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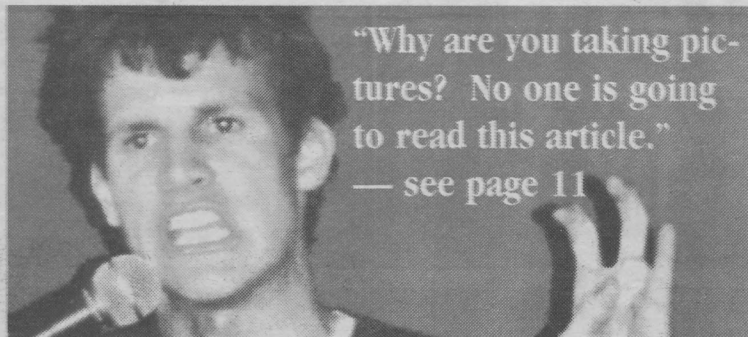
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**Michaud confronts OSHA closing and economic agenda**

**By Kyle Webster**  
Staff Reporter

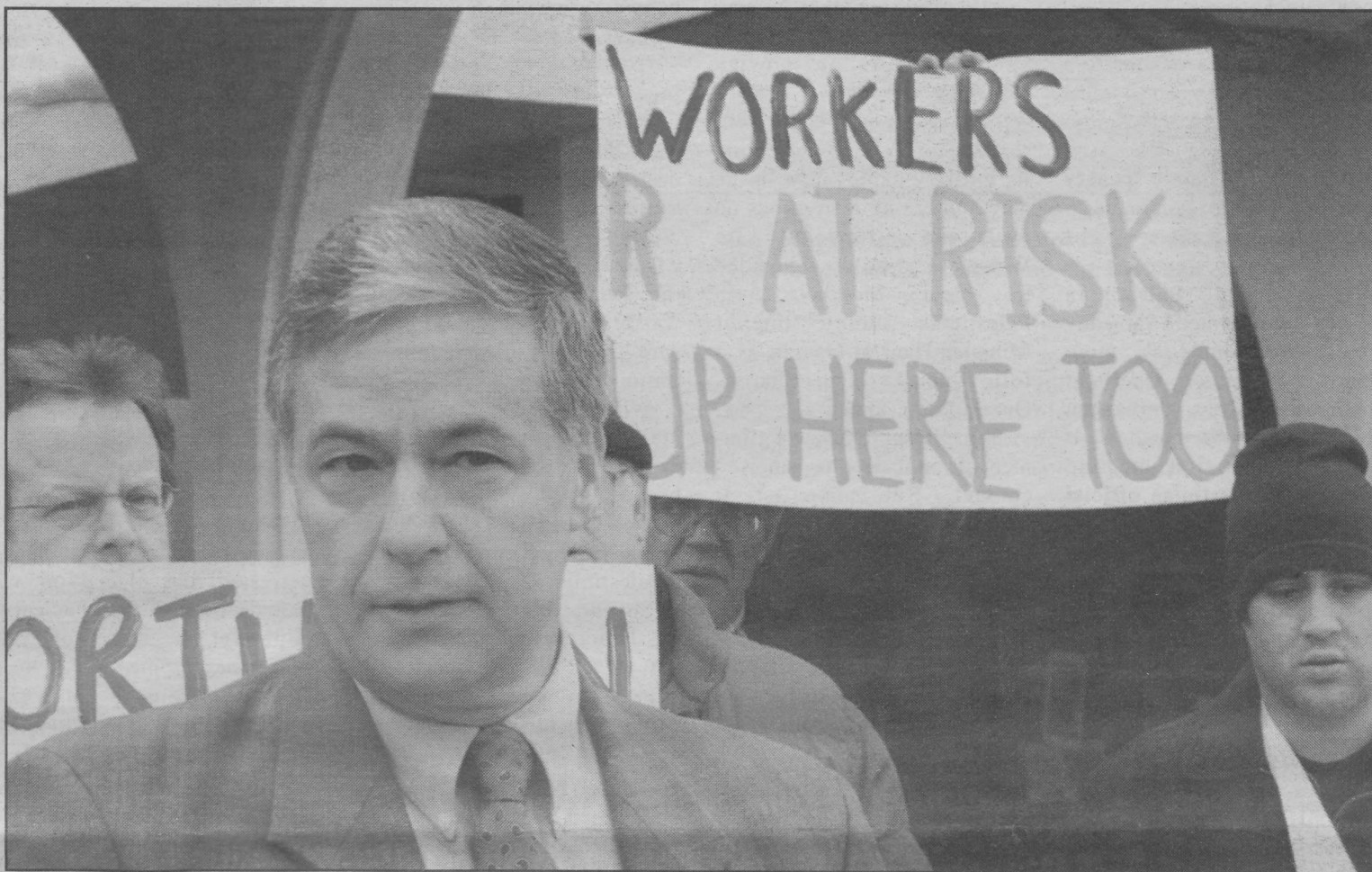
For freshman Congressman Michael Michaud, the going has been anything but easy.

Only a month after Michaud was sworn in, the Second Congressional District of Maine is already mired in several pressing state issues involving the economy, job security and workplace safety.

But Michaud, who has placed himself in the center of these issues, says his motivation and desire for change will not be deterred.

"Our quality of life, our prospects for the future, and our investments in the full potential of our citizens is second to none," Michaud said in his first State of the District address last week. "I know that you love your community as much as I do and that you will fight for it. I'm ready to help get Maine moving again."

In the address, delivered to a crowd at the Penobscot Job Corps Center, Michaud started



CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

Congressman Mike Michaud speaks on behalf of his backdrop of protesters opposing the closing of the Bangor OSHA office. Protesters chanted "Mr. Henshaw, bad decision" between speakers at the Jan. 31 gathering.

off by attacking President George Bush for neglecting to mention those issues which he viewed as vital to his district.

"I listened for a plan to create

new jobs," he stated. "I listened for a plan to jump-start our economy and help the workers at Great Northern Paper Company in my hometown. I

listened for a plan to give prescription drug benefits to all Americans. In short, I listened for a plan for our congressional district— a plan that would

begin to give hope to young people like yourselves and a reason to stay here in Maine and

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## UM Senate gives OK to revised Constitution

**By Meredith Holt**  
Staff Reporter

Members of the General Student Senate voted to adopt an updated Constitution at their meeting Tuesday, Feb. 4.

The updated Constitution, pending final approval by the general student body, the Board of Trustees, and the Secretary of State will streamline the University of Maine Student Government.

The amended Constitution would allow the Executive Budgetary Committee to allocate funds of up to \$1,000 to student organizations without the Senate's approval. It would create a new division of Student Organizations and restructure the tiered club system with the addition of Community Associations.

Students will have the

opportunity to vote on the new Constitution on their FirstClass desktops within 30-45 days of Tuesday's meeting. The Constitution then will be sent to the BOT and the Secretary of State for their review.

Attorney Ted Curtis of Legal Services approved the document before it was presented to the Senate. The GSS constitution has been amended numerous times, most recently in 2000.

Student Government Vice President Matthew O. Gagnon included the provision for EBC to make it easier for clubs to gain access to Student Government's \$500,000 budget, and to allow the Senate to focus more on non-financial resolutions. Gagnon is the author of the new Constitution.

## 'Town fair' highlights links between UM and community

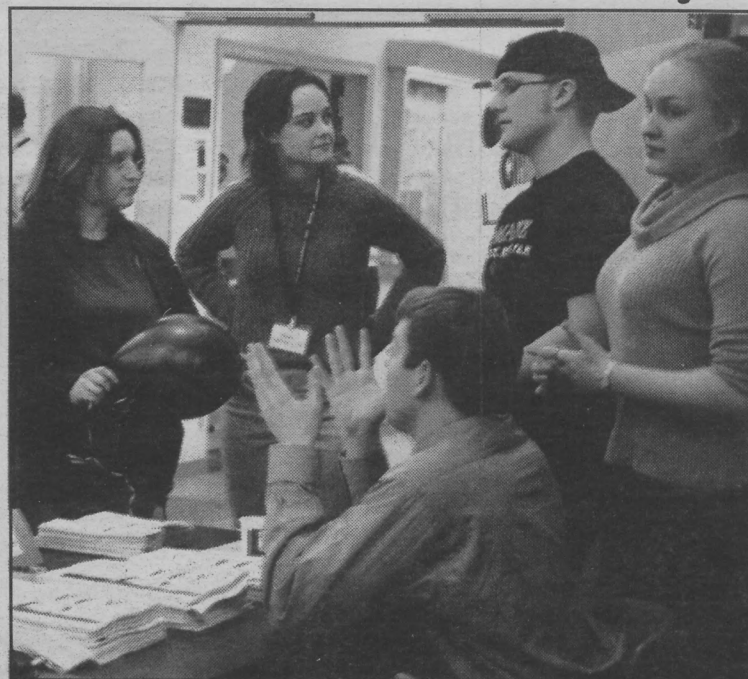
**By Kyle Webster**  
Staff Reporter

In a continuing effort to better the relationship between the townspeople of Orono and students at the University of Maine, the Orono Task Force, working with the Off-Campus Board, held the first ever Orono-University Community Fair at Memorial Union last Wednesday.

The fair was held in order to inform the UMaine community of the variety of resources offered to them by the town of Orono.

"We want to try to educate the campus community," Orono Public Health Nurse Leslie Peterson said. "We want to show [the students] what Orono has to offer."

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Members of the Off-Campus Board, (right to left), OCB Councilor Mary Gatchell, OCB Vice President Colin Grady and President Timothy Pike talk to students at the Orono-University Community Fair last Wednesday at the Union.



# The World BEYOND UMaine

## Sharon meets with Palestinian No. 2 to discuss West Bank pullout

JERUSALEM — Too little too late? A political stunt? Or a glimmer of hope after 29 months of violence?

Such are the characterizations of the recent resumption of contact between Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Ahmed Queria, the Palestinian legislative speaker who is second-in-command to Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat.

Israeli and Palestinian sources confirmed Saturday that Sharon dined for more than two hours with Queria at the prime minister's Jerusalem residence on Wednesday. It was Sharon's first meeting with a top Palestinian official in almost a year.

Queria, also known as Abu Ala, helped launch the now-abandoned Oslo peace accords in 1993 and often is described as a political moderate. Sharon, a former army general, is considered right-of-center on Israel's political spectrum.

Sources said the men discussed the possibility of achieving a gradual cease-fire in a conflict that has killed more than 700 Israelis and 1,820 Palestinians, since the start of the Palestinian uprising, or intifada, in September 2000.

Sharon's chief of staff, Dov

Weisglass, told Israel Radio that Sharon offered to gradually withdraw Israeli troops from West Bank cities if Palestinian security forces could be counted on to assert control.

"It proposes that everywhere they succeed in preventing attacks or showing that they are making serious efforts to do so, Israel will react accordingly by changing its military deployment in the area and easing restrictions on trade and movement," said Weisglass, who is scheduled to meet Monday with Palestinian Authority Interior Minister Hani al-Hassan as a follow-up to the Sharon-Queria tete-a-tete.

Some observers saw a glimmer of hope in the renewed contact. But some Israeli media quickly pointed out that the battered Palestinian Authority had almost no ability to enforce a cease-fire even if it wanted to.

"It needs to be clear that the Palestinian Authority — which long ago turned into a virtual authority, a scarecrow inside the renewed Israeli occupation — has neither the ability nor the desire to stop terror," said Roni Shaked of the Israeli daily Yediot Ahronot.

Others said the timing of the meeting, and Israeli government leaks about it, were geared to coerce Israel's left-of-center Labor Party to join

Sharon in a broad, "national unity" governing coalition. Labor, which finished second in recent parliamentary elections, has said Sharon must resume talks with the Palestinians before it would consider entering his government.

Commentators said the timing also could be linked to the growing prospect of a U.S.-led war on Iraq and Sharon's desire to appear conciliatory to the Palestinians as the West attacks an Arab land. Israel's Channel One television said the Sharon-Queria meeting was preceded by intense pressure from the Bush administration.

When the sides resume formal negotiations, they are expected to focus on a U.S.-backed "road map" that obligates them to a series of steps to end violence and help foster a Palestinian state by 2005.

So far, the United States has honored Sharon's request not to release the plan until after he forms his government, which by law he must do before the end of March.

"I would not say that the meeting is an indication that things are back on track," top Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat said last night. "Sharon has said he will not resume negotiations as long as Arafat is in power."

Arafat, speaking to reporters at his Ramallah headquarters Saturday, said:

"We are ready for any talks as long as this might lead us to peace."

Palestinian officials emphasized that Queria acted with Arafat's authorization and briefed him after the meeting with Sharon.

Abdel Aziz Rantisi, a spokesman for Hamas, the Palestinian Islamic resistance movement that rejects peace with Israel, said the meeting harmed the Palestinian national interest.

"Such meetings encourage the terrorist Sharon to perpetuate more crimes against our people and to shed our blood," he told the Jerusalem Post.

## North Korea reactivates nuclear facilities

TOKYO — North Korea announced Feb. 5 that it had reactivated and placed on a "normal footing" the nuclear facilities at the center of its weapons development program.

Analysts said the move, which the State Department characterized as "a very serious development," was designed to coerce attention from a Bush administration more focused on potential war with Iraq.

Both countries were labeled part of the "axis of evil" by President Bush in his State of the Union address last year, and North Korean leader Kim Jong-il is said to believe his government will also be targeted by Washington for war.

In a statement by the North Korean Foreign Ministry released on the official Korean Central News Agency,

Pyongyang said it is "now putting the operation of its nuclear facilities for the production of electricity on a normal footing after their restart."

U.S. officials believe the five megawatt reactor at Yongbyon is only capable of producing weapons-grade plutonium, but the official statement said the facilities would be used only for "peaceful purposes, including the production of electricity, at the present stage."

Some 8,000 spent-fuel rods have been stored near the facilities, and experts believe the material could be reprocessed into nuclear weapons in a matter of weeks.

A State Department official, speaking on background, demanded that the North "reverse this action" and "visibly, verifiably and irreversibly dismantle its nuclear weapons program."

North Korea has already thrown out inspectors from the International Atomic Energy Administration and said it will walk out of the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty. The IAEA is scheduled to meet in Vienna next Wednesday to discuss asking the U.N. Security Council to consider political or other sanctions against the Pyongyang government.

Pyongyang, which has already quit the IAEA, dismissed the U.N.'s efforts in advance.

"The DPRK does not care about whether the U.N. Security Council discusses the nuclear issue on the Korean peninsula or not," the Foreign Ministry statement said.

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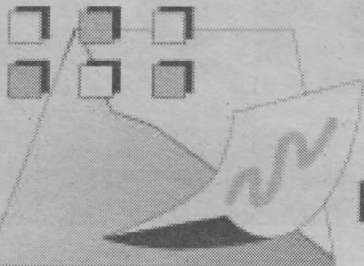
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# Police seek assailant from Sigma Nu brawl

By Cate Tiller  
Staff Reporter

University of Maine Public Safety officials are still investigating a fight at Sigma Nu fraternity house that occurred Jan. 25.

Public Safety said the fight was not directed at brothers of Sigma Nu, nor instigated by them. They have a description of the main aggressor, but have not brought charges against anyone.

The fight started in the Sigma Nu house and trickled outside before ending up in the parking lot. When Public Safety arrived, the large crowd outside the fraternity quickly dispersed. People ran toward campus and College Avenue. One officer caught and questioned two coatless men with blood on their shirts.

The men said they had been trying to break up a fight when they got assaulted. One was hit in the face with a half-gallon liquor bottle, giving him a deep gash on the bridge of his nose. Two other men, caught

by a different officer, had been leaving the house when they were jumped in front of the building.

Douglas Dow, the president of Sigma Nu, said that there was a fight that weekend. Dow said the brothers did not know the identity of the aggressor, but called his behavior "unacceptable." The fraternity is cooperating with Public Safety in the investigation.

"As far as who and what caused the fight and where they are from, we do not know," Dow said. "We are doing everything we can to help Public Safety bring the assailant to justice."

Public Safety describe the assailant as a white male with a shaved head, thick sideburns and a goatee. He is about 6-feet 2-inches tall, heavy set and college aged. Due to the number of people involved and the nature of the injuries, the aggressor could be facing charges of aggravated assault and up to five years in prison.

Several people went to the hospital of their own accord



CAMPUS PHOTO • LAURA MADDOCK

A view of the Sigma Nu house, as seen from College Ave. A recent fight at the fraternity has been the focus of a Public Safety investigation. Currently, no one has been charged in the brawl.

that night. One Public Safety officer, who was at Eastern Maine Medical Center on another call, saw two people come in with head lacerations, covered in blood. They are alleged to also have been involved in the fight.

Police are still conducting interviews, but according to Lt. Alan Stormann, individuals with direct affiliation to Sigma Nu are not being sought. Public Safety Detective Sgt. Chris Gardner said it looked like a party had gotten out of

control, and Public Safety isn't ruling out the possibility that alcohol was involved.

They expect 60 to 100 people were at the fraternity that night and are asking anyone with information to please come forward.

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Tables were set up in various locations throughout the Union with information about resources. Town services, legal services, the Orono Bog Boardwalk, Orono Village Association and the Off-Campus Board all had tables containing information on everything from the laws of Orono to a person's legal rights as an apartment renter.

"I know from talking to off-campus students that most don't know what the town of Orono has to offer them," Timothy Pike, president of the Off-Campus Board, said.

Every major town department was represented at the event. Officers from the police

department, fire fighters, members of the town council, the town nurse and citizens were all there to answer student's questions. Many organizations, including the police department, had packets to hand out that also included job applications.

"If you're interested in law enforcement, Orono is a great place to work," Capt. Lynwood Green of the Orono Police Department said. "We definitely look for new officers here at the university."

Although the student turn out was not huge, most of the people involved felt that the event went well.

"This is great," Green said. "I never get a chance to just

chit-chat with the community, so this is great."

This event was held partially as a tool to reunite the campus and town communities following an incident that occurred last semester on Pond Street. At roughly 3 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, Michael Curtis was beaten after he attempted to quiet a party held across the street from his residence. Following this incident, the Orono Neighborhood Task Force was established and several efforts have been made

to unite the two communities once again.

"That definitely added to the need for this fair," Peterson said. "I honestly think that if you go to other college towns, there isn't nearly this much effort to make known what's available. We want to work together here."

The fair also was held due to the importance of UMaine to the town.

"[The students] play a big role in our community,"

Elizabeth Schneider, a member of the Orono Village Association, said.

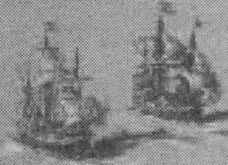
Of Orono's 9,112 residents, roughly half of them are students at UMaine. Employment numbers, consumer numbers and residential numbers all show the impact the UMaine population has on the town.

"We don't deny [the student's] importance, we just want [the students] to feel at home here," Schneider said. "This is your town."

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## Police Beat

Orono &  
Old Town

By Kyle Webster  
Staff Reporter

• A man was arrested following an incident at Talmar Woods at 11:15 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1. Officers responded to the area in search of a suspect involved in a criminal threatening incident. A man claimed that another man had threatened his wife with a knife, stating that he "had nothing to lose." The man was found and identified as John Hopkins. He was arrested for criminal threatening with a firearm and taken to Penobscot County Jail.

• A woman was issued a summons following a situation at Ushuaia's parking lot at 12:25 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1. An officer on routine patrol saw a small group of people exiting the club. One girl in

the group was very visibly intoxicated. The officer recognized her as being under 21. She was identified as Rebecca Stormann, 18. As a result, she was issued a summons for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor by consumption.

• A man was issued a summons following a situation at the Ushuaia's parking lot at 12:27 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1. An officer on routine patrol noticed a parked car with three people sitting in it. Due to the high level of crime in the area, the officer decided to check the car. Upon inspection, he noticed a six-pack of beer on the floor of the car. He asked the person in the passenger seat, identified as Harold Eames, 19, who the beer belonged to. Eames said it was his. As a result, he was issued a summons for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor.

## Correction

• In the Feb. 6 Delta Tau Delta article, Matt Madore was misquoted as saying "frat" instead of "fraternity."

• In the Feb. 3 issue the Bangor Lumberjacks were said to be from Adiondack, N.Y., rather than they used to play in Glen Falls, N.Y.

• In the Feb. 3 issue, the

administrative assistant for Residence Life and Programs should have been Doreen Thibodeau, not Barbara Thibodeau.

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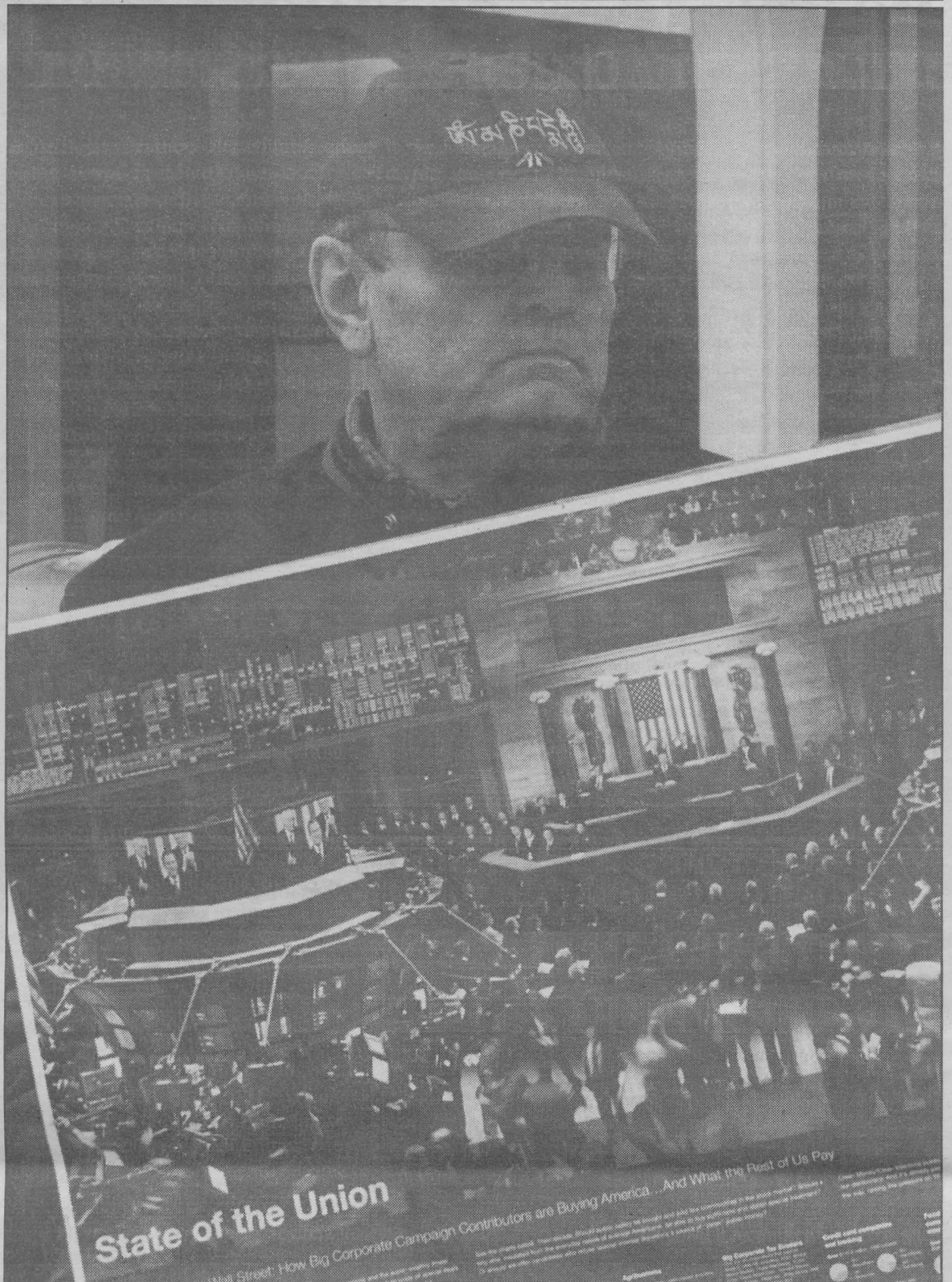
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"If indicted I will not resign. If convicted I will not serve," Gerald Oleson shouted during the OSHA protest Jan. 31, in front of the Margaret Chase Smith Federal Building in Bangor. Oleson claims he is an Independent Peace Activist.

## MICHAUD from page 1

help build our economy. I listened, but I did not hear."

His speech covered all of the issues he claimed as pertinent to the Second District in Maine, including prescription drugs, jobs and transportation.

In this first month, one of the major issues Michaud has tackled is the movement of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration office in Bangor. The office is scheduled to be shut down in the near future.

According to Bill Freeman, the OSHA area director for Maine, this is because the building that houses the office is being turned over for exclusive use by court system.

"No final decision has been made, we are exploring the

options," Freeman said.

One of those options is moving the office completely out of Bangor and into Augusta, according to Michaud. He claims that this move would be detrimental to the workers of northern Maine due to the hazards affiliated with their most northern jobs.

"This is unbelievably problematic to employees in northern Maine," he said. "I want to know why [the office] needs to be moved."

To coincide with the growing need for economic growth in his district, Michaud pointed out the need to address transportation issues. He was appointed to the

Congressional Transportation Committee, a

committee that he claims is vital to this region.

"I am looking forward to serving on the Transportation Committee," Michaud said. "Transportation is the key to economic growth in our part of Maine."

Throughout his address, he acknowledged the fact that this region of Maine is not in the best condition, but he remained optimistic towards the future and the potential for economic and financial growth.

"I don't need to tell you the state of the Second District is full of uncertainties," Michaud said. "I'm here to remind us that when we consider the spirit, character and generosity of the individuals who live here, then the state of our district is strong."

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## CONSTITUTION from page 1

"All this is doing is streamlining the process," Sen. Colin Grady said. "Over time, it will drastically change the image people on campus have of us."

Currently, the process of obtaining funds for events is cumbersome. The first step is to visit the financial affairs office to set up a meeting with EBC. After EBC talks with the student organization, they discuss the monetary request privately and vote on it. Vice President for Financial Affairs Kyle Cyr must then send an e-mail to the organization informing them of EBC's decision. Then the Cabinet must consider the resolution at a Wednesday Cabinet meeting. Finally, the group must send a representative to the next GSS meeting to answer questions from senators and observe the outcome of the resolution. If a representative from the group is not present, the resolution is tabled and the group must wait longer to receive funds.

"Allowing EBC to give out up to \$1,000 eliminates some of the hoops the organizations have to jump through," Gagnon said. "It takes a lot of the workload out of our hands so we can consider non-financial resolutions."

Gagnon said resolutions can be discussed in more detail in a small-group setting than at Senate meetings. The

Executive Budgetary Committee consists of the president and vice president of Student Government, the vice president of Student Affairs, the treasurer and four senators.

A common complaint within the Senate is that it is unfair for group representatives to have to sit through the entire Senate meeting, particularly through the debates that often ensue. Financial resolutions are addressed under the new business section of the agenda, which follows new senator and officer appointments, club maintenance, guest speakers and officer and committee reports.

Some senators expressed their concern that this change would give EBC too much power over the budget.

"I really don't like the idea of EBC having so much power, granted it's \$1,000 or less," Sen. Jenny Londot said. "That's a lot of money [and] it adds up to a lot in the end."

About 79 percent of the financial resolutions are passed without much debate, Gagnon said. This change would limit debate to resolutions requesting more than \$1,000.

The same concerns expressed in Senate meetings are covered in EBC meetings, Cyr said. Furthermore, all

EBC allocations would be reported to the Senate. According to the updated Constitution, the Senate has the power to overturn an appropriation by a two-thirds roll call vote, assuming the funds have not yet been distributed.

"If something comes up that's major, we'll deal with it," Sen. Scott Reynolds said. "I think this is the right direction that we really need to go."

Other senators showed similar support for the idea.

"They're taking a lot of the work, doing it, and then presenting it to us," Sen. Jennifer Corbett said.

Another major change written into the new Constitution would create a Division of Student Organizations. The division would consist of the vice president for Student Organizations and all recognized student organizations, classified by type. The outgoing vice president of Student Government, with the advice and approval of the Senate, would appoint the vice president of Student Affairs.

The vice president of Student Affairs "shall be responsible for maintaining a list of active and inactive Student Government recognized clubs, the officers of those clubs, the dates of all club elections, and the official

membership of all clubs," according to Part VI, Section 3 of the Constitution.

This was done to improve the effectiveness of communication between Student Government and the clubs. There are about 60 active clubs that routinely come to visit the Student Government officers, Gagnon said. The goal is to expand that number to the total number of recognized clubs, which adds up to between 150 and 180.

"Generally, it's going to create a much bigger dialogue with the organizations," Gagnon said. "This is probably the biggest change we've had in four years."

Student athletes are given more direct representation under Article VI, Section 2 of the new Constitution. Representation for student athletes is an issue that has been discussed in the Senate on several occasions. The section gives all student athletes the right to adopt and amend a Constitution for their own governance. The currently active Student Athlete Advisory Board falls under this section of the Constitution.

Another organizational change in the Constitution is that of Community Associations, which would eliminate the current tiered

club system.

"A lot of people have been calling for the end of the club levels," Gagnon said.

Community Associations is set up to provide "representation of groups of students who associate themselves with certain segments of the university community dealing with individual heritage, sex, sexuality or disability," according to Section 1 or Article VII.

The organizations referred to as "Level 3 Clubs" are classified in the new Constitution as Community Associations. These groups would include the Student Heritage Alliance Center, Wilde Stein Alliance for Sexual Diversity and the Student Women's Association. Two new groups also would be added: the Student Men's Association and Students with Disabilities Association.

This new categorization would allow these groups to propose resolutions to GSS, with approval of a majority of the association membership. Gagnon said the structure is more secure for these groups.

"They're more than a club, they contribute to the community in a certain way," he said. These Level 3 Clubs must have more than 50 members and must organize at least two major events each year. Gagnon said the Level 3 Clubs are in favor of becoming Community Associations.

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## LEGAL Affairs



Attorneys David R. Miller and Ted Curtis

**Q:** I bought a second-hand computer using an Internet auction service. I sent \$900 to the "seller" in another state, but I never got the computer. I have tried contacting him at the phone number and address that he gave me, but he does not respond. What do I do?

**A:** Judging by the number of similar student inquiries we receive, your complaint is a relatively common one. The World Wide Web has opened up a world of possibilities for the purchase and sale of merchandise, especially used goods and collector's items. It can be challenging for both buyers and sellers to protect their interests in this electronic marketplace, partly because Internet auction sites are very careful to explain in their user agreements that they bear little or no responsibility in the event one party defaults.

You may want to utilize the auction site's complaint procedures. These sites generally log all complaints against any user, and an accumulation of bad feedback about your seller may result in revocation of his permission to use the service. Doing this may prevent wrongdoing in the future, or apply pressure to the seller to resolve the matter. You may also consider requesting any mediation services the site has to offer. Mediation is voluntary on the part of the parties, and there may be a fee to participate.

If you have paid by credit card, contact your credit card company immediately to notify them of the dispute. A credit card company sometimes will take steps to protect your interests by refusing payment of a disputed bill. This may inspire the seller to cooperate.

Consider filing a complaint with the police. The police are disinclined to investigate an unsatisfactory commercial transaction as a criminal matter because such disputes are often better characterized as "civil" in nature, but such a complaint may prove useful in the event that the

seller has a history of criminal behavior, or if the default was egregious.

You may prevail in a suit in small claims court for breach of contract. The small claims court process is thoroughly described in chapter 27 of the Maine Attorney General's Consumer Law Guide, which may be found on the web at [www.state.me.us/ag](http://www.state.me.us/ag). There are some logistical factors to this approach that must be considered, and you will have to decide if a suit in small claims court is right for you in this instance.

Commercial transactions should be performed in person, or using written, signed documents that evidence the terms of any agreement. When you use an Internet auction site, take advantage of whatever protection mechanisms it has to offer. Carefully evaluate any user's history. You may discover that there are complaints or comments about them arising out of previous transactions. You may be able to arrange for payment of the purchase price into an escrow account pending delivery of the goods. The sites sometimes offer a protection plan that can "insure" your interests in the transaction up to a point. In addition, when arranging for shipping, always consider insuring the item. The failure to deliver might be due to loss or destruction during shipping, not any wrongdoing by the other party.

If you ever have a concern about a particular transaction, you should also consider consulting a lawyer. Remember, undergraduate students should not hesitate to take advantage of our free and reduced rate legal services.

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## E-fair takes employment options to the Web for UMaine students

For the month of February, students from Maine's 22 colleges, including the University of Maine, will have the opportunity to find employment at the second Maine Collegiate E-Fair.

The event allows students to visit virtual employment booths and submit their resumes online 24 hours a day through Feb. 28. This year's event is being coordinated by the University of Maine at Farmington.

The site allows students from Maine schools to have the chance to open up to a larger market so employers can still find quality employees while eliminating travel costs and other possible restraints that could keep them from coming here.

"This venue is less expensive for employers and more convenient for students," said Sherry Treworgy, associate director of the Career Center at UMaine. "It's designed to open channels of communication that might lead to follow-up calls, e-mail,

interviews and jobs."

Last year, statistics show that the E-fair attracted close to 80 employers from across the country, as more than 270 jobs were posted.

At this year's fair, jobs that will be featured include full-time jobs and internships in the arts, business, communications, education and engineering fields.

The event is sponsored by the Maine Recruiting Consortium in conjunction with MonsterTrak.com. The MRC is comprised of career services offices on the campuses of 22 Maine colleges and universities. Members of those college and university career center staffs share information and work together to plan this year's event.

MonsterTrak.com is a division of the giant search engine mogul Monster.com. MonsterTrak.com posts jobs and internships for college students as well as graduates.

Most of the colleges and universities in the MRC will contin-

ue to hold face-to-face career fairs and do not intend for the E-fair to replace live career fairs. It's seen as an additional tool that can be used by more employers and employees, according to a UMaine press release.

The Web address for this year's fair is [www.colby.edu/career.serv/](http://www.colby.edu/career.serv/) and may be accessed by employers who wish to register for the fair as well as students who choose to participate. The registration fee is \$150 for profit organizations and \$100 for non-profit organizations. The participation for students is free.

Employers may advertise unlimited openings and may update their job postings during the fair. Students are encouraged to submit their resumes and post them on the site as soon as possible. Students with questions about how to access the site or how to post their resume should contact the Career Center at 581-1359.

*Compiled from staff reports.*

## Amid state budget cuts, school of medicine selling its name for \$25M

By Jeff Stensland  
Knight Ridder  
Newspapers

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The University of South Carolina's School of Medicine is for sale — at least the name is.

For the right donors willing to pay top dollar, so are the names of its buildings, medical library and even classrooms.

The "sale" is part of a campaign to raise millions for the school through offering benefactors the chance to be immortalized on the walls of the school's Dorn VA Medical Center and Medical Park campuses.

"[Growing the school endowment is] the best thing you can do to ensure the stability and continuation of the school, other than planting ivy," said DyAnna Dunham, the medical school's development director.

Lecture halls are going for \$25,000 each; the medical library for \$500,000; and a mere \$50,000 for the anatomi-

cal museum. And the whole enchilada — the name of the School of Medicine itself — can be had for \$25 million.

Since the school already has a developed infrastructure, donations won't be spent on bricks and mortar, said Larry Faulkner, dean of the School of Medicine. Instead, money raised through the campaign will go into endowments for recruiting top faculty members, providing educational materials and equipment for students and scholarships.

"We're a young medical school, and we're more or less now coming of age," Faulkner said.

The secondary goal is to solve a nagging problem by setting the school apart from Charleston's similarly named Medical University of South Carolina.

"We do have something of an identity problem," Dunham said. "There's still a lot of confusion with MUSC, and this could help."


The School of Medicine mailed out brochures to sup-

porters outlining the "naming opportunities," complete with a price menu for facilities. Donors are told they can name facilities for their friends or family or "provide a lasting testament to his or her generosity."

Universities around the country, including many medical schools, have adopted similar strategies to raise money. There are only 126 medical schools in the country, and about a fifth are already named.

Like all of USC's colleges and schools, the School of Medicine is feeling the pressure of state budget cuts. It now receives about one-third of its total budget from state appropriations. Faulkner says the school needs to get creative if it wants to continue to improve.

"It's absolutely crucial that you lift yourselves up by your bootstraps," Faulkner said. "There are limited ways in which you can become self-reliant. One way you can do that is to expand development opportunities."



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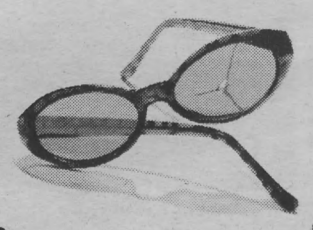
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# UM nearing fundraising goal for Fogler project

## Local businesses donate money, materials to library renovation

By Meredith Holt  
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine is well on its way to renovating the steps and terrace at the main entrance of the Raymond H. Fogler Library. The office of development has raised more than half of its total goal of \$900,000.

Local businesses have donated more than \$115,000 in the form of building materials and labor since fundraising began in July.

Donated materials include sub-base gravel, crushed stone, PVC pipe and pre-cast light pole bases and catch basins. Donated services include demolition, geotechnical testing and project management.

Local companies have donated a large amount to the project because they want to help refurbish one of the focal points of the university.

"H.E. Sargent has had a long-standing invested interest in the university, as many of our employees and our families are UMaine graduates, including our company president John Simpson and myself," John Sturgeon, senior project manager at H.E. Sargent, said. "Additionally, our

corporate headquarters is located in Stillwater, only about three miles away, and we are proud to have this university as part of our community."

H.E. Sargent has contributed in-kind donations of construction equipment and labor. Sturgeon said H.E. Sargent also will act as a consultant to the university.

Some renovations were done to the steps and terrace in 1983 and 1989, but the damage advanced to the point that the area was no longer traversable. A section of the terrace was closed down before winter break.

In addition to renovating the steps, the front entrance will be made handicapped-accessible. Currently, handicapped patrons must enter the library at the side entrance.

"It's really important that we do something," Scott Anchors, director of advancement operations, said. "It's just a beautiful spot that's deteriorating."

Years of wear and tear have caused the limestone mixture to decay and the underpinning for granite to rot, according to the project's Web site. Also causing decay is water seeping into cracks that freezes and refreezes.

"When it was constructed, it was not very weather-friendly,"



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The steps of Fogler Library have been fenced off due to their poor condition.

Anchors said. He said the condition of the area worsened in part because it is shady and faces north.

According to the project Web site, the terrace and steps were originally constructed using a combination of limestone, granite, concrete and stone. Renovations will be done using Deer Isle pink granite that matches the rest of the library terrace and surrounding buildings. Anchors estimated the material

could last 100 years or more. Anchors and others working on the project visited quarries in Maine and Massachusetts to look at the material.

Anchors hopes to have funds raised, which would allow construction to start this summer.

According to a recent press release, contributors include H.E. Sargent Inc. of Stillwater, Gagne Precast Products Inc. of Veazie, and Owen J. Folsom Sand and Gravel Co. of Old

Town, W.H. Shurtleff Co. of Brewer, E.J. Prescott Inc. of Bangor, Lane Construction Corp. of Hermon, Hughes Bros. Inc. of Hampden, Vaughn Thibodeau & Sons of Bangor, Lynch Construction, Inc., of Dedham, Elco Electric of Bangor and S.W. Cole Engineering Inc. of Hermon.

In addition to gifts from local companies, university alumni and other private donors have devoted \$350,000 to the project.

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## EDITORIAL

### Vote yes on constitution

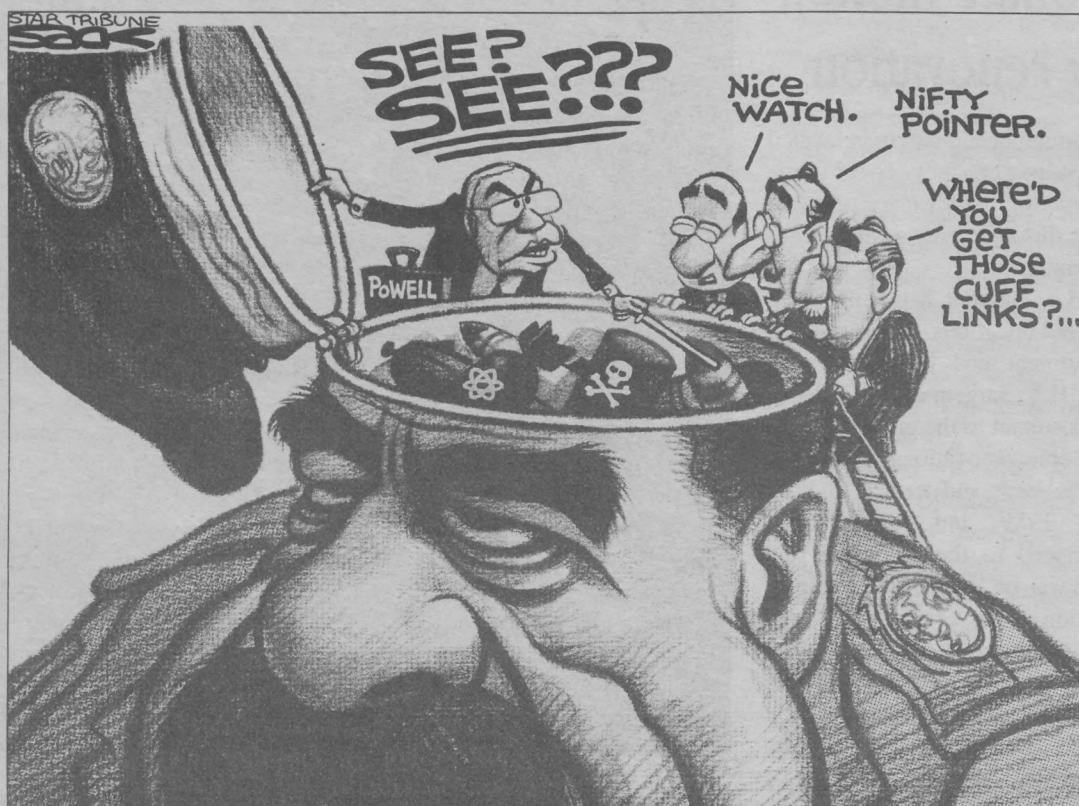
In the coming weeks the University of Maine student body will be asked to vote on a change in the Student Government Constitution.

The change, which already has been approved by the GSS, needs only a majority vote by the student body in order for it to pass.

If passed, the revision of the Constitution will make it easier for student interest groups to request monetary funds under \$1,000. In the past, groups would have to sit through lengthy GSS meetings in order to wait for their request to be voted on. If passed, this amendment to the Constitution would fast-track the process by leaving monetary requests in the hands of the executive budgetary committee. These requests would bypass the Senate, therefore streamlining GSS meetings and making it more convenient for groups to receive funding.

This week, Sen. Colin Grady said that the updated constitution could improve the student body's opinion of the GSS. He is right. Although in the past, GSS has been viewed primarily as a campus bank, with prudence, the constitutional revisions could change the way the Senate functions. The time saved on financial deliberations could be applied to other worthwhile campus pursuits to great effect. The Maine Campus encourages the UMaine student body to vote in favor of the revisions when the issue finally makes it to the FirstClass desktop.

However, in streamlining the money distribution process, the executive board must be careful not to compromise the democratic integrity of the Senate. Although increased expediency is a worthwhile reason for constitutional revision, GSS should be sure to adhere to its original mission in serving the student body.



## The plight of a few

### An expedition to simply get a hot meal

As a recent transplant to Hart Hall, I realize just how screwed I am every time my stomach rumbles.

As nice as it is to live in this particular residence hall, I am faced daily with the dilemma of dining since there are no dining commons even remotely close to my location. The residents of Hancock and Oak halls also share my troubles, since they are in the same area of campus.

If the residents of these halls want to eat at a dining commons, their closest two choices are either Stodder or Stewart commons, which are almost equidistant from Hart. They are both a little less than a half-mile away, I've actually measured it on my car's trip meter.

This adds up to almost a mile round-trip whenever one goes to

NATHAN  
WEBSTER

HEAD COPY EDITOR

eat. This fact hits home especially hard this time of year. Who wants to trudge a mile through 2 feet of snow and freezing, blustery winds just to grab a bite to eat between classes?

This is especially detrimental to students who are on a tight schedule, who only have a few minutes to eat between their classes or jobs. A leisurely lunch break is not possible for the residents of these three halls, since our dining experience involves a mile of hiking.

The residents of all the other halls on campus reading this may not know just how good they have it. Especially those who live in York and Stodder halls. They merely need to walk downstairs in their pajamas to get a hot meal.

The residents of the northeast section of campus are even treated to the dining commons of their choice, since they have two right in their backyard, Hilltop and Stewart.

The University of Maine, in its infinite wisdom, could simply have left Wells Commons open as a dining commons — problem solved.

Wells was switched to a conference center a few years ago. So, no longer can the residents of Hart, Oak and Hancock simply walk a

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## Letters to the Editor

### •CNN doesn't suck

I am writing in response to the article vilifying the Cable News Network's coverage of the shuttle disaster on the morning of Feb. 1. I personally felt that each of the major news networks did their best in covering this horrible tragedy.

I watched coverage on

CBS, CNN and NBC. I agree with the writer of the article in that the coverage was repetitive; However, I do not believe that looping the tapes of the shuttle's final moments was done to sensationalize the event.

This event was so unimaginable that I think people had to see it to believe that it actu-

ally happened. I myself didn't begin watching the coverage until about 10:30 a.m. Had they only shown each clip once, I would not have been able to see it. As for the issue of clearing the suspicions of terrorism, I believe this also was justified.

The threat of terrorism is a

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## Smoke all you want

But no candles allowed

KATHRYN  
MARKOVCHICK

FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

Most students who get in trouble in the dorms do so because of drinking or drugs, but not me. I am currently on probation for — drum roll please — having candles in my apartment. Regardless of whether they were burning or not, candles are not allowed in any residence hall. Now, new and old students beware, if you were under the impression that candles were permitted as long as the wick has not been burnt, like I thought, then you are wrong.

After having 15 candles confiscated and being put on probation with one of my other roommates — the other three got off because they weren't home — we had to do some community service, which involved making a bulletin board on dorm fire prevention.

What we found out was remarkable: Candles that are burning aren't the number one cause of fire. In fact, candles that aren't burning are also not the number one cause of fire. Smoking is the number one cause of fire.

Coming from a girl with previous and unfortunate experience with fire, how is smoking in a dorm room justifiable when burning a candle in a glass container is not? Granted, I have heard lots of dorm fire horror stories, none of which involved cigarettes because most universities outlaw smoking in dorms without a second thought.

With that said, here are a few fire no-no's that have actually happened. A girl who could not wait for someone to get done with the dryer decided to put her clothes in the oven. What a great idea. There is nothing better than having to evacuate your

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## Commons

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few feet to get a meal like the rest of the students on this campus can.

I have no idea why the university decided to make the conversion. It either did not assess the inconvenience that it would cause students, or it simply didn't care. I suspect the latter.

But there is another option for my fellow residents and I. We could just walk to Memorial Union and have our choice of food there. The only problem — besides that the Union is also quite a hike — is dining funds.

Any time meals are purchased at the Union, it subtracts from the dining funds that you are allotted at the beginning of the semester, in accordance with the meal plan that you have chosen.

Meals at the Union can cost anywhere from \$5 to \$10. Even with a variety of meal plans to choose from, the most dining funds you can receive is \$500. That means that the most Union meals you can get out of a semester is about 100, if you stay at \$5 per meal and never order delivery.

In a 15-week semester, you

have about \$35 per week in dining funds. So, you can get seven meals at the Union per week, as long as you never pay more than \$5 for a meal. That means you can get seven meals a week from the Union. This is a problem, unless you're anorexic.

So, I pay \$1,500 a semester for seven commons meals a week and \$500 in dining funds. I only eat at the commons two to three times a week. In other words, the university is making a killing off of me, as well as many of my fellow residents.

The \$500 will undoubtedly run out well before the end of the semester, since Union meals are expensive and delivery is even worse. My roommate has already spent \$230 of his dining funds, and this is only the beginning of the semester's fourth week.

The university needs to either re-open Wells Commons or offer a meal plan with more dining funds. The administration should try walking a mile — through the snow — in our shoes.

*Nathan Webster is a senior journalism major.*

## Candles

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dorm in the middle of the night because some girl fried her underwear.

Yet nothing compares to putting your shirt over a light so you do not wake up your roommate. Let me tell you, that one doesn't work so well. Didn't work at my former college, and certainly didn't work here at UMaine.

Smoking is not only dangerous to your health because it causes cancer; it is also the number one cause of fires. I could care less if you smoke or not, I am just trying to figure out why the university allows smoking in buildings such as Kennebec, Penobscot, Somerset and a floor in Estabrooke. Last time I checked, in order to light a cigarette you need fire, but the university does not allow fire in residence halls. Figure that one out.

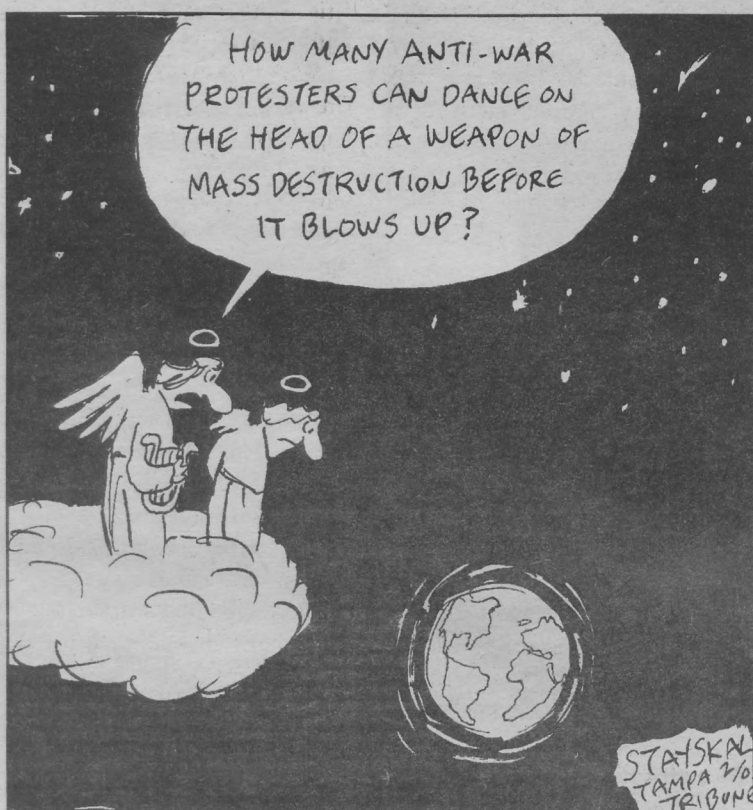
By designating certain build-

ings as "smoking areas," smokers have their own little community.

So instead of keeping fire outside of dorms, which seems to be the university's aim, it is trying to bring smokers inside and contain the smoke in individual rooms. Well that does not work, because the whole building still smells like ass and I would think it's a greater fire hazard.

The university's inconsistency with how they handle fire in the dorms and how they justify smoking in the dorms is anything but a strong case. Feel free to light one up if you are in a "smoking building," just don't light a candle while you light your cigarette.

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# Trouble in Africa

Current world affairs besides going to war with Iraq

MARSHALL  
DURY



OPINION EDITOR

Put 3,800 people in Alford Arena, and then kill everyone inside. Repeat this process five times a day, and you will begin to fathom the devastation in Africa. To put it in perspective, every 14 seconds an African mother or a child or a lonely widower is dying.

Roughly 20,000 people are dying every day in Africa. Around 12 p.m., you're probably eating lunch. Halfway across the world, 10,000 people have already died.

In America though, all of our energy is being put into waging a war that will only kill more people. I don't study numbers much. But if Africa was a pitcher, they'd be sporting an earn run average of about eight. The statistics are frightening, and it appears to me that no one is too interested in them.

Africa is faced with a non-systematic form of genocide. Tuberculosis, AIDS, malaria and simple infections are killing native Africans and all some of us can worry about is whether or not the Dow Jones is going to start climbing. I can see how the economy of the United States would have a direct effect on issues in Africa, but I'm telling you that Americans are not doing enough.

I guess I just don't understand how things got so bad in Africa and why no one seems worried? Are we really that ethnocentric?

What's sad is that it's going

to take some economic shortcoming or military disaster in Africa to get the attention of your average American.

The Boston Globe points out that child vaccinations have saved the lives of three million kids in the past year. I can commend that, but I don't think it's enough.

The children have been vaccinated — super. What about AIDS education? What about malaria? What about tetanus? If 20,000 people were dying every day in America from these diseases and famine, I have a feeling we'd all be pulling together. Why does it not matter when they're an ocean away?

You want to know what's really killing people in Third World countries — we are. Our fear of giving up something we truly love; our ignorance on the issues of political processes in Africa, and our naiveté in thinking that if things really get out of hand, some politician will take care of it or voice his opinion.

Formal political thought is only a reflection of what people want to hear about. Politicians, bless their crooked little souls,

want to get reelected and if making a difference is a necessary side effect, so be it. Politicians listen to the public and if enough people make a fuss about a certain issue, they'll listen.

It's never too late to start educating yourself on the famine and poverty that grips other world every day. I worry about things like financial stability and post-college employment. Don't think I sit in my room twiddling my thumbs, imagining how to make people feel ashamed of themselves.

Despite what you may have heard from our fine president on Jan. 29, political intervention and economic security is and probably will be a foreign concept to Africa. I'm not holding my breath, waiting for some president to put African affairs on his agenda. State politics can make a difference because congressmen and women will listen to the people and with any hope, the president will listen to people on Capitol Hill.

I just want the suffering to stop. I'm tired of looking at pictures from Africa, with family members who are crying. Most of you reading this are in college. Education is the point of this university, despite what your empty beers cans and Internet may tell you. Educate yourself now on current world affairs because thousands of lives may depend on it in the future.

*Marshall Dury is a junior journalism major.*

## Letters

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sign of the times we live in. I think that it is important to emphasize the fact that terrorism could not have played a role. The shuttle was traveling at about 12,500 mph at an altitude of 200,000 feet over the continental United States, far outside the range of any missile. Not all people know the logistics of a space shuttle re-entry, and I thought that each network did a fair job of explaining why a terrorist attack was virtually impossible.

I was shocked and deeply saddened by the loss of Columbia. I appreciate the media providing all the information it could as it became available. My thoughts and prayers go out to the families of the seven brave astronauts of the final mission of the space shuttle Columbia.

**Adam Hewitt**  
Sophomore mechanical engineering major

### • Female salaries at UMaine

Thank you for your coverage of the report that came out about salaries for the mainly female support staff at UMaine. You had a front-page story and an editorial and

many of us appreciate your attention.

I've worked for UMaine for 35 years. I'm an administrative assistant in the Purchasing Department. I'm a single mother, and now I'm trying my best to put my son through the university. I've qualified for a low-interest FmHA mortgage on my first house, and every year I qualify for a property tax refund. I'm one of the 20 percent of support staff who holds down a second job. I've worked two jobs for eight years now and don't really see any end to it soon.

The report stated that 20 percent of the support staff holding second (or third) jobs is much higher than the state average or the national average. That says something to me about the university's commitment to its employees. My last wage increase — I can hardly remember when it was — was a whopping \$4.50 a week. I had to think long and hard about how I was going to spend that windfall, let me tell you.

Again, thanks for the coverage on this topic. We do appreciate it.

**Cindy Carusi**  
Administrative Assistant  
Purchasing Department

### • Hoff on diversity

I was pleased to see a very thoughtful article on the subject of diversity and admissions in the Feb. 6 issue of *The Maine Campus*. However, as sometimes happens, the headline did not reflect the content of the article.

I most certainly did not say that an affirmative action plan was "unnecessary." In fact, UMaine has an excellent and aggressive diversity action plan, and we are proud to practice the principles of affirmative action in seeking students and employees.

I would remind everyone that, as we define it, affirmative action does not mean selecting less qualified people to the disadvantage of more qualified ones. It means being proactive in encouraging minorities to seek admission and apply for jobs, and doing everything we can to bring them on board, short of reverse discrimination.

**Peter S. Hoff**  
UMaine President



# STYLE.



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## Rockin' the night away with WMEB

By Travis Bourassa  
 For The Maine Campus

Students from all around campus came together at Wells Commons Saturday night to support the University of Maine's radio station, WMEB 91.9. Local music acts ranging from folk to hip hop performed for the eager crowd. Each act was introduced by a station DJ.

The night started at 8:00 p.m.

### Review

when punk performers The Green Bikes opened the show with what they referred to as "covers and original covers." Their pop-punk rendition of Hanson's "Mmbop" was too dry and cliché to receive the cutesy attention that they wanted. Too many people cheered for the band's comfort when lead singer Erik Schwab asked, "Who hates me?"

The show didn't get much better when New Rome took the stage. Their middle-of-the-road rock supplied the "Creed crowd" with plenty of cheering fodder.

The lead singer's real lack of ability took effect during their first and last ballad. His flat high notes ruined what respectability the rest of the band had.

The band did well at gaining audience attention, as the lead singer pulled the audience towards the front of the room to create a crowd-like atmosphere for the first time that evening.

Turning the show around were local rockers Lowfive. The band

played a tight set and was able to keep the show moving even when bassist Jason Unterreiner broke a B string. Credit has to be given to Unterreiner seeing as the B string is the thickest string and is virtually impossible to break.

Talented folk musician Joanne Pineau was showcased on the side stage. Her acoustic rendition of Roberta Flack's "Killing Me Softly" quieted the audience members that were talking in between sets and entranced the crowd.

The first hip hop act came in the form of UMaine rapper Casey Sprogis. His act had a shaky start when he had to rewind his first track four times before he could get the lyrics right.

Sprogis's homebrewed rhymes showed that he is really into drinking forties and puffing chronic. Straying from the theme of narcotics was the piece "Microphone Respect," where Sprogis told the importance of the microphone.

"I have to give props to the most important thing in the world, the microphone," Sprogis said. "Without it, you couldn't hear me right now."

Sprogis went on to throw free CDs at the audience. As for his rapping, Sprogis showed a lot of raw talent.

It appeared as though the entire hippie population on campus came out of thin air when jam band Dr. Radical took the stage. The band's mix of funk and rock kept the audience swaying and jumping during



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DJs Dione Hanron and Brian McCarthy show off their skills during Saturday night's WMEB 91.9 Local Talent Showcase at Wells Commons.

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Guitarist Eric Green (left) and percussionist Paul J. Bosse make up the duo "Green & Bosse." The two musicians played at the WMEB Local Talent Showcase Saturday night.

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## Green & Bosse's supercharged American roots

By Jason Houle  
 Style Editor

While many of the main stage bands took time to set up Saturday night, acts on the small side stage at Wells Commons entertained the crowd during the performance gaps.

Ranging from stand-up comedy by Tim Johnston and Ryan Waning, to a freestyle rap by WMEB DJs and a solo acoustic set by folksy songbird Joanne Pineau, the small-stage served as more than just a diversion.

Perhaps the pinnacle of the side stage came while Dr. Radical was lugging their equipment onto the main stage,

See GREEN & BOSSE on page 13



# Russian opera brings culture, class to MCA

By Diana McElwain  
Staff Reporter

Listening to Russians sing in Italian was obviously not the first choice of Saturday night activities for the majority of University of Maine students. The arrival of the opera *Il Trovatore* to the Maine Center for the Arts Saturday was met with only a spackling of young faces among the good-sized crowd.

However, those who were in attendance got a very pleasant surprise. Suspended above the massive MCA stage was a small screen on to which subtitles were projected, just like a foreign film.

Despite the subtitles, looking up towards the ceiling to read the words then looking back down to see what was happening on stage was nearly impossible to do. For that reason, it was easy to get confused as to what exactly was happening in the fairly complicated plot line.

Although the opera was first performed in Teatro Apollo, Rome in January 1853, many aspects of this tale of love, disappointment and violence could easily be found in any modern-day film.

In the opera, the followers of the Count Di Luna hear how the count's baby brother was stolen by a gypsy, Azucena, after her mother had been burned at the stake. A baby's bones were later found in the ashes. Di Luna and his man-pal Manrico pay court by night to the lovely Leonora. Hearing Manrico's serenade, she rushes into the arms of the count. Manrico and the count duel.

Azucena recalls the burning of her mother as a witch, and to avenge her, she stole the count's son and then threw her own baby in the fire. Unable to marry her true love, Leonora prepares to enter a convent. Di Luna and

Manrico both intervene and proceed to do what all men do when fighting over a woman — they have a sword fight. Manrico prevails.

Manrico's marriage to Leonora is interrupted by news of his mother's capture.

Leonora plans to save the captive Manrico by giving herself to Di Luna. In true Juliet style, she takes poison and dies. Enraged, Di Luna has Manrico beheaded. A final shocking fact is then revealed as Azucena tells him that Manrico was his brother.

Those who did keep their eyes glued to the screen did not miss out as far as the set was concerned. The stage was bare and bland, with only one backdrop. The only visible change taking place was the lights upon it.

Another problem with the subtitles is the fact that much is lost in translation. Many of the written phrases seemed awkward, or not as powerful as they should have been.

Conversely, some of the translations came out beautifully, and caused the audience to feel more for the characters in front of them. This often occurred when the lovers spoke of their feelings for one another.

"I felt a joy that only the angels are allowed to feel," Leonora said.

Along with these poignant words, the costumes also added beauty to the show. The dresses were enormous and elaborate, in colors that leaped off of the stage to even the back row of the MCA's red chairs. The voices of these performers had the same effect, as they reverberated off every inch of the room.

These glimpses of beauty alone were enough to make this very foreign experience worthwhile.



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The Russian State Opera *Il Trovatore* performed with a full orchestra Feb. 8 at the Maine Center for the Arts.

## Tosh gets racy, raunchy

Comedian uses shock-value to get laughs

By Diana McElwain  
Staff Reporter

Comedian Daniel Tosh's performance at Memorial Union Central Friday night proved that constantly saying the first thing that pops into his head can have very humorous results.

While the randomness of Tosh's routine may have seemed like an amateur attempt, Tosh is no stranger the comedic field.

Appearing all over the cable and network television airwaves, Tosh is best known for his recent Taco Bell commercials.

With a home in Los Angeles, Tosh said he was unprepared for the culture and climate shock that greeted him in Maine. Next time, however, he says he will be ready.

"I'm going to buy a Polaroid jacket the next time I come here," Tosh said. "Then people will say, 'Oh, he's a local!'"

Tosh, who visited the University of Maine last year during Homecoming week, found the

crowd to be unresponsive at first. To remedy this Tosh tried using some shock tactics by breaking out the obscenities.

"That was the F-bomb," Tosh said. "How did it feel?"

Tosh continued using these shock tactics throughout the night, and filled his set with not-so-subtle racial comments. He somehow managed to combine the topics of race and cannibalism to ask the question that, according to Tosh, has been on everyone's mind.

"Do people taste like their ethnic backgrounds?" Tosh asked. "Do African-Americans taste like chicken?"

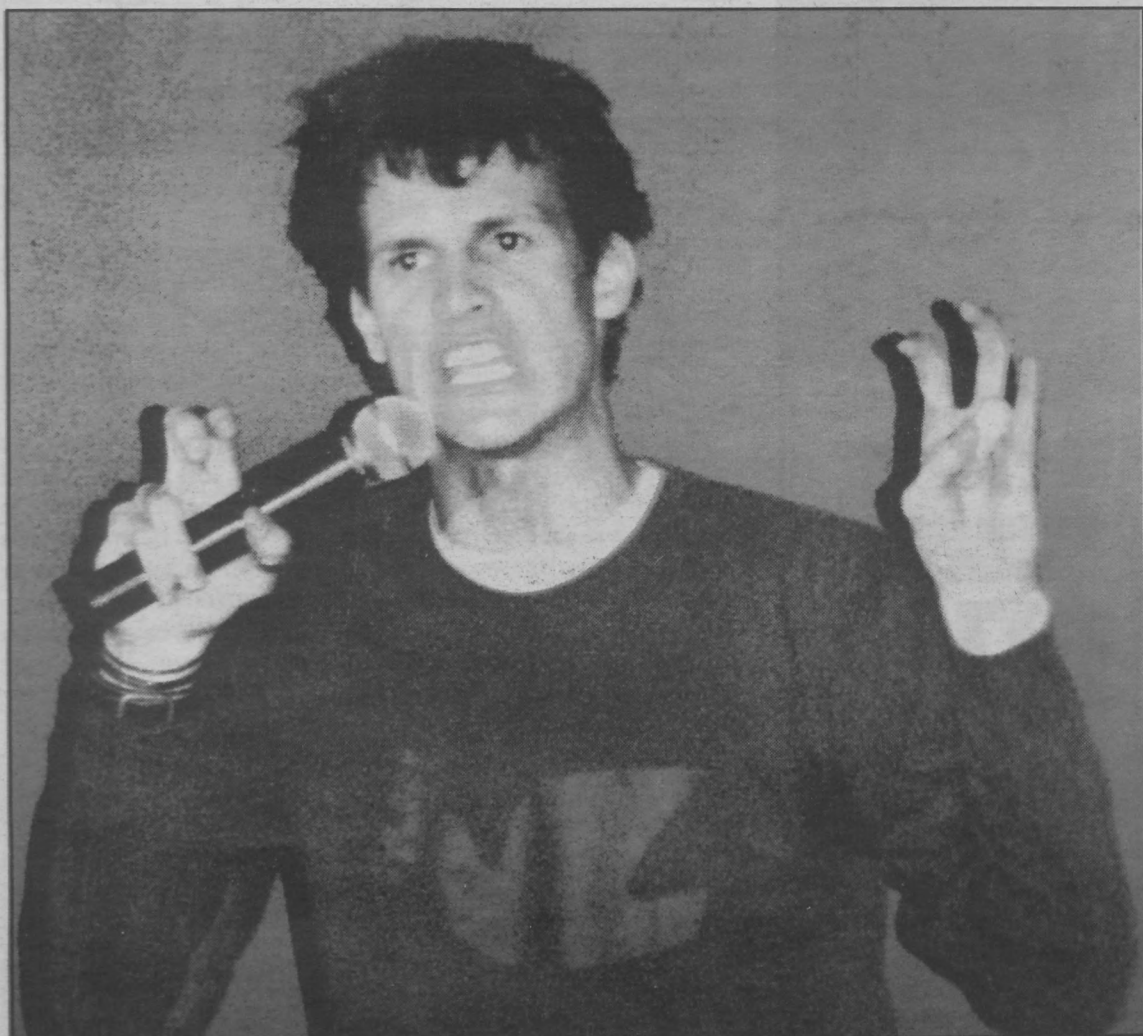
For Tosh, the reasoning behind these jokes was simple.

"It's hysterical to make white people uncomfortable," he said.

More political incorrectness abounded when Tosh questioned the value of learning to write in cursive.

"That is where gay people

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Comedian Daniel Tosh entertained a large crowd Friday night in the Union.



# Reel

## 'Shanghai Knights' just like the average sequel

By Philip Wuntch  
The Dallas Morning News

"Shanghai Knights" is more of the same. In this case, that's good enough.

The movie reteams those bouncing boy-o's of "Shanghai Noon," Jackie Chan and Owen Wilson, and transplants them to foggy London. They cross paths with an assemblage of famous Brits, ranging from Queen Victoria and Arthur Conan Doyle to Jack the Ripper and a youthful Charlie Chaplin.

Even in such historical company, Jackie and Owen hold court with the audience. The two play off each other much more naturally than Wilson did with Eddie Murphy in "I Spy," or Chan with Jennifer Love Hewitt in "The Tuxedo."

Chan fight scenes are among the best in his American film inventory. They also allow him to salute his old movie idols. A revolving door routine rekindles the Keystone Kops, and Chan gets to hang from Big Ben in the manner of Harold Lloyd. He even performs a Gene Kelly homage, using various umbrellas as weapons to the tune of "Singin' in the Rain."

Chan epitomizes grace in motion, making every leap and kick an integral part of the action-scene choreography.

Wilson's gift for looking appealingly flummoxed triumphs over some dubious dialogue. As soon as "automotives" and "moving pictures" are mentioned, you know he will dismiss them as mere fads. Even worse, his arbitrary treatment of little Charlie Chaplin seems harsh and bullying. In the inevitable closing outtakes, Wilson reads his dialogue with the young sprout and shouts, "This is so mean!" He's right, but his innocent facial expressions help lighten the mood.

The movie begins in deceptively dignified fashion. In China, Chan's estranged father is slain, and his athletic sister seeks vengeance. It seems that the patriarch was the guardian of the Imperial Seal, which has now fallen into the evil hands of Lord Rathbone, a name that old movie buffs will appreciate. The dastardly Rathbone is last in line for Queen Victoria's throne and plans to use the seal's mythic powers to wipe out the entire royal family, leaving him as the only possible heir.

Director David Dobkin keeps



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Jackie Chan (left) and Owen Wilson (right) star in "Shanghai Knights," the sequel to "Shanghai Noon."

things moving at a brisk pace, although some of the gags fall flat. The musical soundtrack, which includes "Winchester Cathedral" and "England Swings," is just a tad too obvious.

As Chan's sister, Fann Wong

has the lithe skills one would expect of such a sibling, plus the romantic allure that would attract Wilson. As the nefarious Lord Rathbone, Aidan Gillen delivers appropriate sneers and looks like a younger, meaner Alec Baldwin.

Aaron Johnson plays the young Chaplin with both dignity and energy.

"Shanghai Knights" delivers what is expected. Future collaborations may not be so lucky, but for now, familiarity breeds affection.

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come from," he said. "You write all loopy, and next thing you know you have a stranger in your heinie."

Tosh interacted with his audience throughout the show, from the people in the front few rows to the photographer who was flashing away in front of him.

"Why are you taking pictures? No one is going to read this article," he said.

When one audience member dared to disagree with that statement, Tosh was quick to respond.

"Oh, and do you write in cursive?" he asked.

Even those who tried to bypass Tosh on the way to get food in the Union were not safe from his haphazard sense of humor.

"Come back. The show has started, but don't worry, the laughter hasn't," Tosh said. "Going to Taco Bell? Okay, I'll catch you in the bathroom in an hour."

While some moments of the show seemed to drag on, when Tosh got into his act the audience was roaring with laughter, as they did when he imitated a gay designer from television's "Trading Spaces."

He also commented on what he considers the best show on MTV.

"This is a good year for 'The Real World,'" Tosh said. "They're all whores."

Tosh left the crowd with advice to enjoy their college years.

"It may not be the best years of your life, but it's a good time," he said.

For those who couldn't get enough of Tosh's very original comedic styling, there is more to come. "Comedy Central Presents Daniel Tosh" is scheduled to air July 25 at 10:00 p.m.

Tosh also will be appearing on "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" in two weeks.

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## New Writing Series kicks off semester

### Poet Robertson brings powerful voice to Soderberg auditorium

By Jared Murphy  
For The Maine Campus

The New Writing Series kicked off its spring semester poetry readings with a powerful reading by Vancouver native Lisa Robertson in the Soderberg Auditorium Thursday afternoon.

The New Writing Series, which is primarily organized by University of Maine English professor Steven Evans, brings a wide variety of poets to read at the UMaine campus each semester. In an introduction to her reading, Evans commended Robertson and her works.

"In a review of XEclogue, [UMaine English professor Ben Friedlander] described Robertson's work as tug of war between aesthetics and politics, nature and culture, in which neither side cedes ground to the other, and I share his admiration for what he calls the useful, if precarious, equilibrium that results," Evans said. He asked the audience to "enlist in the act of receiving Lisa Robertson's word."

Robertson took center stage and explained her plan to read selections from one of her book-length pieces "The Weather," as well as selections from a manuscript-in-process titled "The Man."

As Robertson began reading, the audience was struck with the fact that her voice, while seeming thin and hesitant at first, became overwhelmingly strong and urgent in some of her poems, partic-

ularly those that stressed repetition. The powerful voice of her poetry greatly outweighed the power of her voice.

In one piece, the word "man" and "men" was repeat-



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ed throughout, which allowed for the raw political nature of the poem to shine as Robertson's voice crested and fell in pure urgency.

The new poems she selected to read from "The Man" were on par with the rest of her poetry in the sense that it was very political in its tone, but still contained a Walt Whitman-esque theme due to her references to nature.

The poems Robertson read from "The Weather" shined due to the brilliant duality of the lines she created so well. She pulled the listeners back and forth over lines that contrasted themselves in a unique and imaginative way. Many in the audience found themselves in a trance-like state as the poems unfolded.

One of the interesting things about "The Weather" is

the unique way in which Robertson wrote it. While visiting Cambridge University, Robertson researched 18th and 19th century British meteorological literature. She became very interested in this literature and ended up deriving "The Weather" directly from the various manuscripts she had discovered.

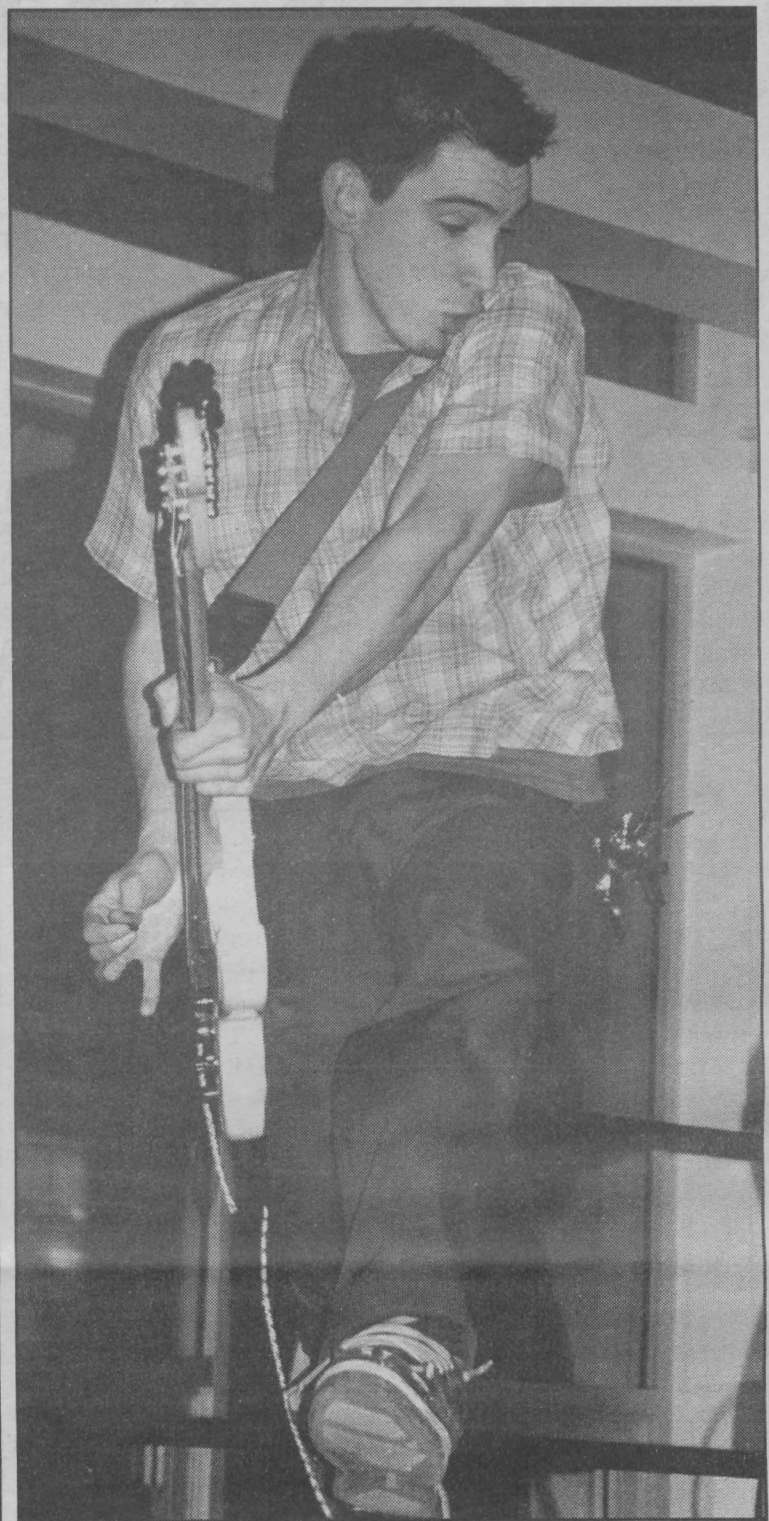
During the question and answer session, Robertson explained her very unique day job.

"I write a horoscope column for a quarterly interior design magazine," she said. "It's a very eccentric magazine that focuses on the spaces made by very eccentric people. Lots of people in Vancouver have heard through the grapevine that it's me who writes the horoscope. They have no idea that I'm a poet, but they're fans of my horoscope."

Horoscope work aside, Robertson is a very interesting poet and her unique brand of poetry is worth looking into. For those who don't know Robertson's work and would like to be introduced to it, there is a Web page where her work can be sampled, <http://www.housepress.ca/lisa.htm>.

Thursday's reading was certainly a wonderful beginning to what looks to be a very impressive New Writing Series. All are invited to attend the next reading Tuesday, Feb. 25 at 4:30 p.m. in the Soderberg Auditorium in Jenness Hall.

## The Frequency Presents....



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The Pawn Shop Caddies, from Rumford, perform Thursday night in the Union.

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their entire set. The only thing missing from their set list was their trademark rendition of the Super Mario Bros. theme song.

The audience really got into the groove when professional funkmeisters The Funkizon took over. The Funkizon played a typical jam band set until they called New York rappers Little Egypt to

the stage. Little Egypt and Funkizon rocked out, pumping up the audience by proclaiming, "We've got the funk!"

The great turnout at Wells Commons proved that local music and radio are not dead. For more information on these bands and more, tune your radio to WMEB 91.9.

## GREEN & BOSSE from page 10

and guitarist Eric Green and percussionist Paul Bosse stepped up to the plate. Known simply as Green and Bosse, the two ripped out a 20-minute set of what Bosse called "super-charged American roots."

As the duo tore through their set, Green left the crowd cheering for more with his savvy guitar playing, and left a lasting impression by plugging into a slide guitar for the final tune. The equally impressive Bosse kept time despite being under-the-weather, and left the audience with a reaction that went well beyond the usual toe-tapping and head-bobbing. The duo stole the show, and though their short set didn't give them

justice, they managed to show the crowd why they're one of the best acts in the area.

Bosse, who is no stranger to performance, has been playing for nearly 14 years and has owned and operated his label Angry Rodent Records since 1995.

Bosse and Green are taking their act on the road, and in the coming months the duo will travel as far away as New Orleans, La. For those who didn't get enough Saturday evening, Green and Bosse will play a lengthier set this Thursday at 10 p.m., at the Bear Brew Pub in Orono.

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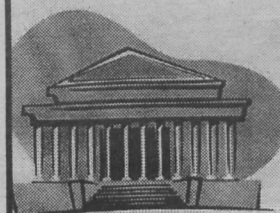
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by phil flickinger (www.l-e-x.com)

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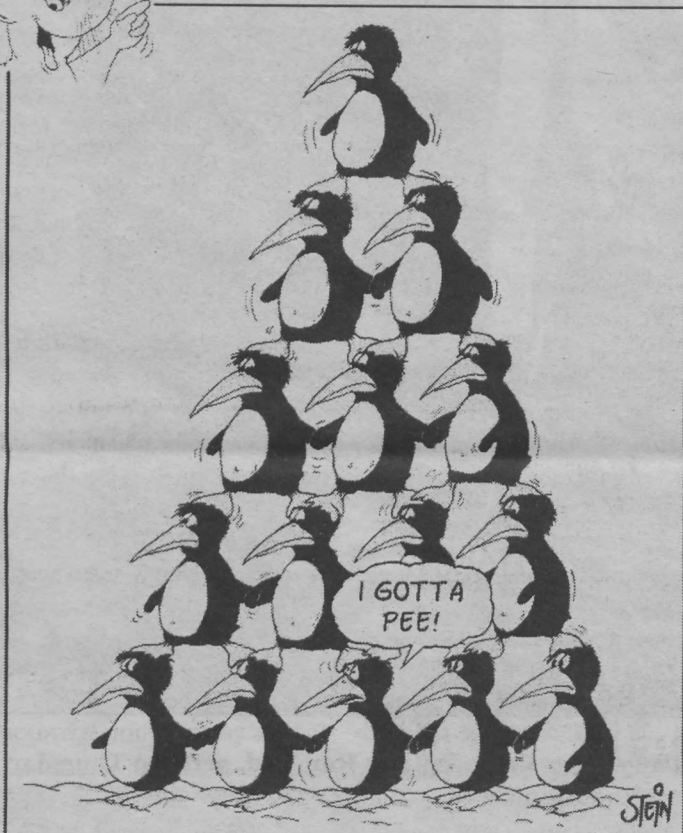
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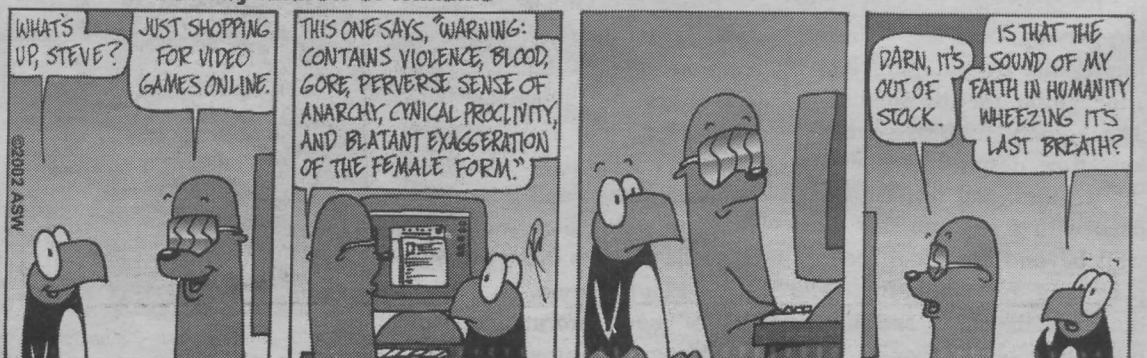
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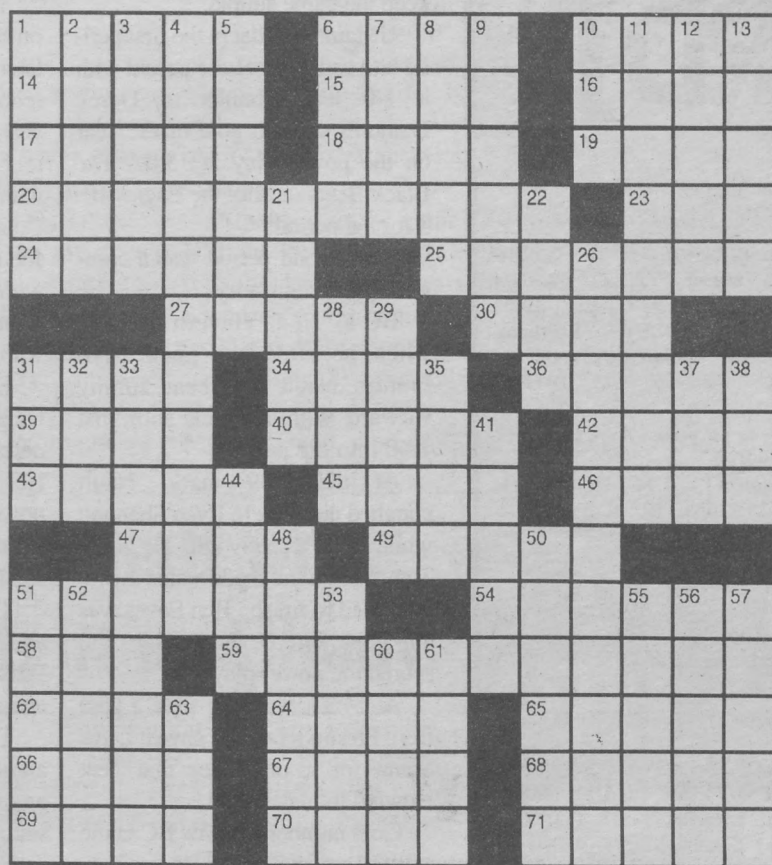




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27 Scoundrel  
30 Ride the wind  
31 Terrible ruler?  
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39 Ivey or Elcar  
40 Threesomes  
42 Ritzy wheels  
43 McCowen and Guinness  
45 Treat for Rover  
46 Robed  
47 4-string guitars  
49 Haute, IN  
51 Tasty tidbits  
54 Demolishing  
58 Frozen over  
59 Cristobal-Balboa link  
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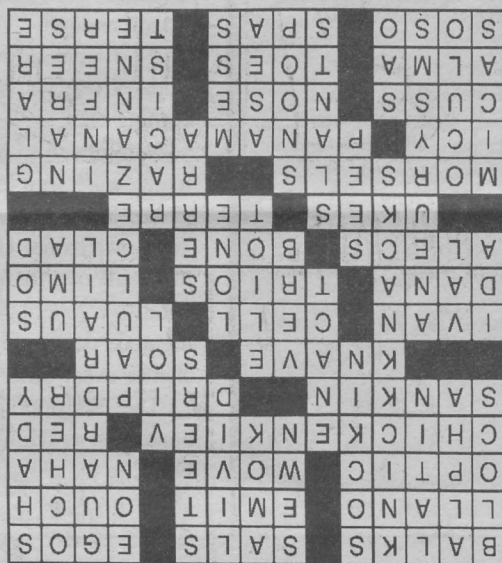
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# SEX matters

I have been going out with my boyfriend for five years and we've experienced sex many times. I don't always orgasm and I know that is normal, but I want to know how if there is a way to orgasm faster without clitoral stimulation or using anything other than his penis and my vagina. I am not sure if there is a possible answer for this question, but it keeps getting harder and harder for me to orgasm. Thank you.

Female, Senior, UW Milwaukee

### Dr. Caron's Response:

I think you raise a really good question: What makes someone orgasm? And we certainly have the extremes from women who say they can orgasm just by thinking about a hot passionate love scene ... to women who can reach orgasm only after hours of touching and stimulation, maybe. Most of us fall somewhere in between. For most women, it is stimulation of the clitoral area — whether indirectly through intercourse or more directly by someone actually touching the area. I am wondering if you might find it helpful to have either you or your partner stimulate this area during intercourse ... possibly changing positions so it is easier to reach (for example, some people prefer what is commonly called "doggie style" to make it easier for her to stimulate her own clitoris). I also think this may be a good time to invest in a vibrator ... and bring this into the bedroom with you

and making this a threesome ... so to speak. The Sinclair Intimacy Institute ([www.IntimacyInstitute.com](http://www.IntimacyInstitute.com)) also has a new video called "Toys for Better Sex," that may offer you some ideas beyond using a vibrator to stimulate both you and your partner. I am not saying all this because I want you to be able to reach orgasm faster. In fact, I think taking separate turns with your partner — where you each enjoy an orgasm at your own pace — is probably better and much more relaxing than feeling pressured to hurry up and have one, so maybe talking with your partner a bit more about this would be useful. Finally, I do not want to overlook the fact that you also brought up the issue of how long you have been in your relationship — and I wonder if you have found that over time — over your five years together if your sex life together has gotten a bit "stale," which is not uncommon, and if so, that will take a bit of creativity on both your parts to bring the spark, passion and surprise back into the relationship. Again, talking about your desires and how to keep the pressure off and the pleasure on will be useful. Best wishes!

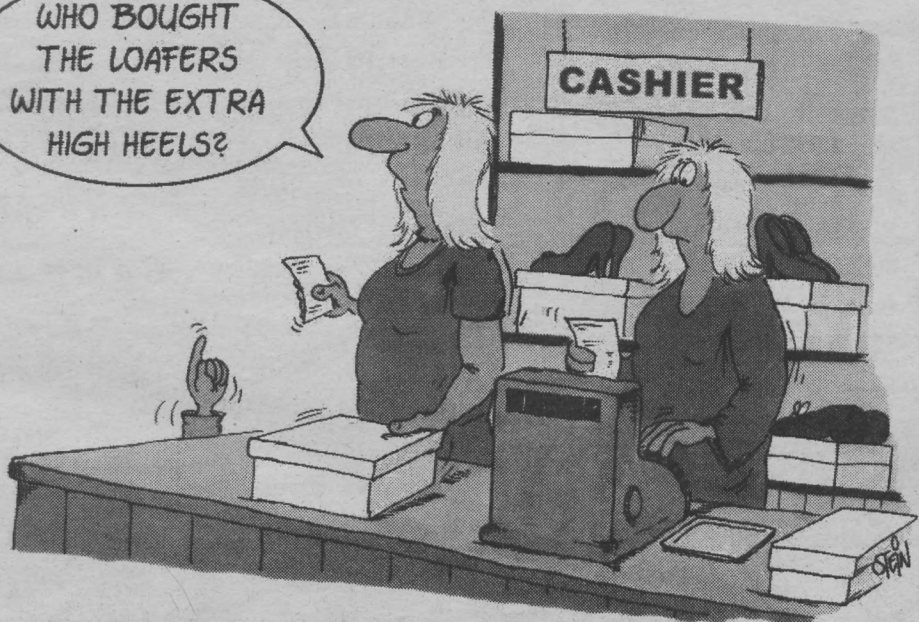
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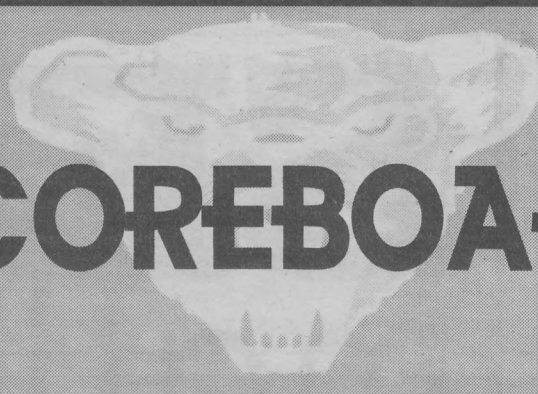
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Saturday, Feb. 1 @ Albany

**UMaine (72)**

Ernest 4-9 9-11 18, Veilleux 1-4 1-2 3, Jay 2-4 0-0 4, Heon 7-7 4-4 22, Corbitt 2-2 0-0 4, Traversi 2-7 0-0 5, Geraghty 1-4 0-0 2, Peterson 3-8 2-2 8, Schrader 2-6 2-2 6. Totals 24-54 18-21 72.

**Albany (48)**

Jones 2-4 0-0 4, Hutcheson 6-15

4-6 16, Hemlock 1-5 0-0 2, Sweetland 0-4 1-2 1, McGinlay 4-18 5-10 14, Learn 1-4 0-1 2, Schumacher 4-7 0-0 9, O'Bannon 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 18-58 10-19 48.

**Halftime** - UMaine 38, Albany 19. **3-pt. field goals** - UMaine 6-11 (Heon 4-4 Ernest 1-1 Traversi 1-5, Geraghty 0-1), Albany 2-12 (McGinlay 1-6, Schumacher 1-3, Sweetland 0-3). **Fouled out** - Albany, Jones. **Rebounds** - UMaine (Peterson, Schrader 10), Albany (Jones 7). **Assists** - UMaine (Corbitt 8), Albany (Jones 3). **Total fouls** - UMaine 15, Albany 15. **Attendance** - 1,542

**MEN'S HOCKEY**

Friday, Feb. 7 vs. Boston College

UM 1 0 1-2  
BC 0 3 2-5

**First Period** - 1, UM, Damon (Nault, Kariya), 15:07.

**Penalties** - Forrest, BC (holding), 2:54. Damon, UM (holding the stick), 3:07. Hennes, BC (hooking), 13:50. Ryan, UM (interference), 18:52.

**Second Period** - 2, BC, Havern (unassisted), 1:40. 3, BC, Eaves (Voce, Shannon), 9:39. 4, BC, Spina (Shannon), 14:33.

**Penalties** - D'Arpino, BC (boarding), 4:33. Nault, UM (holding), 5:42. Deschamps, UM (interference), 8:48. Collins, BC (hooking), 11:05. Forrest, BC (tripping), 13:09. Liscak, UM (tripping), 13:29. Gionta, BC (roughing), 14:02. Nault, UM (roughing), 14:02. Cass, BC (holding the stick), 19:10.

**Third Period** - 5, BC, Murphy

(Hennes), 4:30. 6, BC, Collins (Spina, Murphy), 13:20. 7, UM, Damon (Deschamps, Lawson), 19:03.

**Penalties** - D'Arpino, BC (hooking), 8:29. Moore, UM (holding), 11:18. Lawson, UM (slashing), 16:29.

**Shots on goal** - UM 10-5-3 18. BC 3-9-9 21.

**Goalies** - UM, Howard (16 saves-21 shots). BC, Kaltanen (16-18).

**Attendance** - 5,481

Sunday, Feb. 9 vs. Merrimack

UM 2 2 0-4  
MC 1 1 0-2

**First Period** - 1, BC, Reidy (Cordiero), 13:25. 2, UM, Lawson (Nault, Liscak), 14:21. 3, UM, Heisten (Shields, Nault), 19:16.

**Penalties** - Schmidt, MC (tripping), 2:48. Rosa, MC (hooking), 13:46.

**Second Period** - 4, UM, Lawson (Nault, Liscak), 2:28. 5, UM, Mullin (Lyal, Murphy), 3:30. 6, MC, Johnson (Smith, Clark), 11:08.

**Penalties** - Rosa, MC (cross-checking), 0:52.

**Third Period** - no scoring.

**Penalties** - Nault, UM (roughing), 0:51. Reidy, MC (roughing), 0:51. Reimann, UM (high sticking), 6:28. Loya, UM (roughing), 11:47. DeYoung, MC (roughing), 11:47. Nault, UM (roughing), 13:01. Rosa, MC (holding), 13:01.

**Shots on goal** - UM 8-13-6 27. MC 6-6-3 15.

**Goalies** - UM, Doyle (13 saves-15 shots). MC, Exter (23-27). **Attendance** - 4,616

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continue to focus. You can't dippy-doodle with the puck, you have to keep the game simple."

UMaine did that in the first period and came out of the period with a 1-0 lead, thanks to Derek Damon's seventh goal of the year on the power play at 15:07. The Black Bears outshot the Eagles 10-3 for the period.

The second period was a completely different story.

BC's Ned Havern scored when he stole the puck from Francis Nault and beat Jimmy Howard with a quick shot just 1:40 into the period.

At the 9:39 mark, Nault coughed the puck to Ryan Shannon while on the penalty kill. He got to Tony Voce, who made a nice move, but failed to finish. Ben Eaves was all alone on the other side and scored the power play goal.

At 14:33, Shannon stole a pass from Prestin Ryan and gave it Dave Spina for a one-timer that beat Howard to make it 3-1.

Goal number four for BC came at 4:30 of the third, when Troy Barnes gave it away to Ty Hennes, who passed the puck to Ryan Murphy for the goal.

Damon scored one more for UMaine with 57 seconds left, but it wasn't enough.

"We were down 5-1," Damon said. "There was no chance of us coming back."

Whitehead's message to the team was simple for Sunday's game: be smart with the puck in your own zone. UMaine did turn the puck over a few times in the defensive zone, but ended up making good defensive plays to end the chance every time.

The Warriors did get on the board first as Tim Reidy beat Frank Doyle to the glove side with a hard

wrist shot from between the circles at 13:25 of the first.

The Black Bears tied the game on the power play just 56 seconds later. Lucas Lawson buried a Nault rebound for his 16th goal of the year.

UMaine got the lead for good with just 44 seconds left in the first. Colin Shields took a high shot on Joe Exter that Exter knocked aside with the blocker. He put the puck right on the stick of Chris Heisten, who scored.

Heisten paid a price, though. He got hammered by a Merrimack defenseman right after the shot. He left the ice under his own power after lying on his back for about two minutes, but did not return to the game.

The injury was to his shoulder and head, but Whitehead hopes that Heisten can play next weekend against Providence.

The Black Bears scored another power play goal, once again by Lawson, at 2:28 of the second period.

Freshman defenseman Steve Mullin scored the first goal of his college career just 1:02 later as he finished a great feed on a two-on-one breakaway from Cameron Lyall.

Tony Johnson got one back for Merrimack at 11:08 of the second period, but Doyle and the Black Bear defense made it stand up after that. UMaine held Merrimack to just 15 shots on goal for the game. Doyle made 13 saves in his first action since Jan. 25.

"It was good to get a chance to play out there again," Doyle said. "I felt pretty good out there. I'd like to have the first one back, but that happens. You just need to get some more minutes under your belt and get sharp."

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# Women's basketball keeps rolling; win streak to 12

By Becky Sturtevant  
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine women's basketball team continued to take the America East Conference by storm, dominating the University of Albany in a 72-48 victory in New York Saturday night.

The Great Danes failed to use their winter homecoming weekend as motivation as the Black Bears handed Albany its 12th loss and third in a row of the season.

The Black Bears, however, remain undefeated in conference play at 9-0 (16-4 overall), and have won 12 consecutive

games. The winning streak is the longest in head coach Sharon Versyp's tenure with the team. With seven regular season games remaining, the Black Bears can make a run at the UMaine women's record of 19 straight wins in the 1995-96 season.

Albany kept the game close early and UMaine held an 11-8 lead at the first timeout. The Black Bears then went on a 25-7 run, while holding the Great Danes to 24.1 percent shooting in the first half.

The Black Bears didn't have a problem shooting, particularly junior guard Melissa Heon, who scored a season-high

22 points, shooting a perfect 7-7 from the field and 4-4 from the free throw line. Heon also hit four three-pointers in the game.

Junior forward Heather Ernest also added 18 points and 13 rebounds. She leads America East in both scoring and rebounds, and recently was named America East Player of the Week for the week of Feb. 2.

After taking a 38-19 halftime lead, riding the momentum of Monica Peterson's (eight points, 10 rebounds) last second shot into the intermission, the Black Bears came out strong in the second half.

UMaine kept the Great Danes off the scoreboard for the first three minutes of the half, and went on to hold Albany to under 40 percent shooting in the second half.

The Black Bears lead the America East conference in defensive field goal percentage, allowing opponents only 35.3 percent shooting. UMaine is also the conference's best scoring defense, allowing just 57.7 points per game.

UMaine will put its winning streak on the line next weekend, with another conference matchup against Binghamton University at Alford Arena Feb. 16.

## Men's basketball wins third straight at Albany

Lucas Peterson  
Staff Reporter

Riding a two-game win streak, the University of Maine men's basketball team hit the road to Albany on Saturday. Senior forwards Clayton Brown and Rickey White paced the Black Bears, who dominated on the boards 49-20, to an 82-71 road victory.

Brown came off the bench and led the team with 17 points and 13 rebounds, while White added 16 points and nine rebounds. UMaine held a slim 39-37 lead at the break, reeling off nine straight points to close the half. The Great Danes knocked down eight three-pointers to keep it close and had four players in double figures.

A Rhasheed Peterson bucket cut the lead to 71-66, but Maine freshman Kevin Reed nailed a

three at the other end to seal the win.

Reed, a shooting guard who is tops in the America East conference in three-point shooting, knocked down four Saturday and finished with 14 points. His three-pointer gave UMaine an eight-point lead and the Black Bears secured the win at the free-throw line.

Albany has lost four straight games and fell to 1-9 in the America East, just 5-16 overall.

The Black Bears are now above .500, 6-5 in conference play for the first time all season and are in a tight pack with Vermont 7-3, Binghamton and Northeastern at 6-5 and Hartford at 6-4.

UMaine hosts Northeastern University Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., but then will travel to Binghamton and Boston University for two road games.

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Desmond Mason, Amare Stoudamire and Richard Jefferson, with a good buzz on, doing the same thing on the regulation 10-foot hoop. Yeah, you guys aren't so coordinated now, are you?

4. Cheerleader Simon Says. Just like the game we played as kids (Simon says 'sit down', etc.), but with all the cheerleaders around the NBA as the participants.

This examination of intelligence should happen just so we can see the girls' faces when every single contestant loses after the first instruction is given...and believe me it would happen.

5. Kick the Crap Out of the Mascots with your Thundersticks Contest. I want to see this happen just because of my extreme distaste for both of these ridiculous excuses for sports entertainment.

6. Pat Riley vs. Ron Artest - Celebrity Boxing Match. The undercard for this bout is eccentric Mavericks owner Mark Cuban vs. NBA

Commissioner David Stern.

7. White-Guy Lay-Up Contest. 1996 Slam-Dunk winner Brent Barry excluded.

8. One-on-One. Ah, the classic driveway game, but with a twist. The match-ups are: Shawn Bradley vs. 5-foot 5-inch Earl Boykins, Yao Ming vs. Mini-Me from Austin Powers, and the championship game: Vin Baker vs. a tree stump. We'll even spot Vin seven points to make it fair.

9. Trail Blazers Drug-Test Results. This would be the most suspenseful moment of the weekend. The crowd, nearly falling off their seats in anticipation, finds out how many Portland Trail Blazer players are truly "blazing."

10. Cheerleaders, stripper poles, Motley Crue's "Girls, Girls, Girls" and strobe lights...Halftime Show.

Need I say more? Oh yeah, Lakers dancing-queen/forward Mark Madson should join the cheerleaders out on the floor to increase the comedic value of the entire night.

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### REQUIREMENTS:

You club must be considered active, have Final Approval, and the president and treasurer must be undergraduate students. (To check your status, please come to the FAO as soon as possible.)

### DEADLINE:

Completed forms must be submitted to the FAO by Friday, 3/28 at 3:00pm.

Call Sue @ 581-1778 if you have any questions.



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In the second period, the Black Bears added two more goals in the first three minutes. Meagan Aarts chased Courtemanche with UMaine's fourth goal of the game. The Bobcats put in backup goaltender Catherine Lapare, but it didn't help as senior forward Cindy Biron put one home for the 5-0 lead.

The Bobcats got their lone goal at 11:39 of the second period when Caitlin Peters fired a shot from the top of the right face-off circle that beat senior goalie Dawn Froats.

The onslaught continued as the Black Bears scored four more goals and outshot the Bobcats by a 21-4 margin in the third period alone.

Aarts and Desmet got their second goals of the game coming at 0:34 and 3:56, respectively, in the period.

Junior forward Karen Droog got in on the scoring act as she ripped one past Lapare for the 8-1 lead. Sophomore defenseman Laura Maddin and Biron assisted on the play.

Senior forward Cailee Heggstad scored the final goal of the game and her first goal of the season at the 13:36 mark of the period.

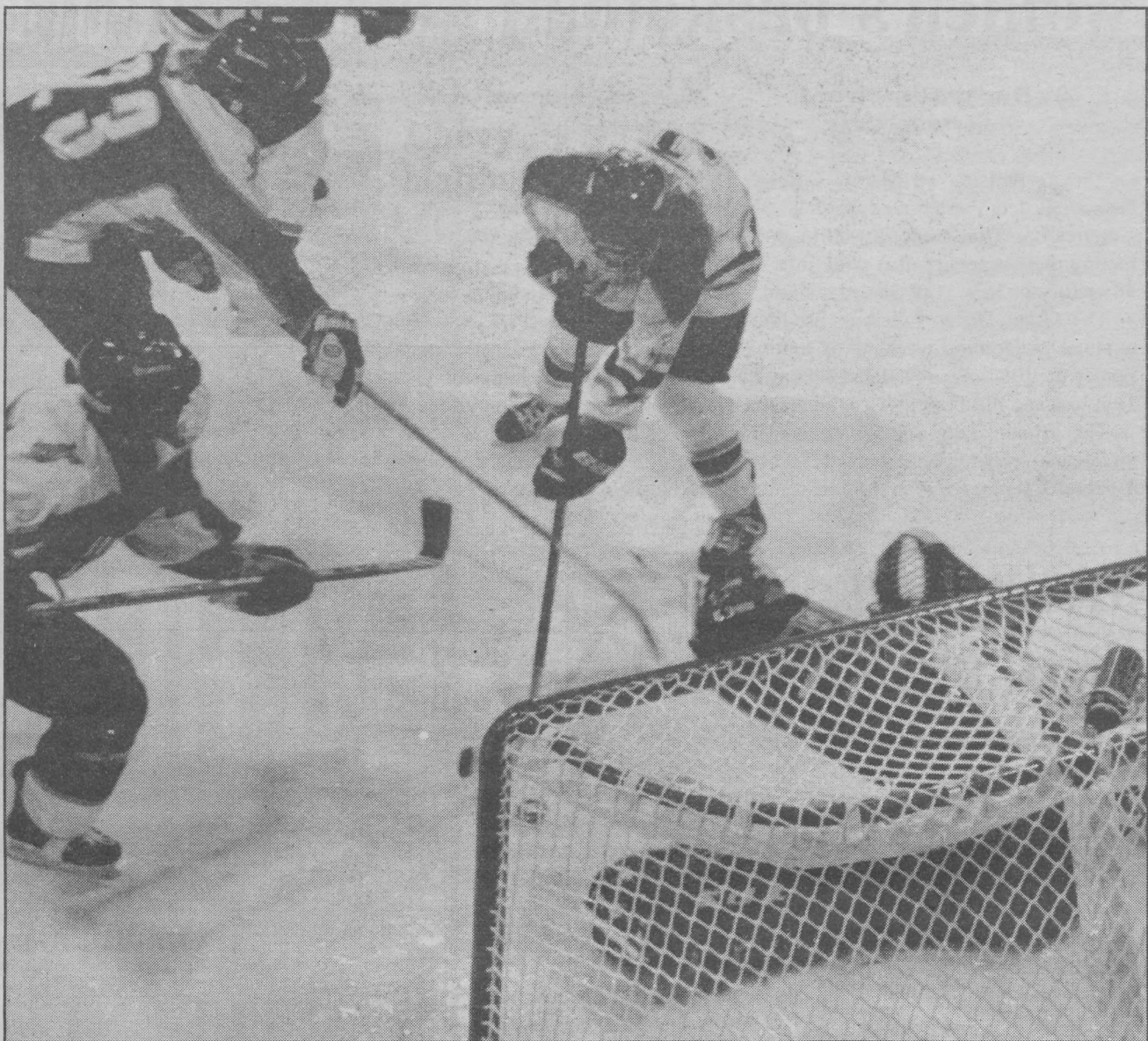
The two Bobcats' goaltenders combined to stop 38 shots while Froats picked up her sixth win of the season with 17 saves.

The Black Bears had scored only nine goals in their last four games before Saturday.

"Even though I sounded low last week, it was because we could [score] nine goals against a lot of teams this year," Filighera said. "It just so happened today was the day, so we're very happy with that."

The game gave the Black Bears a confidence boost that they hope to use throughout the rest of the season as they face seven Hockey East opponents beginning with the University of New Hampshire Tuesday night at Alford Arena.

"UNH is good," Filighera said. "We are not going to be able to make the mistakes we made today in the defensive zone. We have got to tighten up and that's what we are going to work out for the next two days."



CAMPUS PHOTO • JON WHITE

Black Bear senior forward Rebecca Culver attempts to slip the puck past Quinnipiac University goaltender Mel Courtemanche during UMaine's 9-1 win Saturday afternoon. Culver had a pair of assists and Tristan Desmet and Meagan Aarts each scored two goals for the Black Bears.

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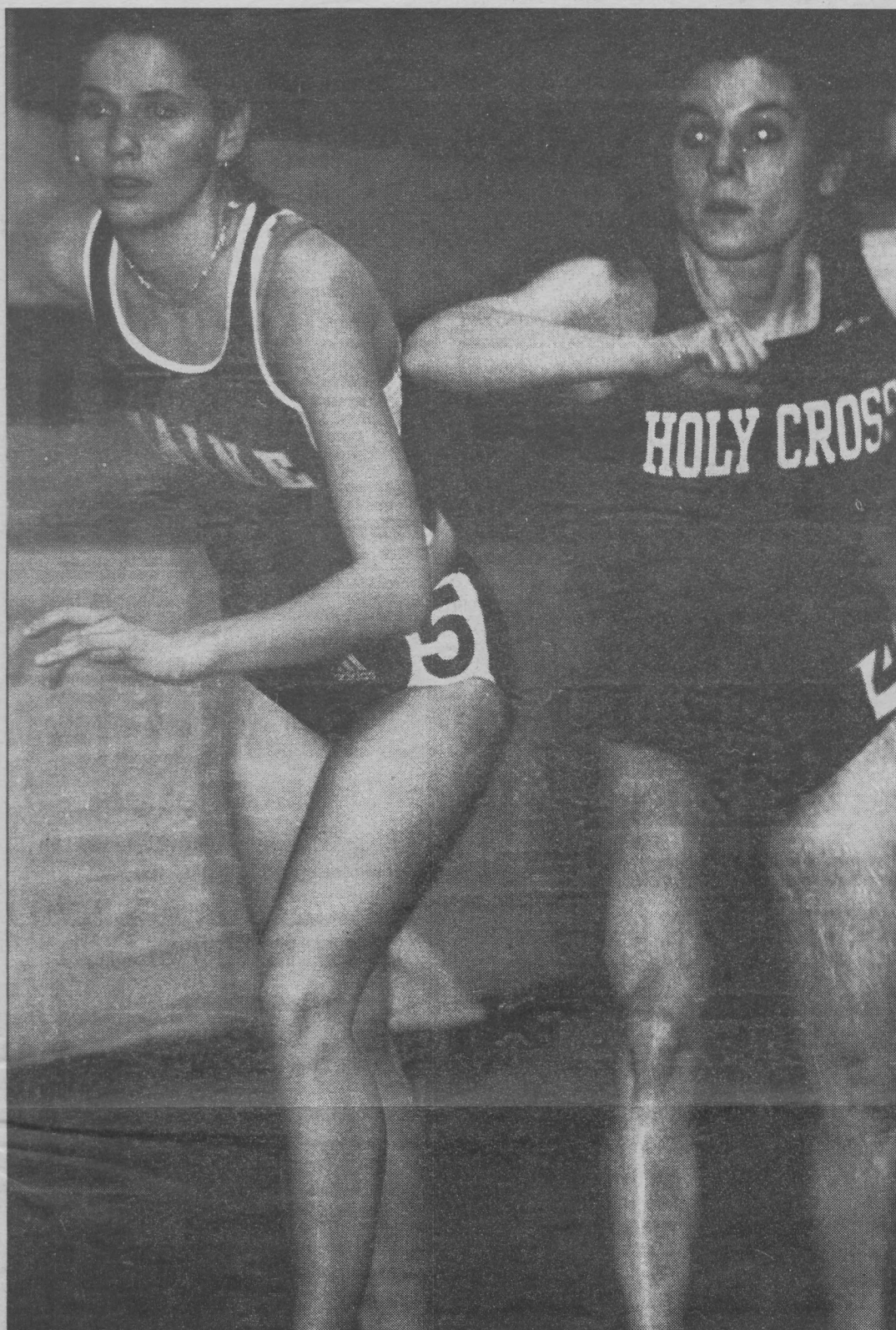
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- Creating a feasibility report to be presented to the Student Senate.
- Establishing a tentative set of guidelines for creation and operation of a yearbook department within Student Entertainment.
- Other various yearbook related duties.

Those interested should contact Keith Biddle, VP of Student Entertainment via First Class, or at 581-1701.



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Leah Tondreau of the University of Maine competes in the pole vault during the team's meet with College of the Holy Cross Saturday at the Field House. Both the men's and women's team won their respective meets, the last home meet of the season for UMaine.

CAMPUS PHOTO • REBECCA PETERSON

placed first and third, respectively.

"Usually I am not this consistent and usually my first throw is my best," said Williams, who set the school record in the team's meet against UNH. "For me it's about speed and having a good finish. I did not have a good finish today and I feel the way that we are competing, Staci is on the brink of being really good and if she can get there before the tournament, I feel that there is a good chance that we can place in the top three."

On the men's side, Nolan Tobey and Andy Caron placed first and second in the mile. Tobey finished with a time of 4:14.64, one of the top 10 times in school history.

Both Black Bears started in the middle of the pack, but Tobey accelerated past the rest of the crowd to pull out and have what was a five to seven second lead per lap, as Tobey was less than a second behind him.

"It's pretty much been a case where we have had this pace beaten into us by the coaches at practice, and we knew the two of us were in better shape than our competition and just ran our race," Tobey said. "It's good to run this fast before conference because I feel that we can put up a good showing when the tournament comes."

Senior and team captain Kenny Bettis took first place in the 500-meter with a time of 1:05.50.

"My objective was to come out first and come in with a solid time," Bettis said. "This was actually a slower time than what I wanted to run, and I felt my finish was horrible, and I felt that

what happened was I just wasn't focused enough."

Not only did the upperclassmen compete well, but the investment made in the youth movement for the Black Bears is already paying off as freshmen Kathryn Souviney of Vassalboro placed first in the 60-yard hurdles with a time of 8.75 seconds, and

"We're looking forward to the America East tournament, which is in two weeks and hopefully, if we meet the expectations, I feel the men can place in the top third and the women can place in the top half."

teammate Mandy Virgets also placed first in the women's 500-meter run with a time of 1:19.85.

"It's great to go ahead and get some home meets into our schedule because competing more and more before the tournament refines our skills even more before the conference, and I feel that the coaches have done a great job of planning our meets," Virgets said. "I usually run the 800 meter and in the shorter events I was not able to pace myself and that was a problem for me. If you do pace yourself it somewhat gives you the mindset of already losing."

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# Sports

The Black Bear men's and women's basketball teams swept a double-header at the University of Albany Saturday. See stories on page 17.

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## NBA needs All-Star changes

By Jim Doughty  
For The Maine Campus

Here are 10 suggestions on how to make the NBA All-Star weekend better...or at least more entertaining for me:

1. New Coverage Team. First of all, TNT should hire Chris Rock, Snoop Dogg and venerable broadcaster Bob Costas to anchor the coverage. The discourse between Rock and Costas alone would be hilarious, but mix in some "Snoopisms" such as: "Yabba dabba dazzle my nizzle," and you have all the ingredients for pure comedy. Also, TNT should pry away Stuart Scott and John Madden from ABC/ESPN, just so fans can laugh incessantly at the awkward exchange between them. Anyone who watched Monday Night Countdown on ESPN knows what I'm talking about.

2. The Gauntlet. The NBA three-point contest should be more like "The Gauntlet" on the classic TV game show American Gladiators. Hear me out. We have the usual suspects lofting their feathery jumpers: Peja Stojakovic, Antoine Walker, Wesley Person or whoever. Just like the previous shoot-outs, the key to this contest is deadly accuracy, only this time on the part of Nitro. You remember Nitro, the slick-haired, crazy-eyed Gladiator that came into his prime just as the show was coming into its prime (1989-1993). Well, for the new three-point contest, Nitro sits atop the backboard firing tennis balls at the competitors as they shift from ball rack to ball rack. Let's see if Antoine has the audacity to do his "wigggle" with fastballs whizzing by his head.

3. The Drunk Slam-Dunk Contest. We've all been there. Picture a summer cookout where you and your friends have had a few too many, and you notice your buddy has an adjustable rim in his driveway. You move the hoop down to 8 feet (oaky, 7), and you try to out-do your buddy's rendition of Dee Brown's "arm-over-the-eyes" dunk from the 1991 contest. Someone is inevitably going to the hospital with severe injuries and the pseudo-event is a success. Well, now picture Jason Richardson,

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## Track victorious over Holy Cross

By Ryan Clark  
For The Maine Campus

After a successful home stand against the University of New Hampshire and Central Connecticut State University, the University of Maine men's and women's track and field teams won their final home meet of the season Saturday. The men won 110-64 and the women 100-75 over College of the Holy Cross.

Both the men's and women's teams used a combination of experience and youth to get past the Crusaders. The Black Bears look forward to their next meet, the Valentine Invitational at Boston University, which will take place this coming Saturday.

"We're looking forward to the America East tournament, which is in two weeks and hopefully, if we meet the expectations, I feel the men can place in the top third and the women can place in the top half,"

UMaine head coach Jim Ballinger said. "Coming into today, one thing I heard about Holy Cross was that they cover all their events pretty well and we knew that there was a possibility that this was going to be a really close meet."

One event the Black Bears performed well in was the women's weight throw, where Julie Williams and Staci Short

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CAMPUS PHOTO • JULIE ALTENHOFF

University of Maine seniors Lucas Lawson (11) and Martin Kariya (16) handle the puck in the Black Bears' 4-2 win over Merrimack College Sunday afternoon. Lawson netted a pair of goals, his 16th and 17th of the season.

## Men's hockey earns home weekend split

By Jeff Mannix  
Staff Reporter

It was a weekend of polar opposite results at Alford Arena weekend's ice hockey team. The second-ranked Black Bears played one of their best first periods all season against sixth-ranked Boston College, but the Eagles took it to

the Black Bears Friday night in the second and third periods to win 5-2. UMaine rebounded on Sunday by knocking off the Merrimack College Warriors 4-2.

Friday night's loss broke up a 28-game unbeaten streak at home, which dated back to a 3-2 overtime loss on Nov. 9, 2001 to Boston University.

"[UMaine] should take a lot of pride in [the unbeaten streak]," BC coach Jerry York said following the game. "It magnifies the importance of our win and how difficult it is to win here. It makes us feel proud of our effort tonight to beat a very good team in a tough barn to play in."

In the end, the game came down

to turnovers, according to UMaine coach Tim Whitehead.

"The guys have to understand that just because you're playing well [doesn't mean] you're going to continue to dominate the game," Whitehead said. "That was evident with our turnovers. You have to

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## Women's hockey explodes for nine goals in win

By Matt Hritz  
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine women's hockey team (8-11-4 overall, 1-5-2 Hockey East) has struggled to score goals all season long, but not this weekend. The Black Bears dominated Quinnipiac University (6-20) by

the score of 9-1 and outshot them in the game 47-18.

"We got goals from everybody, which is what we needed," head coach Rick Filighera said. "This team beat us the last time we played them, so for us to have a hammering 9-1 win was huge for us, and I am just glad for them because it's been

real hard."

The scoring frenzy began at 7:41 of the first period when sophomore forward Tristan Desmet got on the board first with assists from sophomore forwards Rebecca Culver and Andrea Steranko.

Less than two minutes later, senior forward Nicole Munro

scored on a slap shot past Bobcat goalie Mel Courtemanche. About a minute later, freshman defenseman Vicky Johnstone broke in alone and banked a shot off the left post for the goal to give the Black Bears a commanding 3-0 lead.

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