trapped in a bubble. I purposely make a point of leaving campus at least once a week to remind myself that people over and under the ages of 18-22 do still exist.

What is this sub-reality we've created for ourselves? It's a community whose citizens' soul purposes are to learn about the world without actually living in it. And the experiences are like no other. A strange mixture of serious academic endeavors and youthful pursuits. It's the only place where you can begin the evening at a poetry reading and end up down the road at a keg party. No matter what college life is and isn't I have to remind myself to enjoy this strange opportunity while it lasts. I'll certainly never find anything like it out there in the "real world."

Catie Joyce is a second-year English major.

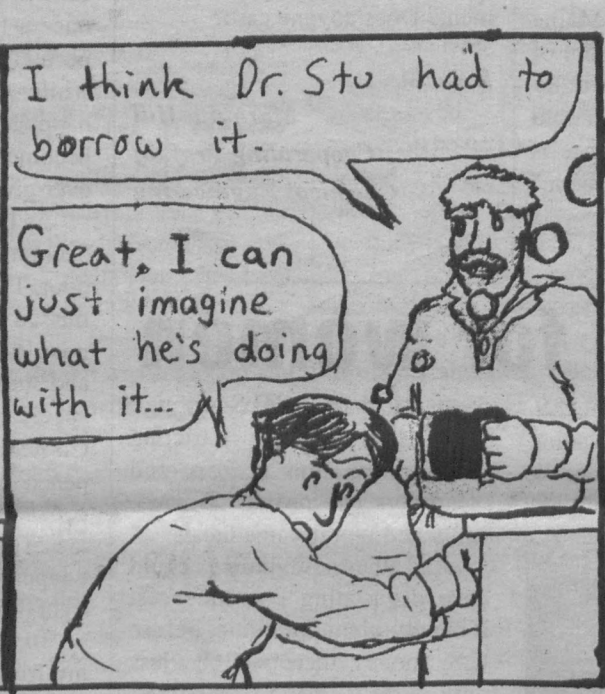
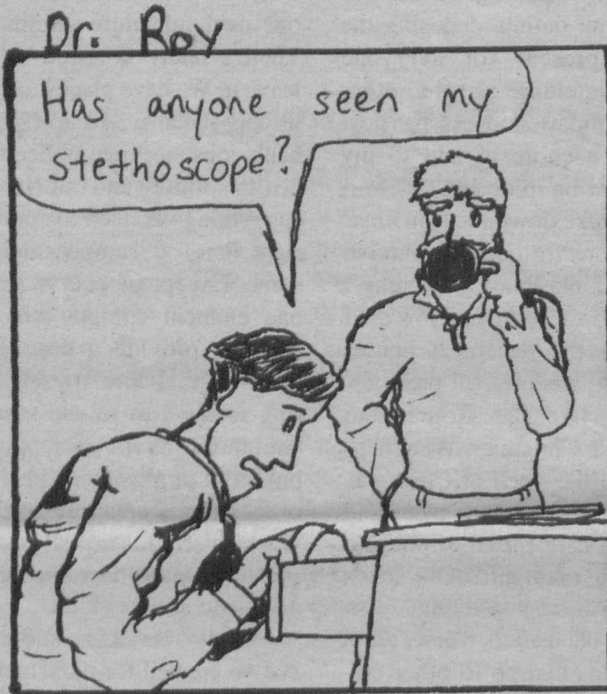
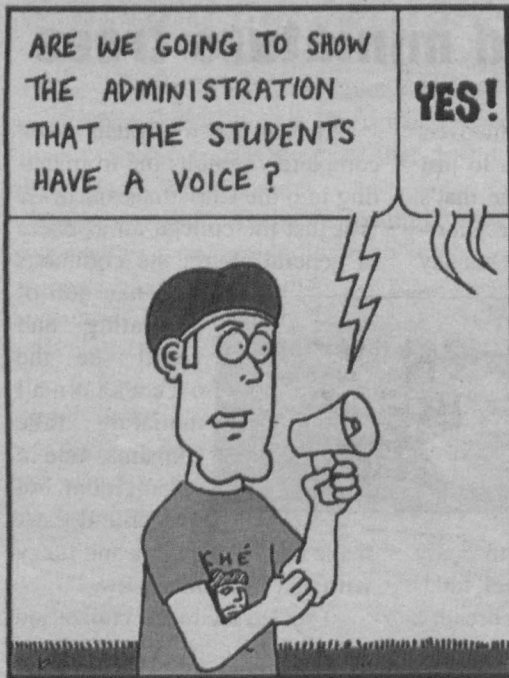
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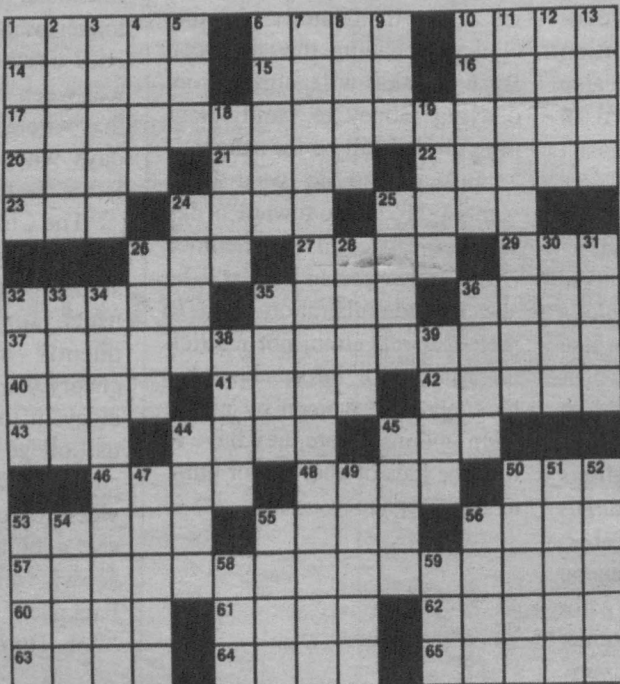
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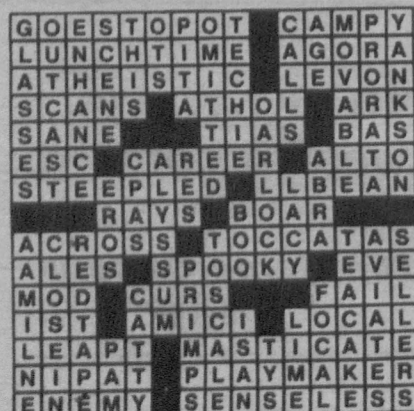


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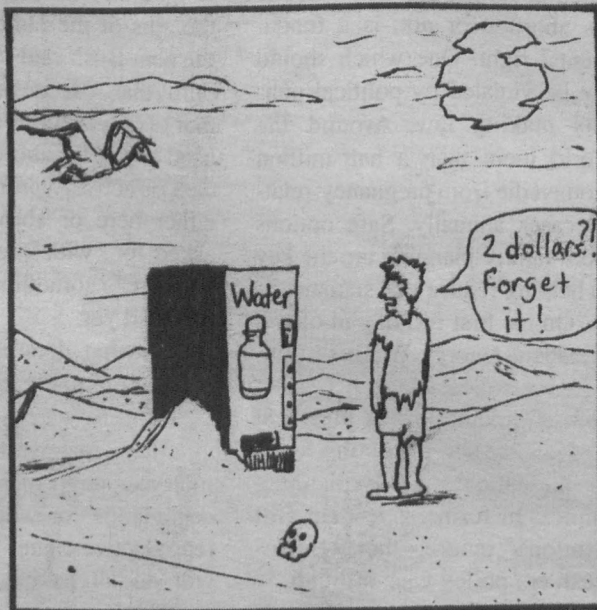
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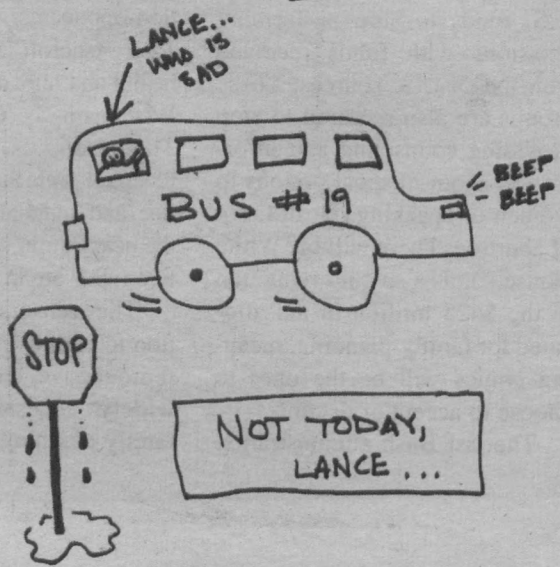


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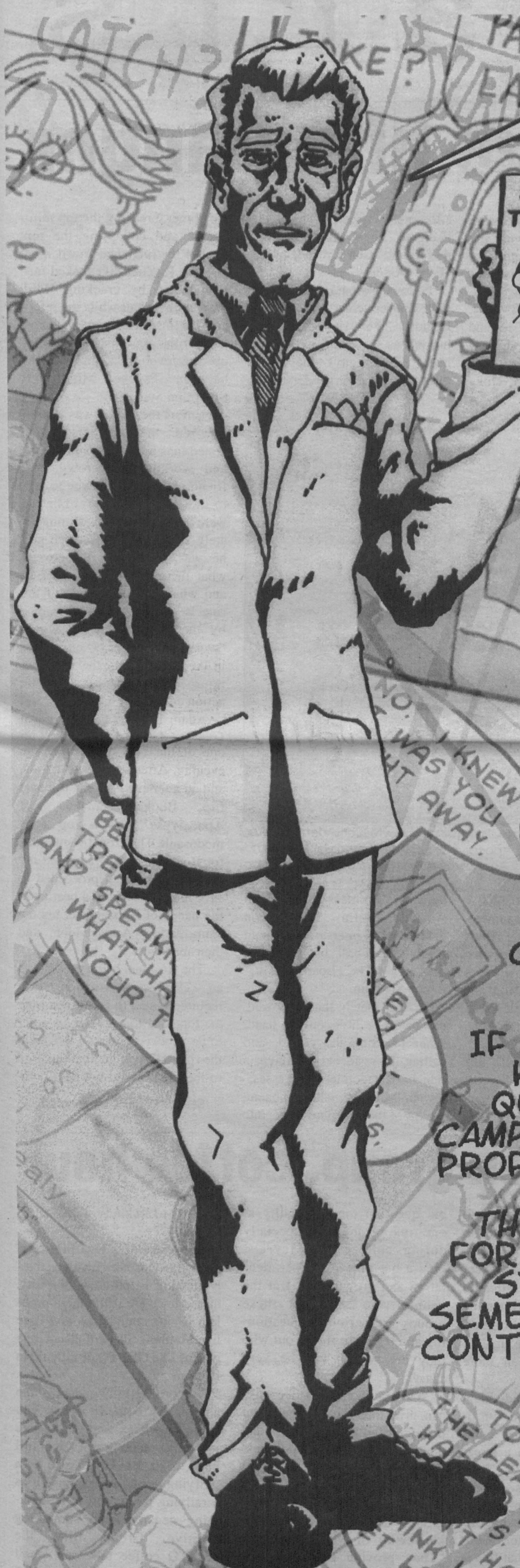
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Wrestling rampage hits Bangor

By Kris Healey
Marketing Director

It's 5:30 p.m. and I am standing in the Bangor Armory watching a reporter from WABI Channel 5 toss a wrestler known as The Impaler to the mat. A dozen or so spectators, mostly friends, employees and well-wishers, stand around the arena talking to wrestlers and making adjustments to the lights and the ring.

Bell time for the first ever Rampage Pro Wrestling show is an hour and a half away and The Impaler will be fighting in the opening bout.

The atmosphere is jovial as the camera crew clears the ring and several wrestlers enter to practice some of their moves one last time. Tonight is a big night for the men and women of this company. It marks the first chance for some of these wrestlers to prove themselves, and the first chance for Rampage Pro to make a name for itself.

The bill for Winter Wargames 2001 is impressive. An RPW World Title tournament, a 15-man battle royal, a Cruiserweight Championship match and a number one contender match between Apocalypse and Bangor's own Adam Booker has the Bangor Armory filled to capacity. As I sit ringside awaiting the bell, I am surrounded by fans of all ages, some of whom having traveled two and three hours to attend.

With the popularity of professional wrestling on the rise, and national wrestling company's like the WWF and WCW becoming more mainstream, the appetite for sports-entertainment has grown. In that growth, venues like Bangor have been neglected by the big companies in favor of big-

ger arenas in large cities. Tonight's crowd no doubt knows they are in for a treat, and is looking to Rampage Pro to provide the area with a live alternative to the popular national television broadcasts of the big two.

As I sit ringside, I am caught up in the crowd's excitement. This is the first time I have

ings a favorite guilty pleasure. As I sit at ringside with my friend Mark, we scan our programs and try to pick favorites for the night. Mourning Star, Hard Ware, The Bangor Bruiser, Rusty Ruthless, Legion Cage and The Main Event Brock Holiday are among our choices.

The first match of the evening

attempted "Crucifixion (a.k.a. Pedigree)" into a Death Valley driver, and "Star Crusher (a.k.a. "Fame-Asser)."

Following an in ring interview with Cruiserweight Title hopeful Legion Cage, who established himself as the company's major heel (or bad guy), the action turned to an inter-gender match

the corner, breaking the top turnbuckle and collapsing the top rope of the ring. The crowd went crazy as Psycho Mike reeked further havoc by cracking Hard Ware with a chair while the referee was distracted, and covered him for the pin. This outcome set up the evening's main event between Psycho Mike and Mourning Star.

While the ring was being repaired, the wrestlers entertained fans by signing autographs and working the crowd. My friend and I got a chance to talk to the Bangor Bruiser while we were waiting, and I was immediately struck by what a nice guy he was. The contrast between what these guys do in the ring and what they do outside of the ring is striking. After a promise by the Bruiser that he would "work the knee" of his opponents in the battle royal, the wrestlers returned to the back and the action continued.

Adam Booker, the hometown favorite, defeated Apocalypse in one of the best matches of the evening. After several near falls, and an attempted pin via a sunset flip, Booker finished off Apocalypse with a top rope moonsault. The crowd went crazy for Booker as he paraded around the room and then proceeded to save the referee from a beating at the hands of Apocalypse, his tag team partner Armageddon, and their manager.

The 15-man battle royal was an elimination match that required a man to be thrown over the top rope to the floor in order to be knocked out. As I looked at the ring it struck me that the drop to the floor would not be a com-

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"The Loan Shark" Rocco Soprano and Armageddon attack Bangor native wrestler Adam Booker (middle) outside the ring during Booker's match against Apocalypse. Booker eventually won the match, much to the dismay of Soprano, Armageddon and Apocalypse, who enacted revenge upon the referee. CAMPUS PHOTO BY JASON CANNIFF.

attended a professional wrestling show, and I feel like a kid on Christmas morning.

To the collective disdain of our girlfriends, it has become tradition, among my group of friends, to watch WWF's Monday Night Raw on a weekly basis. We know the action is staged, and the outcomes are predetermined, but the soap opera plots and action packed antics have made our weekly gather-

ing the opening round of the RPW World Title Tournament. Mourning Star, the crowd favorite is taking on The Impaler. The athleticism of the two men in the ring is apparent from the start. The Impaler, though somewhat lanky, is quick and agile, and Mourning Star is a crowd-pleaser with his high-risk leg drop from the top rope. Mourning Star manages to pull out the win after reversing an

between Ruthless Rusty and Amanda Storm. Storm won despite the interference from Rusty's baseball bat wielding manager "The Loan Shark," Rocco Soprano.

In the match that followed, things got a little out of hand. After insulting the crowd, and calling the residents of Bangor a bunch of "toothless jackasses," Psycho Mike threw his opponent, the S&M themed Hard Ware, into

GLBTQ combines discussion group, coffee hour

By Kate Perry
For The Maine Campus

It's a Tuesday night, and in a cozy lounge in Little Hall a handful of people have gathered for the weekly Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Coffee Talk.

The scent of percolating coffee fills the room as they relax into armchairs and couches, chatting. Some are still carrying backpacks, others are munching potato chips and a few are flipping through books.

Before the evening is over, a lot of coffee will be drunk, a lot of jokes will be made and a lot of issues pertaining to sexual orientation will be discussed.

The GLBTQ Coffee Talks are

confidential opportunities for students to socialize and discuss matters concerning sexuality. Though the talks are just beginning this semester, GLBTQ Community Liaison Rick Woodcock said they are a continuation of a previous program.

"Originally, there was a coffee hour and a discussion group," explains Woodcock. "The coffee hour was extremely informal—sometimes we'd just play board games or something all evening—while the discussion group was very formal and structured. Both had low turnouts. So when the counseling center created my position (as liaison), I decided to combine the two groups."

Woodcock compares the cof-

fee talks to a "stepping stone" to more prominent sexual orientation student groups on campus, such as Wilde Stein. The sheer size of these groups, according to Woodcock, can sometimes be "overwhelming and intimidating." The coffee talks are smaller, more intimate and often more accessible.

"We usually see an individual at the coffee talks around four or five times before they're comfortable enough to join a larger group," said Woodcock.

Despite differences in the numbers they attract, on-campus groups which explore sexual orientation do not lack for members. Woodcock feels that this is natural.

"I think a lot of young peo-

ple question their sexuality at one time or another, especially during college," he reveals. "It's a big time for experimentation and growing up. But the people who seek out these groups are seriously questioning and trying to figure out who they are, which can be very scary."

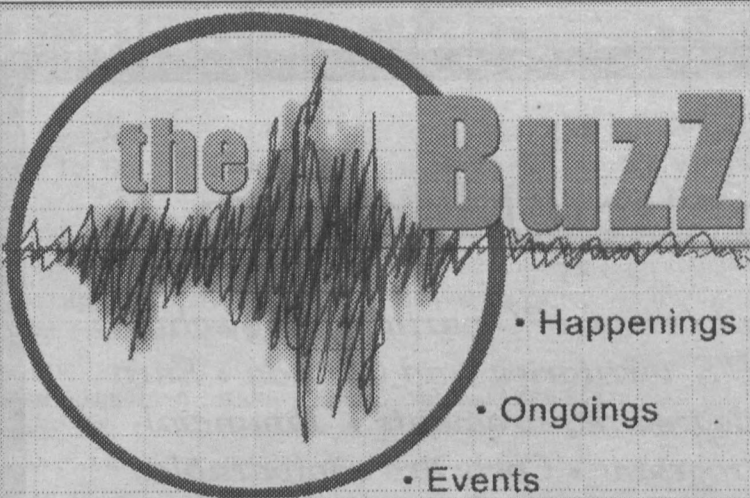
"Groups like the coffee talks can give individuals a sense of belonging, of connectedness and normality," continued Woodcock. "In a very real way, they can change people's lives."

Woodcock adds that these groups are beneficial for the University of Maine, as well. "They provide education that makes the campus more open, not just to people of alternate sexual-

ities, but to all kinds of diversity," he said.

However, despite a proliferation of groups nationwide actively seeking to promote diversity, hate crimes are still a large problem in this country. Does a case like Matthew Shepard discourage groups like GLBTQ or rally them further?

According to Woodcock, the answer is "both. It makes you take a step back, and you realize just how much further we still have to go. But it can also be a unifying thing. You can use it as a rallying point, and turn something negative into something positive. Groups like the GLBTQ coffee talks are small steps but important steps in the right direction," he said.



Java Jive series to begin tomorrow

By Penny Morton
Editor in chief

Beginning this semester, students looking to showcase their musical talents on campus can participate in the Java Jive series, formerly called the Coffee House series. The series begins tomorrow at 8 pm in the Bangor Lounge with My Brother Michael.

The song-writing, guitar-playing pair is made up of Michael McFarland and Michael Beach, two friends who have been performing together since McFarland was a freshman in high school and Beach was a mere sixth-grader.

McFarland, a senior English major, cites one of his earliest musical memories as the day he and Beach performed for a crowd of adoring old ladies at a church fund-raiser.

"They totally loved us," McFarland said. "They didn't understand any of the lyrics. They just sat there and loved it."

McFarland was strictly a singer and songwriter until he came to UMaine, where he met Michael Huberman, a freshman who taught him a few chords on his guitar. McFarland says that he hasn't gone a day without playing since.

As a high school student heavily influenced by the likes of Pearl Jam, U2, Nirvana and Radiohead, McFarland began writing song lyrics as a way to express himself.

"I usually write about stuff that's self-generated," he said. "It's a way to get out frustrations, it's always an outlet."

McFarland has many outlets, ranging from skiing and kayaking to skydiving. He puts these physical pursuits in the same category as his music.

"All the things I do are a way to get away and be part of something bigger," he said. "In a way, the music is the same thing. They're all ways to get in touch with who you are, what you want to do and where you want to be."

Now, over three years later, McFarland is back performing with his hometown friend Beach, who is in his senior year at Erskine Academy.

McFarland believes that he has found his musical match in Beach. He says that the age difference has never been a problem, and now that Beach is considering coming to UMaine next semester, McFarland is thinking about sticking around to see just how far the duo can go.

"[Beach] is an incredible musician, our chemistry works," McFarland said. "I would love to go big with him, he's a brilliant guy."

The past six months have found the pair seriously considering turning a hobby into something more. For now, he says, it's all up in the air. He has no illusions about the difficulties involved in pursuing a musical career.

"It's scary to think about refuting all that your parents have done for you and expect from you," he said. "It's a life-altering decision, and not one to be taken lightly."

The Java Jive series will continue next Tuesday with David Grimm, also a senior singer/songwriter.

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Young's new live album strictly for the fans

By David B. Hall
For The Maine Campus

The concept of the live album in rock music has always been that a band puts out the live album — usually a double CD — after their second or third successful studio album (For example Counting Crows' "Live Through This" and U2's "Under a Blood Red Sky"). These albums traditionally don't sell as well (Peter Dinklage not included) and are really for the fans. Take for instance Pearl Jam, who last fall flooded stores with 25 double CDs that were recorded from all their European tour dates. Wrapped in a simple paper bag brown sleeve and modestly priced at around \$12 a pop, a true Pearl Jam fan couldn't pass them up. Eddie Vedder and the boys are now releasing 47 more double-live CDs from their North American leg of their past tour.

As for Neil Young (Uncle Neil to Pearl Jam), after touring successfully with old buddies Crosby, Stills and Nash last year, and finally finishing his "Silver and Gold" masterpiece after two decades, the godfather of grunge has dropped another gold nugget for his fans to grab up as well. Simply titled "Road Rock: Friends and Relatives," this eight song, 64 minute intimate live album straddles the line between bootleg quality and studio quality.

Starting off the disc is "Cowgirl in the Sand," a Young live rarity that runs a ridiculous 18-minutes, most of which is long gaps of fuzzy, ear bleeding Neil solos that make you marvel at this guy's simplistic mastery.

Contrasting to Young's earlier



"It was created to show fans that you might have missed seeing it, but that's okay, you can now hear it."

live works, most notably "Live Rust," the set list seems to be stripped of the favorites like "Hey, Hey, My, My" and "This Note's for You." No, rather the songs and recordings come off like a thank you letter to the fans that have followed Young's career religiously.

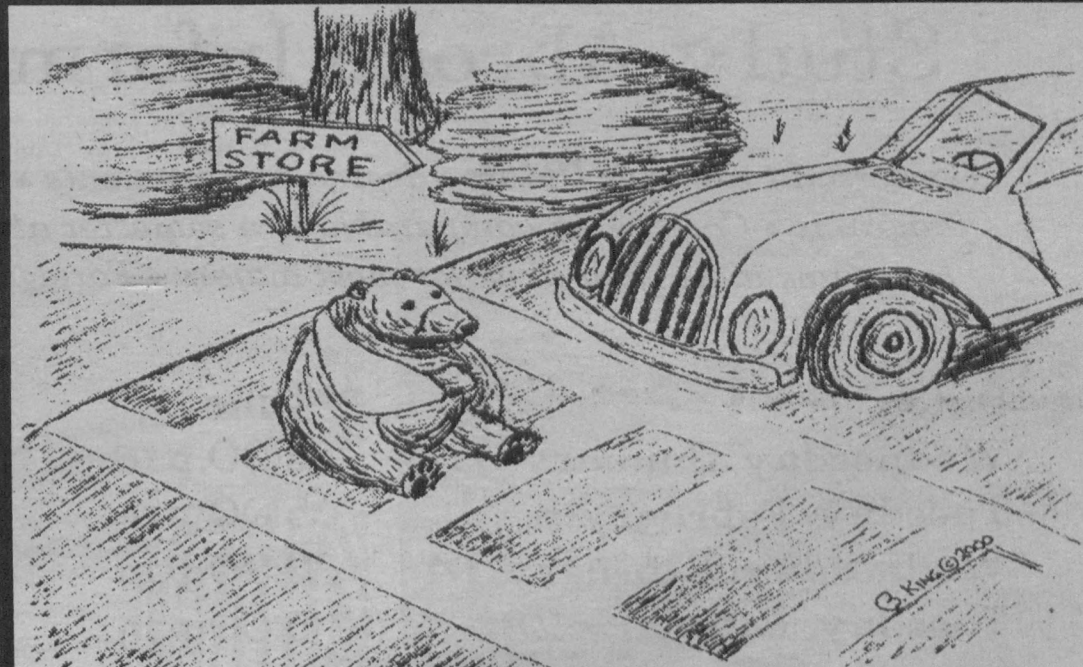
One of the highlights is the strangely bluesy rendition of "Tonight's the Night." At an exhausting 10-minute clip, this song epitomizes the concept of the live album. Instead of simply performing songs live as they sound on a studio album, like many pop acts today (yes, that means you Mr. N'Sync and Miss Spears), Young takes this song and stretches it with impromptu soloing and good old jamming out. The Dave Matthews Band knows this concept well.

Closing out the album is a Bob Dylan song that became a Jimi Hendrix masterpiece and is truly a great show closer, "All Along the Watchtower." Again, Dave Matthews Band knows this little trick well, too. Singing alongside is Chrissie Hynde, who, with Young, knocks down the audience they've been building up the entire length of the concert.

"Road Rock" probably won't sell much but Neil Young doesn't care. His live music is for his fans. It's for the ones who pay to get into his concerts and wait patiently before he comes on stage. The idea of the live album was created for those fans who would have died to go to that concert, or concerts, but just couldn't. It was created to show the fans that you might have missed seeing it, but that's okay, you can now hear it.

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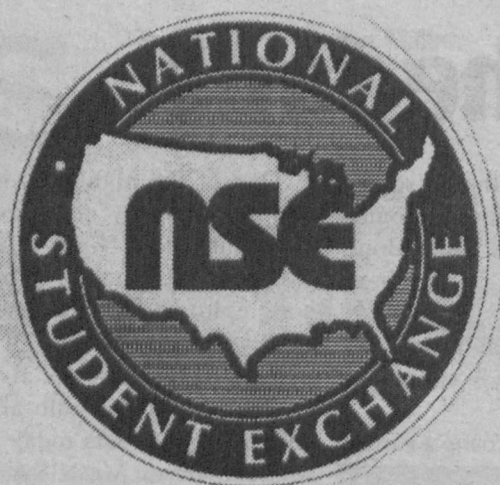
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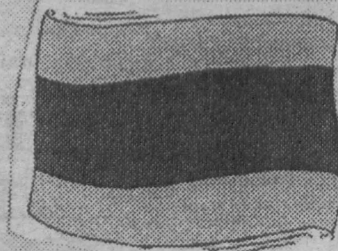
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Oronoka showcases live music and local flavor

By Catherine Guinon
For The Maine Campus

The Oronoka certainly offers its share of originality for Orono-area late-nighters. Not unlike Pat's Pizza, this restaurant/bar is a successful combination of older local couples out for dinner and some of the University of Maine's finer bar patrons. For those readers who haven't had the Oronoka experience, it would be fair to say that it's a unique spot and generally worth visiting.

On the weekend the Oronoka

Restaurant & Hotel, (Bangor Road, Orono—the one with all the Christmas lights, year-round) offers a dinner menu — complete with steak and potatoes. Or, alternatively, a patron can indulge in the free buffet when you pay to see live music. The music rotates between DJs and live local bands.

Friday night, the Oronoka was host to three bands, Smoking Can, The Shane Allen Experience and headlining Neil Jackson Band. The event primarily was organized and promoted by senior marketing and informational

systems major Jason Erlich who created tickets for the event through his enterprise, J*Bird Productions (jbird_productions@hotmail.com).

"I sold about 50 tickets to people before tonight, but I'm sure we'll sell all 200 before the night is over," Erlich said.

The first band to go on was Smoking Can. An hour and a half after the expected 7 p.m. start time (due to technical difficulties and small attendance) the R&B-influenced rock three-piece cover band played on for roughly an

hour. Their lineup included songs such as The Black Crowes "Hard to Handle" and the Beatles' "Come Together."

Angela Upham, a junior elementary education major who was there Friday night to see Smoking Can, said "I like the local bands and I like that the Oronoka has live music; that's why I come here."

As the crowd increased, the next performer, fourth year mass communication major Shane Allen, billed as the Shane Allen Experience, strummed soulful acoustic covers and some original works. Unfortunately the sound system at the Oronoka is nothing to write home about, therefore much of Allen's talented playing and singing was drowned. Although, at times, he did sound like a youthful Bob Dylan whose voice and acoustic guitar playing complimented each other nicely.

Between (and during) sets, the crowd could quench its thirst at the bar in the front room. The bar is one of the more interesting aspects of the establishment. Not only is it thoroughly covered with yellowed Polaroids of customers and employees, but it is comprised of shelves of disorganized liquor, scraps of paper and more Christmas lights. The cramped space is maintained by up to four vintage bar tenders at a time, who never leave a customer waiting more than five minutes for a drink.

Officer Tom Tear is the Oronoka's hired security guard, on loan from Northeastern Security. In the past fourteen

years Tear has attended all types of events at the 'Noka, including live rock and roll and deejayed events.

"I've never had much of a problem with any kids, in 14 years," Tear said Friday night. "The only issue has been with those who try and bring bottles in."

The last band to perform Friday night was The Neil Jackson Band, who've previously played at Bumstock. They undoubtedly had the largest following of the three performers. By the time they performed, the crowd size had nearly tripled.

Ray Buckley, a junior political science major and his friend, Ben Harmon, who was celebrating his 26th birthday were there expressly to see the Neil Jackson Band.

"I like to refer to their sound as a 'Jimmi-Ray-Clapton' type of sound," said Harmon.

Also a primarily cover band, The Neil Jackson Experience's lineup included songs such as Lynyrd Skynyrd's, "Freebird." Ironically, this band found it's name in a similar way to Lynyrd Skynyrd, only instead of being named after a hateful gym teacher, theirs is to honor a friend.

Altogether, the Oronoka was host to another fun roundup of local, live music — something Orono and the surrounding area is in desperate need of. Not only does the Oronoka fill the need for entertainment, it also supplies pleasant service and affordable food and drink, all while patrons relax under the year-round Christmas light display.



Nathan Kobritz prepares a drink during a party held Friday night at the Oronoka headlined by local talent, the Neil Jackson Band. Kobritz, who is 81, has owned the restaurant since 1954. CAMPUS PHOTO BY MATTHEW J. STEPP.

Wrestling

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portable one. The six-foot plus drop to the hard tile floor of the Armory was a reminder that even though professional wrestling is scripted, the sport is not at all fake. People get hurt, and bad things can happen.

The Impaler won the battle royal and earned a chance to fight Adam Booker for the number one contendership for the

Rampage Pro World Title at the next RPW show. The title was won later in the night in dramatic fashion by Mourning Star. Mourning Star won, but was treated to a post match beating by Psycho Mike, RPW owner JJA the third and Legion Cage who lost his Cruiserweight Title match to Davistation. Psycho Mike put Mourning Star through

a table, before good guy wrestlers Davistation and Hard Ware came to the rescue to end the show.

Rampage Pro Wrestling has a legacy to live up to in Bangor. The city was, after all, the place where WWF owner Vince McMahon first got his start in the business. With that in mind, their first show, Winter

Wargames 2001 did not disappoint. RPW has what it takes to be a big player on the New England independent scene, and with their next show coming up

on March 10 at the Knights of Columbus hall in Old Town, they are sure to attract a lot more attention from college students and the community.



Ruthless Rusty thrusts a choke hold that sends Amanda Storm flying during their match at Rampage Pro Wrestling's premiere at the Bangor Armory Friday night. CAMPUS PHOTO BY JASON CANNIFF.

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problem: there was no story. Ray Lewis was barely involved in an unfortunate incident a year ago. He's done his time for not committing a crime and it's a shame that the media wouldn't let it go. Nobody wants to say it, but if the Ravens didn't make the Super Bowl, Lewis would have drifted into the offseason without a word being printed. He did an intense feature with ESPN. He spilled his guts. An innocent man wore orange on national television. He cried for the whole world to see, but some

reporters thought a few more tears were necessary. Who are they to decide?

Now that I got that off my chest, it's important to realize that life is more important than sports. Don't get me wrong, sports are great. But the comparison to much more important and life-affecting things such as war is an injustice to the society's appreciation for life. The 10 people who died in the Oklahoma State plane crash can be remembered by going to okstate.fansonly.com.

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minutes earlier, Dunkley got the crowd fired up with a big slam off an Errick Greene miss on the break. He received a technical foul for hanging on the rim as the crowd of 4,751, the largest of the season, voiced its approval.

Dunkley followed up a career-high 35 points on Thursday with 29, including 4-6 from beyond

the arc.

With 5:56 to go in the first half Huggy Dye hit his lone three of the night. The shot started a string of four straight three pointers for the Black Bears. Senior forward Colin Haynes buried a shot from the top of the key on the next possession. Great ball movement led to the next trey as Greene fed a

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measure at 11:24 of the third to give Maine its final 5-0 cushion.

Maine's Dawn Froats made 14 saves in her third shutout of the season. That shutout marked only the second time in school history that Maine has shut one team out twice in one year. Maine also shut out BC on November 4 at Alford.

Andrea Keller and Kelly Nelson had three assists each in the win. Maine ended this action with an overall record of 9-9-0 and an ECAC record of 4-8-0.

cross-court pass to Dunkley who executed the catch and shoot technique to perfection. At the 4:30 mark of the first half, Haynes knocked down another to increase the lead to 21 points.

Henderson said the game plan for his Blue Hens was to not give Maine's shooters any open looks.

"The key for us, it wasn't what we did on the offensive end, we shot 57 percent from the field, it was what we didn't do on the defensive end," Henderson said.

The Blue Hens did not go away easily, as they chipped the lead down to 43-31 at halftime. Delaware forward Ajmal Basit led the team with 12 first-half points.

Maine effectively shut down the perimeter attack of the Blue Hens. The three guard combination of Greg Miller, Billy Wells, and Austen Rowland were held to a total of 23 points and only two three-pointers.

"We knew that the Delaware game plan was for the guards to shoot threes," said Maine guard Errick Greene.

Greene, a junior, had one of his best games as a Black Bear, finishing with 17 points, six rebounds and four assists. Greene posted up the smaller Delaware guards, and parlayed it to six lay-ups. Greene established great position with his back to the basket and scored easily against the mismatches under the basket.

Delaware went on a 13-0 run that extended into the second half and cut the lead to 45-40 at 16:17 of the second half. That was as close as they would get as Dunkley and Greene took over stretching the lead to as high as 22. Carvell Ammons and Haynes combined for a workman like 16 rebounds and Derrick Jackson made six free throws down the stretch to ice it.

Maurice Sessoms led Delaware with 17. Basit was held to four points in the second half and ended with 16.

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Red Sox

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Championship rings on the players' fingers? If you're a Bosox fan you have to be saying hopefully, but after witnessing season after season of never quite pulling it off, fans are probably in that doubtful situation they're thrown into every year. Well, you

have to know this: if you have given up on hoping for a championship, now is the time to renew your faith. If the Red Sox ever had a chance, it is now. Whether they take advantage of their situation or not, we'll have to wait and see.

Men's hockey

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Clemmensen went the distance for BC, making 28 stops.

On Saturday night, BC scored three times in the final 11:28 of the game enroute to a 4-1 victory.

Eagle forward Mike Lephart broke a 1-1 tie at 8:48 of the third period to key the BC run.

Brendan Donovan, in his first game back from a kidney injury, had tied the game for the Black Bears at 18:47 of the second period, a period that Maine had dominated, outshooting BC 17-5.

After Lephart's eventual gamewinner, Marty Hughes gave

the Eagles some breathing room, capitalizing on a Morrison puck-handling miscue to give BC a 3-1 lead. Kolanos added a goal at 12:17 for the final score. Morrison was solid in net for Maine, making 31 saves in the losing cause. Clemmensen stopped 32 Maine shots.

Maine drops into a fifth place tie with UMass-Lowell in Hockey East and clawing their way back won't be easy. The Black Bears play host to second-place New Hampshire on Sunday afternoon.

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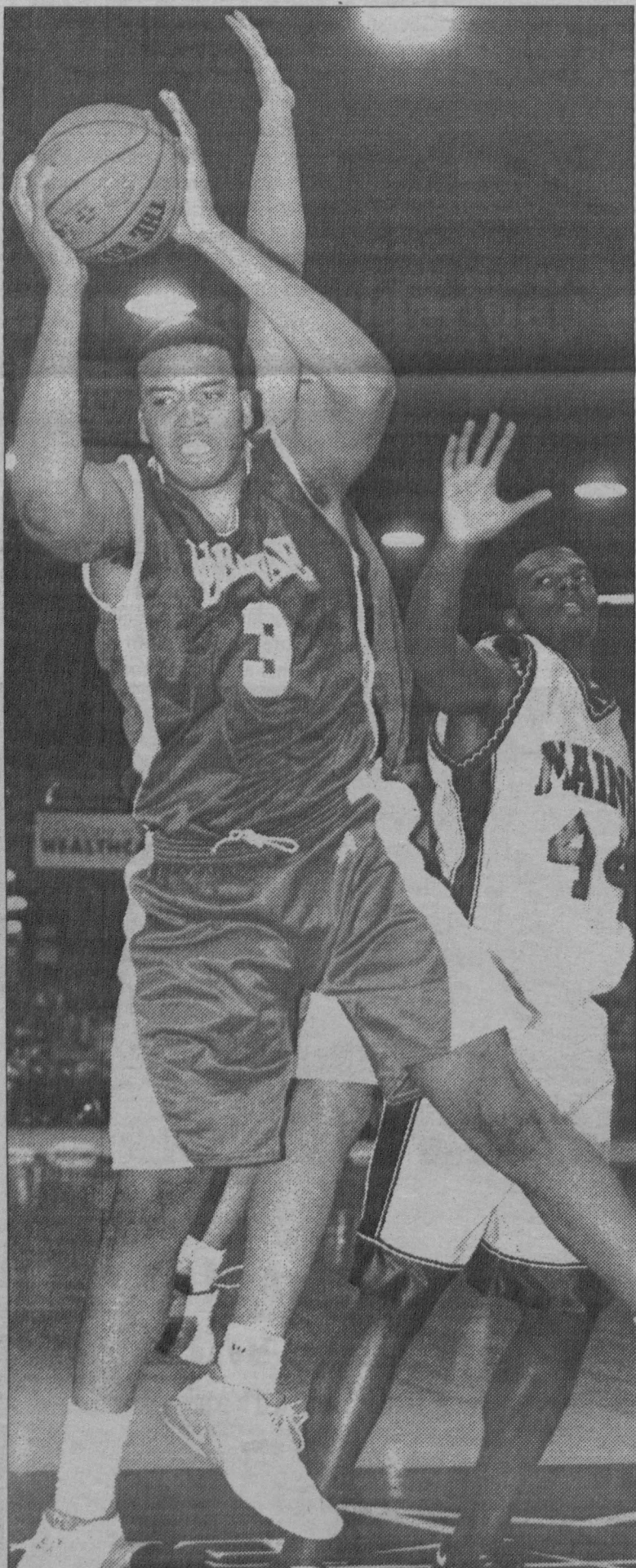
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Delaware's Ajmal Basit controls the ball with Maine players converging on the play. Basit scored 16 points and fouled out in the game. CAMPUS PHOTO BY JASON CANIFF.

Swarthmore football players looking for place to play

By Elizabeth Hansen
Swarthmore Phoenix

SWARTHMORE, Pa. (U-WIRE) - After learning that the sport they were recruited to play was deemed not viable by the Board of Managers, many football players have been quietly making plans to leave Swarthmore College — and some already have.

"The reason why I'm transferring is that I truly felt betrayed by the board's decision. I don't want to be a part of a community that feels it must limit the amount of students who can be athletes. I'm interested in getting the best education possible while still maintaining the opportunity to play football," Kevin Perry said.

Perry and some of his teammates are applying to places like Williams, Amherst, Pennsylvania, Brown, Davidson, Middlebury, Trinity, Carnegie Mellon and Washington and Lee. Nearly all are transferring to play football.

Lane Oatey has now decided to transfer to a school where he can play football, though at first he wanted to transfer to a large university just to leave Swarthmore.

"I talked with my family and friends and decided it was important for me to take advantage of the opportunity to play football [at another college]," he said.

A flurry of recruiting by coaches at other schools began almost immediately following the Board of Manager's Dec. 2 decision to cut the football program. Grinnell e-mailed football captain Scott Murray soon after the decision, asking him to notify his teammates that the college was interested in recruits. Colby's football coach called Ken Clark after Clark's picture appeared in a Dec. 5 New York Times article about the Board of Managers' decision.

The football coaching staff and Athletic Director Bob Williams have been acting as intermediaries between players and the colleges they are interested in. Bob Williams has been sending letters and making phone calls to the coaches of other col-

leges, effectively helping those coaches recruit the players.

"Obviously we want [the players] to stay, but if they want to leave, we want to help them in any way possible," he said.

For some players, the transfer process is complete or near completion. Alex Karnal begins classes at MIT on Feb. 6. Joe Corso has already begun the semester at Pennsylvania. The application process to Johns Hopkins University continues for Nick Loiacono, though he has chosen to leave Swarthmore while he waits to hear from the university.

Some other football players are in the late stages of applying for transfer. Perry, who was recruited by Amherst just a year ago, is now finishing his Amherst transfer application for the Feb. 1 deadline. Because students need a year of college experience in order to transfer schools, he was unable to leave Swarthmore after the fall semester. He is hoping to hear back early from Amherst about his application so he won't have to apply elsewhere. Like Perry, Clark is considering a couple of schools, but he has heard from the football coach and admissions staff at Williams that his application looks good.

Players say that they are taking into account academic prestige as well as football in their consideration of which colleges to apply to. Perry said that many colleges were interested in him that had good football programs but less academic rigor than Swarthmore.

Citing Williams' number three ranking in US News and World Report compared to Swarthmore's number two ranking, Clark said, "it's not much of a step down." He was recruited and accepted by Williams out of high school.

Swarthmore will keep some players here, however. Dan Chamberlain has not started looking for colleges and is leaning towards staying.

"The academics are better here than at other schools. The academics are why I came here - for the

best possible education. Football is how I got in, but academics come before football," he said.

Reasons beyond academics may induce many freshmen to stay. For some freshmen, Perry said, Swarthmore is the only place they could have played football. Many feel they won't have a competitive edge at other schools, since even here, very few freshmen got playing time this year.

"If you can't play at Swarthmore, there is not a good chance that you can play anywhere else," he said.

Lane Oatey agreed.

"We have a lot of good guys on our team, a lot of good athletes. They would have a shot on Swarthmore's team when they were upperclassmen," he said. "But they would have a hard time on other teams. Realistically, I think that is what's made their decision [to stay], not an attachment to the school."

Clarke suggested that financial aid is keeping some players from transferring.

"There is good financial aid

here. [Players] might not get aid as good as here anywhere else. Financially, they just don't have the option of transferring."

Chris Loeffler estimates that overall, "a minority of students will transfer. Out of 40 freshmen, sophomores, and seniors, probably only 10 to 15 will go. But more will keep their options open."

The options for juniors seem to be a bit more constrained. Even though Corso has transferred, many other juniors are considering leaving Swarthmore just for the fall semester of their senior year. Doug Kneeland plans to get an internship or do an exchange semester at a school with a football team. He guessed that 90 percent of juniors will go to some other school to play football in the fall.

Associate Dean for Student Life Tedd Goundie concurred, and added that some may also choose to go abroad.

The college has been doing what it can to help the players think through the transfer decision and to

make the application process easier. Clarke and Perry say that they are grateful to their professors for compiling recommendations.

Goundie said that he has been counseling football players as they make decisions about what to do now that the program is gone. He has been contacting deans of schools that players are considering and writing recommendations for the players' applications. To help them make a decision about transferring, he is discussing with players how they are feeling about the decision and what they want from their college experience.

The admissions office, Goundie said, is also doing what it can to help players who want to transfer. The admissions staff can advise about the transfer admission process and make contacts at the admission offices of other colleges.

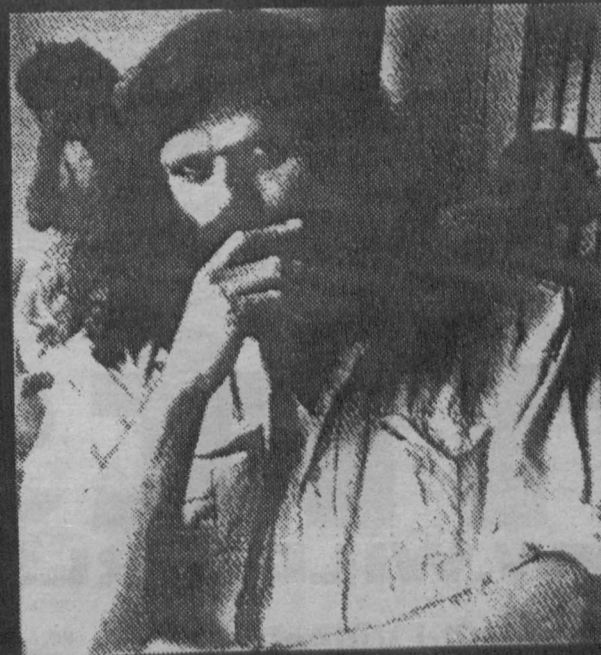
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"Once you are admitted to Swarthmore, you can always come back," Goundie said.

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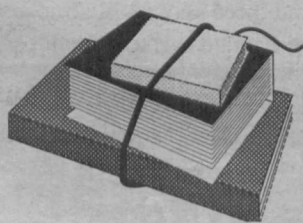
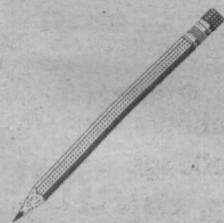
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Catch up with men's hockey winter break action

By Jim Leonard
Men's Hockey Reporter

The advent of the semester break saw the UMaine men's hockey team at a crossroads. After a Dec. 14 home victory over UMass-Amherst, the Black Bears stood at 4-4-1 in Hockey East, 7-6-4 overall.

Though not inspiring on the surface, these numbers aren't representative of what Maine has faced since the season's beginning.

Coming into a horrific October non-conference schedule, the team was forced to deal with real life, specifically coach Shawn Walsh's battle with kidney cancer. Just before the season opener with North Dakota came another bombshell. Incoming phenom Colin Shields was declared ineligible for the year by the NCAA.

The hits just kept on coming.

Star forward Niko Dimitrakos suffered a broken wrist in pre-season and was out until November. Brendan Donovan, another promising freshman, suffered a lacerated kidney. Upon his return to the lineup, the injury was aggravated and he will probably be shut down for the year. Peter Metcalf hurt his knee, forcing him to sit for a month. Finally, on Dec. 8, Chris Heisten, the team's leading scorer at the time, was knee checked by BU defenseman Freddy Meyer and went down with a serious knee injury.

Beyond these issues, Maine wasn't scoring. Defensively they were, and still are, one of the top teams in the country. Offensively they were generating shots in bunches, but failing to convert on most of them.

Remember that this is a young club. The Black Bear roster is made up primarily of first- and

second-year players.

"We've made a lot of the mistakes that young teams make," Lucas Lawson said. "But we've learned from them and hopefully that will help us out later on."

"We've had some hard lessons," co-captain A.J. Begg said.

Here's a sampling of some of those lessons. A 3-2 overtime loss to Ohio State on Oct. 27 in which Maine outshot the Buckeyes 58-21. Another overtime loss, this one to Dartmouth on a weird deflection. A 3-3 tie with Northeastern in Portland in which the Huskies erased a two-goal Black Bear lead in the final three minutes of regulation. Finally on Jan. 12 the Black Bears are forced to settle for a tie with Boston University after a harmless flip by BU defenseman Pat Aufiero deflects off Doug Janik's stick and into the Maine net.

The true measure of a team's

character isn't determined by how it handles success. If this is to be believed, this edition of the Ice Bears is long on character. Maine has brushed off the ice chips and responded.

First there was Florida. Maine first defeated Clarkson as Peter Metcalf celebrated his return to the lineup with a pair of assists. The following night, the Black Bears won the College Christmas Classic with a 2-1 victory over Cornell. Metcalf was named the tourney MVP.

Next up was UNH. On Jan. 5, Matt Yeats and Wildcat goalie Ty Conklin engaged in an old-fashioned goaltending duel and emerged in a virtual draw. Each netminder stopped 29 shots and each allowed no goals. The following evening Conklin continued his other-worldly play against Maine, backstopping a 4-1 UNH win.

This set up an important series

against BU. The Black Bears and Terriers were tied for fourth place in Hockey East, with 11 points each. Fourth place is the jumping off spot for home ice in the Hockey East quarterfinals.

On Friday, Jan. 12, the inadvertent Janik tip-in allowed BU to steal a point. By all accounts, it was a tough loss. The next night, the Black Bears continued to persevere, taking a 3-1 victory on two Dimitrakos goals in the third period and some outstanding goaltending from Yeats down the stretch.

"We've only lost one of our last seven," said Walsh after the victory. "This puts us in the mix. We just have to take it one step at a time."

"This was a huge victory for us," said co-captain Doug Janik. "After last night, it was important to come back strong."

For a team building character, the projects just get tougher.

Offseason moves may give Red Sox postseason opportunities

By Michael Perkins
Sports Columnist

It could easily be said that Red Sox general manager Dan Duquette has been a busy man this Major League Baseball off-season; picking up several free agents including Hideo Nomo, David Cone and most importantly Manny Ramirez. But is it enough to turn the Red Sox into a World Series champion team for the first time in 83 years? Well, they definitely have as good a chance as anybody, but will they have what it takes to be a solid contender in

one of the toughest divisions in baseball? If you're a Red Sox fan you have to hope that the undying New York Yankees will start a ride on the down slope in 2001 and that the Toronto Blue Jays losing David Wells will indefinitely affect their hopes for a playoff spot this season.

The hype is definitely showing for the Red Sox as far as the fans are concerned with over 100,000 tickets already sold for Sunday games alone during the 2001 season. If you are a Boston devotee, then you have to be looking forward to an offensive lineup that

will now not only include returning sluggers Nomar Garciaparra and Carl Everett, but will now embrace the undeniable offensive skills of Manny Ramirez.

Manny Ramirez, a four time All-Star who is now 28 years old, signed with the Red Sox for an eight-year deal with an option for the 2009 and 2010 seasons. Ramirez has also pledged to donate \$1 million dollars to Boston area charities that help Latino youths over the course of his contract with the Red Sox. Ramirez had a career-best season last year that included a .351 bat-

ting average, 38 home runs, 122 runs batted in, 34 doubles and 74 extra base hits. This is all after missing 44 games because of a left hamstring injury. He has a career .394 batting average with the bases loaded and ranked in the top 10 in nine of the American League's offensive categories for the 2000 season.

Hopefully the newly acquired pitching in Hideo Nomo and David Cone can add depth to a Pedro focused pitching staff. Pedro tallied a 1.74 earned run average while the next lowest on the team was close to three earned runs a game from Derek Lowe, who did lead the league in saves with 42. Cone now 37, played his worst season last year that included a lofty 6.91 earned run average. Cone does bring years of experience, but will definitely have to show manager Jimmy Williams and Pitching coach Joe Kerrigan that he still has what it takes to be a starting pitcher in the American League.

Williams has made a point of saying that the starting spots are open to those who can prove they are worth the position. The two and three spots will almost surely be handed out to Rolando Arrojo

and Hideo Nomo, but who takes the four and five spots is still uncertain with seven pitchers fighting for the position. Bret Saberhagen and David Cone look like the most worthy of the contenders. Hideo Nomo, known for his unorthodox pitching style, won eight games last year with the Detroit Tigers. He has also gotten his fastball back over 90 miles per hour and has showed to have back the control he came into the Major Leagues with in five years ago.

The Red Sox did finish the 2000 season with a record over .500, but were still two and a half games behind the division champion Yankees that kept them out of the playoffs and out of the running for a wildcard spot. The Baltimore Orioles and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays finished their seasons much further behind in the race for a chance in the playoffs, being thirteen and a half and eighteen games behind New York.

So will all the work the Red Sox are putting into their roster be enough to put World Series

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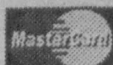
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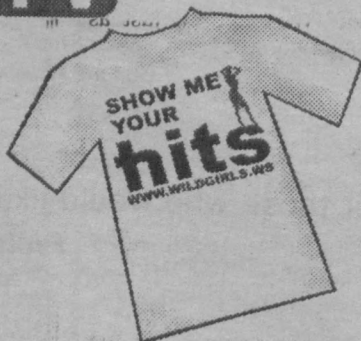
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Women's hockey beats Northeastern, ties Providence

By Jeff Mannix
Women's Hockey Reporter

The Maine women's hockey team had arguably its most successful weekend of hockey in the program's four year history the weekend of Jan. 20-21 at Alford Arena. The Black Bears beat Northeastern, the eighth-ranked team in the country by a score 5-4. Maine followed that up with an exciting 3-3 tie against Number 10 ranked Providence.

Maine opened the weekend on Saturday night against a Northeastern team that had struggled of late. The Huskies came into the game with a four-game losing streak.

The struggles continued for Northeastern, although early, it looked like they would break out of their funk.

Maine opened the scoring at 5:37 of the first period when Karen Droog was able to find a loose puck at the left side of the crease and poke it passed Northeastern's stand-out netminder, Erica Silva.

The Huskies answered quickly. Colleen Coen took a shot that was blocked by a Maine defender. But the rebound slid to Kathleen Savino, who beat Maine goalie Amanda Cronin five-hole to tie the game at 6:35.

Northeastern took the lead four minutes later on the power play when Lisa Giovanelli slid a backhand inside the near post from the top of the left slot.

Cronin, who was not in great position, gave up her second goal of the game without making a save. At that point, head coach Rick Filighera decided it was

time for a change.

"My assistant coach, (Arnie) Caplan came over to me and said, 'I think we should pull her', and I agreed," Filighera said. "It wasn't Cronin's fault. It was a gut instinct, and it was a great move."

Dawn Froats entered the game in goal for Maine. But things didn't look good when she gave up a goal on the second shot she saw. It came at 15:01 of the first on the power play. Kim Greene got a breakaway down the right wing and shot it on Froats. She made the save but left the rebound free in front. Greene got it and beat her to the stick side.

After that, Froats played a stellar game. She ended up making 22 saves on the night, including a few beauties down the stretch. The best save came with 5:09 left when Froats gloved a point blank shot by Jennifer Santarre that was labeled for the top corner.

"I didn't think it was that big a save. I don't really remember it," Froats said. "I was really focused in the third period. My team was behind me, so that gave me confidence."

Maine won the game on a four-goal explosion in the second period. It all started when Droog intercepted a pass behind the Northeastern net. She fired a pass to Andrea Keller, who fed Megan Aarts in front. She one-timed it past Silva to cut the Husky to lead to 3-2 at 4:23.

Kelly Nelson tied the game a minute later when she broke down the left wing, deked to her backhand and went upstairs over Silva. Emily Stevens got an assist.

Raffi Wolf scored a power play goal at 12:38 when she tucked a backhand inside the near post. Lauren Steblen got the assist on the play.

The turning point in the game came shortly after that goal. At 13:35, Naomi Smethurst was assessed a five minute roughing major for shoving a Northeastern player down in front of the net. Maine killed the penalty easily, not letting Northeastern have a single scoring chance. "We controlled the puck almost the whole time," Filighera said. That gave the team the confidence it would need for the rest of the game.

Andrea Keller gave Maine an extra added boost to heading into the locker room. She found a loose puck lying in the right slot and fired a backhand past Silva with only three seconds left in the period to give Maine a 5-3 advantage.

Kim Greene's second of the night came at 8:47 of the third for Northeastern, but it was too little, too late. Maine held off some late charges by the Huskies, but controlled play throughout the third to come away with the 5-4 upset victory. That was Maine's eighth win this season at Alford Arena. That breaks the club of record of seven, which was set in 1997-'98 and '98-'99.

Coach Filighera was very pleased with the victory. "This is easily the biggest win in the programs history," he said. "This one was big. I saw it coming all year. This will give us momentum to try and make the playoffs."

His players agreed. "We played really strong in the second

period and carried it on the rest of the game," Raffi Wolf said.

"We were the better team tonight," Megan Aarts added. "We worked hard tonight. This will give us a lot of confidence. We know we can beat anyone now."

"We had a full team effort tonight," Andrea Keller said. "Everyone could feel that we would play well tonight. I've never seen our team so pumped up as we were tonight."

The Black Bears carried that fire into their game on Sunday against the Providence Friars, who came into the game with a four-game losing streak themselves. The Friars were also severely short-handed. They only suited eight forwards and five defenders for the game and played with three forward lines and two defensive lines.

High drama ensued at the end of the third period of this game. With only 11 seconds left, Maine was pressuring for the tying goal. As Maine took a shot, Friar defender Val Bono intentionally knocked the net off its mooring. She was called for a delaying the game penalty and a 10 minute misconduct.

Maine was awarded a penalty shot because, by rule, if a player knocks the net off intentionally with under two minutes remaining in a game, or in overtime, a penalty shot is to be awarded.

There was no doubt in Filighera's mind who he wanted to take the shot. "My first thought was 'who's our goal scorer,'" he said. "Karen (Droog) is our goal scorer. I felt I had to go with my

goal scorer."

Droog made good on the chance. She deked to her backhand and just slipped the puck under the right pad of Providence goalie Brigit Keady to give Maine the tie and a much needed point in the ECAC standings.

"I was shocked when he (Filighera) picked me to take it," she said after the game. "I was really nervous as soon as he said that, but I wanted to take it. And I really wanted to score."

Droog had been stopped twice on breakaways by Keady earlier in the game. "Our goalie (Dawn Froats) gave me the idea to go to the backhand," Droog said. "She was really strong to my forehand side, so I went to backhand the third time. She got a piece of it, but luckily, it went in."

Maine went up early in the game with two first-period goals. One from Andrea Keller and one from Esther Granville.

Providence came storming back with three goals from Jenn Butsch in the first, and Kim Mathias and Darlene Stephenson in third before Droog's penalty shot goal.

Filighera referred to the tie as feeling like a win after the game. "We could have won today," he said. "We got the tie late in the game, and we controlled the overtime."

"We took three out of four points against very good teams this weekend," he said. "This is going to help us a lot down the road as we try to make the playoffs."

Maine will next play on Feb. 3 at Brown and then at Harvard the next day.

Winter break action yields 2-2 record for women's hockey

By Jeff Mannix
Women's Hockey Reporter

The University of Maine women's hockey team won two games and lost two games in January over the semester break. Maine defeated the Yale Bulldogs and the Boston College Eagles, but fell to the Princeton Tigers and the top-ranked Dartmouth Big Green.

Maine came off its nearly one month layoff with a home game on Jan. 6 against Yale. Maine jumped on the board quickly with goals from freshmen forwards Megan Aarts and Emily Stevens at 3:22 and 6:07, respectively.

Yale would cut the lead in half only two minutes later. Sara Wood scored at 8:55 from Deanna McDevitt and Lisa Meyers.

The Bulldogs tied the score at 17:12 when McDevitt took a feed from Wood and beat Maine goalie Dawn Froats to the stick side. Meyers also got an assist on the play.

Captain Kelly Nelson scored the eventual game-winner at 8:18 of the second period. Nelson scored from between the face off circles when her shot deflected off a Yale defender and over goalie Nicolette Franck. Andrea Keller got an assist on the goal that was scored with four skaters on each side.

Karen Droog added an empty netter at 19:28 of the third to give

Maine the 4-2 win. Froats made 18 saves in the winning effort.

"We were fortunate," head coach Rick Filighera said after the game. "I think we were a little rusty today with long layoff, but today's game will help everyone get their legs back. I was proud of them, though, because they found a way to win."

Maine didn't have luck on its side that was there the day before when they took on Princeton at the Alford on Jan. 7. Maine fell behind early when Princeton's top scorer, Andrea Kilbourne scored only 2:12 into the game to make it 1-0 Tigers.

Karen Droog tied the game at 17:13 of the first with an assist from Keller.

Raffi Wolf gave Maine the lead only 40 seconds later when she scored the goal that made her Maine's all-time leading scorer. Her sixth goal of the year was good enough for her 76th point, which eclipses the career point mark that was held by Alison Lorenz. Nelson, and Cindy Biron got assists on the historic goal.

Jessica Federly tied the score for Princeton at 10:45 of the second period, with assists from Lucy Firestone and Susan Hobson.

Maine would take the lead again in the third period when Keller beat Sarah Ahlquist at 10:59. However, two goals from

Princeton's Gretchen Anderson would do in the Black Bears.

Anderson scored the first of the two on the power play at 12:49. The second came on a two-on-one breakaway with Kilbourne. Anderson moved in and just got a shot to trickle through the pads of Maine's freshman goalie Lara Smart.

Smart made 30 saves in her collegiate debut, but it goes in the books as a 4-3 loss.

Coach Filighera thought that Smart played well in her first game. "She played a steady game today. Our goaltending today wasn't an issue, and never is," he said. "I'm glad we got to see how she did in a pressure situation, and she did fine."

However he was very frustrated at the loss. "That was two points we should have had. A dumb penalty cost in the third. That was our game to have," he said. "That's probably my most frustrating loss as a coach. We deserved just as much as they did to win the hockey game, but our team just doesn't get these kinds of wins, and I can't put my finger on it."

Maine wouldn't have it any easier in the next game, which was played on Jan. 13 at Thompson Arena against the Dartmouth Big Green.

The top-ranked team in the nation wasted no time in building a lead. Liz Macri scored at 2:49

of the first period to get Dartmouth on the board. That was followed up by a Carrie Sekela tally to give the Big Green a 2-0 lead after one.

Dartmouth built the lead in the second frame when Carly Haggard scored at 1:18. Louise Pietrangelo added one at 5:35 to give Dartmouth a 4-0 lead after two.

Maine made an effort at a rally in the third. Andrea Keller netted her fourth of the year at 6:17 with an assist from Nelson. Jarin Sjogren would add another at 18:45.

But all hopes were dashed when Haggard scored her second of the game and put the Black Bears away. The game ended with a 5-2 Dartmouth win.

Maine was outshot 50-18 in

the game. Amanda Cronin made 45 saves in the loss.

The next day looked more kindly upon the Black Bears when they visited the Conte Forum in Chestnut Hill, Mass. to take on Boston College.

Karen Droog scored the first of her three goals only 23 seconds in the game on assists from Keller and Nelson. She scored her second goal of the afternoon at 3:24 of the second period. Droog completed her second career hat trick at 2:33 of the third, which gave Maine a 4-0 lead.

Cindy Biron made the score 3-0 at 4:36 of the second on assists from Sjogren and Wolf. Emily Stevens added one more for good

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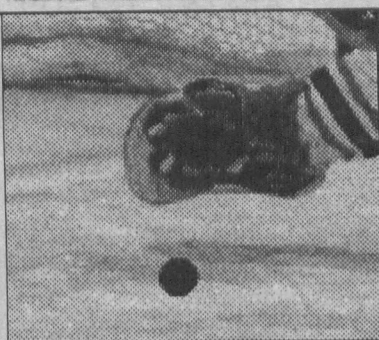
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Crash makes Super Bowl not so super

By John Contreras
Sports Editor

Getting ready for the Super Bowl seems like such a process. The Super Bowl has become a two-week long ordeal that attracts worldwide attention. Trying to get *The Maine Campus'* television to get a CBS signal was the pressing issue of the night for me. The TV reception was so horrible that if it was snowing in Tampa Bay, I wouldn't have been able to tell the difference.

Working up to the Mecca of professional football yesterday seemed like a larger than life event. But it's not. The sports world was reminded of that fact when two Oklahoma State University men's basketball players died in a plane crash along with six other people closely associated with the university and two pilots. This reality check puts sports in the back seat and that's how it should be.

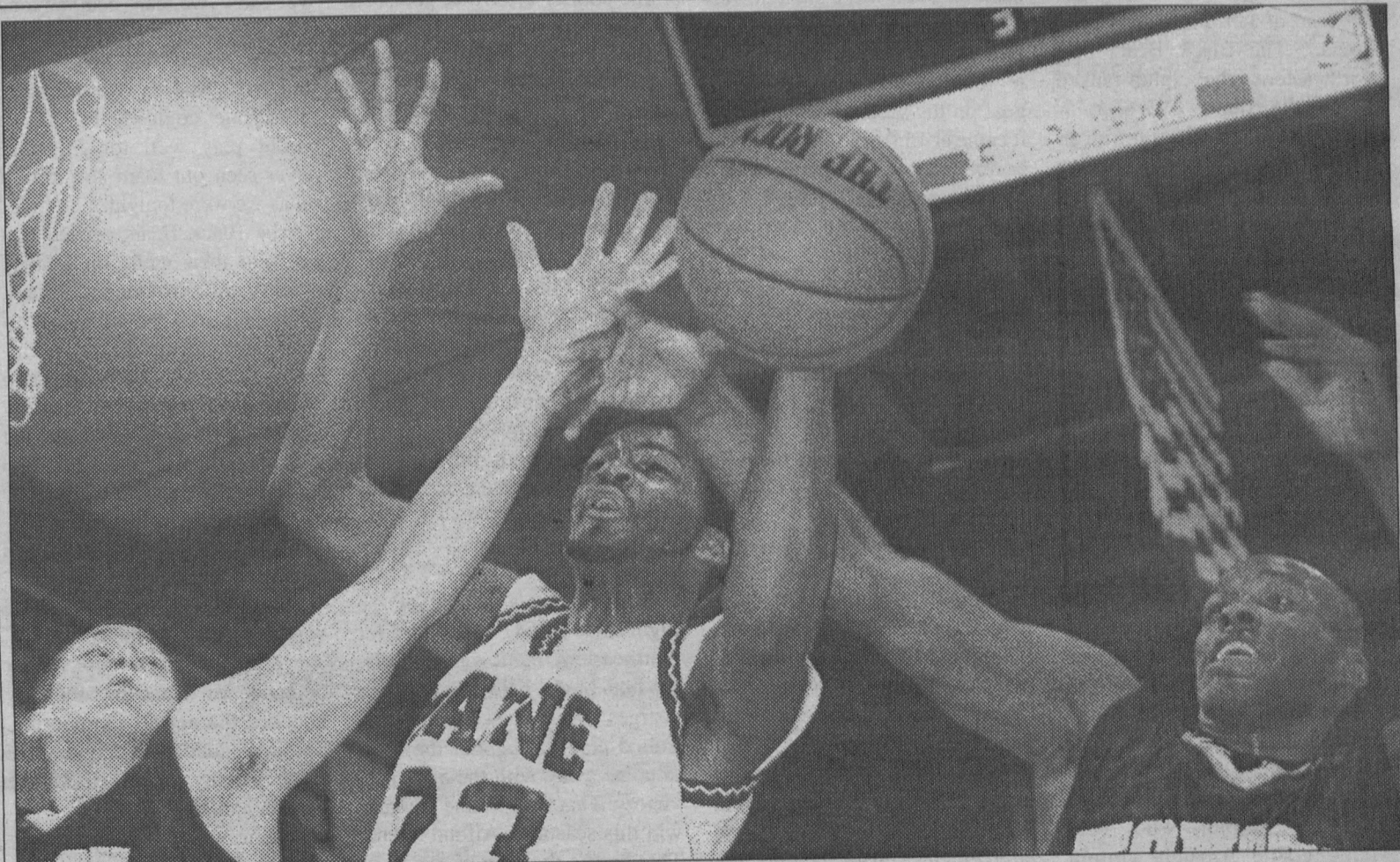
It happens all the time. Sports takes on a metaphor for life. It takes on forms that it shouldn't. Some say football games are like war. They're not. War is war. There's not a substitute. While I've never played football, every game I've ever seen ended with handshakes. The Super Bowl is a great event. It's a wonderful display of talented athletes at the climax of their careers. But don't let it be more than that.

The sports world is hit hard by tragedies because the general public is familiar with many athletes who make it into spotlight so it hits home for everyone.

The sports world gets caught up in records, heros and for getting to the big game, the media portrays superstars as higher beings. But they're just normal people whose salaries and jobs take them to the national spotlight.

With that being said, why should Ray Lewis' thoughts and feelings be a more pressing issue than the two people who died in the streets a year ago after last year's Super Bowl in Atlanta? The pre-Super Bowl media circus of reporters wanted break a story that day. There was only one

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Maine's Julian Dunkley goes to the hoop against Towson in Thursday night's win. Dunkley scored a career-high 35 points in the game and added 29 against Delaware Saturday night. CAMPUS PHOTO BY JASON CANNIFF.

Dunkley leads Maine over Towson, Delaware

By Lucas Peterson
Men's Basketball Reporter

Fresh off a confidence building overtime win Thursday against Towson, the Black Bears could ill afford a let down with 8-2 Delaware in town Saturday night. The team held a players-only meeting prior to the meeting with its America East rival to "make sure everyone was on the

same page."

As a team associated with slow starts, the Maine men needed to avoid another one with the Blue Hens. Delaware hit the Alford riding a seven-game winning streak under first-year coach David Henderson. Maine countered that with a three straight regular season wins against Delaware. After Maine sprinted to a 20-6 lead to start the game en

route to an 80-63 win, the meeting seemed like a success.

After the game, senior captain Julian Dunkley explained his team's mindset heading into this game.

"We knew our season depended on every conference game we have left, so we wanted to approach this game as the biggest game of the season, the biggest game of our year," Dunkley said.

The win improves the Black Bears' conference record to 7-4, 14-6 overall, and drops Delaware to 12-8, 8-3 in America East. Maine is alone in fourth place in the conference with seven games remaining.

Maine jumped to the early lead by pulling off an 18-0 run capped by a Dunkley jumper. Just

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Gionta leads BC to season sweep of Black Bears

By Jim Leonard
Men's Hockey Reporter

Hope sprang eternal for the University of Maine men's hockey team as they headed to Boston College for a key two-game series against the Hockey East leading Eagles.

Maine had lost only one of its last seven coming into the weekend and had positioned itself nicely for a home-ice berth in the Hockey East quarterfinals in March.

Everything changed this weekend.

Boston College took both games from the Black Bears,

essentially clinching the regular season conference title.

BC (20-6-1, 13-3-1) capitalized on Maine mistakes on Friday night to take a 4-1 victory. On Saturday night, Black Bear nemesis and Hobey Baker candidate Brian Gionta scored five goals in the first period as the Eagles rolled, 7-2.

Gionta scored and even-strength, shorthanded and power-play goal within seven minutes of the first period for what has to be the rarest possible natural hat trick. He added another power-play tally at the 17:28 mark of the opening frame and put the finishing touches on a career night when his slapper beat Black Bear goalie Matt Yeats with only two seconds remaining in the period.

"After the first three, you figure you've got it going," Gionta said. "I was just happy with that. The rest, well, the puck had eyes for me tonight."

Chuck Kobasew and Krys Kolanos added second period tallies as the Eagles built a 7-0 lead in the second period. Maine finally broke through at the

13:56 mark when freshman Francis Nault scored for the Black Bears. Defenseman Michael Schutte added a third period goal for Maine.

Morrison, who replaced losing goalie Matt Yeats (6 saves) in the first period, made 12 saves. Scott

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Brian Gionta scored five goals in Saturday's matchup against Maine. With his first three goals he became the all-time hat trick leader at Boston College. COURTESY PHOTO.

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