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UMaine this semester?
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Admissions debate unlikely to affect UM

**Affirmative action
plan unnecessary
at Maine, says Hoff**

By Aimee Dollof
Copy Editor

In order to determine how the Supreme Court's decision concerning the University of Michigan's affirmative action policy will effect the University of Maine, school officials must wait until March.

"It's difficult to project until we know what that outcome could be," John Beacon, dean of enrollment management, said last week. "At the moment, the issue isn't relevant to the University of Maine because we don't discriminate."

Beacon explained that, unlike Michigan, we are not at full capacity for enrollment. UMaine has a rolling admissions policy based on academic performance and a student's ability to achieve academic success, regardless of race or ethnic background. Achieving a diverse, educational atmosphere always has been the ambition of the university.

"We don't give extra points to different people," Evelyn Silver, director of equal opportunity at UMaine, said recently. She explained that if the court's decision is narrowly tailored, as it is expected to be, UMaine will not be affected. Yet, if the decision is broad, the recruitment efforts taken to make UMaine a diverse institution



CAMPUS PHOTO • BECKY PETERSON

Affirmative action in college admissions continues to be a hot topic on campuses across the country. University of Maine students, however, may not be affected by the debate.

may become illegal.

"Fortunately, we are not in a position where we have to choose between diversity and accommodating qualified Maine citizens who apply for admission," President Peter Hoff said. "Although we have strong admission standards and

are not an 'open enrollment' university, we have enough capacity here to admit everyone who has what it takes intellectually and academically to be a UMaine student. So, we do not find ourselves needing to make the kind of difficult choices that some other universities

face."

UMaine and the system as a whole strive to create a diverse community where students can learn in a multicultural environment.

"We want a range, so there's

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**Bush pushes Supreme
Court towards decision
on Michigan Policy**

**By Maryanne George,
Steven Thomma and
Diego Ibarguen**
Knight Ridder
Newspapers

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — President George W. Bush asked the U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday to hear his arguments criticizing the University of Michigan's admission system as an illegal quota system.

U.S. Solicitor General Ted Olson, acting as Bush's agent, asked the court for 10 minutes during oral arguments April 1, to expand Bush's arguments. The arguments, detailed in legal briefs filed with the court last month, claim that Michigan's law school and undergraduate policies unfairly reward or penalize students based on race.

Olson was reportedly unhappy that Bush's briefs did not ask the court to overturn the 1978 Supreme Court decision in the Bakke case, which struck down quotas but permitted the use of race as a factor in admissions.

"I support diversity of all kinds, including racial diversity in higher education," the president said in a statement from the White House last month. "But the method used by the University of Michigan to achieve this important goal is

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Delta Tau set to return to Orono; Pi Beta Phi may be out a house

By Brett Zeigler
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine will soon have one more fraternity chapter and one less sorority house on campus.

If things go as expected, an interest group led by Benjamin Madore will become the first members of Delta Tau Delta fraternity at UMaine since 1997. According to Madore, the new Delta Tau is going to be "a brand new type of fraternity."

Delta Tau Delta was kicked off campus six years ago when they "lost recognition for violating university and national poli-

cies," EJ Roach, director of Greek life, said.

This is not the first attempt to reinstate the former fraternity. In 1999, an interest group made a similar attempt and nearly succeeded, but "the national chapter pulled the plug," Roach said. "They thought it was too soon."

The new DTD says it won't have to worry about losing recognition again, as it plans on being a fraternity "unlike any other."

"Me and some friends wanted to join a frat and we didn't like any of the ones we saw, so we decided to start our own," Ben Madore, a sophomore new

media major and president of the interest group, said.

In October of last year, the group started building the fraternity, and this Friday, representatives from the national DTD chapter will conduct a pledge ceremony making the men "colony pledges."

This pledge status allows them limited rights in the organization and prepares them to become fully active brothers, which they expect to become by early December of 2003.

Madore says the new DTD will emphasize a balance

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CAMPUS PHOTO • LAURA MADDOCK

The Pi Beta Phi flag flies above the front door of the former Delta Tau Delta house.

Iraq thwarting inspectors, Powell tells U.N.

By Diego Ibarguen,
Warren P. Strobel and
Martin Merzer
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Secretary of State Colin Powell charged in a chilling indictment Wednesday that Iraq repeatedly has conspired to conceal banned weapons, has conducted grotesque experiments on humans and is allowing al-Qaida to operate in Baghdad.

The case presented to the United Nations impressed some skeptics on the Security Council, on Capitol Hill and elsewhere. France and others continued to press for more inspections, but did not rule out eventual military action.

"The use of force can only be a final recourse," said French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin.

Offering reconnaissance photos, tapes of intercepted phone calls and accounts from defectors, Powell said the United States had "irrefutable and undeniable" evidence that Iraq was defying the United Nations and thwarting its weapons inspectors.

He said his multimedia presentation — including taped conversations between Iraqi officials — proved that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was concealing chemical and biological weapons and was working zealously and covertly to build a nuclear weapon.

"Saddam's inhumanity has no limits," Powell said.

In one of those intercepted conversations, two Iraqi military officers allegedly discuss a vehicle adapted to carry prohibited material that's in danger of being discovered by U.N. inspectors.

"We have this modified vehicle," one of them said. "What do

we say if one of them sees it?"

In another conversation, Iraqi officials appear to discuss removing the phrase "nerve agent" from various communications.

"Given Saddam Hussein's history of aggression, given what we know of his grandiose plans . . . and given his determination to exact revenge on those who oppose him, should we take the risk that he will not someday use these weapons?" Powell told the council at the end of a dramatic, 76-minute presentation scrutinized by much of a world edging closer to war.

"The United States will not and cannot run that risk to the American people. Leaving Saddam Hussein in possession of weapons of mass destruction for a few more months or years is not an option, not in a post-Sept. 11th world."

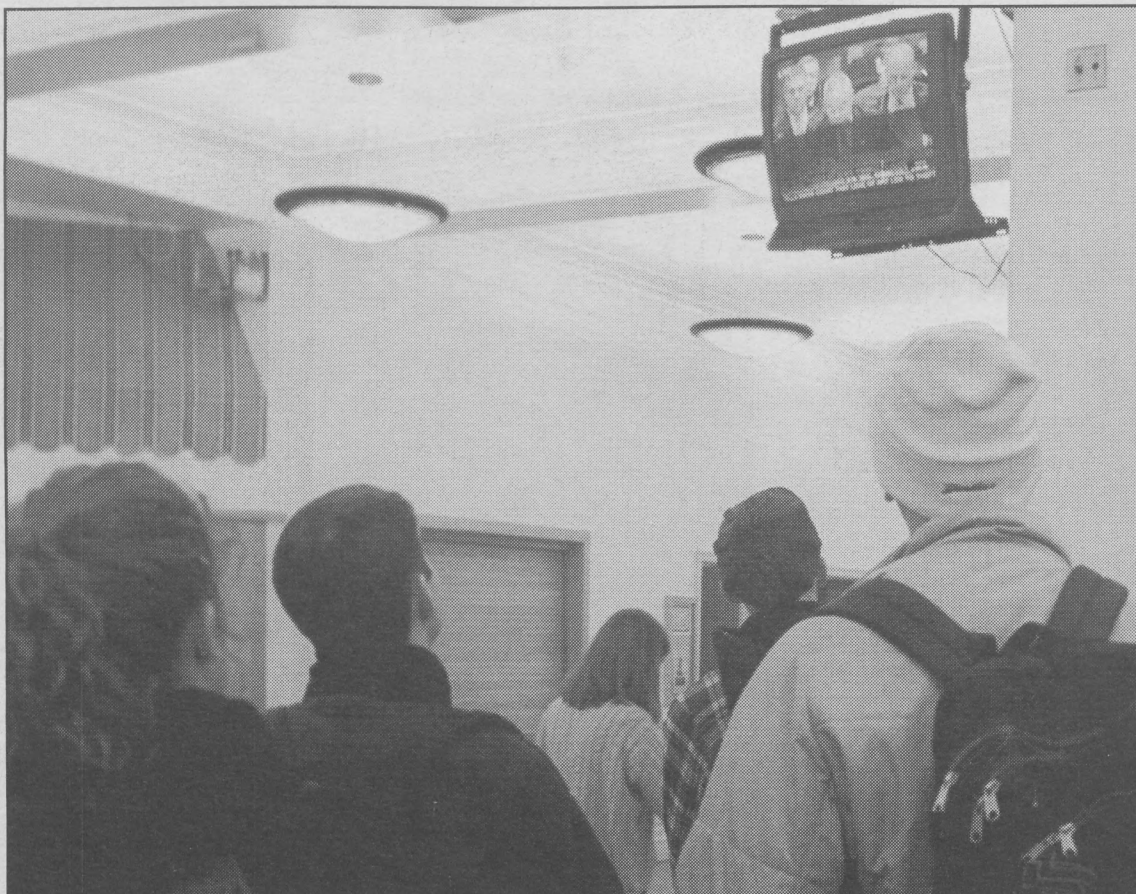
Administration officials said they would give U.N. members about 10 days to analyze Powell's information and hear another report Feb. 14 from top weapons inspectors.

Then, the officials said, the White House will decide on a final course of diplomatic action, most likely an attempt to obtain another resolution from the Security Council or issue key allies a final invitation to join in war against Saddam.

"The legal authority [for the use of force] is clear," said one American official, who asked not to be identified.

Iraqi officials accused the United States of fabricating evidence and said their country did not possess prohibited weapons.

Lt. Gen. Amir al Saadi, an adviser to Saddam, called Powell's presentation a "typical American show complete with stunts and



CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

UMaine students pause to watch the proceedings of United Nations meeting Wednesday in Memorial Union.

special effects."

Iraqi U.N. Ambassador Mohamed Aldouri said Powell's presentation contained "incorrect allegations, unnamed sources, unknown sources."

Powell's speech came at a crucial moment in the crisis, and with U.S. troops flowing to the Persian Gulf for a war that could start at the beginning of March. Most national television networks in the United States — and many overseas — interrupted regular programming to broadcast the speech live.

Reaction to the report was immediate, with some council members calling it compelling.

Other influential members still insisted that weapons inspectors be given more time before soldiers march to war.

Of particular importance were China, Russia and France, who — like the United States and Britain — have veto power on the Security Council. All three argued for more inspections, and France called for tripling the number of inspectors.

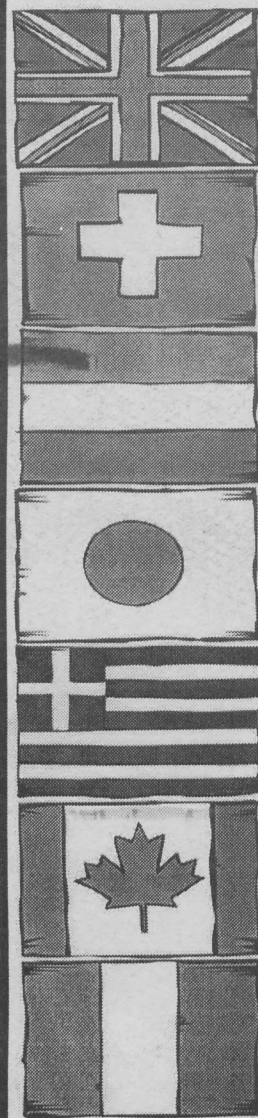
At the same time, though, French President Jacques Chirac has ordered his military to prepare for possible action in the Persian Gulf, according to a senior European diplomat who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

"In the end, I expect the French

will be there," the diplomat said.

Powell charged that nearly two dozen extremists linked to al-Qaida have established a base in the Iraqi capital of Baghdad and "are operating freely there." He said the terrorist cell was headed by Abu Mussab al Zarqawi, whom the United States has identified as an associate and collaborator of Osama bin Laden.

Powell said al Zarqawi and his associates were developing ricin and other poisons at a camp in northeastern Iraq, in a Kurdish independent zone outside Saddam's control. Powell did not explain how Saddam could be held accountable for that.



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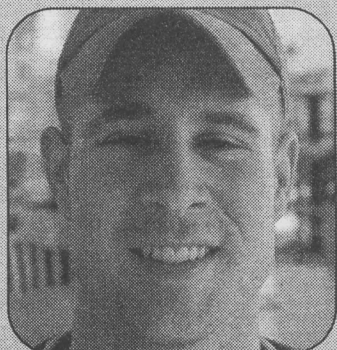
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Bangor organization looks for volunteers

By Kasey Stewart
For The Maine Campus

Spruce Run currently is seeking the help of volunteers and work-study students who are able to assist them in Bangor.

Spruce Run is an organization that provides services for people affected by domestic violence. As the third-oldest domestic violence agency in the country, Spruce Run serves as an emergency shelter for victims of domestic abuse in the Penobscot County region.

But this is only a small part of what they do, according to Jan Blake, children services coordinator at Spruce Run.

The group provides serv-

es for the public, including support and education groups, child services, community training and education about domestic violence, as well as a 24-hour hotline for those who feel at risk or threatened at home.

There will be a community candlelight vigil held at the Grace United Methodist Church in Bangor Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. to remember victims of domestic violence. Held yearly by Spruce Run, the vigil is meant to give members of the community the opportunity to reflect on the problem of domestic abuse and those who endure it as part of their daily lives.

Volunteers make up a large portion of the Spruce Run

staff, providing help with the hotline program, support groups, sorting donations and working with children. There are 30 to 40 people currently volunteering, yet there is a need for more help, particularly with the children's program.

"If you're interested in working with kids and making a difference, this is a good place to come," Blake said. "Our goal is to give kids a space and time where they can just be a kid and so that they can exist on a level that most other children do."

Blake said volunteers can expect a flexible time commitment and schedule.

"If they just want to volunteer two to three hours per



CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

Amanda Cost (left), the School-Based Advocacy Coordinator, meets with Amber Crowell to discuss plans at the Spruce Run offices Wednesday afternoon.

week, they could. All I ask is that they come in at least twice per month. A person could get as few as three to as many as 20 hours. They

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High schoolers mourn Columbia loss

By Kyle Webster
Staff Reporter

BRUNSWICK— Brunswick Junior High School students will notice a tragic change when they log on to their Web site this week.

Normally this site stands as an information hub and a place for students to explore. But since Saturday, the site has served as a memorial to send out praise to the astronauts of the Columbia space shuttle tragedy and condolences to their families.

In this small southern Maine school, close ties to the NASA program have had profound effects on the community.

Diane Bowen, an eighth-grade science teacher at the school, led a team of students in a program called EarthKam. Over the past few weeks, the students followed the crew of STS-107 closely, learning from and listening to

them. As recently as Thursday, the students watched live footage of the astronauts answering questions.

"We're in a risky business, and we hope that if anything happens to us it will not delay the program. The conquest of space is worth the risk of life."

In an interview with the Portland Press Herald, Bowen stated that all of her students, not just the EarthKam team, were taking the tragedy relatively hard.

"They have been inundated

with reports in every single class, presentations on exactly what's going on on Columbia, and so this is going to hit all of them, not just my EarthKam team," she said.

Bowen has worked with NASA-sponsored programs in her classroom for years and was even sent applications for the teacher-in-space program expected to start again soon. Despite this tragedy, Bowen insists the space program should continue.

"It's what they would have wanted," she said.

Bowen's mentality is mirrored by a quotation from astronaut Gus Grissom, that stands at the bottom of the Web site memorial: "If we die, we want people to accept it. We're in a risky business, and we hope that if anything happens to us it will not delay the program. The conquest of space is worth the risk of life."

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UM system, tech schools pledge to merge efforts

Katrina Freedman
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine System and the Maine Technical College System entered an agreement to work more closely together Saturday, Jan. 25. The announcement, made at the new Mid Coast Center for Higher Education in Bath, was endorsed by Gov. John Baldacci.

"It's important in these times to get our educational institutions to work together. It's in all of our interests," Baldacci said at the Bath opening.

The agreement, which was orchestrated by UMS Chancellor

Joseph Westphal and MTCS President John Fitzsimmons, includes enhancing transfer opportunities, working together to support the state's economic development, exploring shared services and facilities, and working on grant and scholarship proposals.

"It's really just a good will effort to work together, something that hasn't happened, certainly not at the highest levels," Westphal said in a Bangor Daily News article.

Westphal and Fitzsimmons will select three individuals apiece to form the six-member coordinating advisory commit-

tee. They also will select one co-chair to lead the committee. Members may include college and university presidents, vice presidents, senior administrators and system officials.

This is not the first effort the systems have made to come together. In 1998, the two merged to form the Community College Partnership of Maine. Under this partnership, students can enroll in the Associate in Arts in General Studies program at a Maine technical school and take courses specifically designed to transfer to Maine universities.

In addition to the new merger,

Fitzsimmons plans to present a bill to the Legislature this session requesting that Maine's technical schools change to community colleges. If this change is implemented, there could be many benefits for Maine citizens, according to Fitzsimmons. A community college could offer services like night and evening classes and an "open admissions" policy.

People around the state are enthusiastic about the new agreement between the two systems.

"I think it's great that technical college credits will be easier to transfer to Maine universi-

ties," Jesse Haskell, a second-year student at Eastern Maine Technical College, said.

"I'm going to take a couple of classes this summer at York County Technical College to help me get ahead in my major here at UMaine," Michelle Merrill, a third-year communications major at UMaine, said. "It will be really convenient for me due to the fact that it is so much closer to my house in the southern part of the state. I'm glad to see more steps being taken to bring the UMaine system together with Maine's technical colleges."

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always going to be some [recruitment] efforts that are special in that respect," Silver said, "but that's not to say that once they apply, we're going to have different standards for different groups."

According to the latest census, Maine is the "whitest" state in the nation, Silver said. If the university didn't make any special efforts to recruit a diverse body of applicants, UMaine would most likely be a representation of our state, which is not a representation of the real world, according to Silver.

UMaine's nondiscrimination notice, which can be found at the front of the undergraduate catalog, reads: "In complying with the letter and spirit of applicable laws and in pursuing its own goals of diversity, the University of Maine System shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national

origin or citizenship status, age, disability, or veteran's status in employment, education, and all other areas of the university."

This policy does not favor applicants based on their race, religion or other standard, but rather encourages these diverse bodies to apply to UMS schools to create a realistic, real-world student population.

"It's important to the education of our students that [UMaine is] at least somewhat reflective of the type of workforce they will be in after school," Silver said. "They're going to have to know how to relate and work with people who look differently than they do."

It has been a longtime goal

of university administrators to increase diversity at UMaine. When Robert Kennedy became provost and vice president of academic affairs on July 1, 2000, he continued to build on the diversity action plan previ-

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ously put in place by UMaine officials. Based on the previous policy, he created a three-tiered system to increase, promote and advance efforts to make and keep UMaine a diverse community.

A new plan, which spans from 2003-05, recently was

posted on the UMaine Web site by school officials.

"[Diversity] includes an understanding and appreciation of difference in age, ethnicity, gender, race, culture, nationality, sexual orientation, religion, class and physical ability," the plan reads. "The Diversity Action Plan is designed to move the University of Maine closer toward the goal of a diverse, inclusive campus community."

Although Kennedy could not be reached to comment on the plan, a statement written by him for UMaine Today said that the university "is committed to creating and sustaining a welcoming environment for all students, faculty, staff and visi-

tors."

University officials plan to continue recruiting and accepting students to UMaine the way they always have until they are told the policy must change. If the Supreme Court decision does create a need for change in UMaine's admission policies, it will be dealt with at that time.

"We have always taken the position that the more diverse the campus is, in terms of faculty, staff and students, the better the educational environment. We are preparing students to go out and live and work in a world that contains far more difference and diversity than does our state. So it behooves us to try to create the most diverse educational environment we can," Hoff said.

Beacon stood by the university's policy and commitment to diversity.

"Our policy says that we don't discriminate and we won't," Beacon said.

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would just need to talk to me about that."

There also are internships open for those interested in further broadening their experiences.

Before beginning work, each volunteer must complete a training program, preparing them to handle any situation with people affected by domestic violence. Blake admits that it takes a specific type of person to become an effective volunteer.

"We look for someone who can listen, someone who is almost fearless and can deal with many situations with kids. Training usually weeds people out."

Training sessions will be held Saturdays and Mondays,

beginning Saturday, Feb. 8, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The last day of training will be Monday, Feb. 24. Blake suggests contacting her as soon as possible.

In addition to making a difference in the community, Blake agrees that for a volunteer, "this experience looks good on resumes. Most agencies value the thorough training that we provide."

For more information, prospective volunteers and

work-study candidates can contact Maureen Flagg or Jan Blake at the Spruce Run Association at 945-5102. On campus, students can also contact volunteer coordinator Lynette Dexter, located in the Student Employment Office at 229 Alumni Hall, by FirstClass or by calling 581-1349.

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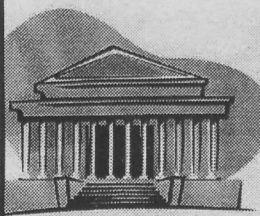
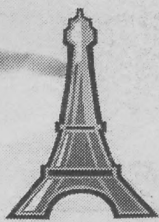
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Local teachers look toward stars despite tragedy

By Rick Redmond
For The Maine Campus

Despite Saturday's loss of the space shuttle Columbia and its seven-member crew, two local educators still have their sights set on the stars.

Ellen Holmes of Newburgh and Richard Glueck of Winterport are among thousands of potential applicants hoping to travel aboard a space shuttle as part of the Educator Astronaut Program.

The last civilian trained as an astronaut was Christa McAuliffe, who died on Jan. 28, 1986 when the Challenger space shuttle exploded shortly after takeoff from Kennedy Space Center. McAuliffe was the first teacher to

attempt to go to space through the Educator Astronaut Program.

"If anything, this has made me more determined than ever," Holmes said. "It's easy to point fingers after a tragedy like this, but what we really need to be focusing on is the seven beautiful minds that we have lost and how to prevent future mistakes."

One of the reasons Holmes is committed to pursuing a seat on a space shuttle is to inspire her fourth-grade students at Fairmount Elementary School in Bangor.

"I want them to be able to see a world beyond the boundaries they know," Holmes said.

Glueck asked his science class at Orono Middle School

Monday morning how many of them would still go into space if they were given the opportunity.

"I was quite surprised that nearly two-thirds said they would go," Glueck said. Glueck was a candidate for the Challenger shuttle flight and decided to join the running after hearing the announcement of the return of the Educator Astronaut Program last month.

"We are a species that learns from taking risks. If we can't take risks and learn from our errors, we might as well not go on as a society," Glueck said.

Concentrating more on the groundwork for NASA is Neil Comins, professor of astronomy

at the University of Maine. For the past four summers, he has worked with NASA and the American Society of Engineering Educators at Moffett Field Research Center in California developing computer programs and galaxy simulations.

"My work is extremely rewarding and intellectually stimulating for me. But we are all driven by different things and [going to space] is not something I feel I need to do," Comins said. "There are too many things I cherish on Earth."

Comins is the author of several books, including "What if the Moon Didn't Exist" (1993). In the book, Comins details the important role the moon played in

our space race during the Kennedy administration.

"It was a visual, achievable goal that helped [President] Kennedy get the world focused on the importance of space exploration," Comins said.

One common desire shared by Holmes and Glueck is to get the chance to look out the window of the space shuttle and see our planet below them.

"Everyone says it looks so peaceful and fragile from up there," Holmes said.

"When you're up there, you don't see the borders of the United States and you don't see Iraq," Glueck said. "You see the world as a whole, that's the important thing."

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fundamentally flawed. At their core, the Michigan policies amount to a quota system that unfairly rewards or penalizes perspective students solely on their race."

Bush criticized the Michigan system as fundamentally unfair and unconstitutional. He noted that the point system it uses to grade applicants assigns more points for being a racial minority than for getting a perfect score on the SAT test.

"The motivation for such an admissions policy may be very good, but its

result is discrimination, and that discrimination is wrong," Bush said.

He said the country should look to a different way of assuring diversity in admissions. He pointed to systems in California, Florida and Texas that

guarantee admissions for the top graduates of every high school. Those color-blind systems have maintained diversity in the state college systems without overtly using race as a criterion.

"In these states," Bush said, "race-neutral policies have resulted in levels of minority attendance for incoming students that are close to, and in some cases slightly surpass, those under the old race-based approach."

This week, Bush decided on a "narrowly tailored" legal attack that addresses only the policies at UMichigan, without categorically arguing that race never can be a factor in admissions.

Bush weighed in on affirmative action at a time when race has surged back to the forefront of American politics.

He and the Republican Party found themselves on the defen-

sive two months ago when Republican Sen. Trent Lott of Mississippi appeared to endorse former Sen. Strom Thurmond's 1948 segregationist presidential campaign.

"President Bush had a chance to show he supported civil rights and diversity, but he failed," said Sen. John Edwards (D-N.C.), who is running for president.

"Once again today, the administration has said as clearly by their action as anyone can

that they will continue to side with those opposed to civil rights and opposed to diversity in this country," said Sen. Tom Daschle (D-S.D.), the Democrats' leader in the Senate.

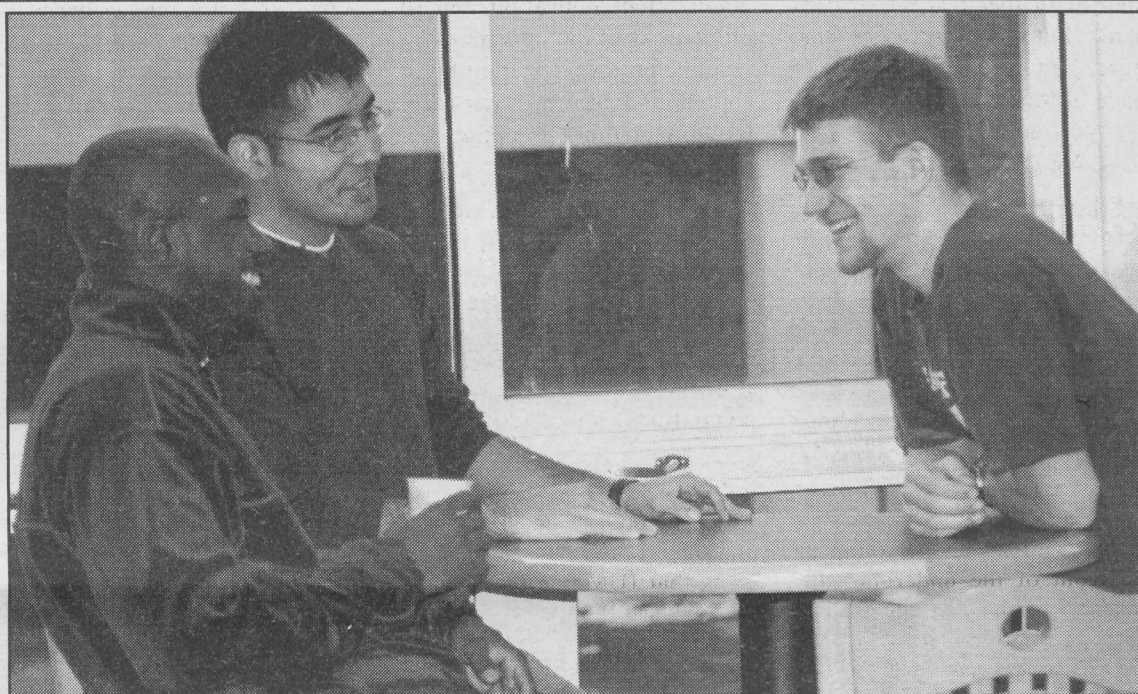
If the president succeeds in persuading the high court to outlaw racial preferences, the ultimate

test of his alternative approach would come in college classrooms. The nation's three largest states already have started alternatives to affirmative action in college admissions, and minority enrollments have shown promise.

In Bush's home state of Texas, a federal court in 1996 threw out racial preferences at the University of Texas law school. With then-Gov. Bush's support, the state adopted an alternative in which the top 10 percent of students in every high school are guaranteed admission to a state college or university of their choice.

The new program assured that top students from poor schools had the same access to college as those from wealthy schools. The process also assured that the top 10 percent of students from largely minority schools were guaranteed admission.

"The motivation for such an admissions policy may be very good, but its result is discrimination, and that discrimination is wrong."



CAMPUS PHOTO • BECKY PETERSON

Three University of Maine students gather together for the International Coffee Hour Friday afternoon in the North Pod of the Union. Alfred Matiyabo of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Alberto Davila of Peru, and Gabriel Lippincott of Maine enjoyed good friends and good conversation during the 4 to 5 p.m. gathering.

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Student Senate Notes

By Meredith Holt
Staff Reporter

The following events took place at the Feb. 4 meeting of the General Student Senate:

- The TAPPI (Pulp and Paper/Management Association) received \$2,250 for hotel accommodations for the University of Maine Energy Challenge Team's trip to Nags Head, N.C. Thirteen members will compete in the event. Past prize money has gone towards updating computer equipment in the engineering department.

- The men's Volleyball Club received \$1,080 for a new net and a set of poles.

- The Senate allocated \$1,400 to the Equestrian Team for entry fees for spring shows. The team will compete against schools such as Dartmouth University, Bowdoin College and Middlebury College.

- The Interfraternity Council received \$1,000 for speaker fees, lodging and travel expenses for Brett Sokolow. He is set to give a presentation on the topic of alcohol awareness and responsible drinking.

- The Senate allocated \$700 to the Student Women's Association to cover the cost of programs for "The Vagina Monologues" Feb. 11-13. "The Vagina Monologues" is part of a nationwide campaign to end violence against women, particularly rape and sexual assault.

- The Maine Animal Club received \$500 for transportation and accommodation for a competition at University of Connecticut.

- The Maine Peace Action Committee received \$400 to cover airfare for Amy Goodman. Goodman will address the role of the media

during times of war.

- The Senate passed a resolution by a 20-0-1 roll call vote to adopt a revised, restructured and updated Student Government constitution. The new constitution implements several changes in how Student Government is run.

- The Senate voted to amend a section of the "Standing Rules of the General Student Senate" to read, "The Parliamentarian shall sit as a voting member on the Governmental Procedures Committee of the GSS, and is eligible to serve as the Chair." The resolution was intended to allow the Parliamentarian to gain experience with the Governmental Procedures Committee.

- Senators voted in favor of a resolution to change the time and day that financial resolutions are implemented. The resolution changes the time from noon on Wednesday to 9 a.m. on Thursday. This allows the Student Government cabinet more flexibility in meeting times on Wednesdays and ensures the cabinet will consider resolutions before they are implemented. The resolution adds, "If there is a pressing need for a group to receive funding immediately following an allocation in Senate, the Standing Rules (though unadvised) may be suspended for such special cases."

- A resolution passed to formally eliminate the previous employment policy and enact an updated employment policy. The previous document included no provisions for hiring and firing, some positions were not outlined and it was not comprehensive, Student Government Vice President Matthew O. Gagnon said. Ted Curtis of Legal Services was

involved in the review process and approved the new employment policies, Gagnon said. The policies detail issues including compensation and office hours. For example, the document requires all employees of UMSG, Inc. to have a 2.0 cumulative GPA to maintain employment.

- Six new senators were sworn in. Angela Thompson, Nathanael Saintcy and Ryan Clark are new senators for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Jennifer Corbett and Dylan Moony are new senators for the College of Business, Public Policy and Health. Curtis Burrill is a new senator for the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture.

- The Senate approved a name change and revised bylaws for the Agricultural and Resource Economics Club. The ARE Club is now called the Resource Economics and Policy Club.

- Vice President for Financial Affairs Kyle Cyr reported that the \$5,383 allocated to provide accommodations for a Sheryl Crow concert was returned to unallocated funds because she declined coming to UMaine this spring.

- Vice President for Student Entertainment Keith Biddle reported that the Student Entertainment Committee plan to begin booking musical acts for Bumstock by the end of this week.

- Faculty Senate representative Jenny Londot reported that a 2 percent tuition increase is expected to take effect in December 2003 due to rising health insurance costs.

The General Student Senate meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in 100 Neville Hall.



Police Beat

Orono &
Old Town

By Cate Tiller
Staff Reporter

- A female student was touched inappropriately in the genitals by a male acquaintance on Jan. 26. The resident director of her building called Public Safety to report the incident at 3:15 a.m. On Jan. 28, Edward R. Pellerin, 19, of Orono, was charged with unlawful sexual conduct. According to police, he did not deny anything but also didn't feel at fault.

- Kristianna Hall had been suspended from school and was told to stay off campus until May 2003. Police found the 19-year-old in York Hall at 2 a.m. Feb. 1 while investigating a fire in the building. Hall had been drinking, which meant she was in violation of her bail conditions from Hancock County for an OUI charge. She was charged with illegal possession of alcohol by a minor by consumption, criminal trespassing and violating bail conditions.

- A resident assistant in Stodder Hall heard a woman crying from the first-floor men's bathroom at 1 a.m. Jan. 29. Afraid she was being assaulted, he went in to investigate and found a man and woman in the

shower, dressed and with the water off. When the RA told them to leave, he saw the woman throw away a beer can. Public Safety arrived and could tell the man had been drinking as well. He was referred to Judicial Affairs for consumption of alcohol by a minor and the two were told to use separate bathrooms.

- There was a false fire alarm in Memorial Union Jan. 21. Erin Kelly's car was stuck in the snow and she called Public Safety for help, but they didn't arrive. They said they had been tied up with other matters when she called again. It appears Kelly gave up waiting and went into the Union to get money from the ATM for a tow truck. After the alarm went off, a supervisor saw two people run towards the dorms, one of whom matched Kelly's description. When the fire department and police arrived, someone called Kelly and told her to return because officers were looking for her. She returned and admitted to bumping into and fiddling with the alarm. The Orono Fire Department said neither of those two things would activate the alarm; it had to be intentionally pulled. As a result, Kelly was charged with setting off a false public alarm.

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between social and academic life, especially to break the association between fraternities and partying and between alcohol with recruiting new members.

"Our goal as a fraternity is to create a better image of what a frat could be. We want to build the Greek community into a bigger and better thing," Madore said.

While news of the return of DTD has sparked discussion in the UMaine community, for the sisters of Pi Beta Phi, the fraternity's return

is not necessarily a good thing.

Pi Phi calls the original DTD chapter house on College Avenue home. Although the fraternity moved out, the national DTD chapter maintained ownership of the house and has leased it to Pi Beta Phi since the fall of 2000.

Now that DTD is being re-

talized it's only a matter of time before possession of the house

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will change hands again.

"The house is a big part around here at Pi Phi, but house

or no house, we'll still be a fully functioning sorority," Pi Beta Phi President Jessica Allen, a second-year psychology major, said.

"We're committed to building the Greek system as a whole, and the bigger the better," Christina Weston, a third-year mass communication major, said.

But Weston, president of the Panhellenic council, still would rather keep the house.

"We don't want to lose our house. We love our house, but at the same time, we know it's not ours," she said.

The DTD national chapter has yet to give a date for when the fraternity will move back in, but Weston expects Pi Phi to be able to renew their lease this summer, allowing them to remain in the house until the fall of 2004.

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Lecturer proposes new world order for peace

By Anglea Fiandaca
Staff Reporter

Dr. Alan Brooks proposed a test of the avoidance of war to about 15 University of Maine students and professors at Monday's Peace Studies lecture, "The Danger of War."

"I make a challenge to you. You can make a gift to the world by figuring out how this structure could be so it would be acceptable and safe to the world, so as to run without armies," he said. "This would be such a tremendous change."

Brooks, a medical doctor, educator, author and avid traveler, began by asking the group to ponder what it would be like to live in the world without armies, military entities and weapons of mass destruction.

Most assumed it is too ideological to imagine a world without a means of defense. Brooks predicts the contrary.

"Such a change in the world's structure is not only possible but absolutely necessary and critical if we are going to survive," he said.

Brooks proposed the idea that although some form of military presence is necessary, it may not be for all countries. He believes a single international entity, stronger and different than that of the United

Nations, is the key to keeping the peace between countries.

Brooks said that if major countries were to join together in promoting a new world order with only one international entity, things would be much smoother in the world.

He presumes the changes must begin in the United States and in particular with college-age students.

"This is a revolution in thinking," Brooks said. "It's got to happen now. It's got to happen in your generation."

In order to attain this goal, different leadership and a different mindset for Americans is needed, he said.

"The whole perspective of the United States seems to be going in the wrong direction and it's just sad," he said. "I can never remember the U.S. reacting the way it is right now."

Brooks is strongly against what President George W. Bush is proposing with regard to the war on Iraq. He considers this merely an avenue for Bush to pursue revenge on his father's behalf, or perhaps a ploy to gain oil, he said.

"I hate Saddam Hussein, but you don't have to kill hundreds of thousands of Iraqis to do it," Brooks said. "You don't have to destroy a country to do it."

Brooks agrees that a war on terrorism is necessary, but defining what terrorism is will be key.

Part of the problem with the possible war on Iraq is that Americans don't realize what the rest of the world is capable of, Brooks said.

"The amount of ignorance out there is immense," Brooks said. "People have no idea what it's like out there."

"As a young nation we haven't lived what other nations have lived over and over again," director of peace studies Phyllis Brazee said. "What is so troubling to me is the lack of people of any age asking questions when we are about to make such a huge decision with who knows what consequences."

The group discussed needing to better America before delving into the rest of the world's problems.

"A lot of what we need to do here is to get this country to live up to its missions and ideals," Barbara Blazej, a peace studies professor, said. "We are sadly the problem in so many places."

Brooks admits to not knowing what to expect with the possible war with Iraq.

"Wars are very unpredictable things. Vietnam was

supposed to be a short war too," he said. "I don't know what will happen in Iraq. What I do know is that whatever we are doing is not directly for the Iraqi people."

Thinking of the victims of war is part of Brooks' character, he said. He wanted to help those in underdeveloped countries and when he finally reached this goal, he realized that in order to truly help these people, he would need their government's aid. When denied that support, he began his quest for constructing a better way for nations to survive, he said.

"In trying to help people I became frustrated by the lack of government assistance. It becomes futile when you realize that life shouldn't have to have been saved that way," he said.

This was where the ideas for his book, "Unity: A Futurist's Fable," arose. "I had something to say that I was not aware anyone else was saying and I wanted to get that out there," Brooks said. "I'm just trying to plant the seeds of an idea so that someone may catch on."

Brooks does not presume to be a renowned author, but rather an individual who has witnessed much in his frequent travels to places such as

Vietnam, Thailand, China, Uzbekistan, Kosovo and parts of Africa.

"There are a lot of ideas in there, it's not just your normal novel. Please read it carefully," Brooks said. He provided each audience member with a copy of his book.

The novel is a story about a woman named Eve who is on a journey of discovery. She "travels the globe in search of a clear understanding of the major problems facing the world, hoping to find solutions to many of them," according to Brooks in a press release.

Eve is one character in a world of stories Brooks knows well from his travels. He fears that without a change in the world's structure, more terror will occur.

"The technological advances that are going on in the world make this a very small place," he said. "We could destroy ourselves a few times over, as you all know."

A man with extensive knowledge of the world outside the United States, Brooks has seen firsthand what war and armies can do to innocent people and the world as a whole. Still, his challenge stands for anyone willing to propose a structure in which this world may prosper differently.

"I believe the world can change," Brooks said.

The World BEYOND UMaine

Chatroom vultures egged man to pop more Rx pills until he died - on camera

NEW YORK — "I told u I was hardcore."

Those were the last coherent words Brandon Veda, 21, typed into the computer in his Phoenix bedroom as he showed off for Internet pals watching on a Web cam by swallowing more and more prescription drugs.

Veda died online as a crowd of virtual onlookers egged him to "eat more!" A chilling record of the Jan. 12 chat reads like an Internet version of the notorious 1964 Kew Gardens, Queens, stabbing of Kitty Genovese as her neighbors watched from their windows.

In Veda's case, some did try to help — begging him to stop, to call 911, to get his mother from the next room. After he passed out, some tried frantically to figure out his location while others argued against getting involved.

But the technology that brought as many as a dozen chat-ers into the intimacy of Veda's bedroom was unable to tell them where he was. Internet Relay Chat is anonymous, and no one in the drug users' chat group

knew the last name of the young man who called himself Ripper.

Veda was a casualty of a new epidemic: a surge in the recreational use of pharmaceuticals, even as the rate of illegal drug use holds steady or declines. The most recent survey by the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration says 11.1 million people used prescription drugs for fun in 2000, nearly half of whom were under 25.

In New York City, the number of people showing up in emergency rooms after taking too many legal narcotics jumped 47.6 percent from 2000 to 2001, the most recent year for which numbers are available.

"In 2001, for the first time, we had more emergency room mentions of prescription narcotic analgesics nationally than for heroin," said Dr. Westley Clark, director of the administration's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment.

In Internet discussion groups, users trade tips on how to fake symptoms to con a doctor into prescribing pain relievers, tranquilizers, stimulants and sedatives.

By his own account, bragging

in the hour before he died, Veda ingested large doses of Klonopin, Methadone, Restoril and Inderal, along with marijuana and 151-proof rum. All but the pot and the rum apparently were legally prescribed for him by a doctor and a psychiatric nurse, according to his angry and mystified family.

"It's the ideal situation — it's legal and it's free," said Veda's brother Rich. "And most people assume that if a doctor is giving you something, it must be fine."

Veda, who worked in computer support at the University of Phoenix, knew a lot about the dangers of mixing drugs. But he also bragged delusionally about his "high tolerance." His mother knew he had been prescribed pills for depression, but no one in the family knew he was mixing his medicine for fun, his brother said.

On the night of Jan. 12, Veda urged chat pals to log onto his Web site and watch him go through his stash.

"Bottoms up, fellas!" he crowed.

"Don't OD on us, Ripper," said one of the onlookers watching Veda swallow pill after pill.

Two finalists in Ground Zero design contest picked

NEW YORK — From nine eye-popping designs unveiled in December, the agency responsible for redeveloping the World Trade Center site Tuesday narrowed the field to two, either of which calls for putting up the tallest structure in the world.

The two radically different designs will be on display and open to public comment until the end of the month, when the Lower Manhattan Development Corp. will select one as lead architect for the site. There is still no guarantee that either design will actually be built.

The two finalists are an international team led by Rafael Vinoly, who designed Philadelphia's Kimmel Center, with a proposal for two lattice-work towers that would house concert halls, playhouses and other cultural venues; and Daniel Libeskind, whose design would include far more commercial space but preserves the 70-foot-deep foundation as a memorial to the more than 2,800 people killed in the 2001 terrorist attack that destroyed

the trade center.

The Libeskind plan is designed so that on each Sept. 11, at the moment that the first plane hit, the sun would shine on the spot where the first tower stood.

Officials of the redevelopment agency insisted that one or the other design would eventually give New York's skyline the dramatic punctuation points previously provided by the 110-story twin towers.

"Rest assured, the core idea of the plan will be preserved" no matter how much future pressures force changes in the winning design, said Roland Betts, board member of the agency.

But Betts' confidence is not universal. Larry A. Silverstein, leaseholder for the commercial space on the site, wrote the agency last week complaining that he had been left out of the process and demanding that all 10 million square feet of office space lost in the attacks be restored.

Neither finalist's design includes that much office space, and most consider that New York's soft real estate market could not absorb it anyway.

EDITORIAL

Can the budget handle a war?

Despite reports that the Dow Jones average rose 60 points during Colin Powell's address to the U.N. Security Council yesterday, the United States' economy is not strong enough to support a war with Iraq.

President Bush's budget will create a \$307 billion shortfall this year and a \$304 billion deficit in 2004. This will surpass the record of the \$290 billion deficit established during the first President Bush's administration, according to CNN.com.

With such budget problems it is irresponsible to enter into a war that will cost an unbudgeted \$20 billion dollars. Our country obviously doesn't have the money for it. When our leaders consider war, the struggling economy must become an issue — no one wants to see another Great Depression.

The national debt limit is currently set at \$6.4 trillion, and the U.S. government is already dangerously close to this limit at \$6.3 trillion. America cannot afford to pay for another war.

"Economists and others doubt that Congress will eventually raise the [debt] limit," said a report from CNN.com. "A federal default is considered unimaginable because it would rattle the bond markets, force interest rates higher, weaken the world economy and deliver a jarring political blow to President Bush."

Members of Congress are quick to pass the blame to others for the budget woes. Democrats point to Bush's mishandling of the economy and his promised tax cuts, while Republicans look to fighting terrorism as the reason for the 2001 recession. Neither side will recognize that the first step to relieving the debt is to stop spending money we don't have, beginning with the \$20 billion for the war in Iraq.

Those in Washington need to carefully weigh the economic risks of going to war with Iraq, or the prosperity of the American people will suffer the most.



An Adlai Stevenson moment

Will Powell's speech live up to those before him?

In the days leading up to Secretary of State Colin Powell's presentation of evidence to the United Nations Security Council, people questioned whether he would have an Adlai Stevenson moment. An Adlai Stevenson moment you ask? For anyone that's of our parent's ages, this is a no-brainer, but for us 20-somethings it's a more difficult question. However, as a self-described-geek, I think I can help.

Stevenson was the United States Ambassador to the United Nations during the Kennedy administration. In October of 1962, U.S. spy planes discovered that the USSR was placing missiles in Cuba, an accident known as the Cuban Missile Crisis.

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President Kennedy and his boys created a committee known as EX-Comm. to find a solution to keep the two countries from entering into nuclear war. At first top secret, Kennedy soon disclosed the crisis to the nation on Oct. 22. Three days later, Stevenson took to the floor of the U.N. to make the U.S. case to the world, much like what Colin Powell recently did.

On Oct. 25, 1962, Stevenson

made his presentation to the U.N. General Assembly. He faced the Soviet Union and the world. Stevenson was brilliant and provided his smoking gun to the skeptics that didn't believe in U.S. action. Stevenson didn't allow himself to be bullied by the Soviet Ambassador, Valerian Zorin, who continued to deny that the missiles existed.

"And, finally, the other day, Mr. Zorin, I remind you that you did not deny the existence of these weapons. Instead, we heard that they had suddenly become defensive weapons. But today, again, if I heard you correctly, you now say that they do not exist, or that we haven't proved

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Letters to the Editor

•Vets against war

Just a short note to let people know what it's like, as a veteran, to participate in the weekly peace vigil on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. in front of the Bangor post office.

I went to Vietnam when I was 18 and a half. It wasn't long in Vietnam before I realized we weren't helping the situation

there, but were adding enormously to the tragedy — similar to our own government's policies in the world today. To stand for peace at this weekly vigil and actively work for peace gives me a growing sense of oneness with all humanity.

Once, briefly in my immaturity, I thought going to war was the epitome of patriotism. Now,

in my developed maturity, I realized it's but a violent failure of human connectedness. These days, by standing and working for peace, I emphasize the connectedness between all humanity and the wellness in my soul grows greater.

Ron Warner
Member of veterans for peace
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Judge, juror and student

What's with the trash guy?

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As I pried open my tired eyes Monday morning, the sight of falling snow outside my frost-laced window sent my mind spinning. My skin tingled with memories of recent temperatures and, after being disappointed by the gods of 581-SNOW, I quickly decided that I'd return to hibernation and forget about my 9:00 class.

After dragging my butt out of bed later that day, I hurriedly set out for work, knowing my car was still buried in the snow.

A few feet away from the entrance to my dorm, two men were picking up the garbage from our building. One was tossing bags to the other. I was headed toward them but my mind was preoccupied with many thoughts, like if I was going to be able to get out of the parking lot after I'd worked endlessly to clean the new-fallen snow from my vehicle. As I approached the two men, I waited for a bag to be tossed and then slipped between them without being hit by a bag of empty cans and leftover pizza.

After I had taken a couple of steps away from the guys, one of them sarcastically told me that I was excused. I realized that he was talking to me, and, with shame, I quickly apologized.

Apparently he wasn't finished with me. "Thank you for saying excuse me," he piped. "It's good to see you have manners and that you're not afraid to use them."

At this point he was yelling, and I just stopped, turned and looked in his direction as he continued to sputter. When he was done I resumed my journey through the parking lot. I was caught off guard because nor-

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they exist, with another fine flood of rhetorical scorn," Stevenson said.

Stevenson continued. "All right, sir, let me ask you one simple question: Do you, Ambassador Zorin, deny that the USSR has placed and is placing medium- and intermediate-range missiles and sites in Cuba? Yes or no, don't wait for the translation, yes or no?" Stevenson asked.

Zorin was backed into a corner and could only respond, "I am not in an American court room, sir, and therefore I do not wish to answer a question that is put to me in the fashion in which a prosecutor does."

Zorin avoided the question the best he could, but refused to answer when Stevenson expressed so brilliantly that the U.S. wasn't going to stand for missiles in Cuba.

"You can answer yes or no. You have denied they exist. I want to know if I understood you correctly," Stevenson said.

He then said the most famous

words of the day, "I am prepared to wait for my answer until hell freezes over, if that's your decision. And I am also prepared to present the evidence in this room."

Stevenson was on target with his statement and didn't allow for Zorin to back away without answering to the world that the USSR had placed missiles in Cuba. Stevenson then presented evidence to the U.N. and the world that missiles existed, including photographs from a U2 spy plane.

In contrast, Powell spoke only to the U.N. Security Council and didn't come face to face with the opposition like Stevenson did. Powell, however, did provide evidence to the world of probable U.S. action against another country, but hopefully Powell's speech will result in peace like Stevenson's did.

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mally I'm a man who prides himself on his manners and etiquette. In this case, I had obviously slipped up. I was sorry for my mistake, but I was upset that he went so far as to purposely embarrass me.

After assessing the situation, I wondered if maybe he'd felt threatened or judged as I strode through. He's a trash guy and I'm in college trying to better myself. I'm not a judgmental person, but this experience taught me that maybe I should be. It seems like he judged me.

My guess is that he isn't happy with the way his life has turned out. He probably doesn't see the novelty in riding around

on the back of a trash truck. It looks fun to me, but then I think that he is lugging the trash of future doctors, lawyers, writers and business managers.

He probably takes every chance he gets to give college students a hard time. It probably gives him a sense of power and makes him feel better about himself in some sick and twisted way. It is also a possibility that he was just having a bad day and felt like taking it out on me. In any case, let's not forget that your everyday sanitation technician deserves just as much respect as this country's top neurosurgeon.

Aaron Skilling is a sophomore undeclared major.

Letters

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•Reevaluating reverse racism

After reading Brynn Lary's article, "Affirmative Action: Reevaluating a practice that isn't so color blind," it is clear that Lary has little understanding of affirmative action's significance.

Affirmative action is not about "reverse racism" or "racial preferences," and it certainly is not a ploy to "create problems to appease minority factions." Racism is a real problem. Even decades after the Civil Rights movement, we are still battling with underrepresentation of minority groups in professional settings. At its core, affirmative action has nothing to do with filling quotas or giving the "shaft" to white applicants. Employers that are doing so should not be used to define it.

Affirmative action is about equal opportunity. It is about discouraging employers from engaging in discriminatory practices and it forces employers to examine the racial composition of their workforce.

Procedures need to be created to provide education, recruitment,

training and vocational programs for minorities. This is not special treatment. Affirmative action is about providing the same opportunities to all Americans.

The police force of a community that is 7 percent Hispanic should have that same percent represented on their force. If this is not happening, it means that somewhere along the way, people are not being given the same opportunities. It is that police force's obligation to locate that inconsistency.

The policies and presidential orders of Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon have increased employment opportunities for minority workers, and helped hundreds of thousands of people living in poverty.

Finally, reverse racism is an insulting term. By using it, a person implies that racism towards a minority is expected, but racism towards a majority is something different. Neither is acceptable and both should be represented with the same word.

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Maine gets motivated

Portland strives for peace with recent resolution

On Feb. 4, Portland became one of the 64 cities and counties across the United States to pass a resolution opposing war in Iraq. Portland has joined cities such as Santa Barbara, Chicago, Baltimore, Cleveland and many others to oppose a military invasion of Iraq by the United States without U.N. authorization.

All I can say is, "go Maine." This resolution puts pressure on the U.S. and representatives as well as the Bush "war machine." The city of Portland passed the resolution with an 8-1 vote. I'm wondering what that one guy was thinking.

Though the Portland City Council does feel Iraq needs to be disarmed, they hope the current conflict between Iraq and the United States can be resolved peacefully, instead of bombing the crap out of Iraq like Bush would like to do.

According to the Cities for Peace Web site, there are many reasons why each city and county are choosing to pass these resolutions against war with Iraq. The main reason, and most obvious, is that

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war is not a way to solve problems. It accomplishes nothing except for wasting billions of dollars the United States does not have and it jeopardizes people's lives.

The Portland City Council opposes war on Iraq for many reasons, including that we have already suffered a terrible loss from Sept. 11. This war will not only jeopardize the lives of American soldiers, but also innocent Iraqi civilians. Most importantly, it is going to cost everyone, including us Mainers, an arm and a leg to fight a war we don't want to fight.

I'm not trying to get all the Bush lovers on campus — God have mercy on their soul — to send me hate mail. I'm only want to let everyone know what is happening in our very own state as well as the rest of the world. I just want

people to think about this war and what it is going to cost Americans in terms of lives, money and freedom. I have no solution to this problem, just like many of you reading this article. I just do not think war is the final answer.

If all else fails and Bush wishes to ignore 64 resolutions with many more on the way, he is not thinking about being re-elected.

The Portland City Council, along with everyone else, also thanked soldiers who are in and or are being mobilized in the Middle East. I know there are many men and women on this campus in the process of being called for duty. So, while they pack soldiers can only thank Bush for not listening to towns like Portland when they express their opposition to engaging in this war.

"Like father, like son" is a saying that goes a long way in this situation. If only we had known baby Bush was going to be bloodthirsty, the vote could have swung the other way.

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Representing America

Universities are hardly the norm

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members and look up registration cards ... We tried to get a good sample of colleges," Eli Lehrer, a researcher of liberal thought on college campuses said.

The numbers are startling when you consider the top colleges the American Enterprise Institute and the Center for the Study of Popular Culture researched. Brown University liberals outnumber conservatives 18-to-1. At Cornell University, the ratio is 26-to-1.

"Today's colleges and universities are not, to use the current buzzword, 'diverse' places. Quite the opposite: They are virtual one-party states, ideological monopolies badly unbalanced ecosystems. They are utterly flightless birds with only one wing to flap. They do not, when it comes to political and cultural ideas, look like America," the study concluded.

As a resident scholar for American Enterprise Institute, Christina Hoff Sommers believes that need to be more intellectually diverse. The problem is that even though universities pride themselves on diversity, they have the mis-

taken belief that the liberal ideas they discuss are the only ones.

Students leaving high school and entering college should be bombarded with a variety of ideas, but they aren't. Instead, they hear mostly liberal viewpoints. We all know that if it were the other way around, liberals would scream bloody murder, but when it comes to a bias of their own, they just can't see it.

If professors and universities honestly cared about their student's education, they would not shelter students from non-liberal ideas. An ideal situation would be a healthy balance. Of course, it doesn't have to be exactly equal, but closer numbers would be more fair to the students. It's pathetic that universities such as Brown and Cornell can't give their students a balanced education.

In one of her articles, Sommers pointed out that our last presidential election showed that conservatives and liberals are split half and half in America. Therefore, college universities do not represent the "real world" to college students. Hopefully, no graduate will be too shocked when they hear someone other than a liberal share their point of view.

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STYLE.



Feb. 8: Local Band Showcase at Wells Commons featuring Green Bikes, Funkizon, Paul Bosse, tbob.net sketches, MP featuring Casey Sproigis, Low Five, New Rome, Dr. Radical and Joanne Pineau.



A trip down memory lane

Past Lives Boutique brings vintage clothing to Orono

By Diana McElwain
Staff Reporter

Finally, there is more to do in downtown Orono than eat pizza and drink margaritas. Past Lives Boutique on Mill Street now adds the option of shopping to the mix.

Nestled beside a tattoo parlor and across the street from Pat's Pizza, the narrow room that is Past Lives is packed with clothes and treasures one would be hard pressed to find anywhere else in this area.

This is exactly what makes Past Lives so important, according to Jessi Sader, the store's owner.

"I think the area really needed this. I want it to be different from the norm," Sader said.

A quick glance around the room proves this store is indeed different. The clothing ranges from a typical pair of jeans to

satin Chinese tops and flowing peasant shirts. A trunk in the corner is heaped with a variety of oddly shaped hats. A rack full of colorful shoes in all shapes and sizes is situated across from a huge sombrero perched on the wall.

Some of the clothing is new and some is second hand and has a more vintage flavor. While she sometimes buys clothing brought in by customers, Sader hunted down the majority of the selection herself.

"I'm really selective," Sader said. "I don't want to pay a lot, so sometimes people are disappointed."

The reason behind her selectiveness is not only to preserve the quality of the merchandise but also is an attempt to keep reasonable prices.

"A lot of people think it's expensive just because it is a

boutique," Sader said.

This misconception couldn't be more wrong. Sader makes an effort to keep prices below \$20 so that items are affordable for her target shopping group — college students.

"The most expensive piece that I have right now is \$25," she said.

What started as an online business has blossomed into a cozy shop and a full-time job Sader says she adores. After waitressing at the nearby Bear Brew Pub, Sader decided to make her dream into a career. A self-professed shop-aholic, Sader always has loved seeking out treasures and selling them to others.

She continues to sell clothing on the Internet, including some of her own designs.

An Orono native, Sader graduated from Orono High School and her father teaches at



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Jessi Saders owns Past Lives Boutique in Orono, a vintage clothing store. Sader's shop offers pre-owned fashions priced under \$25.

the University of Maine. She is mother to a four-year-old who can often be found playing at the store.

While Sader does have some regulars, many people still do not know about the boutique. This is something that she is working to change.

"I need to advertise, big time," Sader said.

Recognizing university students as her biggest customers, Sader has tried selling her products in the Union this winter, as

well as outside during the spring. She plans to continue these practices in hopes that Past Lives will become better known.

Advertising is especially important because Sader wants to expand the business. As a manufacturer of herbal products such as tea, soaps and oils, she hopes to carry a large variety of these products. This will be a unique addition to the already large spectrum of items available at this hidden treasure of a boutique.

Thwarted voices: the music that was silenced, played again

By Alex Lehning
Staff Reporter

During World War II, the persecution perpetrated by the Nazis was not limited to religious lines. Art, music, and theater suffered, or was labeled "Entartete," degenerate. The University of Maine's own Phillip Silver, Noreen Silver and Karel Lidral came together Feb. 2 as part of the School of Performing Arts Faculty Series at Minsky Recital Hall to celebrate artists who were cut short in their prime in a performance called Thwarted Voices.

The program consisted of five diverse, but moving pieces. The first was "Five Pieces for Piano Op. 34,"

composed in 1948 by Paul Ben-Haim. Ben-Haim was born in Germany but fled to Palestine. He was commended for his development of a new school of music called "Eastern Mediterranean." The sound was distinct, with a classical melody placed over nontraditional but complementary chords.

"It's not always successful, but it is interesting," Phillip Silver said.

The second piece was "Sonata No. 2 for Violoncello and Piano" by Bohuslav Martinu, an anti-Fascist who fled to America. Noreen Silver joined in on the violoncello. The music was chilling, the kind you would expect to hear haunting a theater on European streets before the

war.

"It was very much in view of the atmosphere of Europe at the time," said Phillip Silver.

After a brief intermission, a medley was performed called "Two Transcriptions for Piano Solo," composed by Franz Schreker and arranged by Ignaz Strasfogel. The two selections were "Die Marionetten" from the ballet "Geburtstag der Infantin" and the "Waldszene" from the opera "Der Ferne Klang." Schreker was head of the Berlin Conservatory and a prominent German opera composer. He was dismissed by the Nazis and died in 1934.

"Scherzo No. 1 for Piano" was

next, a composition by Strasfogel. Strasfogel came to America to conduct music and became successful in New York. He was also very secretive about his work as a composer.

"He hid this from even his closest associates," Phillip Silver said.

Erwin Schulhoff, before his death in a concentration camp, was recognized as a prodigy in Germany. Despite his classical training, he became involved in modern jazz music. His love for this new sound was apparent in the final piece, "Hot-Sonate for Saxophone and Piano." Phillip Silver was joined by Lidral, who has previously performed in the "TGIF Jazz" series at Memorial Union. The piece was the

most upbeat of the afternoon, as Lidral coaxed some amazing notes out of his saxophone, at times soft and mellow, and at others fast and punchy.

The show was an hour full of a wide range of emotions, from the soft weeping of the cello, to the moody piano and the hopeful kick of the saxophone. Some songs were uplifting and full of hope, others imitated a voice of despair. Each musician displayed their extraordinary talent and passion for music. The concert was a fitting testimony to the composers it honored a solemn reminder of the horrors of persecution and how both can affect the world.

FOOD & SPIRITS

Ruby Tuesday's: Just another mall eatery

By Erin Morgan
For The Maine Campus

I ventured over to Ruby Tuesday's, located in the Bangor Mall, for the first time in my young adult life on Friday evening. The décor reminded me of Applebee's or TGI Friday's; kind of bar meets diner meets unauthenticated corral pictures. You get the drift. That aside, there was a painful, nonstop stream of country music belting through the establishment.

I was seated roughly 10

minutes after giving the hostess my name. Not too shabby; however, when she called my name, I felt like I was at an open casting call for a Broadway production, destined to flop after its second week. I was so startled that I almost lost my gum.

The setup of Ruby's doesn't accommodate the average fine diner, or anyone under the legal drinking age for that matter. The bar is a barbaric centerpiece, making it impossible for you to forget you're under 21, or that you left your fake ID in

your other purse. I found it impossible to concentrate on what my dining partner was saying because of all the loud drunkards seated a foot or so away.

The waitress was prompt and drinks were served instantly. I had my usual — water with a twist of lemon. It was satisfactory, for those of you who enjoy a decent glass of H₂O.

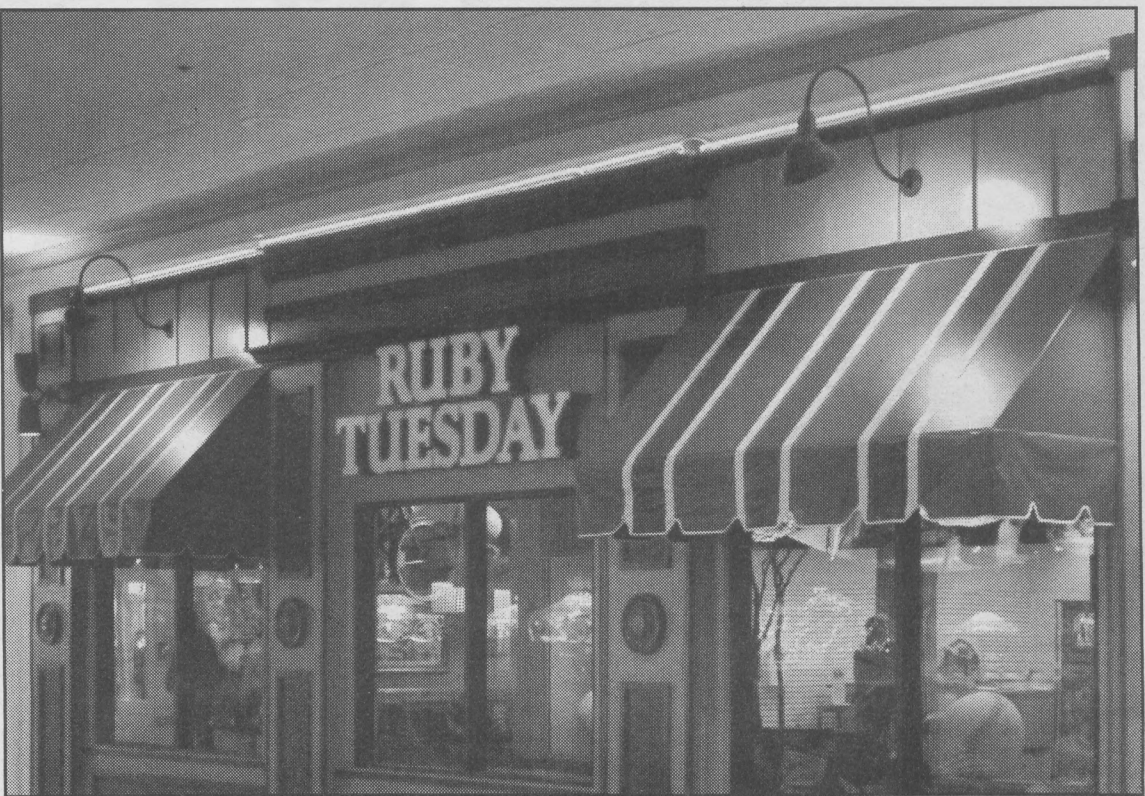
While I waited for my meal, a band of college-age girls sang "Happy Birthday" to one of their friends. I found this rather

amusing and it was a nice break from the country music. Isn't the waitstaff usually responsible for a display of this sort? I wondered if Ruby Tuesday's even offered something like this. It certainly seemed fitting. Sadly, I neglected to ask.

Dinner was served quickly, which put a smile on my face. I ordered some sort of steak entrée, which came with broccoli, fries and something called onion fingers. I asked that my steak be cooked medium-rare, but it arrived a little on the dry side. Disappointing. Meat is

best when the blood is still circulating. The one piece of broccoli was the size of my hand. I took one bite, but it lacked any flavor. The fries were good, but covered in pepper, which I hate. I didn't even try the "onion fingers" because they looked more like onion strings. Scary.

All in all, it seems Ruby Tuesday's is the perfect place for a spent shopper, rather than a dinner date. I don't know that I'll be heading back any time soon, but I'll keep it in mind for those long days at the mall.



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Ruby Tuesday, located in the Bangor Mall, graces *The Maine Campus's* food review.

Molson Ice: the beer with a kick

By Marshall Dury
Opinion Editor

No one drinks beer because they love the taste. No matter what some steroid-pumpin' man's man may say, no one loves the taste of beer. It doesn't exactly lend itself to be described using sweet metaphors. If you're used to the tingle of beer though, it does have a comforting taste. You can peruse the shelves for hours looking for a decent brewskie to wet your whistle on, but I'm here to help you make a decision.

If you're looking for a beer that

has a strong bite coupled with a smooth taste, Molson Ice should be your go-to beer. The price wasn't too damaging. I picked up my six-pack at Wal-Mart for a little more than \$5.

For those of you who are beer illiterate, an ice beer is a bit stronger than your average beer and a great deal stronger than your average light beer. Molson Ice sports a 5.6 percent alcohol content by volume. Besides being brewed by our Canadian neighbors, Molson itself has been around for roughly 217 years. I know this because the Molson Web site has a

rolling date as to how old the company is and a bunch of other obscure facts — pretty neat if you ask me.

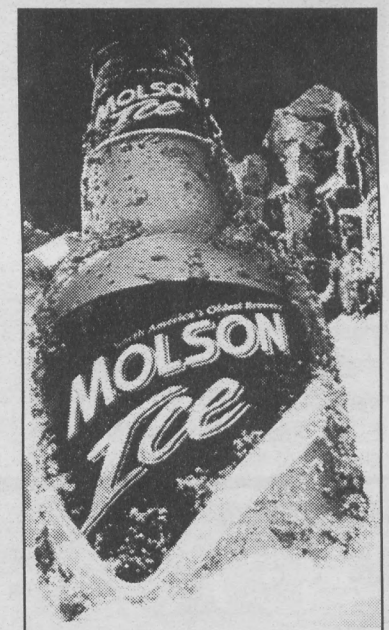
With semantics out of the way, let's dive right in.

I enjoy sucking in that airy mist when you first crack a bottle of beer open. Do this discreetly though. You don't want people thinking you're a little more than friends with your beer. If it's fresh, your Molson Ice should have a highly-flavored beer smell — maybe a little stronger since we're dealing with "ice." Now let's get some down the hatch.

Upon first taste, Molson Ice has a nice reputation already. It's not too pungent with the taste of alcohol and has a nice fizz that stays in your mouth for a good 20 seconds.

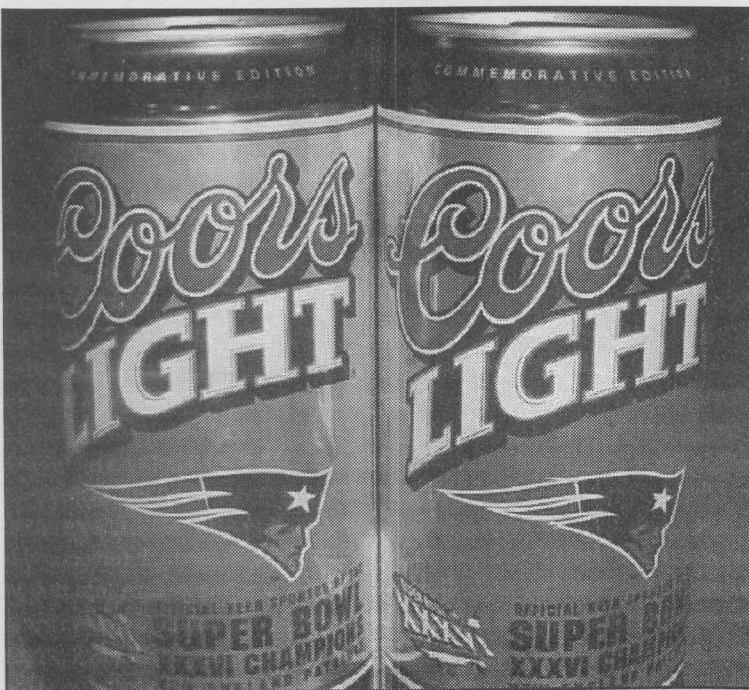
Molson Ice tastes better with each swig. As long as you're not mixing light beer in between your Molson Ice, the cool and smooth alcohol taste should be a welcomed addition to your barley and hops tasting breath.

Let's talk about aesthetics for a moment. I like the bottle design. It's not as flashy as some of its



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Coors Light: the holy water of beer

By Kristin Saunders
Asst. News Editor

It's time to tap the Rockies. With many other brands taken into consideration, Coors Light becomes the only option when searching for a great-tasting light beer that any college student on a tight budget can enjoy.

Coors Light is the only brand that has given sports fans a way to reminisce while enjoying a cold one. The "silver bullet" recently has come out with a special commemorative edition can so New England Patriot fans can enjoy the Super Bowl XXXVI Champions. A spectacularly decorated can in a

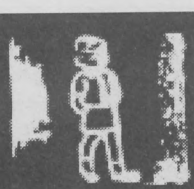
special 16-ounce size, this unique edition gives the drinker a little extra bang for his buck.

Coors Light is great for the drinker on a budget, not just your average die-hard Boston sports fan. They serve their customers who wish to buy their beer in bulk, with the ever-convenient 30 pack (or 30 rack, depending on which part of Maine you are from).

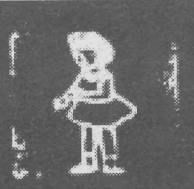
Coors Light is not for those who have any sort of class. Best consumed in either a red Solo keg cup or the ever-popular beer cozy, Coors Light comes in a variety of shapes and quantities, such as long-neck bottles and keg cans.

Coors Light can be put to its best use when it is consumed in mass quantities. With its light, less-filling, great taste, this beer is prime for any party. It's best for college Olympic-like games including beer die, flip cup, power hour and my favorite, Beirut — commonly known as beer pong.

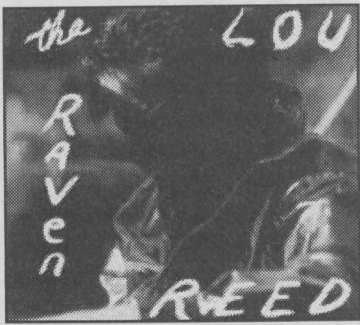
This beer is definitely a guzzler by all definitions, going down like water with enough of a kick to provide a good buzz, with 4.2 percent alcohol by volume. And with only 102 calories in a 12-ounce can of Coors Light, even those on a Weight Watcher's point system can enjoy a Friday night.



SOUNDBYTES



The Raven
Lou Reed
Warner Bros.



The Raven, the new album from Lou Reed, is his testament to whom he calls the "most classical of American writers," Edgar Allan Poe.

"I became enamored of Poe — once again — and when given the opportunity to bring him to life through words and music ... Why I leapt at it," Reed wrote in the liner notes for his new disc. "This is a record made of love."

The album is an eclectic mix

of sounds — from acoustic guitars to swirling horns to a recitation of "The Raven" by William Defoe. Part rock, part poetry, Reed manages to deliver an interesting listen. While the message may take some time to get used to, the messenger is in as fine a form as ever.

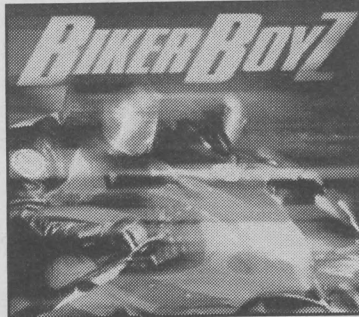
Reed gets a little help from Highlights on the CD, including a gospel-tinged plea "I Wanna Know (The Pit and the Pendulum)," the soft piano and distinctly rough voice on "Science of the Mind," and the balls-out rock of "Blind Rage."

The instrumental "A Thousand Departed Friends" may be the best eulogy of all time. Be wary of art tracks like "Balloon." "The Valley of Unrest" is another nice poetic.

The album takes some time to get used to, but those willing to visit the depths of Reed and Poe minds may well find the trip worthwhile.

—Alex Lehning

Biker Boyz
Music from the Motion Picture
Dreamworks



When a soundtrack offers "banging" new tracks by Mos Def, Mystic and Papa Roach featuring N.E.R.D., one gets a sick feeling in his stomach. When the soundtrack to "Biker Boyz" offers it, one gets an ulcer in his stomach. The album features a mixture of hip hop, rap, and a few soul tracks for good measure — for the sentimental scenes of course.

The first track, "Ride," by Redman, is a standard piece of

work. Any song with a chorus that goes, "Ride, ride, ride, ride, 'till I can't go no more," deserves its place on a soundtrack like this.

My least favorite track by far has to be the crossover effort of Metallica and Ja Rule. "We Did it Again" is uneven and features neither artist's talent. Ja Rule growling at a microphone while interrupting heavy guitar isn't my cup of tea.

I was nearly impressed with track 14, "Don't look down," which featured the crooning of David Ryan Harris's "Don't Look Down." I soon realized that it was only enjoyable in comparison to this dreadful album. It's easy to tell that this track was only put on the CD so it could be played in the scene where Kid Rock falls in love with a female biker, so the audience gets all sentimental.

Speaking of Kid Rock, he

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Liner notes:

The death of a rock icon

By Chris Gorman
For The Maine Campus

For most people, Dec. 22, 2002 was just another winter day, and not of any historical importance. But for those of us infatuated with the music of the best rock band in history, it was a dark day indeed.

On that day, Joe Strummer (1952-2002), the driving force behind seminal British punk band The Clash, succumbed to heart failure at the age of 50. The figurehead of the only band that mattered was dead, leaving behind a legacy of work that is as vital today as it was 20 years ago.

Virtually every band who dares to call themselves "punk" in this day and age owes a great debt to The Clash. Strummer, along with Mick Jones, Paul Simonon, Terry Chimes and then Topper Headon, brought their fiery brand of left-wing punk rock to the forefront of the music scene.

Of course, while The Clash did specialize in three-chord punk masterpieces like "Clash City Rockers" and "I'm so Bored with the U.S.A.," they also experimented with jazz, ska, reggae, rockabilly and soul. They even embraced the fledgling American rap scene.

It's possible to go on and on about the influence this band had, but I find it's perhaps better to simply talk about what this band means to me, and why Strummer's death affects me so much.

I discovered The Clash as a jaded high school kid obsessed with the "nu-punk" of bands like The Offspring and Green Day. Like many high school students, I was desperate to have a niche, a place where I fit in, and at the same time be different from everyone else.

Perhaps this explains the initial appeal of The Clash. They weren't like other pop bands. They attacked pop culture from the outside, yet they were most definitely a part of it (at least, during their heyday).

My first Clash album was their self-titled release, the most straight-up "punk" album they ever released. They did a lot of rebel posturing and shouted a lot of rhetoric, and I embraced it with open ears.

Eventually, I got around to further investigating the band's catalog, and subsequently became totally immersed in a sea of incredible music. London Calling, the band's pinnacle achievement and probably the

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UMaine alumna falls short with new album

By Chris Gorman
For The Maine Campus



Beth Boucher
"Mess You Up"
Virt Records
2002

Damn. More than anything, I wanted to like this CD. I listened to it a few times just waiting and wait-

ing to hear something that struck a chord with me. Sadly, University of Maine alumna Beth Boucher comes across as just another pissed-off folkie with very little new to say.

Musically, Boucher and her backing band are fairly strong. The press release pitches her as alternative folk-rock, and that's pretty accurate. I'm sure this goes over well in the coffee shops and yuppie clubs that Boucher must frequent. Basically, it's a Sheryl Crow meets Patty Griffin type of sound, which Boucher and company pull off well. I have no complaints with this CD musically, beyond being rather uncreative. Boucher's vocals are good, but nothing is especially striking about them.

The problem really lies in the

angry-chick, second-rate Meredith Brooks-esque lyrics. From the very first song, "Elusive Thing," it's clear that Boucher has basically nothing new to say: "Love is an elusive thing/you can't choose it, you can't force it/can't describe it, can't define it, can't deny it."

You get the picture.

It doesn't get much better as the disc goes along. On the title track, Boucher laments that she has been through tragedies and astrological charts and has come to the conclusion that the worst thing that can happen is for her lover to break her heart.

I'm guessing Boucher has had some relationship "problems." That's all well and good, and can make for some excellent musical

inspiration. Alanis Morissette, Ani DiFranco and Tori Amos all deal with difficult relationship issues in their music, and each does it in a unique and refreshing way. Boucher, on the other hand, is shooting for Sarah McLachlan lyrical mastery, but unfortunately she falls somewhere short of Paula Cole.

Nevertheless, if this sort of music is your thing, then I suppose I would recommend this CD. After all, she does have talent and a great deal of potential, and the music is competent enough. It just fails to bring anything new or exciting to the singer-songwriter genre. Buy this is if you want to support a former UMaine student and if you aren't picky about female singer-songwriters.

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Ushuaia's Curse

Cancellations and no-shows

By Erin Morgan
For The Maine Campus

Frequenters of Orono's local dance club, Ushuaia, have been more than upset lately due to several event cancellations. DJ Irene, Sandra Collins, and Stev-O from "Jackass" were among these no-shows.

DJ Irene was scheduled to spin in mid-December, but canceled at the last minute due to weather conditions in Cincinnati. She did, however, show up a week later during finals as promised by club owner Alex Gray.

Stev-O has reportedly canceled a large number of shows recently and is allegedly being sued because of it.

"He's made roughly 40 percent of his tour dates so far," Gray said.

The "Jackass" member also has been cited for showing up intoxicated to his shows and he even injured one fan by throwing a beer can at her head.

In the case of Sandra Collins, Gray said Collins was completely willing to come on the night she was originally scheduled for, however, there were mechanical problems that interfered. A plane ticket would have cost \$2,500 on a seven-day buy through Bangor International Airport. Collins also has had a history of not showing up to scheduled performances. She's trying to wipe the slate clean and make a comeback, according to Gray.

"She called and was very apologetic," Gray said. Collins' date has been rescheduled to March 7.

According to Gray, when artists are on tour, they leave when a show ends and they only have a certain amount of time to make it to their next show. So if weather or mechanical problems occur, it

becomes difficult to make it to the next scheduled show on time, especially if the show is slated in a rural area such as Maine.

In terms of flights, 80 percent of the the club's cancellations have to do with BIA flights in the winter, Gray said.

"Rescheduling has to be 30 days in advance," Gray said. This makes it very difficult to get the artist to Orono close to their originally scheduled date, he said.

Rumors that the club is making empty promises have been spreading like wildfire across the University of Maine campus. Even so, the club is still making a substantial profit from alcohol sales even when performers don't show up. But according to Gray, there are other factors.

"I also have to turn the lights and the system on," Gray said. "On top of that, I have to pay the local DJs. At the end of the night I have twice the cleanup, damage, and overhead. We don't make a lot of money on these big-time events."

According to Gray, the club only broke even when DJ Irene came to Orono. But of the artists that have canceled their shows, Irene is the only artist to show up to a make-up date. Gray also said that in order to get an artist to come to the club for a make-up date, all Ushuaia's has to do is offset the cost of the plane ticket. The actual artist doesn't get paid for coming. According to Gray, this is why it's so easy for things to fall through and so hard to fix them when something does go wrong.

Despite all the negative hype, Gray maintains that the club will keep inviting big artists to perform. DJ Venom is scheduled to spin Feb. 21.

"We're just trying to do more for the kids," Gray said.

Not this time



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GSS recently allocated \$5,000 to Student Entertainment to assist in their \$75,000 bid to bring singer/songwriter Sheryl Crow to UMaine. Crow turned down the offer.

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greatest rock album of all time, stands as the crown jewel of my music collection. Tracks like "Lost in the Supermarket" and "Death or Glory" speak to me in a way that few songs can. Even Strummer's post-Clash stuff, like his recent solo work with backing band The Mescaleros, is worthy of high praise.

It may sound strange to say, but I have learned from

Strummer's music. He embraced so many sounds and worked so hard to bring an array of diverse cultures into the mix. You can't help but expand both your mind and your musical palette when you listen to his work. Through his words, I learned to focus my adolescent rage into something much more cohesive and articulate. Unlike the nihilistic, self-centered attitudes of many of

today's rockers and rappers, Strummer's lyrics are rage and frustration run through a Howard Zinn filter. There is genuine thought, not just angst. There is a call for social change, not just the destruction of the "system."

I was crushed when I heard that Strummer had died. Just add him to the list of great, progressive musicians who get taken from this world before their time.

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American counterparts like Budweiser, Coors and Miller. You can't beat the bottle either — I dig the green look.

The Molson Ice bottle lends itself to interpretation. I like the red maple leaf that garnishes the bottle cap. It's reminiscent of the Northeast. The contrast of the silver label with the green bottle is welcoming.

Now that I'm getting down to the bottom, I realize Molson's staying power is nice. I'm not losing too much of the taste as I'm progressing. This may be a poor indicator for people who are looking to get wrecked and lose all function of

their taste buds, but for my purposes, Molson Ice is a putting up a valiant fight in the flavor department.

According to the Molson Web site, the company is pulling in \$3.5 billion a year. While I would say that this beer is good, I don't know if it is worthy of an income that steep.

I'm getting a little beer-mouth-buildup. I think I have a little mucus forming in the back of my throat from the beer. I don't know why this happened, so don't let your faith waiver in Molson Ice. It's still solid.

Now I'm staring at my beer with a finger's worth of fluid, and I

feel pretty good about the past 20 minutes I've spent thinking about this beer. Some beers take a sharp dive in taste at the end, but much to a Canadian's pleasure, Molson Ice is putting up a good fight when compared to our American counterparts.

With the rest of my beer resting firmly in my stomach, I'm going to give our fine friends at the Molson brewing company a 3 out of a possible 4 for their achievements. Like I said, no one drinks beer because they love the taste. If you're looking for a quality beer though, you can't go wrong with a nice Molson Ice.

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doesn't have a single song on the soundtrack. Come on, if you're going to lend your face to a movie that awful, you might as well put your music on the album.

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-Travis "Biker Boy" Bourass

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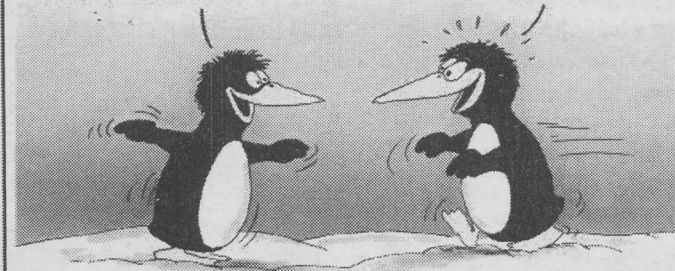
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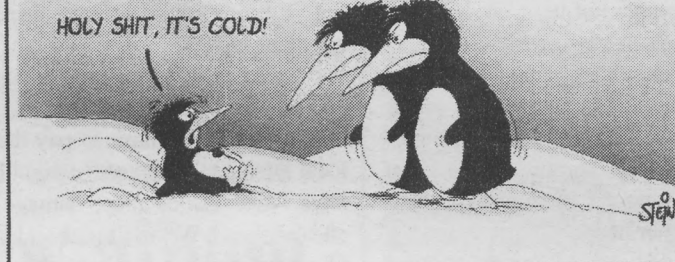
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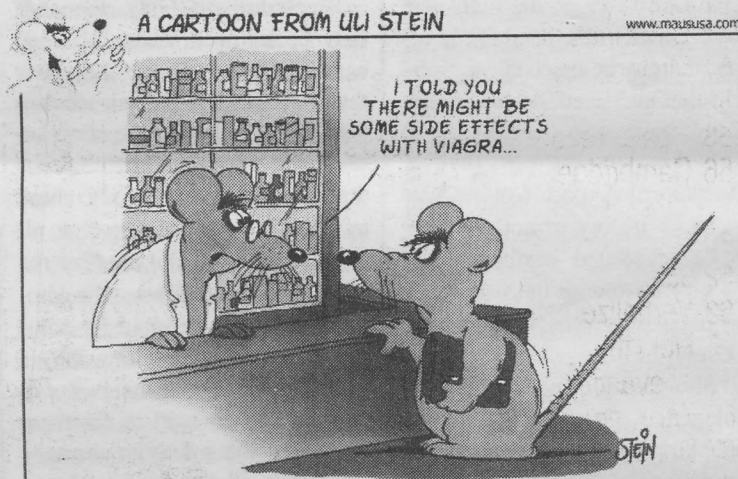


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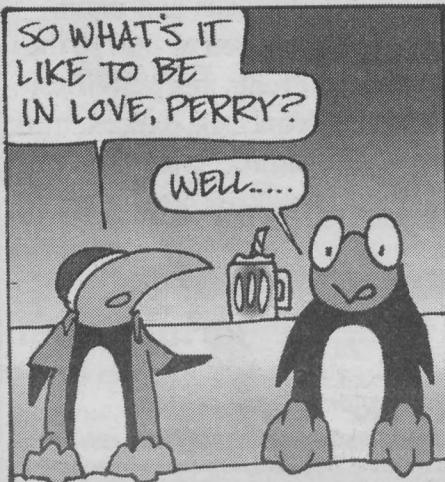
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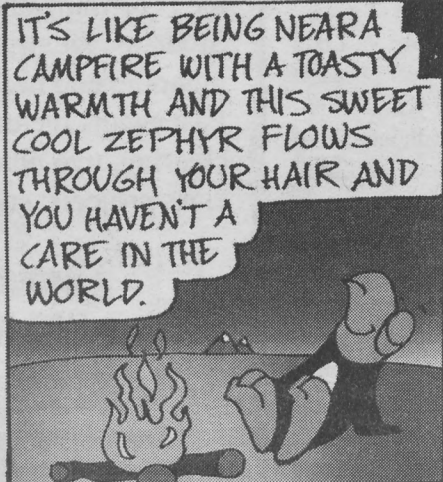
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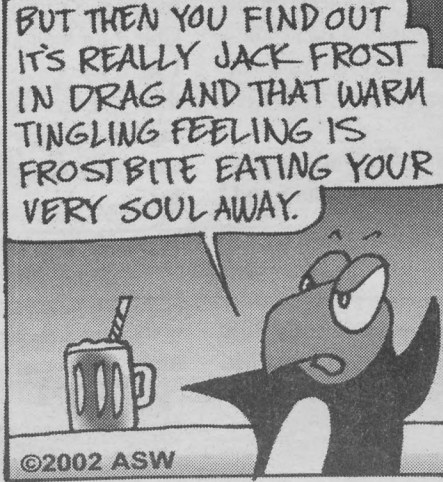


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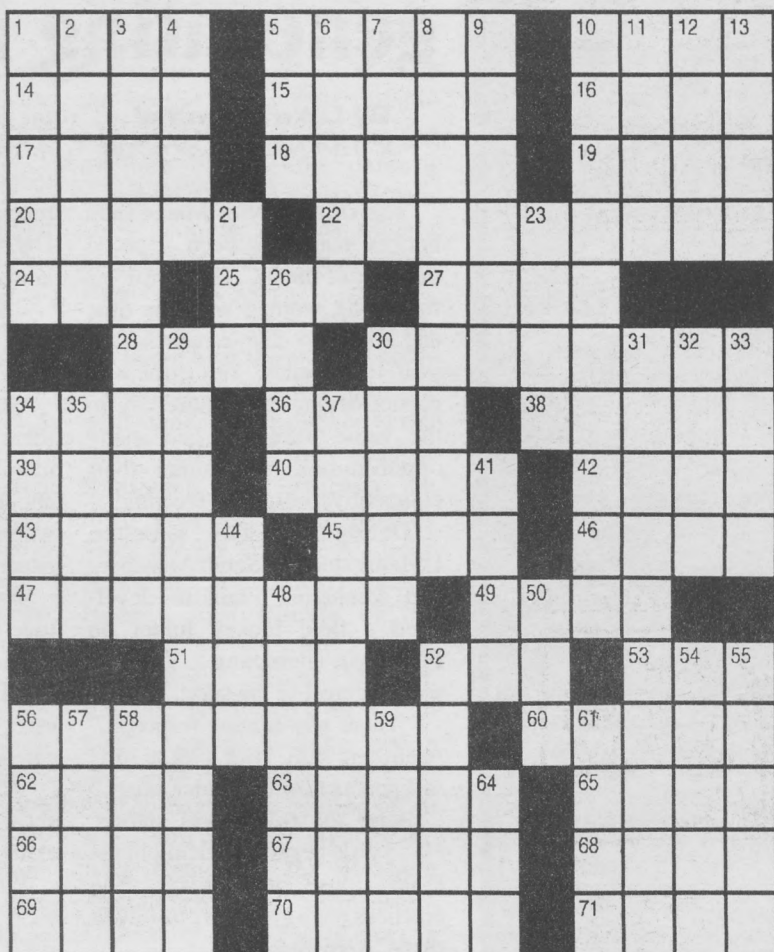


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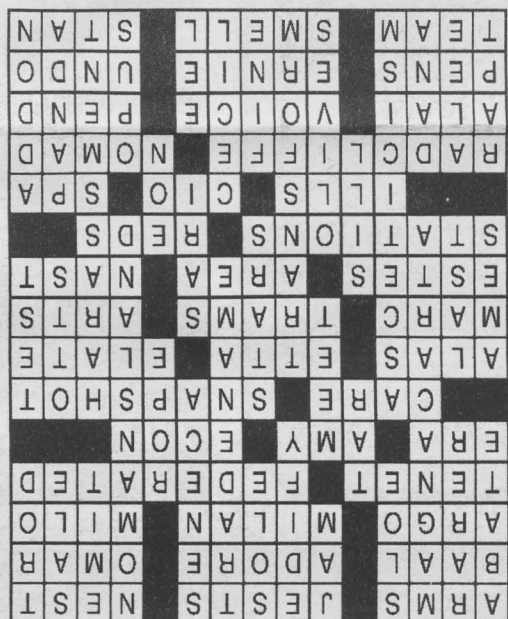


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Today's Horoscopes

By Liz Jarrell
For The Maine Campus

AQUARIUS
(1/20-2/17)

With the new semester thoroughly underway, you find yourself looking for a little bit of lovin'. Go ahead, ask that special person you have been thinking about. Chances are you won't regret it.

Lucky days: 3, 17, 24

PISCES
(2/18-3/19)

Starting to question things with that certain someone? Be completely sure of your feelings before you make any hasty decisions. You definitely don't want to make any moves that you might later regret.

Lucky days: 8, 20, 27

ARIES
(3/20-4/19)

Not ready to tie down? Go ahead and play the field. Let the extra surge of confidence you're feeling this week help you get out and about and meet those special gents and ladies.

Lucky days: 3, 18, 25

Taurus
(4/20-5/19)

Got your eyes on a certain friend but too afraid to follow your feelings? Rumor has it that this person might be seeing you in a different light as well. Don't be afraid to make your move.

Lucky days: 1, 14, 23

GEMINI
(5/20-6/20)

Things are a little shaky with your special someone, but don't let those get you down on the relationship. You have something really special with this person, and he/she knows it as well. Don't worry, things are already on their way to getting better.

Lucky days: 7, 16, 26

CANCER
(7/21-8/21)

So many love aspects, so little time! Can't seem to make a decision? Have fun, cut loose, and don't feel the need to get serious immediately. Allow yourself to experience all that is coming your way.

Lucky days: 11, 19, 25

LEO
(7/22-8/22)

Things are finally blossoming with that special someone, and it's about time too! This new relationship is exactly what you've been looking for. Feel confident in the way things are headed. It looks to be a very promising future.

Lucky days: 12, 20, 24

VIRGO
(8/23-9/21)

Do you feel bad about how things turned out with that ex-someone? This week, put the pride aside, and don't be afraid to call that person up. He/she will appreciate your efforts to reconcile.

Lucky days: 5, 20, 37

LIBRA
(9/22-10/22)

Someone new has just stepped into your life! You're still in the beginning stages of getting to know this person, but so far, things seem to be going well. Just take it slow and be sure not to rush things.

Lucky days: 3, 11, 19

SCORPIO
(10/23-11/21)

You are faced with quite the decision this week. Two people are interested in you...who do you choose? Get to know each other individually while being careful not to lead the other one on.

Lucky days: 16, 21, 26

SAGITTARIUS
(11/22-12/20)

Watch out for this new person who has stepped into your life. Take things slowly and don't rush into things. Rumor has it this person's motives may not be entirely pure...proceed with caution.

Lucky days: 5, 14, 22

CAPRICORN
(12/21-1/19)

With all of the recent boy/girl dilemmas that have come about, don't let yourself get down. After all, it's their loss, not yours. Focus on your friends and other social activities to get your mind off of everything.

Lucky days: 4, 13, 25

LEX



by phil flickinger (www.l-e-x.com)



[TEAM LEADERS]

MEN'S HOCKEY:Goals:

Lucas Lawson	15
Colin Shields	13
Martin Kariya	13

Assists:

Kariya	29
Francis Nault	19
Robert Liscak	16

Goaltending:

Jim Howard	(13-2, 1.72 goals against average, .942 save percentage)
Frank Doyle	(8-1-4, 2.33 goals against average, .914 save percentage)

WOMEN'S HOCKEY:Goals:

Karen Droog	10
Meagan Aarts	8
Jarin Sjogren	6

Assists:

Aarts	12
Naomin Smethurst	6
Andrea Steranko	6
Raffi Wolf	6

Goaltending:

Lara Smart	(2-9-3, 2.45 goals against average, .917 save percentage)
Dawn Froats	(5-2-1, 1.86 goals against average, .913 save percentage)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:Scoring (per game):

Heather Ernest	19.6
Melissa Heon	10.6
Julie Veilleux	8.9

Rebounding (per game):

Ernest	10.2
Veilleux	5.9
Monica Peterson	5.8

Assists:

Kim Corbitt	69
Melissa Heon	57
Missy Traversi	41

Field goal percentage:

Ernest	.545
Abby Schrader	.477
Veilleux	.411

Free-throw percentage:

Veilleux	.839
Heon	.837
Ernest	.824

Steals:

Heon	36
Corbitt	29
Ernest	18

Blocks:

Schrader	17
Ernest	11
Nicole Jay	11

3-point field goal percentage:

Traversi	.360
Ernest	.350

MEN'S BASKETBALL:Scoring (per game):

Kevin Reed	13.2
Rickey White	12.9
Justin Rowe	11.2

Rebounding (per game):

Rowe	10.2
White	5.5
Clayton Brown	5.5

Assists:

Eric Dobson	98
Reed	44
Derrick Jackson	39

Field goal percentage:

White	.683
Rowe	.600
Joe Campbell	.534

Free-throw percentage:

White	.757
Brown	.743
Jackson	.742

Steals:

Dobson	39
Reed	33
Campbell	22

Blocks:

Rowe	75
Campbell	10
Dobson	9

3-point field goal percentage:

Reed	.403
Campbell	.379

Field hockey club generating interest

By Luke Krummel
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine field hockey team has been a proud member of the NCAA since 1972 for young women with the time and ability to devote their school year to athletics. Yet, girls who cannot devote their entire day to the game have not had many opportunities to channel their competitiveness, until recently.

During the fall semester, UMaine students Sarah Arensberg and Michelina Franklin developed a field hockey folder on FirstClass, attempting to generate some interest in the sport.

"There was a huge response," Arensberg said. "But a lot of girls still don't know the folder exists."

After the folder was started, 10-15 girls began practicing in the Field House on Sundays. The practices are a great way to stay in shape, Arensberg said.

"Although the atmosphere was laid back, the competition remained high," she said.

During these practices the women began entertaining thoughts of a field hockey club.

To make this club a reality, Arensberg generated several ideas, including mass e-mails, flyers and a booth in Memorial that

the girls manned on Tuesday, Feb. 4. They will be at the booth again today. In addition, an informal meeting recently was held in the Union. Arensberg said 10 people attended.

"We touched base with the girls," she said. "A lot was covered."

She mentioned some of the ideas and encouraged prospective members to get the word out about the club, practice options, whom to play and the necessary paperwork.

Arensberg described the attitude at the meeting as very enthusiastic.

"There was a genuine interest," she said. "Everyone participated."

A number of the girls who showed interest have NCAA experience.

"It's nice to have some experience, but the important thing is to get a committed group of girls to help get this club started," Arensberg said.

Anyone who is interested can visit the field hockey folder on FirstClass by going to Campus Conversations on their desktop, After Hours and Field Hockey. E-mails also can be sent to Sarah Arensberg, Michelina Franklin or Erika Breton via FirstClass.

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Whitehead believes the effort his team showed was the major key to the win.

"We stuck to the game plan," he said. "We didn't play a perfect game, but the focus to play a perfect game was there. We tried to keep things pretty simple and make adjustments during the game, which the guys responded to really well. The focus was better tonight."

UMaine's focus will need to be just as sharp this weekend. The Black Bears, now No. 2 in the country (21-3-4, 11-2-3 Hockey East), will take on coach Jerry York's sixth-ranked Boston College Eagles (17-6-3, 12-4-1 Hockey East) in the opening game of the weekend.

The Black Bears played two games at BC in December, resulting in a win and a tie. That means UMaine is guaranteed at least a split in the season series with the Eagles, which is the first tiebreaker for the Hockey East standings. By winning last Sunday, UMaine won the series with UNH two games to one, meaning UMaine owns a tiebreaker over the Wildcats.

BC is led on offense by their two juniors, one of whom, Ben Eaves, is a strong candidate for the Hobey Baker Award. He has 15 goals and 26 assists for 41 points in 23 games. Fellow junior Tony Voce (14-18-32) and

sophomores Ryan Shannon (10-16-26) and Dave Spina (11-13-24) are the other key forwards.

BC also boasts one of the best defensemen at both ends of the ice in Hockey East. Junior J.D. Forrest (4-21-25) is the linchpin holding the defense together. Other key defenders are sophomore Andrew Alberts (5-9-14) and freshman Peter Harrold (1-4-5).

Sophomore Matti Kaltainen has taken over the starting goaltending position after splitting with senior Tim Kelleher in the first half of the season. Kaltainen is statistically the third best goalie in Hockey East, behind UMaine's Jimmy Howard, the most recent Hockey East Rookie of the Week, and UNH's Mike Ayers. Kaltainen, from Espoo, Finland, is 11-5-2 with a 2.24 goals against average and a .905 save percentage.

The Eagles are coming off of a 5-2 win Monday night in the first round of the Beanpot Tournament over Northeastern University at the FleetCenter in Boston. This will be the only conference game of the weekend for the Eagles, as they play Boston University for the Beanpot Championship this coming Monday.

UMaine's second opponent of the weekend, Merrimack (10-11-5, 5-8-3 Hockey East),



CAMPUS PHOTO • FRED NICHOLS

Black Bear senior forward Lucas Lawson is chased along the puck by a University of Massachusetts-Lowell player during UMaine's 3-2 win Jan. 24. Lawson leads the Black Bears with 15 goals this season.

though in seventh place in the league, will also be a challenging opponent. The major key to success for coach Chris Serino's Warriors is the play of goaltender Joe Exter. The senior captain of the team is 9-10-5 with a 2.99 GAA and a .915 save percentage.

Merrimack also has the best performing freshman class in

the league. Four of the top six scorers on the team are first-year players. Forwards Brent Gough (8-11-19), Matt Johnson (8-10-18) and Nick Pomponio (5-7-12), as well as defenseman Bryan Schmidt (8-8-16) have all proved to be major contributors as rookies. Key upperclassman for the Warriors include junior forwards Marco Rosa (7-

11-18) and Tim Reidy (6-8-14).

The Black Bears and Warriors have played twice this season, on Jan. 17 and 18 at Merrimack's Volpe Center. The first game was a 5-5 tie in which the Black Bears tied the game twice with less than four minutes left. UMaine came away with a 2-1 win the next night.

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to us."

The two teams traded baskets as the Maine lead hovered in the teens for most of the second half, but Reed's lay-up with 4:46 left gave Maine a 71-51 lead. UNH outscored the Black Bears 21-6 the rest of the way, draining four treys, which cut the lead to five points with six seconds remaining. Off the inbounds pass, guard Eric Dobson streaked down the left side of the court, beating the Wildcat pressure. Dobson, who finished with 11 points and five assists, found forward Rickey White under the basket and he sealed the win with the old-fashioned three-point play.

"This was a game that was more for pride than anything," said White, the senior who had one of his best games of the season. White's 17 points and seven rebounds led the team

and afterwards he explained his team's recipe for winning basketball games.

"We came out. We executed. We played well and we cut down on turnovers."

Maine is averaging over 18 turnovers a game, but committed only 14 in each of the last two games, both wins.

"One of the key points of practice is to value the ball," said Reed, who turned the ball over only once in 34 minutes of playing time. "That's the most important thing on the floor. Every possession counts. You need the ball as much as possible. You've got to value it."

Maine used a balanced scoring attack in the first half to build a 44-31 lead. Nine players scored for coach John Giannini's team, which distributed the ball well, recording 12

assists. Crisp passing led to some open looks around the perimeter and the Black Bear shooters buried eight of their 10 three-point opportunities.

The Black Bears reeled off seven unanswered points to end the first half, capping off the rally with White's lay-in off a pretty feed from guard Udo Hadjisotirov.

New Hampshire's last win in Orono came during the 1995-96 season. Forward Jeff Senulis led the Wildcats with 14 points and 10 rebounds. Junior guard Marcus Bullock, who drained eight three-pointers last season in his lone trip to Orono, finished with a disappointing nine points.

Maine hits the road this weekend with a Saturday date with the University of Albany, a team Maine previously beat by 19 points on Jan. 4.

UMaine announces 17 football recruits

NAME	HT.	WT.	POS	HOMETOWN
Nicholas Achorn	5-9	165	K	Bangor, Maine
Manauris Arias	5-8	160	C	Union City, N.J.
Bryce Baldwin	6-4	270	OL	Rome, N.Y.
Anthony Cotrone	6-2	225	QB	Valley Stream, N.Y.
Matthew Dogali	6-6	285	OL	Old Tappan, N.J.
Shawn Demaray	6-2	260	OL	Livermore Falls, Maine
Jacob Folz	6-2	250	OL	West Paris, Maine
Alexander Gomez	6-1	235	DE	Hyde Park, Mass.
Arel Gordon	5-9	165	WR	Rochester, N.Y.
Derrick Hall	5-9	175	C	Jeannette, Pa.
Kenneth Henry	6-2	260	FB	Forked River, N.J.
Anthony Hicks	6-1	205	LB	Newark, N.J.
Patrick McCrossan	6-4	225	DE	Sparta, N.J.
Craig Parcels	6-6	270	TE	Short Hills, N.J.
Daren Stone	6-3	185	FS	Lockport, N.Y.
Dimitri Vallis	6-3	280	OL	Norwood, N.J.
Dustin Ziack	6-2	180	LB	Saxonburg, Pa.

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double. Heon made 3-4 three-point field goals.

UMaine jumped out early in the first half and built a 15-point lead by the break. New Hampshire started the second half with an 8-2 run, but the Black Bears responded with an 11-4 run to lead 52-36 with

10:37 left to play.

Geneva Livingston and Maren Mathias each scored 13 points for New Hampshire, who fell to 7-12 overall and 2-6 in conference games. Aubrey Danen scored nine points, including her 1,000th career point.

First-year center Abby

Schrader chipped in with nine points off the bench. Sophomore guard Missy Traversi added eight points and three assists.

UMaine continues on the road this weekend with a game at University of Albany Saturday.



CAMPUS PHOTO • ALICIA MANCUSO

University of Maine junior forward Heather Ernest dives for a loose ball in the Black Bears' 74-64 overtime win against the University of Hartford Feb. 1. Ernest, the reigning America East Player of the Week, leads UMaine in scoring, averaging 19.6 points per contest.

Women's basketball level-headed amid win streak

By Becky Sturtevant
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine women's basketball team has faced the University of Hartford in the America East playoffs twice in the past two years. On both occasions, the fifth-ranked Hawks ousted the No. 4 Black Bears in the quarterfinal round of play.

In 2001, Hartford defeated UMaine 70-55 in the single-elimination tournament. Then, in front of a home crowd in West Hartford, Conn. in 2002, the Hawks defeated UMaine again, 59-55.

This year, America East is a different story. The Black Bears are ranked first in the conference, with eight games remaining in the regular season. UMaine has won 10 straight games and has yet to fall to an America East opponent.

On Saturday, Feb. 1, the Black Bears took the court at Alford Arena for their first meeting with the Hawks since the four-point loss in the America East quarterfinals on March 7, 2002. Hartford won its first America East tournament in 2002, defeating Stony Brook University 60-57. This year, however, the Hawks are well below .500, and have struggled to match last year's record of 16-15.

Hartford brought a 4-13 record into Saturday's contest with UMaine, but the Black Bears remembered the America East quarterfinals and did not overlook Hartford's losing record.

"We told the young ones what was up," said junior guard Melissa Heon, who recalled the first round losses. "I'll never forget it."

Heon was one of five current Black Bears on the roster in both the 2000-01 and

2001-02 seasons.

UMaine was able to defeat Hartford last Saturday, but only after the Hawks forced overtime. The win was a hard-earned battle for the Black Bears, but head coach Sharon Versyp said her team would use the win as a learning experience.

"It's good to be pushed," Versyp said. "That way, you're always improving."

The Black Bears will travel to Albany, N.Y. this weekend to face the University of Albany Great Danes. Albany is 8-10, 2-5 in America East play, and the two teams have yet to meet this season.

As was the case with Hartford, the Black Bears are not taking their weekend opponent lightly. UMaine may boast a superior record, but Versyp explained that the next eight games may be more challenging than the first 18.

"We are entering our second round of

America East games. It's going to be even tougher, and we have two road games in front of us," Versyp said.

The Black Bears will enter the weekend with this week's America East Player of the Week, junior forward Heather Ernest.

Ernest recorded consecutive double-doubles in the week ending Feb. 2, with the first coming against the Boston University Terriers on Jan. 29. Ernest grabbed 12 rebounds and scored a game-high 20 points in the 59-37 victory.

The Farmington native also scored 24 points and pulled down 13 boards in the 74-64 overtime victory against Hartford Feb. 1.

The Black Bear men's and women's basketball teams will tip off in a double-header Saturday in Albany. The women's game is slated for 5 p.m., with the men's game following at 7:30 p.m.

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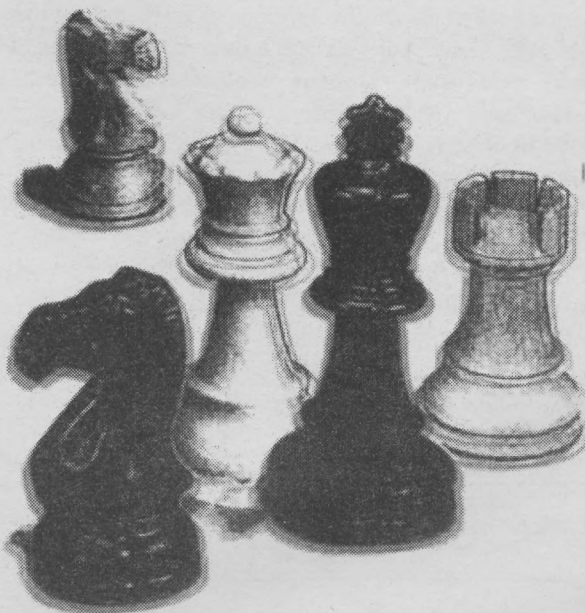


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Black Bear senior forward Raffi Wolf (9) controls the puck while first-year defender Katie Hartley (23) provides support during UMaine's game with Cornell University Jan. 31. The Black Bears host Quinnipiac University Saturday at 1 p.m. The Black Bears are just one point out of the last Hockey East playoff spot with eight games left.

Women's hockey optimistic about playoff berth

By Matt Hritz
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine women's hockey team (7-11-4 overall, 1-5-2 Hockey East) is entering a critical period in the season, as only eight games remain on the schedule, seven against league opponents. Despite the team's struggles this season, the Black Bears can still make the playoffs. They are only one point behind in Hockey East standings.

"Our goal is to make the playoffs," head coach Rick Filighera said. "I definitely think we are not at the place I thought we would be at this

time. I think we have taken a step back record-wise, but personally I think the effort has been there."

The Black Bears are coming off a disappointing loss last Saturday against Cornell University. UMaine surrendered a 2-1 lead with 14 seconds left in the third period and lost the game with less than a minute to play in overtime.

"It was extremely disappointing to lose to Cornell, definitely because it would have really helped us on our climb to .500 to win the two-game series," senior captain Jarin Sjogren said.

UMaine will look to erase

that disappointment this Saturday when they host the Quinnipiac University Bobcats (5-19-0). The Black Bears split a two-game series with the Bobcats last November at Quinnipiac. Both games resulted in a 2-0 score.

Like Cornell, offense has been a big problem for the Bobcats this season, opponents have outscored them 91-43. Sophomore forward Gillian Gallagher leads the team with eight goals and eight assists. Senior Mel Courtemanche, who has a 2-16-0 record, 4.21 goals against average and a .881 save percentage, has seen most of the goaltending duties.

"Quinnipiac is a game that we are going to have to show up and play hard for," senior goalie Dawn Froats said. "They are a hard-working team with a good goaltender. If we play our best we should win, but it will be a good game. Quinnipiac has improved a lot from the past seasons."

Playing all Hockey East teams the rest of the way after Quinnipiac, the Black Bears will hope to get a winning streak together to cement their status in the playoffs.

"I do feel like we can get on a hot streak, because we have done it before," junior defenseman Naomi Smethurst said.

"We just need to stay positive and work on parts of the game we need to improve on. If we do this, I am sure we can turn the season around."

The Black Bears will look to get back in the win column when they host Quinnipiac this Saturday at 1 p.m. and on Tuesday at 7 p.m. against the University of New Hampshire.

"[New Hampshire is] tough," Filighera said. "They play a good team game. I think we can be very competitive with them. We are going to have to play a good solid 60 minutes and see what happens from there. They are going to be very tough for us."

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Waning Moments

By **Ryan Waning**
For *The Maine Campus*

- Has anyone else caught the new Tylenol commercial where this huge guy says he has like 829 kids? Until it ended, I honestly thought they were using old footage of Wilt ("The Stilt," not 'stilts', there is just one if you're catching my drift) Chamberlain.

- Forget all of those other reports. He's not suicidal or bipolar, nor was he ever in San Diego.

The truth is, Barrett Robbins was stuck in my bathroom during the Super Bowl. Barrett has family in Brewer. On his way back to the airport his car broke down. I happened to be driving by at the time and offered him a lift. When he introduced himself, I admitted to being a fan and offered him a snack. After sharing the nachos I was eating, Barrett commented that he needed the potty. Knowing my great grandmother's recipe for bean dip had struck again, I raced home as fast as I could so he could use my bathroom.

When we arrived, Barrett was in no mood to play games and shot inside.

I know none of that was true and I'm sorry for making up a totally false story about a guy who obviously has some problems.

Now, shouldn't Melissa "Columbo" Stark apologize for the two or three whoppers she came up with about him on the sideline on not-so-super Sunday? Unbelievable.

- You know, the windbags on the local sports talk radio shows never say anything positive about UMaine defenseman Prestin Ryan. He's a loose cannon and a thug. So was former Black Bear Brendan Walsh. I love it. I'd clone five more of him — or maybe four until Francis Nault graduates — to start for me.

If you were skating up on someone you thought was crazy that had, in the past, punched a few people in the face — what are you going to think about? They will complain when he gets sent to the box for a crosscheck, but do they acknowledge his effect on the psyche of the other team.

I'll bet Boston College forward Tony Voce knows damn well where No. 24 is whenever he hits the ice this Friday night.

Men's basketball downs UNH at home

By **Lucas Peterson**
Staff Reporter

The University of New Hampshire men's basketball team has struggled to a 3-17 record this season and leads the America East conference in losses with nine. One bright spot for the Wildcats came Jan. 6 at Lundholm Gymnasium in Durham N.H. A 74-64 triumph against the rival Black Bears gave UNH its lone conference win.

The Maine men avenged the early season disappointment with a 77-72 win at Alford Arena Wednesday night. While the Black Bears improved to .500 in conference play, the Wildcats return to Durham mired in a seven-game losing streak.

Freshman guard Kevin Reed's three-pointer gave Maine a 58-37 lead and capped a 12-2 run to start the second half. The 21-point lead was the largest of the game and too much for the Wildcats to overcome. Reed ended with 15 points, only one turnover and explained his team's early season loss.

"I think the first game we took them too lightly. We kind of went in there thinking that a win was going to be handed

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CAMPUS PHOTO • ANNA-MARIA EASLEY

University of Maine junior guard Thomas Hill (22) looks to drive against University of Hartford forward Sean Regan in the Black Bears 82-71 win Sunday, Feb. 2. UMaine defeated University of New Hampshire last night at Alford Arena, 77-72, behind 17 points from senior forward Rickey White.

Hockey returns home sweet home

By **Jeff Mannix**
Staff Reporter

After a weekend split at the University of New Hampshire, the University of Maine men's ice hockey team is in the same position as last week. The team is in a three-way tie atop the Hockey East standings and will face off against one of the teams it is tied with.

After playing two with UNH last week, the Black Bears now face the other team tied for first place, Boston College, Friday night at Alford Arena. UMaine also will host Merrimack College Sunday at 2 p.m.

Black Bear coach Tim Whitehead said he was extremely pleased with his team's effort on Sunday night in its 3-2 overtime win at the Whittemore Center in Durham, N.H., UMaine's first win in the building since March 14, 1998. No one from the current team was on the team for that win.

"It was a great feeling," Whitehead said. "When you work hard like that and you're on the road with the whole building against you. We just



CAMPUS PHOTO • JULIE ALTENHOFF

University of Maine senior forward Robert Liscak crashes the net against University of Massachusetts-Lowell goaltender Dominic Smart in the Black Bears' 3-2 win Friday, Jan. 24. UMaine hosts Boston College Friday night and Merrimack College Sunday afternoon at Alford Arena.

went around the room and shook hands. What can you say after that one?"

Senior forward Lucas Lawson's overtime game-winner came with just 6.8 seconds left, but not without controver-

sy. The goal was directed in off of his skate, but referee Scott Hansen indicated that it was unintentional and allowed it to stand.

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Women's hoopsters roll in UNH

Black Bears victorious
behind Heon, Ernest

By **Eric Russell**
Sports Editor

Junior forward Heather Ernest scored 21 points and junior guard Melissa Heon added 19 as the University of Maine women's basketball team won its 11th consecutive game, a 69-52 decision at the University of New Hampshire last night.

The Black Bears remained unbeaten in America East Conference play, improving their record to 15-4 and 8-0 in league games. Ernest sank 8-11 shots and Heon 8-12 as UMaine shot 57 percent as a team from the floor.

Ernest added 12 rebounds to notch her third straight double-

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