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Persistent problems plague new complex

Cold showers, insects and alarms greet NRC residents



CAMPUS PHOTO • LAURA MADDOCK

Students enter the New Residence Complex after a fire alarm emptied the building Monday night. Students living in the complex have experienced 11 fire alarms in the past 32 days.

By Ryan Clark
For The Maine Campus

Basic design flaws appear to be behind many of the problems plaguing students who live in the recently completed New Residence Complex on the hilltop.

University of Maine students began moving into the complex this winter.

The newly constructed complex has had 11 fire alarms within the past 32 days. The causes of two of the last three fire alarms have been cooking related. Of the eight that went off before the weekend of Jan. 24-26, four were malfunctions of the fire alarms, Orono Fire Chief Lorin LeCleire said.

The problem is the hoods over the stoves do not blow to the outside of the building and filters the smoke back into the room, and those factors contribute to the problem, LeCleire said.

The fire alarms in most of the NRC suites are located either directly above or within a 2-foot radius of the stove

and microwave.

The other day I asked the state office for an opinion and the first option from them [to fix the alarms] was to go to the electric shop and desensitize the alarms which would adjust sensitivity so it won't go off like it readily would, LeCleire said. The other option the university could do is put up a single station smoke detector, which are located in all the residence halls on campus. A single station is one that goes off by itself and does not trip the whole building alarm. That is a fallback plan and the disadvantage is if there is a fire, the building alarm will not trip.

Brian Emmons, a second year construction technology major who recently moved into NRC, also attributes the frequent alarms to a design flaw.

New buildings are going to have problems without a doubt, but I think the design with the fire alarm right above the kitchen, I don't know if I

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Maine prescription drug program under review in U.S. Supreme Court

By Angela Fiandaca
Staff Reporter

A Maine program, Maine Rx, is still under deliberation in the United States Supreme Court this week for assessment of constitutionality.

The issue was first introduced to the court on Wednesday, Jan. 22, and the program has been suspended pending legal review.

Maine Rx, implemented by the state Legislature, was intended to lower prescription drug costs for state residents, including those without insurance coverage. Maine Rx was considered a revolutionary program when it was first passed in 2000. Since then it has only faced challenges, according to a Jan. 20, Bangor Daily News article.

If deemed constitutional by the Supreme Court, the program would grant lower prices on prescription



CAMPUS PHOTO • ANNA-MARIA EASLEY

A pharmacist at Cutler Health Center fills a prescription.

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Gulf conflict heats up, local soldiers mobilize for war

By Cate Tiller
Staff Reporter

Seven Marines left the University of Maine this semester when the Alpha Company of the 1st Battalion Marines, based in Topsham, was deployed. They were notified Jan 12 that they had been activated.

The Marines arrived at Camp Lejeune, N.C. 12 days after their initial notification, according to Gunnery Sgt. Jeff Harren of the Topsham Reserve unit.

It's unknown what they're going to be tasked with, Harren said. They've received the one-year order and could be called to serve an additional year.

As of Jan. 29, it is estimated that 156,000 Americans have been ordered to deploy or have been alerted, according to GlobalSecurity.org. President Bush was clear in his State of the Union speech, If Saddam Hussein does not fully disarm we will lead a coalition to disarm him.

Here in Maine, only the Marines have been called to active duty.

According to Maj. Peter Rogers, the director of Public Affairs for the Maine National Guard, the regu-

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The World BEYOND Maine

Bush defends stance on Iraq in State of the Union Address

WASHINGTON, D.C. President Bush, seeking to rally Americans standing on shaky economic ground and the brink of war, called on the nation Tuesday night to confront the outlaw regime of Iraq or risk a day of horror like none we have ever known.

He said Saddam Hussein might possess enough chemical and biological material to kill millions of people, and was all too capable of using it.

The dictator of Iraq is not disarming, Bush said during his State of the Union address. To the contrary, he is deceiving.

Although he didn't mention Iraq until deep into his 60-minute speech, the president devoted nearly the entire second half to a stark assessment of the risk he believes Hussein poses.

He said Iraq could not account for 6,600 gallons of anthrax, more than 10,000 gallons of botulinum toxin and as much as 500 tons of chemical agents, enough to commit unthinkable mass murder.

Before Sept. 11, 2001, many in the world believed that Saddam Hussein could be contained, Bush said. But chemical agents and lethal viruses and shadowy terrorist networks are not easily contained.

Imagine those 19 hijackers with other weapons and other

plans, this time armed by Saddam Hussein. It would take just one vial, one canister, one crate slipped into this country to bring a day of horror like none we have ever known.

Bush also devoted much of his speech to promoting massive tax cuts, a prescription drug benefit program for older Americans and other relief for those afflicted by the ailing economy.

This country has many challenges, he said. We will not deny, we will not ignore, we will not pass along our problems to other Congresses, other presidents and other generations. We will confront them with focus and clarity and courage.

Freemoney.com

CHICAGO The money, more than \$67 million, is just sitting there, waiting to be claimed.

Hard to believe, as states throughout the nation are learning.

As the clock ticks toward a March 3 deadline to file a claim, states are promoting the terms of a 4-month-old class-action lawsuit settlement with the music industry. It enables people who feel they have been ripped off when they bought a compact disc recording to receive as much as \$20 no strings attached.

No receipt is required. If a

person bought a CD between Jan. 1, 1995, and Dec. 22, 2000, he can get money. It's that easy, which is part of the problem.

The prospect of having money so easily claimed just appeared to be too good to be true, said Chris Jarvis, a spokesman for Washington Attorney General Christine Gregoire.

Gregoire is one of several state attorneys general spreading the word about the cash settlement through advertising, radio talk shows and e-mails.

The giveaway is a national test of what people will, and will not, do to try to collect as much as 20 bucks in their slice of the settlement pie.

I think enormous amounts of money go unclaimed, said Martin Redish, a professor at Northwestern University Law School. Sometimes you have class actions of hundreds of thousands of dollars for each claimant. But when you start getting under a few hundred dollars, people feel there's no money in it.

So far, about 900,000 people nationwide have submitted applications. Requests have surged in response to the recent advertising campaigns, such as a series of radio ads in New York.

Consumers can apply for a refund over the Internet at www.musiccdsettlement.com or call (877) 347-4782. The deadline for applying is March 3.

Florida College tuition plan in jeopardy

MIAMI As word spreads that Florida's wildly popular prepaid college tuition program could be in jeopardy, record numbers of families are rushing to beat the Jan. 31 registration deadline.

More than 44,000 people called the registration line in November and December, twice as many as during the same period in 2001. In that same time frame, visits to the program's Web site went from fewer than 30,000 in 2001 to more than 92,000 in 2002.

The Florida Prepaid College Plan allows parents or anyone else to lock in today's tuition rates and pay them over time for any child who is a Florida resident. The plan is the most popular of its kind in the nation by far. Its 800,000 participants outnumber the combined enrollment of similar programs in all other states.

Under a proposed budget that Gov. Jeb Bush unveiled last week, each of the 11 public universities would be able to set its own tuition.

The chairman of Florida Prepaid's board of directors says the unpredictability created by the varying tuition rates would destroy the 15-year-old program.

It tears us up to think such a successful program will come to an end, said Stanley Tate of Miami, who has headed Florida Prepaid since its inception in 1988.

The program has been able to thrive because past tuition increases were fairly consistent. And the Legislature made across-the-board increases that affected all public colleges and universities.

But if each school sets prices independently, Tate said it would be impossible to predict what a child today would need to pay in 10 or 15 years. That, in turn, would make a contract's fair price hard to set, he said.

Iraq searches for peaceful solution

BAGHDAD, Iraq A senior Iraqi official said Tuesday that Iraq was prepared to do more to aid U.N. arms experts but provided few specifics and claimed the country no longer had weapons of mass destruction.

We have cooperated fully, Gen. Amir Rashid said. We are ready to cooperate more.

Rashid, Iraq's former oil minister, held to a familiar line that Iraq has been free of any mass destruction weapons since the end of 1991 and all the inspections have proven this fact.

He also accused the U.S. and Britain of interfering with the

inspection process. He claimed reports from the White House, CIA and British governments alleging that Iraq continued to harbor banned weapons were proven totally false.

Rashid provided Iraq's most comprehensive public response to Monday's report to the U.N. Security Council by weapons chiefs Hans Blix and Mohamed El Baradei. Blix told the Security Council that Iraq appears not to have accepted U.N. resolutions regarding its disarmament.

While laced with criticisms, Rashid's low-key presentation and moderate language were in striking contrast to more recent belligerent statements from Iraqi officials and seemed to suggest that the country was trying to take a more moderate position.

Rashid said there was no proportionate presentation of the facts in the U.N. reports, adding that some issues had been amplified and magnified to what are called problems that create a negative point of view.

NATO forces ambushed in Afghanistan

BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan U.S. and coalition forces searched caves Wednesday in a mountainous region of southeastern Afghanistan for survivors of a rebel force after a surprise battle the day before.

The renewed fighting suggested that groups opposed to the American-backed Afghan government were far from defeated after an almost yearlong lull in heavy fighting.

Coalition forces detained two men and destroyed six caches of weapons near the southern city of Spinboldak, where the fighting occurred Tuesday, said American military spokesman Roger King. No coalition casualties were reported, but at least 18 fighters believed to be aligned with rebel leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar were killed in the largest enemy force that coalition troops had encountered since last March.

An original estimate of 80 rebel fighters was being reviewed, King said, because more were suspected of hiding in caves.

About 400 coalition soldiers searched 30 caves in the area for rebel fighters and weapons dumps late Tuesday. Almost 200 caves must be searched before the operation is complete.

King also reported that a weapons cache was found Wednesday near the village of Qalat, north of Kandahar. U.S. special forces also detained two men who were suspected of making bombs in the eastern city of Jalalabad, a former al-Qaida stronghold.

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WORD of MOUTH

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"Cooper situation?"

Devon Medeiros
Sophomore
Theatre



"It's really sad that they put the season before the law."

Starsha Schiller
Freshman
Theatre



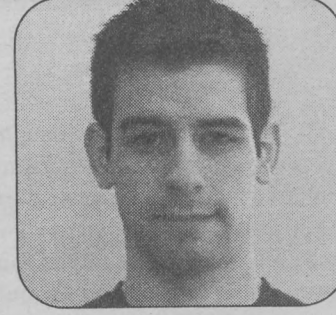
"[They should have] kicked him off the team as soon as they found out."

Duncan Chesley
Junior
History



"I would have dealt with the situation then and there."

Marybeth Flanders
Senior
Equine business management



"[They] should not have allowed him to play the rest of the season. It should have been handled more efficiently."

Aaron Sines
Senior
Philosophy

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lar rotations of the Air Traffic Control Unit have been sent to Bosnia, but, we haven't had any mobilization orders, he added.

The Army ROTC on campus has about 35 recent graduates of whom are 23 on active duty Lt. Colonel Charles Forshee said. The ROTC cadets will finish their training and graduate before they are commissioned, according to Forshee, unless Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld orders a full mobilization, which hasn't happened since World War II.

Jan Williams, assistant director of Student Records, is unable to release the names of the students who left. There were two sophomores, three juniors and two seniors.

It's almost certain there were other students in this situation that we don't know about, said Joe Carr, UMaine spokesman. Student Records only knows if a student was receiving veterans benefits for

their service in the National Guard or Reserves prior to canceling their registration.

Depending on when in the semester students are called to duty they have three options: They can completely withdraw with no penalty towards their grade point average and a full refund; receive full credit at the grade earned so far if the semester is 75 percent complete or more (at the discretion of the professor); or receive an incomplete with one full year from the end of the semester to make up the work.

Keith Turner, a junior political science major and member of the Navy ROTC, has mixed feelings about remaining on campus for now. One of his fellow ROTC cadets was also a member of the Marine Core Reserves and left with ACO1/25.

I would love to be out there serving but I know that I can't be. We just haven't been trained, he said.



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A Marine at training exercises in South Carolina. Over 100,000 troops have been mobilized for a possible conflict in the Gulf.

'Got Consent?' posters set to raise campus awareness

By Ken Fortier
For The Maine Campus

A series of posters aimed at educating the University of Maine student body in matters of sexual consent were posted around campus this week.

What part of no don't you understand? read the recent poster campaign spearheaded by the Safe Campus Project and the Peer Educator Program. Together, they formed the Got Consent? campaign.

Summer Sunderland of the Safe Campus Project researched and found information about a successful Got Consent? program at the University of New Hampshire last semester. Soon afterwards she contacted the UMaine Peer

Educator Program in hopes of finding help, and the Safe Campus Project for financial support, in

We wanted to get the message out there that without getting a distinctive 'yes,' that sex is illegal, that's wrong, that's rape

bringing the campaign to UMaine.

Angela Fiandaca and Sara Schewitz, members of the Peer Educator Program, agreed to help

lay the groundwork to make the poster campaign possible.

Fiandaca and Schewitz spent many hours in preparation and research for the desired poster.

[Sara and I] went around campus in the fall about four or five times, Fiandaca said. Several students were interviewed in the vicinity of Memorial Union for their personal views about what sexual consent means to them. We wanted to get the message out there that without getting a distinctive yes, that sex is illegal, that's wrong, that's rape, Fiandaca said.

Three questions also were asked during each short interview: What does sexual consent mean to you?, How have you or your

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Police Beat

By Cate Tiller
Staff Reporter

¥ Two minors were caught drinking alcohol from unmarked containers just after midnight Jan. 24.

Public Safety received an anonymous complaint about underage drinking on the third floor of Penobscot Hall at 12:28 a.m. An officer arrived to find a large group making noise in the hallway.

One student, carrying a plastic container, saw the officer and quickly started to walk away. He refused to stop when asked to and disappeared into the men's bathroom, only to emerge a few minutes later without the container. Checking the bathroom, the officer found the container with the alcohol still inside.

After questioning another young man about the large Coke bottle he was carrying, the officer found that it contained alcohol as well. As a result, Christopher Cox, 19, and Ben Janaitis, 18, both of

Orono, were summonsed for possession of alcohol by a minor.

¥ A call put out by Orono police led to a summons on Long Road near Gannet Hall at about 2:30 a.m. Jan. 21.

An officer on patrol saw a man carrying a 2-liter bottle of Coke who matched the description of someone Orono police were looking for. As the officer slowed down, the man ran off.

When the officer caught him, the bottle had disappeared but the man smelled strongly of rum. He explained that he had dropped the bottle because it was cold and when asked if it had contained alcohol he said, Not really.

The officer saw a large bulge at the man's side and, unsure of his intentions, patted him down. It was a pouch, which the officer made him open, revealing a glass bong. They retrieved the Coke bottle and the man admitted that it contained Captain Morgan's Rum.

As a result, Anthony

UMaine Public Safety

McPherson, 19, of Orono, dumped out the remaining contents and was summonsed for possession of drug paraphernalia.

¥ An expired inspection sticker led to an arrest on Rangely Road Monday, Jan. 20. Alexander Lessard, 21, of Orono tried to pass off his suspended license as legitimate when the officer pulled him over at 4:14 p.m. After running the license, the officer discovered it had been suspended because Lessard didn't have insurance. Lessard was charged with operation after suspension and displaying a suspended license.

He was arrested and taken to Penobscot County Jail.

¥ Fernando Marin was charged with operating under suspension Friday, Jan. 24. He was pulled over for having a burned out plate light.

When the officer ran his license it came up as suspended for failure to pay a fine.

GSS Notes

The following events took place at the Jan. 28 meeting of the General Student Senate:

GSS allocated \$10,000 to Let's Volunteer Alternative Spring Break to help pay for travel and accommodation expenses for the upcoming volunteer program. About 60 people will perform volunteer work at six different locations including Nashville, Tenn. and New Orleans, La. during spring break. ASB has raised more than half of the total cost of the trip through various fundraising projects.

Student Entertainment received \$5,383 from unallocated funds to cover the extra costs of bringing Sheryl Crow to perform at the University of Maine this semester. Student Entertainment plans to spend the remaining \$69,617 of their budget on the concert.

Wilde Stein received \$5,100 for Pride Week. The funding will be used for speakers for the week's events.

The Student Women's Association received \$5,500 for their 7th annual Beautiful Project. The money will be used for a Melissa Ferrick concert on April

19.

GSS allocated \$1,300 to Maine Masque for the ACTFs/Irene Ryan scholarship competition.

The Student Portfolio Investment Fund of the UMaine Foundation received \$1,000 for a three-day competition of student-run investment funds. The symposium in Dayton, Ohio will include keynote presentations and workshops.

The Senate passed an act to create a yearbook director position within Student Entertainment. The yearbook director will be in charge of researching the feasibility of creating a University of Maine yearbook and must present a report at the Senate meeting on May 22.

Kathleen Trinward was sworn in as a new senator for the College of Engineering. Sen. Chris Hill was approved as the president pro tempore, Andrew Emerson as the parliamentarian and Jessica Fales as the GSS secretary.

The Senate approved the Forest Products Research Society's name change and new bylaws.

The General Student Senate meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in room 100 Neville Hall (location subject to change).

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drugs for more than 300,000 Maine residents.

The Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America view the program as unconstitutional based on its alleged attempt to regulate interstate commerce, according to the BDN.

You're talking about over 300,000 individuals who can't afford drugs, State Rep. Jonathan Thomas said Monday.

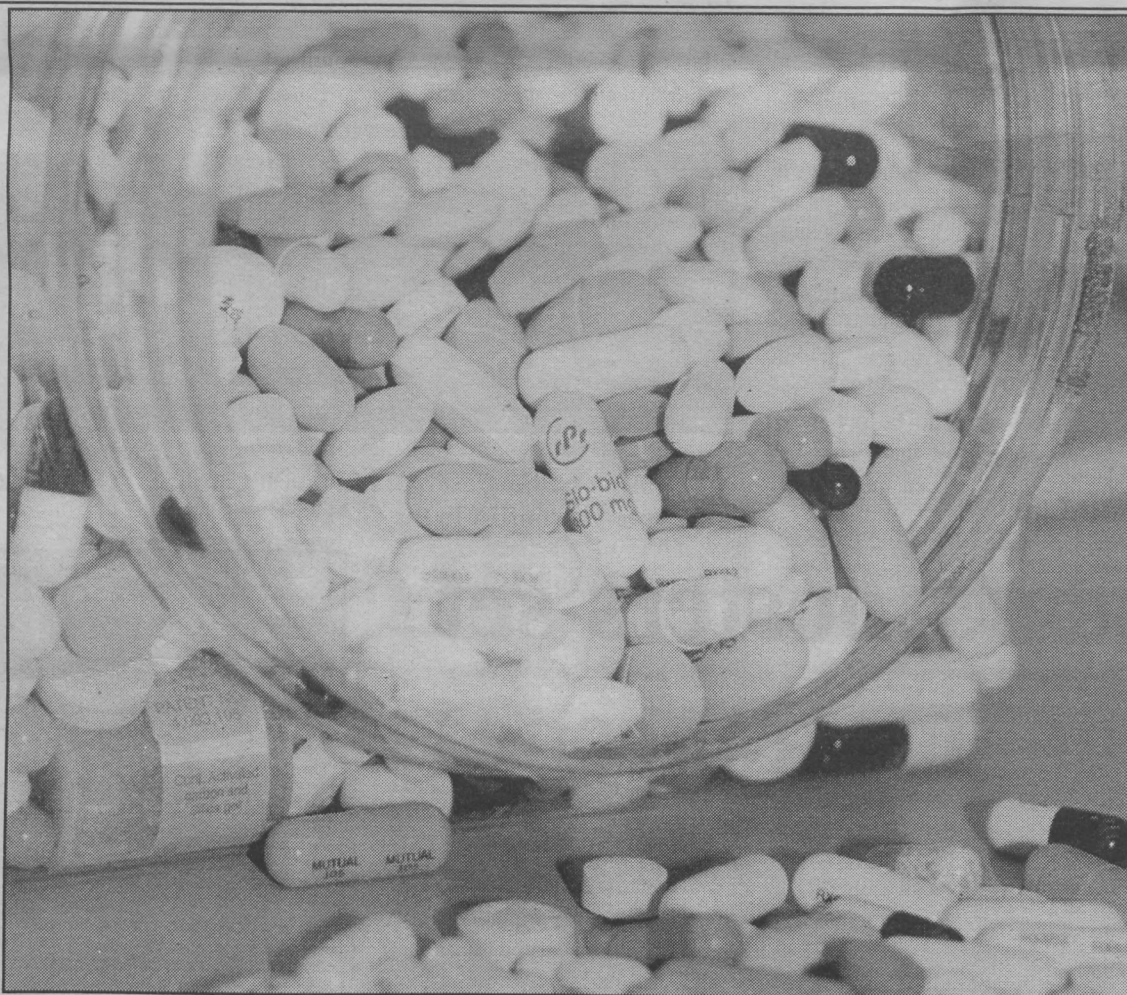
I think this is one thing the state can do to make sure that those people who aren't usually able to get the drugs they need, can, Thomas added.

The issue has caused an uproar nationally, as about 30 states have come out in support of Maine's prescription plan. Conversely, the Bush administration has argued that Maine Rx would only be legal if provided strictly for low-income residents.

The concept of providing those who already can afford prescription costs with discounts has been met with widespread concern. But, according to UMaine's Cutler Health Center secretary, Angela McCormack, this should be the least of people's worries.

There are income guidelines and you do need to make a certain amount of money to be qualified for the program, she said.

Maine Rx was denied by a Maine federal judge and that decision was later upheld on appeal. When the program was forced to a halt, the state then obtained a Medicaid waiver for the new Healthy Maine Prescriptions program. This program provided more than 100,000 Maine residents with up to 25 percent discounts for pre-



Pills being distributed at Cutler Medical Center on campus. If the Supreme Court strikes down Maine's prescription drug plan, prices on pills like this could skyrocket again.

CAMPUS PHOTO • ANNA-MARIA EASLEY

scription drugs.

A court ruling from Dec. 24, 2002, has since blocked the program, according to the BDN.

The Healthy Maine Prescriptions program was instituted at Cutler for about one year prior to its discontinuation in December, according to McCormack.

Under the guidelines of this program, single students whose gross monthly income was under \$2,148

were eligible for benefits. Since a majority of students on this campus would qualify within that monthly income bracket, McCormack said it is unfortunate the program was suspended.

It's extremely valuable for students. You're already investing so much into coming here [to the university], you certainly don't want to be spending all of your money on prescription drugs that you need

when you could get them cheaper, McCormack said. Each person could save hundreds of dollars with this program.

Thomas agreed that the Maine Rx program is beneficial to Maine residents.

There are hundreds of thousands of people who have no way of buying reasonable prescriptions. Anything we can do to help them will certainly take a huge chunk of

burden off a large number of citizens in Maine, he said.

Prior to the program's suspension, about 25 to 30 students benefited from the discounts. Although the number appears low, it does not include the possible UMaine students who were involved with the program outside of Cutler, McCormack said.

The program was not accepted at Cutler's pharmacy because Cutler is not licensed to accept Medicaid and because UMaine has chosen not to accept third party insurance providers, according to Debra Kotredes, Cutler pharmacy coordinator. This could also signify why such a small number of UMaine students used the program.

Without the Healthy Maine Prescriptions program under the Maine Rx program, more problems may arise, McCormack said.

It's just going to force more people onto Medicaid who don't really need the benefits, they just need the prescriptions to live, she said.

According to Thomas, the United States has some of the highest prescription drug costs in the world, which is becoming too large of an issue to ignore.

There are things that any government should be doing, obviously national security and overseeing economics in a country, but I think health care needs to be top rank and I don't think it's getting the right amount of attention it needs, he said.

Until the Supreme Court makes a decision on the constitutionality of Maine Rx, the attention prescription costs need will be left in jeopardy.

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would have done that myself, Emmons said.

Water temperature and other problems have also plagued the residents of NRC.

It was in the morning around 9:30 and it was before school started and the water was just cold, Eileen Wachtl, a first-year art major, said.

Third-year microbiology major Nicholas Stasulis said he found ants in his suite and that his windows were surrounded by ice.

We have some ants crawling around the bathroom, and I think I saw a spot where they might be coming from, Stasulis said. There's lots of ice that has been building up on the windows, and I think the hot water problem is something that is common.

The window frames are constructed of stainless steel.

The likely cause of the ice buildup is the mixture of freezing air around the frames and an influx of warm air from the floors, Stasulis said.

"Every one of those problems are equally important and student comfort is important and I do not prioritize every problem."

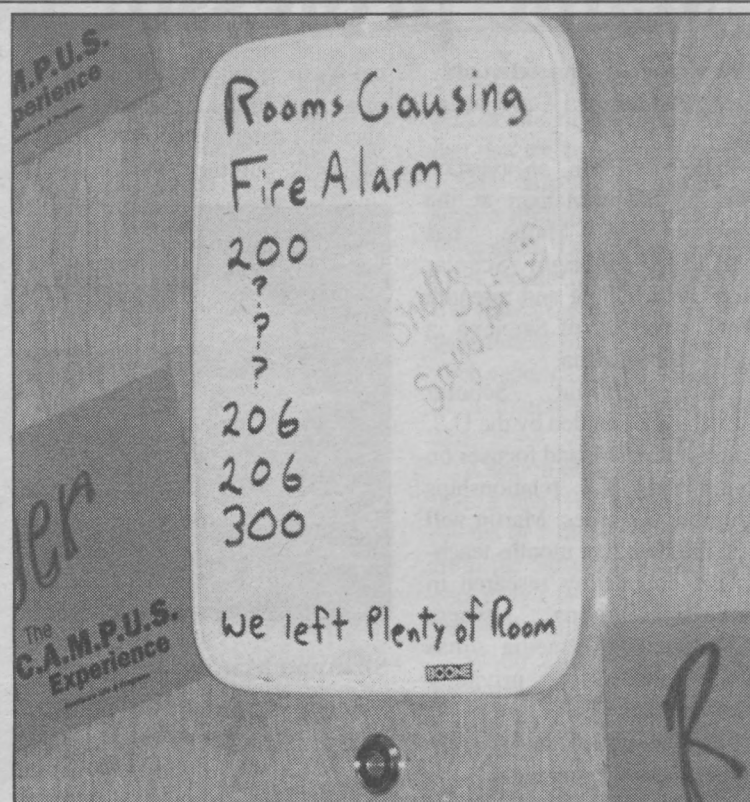
The 54,000 square foot residence hall was constructed by the Granger Northern compa-

ny out of Portland in August of 2001, and has a capacity of 197 students in apartment-style living.

There are 116 single bedrooms and 41 double bedrooms. Each apartment has a full kitchen, living room and bathroom.

Andrew Matthews, director of Housing Services, said he is working to correct the problems.

Every one of those problems are equally important and student comfort is important and I do not prioritize every problem, Matthews said. I am actually at the point where I have written in an update, that will be placed in a student's mailbox, about how if one thing does not work for one person, it doesn't mean that it does not work in the whole building.



CAMPUS PHOTO • LAURA MADDOCK

Counting the fire alarms at the New Resident's Complex.

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past partners asked for consent in past relationships? and How do you think someone should ask for consent?

Men also were asked whether they thought they should ask for consent.

We got a wide variety of responses, Fiandaca said. Although most of them agreed that they should have consent.

From the 150 responses, six were placed on the poster. The poster displayed a title asking Got Consent? with six students typed statements backed by their photo, in protest to what UMaine students are saying about sexual consent.

The pictures helped make the idea closer to home, Fiandaca said. The various responses that were chosen supported the theme that UMaine students need to be concerned with sexual consent. Another poster defined how that consent must be mutual.

A lot of people weren't really sure what consent was, Fiandaca

said, but that was what the project's main goal, to raise awareness that sexual assaults happen all the time.

Once the posters were completed, Sunderland placed the posters around the UMaine campus.

[The posters] were placed in the dorms and other random locations just before the end of the break, Fiandaca said.

Our goal was to get one poster up, Fiandaca said.

The campaign is in hopes of a continuation of placing another Got Consent? poster around campus soon.

Consent isn't just a matter of not hearing no, Sunderland said. It's about making sure you have an enthusiastic, wholehearted yes.

The interviews around campus were intended to get students thinking about consent and what it meant to them personally.

It's about making sure you Got Consent, Sunderland said. It does every body good.

Racial diversity on the rise at traditionally black universities

By Khalil Abdullah
Knight Ridder
Newspapers

MACON, Ga. In the fall of 1968, during the era of black power and protests, Anna Holloway arrived on the Fort Valley State University campus, one of only three white professors.

Three decades later, the Wisconsin native is still there, teaching English to her still mostly black students, and remains a minority among teachers at the 105-year-old black school.

But in recent years, Holloway, like many professors at predominantly black colleges and universities, has begun to notice more racial diversity among faculty at

Fort Valley State.

Now, 50 of its 157 professors are white. At 31 percent, that is by far the most of any black school in the state. And while most professors at the college are black about 50 percent a growing number also are entering the classroom from other countries.

Fort Valley State is one of many historically black colleges and universities, or HBCUs, that has seen the number of non-black faculty members increase on campus in recent years.

Some black students and faculty see the trend as a possible threat to the school's tradition and mission. But others, including Holloway, see a natural progression toward diversity.

I came to this school at a time when, for the most part, I

was the first white teacher my students ever had, said Holloway. It was a good experience then, and it's a good one now.

Diversity has become a major issue among the 34 public colleges in Georgia, with all three black universities Fort Valley State, Albany State and Savannah State recruiting more whites, and the 31 others seeking more minorities, in both faculty and student body.

And while the University System of Georgia has made gains in diversity, only 15 percent of its 9,063 professors are minorities. But at its three black colleges, nearly 30 percent of its 411 faculty members are non-black, a seven percent increase

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Earth Week 2003
Committee Meetings

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For more information, please contact
Scott Wilkerson, UM Sustainability Officer and
committee facilitator, at 1-3049 or on First Class

UMaine professor headed to Bosnia on Fulbright

By Katrina Freedman
For The Maine Campus

Shannon Martin, an assistant professor of journalism at the University of Maine, has received a Fulbright Scholar Award for teaching and research at the University of Sarajevo in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The Fulbright Scholar Program was founded by the U.S. Congress in 1946, and focuses on strengthening U.S. relationships with other countries. Martin will spend the next five months teaching and conducting research in Bosnia-Herzegovina, where state-controlled media has recently changed to privately owned media.

I'm planning to do research on the media coverage of the war, Martin said.

Her research will range from conducting interviews with jour-

nalists to monitoring the news in print and broadcast media. She also will determine how journalists seek out their sources and



COURTESY PHOTO

Shannon Martin

databases, and why they favor certain methods.

It seems to me that what is happening in Bosnia-Herzegovina is people there are less confident of journalists as

conduits, Martin said. They are accustomed to the government dicta coming through the state-controlled media. And the media are not yet confident enough to challenge the government consistently.

This is Martin's second trip to Bosnia-Herzegovina. During her trip in 2000, she trained journalists on how to use Internet sources.

What I did in the summer was train reporters, Martin said. I was training them on good use of the Internet. Not that they didn't know how [to use the Internet], but they weren't fully trained on western government sites or search engines like Google.

This time around, Martin will be teaching journalists things like interviewing skills, spreadsheet software, principles of reporting and western journalism practice

ethics.

People don't realize that we are pretty spoiled here, Martin said. The ease which we gain resource access has not been a

"The media are not yet confident enough to challenge the government consistently."

given there from being under siege.

According to Martin, the journalism practices in Bosnia-Herzegovina are quite different from those in the United States.

There is no real sense of competitiveness among journalists there because before, they were not in an environment to

compete between media, Martin said.

Martin said she expects that she will learn some new things about journalism while teaching.

Their perspectives are different, and I think that might be useful for us, as the media in the United States is going through many changes, Martin said.

During her stay in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Martin said she would also like to further build professional relationships with the journalists there, along with her work to help with the transition from government-controlled to privately owned media.

I hope to come back with some new friendships and scholarly relationships, Martin said.

Martin will be leaving for Bosnia-Herzegovina this month and returning in mid-June.

University of Virginia pep band may have to face the music

By Ed Miller
The Virginian-Pilot

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. An older, well-dressed man made his way down the steps at University Hall recently, intent on telling the director of the Virginia pep band what he thought of its controversial performance at the Continental Tire Bowl last month.

He stopped in front of a young man sporting a scruffy goatee, his hair in a ponytail.

Are you Adam? the man asked.

Yes, Adam Lorentson said a bit warily. The third-year student studying international relations and neuroscience directs the band and has caught his share of flak recently.

I got a lot of threats, he said. Not this time.

The man was John P. Ackerly III, director of U.Va.'s Board of Visitors. He smiled, shook Lorentson's hand and asked, How you holding up?

Lorentson looked relieved. Ackerly told him to hang in there. He said that instead of apologizing for the band's performance that lampooned the state of West Virginia, U.Va. President John T. Casteen should have sent West Virginia Gov. Bob Wise a one-line letter.

Virginia 48, West Virginia 22, Ackerly said. Signed, John Casteen.

Lorentson laughed and thanked Ackerly for his support.

These days, the band can use it.

The band's full name is the Award-Winning Virginia Fighting Cavalier Indoor/Outdoor Precision Marching Pep Band and Chowder Society Revue, Unlimited!!!! And it already is a shadow of its formerly irreverent self, Lorentson said.

This past season, it was limited to two halftime football performances, not counting the Tire Bowl. The school elected to bring in outside bands for the other games. An athletic department administrator heavily censors each of the pep band's scripts.

Lorentson contends the band is a victim of political correctness and says the censorship it experiences runs counter to the principles of free expression espoused by U.Va.'s founder, Thomas Jefferson.

University officials say the issue is sportsmanship, not free speech. The Atlantic Coast Conference, of which Virginia is a member, has made sportsmanship a front-and-center issue in recent years.

There may be more than just sportsmanship concerns driving the debate over the pep band, as an editorial in Virginia's student newspaper suggested this month.

The band was founded in 1974, and in its early years, seemed a good fit at an academically strong regional university that didn't take its football too seriously. In recent years, Virginia has worked to make itself one of those rare universities that can have both big-time football and a sparkling academic reputation.

In the past five years, Virginia has poured millions into its football program. Scott Stadium has been expanded to 65,000 seats. Al Groh, a former NFL coach, was hired for the express purpose of bringing the Cavaliers a national championship.

Academically, Virginia is regarded as one of the nation's top

public universities.

Is a ragtag pep band the image Virginia wants to present to the world? Some voices at the student newspaper, the Cavalier Daily, don't think so.

With the university entrenched as one of the nation's best, it's about time we began to act like it, one editorial stated.

That's one argument against the band. Another one heard often is just as damaging: The band's just not funny anymore.

The university needs a real band, the editorial stated. You know, one with uniforms and a bit of restraint.

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These shoes were found 46 yards from the crash caused by a drunk driver. Carissa Deason was thrown 30 yards and not even her father, a doctor, could save her.

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk.

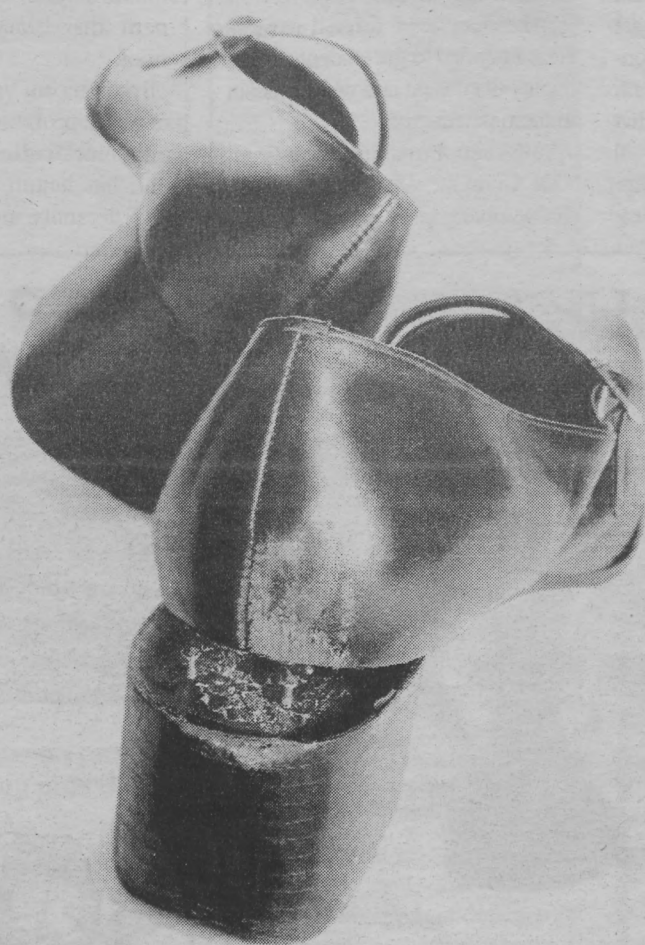


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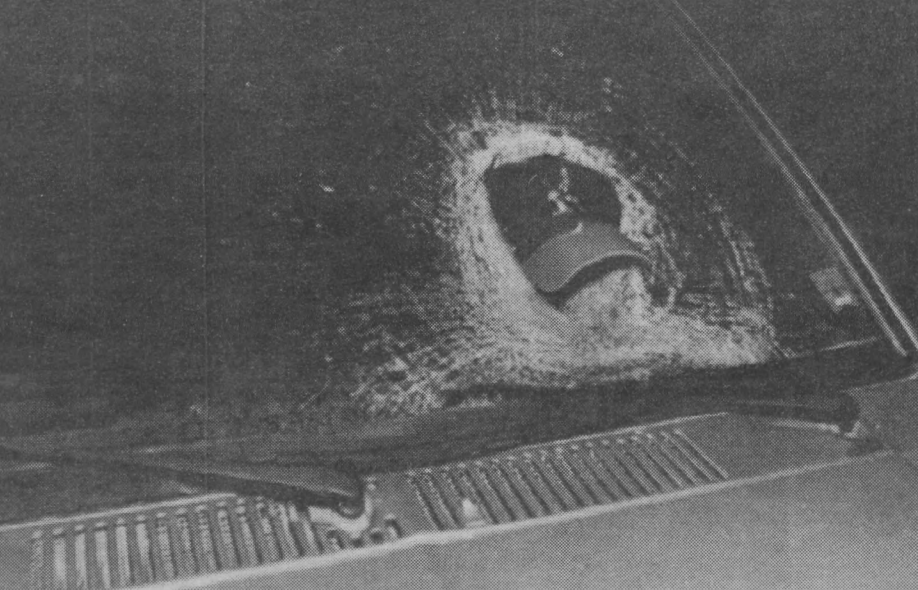
There is a bidding war for black professors, said Steve Rozman, co-director of the HBCU Faculty Development Network based at Tougaloo College in Mississippi. It means

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The incident was in keeping with pep band tradition. In 1977,

Among the topics off-limits to the U.Va. pep band: President Bush, Ralph Nader, any corporate

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EDITORIAL

MaineRx sets new standard

News stories about medical coverage and fair access to prescription drugs are hard to miss. Chances are, you've changed the channel or turned the page, but the recently debated MaineRx program is certainly worth thinking about.

The MaineRx program makes prescription drugs much cheaper for people with low incomes. Most college students' heads should turn when they hear the words "low-income benefits."

Your average college student makes just enough money to get by. When that pesky cold or influenza virus sneaks its way into your life, things get a little more complicated. However, if prescription drugs were more affordable, the overall health of low-income families and students certainly would improve.

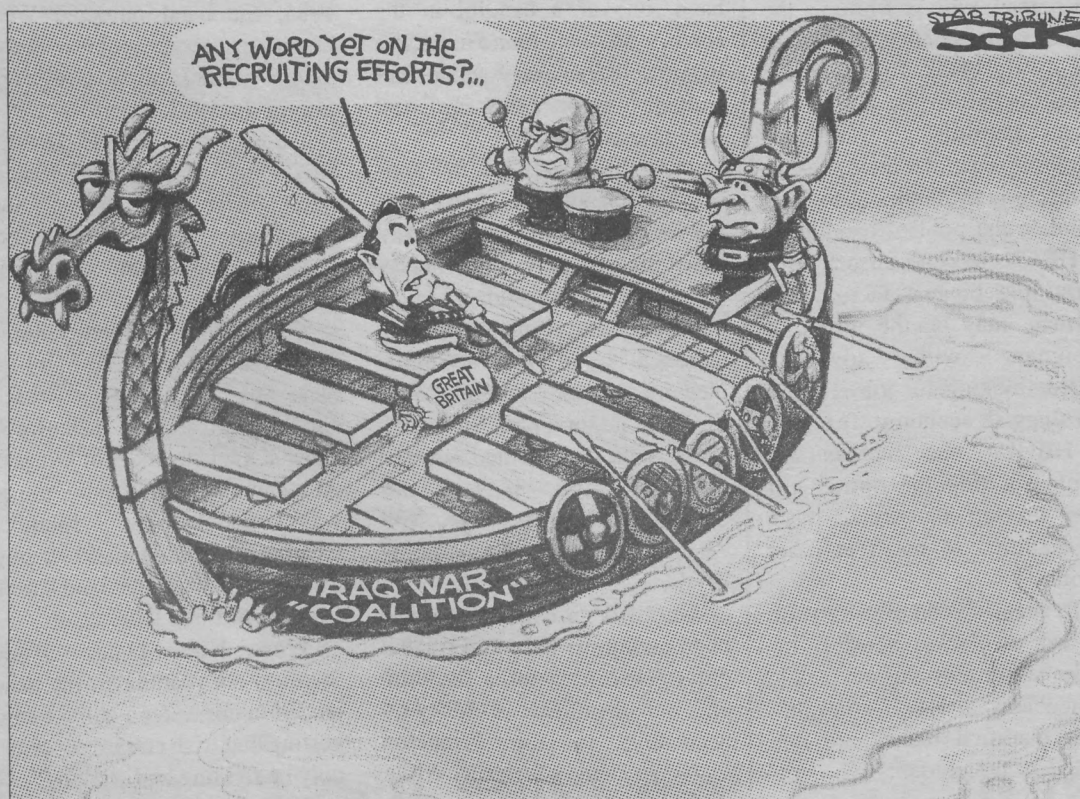
Unfortunately, the Supreme Court is questioning the constitutionality of the MaineRx program halting its beneficial effect for students and families.

Large drug companies are worried that MaineRx will cut into their profits, and even more worried about the 29 other states and Puerto Rico that have thrown their support behind the program. These states believe it is possible to implement similar solutions for low-cost prescription drugs.

These companies need to stop looking at their bottom lines and start looking at the suffering that will ultimately occur if the people who need prescription drugs cannot get them due to outrageous prices.

MaineRx is a big step in the right direction for providing lower cost healthcare, and the rest of the country is taking notice; However, this has the drug companies shaking in their boots.

It is crucial that these companies realize the quality of human life should take priority over profits.



Troubles at home

Solving Maine's education and employment problems

Maine will soon be losing some more of its brilliant, young minds.

Come May 17, I, along with many other graduates, will become another statistic in the startling trend that finds Maine's young people heading south in search of more fruitful endeavors.

Can you blame us? The weather is enough to drive people away. Why deal with all the snow in Maine when I could be dodging hurricanes in Florida, wildfires in the west or earthquakes in California? The weather, coupled with the fact that we are completely isolated from any urban center in the country, makes me want to pack up a U-Haul today.

However, I have stuck around this long without losing a finger to

JENNIFER
GUNDERSEN

EDITOR IN CHIEF

frostbite and I have put my faith in a state education, so the idea of staying in Maine isn't a horrifying idea. Some changes need to be made first though.

In his inauguration address earlier this month, our new fearless leader, Gov. John Baldacci, talked about forming a committee with Maine's young people to form a plan on how to make staying near home after graduation a more appealing prospect.

Well I can tell him: We are looking for a state that is a little more profitable. Right now, it seems nearly impossible to find jobs in the area. A comparison of the help wanted pages from Massachusetts, southern Maine and northern Maine newspapers is proof enough of this fact. Add the recent shut-downs of manufacturing plants across the state, including the Great Northern Paper mill in Millinocket and Hathaway Shirt Co. in Waterville, and the job hunt seems almost hopeless for both young graduates and seasoned professionals.

I see no quick fix for this problem, but I do know that the solution must start with improving the

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Letters to the Editor

Too late for Big A

Recently, the Millinocket region of Maine has been economically crushed because of the closing of the regions largest employer, Great Northern Paper Company. More than 1,100 GNP workers are presently laid off and several other sources of employment will become threatened because of the ensuing overall economic depres-

sion in the area.

The Big A dam project started in 1983. During this time, Great Northern Paper Company was very interested in constructing a dam on the West Branch of the Penobscot River near Ripogenus Gorge. This dam would provide Great Northern with the low cost hydroelectric energy necessary to compete with mills in eastern Canada that already

have abundant, low cost hydroelectric power.

The dam would back up a four-mile-long lake that would flood out much of the Ripogenus Gorge. This man-made lake would destroy sanctuaries for osprey, deer, moose, several woodland plants and opportunities for rafters and kayaks to tackle the challenging whitewater

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Nothing too serious

The joys of surgery

ERIN
MORGAN



FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

Last spring I had my first near-death experience. I took a nasty fall on a set of stairs that left two large bruises on my thigh and lower stomach region. To this very day, I still have a dent in my thigh from that nearly fateful fall. But it wasn't the fall that nearly killed me. There was something far more severe in store for me something a bit more internal.

To make a long story short, I picked myself up and kept on going without really thinking about my fall. Later in the evening I started feeling ill. I spent the next 24 hours curled up in a ball on the floor, convulsing and vomiting. Attractive, I know.

When my vision grew blurry and I started hallucinating, my mother ruled out food poisoning and rushed me to the hospital. When I arrived at the emergency room, I got to take a nice little ride in a wheelchair. I even got to wear one of those slinky peek-a-boob dresses.

To calm me down, a nurse gave me some morphine, which I repaid him for later when I threw up on his uniform. The doctor then took some X-rays to try and figure out what was wrong with me. Apparently my body was being tricky and the doctor couldn't tell much from the X-rays, so they decided to take a closer look and rushed me off to the operating room.

Once there, One of the male surgeons decided it was time to remove my undergarments. Let me tell you, I was having none of this. I swatted his grubby little hands away.

Whoa, Doc, you're moving a bit fast for my taste. Don't I at least get to be wined and dined first? He didn't try anything after that, at least not while I was conscious.

Then it was time to prep for surgery. One of the nurses anesthetized me and I guess I found this to be

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education system, particularly in encouraging more people to seek higher education. In order for Maine to attract new businesses within its borders especially north of Lewiston the state must be able to provide a skilled workforce willing to man their offices. As of right now, already two-thirds of Maine's employers say they have a hard time finding skilled workers to fill positions.

According to a speech concerning education made by Gov. Baldacci, the level of attainment of higher education degrees remains low in this state only 24 percent have earned their bachelor's degree, and the Maine Department of Labor predicts that 15 percent of new jobs are going to require at least an associate's degree. It is imperative that we start training high school graduates and those wishing to increase their education in the job skills they need to succeed and, in turn, attract new business to the state.

While research and develop-

ment remains important in helping Maine attract new industries like biotechnology and software companies, it is also important to make education attainable for all high school graduates.

Developing a community college system is a step in that direction. Maine is the only New England state without one, which is surprising considering many students graduate high school without encouragement to continue their education.

Gov. Baldacci has said, Encouraging and enabling our young people to access an education beyond high school is only half the job of developing a highly skilled workforce. The other half is keeping them here in Maine.

I am sure a renewed effort in meeting the educational needs of students will lead to both a stronger economy and a stronger desire to lay down roots in Maine.

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Surgery

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pretty funny. Oooh, I'm flying! A few of the doctors chuckled and one turned to me and said, If you ever wanted to try drugs, this is the best place to start.

Okay, time out. Does anyone else find something insanely disturbing about the aforementioned statement? I guess doctors like to play tricks on you.

When I woke up from the procedure things were a bit hazy. I noticed I was missing my underwear. I asked a nurse if I could have them back and she assured me they were safe and sound, tucked under my pillow. Truthfully, I think I imagined this. For the next 15 minutes or so, I kept fishing around under my pillow. Needless to say, I didn't find them.

My underwear weren't the only thing missing. My surgeon paid me a visit after the procedure

to inform me that she had to remove my appendix. When I fell, I landed on my appendix causing it to rupture or something to that effect.

Here I was, excited to be alive and thinking I'd get to have a new friend in a jar. This was not so. I apparently signed my appendix away in a drug induced haze. My doctor explained that it was the largest appendix she had ever seen and she had it sent to another hospital for research.

I guess the only thing I gained from this experience was childbirth practice. My doctor said the amount of pain I was in was far worse than being in labor. So, to my future children, all I have to say is, bring it.

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Letters

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found in the Gorge.

Unfortunately, The Big A dam project was discontinued because of aggressive advocacy against the dam coming from the Penobscot Coalition to Save the West Branch. This group of left-wing, liberal yuppies included the Maine Audubon Society, the Appalachian Mountain Club, the Maine group of the Sierra Club and the Maine Council of Trout Unlimited. These self-proclaimed economic geniuses suggested that whitewater boating and fishing on the West Branch generated about \$2.6 million per year and destroying this industry by constructing the dam wasn't worth it in the long run.

It was speculated that without the "Big A" Great Northern Paper would lose 1,600 to 1,700 jobs throughout the state.

The construction of the Big A dam would have been economically beneficial to the Great Northern Paper company, making it a

stronger, more competitive company able to fend off the hostile takeover by the Georgia Pacific paper company in 1989, which began the economic hard times for Great Northern Paper Company. Environmentalists of the past aren't solely to blame for the current disaster in the Millinocket area. The North American Free Trade Agreement, the only notable thing Bill Clinton did during his presidency besides committing a felony when he lied to a grand jury under oath, also contributed to the dire straits in Millinocket. Nevertheless, I want to recognize the Environmental Movement in Maine for its wonderful contributions to the future of the Millinocket area. We'll have lots of osprey, deer, moose, whitewater, future welfare recipients, soaring local taxes and impoverished schools.

Timothy Surrence
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Affirmative action

Re-evaluating a practice that isn't so color blind

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FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

It would seem that the University of Michigan was hiding a dirty little secret. According to The Washington Times, Carl Cohen, a liberal professor, opened the floodgates.

Cohen, once head of the ACLU chapter in Michigan and currently a professor at the University of Michigan, filed a Freedom of Information Act request from the university and discovered rampant reverse racism occurring. Now, the University of Michigan is being taken to the Supreme Court.

Thank God. It's time they finally take responsibility for the racism they practice.

Cohen looked through the document that he received. The most shocking part was the point system. The University of Michigan delivers points to their applicants, which determines who should get in and who should not. Sounds innocent enough.

Well, here is an example of how the system practices racism. The student gets 12 points for his SAT score and 20 points for being a non-Asian minority. What I would like to know is, what is fair about this? This means that if a person applies to this school and they don't happen to be a Latino or an

African-American, they are going to get the shaft. Apparently the Bush administration feels similarly since Bush himself said the University of Michigan was acting in an unconstitutional manner and using racial quotas.

Of course, many prominent liberals in Congress disagree, including Hillary Clinton and Ted Kennedy.

"An administration that takes such a course, whether out of conviction or political calculation, is no friend of minorities and no force for civil rights," Sen. Ted Kennedy said.

This is a typical liberal trick try to make the conservative look like a racist and shame him into changing his mind. However, the Republicans have nothing to be ashamed of concerning their policies or minorities. Affirmative action does not help the minority. How does allowing a minority student admission into a university based solely on the color of their skin seem helpful? The admissions office is saying it

really doesn't matter: what grades one may have received in school, what really matters is your race. So much for a color-blind society.

Kennedy goes on to talk about the core values of a diverse and democratic society. While I doubt Kennedy would know what morality was if it slapped him across the face, the point is that America is well aware of its "core values" and does not share in his take on them.

In a poll done by The Washington Post, people were asked whether they thought race should be an aspect of college admissions. Ninety-four percent of whites and 89 percent of blacks said no. A poll by Newsweek said that two-thirds of Americans do not agree with "racial preferences." I think these results speak for themselves.

Americans are not dumb. They've seen how silly these affirmative action programs are. Perhaps Ted and Hillary should keep up with Americans and help give them what they want, instead of trying to create problems to appease minority factions.

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Articulation of war

Bush and the State of the Union

ANTHONY
LAPLUME

FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

prepared is good.

It becomes confusing when you begin to consider that every State of the Union address ends like this. If the incumbent administration was always wrong, every State of the Union address would be an apology for the last State of the Union address. What I know is Bush continued to push his reform efforts and that doesn't sound so bad to me.

What does sound bad is that he is automatically seen as "wrong" every time. His economic stimulus package is criticized as being lopsided and favoring the top tier of the money line. It's astonishing that the rich are so vilified when those who dislike them continue to support the form of economy that supports the continued pattern of commerce. I'll admit it doesn't make much sense to me.

Another thing that astonishes me is that Bush still has to rationalize that this country must keep a keen eye on Iraq. He hasn't declared war, yet that's exactly

what everyone seems to think. He wants Saddam to be held accountable for his actions and weapons.

Those who most enjoy hawking at Bush point out that he's only at it for the oil. Were those people paying attention when Bush unveiled his hydrogen-powered automobile initiative? Probably not. It doesn't fit their perspective on things.

You want peace and prosperity? Fine, so does President Bush. Instead of trying to work against him, here's a thought: Try being productive. I don't see productive written on any of the protest signs about his designs concerning Iraq.

Many challenges, abroad and at home have arrived in a single season. In two years, America has gone from a sense of invulnerability to an awareness of peril from bitter division in small matters to calm unity in great causes. And we go forward with confidence, because this call of history has come to the right country, Bush said.

I find myself questioning how many people realize that, and how many would rather fight it rather than realize that complacency has no place in this time in history.

Anthony Laplume is a senior English major.

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Bringing a record back home with a kiss

UMaine promotes V-day event

By Erin Morgan
For The Maine Campus

If you're looking for something romantic to do on Valentine's Day, grab someone you love or just someone to suck face with and head down to the University of Maine Field House.

This may seem like an absurd place to bring a date on V-day,

On Feb. 11, 2000, UMaine lost the title when the town of Sarnia, Ontario broke the record with a reported 1,588 couples kissing at once.

but in 1996, on this fateful day of roses and romance, 1,420 people gathered at UMaine's Alford Arena to try and break the world record for the most couples kissing simultaneously. UMaine broke the standing record and held its title for four years. The record was even entered in the Guinness Book of World Records.

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lost the title when the town of Sarnia, Ontario broke the record with a reported 1,588 couples kissing at once.

This means we need nearly 1,600 couples to reclaim our record, Sandra L. Caron, professor of family relations and human sexuality, said.

Caron, along with others, is helping to promote the event. Caron first came up with the idea for breaking the world record while on sabbatical in London during the fall of 1995. She acquired the necessary documentation from the Guinness office and began organizing the event with the help of students when she returned to UMaine.

Anyone who is 16 or older can be officially counted, Caron said. Those living both on and off campus are encouraged to participate.

The Field House doors open at 9 p.m., but the actual kissing won't take place until 10 p.m. In order for a kiss to be counted, a couple must kiss on the lips for 10 seconds. While this may seem like a relatively long time to kiss in a public place, it allows for photographs and video footage.

To ensure the counting is accurate, there will be two people at each door. One person will have a hand-held clicker while the other person hands out numbered stickers.

According to Guinness, we



FILE PHOTO

Unidentified kissers helped set a record on Valentine's Day at the Alford in 1996. On February 14, 1996, more than 1,420 couples gathered at the Alford Arena to enter the "Guinness Book of World Records" for the largest number of people kissing at one time. However, on February 11, 2000 a group in Ontario, Canada set the current record of 1,588 couples. This Valentine's Day at 10:00 p.m. in the Field House, the University of Maine will try to reclaim the record.

need to have three independent judges from off campus, said Lauri Sidelko, assistant director for Campus Activities and Events. The event is part of this year's Winter Carnival Week, which Sidelko coordinates.

The three judges include Ric Tyler of WLBZ 2, Mike Elliot from the radio station KISS 94.5 and an affiliate from the Bangor Daily News. Kiss 94.5 is the co-sponsor of the event and its announcer will count down to the big kiss.

The event will also give the Alpha Phi Sorority the chance to raise funds for the American Heart Association. Not only will participants be helping to break a world record, but they'll also have the chance to help a good cause. There will be a booth, hosted by the sorority, where photos can be taken of couples for a fee.

According to Caron, the event's sponsors have received a case of Dentyne Ice chewing gum, which the company donat-

ed for distribution prior to the kiss-off.

The company is very interested in receiving photos and video of the event for possible use in advertising their product, Caron said.

Both Caron and Sidelko feel strongly that UMaine will regain its once-held title.

We have a lot of motivated people working to promote this event and I predict that we will recapture the record, Sidelko said.

Two UMaine alums get the "Greenlight"

Two former University of Maine students have been named winners of Sundance Film Festivals Project Greenlight and will have the chance to work with actors Ben Affleck and Matt Damon.

Project Greenlight, designed to help aspiring filmmakers, is a contest composed of two categories: best screenplay and best director. As winners of the contest, directors Kyle Rankin and Efram Potelle will be awarded corporate backing from Miramax and HBO to direct The Battle of Shaker Heights, written by Erica Beene of Cleveland, Ohio. Efram and Potelle will also have a star-studded cast at their disposal, with Ben

Affleck and Matt Damon signed up to star in the film.

There's a lot of pressure on us, but it's exciting, Rankin said of the opportunity. Both Efram and I feel strongly we wouldn't be here now if it weren't for the support we got in Maine.

Potelle and Rankin have been working together for fifteen years and own and operate Newborn Pictures, an independent film company based in Portland.

The two will begin production of The Battle of Shaker Heights in March of this year, and the film is slated to be released in theaters nationwide this August.

Compiled from Staff Reports

An 'awakening' on the airwaves

By Alex Lehning
Staff Reporter

Radio has long been a medium for ideas and opinions that were not a part of mainstream media. Radio operators in Britain during the 60s ran pirate stations on ships off the coast, playing the newest rock music. Their goal was to offer an alternative to the network BBC.

This independent mindset has carried over from music to news, political and even religious programming. Independent broadcaster James Bean of Waterville embodies the spirit of these off-shore rebels in his weekly radio show, Spiritual Awakenings. The program focuses on ideas and concepts in Eastern philosophies and non-Western religious traditions.

I am concerned about a radio monopoly, Bean said.

He likened today's radio pro-

gramming to a book store, where the selection of religious or spiritual shows is almost a bare shelf. There are only a few choices, he said. But Bean sees his program as an opportunity for diver-



James Bean

sity. It's a vehicle for talking about spiritual matters. I try to present other ideas.

Spiritual Awakenings has been on the airwaves for more

than 12 years, broadcast across the country on the Wisdom Radio Network and by Radio for Peace in Costa Rica. The show is also streamed over the internet, allowing it to reach listeners worldwide. Each week Bean shares readings from different texts, essays, poems or book reviews, as well as world and spiritual music. He also conducts interviews with guests.

Bean said that since his childhood he has always been interested in religion and mysticism, especially Eastern thought. He also has a true love for radio.

[The program] reflects my interests, all combined into one, he said.

He described his audience as people who are spiritual and open-minded. They are people who are curious about religion and open to new information,

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Emotion...

On the brink

Java Jive artist writes to effect 'truth of the matter'

By Alex Lehning
For The Maine Campus

Singer-songwriters often come in two different breeds—those who bare their soul on their sleeve and those who only try to.

While it was easy to recognize the first Java Jive act of the semester as two talented musicians, they also seemed to try too hard. The largest audience in recent months at the weekly coffeehouse series didn't seem to mind much, as they warmly welcomed the acoustic music of Gregory Douglass and Jeremy Mendicino.

With a few exceptions, Douglass and Mendicino fronted an excellent set Tuesday night. Despite technical problems and some small lulls, the duo managed to impress on only the third night of their tour.

We're from Burlington, Vt., we're the Indigo Guys, Douglass joked before the set. The duo opened with a cover of Patti Griffin's Rain, showcasing the extremely tight and powerful harmonies that would mark their performance for the rest of the evening.

While tuning, Douglass offered observations on his trip north.

Do any of you have frostbite yet? It's much colder here, but Maine has the nicest people. They talk to us at gas stations like we are family.

The brand new songs Hush and the uptight Have A Nice Day, about the frustrations of retail, came next.

After the mellow Never Mind Me, Douglass put down his guitar and assumed a Michael Stipe-esque posture, gesturing to the microphone. Although he managed to impress with his powerful voice during tunes like Hard and American City, the songs tended to sound the same and run together. Some of the blame should be laid on

the vocal mix on the monitors, which seemed to muffle the lyrics.

When Douglass returned with his six-string guitar, however, the set seemed to get a breath of fresh air. Til Your Dead was one of the best songs of the evening, with a tight and uplifting groove.

Throughout the evening Douglass handled delays with humor.

We do every song in a different tuning, it takes about eight minutes between songs, he said.

We don't like to do sing-alongs, on this one just breathe, only everyone in here is a good breather, he said.

Feel You Breathe was an amazing and heartfelt song, which Douglass managed to convey with a wide range of emotions.

A hilarious Radio Medley came next.

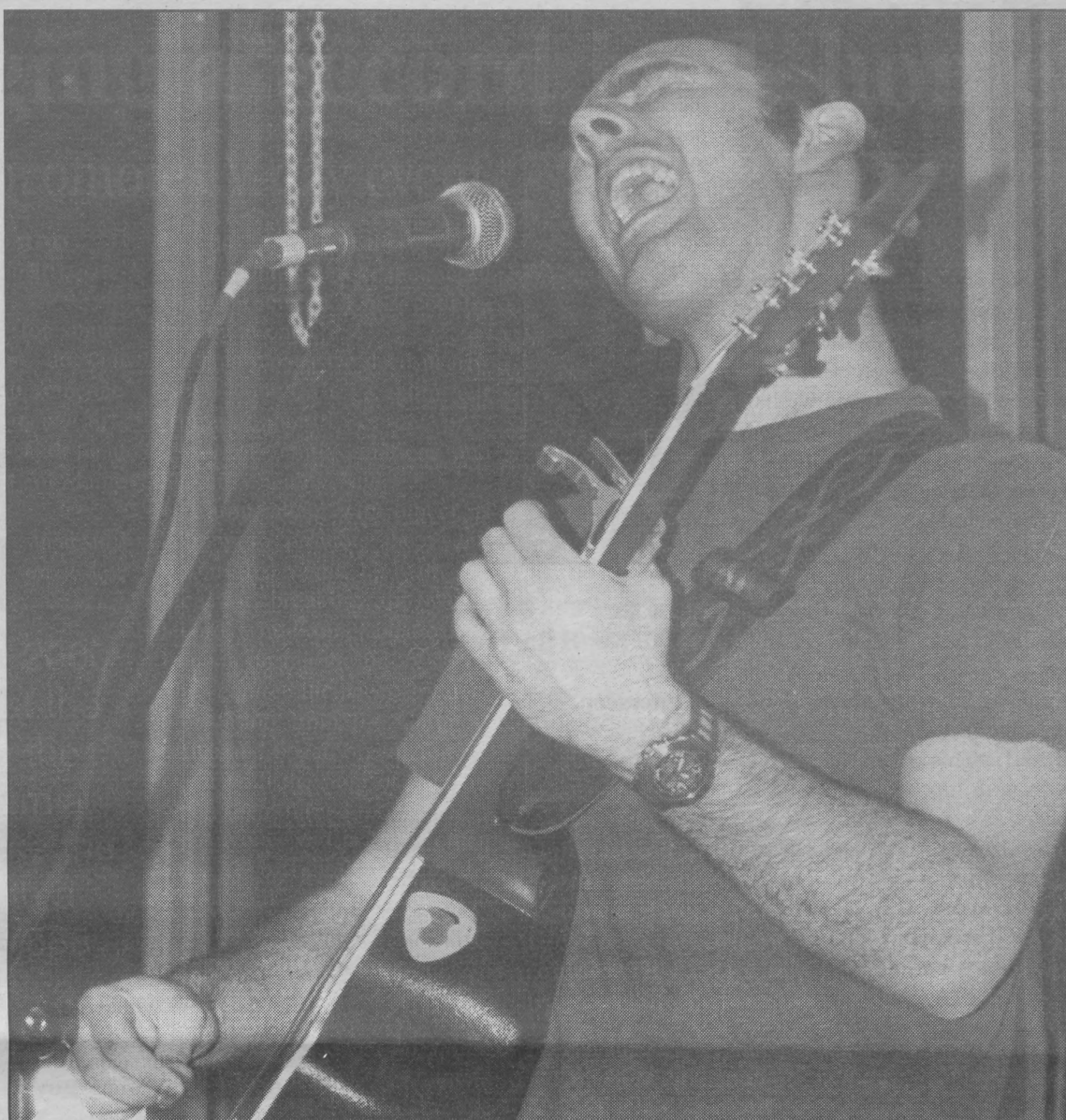
I wrote all these hit songs, I've won several Grammys, Douglass said before launching into short renditions of radio hits such as I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles), You Oughtta Know, Linger, What's Going On and Paradise City. The extended set closed with the heavy and powerful Valley.

Despite some slow points, the set was great overall. Douglass utilized his emotional yet strong voice and the talents of Mendicino were evident in his guitar playing, despite three broken strings and constant tuning switches, sometimes on the fly.

Douglass released two CDs, both of which hit No. 1 in Vermont before his senior year of high school. Mendicino has been plucking notes for 13 years.

Douglass described his songwriting process as music first.

I hear a refrain, then say the first words that come to my mind and see if it works, Douglass said. Words come last, I mean I put thought into



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Gregory Douglass played to a packed Memorial Union at the Campus Activities Board sponsored Java Jive on Tuesday night.

them but what's more important? The song has to grab you first.

Douglass also mentioned his audience as all over the map. He said he writes songs to get to the truth of the matter, songs that are political, serious, emotional, or influence by observation of people. I see how full of bullshit life can be, he

said, and I'm amazed people survive.

The duo's latest album, Teeter, was recorded and produced entirely in Mendicino's home studio. The disc contains lush and full arrangements of many of the songs featured in the show that would have been hard to recreate live.

Both expressed their appreciation for the close-knit music scene in Burlington, but also realized its restrictions and limitations.

Burlington used to be great, Mendicino said. But I always have hope. Hope that something new comes along and sweeps us off our feet.

We Want
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to write for *The Maine Campus* style section. All students are welcome to weekly writers meetings held on Thursdays at 6 p.m. in *The Maine Campus* office in the basement of Memorial Union. Contact Jason Houle on FirstClass for more information.

Correction

In the Monday Jan. 27 edition of *The Maine Campus* we reported the name of Student Entertainment and Campus Activity Board's new weekly concert series as Frequency. The correct name for the series is The Frequency. In the same article it was also reported that the Movin and Groovin series was run by Student Entertainment. In fact, the series was run by CAB and chaired by Kristin Rand. It was also reported that Tim Johnston is the director of The Frequency, but he is only the director of the Student Entertainment portion of the series.

The Maine Campus strives to have an accurate and informative paper. If you notice that we have made an error, please contact the appropriate section editor.

SOUNDBYTES

Parliament
Funked Up, The Very Best
of Parliament
 Universal



The funk era of the mid-70s might be a time some of us would like to forget. But funk is essential to the music we listen to now. George Clinton and Parliament were the ultimate representation of what funk was all about.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers played funk all through the 80s before hitting the big time in the early 90s. Their second album, *Freaky Styley*, was even produced by the ringleader of Parliament, George Clinton himself. This music had a lot to do with hip hop becoming a genre. There would be no Snoop Dogg or Outkast without Parliament.

In *Funked Up, The Very Best of Parliament*, you can sit back, blaze one and just chill out to the beats. Everyone knows the hit *Give Up The Funk (Tear The Roof Off The Sucker)*. It's like *Freebird*,

you've heard it and know it well, whether you like it or not.

The track *Do That Stuff* is classic funk, tight drums, the wah-wah of a guitar, harmonizing vocals and funky slap bass. The live version of *Let's Take It to the Stage* is a great example of how Parliament gets the party going on every stage, having the crowd become the vocal section for part of their songs.

-Schuyler Dean



t.A.T.u.
200 Km/H in the Wrong
Lane
 Interscope

t.A.T.u.'s debut *200Km/H in the Wrong Lane* is as bad as their ridiculous name indicates. You have probably heard their single *All the Things She Said* on the radio you know, the lyrics are running through my head, running through my head.

t.A.T.u. is comprised of two Russian teenage girls named Lena Katina and Julia Volkova.

The album is mostly techno-rock, with the girls squealing, high-pitched voices layered over fuzzy guitar riffs and programmed beats.

Each song on the album sounds basically the same, but on *30 Seconds and Stars*, the group tries its hand at Enigma-like synthesizer and vocal arrangements but fails miserably.

Some of the songs are in the duo's native Russian tongue, so you can even be annoyed in another language. The album also features a Russian version of *All the Things She Said* and don't worry, it's as bad as the original.

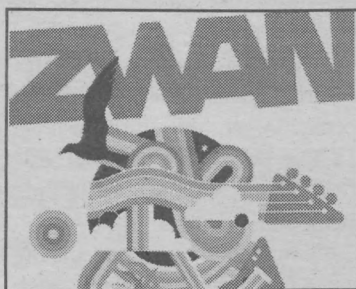
What might be of interest to many male crappy-techno aficionados is the album's overt girl-on-girl action. The CD's jacket features photos of the two girls embracing in erotic positions.

The album features lyrics like *They say it's my fault, but I want her so much, and I long for you to hold me like your boyfriend does*. The CD also features the music video for *All the Things She Said*, which mostly shows the duo making out with each other in the rain. I'm not sure if either of them are 18 and can legally be filmed in this manner, so I didn't watch the entire video. Honest.

-Nate Head Coffee Boy

Webster

Zwan
Mary Star of the Sea
 Reprise



Zwan's christening album, *Mary Star of the Sea*, is nothing short of a masterpiece. The band is made up of some of the best leftovers in rock music: former Smashing Pumpkins frontman Billy Corgan, former Skunk guitarist Matt Sweeney, former guitarist for Slint, David Pajo, former bassist of A Perfect Circle, Paz Lenchantin, and former Smashing Pumpkins drummer Jimmy Chamberlin.

With such an all-star crew in the band, it's no wonder Zwan is probably the best thing the alternative rock community will see this year.

Lyric starts the album off on a rocking note, easily settling into mature anthems like *Settle Down* and the radio-friendly *Honestly*. Corgan

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Liner notes:

Zen and the art of
mix tapes

By Chris Gorman
 For The Maine Campus

The mix tape. Perhaps its creation is one of the most difficult arts to master, yet at one time or another, we have all attempted to make one. Of course, for those of us who have actually embraced the 21st century, mix tapes are a thing of the past, pushed aside by the lesser art of CD burning. CD burning is convenient, but like many technological advancements, it comes at the price of sincerity and soul.

There is something about a mix tape, the way it fits nicely in your jacket pocket, or in the glove compartment of your car—a sort of essence that other musical mediums just can't touch. So consider this my gift to you, aspiring mix-tapers of UMaine. Follow these instructions, and you too can become a pro mix tape maker. First, let's lay some ground rules:

A) Never, EVER use more than one song by a certain artist. For example, it is completely unacceptable to use Nirvana's *Rape Me* and then immediately follow that up with Nirvana's *Aneurysm*. It doesn't matter how much of a Nirvana fan you are. This is a mix tape, not a Kurt Cobain tribute. Don't do it. It just kills the flow.

B) Don't get bogged down by a certain theme. It's totally acceptable to have a sort of underlying thematic current, but don't be blatantly obvious. In other words, don't have a lineup consisting of Bauhaus, Joy Division, New Order, etc. You might think it represents your sensitive side, but to the rest of us, it just says that you like to cry and masturbate a lot.

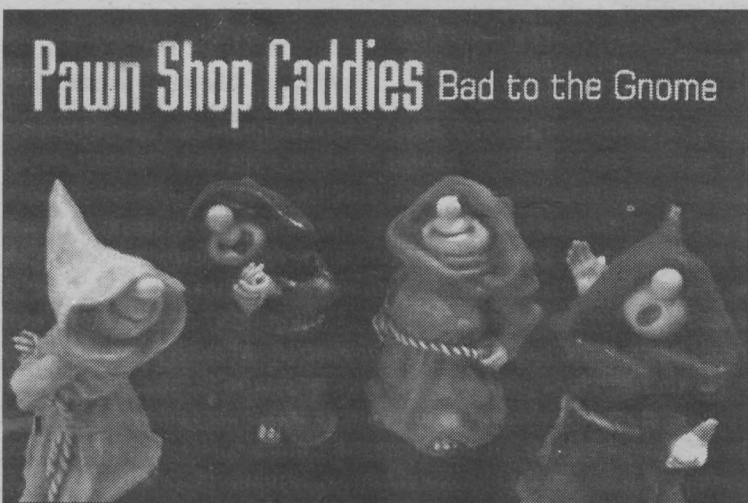
C) Smirking irony can work to your advantage, but don't overdo it. You can get away with a couple of throw-away tracks. I recommend cheesy, early-90s dance music. Just don't give off the impression you actually like crap like that. In order to use irony effectively, you have to follow it up with something insanely credible. If you use Neil Diamond, you must immediately follow it up with *The Sea and Cake* or *Elliot Smith*, or something of that nature.

D) Explore the genres. Every genre has something great to offer. Except dub. Don't pretend you like dub. Nobody really likes dub.

So now that we have some guidelines, it's time to get to the good stuff. As far as organizing a mix tape goes, I find it best to start off with an energetic track. Something rocking, though not too rocking. Bruce Springsteen usually fits the bill. Go with *Tunnel of Love* or *Thunder Road*, something bouncy to get the whole thing rolling. From there, you want to

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Caddies prove they're "Bad to the Gnome"



By Alex Lehning
 Staff Reporter

Any adult will tell you that punk music is nothing more than a bunch of whiny kids banging on guitars. Any teenager who has suffered through a bad relationship, the horrors of high school or parents and teachers and the trials of growing up will appreciate the hard riffs and hard topics that most punk music laments.

Maine's own Pawn Shop Caddies are no different. Hailing from Rumford, Mountain Valley High School pals singer/guitarist T.J. Swann, drummer Justin Hammer, bassist Tom LeClerc, along with Arizona transplant Kyle

Demilner are proving pop-punk is not dead on their latest EP *Bad to the Gnome*.

And they just happen to be one of the best bands in the state.

Winners of the 2001 Reindeer Records Rock Off, the Caddies won \$1,000 in a competition that previously hailed the likes of Jeremiah Freed. Not to mention that the band was picked alongside the likes of the Dropkick Murphys, 6gig and Sugarcult to be featured on a compilation released by the Rye Airfield skate park. *Missing Isabella*, a track off their latest EP, also appears in the rolling credits of *Civilians*, a snowboarding video by Warrior Films, based out of California.

What is it that makes this band popular from coast to coast?

[Our] songs are about universal themes, such as relationships, girls, life as a teenager, said rhythm guitarist Demilner, a second-year UMaine math major.

Bad to the Gnome is a finely crafted record that's over much too fast. The first track, *Rest of Our Life* is about a guy and a girl that finally make it work out. We have waited such a very long time/Now it's time for you and I to get it right/Thank you for ditching that other loser guy/Now together for the rest of our life.

Taking Time is about the trials and hardships of a relationship that is slipping away. I've been holding back for at least six months/I've given you my time and you haven't smiled at me once/Baby you can't tell me that this isn't love/But whatever's gotten into your head can you let it know I've had enough.

Weak in the Knees is a love song, plain and simple. It's about the girl we all wish we had, the one we miss even when we are together. My eyes light up/My jaw drops to the floor/Yeah, it's been a

while Then my knees start to get weak/But I can always count on you to catch me.

Missing Isabella is filled with swirling guitars, tight drums and bass and an overwhelming sense of loss. Me and her mom talked about finding her and bringing her back home/But we both know she can make it out there/She's the prettiest girl we know.

Bad to the Gnome is an emotionally driven record, full of guitar hooks and clever riffs that accent lyrics every teen can identify with.

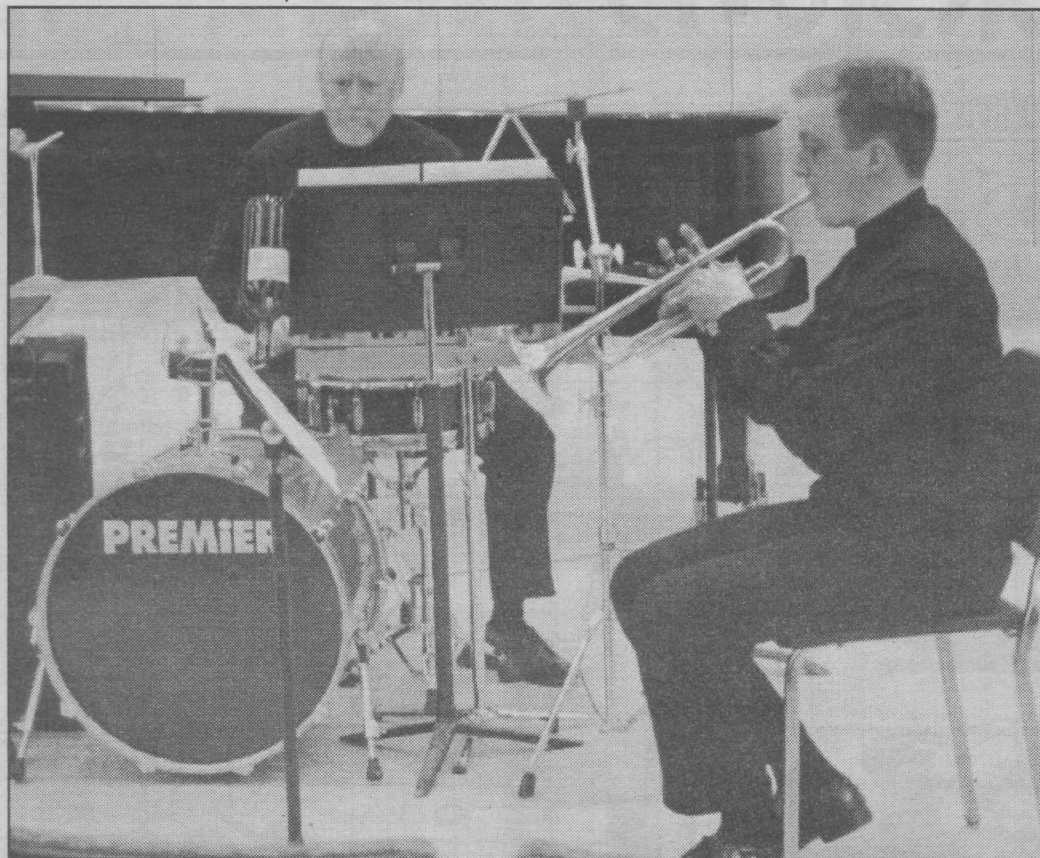
Demilner listed Green Day and MXPX among the band's influences, as well as Elvis Costello and Frank Sinatra and the Caddies manage to make the best of them. Swann is responsible for most of the lyrics, with individual band members contributing the music.

The band looks to be busy this spring.

We're playing shows, looking to do some touring, Demilner said. He also said the group would be in the studio working on a new album for a summer release.

We hope to get signed, do some traveling, play with bigger bands and to a bigger fan base.

Faculty toots their own horn



CAMPUS PHOTO • REBECCA PETERSON

Joshua Whitehouse on trumpet and drummer Stuart Marrs were just two members of the musical group Cadenzato to perform in Minsky Recital Hall on Saturday night. The performance was the first in of the semester a sequence of faculty concerts to take place in Minsky.

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seems to tap into his spiritual muse, as he prods his own conceptions of faith and what life means in songs like Declarations Of Faith and Ride a Black Swan.

El Sol is a bit too easy to not like. While it offers a nice look into the band members vast potential as musicians, Heartsong and Of a Broken Heart are more the touching caliber most Corgan fans are

used to.

Besides Come With Me, the album ends on one of the best musical notes in a long time. Endless Summer emotes the freedom few people can capture in music and Baby Let's Rock breaks into Zwan's ability to seriously rock without being angry.

While tracks like Desire show us the musical prowess of each member, Jesus, I/Mary

Star Of The Sea is the crowning achievement of this album. It rocks, it slows down and then comes back to kick you in the head it's perfect.

Zwan is made up of musicians some people only dream of. With such a strong album having just come out, hopes for a future album will keep fans warm until the awaited summer tour.

-Marshall No Diggity Dury

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Bean said.

Technology has been a big boost for Spiritual Awakenings. Utilizing formats such as recordable CDs, Bean has been able to record, archive and distribute his programs to a wider audience. He is able to work out of a home studio and also maintains a Web site to allow listeners to connect with him and one another. His Yahoo! Group Web site is home to more than 4,000 members. He said this new technology allows him to present information to people other than what most networks would.

Bean's interest in Eastern religion and philosophy extends

beyond the microphone and into the community. In the past few years he has led a weekly book discussion group at Borders book store, led a meditation group in Waterville and presented at the Wilson Center at UMaine.

It's always very satisfying, Bean said. I've enjoyed the opportunity to present ideas. The end of each show feels pretty good.

Interested listeners can reach James Bean on FirstClass or tune in to 91.9 FM WMEB on Friday mornings from 9:30-10 a.m. The show is also broadcast on the Web at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Spiritual_Awakening/.

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sort of alternate between indie/alt-rock bands, singer-songwriter stuff, some challenging electronica, and a quirky/joke/nostalgia track or two.

Some of the key songs to include on a good mix tape are: The Pixies Here Comes Your Man; The Who's Baba O'Reilly, Marvin Gaye's Inner City Blues (Make Me Wanna Holler), The Clash's Train in Vain, MC5's - Kick out the Jams, Grandmaster Flash's - The Message. These songs are basically timeless. Nobody can criticize you for playing them.

However, you don't want to rely solely on classics. Sometimes you have to dig deeper into a band's catalog to unearth a true mix tape-worthy gem. So go ahead, throw some curveballs. Find something off At The Drive-Ins first release, or a previously unreleased Sleater-Kinney B-side.

By now, your mix tape is probably drawing to a close. These last few songs are by far the most important. For your third-to-last song, you want something speedy and poppy. The B-52s, The Ramones, The Go-Gos anything like that is fantastic. I recommend The Ramones The KKK Took My Baby Away. On your next-to-

last track, it's best to slow it down, thus building the anticipation for a mind-blowing closing track. Leonard Cohen, Bob Dylan or Joni Mitchell should do the trick; however, this is really just gravy, building up to your epic closer.

The last track on your mix tape says it all. It needs to be the culmination of musical endeavors everywhere, as if everyone who ever picked up a guitar was only doing so in order to further humanity a little. It needs to be rocking, simple, complex, quiet, harsh, loving and touching all at once. Some people like to go with the classic rock here like Crosby, Stills and Nash's (Suite) Judy Blue Eyes or Pink Floyd's Comfortably Numb. If you are looking for something a little sappier, I suggest The Cure's Just Like Heaven. But, for the well-rounded music fan, it gets no better than Outkast's Liberation.

The piece works in movements, and is probably the best mix tape closing track I have ever heard.

Well, there it is. Hopefully this piece was helpful to any aspiring mix tape artists out there. Making a good mix tape is never easy, but if you pull it off, you will undoubtedly receive a great many accolades.

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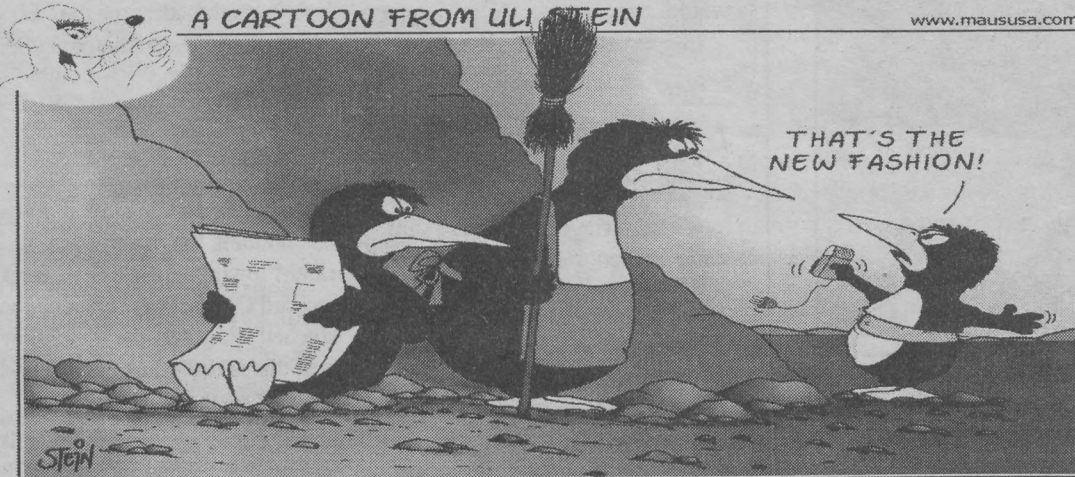
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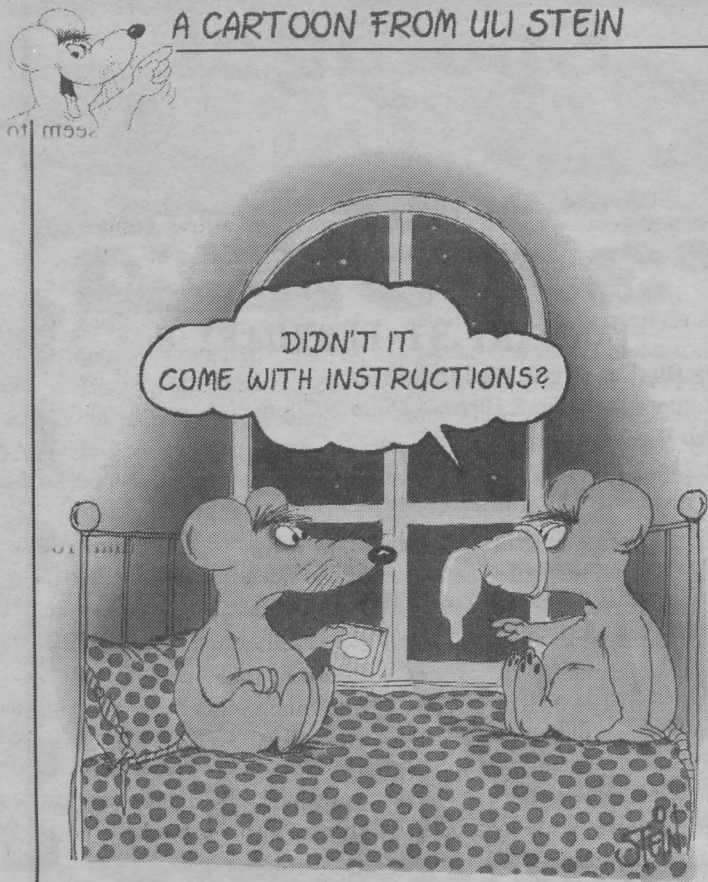


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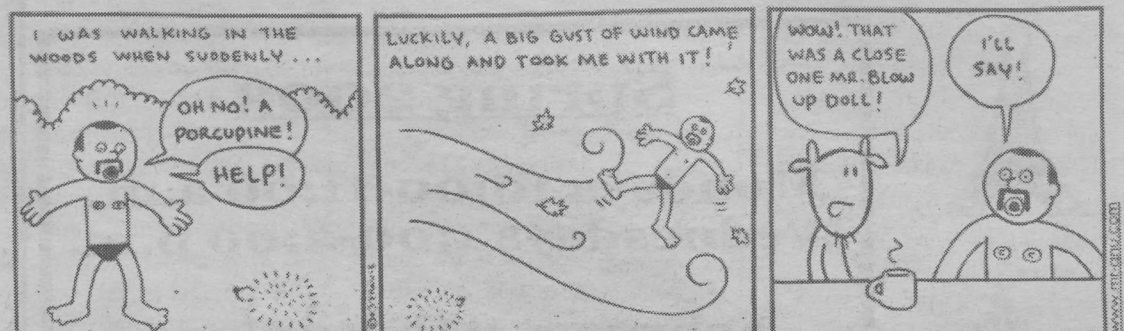
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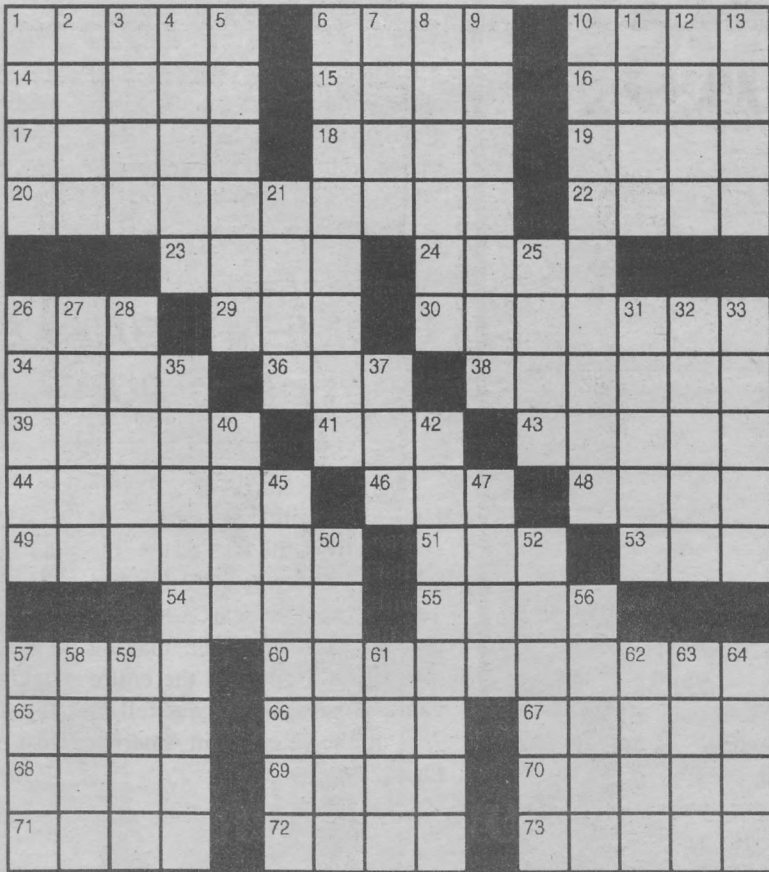
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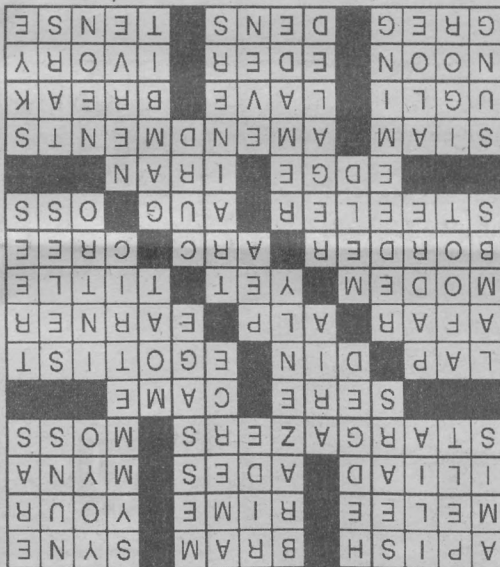
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 - 17 Trojan War story
 - 18 Summer drinks
 - 19 Speaking Asian starling
 - 20 Observatory users
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 - 26 Sitter's creation
 - 29 Cacophony
 - 30 Conceited one
 - 34 Long way off
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 - 54 Outskirts
 - 55 Teheran's place
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 - 66 Bathe
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 - 69 Fulda feeder
 - 70 Tusk material
 - 71 Diver Louganis
 - 72 Lairs
 - 73 Tightly stretched
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 - 2 Animal hide
 - 3 Pelvic bones
 - 4 Scorches
 - 5 Avoided a straight answer
 - 6 Shamelessly
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Today's Horoscope

By Liz Jarell
For The Maine Campus

Aquarius
(1/20-2/18)

Don't let yourself feel discouraged with the way things are working out with that certain person. Things might look a little rocky at the moment, but stick with the situation and continue to make the efforts you are making now. Everything will pay off in the near future.
Lucky days: 4, 19, 31

Pisces
(2/19-3/20)

Had your eyes on that special someone for a while now, haven't you? Don't sit back and wait for things to happen. Be proactive and make the first move. Rumor has it that is exactly what the other person is waiting for.
Lucky days: 7, 18, 26

Aries
(3/21-4/19)

It is only a week and a half into the new semester and already you find yourself slacking off. Don't let your procrastination tendencies take over quite yet. Set aside specific frames of time for homework and extracurricular activities. With a little bit of time management, you will be able to fit in everything you want and need to do.
Lucky days: 2, 21, 30

Taurus
(4/20-5/20)

Having doubts about a certain situation with your current love interest? Don't let yourself jump to conclusions quite yet. Listen to what he or she has to say first. Most likely it is a complete misunderstanding. Don't give up something that has the potential to be really good.
Lucky days: 10, 16, 25

Gemini
(5/21-6/20)

Things are going smoothly with you and your special someone, and you couldn't ask for anything to be better. Be careful not to fall into a routine. Think of new and exciting date ideas that will keep your relationship far from boring.
Lucky days: 1, 14, 29

Cancer
(6/21-7/23)

A close friend has come forward and revealed his or her feelings for you. The whole situation has caught you by surprise, and you are unsure of what to do. Give this person a chance and see if things can go to the next level.
Lucky days: 7, 20, 28

Leo
(7/24-8/22)

Your school, love and social life are going along smoothly, and you are quite happy with your current situation. With everything going so well, now would be the time to reconnect with an old friend who is reaching out to you. Don't let go of this old friendship.
Lucky days: 5, 21, 30

Virgo
(8/23-9/22)

You have been getting to know a certain someone for some time now, and it appears you two have the potential for romance. Don't be afraid to ask this person on a date because he or she has mutual feelings. Take things slowly and see what can develop.
Lucky days: 3, 15, 24

Libra
(9/23-10/22)

Still riding the single train? Don't let yourself get discouraged live it up now while you have no responsibilities to anyone. That right person you are waiting for will come around when you least expect it. Be confident and watch the babes flock toward you.
Lucky days: 1, 13, 29

Scorpio
(10/23-11/21)

Unfortunately things didn't work out with that last person, but keep your chin up. Nothing that happened was your fault at all, and you couldn't have been a better boy/girlfriend to that person. Give yourself time, and you will be over everything before you know it.
Lucky days: 12, 19, 27

Sagittarius
(11/22-12/21)

You were overwhelmed by stressful obligations a few days ago, but things seem to be coming together now. Now that things are running smoothly, allow yourself that personal time you were so anxious for. Treat yourself to some major relaxation you have earned it.
Lucky days: 6, 17, 25

Capricorn
(12/22-1/19)

Stressing over that rocky situation with a friend? Don't beat yourself up over it everything was a misunderstanding and should work out fine once one of you makes the effort to talk things out. Put aside grievances and approach the other person things will be back to normal in no time.
Lucky days: 8, 23, 31



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MOUSE CAN'T
SAVE YOU FROM
STDs.**



[TEAM LEADERS]

MEN'S HOCKEY:Goals:

Colin Shields, Lucas Lawson,
Martin Kariya (13)
Chris Heisten (12)

Assists:

Kariya (27)
Francis Nault (17)
Liscak (16)

Goaltending:

Jim Howard (12-1-0, 1.52
goals against average, .947
save percentage)
Frank Doyle (8-1-4, 2.33 goals
against average, .914 save %)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:Scoring (per game):

Heather Ernest 19.5
Melissa Heon 11.3
Julie Veilleux 8.8

Rebounding (per game):

Ernest 10.1
Veilleux 6.1
Monica Peterson 5.6

Assists:

Kim Corbitt 60
Heon 55
Missy Traversi 37

Field goal percentage:

Ernest .540
Abby Schrader .476
Heon .410

Free-throw percentage:

Heon .837
Veilleux .828
Ernest .819

Steals:

Heon 36
Corbitt 27
Ernest 17

Blocks:

Schrader 15
Ernest 11
Nicole Jay 10

MEN'S BASKETBALLScoring (per game):

Rickey White 13.5
Kevin Reed 13.2
Justin Rowe 11.4

Rebounding (per game):

Rowe 10.2
White 5.4
Clayton Brown 5.3

Assists:

Eric Dobson 90
Reed 41
Derrick Jackson 36

Field goal percentage:

White .721

Rowe .608
Joe Campbell .538

Free-throw percentage:

Brown .769
White .758
Jackson .750

Steals:

Dobson 37
Reed 29
Campbell 22

Blocks:

Rowe 61
Campbell 10
Dobson 7

WOMEN'S HOCKEY:Goals:

Karen Droog (10)
Meagan Aarts (eight)
Jarin Sjogren (five)

Assists:

Aarts (eight)
Naomi Smethurst, Andrea
Steranko (six)
Sjogren, Culver, Munro, Cindy
Biron, Raffi Wolf (four)

Goaltending:

Lara Smart (2-8-3, 2.42 goals
against average, .919 save per-
centage)
Dawn Froats (4-2-1, 1.98 goals
against average, .904 save per-
centage)

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eight or nine good players who play together.

UMaine opened the contest with a 10-0 run to begin the game spearheaded by back-to-back three-pointers by guards Kevin Reed and Derrick Jackson. Reed ended with 14 points, leading four Black Bears in double figures.

The Terriers early season

schedule reveals some impressive teams from major Division I conferences. Coach Dennis Wolff's team lost in tight games to Stanford University, George Washington University, cross-town rival Boston College, and the current number team in all of college basketball, Arizona.

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Adrienne Norris led Boston University with 13 points, most coming from the free throw line where she was '9-10. The Terriers shot a season-low 19 percent from the floor, making just 10 field goals in the entire game. Boston University fell to 7-11 on the year, 4-3 in America East play.

UMaine held a staggering 35-15 lead at halftime and posted the 22-point win despite 22 Black Bear turnovers.

Sophomore forward Monica Peterson scored eight points and hauled down 10 rebounds for the Black Bears, who haven't lost since Dec. 28, a 75-74 loss at the hands of Holy Cross.

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Junior Heon sparks contagious confidence

By Becky Sturtevant
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine women's basketball team gets by with a little help from its friends each other.

The tight-knit group has won eight straight games and boasts a 5-0 conference record (12-4 overall), making the Black Bears the only undefeated team in the America East conference. Part of the success lies in UMaine's offensive balance. Rather than having a go-to player, the Black Bears have been sharing the offensive duties and relying on various individuals for offensive production.

One such player is guard Melissa Heon. The junior has stepped up and become an offensive leader for coach Sharon Versyp's team.

We need leaders and players stepping up every game, being consistent, and I wanted to be one of those players for my team, Heon said. They can count on me to show up for every game ready to go, put my numbers up and fill my role on this team.

In her first two seasons at UMaine, Heon was noted as a defensive specialist. While she still showcases her defensive skills, she has quickly emerged as an offensive threat.

At the end of each season, you sit down with your coach and evaluate your season, Heon said. After it was all said and done, offense was going to be my main focus all summer. Sophomore year, I came off a summer of shooting, shooting and some more shooting. I worked on my offensive game all summer.

The Somersworth, N.H. native is averaging 11.3 points per game and 4.9 rebounds per game. She can also pass the ball, averaging 3.44 assists per game, second on the team only to sophomore Kim Corbitt.

You have to find your role so you can contribute on the team within that season, and mine was defense [in my first two years], Heon said.

In regards to this season, Heon feels more confident about the team's progress,

as well as her own.

I have a different confidence to me this year than the past two years, Heon said. That has been carrying me through this season and I don't foresee it going away.

Aside from the eight-game win streak, the Black Bears have other notable accomplishments. They handed the University of Vermont their worst loss of the season (64-38) while holding the Catamounts to 32.7 percent shooting. Vermont had been ranked first in the league in field goal percentage entering last Wednesday's matchup.

The Catamounts are not the only team atop the America East Standings. The Black Bears hold first place in the confer-

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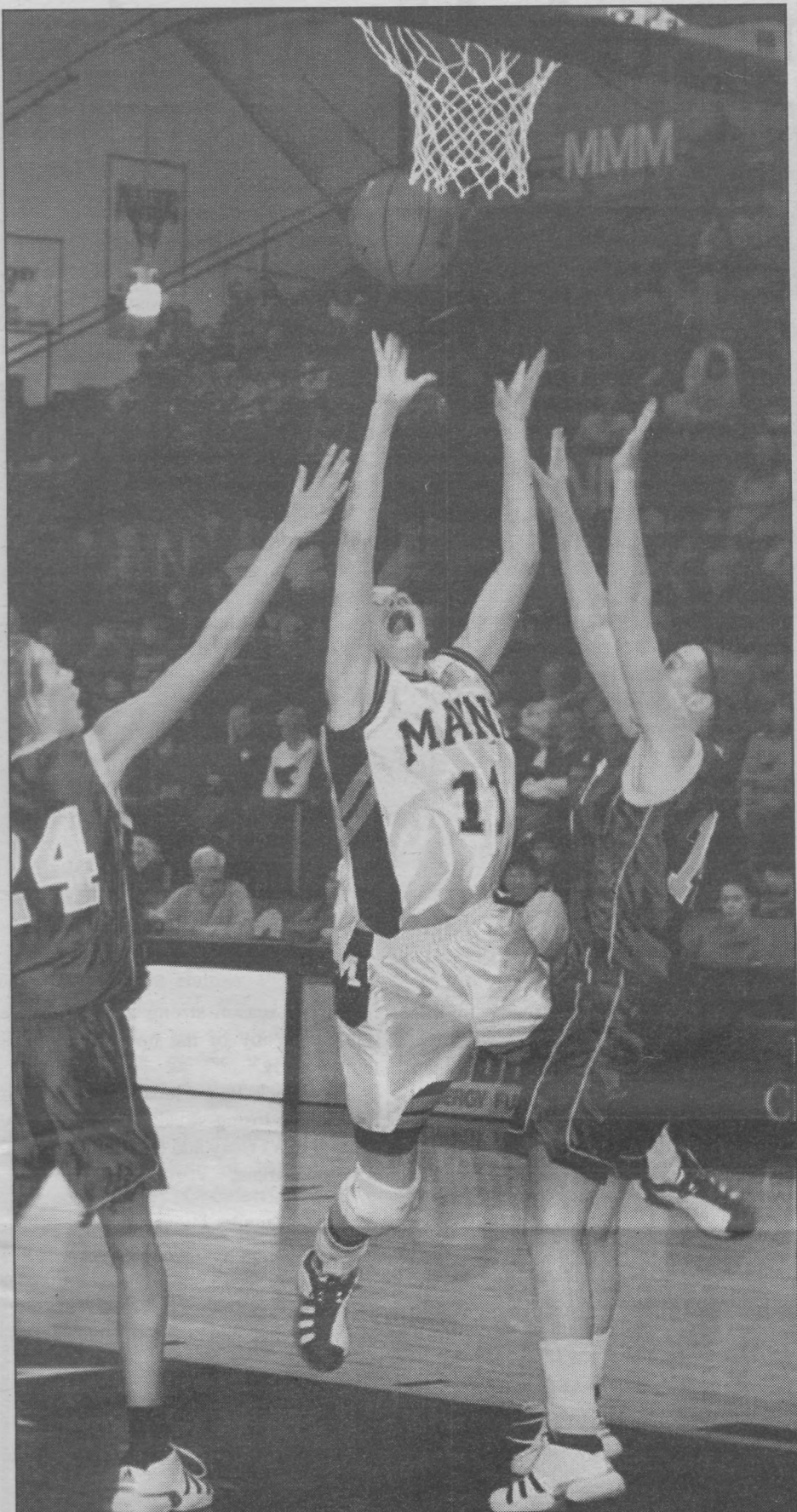
ence, and are ranked first in field goal percentage defense, allowing opponents only 35.7 percent shooting from the field.

UMaine also leads the league in rebounding margin, with a +7.9 rebounding margin over opponents. The rebounding has in turn created offense and has limited opponents to fewer shots.

The next matchup for the UMaine will come Feb. 1 against the University of Hartford, and tip-off is slated for noon at Alford Arena.

If the Black Bears defeat Hartford, they will reach ten consecutive wins and tie the record set by the 1999-2000 Black Bears, coached by Joanne Palombo-McCallie. That season, UMaine earned a berth in the NCAA tournament, and this year's Black Bears hope to repeat that feat.

There is no doubt we will win, Heon said. There is a perfect amount of confidence that radiates off of us, and we are starting to get that.



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University of Maine junior forward Heather Ernest goes up for a layup against the University of Vermont Jan. 22. The Black Bears are enjoying an eight-game win streak, their longest win streak under coach Sharon Versyp.

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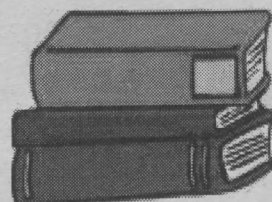


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Women's hockey hoping to shake struggles

By Matt Hritz
For The Maine Campus

After starting the new year with a 3-0-2 record, the University of Maine women's hockey team has suffered three consecutive losses, the last two coming against Niagara University 4-2 and 4-3 last weekend. One of the reasons for the recent lack of success is a lack of confidence, according to head coach Rick Filighera.

It's a confidence thing with us, Filighera said. The longer the game stays 0-0 or tied, the harder it is for us because we lack confidence. After we get scored on, we need that next line or two to go after the other team. We've got to start being a little smarter out there.

Next on the Black Bears' plate is Cornell University (1-13-1), which has had problems of its own. This season, opponents have outscored Cornell 69-12 in 15 games.

At this point I believe we should not take any team lightly, senior forward Raffi Wolf said. Looking at someone's record does not provide us with a forecast of how the team will show up. Cornell will not travel all the way to Maine to lose two hockey games. They will be motivated to play us, and we need to be ready for the challenge.

Offensively, the Big Red are led by freshman forward Jen Munhofen, who has two goals and four assists. The goaltending has been a sore spot for Cornell. The save percentage for all three goalies combined is .872. Goaltending duties are split mainly between seniors Liz Connelly and Sanya Sandahl.

They are probably good [goaltenders], but they lack real confidence, Filighera



CAMPUS PHOTO • JON WHITE

Black Bears junior forward Meagan Aarts travels up the wing past a Niagara University player in UMaine's 4-2 loss Saturday, Jan. 25. The Bears host two games against Cornell University Friday and Saturday at Alford Arena.

said. So what you want to do is throw pucks to the net and hopefully create some more chances.

UMaine has 10 games remaining this season and hopes to turn things around in time to make the Hockey East playoffs. Only the top four teams make the playoffs.

The Black Bears are currently in fifth place.

We still have 10 games left, and we will be able to pull it together, Wolf said.

The effort of every player is there, and once we start putting the puck in the net, everything could be possible. We will

finish the season strong as long as we don't take any of the upcoming opponents lightly.

The Black Bears look to break their three-game losing streak when they play Cornell this Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. at Alford Arena.

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Moore, Howard relish break at World Juniors

By Jeff Mannix
Staff Reporter

University of Maine men's hockey freshmen Jimmy Howard and Greg Moore had a unique opportunity over winter break this year. Both players were selected to play for Team USA at the World Junior Hockey Championships in Halifax and Sydney, Nova Scotia from Dec. 26-Jan. 5.

It was truly a learning experience, Howard said. I only played in two games altogether, but that stuff happens.

Howard was the starting goalie in the opening game of the tournament in Sydney against Russia, who eventually won the tournament. Howard surrendered four goals to the Russians by the 10-minute mark of the second period and was pulled by USA coach Lou Vairo for Bobby Goepfert, a freshman at Providence.

Team USA lost that game 5-1, and Goepfert started every game thereafter, until the bronze medal game in Halifax against Finland. Howard played the first period and surrendered two goals before giving way to Goepfert to start the second. USA lost that game 3-2.

They made the right decision, Howard said of Vairo's choice to play Goepfert over him. In a short tournament, you go with the guy who wins games.

In the Russia game, Howard gave up three of the four goals to 17-year-old Alexander Ovechkin. Ovechkin is already being touted as the top draft pick in the 2004 NHL entry draft, when he is old enough to become eligible at age 19.

Howard says Ovechkin was the real deal.

He has the best shot I've ever faced. He one-timed one out of the air on me, the next time he picked the corner over my shoulder. He has one of the best shots in the world. Certainly better than anything



CAMPUS PHOTO • JULIE ALTENHOFF

University of Maine first-year goaltender Jimmy Howard makes a save against University of Massachusetts-Lowell forward Bobby Robins in the Black Bears' 3-2 win Friday at Alford Arena. Howard and UMaine teammate Greg Moore spent part of their winter break traveling to Canada to compete in the World Junior Championships as members of Team USA.

I've seen in college.

Some goaltenders who had played as well as Howard before the tournament might have gotten down about bad play. Howard, though, used his struggles at the World Juniors as motivation to play better once he got back to UMaine.

We always talk about mental toughness, Howard said. I wanted to show that I was mentally tough. I was excited to get back here and see the guys [and] the coaches and get to play in a game. I left [the experience] in Halifax, I wasn't going to bring it back here. We've got the second half of the season in front of us and I don't want to screw it up

for us, I want to go as far as we can.

[The tournament] experience helped him, UMaine coach Tim Whitehead said. It's helped him focus on what he needs to do to get better. He loves it here and we're glad to have him. He just wants to play hockey and we're going to give him that opportunity. He's picked up right where he left off. He's consistent in preparation, practices and games. We have tremendous confidence in him.

Greg Moore also had his struggles at World Juniors, but thinks he also came away better for it.

It wasn't easy to get going up

there, Moore said. He had only one assist for the entire tournament, in an 8-2 win over Belarus in the preliminary round. He did play in all seven games for Team USA.

It was a good experience. It was nice to see everyone again, Moore said. Both Howard and Moore played with most of the players from the World Junior team in the U.S. National Team Development Program, a two-year intensive hockey training program in Ann Arbor, Mich.

The level of coaching [at USNDP] is outstanding, Moore said. Hockey is your focus. You're on the ice twice a day. You really become close to

your teammates.

Howard played with two players from the program on his line at World Juniors, with Brian McConnell of Boston University and Gino Guyer of Minnesota. Minnesota's Barry Tallackson was also shifted in on that line.

Moore has had one multiple-goal game since the tournament, a two-goal showing at Merrimack Jan. 17.

Greg is a great prospect, Whitehead said. He's been a strong power forward for us from day one. We think he will be major player for us for years to come. World Juniors was a great experience for him.

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at Alford Arena Nov. 22 on a Martin Kariya goal. These games are important because the two teams are part of a three-way tie atop Hockey East with Boston College going into the weekend. UMaine has one game-in-hand on UNH and two games-in-hand on BC.

UNH is coming off of a weekend split with Boston University. The Wildcats lost at BU 5-2 on Thursday but picked up a 3-0 win at the Whittemore Center in Durham on Saturday. Junior goalie Mike Ayers made 38 saves in the shutout.

Ayers is a major key to UNH's success. He is 16-5-3 in 24 games played, with a 1.99 goals against average and a .932 save percentage.

Up front, UNH is loaded. Senior Lanny Gare has surprisingly been the leader this year. He is second in Hockey East in scoring with 14 goals and 23 assists for 37 points. The only man

ahead of him is UMaine's Kariya (13-27-40). UNH also has senior Colin Hemingway (13-16-29), breakout sophomore Prestin Callender (9-12-21) and the 2002 Hockey East Rookie of the Year Sean Collins (13-5-18).

They have a great stable of forwards, so we'll need to be sharp, Whitehead said. They have a lot of weapons. But we've seen them and played them tough each time. They play us tough as well. It should be a typical Maine/UNH weekend where each game goes down to the wire.

The defense, already one of the best in Hockey East, got a major boost at the end of December when senior Garrett Stafford re-entered the lineup. Stafford missed the entire first half of the season because academic problems rendered him ineligible for the entire fall semester. He has played eight

games and has five assists.

One interesting decision for Whitehead will be which goalie he goes with.

Jimmy [Howard] had the better of the last two weekends, but I'm very confident that Frank [Doyle] will play well in his next game, Whitehead said. When you get down to the end of the season, you need to do what it takes to put yourself in position to win games, and that changes from week to week. We may do one thing one weekend and do the complete opposite the next. We don't want to get too far ahead of ourselves. We are going to focus on the first game and try to steal some points on the road.

Howard has won his last two games, stopping 35 and 34 shots, respectively. Doyle has been in net for the two recent ties. He stopped 20 shots in a 5-5 tie at Merrimack and 30 last Saturday against UMass-Lowell in the 4-4 draw.

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9-inch, white guy with bum knees who is built like the 73-year-old man who feeds ducks at the local pond. OK, maybe Steve Kerr is the exception, but there are still 28 other teams that could use me.

Now's my chance. I trained hard all year. OK, I didn't, but I watched a lot of games. All right, I didn't do that either, but I did catch some NBA action while flipping between The Osbournes and Joe Millionaire (could you believe that last episode?).

Wait ... hold on ... the commissioner is coming up to the podium. This could be my big chance.

The commissioner: And, with the second pick in the 2004 NBA Draft. The (insert awful team here) select ... Prakash Heptulla, forward, from Kerala, India.

Well, whatever. With my upside, baby, there's always next year.

Sports

Women's hockey team hosts Cornell University for two games at Alford Arena this weekend.



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NBA draft standards declining

By Jim Doughty
For The Maine Campus

Scene: Huddled in front of my living room TV, watching the 2004 National Basketball Association draft.

The NBA commissioner: With the first pick in the 2004 NBA draft, the (insert terrible NBA team here) select Tommy Wilson, guard, from Middlebury Junior High School.

TV announcer: You know why I like this pick. Upside. The kid has tremendous upside.

Another announcer: He dominated the other seventh-graders he faced last season and hasn't even hit his growth spurt yet.

First announcer: What a great pick! He's got all the intangibles, plus he can read at a ninth-grade level, so you know he's got the brains.

Why are you getting this inside glimpse of the 2004 NBA draft? Well, because any moment now, my name will be called.

After seeing the 2003 draft, I figured it was finally time to declare myself eligible. I discussed the possibility with family, friends, mailmen, small children, trash barrels, street signs and other inanimate objects and decided to officially enter my name in the 2004 NBA draft.

Anyone who witnessed the 2003 draft knows anything is possible. LeBron My mom gave me a Hummer (By that I mean the SUV) James went No. 1 overall, right out of high school. A record 37 foreign players were drafted. Sixteen of them passed customs and played during the season. An old guy with a prosthetic leg and a lisp went 43rd overall. The Celtics, searching to find someone to replace Vin Baker's productivity, drafted a coat hanger and a box of hair on consecutive picks.

That's why this year's draft is my chance. I got upside. I got upside coming out my ear. My next-door neighbor got drafted last year. Once she got off maternity leave, she dropped 14 points per game for the Suns. I used to beat her one-on-one in the driveway all the time (before she was pregnant, wise guy). Oh yeah, I got upside.

Looking at the teams in the league, I did not see one 5-foot-

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Win streak to 9 for UMaine women's hoops

By Eric Russell
Sports Editor

The University of Maine women's basketball team increased its winning streak to nine games with a 59-37 win over Boston University at Case Gymnasium in Boston Wednesday night.

The Black Bears improved to 13-4 on the season and a perfect 6-0 in America East Conference play. The current streak is the longest in coach Sharon Versyp's tenure as UMaine coach.

Junior forward Heather Ernest led the Black Bears with 20 points and 12 rebounds. She connected on 9-15 shots from the field and played only 26 minutes.

UMaine played most of the game without junior guard Melissa Heon, the team's second leading scorer behind Ernest, but plenty other Black Bears were there to pick up the slack. Junior forward Julie Veilleux chipped in 12 points and sophomore guard Kim Corbitt dished out a season-high nine assists.

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BU second half surge sinks men's basketball

By Lucas Peterson
Staff Reporter

The Boston University Terriers entered Wednesday night's contest last in the America East Conference in three-point field goal percentage. The visitor's cold shooting lasted only through the first half as the Terriers (12-7, 7-1 America East) turned an eight-point halftime deficit into a 63-53 win over the University of Maine (8-12, 3-5) men's basketball team.

It certainly was a tale of two halves, BU coach Dennis Wolff said after his team scored just 19 points in the first frame. I didn't think we were capable of playing as bad as we played, from an offensive standpoint, in the first half.

The second half was a different story. The defending America East champions spread the floor and began the second half knocking down six of their first seven shots from beyond the arc. The Terriers lethal shooting turned an eight-point lead into a 39-31 advantage with 14:40 left in the game.

They shot the ball really well, UMaine coach John Giannini said, allud-

ing to the early success BU had to start the second half. They're certainly a good team. Ask Florida State and Arizona if they're a good team.

The Black Bears cut the gap to just one point two times the rest of the way, but never regained the lead. With just over eight minutes to play, guard Eric Dobson's wild runner off the glass slimmed the margin to 47-46 and led to a BU timeout. Dobson finished with 12 points and six assists.

We don't execute real well in crunch time, Giannini said. Offensively, we have a lot of one-on-one play and we just break down defensively at the wrong time.

Giannini pointed to a Paul Seymour three-pointer with three minutes to go as the deciding play. BU gained possession after Maine picked up a ten-second violation and Seymour promptly drained his fourth three-pointer. The senior led a balanced scoring attack with 14 points.

If you look at the statistical deal throughout the league, Wolff said, we don't have the leading scorers, we've got

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University of Maine freshman Gref Moore (15) is hauled down by a University of Massachusetts-Lowell player in the Black Bears' 3-2 win Friday, Jan. 24. UMaine travels to New Hampshire this weekend for a showdown with the Wildcats.

Black Bears, Wildcats wage hockey battle in N.H.

By Jeff Mannix
Staff Reporter

If you would like to see a men's hockey game between the University of Maine and the University of New Hampshire mean something, you'll be in heaven this weekend. The Black Bears go on the road this weekend to play two games in the Granite State: one in Manchester, one in Durham against the Wildcats and first place in Hockey East on the line. UMaine will go into the week-

end ranked No. 1 in the U.S. College Hockey Online Poll, but No. 2 in the USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll, sliding one spot after a win and a tie against the University of Massachusetts-Lowell last weekend. The team's record is 20-2-4, 10-1-3 in Hockey East. UNH is ranked fifth in both polls, with a 17-5-3 overall record and an 11-3-1 Hockey East mark.

UMaine coach Tim Whitehead feels Saturday night's first game at the Verizon Wireless Arena in Manchester will be an exciting

environment.

It can't hurt us, Whitehead said. We were really ready to go for our game in Portland, I'm sure they will be for this one. It's exciting to play in a different arena, and it will be a lot of fun.

The building seats 10,500 fans and the game is sold out.

If you don't have a ticket though, you're not out of luck. Saturday's game will be broadcast by WABI-TV in Bangor, and Sunday's game will be on Fox Sports Net New England as the

Hockey East Game of the Week.

I think it's great, because it is rare for [Maine] road games to be on TV, Whitehead said. It's great too because UNH/Maine games are always sold out, no matter what rink it's played at. It's a great opportunity to create more enthusiasm over the rivalry.

The Black Bears have won the only confrontation between the two teams so far this season. UMaine took a 2-1 overtime win

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