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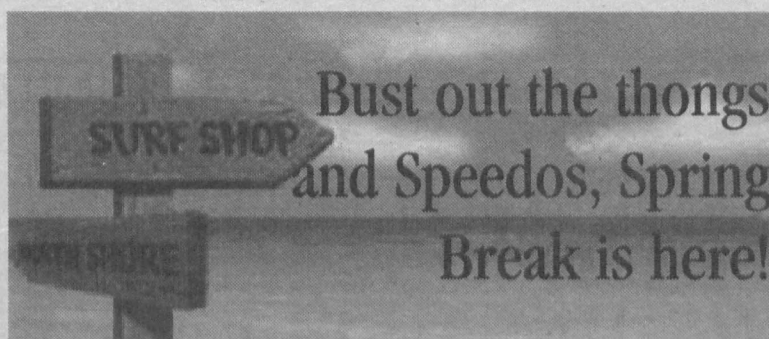
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Student charged with sexual misconduct

By Jackie Farwell
Copy Editor

A University of Maine student is being held at Penobscot County Jail on charges of burglary and unlawful sexual contact following an incident at Penobscot Hall March 1.

Han-Chung "Anthony"

Huang, 20, a first-year international student and citizen of Hong Kong, is being held on \$25,000 bail. According to Public Safety Director Noel March, a female resident alone in her room was awoken at 3 a.m. by a male intruder who was lying on top of her. When she yelled at him, the intruder jumped up and

took a photograph of her with a digital camera before leaving the room.

The female resident, who was not physically injured, reported the incident to Public Safety at 2 p.m. that afternoon. Detective Sgt. Christopher Gardner and Officer Mark Coffey arrested Huang, also a resident of

Penobscot Hall, by 9 p.m., following a search of his room.

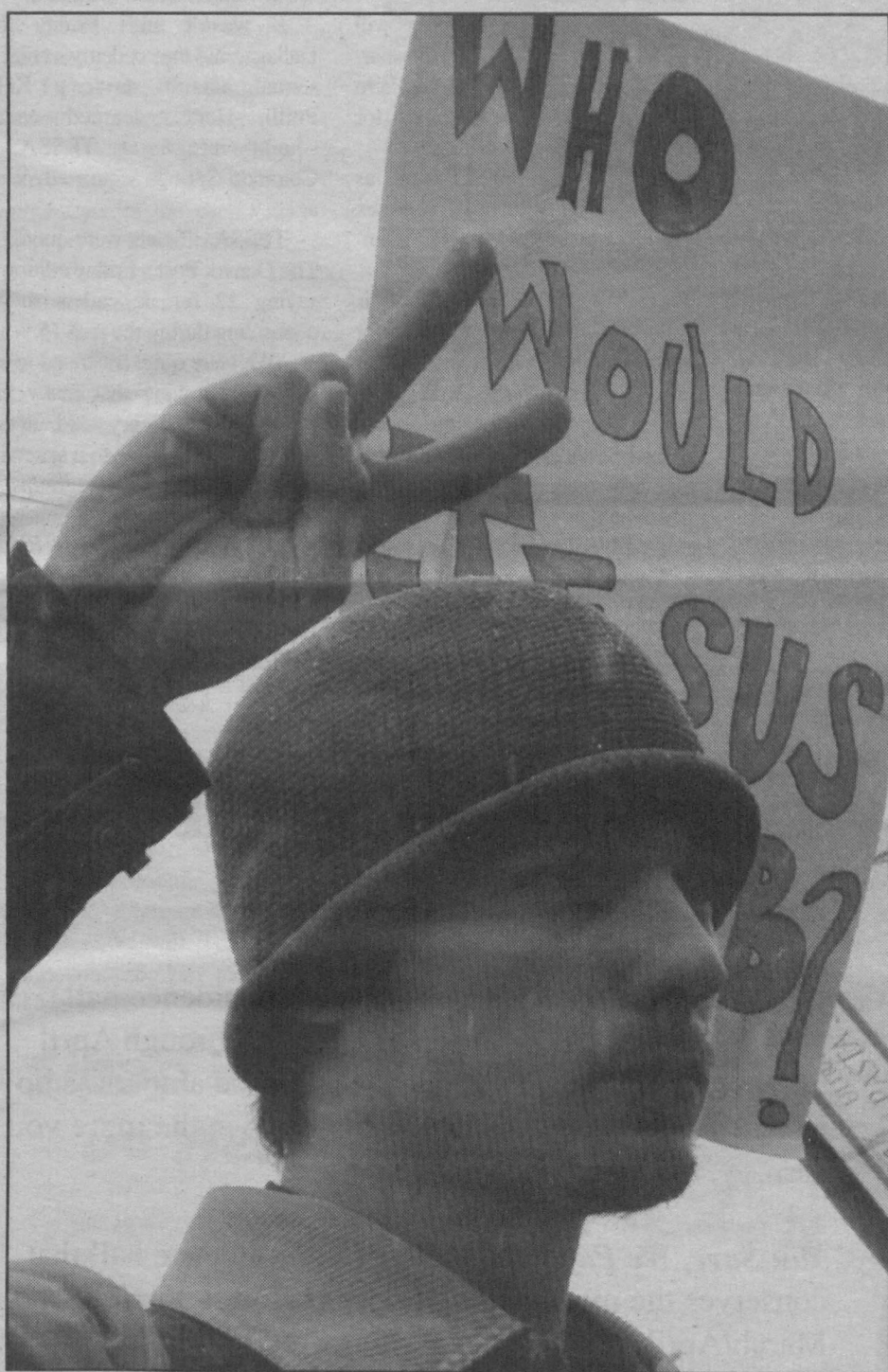
"To be attacked in your bed asleep in the middle of the night by a stranger is unheard of here," March said. "For any resident to be awakened in such a manner is not only outrageous but requires a full, swift response of students and staff alike."

Acting Director of Public Affairs Joe Carr issued a safety alert on FirstClass at about 4:30 p.m. Saturday, also citing a recent trespassing case at York Hall that police say is unrelated and still under investigation.

"To deliberately photograph a

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Who would Jesus bomb?



CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

Mathias Ringle objects to the war at Wednesday's peace rally on the Fogler Library steps. See story on page 3.

Theta Chi to pay town nearly \$8,000 in back property taxes

By Kristin Saunders
Asst. News Editor

The home of the Theta Chi fraternity has had a lien placed on its house.

The building's owners, the Theta Chi Building Association, has not paid its property taxes for the fiscal year of 2001, and has yet to pay taxes for the 2002 fiscal year that was due Feb. 7, 2003. The town of Orono is owed \$7,995 as of March 3. The town records available showed 20 past liens on the property since 1972, Orono deputy tax collector, Sue Hart, said.

The previous lien on the property, before the existing 2001 fiscal year lien, came within four days of foreclosure when the bill was paid off on Dec. 9, the foreclosure date was Dec. 13, according to Hart.

"I would say they paid off the last one just before foreclosure time," Hart said.

The foreclosure process takes 18 months following the initial issue of a lien by the town for past due taxes, when a 30-day demand letter is sent. A lien will be lifted when the association is up to date on all town bills including property taxes, sewer bill and all fees are paid.

If bills are not paid by the 18-month period, the property by that time will have two liens for two years worth of back taxes and will be foreclosed.

The foreclosure date for the existing lien on the property is set for Dec. 17, 2003. In the 18-month term, the Theta Chi Building Association can pay off the bill before the property is foreclosed. At any time the bill can be paid and the lien will be lifted.

"If the owners don't pay it off by [18 months], then it becomes a tax-acquired property," Hart said.

Hart says that Orono isn't out to be in the real estate business.

"For the most part the town will work [with property owners] to buy them back," Hart said. "The town works hard with people when this happens."

As of Monday, "no payment has been made on the 2002 lien," Hart said.

On the nearly \$8,000 bill it included, the 2001 and 2002 fiscal year taxes, town foreclosure fee of \$36.88, and, as of Monday, interest totaling \$622.38. For every day the bill is not paid, interest of \$2.04 is compounded to the bill.

The lien, from fiscal year 2001, a letter of a 30-day demand for the taxes was sent on May 8, 2002. On June 17, 2002 the lien for the property at 371 College Ave. was filed.

A notice of foreclosure was sent to other parties with interest in the property, EJ Roach, Greek Life coordinator, was alerted. He said it was done so someone at the university knew what was happening.

"I think the town does a good job on a case by case basis and not grouping all Greeks as a whole," Roach said.

"If interested, we-[Greek Life] assist them in some ways of fundraising, on that side of things," Roach said.

The Theta Chi house is owned by the Theta Chi Building Association, which is owned by the alumni of the fraternity, Theta Chi Building Association Treasurer, Frank Emery, said.

Emery also serves as adviser to the

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UMaine budget cut may lead to faculty downsizing

By Marshall Dury
Opinion Editor

Higher education at the University of Maine is projected to be cut by nearly \$1 million due to the expected \$1.1 billion shortfall for Maine's 2003 fiscal budget.

"Budget cuts cause us to delay

filling vacancies when they occur, or even eliminate the positions entirely," UMaine President Peter S. Hoff said. "This means fewer faculty members available to teach students and fewer employees to perform services, ranging from serving food to shoveling snow to cataloging the books in the library."

As the 121st session of the State Legislature began its budget review last week, it became obvious to some professors that the entire university will suffer from many of these cuts.

"[Budget cuts] mean faculty will have to do more of their own faxing, copying, typing, which is not effi-

cient and may result in less teaching effort ... but more likely, less research and less grant money," economics professor George Criner said.

Mary Cathcart, state senator and chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, is representing

Orono at the State Legislature's budget review as an advocate for funding in higher education and research and development.

From July 1, 2001 to July 30, 2003, the University of Maine System has absorbed \$5.4 million of

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The World

BEYOND UMaine

Supreme Court upholds three-strikes law, endorses Megan's Laws

WASHINGTON — Showing little mercy for repeat criminals and sex offenders, the Supreme Court upheld a California law on Wednesday that sentenced a long-time thief to 25 years in prison for stealing golf clubs and endorsed laws in two other states that posted photos and addresses of released rapists and child molesters on the Internet.

The California rulings gave broad latitude to the 26 states that have some form of three-strikes legislation to punish habitual offenders. The Court's embrace of so-called Megan's Laws was more significant because it sanctioned a legal concept that hadn't previously come before the Court.

"The Court's opinions on both issues could be blows to the idea that people can serve his time and get a fresh start," said Alan Horowitz, an appeals specialist at Miller and Chevalier, a Washington law firm. "They show the Court's willingness to allow state laws to attach continuing consequences to prior convictions for which sentences have already been served."

The justices turned away chal-

lenges to Alaska and Connecticut statutes that publicize information about released sex offenders. In the Alaska case, the justices held by a 6-3 vote that two sex offenders were not being punished a second time by a law that required them to register with authorities after they left prison. In the Connecticut case, the Court held unanimously that a lower court was wrong to say the state had to grant released sex offenders hearings to determine whether they were still dangerous before putting information about them on a Web site. The justices said the law's requirements turned on the "offender's conviction alone."

"The Court gave a wide berth to this kind of punishment, and that's a new wrinkle," said Franklin Zimring, a law professor at Boalt Hall School of Law at University of California, Berkeley.

Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, writing for the majority in the Alaska case, said the law in question didn't intend to be punitive and was not punitive in its effects.

He said the list of sex offenders was intended to protect the public from potential crime, not to shame or humiliate those on the list.

"They're saying this is a civil matter, not a criminal one," Zimring

said.

Justice John Paul Stevens dissented, saying the law imposed retroactive punishment. Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer also dissented, saying the law's intent was ambiguous and its effect was punitive.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist wrote the opinion in the Connecticut case. It rejected the sex offenders' claims on procedural grounds and did not address the constitutionality of the Connecticut law.

The Court also rejected two challenges to California's three-strikes law, which mandates life sentences for people convicted of three felonies. With identical 5-4 splits, the justices said the law did not violate the 8th Amendment's prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment.

Court that is very unsympathetic to constitutional limits on the power to punish," said Zimring of Berkeley. "But I don't think these opinions are particularly surprising. They're in line with the Court's other opinions on matters like this."

Number of assaults surprises Air Force Academy

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.

— The Air Force academy should work more closely with victim advocacy groups, academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. J.D. Dallager said Monday.

He and the head of the academy's counseling program said they were blindsided by a report last week that 22 female cadets sought help outside the base after being sexually assaulted by cadets.

"If it doesn't create a problem for a victim, if [information] can be shared, that would be very helpful to do that," said Dallager, who has said the academy has zero tolerance for sexual assaults.

"Part of our review process will be, how do you strengthen the sharing of information that would help you have a better appreciation for the climate?"

Dallager's comments come as attention to the academy's worst sex scandal in its 49-year history intensifies.

An Air Force investigation is under way, the Pentagon inspector general might get involved, and Air Force Secretary James Roche will appear Thursday before the Senate Armed Services Committee for his regularly scheduled meeting at which he'll be asked about the academy problem.

Five more women have contact-

ed Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., saying they are victims, bringing the total to 25. Ten are attending the academy; 15 are former cadets. They say they were either ignored or punished for reporting the crimes.

Dallager said the academy began trying to determine the size of the problem last fall after receiving reports from cadets and parents. The issue mushroomed after a victim sent an e-mail in December to members of Congress, cadets and news media seeking other victims and complaining about how her case was handled. The issue gained steam when victims turned to Allard.

It wasn't until Friday that Dallager and the academy's chief of sexual assault services, Kelly Phillips-Henry, learned cadets sought refuge at TESSA, a Colorado Springs victim advocacy agency.

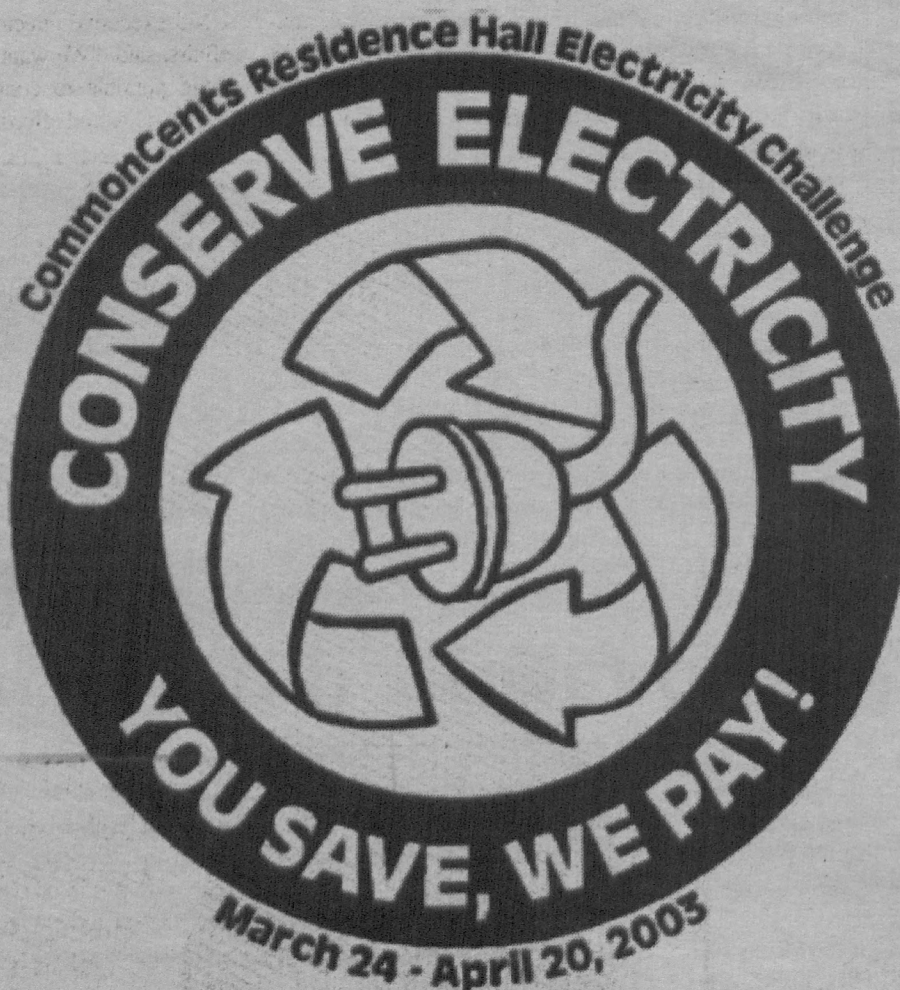
TESSA officials were quoted in The Denver Post's Friday edition as saying 22 female cadets sought counseling during the past 15 years.

"We were quite frustrated to see they were saying that many victims," Phillips-Henry said, noting she's a representative to a statewide coalition of advocacy groups to which TESSA belongs.

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Campus rally showcases both sides of war debate

By Kyle Webster
Staff Reporter

A crowd of students, professors and local residents gathered in front of the University of Maine's Fogler Library yesterday at noon for an anti-war rally. The rally was part of the national "Books not Bombs" one-day student strike.

The event began with chants and rally cries, followed by several speakers from local communities. The crowd was dotted with people holding signs with messages such as, "Innocent Blood: \$1.09 a Gallon" and "Peace is a path, not a goal." Others screamed words of discouragement to the group, carrying signs supporting war with Iraq.

"[I'm here because] I've got that much respect for the government," Dan McNutt, an opponent to the rally, said. "We are not afraid to show our support."

Despite the opposition, the rally remained peaceful.

"We are not here to hate one another," Jenny Leland, one of the organizers of the event, said. "I support our troops. I support every individual out there. I do not support this war."

Following the rally, people were invited to go to the Bangor Lounge in the Memorial Union for further discussion and a short concert by Renaissance. The discussions were led by several speakers, including Peter Millard, a family doctor who spent time working in Zimbabwe, Andrew Barnes, a graduate student studying French, and Stephanie Strong. They cov-



CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

Despite the messy weather, Bush advocates turned out to oppose the peace rally Wednesday at noon. Rally supporters encouraged students not to attend classes to show support for peace.

ered issues including France's opposition to war and justification for war with Iraq.

The last event of the day was a teach-in led by Michael Howard, a professor of philosophy and a

peace activist.

Those involved had various reasons for avoiding class and spending the day protesting for peace. Some admitted it was strictly for the free food offered at the events

and others said they just wanted an excuse to get out of class. But the majority of attendees said that they wanted their voices to be heard and to stand against what they see as an unjust war.

"Killing more people in the name of war doesn't solve anything," Bree Blalock, an organizer of the events, said. "We want to stand against this [war] and speak for those who can't."

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state budget cuts and hopes not to feel such a large impact this year.

"By properly funding education at all levels, we are priming our state for future economic prosperity and recovery," Cathcart said in a press release. "We will fight to protect education, especially the University of Maine."

The revenue from the past year's high freshmen enrollment has allowed for large budget cuts to be managed with more ease than in past years. Without budget cuts though, the UMS may experience a \$23 million gap to keep its seven campuses running at their current level of service.

"Despite our efforts to reduce the cost of our operation, we remain committed to expanding the university system's role as a resource and partner in addressing Maine's most urgent needs," UMS Chancellor Joseph Westphal said to the state House of Representatives in his State of the University Address Feb.

25.

Government and non-government organizations are searching for ways to fill the budget gaps without students having to deal with tuition hikes and decreased quality of education. UMaine is reevaluating its budget and hoping to make some cuts that will benefit the majority of

students and professors.

"The objective is to find new ways of operating to save money while minimizing any negative impact on quality," John Diamond, UMS executive director of external affairs, said. "We want to do everything possible to continue quality, accessibility and affordability."

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With help of students, UM athletes get S.M.A.R.T.

By Angela Flandaca
Staff Reporter

Guided by the Sports Medicine and Rehabilitative Therapy responders, campus recreational sports athletes are playing it safe at the University of Maine.

The S.M.A.R.T. program, developed about six years ago by Richard Young, Cutler Health Center's athletic medicine coordinator, has grown since it began in one of the smallest offices in Cutler, Young said.

The S.M.A.R.T. program originated from what colleges and universities use as programs to educate their students within the medical field. Campus recreational sports programs were also experiencing many injury situations with athletes and Young decided an athletic trainer was necessary on campus, he said.

One incident in particular spurred Young to begin the endeavor with the S.M.A.R.T. program.

"The unfortunate accident in a men's rugby game off campus where a UMaine student was seriously injured brought to light the need for the recreational programs to minimize risk of participation," Young said. "Athletic trainers were seen as a good fit for this role."

The S.M.A.R.T. responders

are made up of undergraduate students typically majoring in pre-medicine, nursing and athletic training, though positions are not limited to only those majoring in medicine-related fields, Dennis Russell, assistant athletic trainer at Cutler, said.

"If they're motivated and interested in helping other students, they can be of any major," Russell said.

Responders learn CPR and other first aid techniques, including wrapping and taping injuries, fixing lacerations and fitting students for crutches, Russell said.

Students complete all competency programs and are supervised by a more experienced responder until they pass all first aid tests and are ready to work with student-athletes. After about one semester, responders are paid for their work, Russell said.

The S.M.A.R.T. responders program offers a valuable opportunity for students majoring in a health-related field, according to Russell.

"It helps to develop them professionally," he said. "The only way to really get good at it is to see many injuries and help with them yourself."

One experienced responder, Brianna Frye, who has been with the program for four years, agrees firsthand knowl-



COURTESY PHOTO • DENNIS RUSSELL

Dennis Russell, assistant athletic trainer at Cutler Health Center, tapes up a women's rugby player before a game this fall.

edge is best.

"This gives me the best view of injuries as they happen. Once you see it you always remember it," said Frye, S.M.A.R.T.'s student coordinator and a senior kinesiology and physical education major, said. "It's very crucial to see things hands-on and to be able to react immediately. If you don't see things for yourself, then how do you learn?"

Being a responder is espe-

cially useful for those students with aspirations to continue on with a medical profession, Young said.

"This clinical experience prepares a student with undeveloped confidence in their medical abilities to grow and develop, interact with injured patients to gain the ability to manage stressful situations," Young said.

"It gives us the chance to experience a situation that

we'll have to do anyway in a couple of years," Frye said.

The program also provides the chance to apply classroom knowledge to real-life situations, according to Young.

"The experience is an enlightening experience for both the caregiver and the injured student," Young said.

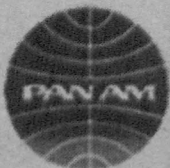
In addition to students gaining firsthand knowledge within

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Orono IGA changes hands after 10 years

By Abigail Curtis
For The Maine Campus

Tears fell in the grocery aisles Friday afternoon as a crowd of at least 75 people squeezed into L&A/IGA Market in Orono to say goodbye to long-time owner Scott Hopkins.

"I love all of you," Hopkins said to the crowd. "You're what helped us over the years when times were bad, when times were good."

Rumors started earlier this year that the store would be liquidated and boarded up until John and Roberta Bradson, owners of The Store/Ampersand, took over the market on Saturday.

"I'm sad to see Scott leaving," Teri Morrow of Orono said. "But I'm glad to have the core of downtown still here."

Hopkins, who has owned the market since 1993 and worked there since he was a UMaine student in the 80s, was a favorite of the many students who frequented and worked for the store.

"It has been the best job of my life," Katy Nicketakakis, a graduate student from Illinois who moonlights at the L&A checkout counter said. "I like the small-town nature of the store, and I like the friendliness and openness that's displayed here."

Nicketakis plans to stay on under the new management, but expressed sadness about the change.

"No one could be Scott. It won't be the same," she said.

"We get numerous students through the doors, especially at lunch time," Hopkins, commenting about L&A's close relationship with UMaine said. "One of our best following is the UMaine hockey team. They're in there getting their sandwiches, although you may not recognize them with their big jackets and hats pulled down low."

Hopkins is bittersweet about having to sell his store.

"I'm not happy that it came to this because when I started 10 years ago, it was supposed to be a

lifetime career."

He has survived catastrophes, fire and ice, during his ownership of the market. But high electric rates, overhead, long hours, a business climate that favors larger grocery stores and Orono's problematic parking situation eventually wore him down.

"My No. 1 future plan is to sleep," Hopkins said. "I was going at it at 2:30 a.m. and leaving at three in the afternoon. My family's excited now because I can see my kids."

He admits that he feels at peace.

"It's time to put this part of my life behind me," he said. After catching up on sleep, Hopkins plans to look for a job. "I don't know what's out there. It's going to be fun."

Hopkins was surprised at the turnout of Friday's goodbye party.

"I only expected a few of the customers and a few of the employees," he said. "It was very nice of everybody to come."

Hopkins, too, is pleased that he found buyers.

"The sweetness of the bittersweet is that I found some local people to run it," he said.

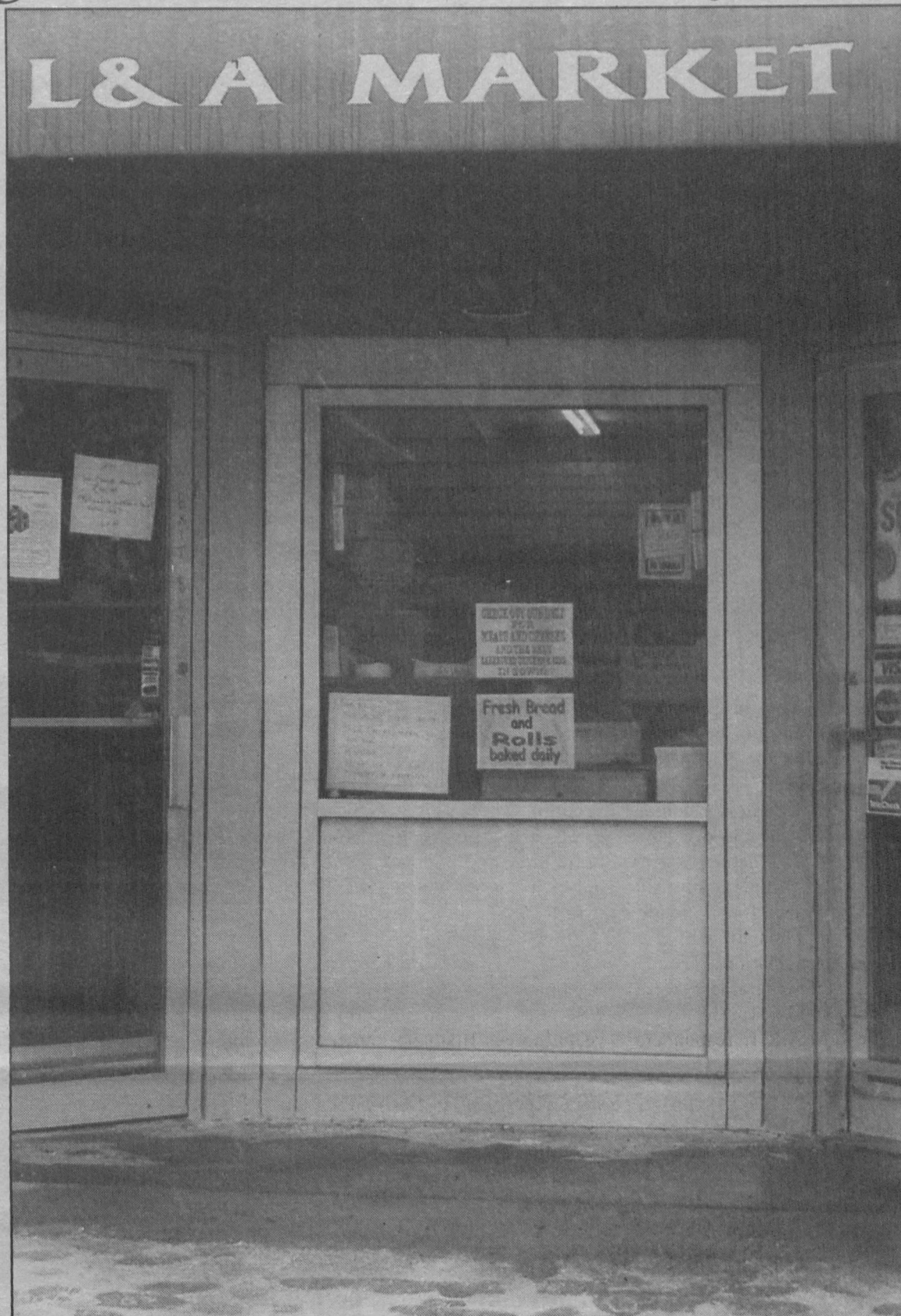
The new owners initially viewed their acquisition as a rescue operation, according to Roberta Bradson.

"But now that we're into it, we're excited. And a lot of people came in right away to congratulate us and thank us. There was a lot of community support that was nice to see," she said.

The Bradsons have started to think about both the changes they will make, and the L&A favorites they want to keep.

"I think we're going to boost up the inventory," Roberta Bradson said. "We're going to have more produce. We've also had a lot of people expressing an interest in the deli, maybe with more gourmet meats and cheeses. But we'll keep the sandwich deal."

Another change will be more vigilant carding of customers buying alcohol. Bradson expressed



CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

Local Mill Street IGA market is turned over to John and Roberta Bradford following the sale of the business by the previous owner.

disbelief that the L&A market was caught selling beer to an underage liquor inspector on Saturday.

"We owned the store for two hours and we got busted. I could-

n't believe it," she said.

Her whole family has been swept up in excitement over their new supermarket.

"We were over there last night

cleaning," Bradson said. "And yesterday, my 10-year-old took up a bucket and mopped the floor. It was her own idea. We're all in on this."

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victim speaks to more serious issues than that of a typical drunken student looking to seduce a girl," March said. "It is a much more predatory act that needs to be viewed with a high degree of seriousness."

"To law enforcement personnel with experience in behavioral science, there is a suggestion that this [behavior] speaks to a very specific level of deviancy that

causes special concern in this case," March said.

March said he credits the cooperation of students, Residence Life and Programs staff and the Department of Public Affairs in Huang's prompt identification and arrest.

"We immediately began a full investigation, recognizing the seriousness of the incident and feeling as though we had some-

one ... that posed a threat to this campus," March said.

Students living on campus are advised to lock their unattended rooms and vehicles and to take other precautions.

"We can't stress enough that all students should take sensible precautions in keeping their doors locked at night, and also to not be reluctant to report suspicious activity or

people to either their RA or to the university police officer assigned to their building," March said.

Penobscot Hall Resident Director Jennifer Tumlin said she is developing a program focused on personal safety along with Resident Assistant staff.

Public Safety officer Amy Nickerson recently spoke at Penobscot Hall about the Rape

Aggression Defense course and how females can protect themselves on campus at night.

March said personal responsibility is the key to keeping safe.

"It's easy to become complacent in a trusting atmosphere such as your own hall, but protection of personal property begins with you," March said. "Don't allow yourself to be vulnerable to crime."

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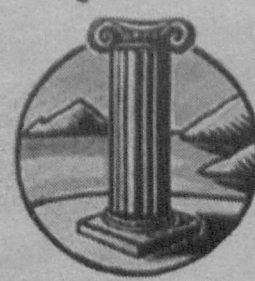
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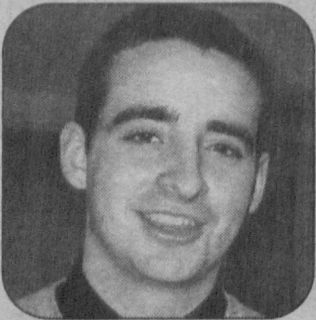
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Why are you most looking forward to spring break?



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"I'm not, because I have to work."

Kris Demasi
Third-year
Construction management technology



"Going back home to Virginia Beach to see my family and my dog."

Jen Wilcox
Second-year
Ecology and environmental science



"Because I'm going to Panama City Beach and I don't have to go to classes."

Jake Cowperthwaite
Fourth-year
Electrical engineering



"To get out of Maine and back to civilization."

Katriana Morrison
First-year
Business

Reform act may help lower taxes

By Abigail Curtis
For The Maine Campus

Maine's heavily burdened property tax payers may find some relief at the ballot boxes this fall, thanks to a record number of petition signers who supported the proposed School Finance and Tax Reform Act of 2003.

The act will be a referendum question on the 2003 ballot.

"It was the most successful single-day petition drive in Maine history," Tom Perry, superintendent for the Orono-Veazie schools, said. "It obviously hit a responsive chord with citizens."

If the referendum is passed in November, the state would have to pay for 55 percent of the total cost of kindergarten through grade 12 education, and all funding for special education.

According to Geoff Hermon, director of the Maine Municipal Association, the state made promises to pay for at least the majority of kindergarten through grade 12 education for more than 18 years.

"That promise has never been honored," he said.

Proponents of the act believe this has placed property owners in a bind.

"By and large, citizens want good schools in their communities. But the burden on the local taxpayer is intense," Perry said. He believes Maine towns have had to make up the difference in promised

funds and that this initiative will ease the tax burden.

Maine's elected officials, struggling with a sluggish economy and budget shortfall, believe the state has not wholly shirked its educational obligations.

Jonathan Thomas, state representative for Orono, said the state is moving closer to fulfilling its obligations in education, and that over the past few years it has been able to meet its per-pupil guarantee. That guarantee has been frozen at last year's level due to the budget shortfall.

"The Legislature realizes that education is a top priority with voters," Thomas said. "It will fare better than anything else in the budget."

He noted that the state government is currently funding 43 percent of education costs statewide.

"I am very concerned about the governor's education funding proposal for the next two years because it may impact the property tax vote," Sen. Mary Cathcart said.

Cathcart said the state should look at tax reform and broadening the sales tax to pay for the increase in education funding.

Supporters of the initiative say they realize the timing is not ideal for the state government.

"Of course, this is a terrible economic period for everyone," Perry said. "But even when things were going quite well for the state, the government never really committed the funding."

Police Beat

Orono &
Old Town

By Cate Tiller
Staff Reporter

Early in the morning of Feb. 27, Public Safety received a call from the Old Town Police Department concerning people at a carwash washing egg off of their car. The eggs had apparently been thrown from the Lambda Chi house. When officers investigated, they found two intoxicated brothers washing egg off of a vehicle. They had thrown the eggs from a second story window. The officers were allowed into the bedroom from which the eggs had been thrown, where they found five cans of Bud Light.

Zackary Watkin, 20, of Orono, was summonsed for possession of alcohol by a minor. Both men were referred to Judicial Affairs for throwing the eggs and the Lambda Chi house is being reviewed by Judicial Affairs for underage drinking.

A student from Eastern Maine Technical College was arrested for operating without a license, operating under the influence and possession of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle Feb. 25. An officer parked on Hilltop Road saw a pickup pull out from Gannett Hall and drive across the road onto the bike trail. The officer pursued and stopped the vehicle about 100 yards down the trail.

When the driver opened the window, a strong odor of marijuana was detected by the officer. The driver denied that there was marijuana in the vehicle, so the officer made him and the three passengers get out while he searched the vehicle. The officer didn't find any drugs, but did find three open Budweiser bottles and one can of Busch spilled on the front seat.

The driver had a conditional license, prohibiting him from driving with any alcohol in his system. The officer reported that he could smell alcohol on the driver's breath, but he refused a field sobriety test and said the officer had no reason to stop him. The driver threw his hands behind his back and said, "Go ahead and arrest me. Take me to jail. I'll have my lawyer get me out of this." Justin Shute, 21, of Stockton Springs, was arrested, his vehicle was towed and the three passengers, also EMTC students, were released.

A party was broken up in the New Residence Complex Feb. 28 and a man was charged with furnishing alcohol to minors. An officer in the building heard a loud party in a third floor

apartment and knocked on the door. The person who answered the door told the officer that only one person inside was of legal drinking age. The 11 guests were asked to leave, but the officer identified them as they departed. The residents were told to bring out all the alcohol.

Crichton McKenna, 21, of Presque Isle, admitted to supplying the alcohol and tried to hide a few bottles in his pockets as he left.

A white Ford Ranger was found with a stolen parking permit decal Feb. 24. The vehicle was towed, and in order for the owner, Thomas Painter, 23, of Old Town, to get it back he had to meet with a police officer. The decal was reported stolen on Oct. 24 from the Dunn Hall lot, though Painter claimed he had found it on the ground and used it instead of purchasing his own. He was summonsed for receiving stolen property.



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fraternity and is an alumnus from the class of 1974. He said the tax bill will be paid and the house will not be foreclosed.

"Be assured [foreclosure] will not happen," Emery said.

Emery said that a loan is in the works to catch the building association up on its taxes.

"The loan financing will take care of this," Emery said.

In 1990 the fraternity had a water main break, leaving the building under 6 inches of water, Emery said.

He said the insurance company did not want to pay and they had to take them to court, which cost \$20,000 in lawyer fees. He said the unbudgeted lawyer costs left them "in the hole," but they are continuing to manage.

"Theta Chi certainly takes the liens seriously," Emery said. "We do give the town all the real estate taxes."

Theta Chi Vice President Jeff Jones said the fraternity is sound.

"I would like to assure the University of Maine community that Theta Chi fraternity is sound, from brotherhood to finances," Jones said. "Furthermore, pending a decision at our international headquarters, we plan to repay our entire lien to the university by fall 2003."



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Theta Chi fraternity, located on College Avenue across from Alford Arena, owes \$8,000 in property taxes to Orono.

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the medical field, injured people who benefit from the S.M.A.R.T. program is most important, according to Young.

Cutler's athletic training clinic offers a variety of therapy programs at a less expensive cost for students than they would receive off campus, according to Russell.

"This program provides the students of Maine access to healthcare for a reasonable cost and assists and guides them to make good decisions on the course of action for a sports related injury," Young said. "It also gets the potentially seriously injured rapid access to EMS care and hospital."

This year the S.M.A.R.T. team has responded to a handful of emergencies that required ambulatory care, according to Frye. For this reason and others, Frye feels the program is crucial for recreational student-athletes, she said.

"A lot of these kids have reoccurring high school injuries, and it's just great to give them that extra support in competition so they feel better," Frye said. "We can give them the confidence that they need to be able to go out there and just play."

The clinic offers ultrasounds, cold and heat packs, electrical stimulation, whirlpool care and orthopedic care. Trainers also teach students healing exercises for injuries, according to Russell.

The program is consistently improving, according to

Russell and Young.

"We're trying to continually evolve our program in conjunction with the needs of the students," Russell said.

Part of the evolution process with the S.M.A.R.T. program involves gaining students' trust to feel more secure having fellow students care for their injuries, Frye said.

"Hopefully they learn that we're learning," she said. "Everyone is learning in this profession and we do our best out there, and I hope people realize that."

Cutler always seeks more S.M.A.R.T. responders to add to its team. Those interested are encouraged to inquire about the program.

"The program would like to see more students in the sport coaching area of study and other students interested in medicine or a related field to stop by and take a look at the program," Young said.

A S.M.A.R.T. responder's job is not typically overlooked, which makes the job rewarding, Russell said.

"I enjoy working with recreational athletes because they're so appreciative of what we do and how we help them," Russell said. "We're offering them a service that's unique and that a lot of places only offer varsity athletes."

Cutler's athletic training clinic is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is open to all UMaine students.

Student Senate Notes

By Meredith Holt
Staff Reporter

The following events took place at the Tuesday, March 4 meeting of the General Student Senate:

- The Senate allocated \$5,000 to the Student Affairs committee to be used for the printing and distribution of day planners for the incoming class of fall 2003. The planners will be distributed to first-year students free of charge, and extras will be sold in the UMaine Bookstore. The planners will include the dates of campus-wide events, in hopes of enforcing traditions and increasing student involvement on campus.
- The American Marketing Association received \$876 to help send four senior marketing students to the AMA Collegiate Conference in New Orleans, La. March 13-15. The conference will allow the students to network with other professionals and receive information to share with other AMA members and others in the business school.
- Maine Masque received \$1,750 for its production of "The Living Newspaper," which will run April 9-13. The production is completely student-run.
- The Senate gave \$1,500 to the Maine Peace Action Committee to bring Jim Hightower to speak on campus April 10. His topics will include politics, the war with Iraq and the loss of civil liberties.
- The Intervarsity Christian Fellowship received \$637 for a service project for Habitat for Humanity in Pennsylvania over

Spring Break. Funding will be used for transportation and food.

- The Senate gave the Dance Club \$550 for production costs of a Contra Dance. The Dance Club hopes the event will draw members of the Orono and Old Town community. Donations given at the dance will be used to send textbooks to children in Nicaragua.
- The National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association received \$500 to help pay for 23 members to travel to the Maine Speech Language and Hearing Association Spring Conference in Rockland March 27-28. The conference will feature six guest speakers who are prominent professionals in the area of speech language pathology and audiology.
- The Senate gave \$473 to Tau Beta Sigma for travel costs to the Northeast District Convention at James Madison University March 13-15. The six members attending the convention will work on leadership and development techniques.
- The Maine Peace Action Committee received \$400 for printing costs for their spring newsletter. The newsletter includes articles related to the group's cause.
- The Senate gave \$350 to Hillel to pay speaker fees for Rabbi Barry Kreiger. Kreiger will hold weekly discussion sessions on Wednesdays.
- Maine Masque received \$120 to help pay for hotel accommodations on a tour of the production of "The Rise and Fall of Daniel Rocket." Maine Masque will per-

form the play at schools throughout the state during spring break.

- The Senate added a "Student Leadership Recognition" line to the 2003 Student Government budget and moved \$950 to that line for student recognition purposes. The money will be used for plaques, trophies and awards, such as "Student Government Employee of the Month" and "Senator of the Month." Some of the plaques will be displayed in the Wade Leadership Center. The allocated money shall be used for recognition items only.
- The Senate passed a resolution to recognize the staff of the Bookstore under the direction of Bill Hockensmith for the implementation of longer hours, improving book buy-back and student organization displays.
- The Senate passed a resolution to recognize and commend the women's basketball team for a successful season and to wish them good luck at the playoffs. Sen. Breeana Blalock said the resolution would also open the door to resolutions acknowledging the accomplishments of other teams.
- Guest speaker Douglas Gelinas, associate vice president for academic affairs, spoke to the General Student Senate about the accreditation of the university.
- Interviews for the position of vice president of student organizations will be conducted after Spring Break.

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

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EDITORIAL

GSS needs to use money wisely

Following the poor turnout of the recent Residents On Campus president and vice president elections, the General Student Senate should take responsibility for the disappointing showing.

Only 111 of the 3,320 undergraduate, fee-paying on-campus students who could vote in this election actually voted. With proper promotion and announcements, perhaps the election could have represented a greater percentage of students on campus.

The General Student Senate plans to allocate the money it could have used to promote the elections to buy almost \$1,000 worth of plaques, trophies and awards for winners of "Student Government Employee of the Month" and "Senator of the Month," to essentially give themselves a pat on the back. This money could be spent in a number of other ways to benefit students rather than to inflate the Student Government "award-winners" egos.

Student Government has expressed that it wants to be seen as more of an active resource for students with programming, instead of simply being a piggy-bank for clubs and organizations. To do this, it must be proactive and use its resources wisely, including ensuring its subsidiaries, like ROC, have properly promoted elections that get a majority of the students involved.

All of the money used by GSS is collected from undergraduate students who pay a \$35 student activity fee. Perhaps GSS would consider using extra money on activities benefiting students rather than on wall art for student senators and employees.

College is a time for learning and thinking about new concepts and ideas, and students could learn from more intellectually-based guest lecturers on campus. GSS could also take notes from the Campus Activities Board, which, with its minimal budget, in comparison, manages to keep a steady attendance at its events aimed at providing leisure activities for college students.



Bathing in cows' blood is not OK

Celebrities need a firmer grasp of reality

Is it just me, or is everyone else wondering about the same question: "Why are our celebrities so freakin' weird?"

I realize that due to their fame and fortune, they're entitled to a higher degree of eccentricity than the rest of us. However, some stars have taken it too far.

My first gripe is with Michael Jackson. How could the once-glorious King of Pop sink to the depths of plastic body parts and quasi-pedophilia? It truly is a shame.

I was perusing Yahoo! News when I found out that Vanity Fair just published an article about Michael titled "Losing His Grip." The article cites

NATHAN
WEBSTER



HEAD COPY EDITOR

sources who claim that Michael has a prosthetic nose and bleaches his skin white. Are you kidding me, that's news? Apparently no one told Vanity Fair that this is common knowledge.

Now, we have all seen or heard about the television documentary in which Michael claims to enjoy napping with pre-pubescent boys. We also know about the incident when

Michael dangled his baby over a balcony.

What we don't know about is Michael's excursions into voodoo. That's right, voodoo. The article claims that Michael paid \$150,000 to a voodoo chief named Baba to bathe the pop star in the blood of 42 cows. The ceremony was intended to kill Steven Spielberg, David Geffen and a list of 23 of Michael's other celebrity enemies. Now that's weird.

My other gripe is with the top fitness stars in this country, the first of which is a certain Tony Little, the mastermind behind "The Gazelle" fitness machine.

Tony is not a small man.
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Letters to the Editor

•Do not isolate children

I was very disturbed by local television stations' reports regarding the abuse of children in Maine with family members who are in the military, but I was not surprised. This is the same sort of insensitivity families of servicemen and women faced during Vietnam. Because they are so vulnerable, it makes them

easy targets for people who are so eager to make a political point that they will bulldoze a child to do so.

I had hoped that America had matured a bit to recognize that it could constructively participate in democracy without resorting to attacks on children and young families, and that in espousing ideals of "compassion" and

"sensitivity," people could see their way toward extending those ideals to their own American neighbors. Certainly you wouldn't suggest that an Iraqi child shouldn't be proud of his parent?

Although there is never an excuse to abuse a child, it is important to understand people

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A disgusting trend

Realigning body image

ANGELA
FIANDACA



COPY EDITOR

Craziness showed itself to me last week when I stood in line behind a girl buying a Dove ice cream bar.

She was a very small girl and the cashier said something to her I'll never forget. "Whoa, that will add something to your thighs," she said, laughing.

I wasn't laughing. Neither was the innocent girl who only wanted to have an evening snack. I bet she didn't bargain for being humiliated in front of strangers.

There I stood, wondering if what I'd heard had registered correctly. I would have spoken up on behalf of the poor girl but I was just speechless.

I couldn't believe what I had heard. What made the situation even more dumbfounding was that the cashier was a young woman herself.

Does she not realize how devastating comments like that can be to a person? Each year millions of girls starve themselves or throw up food in bathrooms because they fear they will never be thin enough. These problems are often a result of one little comment a parent, peer or coach had made to them years ago.

It makes me realize that we are so detrimental to ourselves and don't even realize it half the time. This cashier sure didn't.

Most women are not secure when it comes to weight and body image. The pressures women face are unrealistic and unattainable, yet we continue to strive to be these perfect beings. Why is that? I fear we'll never understand the logic to this predicament.

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Famous

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Even though he's getting on in years, he still maintains a semi-Conan the Barbarian-esque physique. It seems to me that someone like Tony should be out giving people wedgies and eating steaks, but he wears baby blue tank tops and has a pony tail.

If you watch Tony's infomercials, you will notice that he touches people a lot and has a permanent grin. Not a pleasant grin, but the grin of a molester. He should not be touching people.

Last but not least is the King of Celebrity Weirdness himself, the one and only Richard Simmons. I can't name one human being creepier than Richard.

He tells people that they are ponies, sports a fro and wears sparkly tank tops. Have you noticed that because of the tank top's abnormally long style, it isn't clear if he's actually wear-

ing any shorts? He should be required to wear pants at all times, actually.

Does it bother anyone else that even though he is supposed to be "fit," even a 4-year-old would have no problem kicking his ass?

Now don't get me wrong, Richard and Tony have done wonderful things for the overweight community. The fitness gurus have given their clients the self-respect and motivation they so desperately need. I'm sure that Michael has done very good things for people as well, as he has been known for his occasional humanitarian efforts.

However, I want our celebrities to start toning down their weirdness. No more creepy grins. No more aerobics without shorts. And no more alleged child abuse. Is that too much to ask?

Nathan Webster is always sure to take a cow's blood bath at least once a week.

Weight

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Women talk incessantly about their weight, appearances, what they ate or did not eat: score one for eating a salad with no dressing and no taste, mark one down on the "bad foods" list for eating that chocolate chip cookie.

They tell each other they look great when they've lost some weight — regardless of the fact that some of these women have lost the weight by not eating for weeks.

People don't know when to stop and it's getting out of hand. I'm not saying only women experience these issues, but there are proven trends here and people need to own up to that.

I'm searching for some respect and compassion and it seems to be severely lacking

on this campus and in many other places.

Things are going to get worse until more people like myself stand up and say they are not going to discuss body size, shape or weight any more with fellow women.

But, in the spirit of Oprah, what I do know for sure is this: Women, above all, need to stop talking about weight, food and the ideal image of what they've been told is beautiful or perfect. It's as plain and simple as that. Don't do it anymore.

It's obvious to see where talking about such an issue has gotten us. If we stop this nonsense, maybe we can make sense of a disgusting trend.

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that do, sometimes unknowingly, in part, because of their lack of education about the military community. Most civilians do not understand the issues these children confront on a daily basis, and more specifically in the face of deployment.

This disconnection exists in part because of the lack of representation of this community in the media, compounded by the fact it is such a transient and isolated community.

For the future of our nation and our children, we must work to resolve this horrible disconnection and now that the problem has been identified, it is a mission that Maine educators can make their own.

I hope the Maine school system and its teachers are aware that it is vital to the self-esteem of children to reaffirm their lives, families, backgrounds and

lifestyles. Schools can be places where children are assured that they are "normal" and "good." To critique what a child cannot change encourages feelings of desperation, confusion, isolation and simply destroys the basic foundation of a child's esteem and contributes to endless social, educational and mental health problems.

The best approach to any diversity training is education. Hopefully Maine's school systems and teachers understand that as well and will work toward educating themselves and all the children in their care. As we have seen, educating ourselves about people from different communities instead of judging and attacking them encourages unity and sensitivity.

Michelle Ferguson-Cohen
Local author and illustrator

Teachers have gone too far

Classrooms are not forums for political debate

BRYNN
LARY

FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

ion about her father after a teacher said, "Daddy could die because that's what happens to soldiers."

Since when is it a teacher's place to speak about such things? The teacher is not the child's parent. The kid has parents and the parents will address the issue if and when they feel the child is ready.

The fact of the matter is teachers need to know their role in a classroom. If a child asks questions about the war, it is in the child's best interests for the teacher to be as unbiased as possible. Many people will say this is impossible, but teachers need to limit their opinions in the classroom, especially when it comes to sensitive issues. Saying the war is "unethical" or that "Daddy could die" is just not acceptable, especially to children as young as seven.

What does a 7-year-old understand about war or how ethical or unethical it is? This is yet another example of teachers inserting their unwanted views into the classroom setting. Maybe some teachers feel the need to do this because they want to share their beliefs with an easily intimidated audience. Teachers should get another forum to make their views public because doing so in the classroom is unacceptable.

This is another instance of how schools all across the country are enforcing their liberal views into what is supposed to be a neutral curriculum. Only a short time ago, the National Education Association wanted to educate children about Sept. 11 by blaming Americans. According to The Washington Times, teachers were advised to highlight "historical instances of American intolerance."

Is it that hard for teachers to keep their opinions to themselves? It is disturbing how some teachers are getting away with such behavior and how it either goes unnoticed or is ignored. We all know politics can be a touchy subject and this is why it should be left to discuss in other places. Teachers know children will not be able to understand what's being said, let alone discuss or debate politics on an equal footing. The goal is obviously to force their view onto students.

Fortunately, Michael A. Vaughan (R-Dist. 85) will be looking into the matter further. "I believe there should be some dismissals, because that sort of activity does not belong in a school," Vaughan recently said.

He is correct. Teachers who engage in this kind of out of spoken behavior should be fired. Schools must be neutral political territory for children.

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Always check for bad milk

'Dude, that teet looks infected!'

KATHRYN
MARKOVCHICK

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Cows injected with this hormone often have udder infections and require antibiotics. The FDA saw this as a problem and hired a woman who had transferred from Monsanto to review her own work.

In her research, she approved of

came up with the idea of a Dairy Quality Trademark Seal. If this seal is found on a milk carton, rest assured that your choice of milk is chemical-free. In Maine there are two dairy companies that refuse to use rBGH: Hood and Oakhurst.

In order for dairy farmers to obtain the use of this seal for their milk products, they must provide legal documentation that their cows have not been given any artificial hormones.

Monsanto has recently gone to the Maine Attorney General's Office asking that Oakhurst and Hood not be allowed to use the Quality Trademark Seal as a means of advertising. While not using growth hormones may sometimes be an advertising gimmick, it is important consumers be allowed to know what is in their milk.

Consumers should not have to worry about whether the milk they are drinking is safe or not. Next time you head to the dairy section, make sure the milk you are picking up is in fact going to do your body good.

Kathryn Markovchick is a junior mass communications and advertising major.

Milk should do your body good, right? If you are like me, then you are probably under the impression that milk is good for you and your bones. Milk should be healthy, and I am not talking about whether you drink two percent, whole, or skim.

I was born an Oakhurst girl and when I go to the milk section and find there is no Oakhurst, I have a small panic attack. Though I hate milk, I was taught to have at least three glasses a day, so when I can't find my favorite, healthy brand I get upset.

The chemical giant Monsanto, known to produce dioxin, saffron and Agent Orange, also produces an artificial growth hormone called recombinant bovine growth hormones.

Though Monsanto swears that it is a safe hormone, studies conducted by parties Consumers International, the Center for Food and Safety, Green Peace and the Humane Society of the United States show it causes a great risk of breast, colon, lung and prostate cancer in consumers. So if this chemical is so good for us, why has Canada, the European Union, Australia and many other nations banned rBGH from the market?

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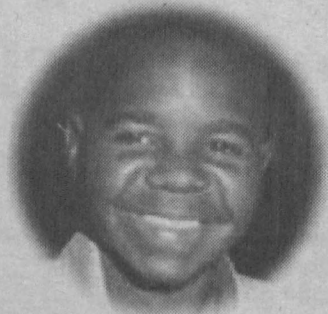


Bessie the six-legged cow says, "Bring on the growth hormones!"

what was going and increased the antibiotic protocol for milk by 10,000 percent. It should also be noted that no one has any idea what kind reaction these udder antibiotics have on humans.

Instead of banning the growth hormone altogether, producers

STYLE.



— What'cha talkin' 'bout, Willis?

Ezzy brings film festival to Orono

Festival returns for fourth semester

By Andrew Young
For The Maine Campus

In the fall semester of 2001, Paul Ezzy hosted his first student film festival. If a single word could describe Ezzy at that moment, it would be "nervous." Would anyone show up to the festival? Would the festival be reviewed favorably? Would there be enough submissions? Would people complain if he displayed too much of his own work?

Ezzy's nerves were soon relaxed. More than just friends of the filmmakers attended, the festival received positive reviews and he had received enough submissions to keep the festival from becoming his personal showcase. And as added vindication, the audience applauded and laughed at his 45-minute parody "Batman ... Again." In Ezzy's opinion, the festival was a success.

He has followed the first festival up with another each semester and is currently planning his fourth for this spring.

Ezzy decided to create the Student Film Festival late in the summer of 2001 as part of a life-long ambition to work in film. Ezzy had grown jaded about mainstream movie corporations, and his interest in working in Hollywood had faded. However, he retained his desire to create.

"Now, being a little wiser about the film industry, I'm content to be in the independent movie racket," he said. "But perhaps someday I'll still make that move to California."



COURTESY PHOTO • PAUL EZZY

Paul Ezzy is "Bach Man," the lead character in his skit of the same name, which has been shown on the campus channel.

Over the years, Ezzy has made many film shorts. They have been mainly sketches and almost exclusively comedic. He has used whatever friends he had around to help out, and many times he performed the shorts by himself. After making some sketches on campus, he realized he wanted to

show his work to an audience. The thought that there might be others like him on campus soon followed.

Each festival Ezzy's nerves still get frayed with two large problems: receiving submissions on time and getting enough submissions to balance his own work.

"I'm relatively helpless until I

have other people's films in my hands," Ezzy said. "I could've just shown my own films, but I'm worried about backlash if I ever did that. I'm always hoping I get at least 45 minutes of films other than my own."

The fourth Student Film Festival will be held Thursday,

May 1 in room 100 in the Donald P. Corbett building at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in making a film for the festival or have one already completed, contact Paul Ezzy on FirstClass or at 1-6928 before March 30. Completed films must be submitted to him by April 27.

Ferrell fraternity flick 'Old School' not just slapstick



Will Ferrell stars as Frank the Tank in "Old School."

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By Kris Healey
Style Editor

Fans of Saturday Night Live may have gotten used to seeing Will Ferrell bare censor-friendly parts of his body in order to gain a laugh. Movie-goers lining up to see Ferrell's recently released movie "Old School" shouldn't expect to be protected by censors. Ferrell bares all, but surprisingly, it's his acting — not his ass — that steals the show in what proved to be a better than average comedy.

"Old School" is the tale of three 30-somethings struggling with relationships, life, and just plain growing up. Ferrell plays Frank, a recently married, former life-of-the-party type who goes off the deep end in the weeks following his marriage.

Rounding out the trio are Mitch, played by perpetual straight man Luke Wilson and Beanie, played by Vince Vaughn.

Wilson is hilarious in his role as the recently single bachelor unwillingly conned into starting an off-campus fraternity at the local university. Vaughn, the brains behind the operation, and Ferrell, hoping to regain his youth, turn Mitch's new pad into an un-chartered, party-happy fraternity house, complete with wild keggers, K-Y jelly wrestling and some hilarious scenes of old-fashioned hazing.

Okay, the premise sounds lame, right? It sounds like another Tom Green or Rob Schneider throw-away. But it isn't. Surprisingly, "Old

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Diana at Dollar Night

By Diana McElwain
Staff Writer

"Just Married," starring Ashton Kutcher and Brittany Murphy, poses as a rolling-in-the-aisle laugh-fest but soon turns into a pathetically predictable romantic comedy.

Kutcher plays a late-night radio traffic reporter whose passions include sports and beer. His character, Tom, is the epitome of a stereotypical guy in his 20s. Murphy plays Sarah, a free-spirited writer, whose family is as wealthy as it is snobbish.

When the two first meet in a smoky bar, they begin to bicker annoyingly, which becomes a common occurrence in the film.

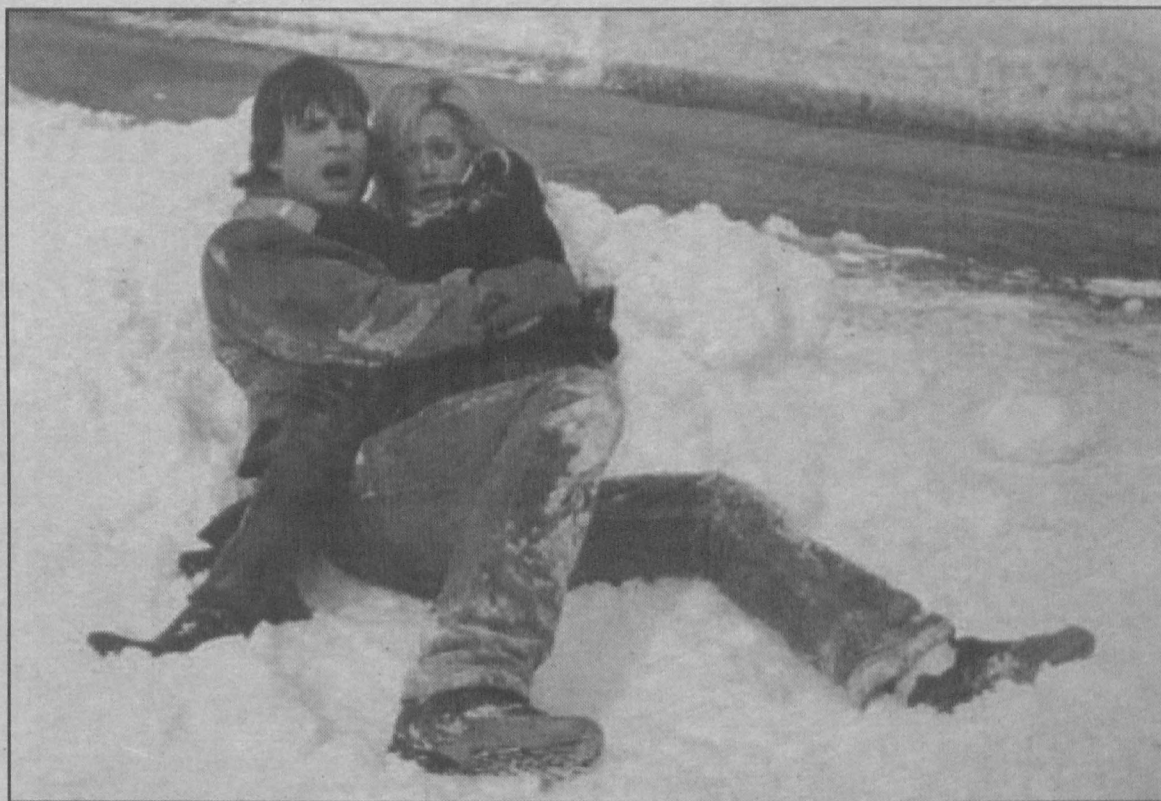
Despite how obviously they clash, the two immediately fall in love and move in together shortly thereafter and decide to marry, much to Sarah's father's dismay. Then they set off on a

European honeymoon that drives them further and further apart.

The plan was to stay at a castle located at the foot of the Alps. We soon learn that nothing can destroy a historic monument like a cheap vibrator. Tom's efforts to plug his new toy into the foreign outlet cause an explosion that results in the couple's expulsion from the estate.

Things only get worse from there, and by the time they board the airplane home, the two detest each other. Although Sarah moves out as soon as they return, this does not fool the seasoned movie-goer. As expected, Tom realizes that he cannot live without Sarah, he makes a tear-jerking speech and the two run toward each other, embrace and call it a day.

Many attempts at humor were obviously made, most of which were horrendously over-



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Brittany Murphy and Ashton Kutcher star in "Just Married," now playing at Spotlight Cinemas.

done. Tom constantly was inadvertently causing injury to his new wife. He whacked her with a football, banged her head against the doorframe as he carried her across the threshold and gave her multiple nosebleeds throughout the film.

The most humorous moments of the movie consisted of making comments about Sarah's mother's name, which she informed Tom of upon hearing about their engagement.

"You can call me Pussy

now," she said.

Other gags were simply too far-fetched. While preparing for departure in an airport, Sarah tells officials that her husband has hash stored in his rectum, prompting him to receive a very thorough search. Tom then remarks that the probing was the only sex that had occurred during his honeymoon. This is a prime example of writers going too far to get a laugh.

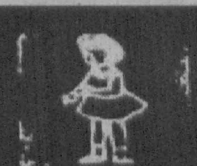
One might think that promi-

nent actors such as Kutcher and Murphy could make even this weak script funny. This was not the case. Kutcher seemed to not even be trying, as he consistently laughed at his own overacted lines. Murphy fared a bit better, although her annoying, screeching voice and laugh were only bearable for about 10 minutes.

The only lasting impression this movie has is its ability to make viewers terrified of marriage. I give it one and a half Junior Mints out of five.



SOUNDBYTES



..staff picks..

Spring Break Selections

Marshall Dury, Opinion Editor

Book - In The Lake Of The Woods - Tim O'Brien

CD - Mary Star Of The Sea - Zwan

Movie - Weekend At Bernie's

Kris Healey, Style Editor

Book - On The Road by Jack Kerouac

CD - Live! - Bob Marley and The Wailers

Movie - The September Sessions

Alex Lehning, Staff Writer

Movie - The Trial of Henry Kissinger

CD - The Bends - Radiohead

Book - A Rumour of War - Philip Caputo

Luke Krummel

Book - The Brethren - John Grisham

CD - Any Time Now - O.A.R.

Movie - Final Destination 2

Jason Houle

Book - Idiot's Guide to Bartending

CD - 200 km/h In the Wrong Lane (Russian Release) - TaTu

Movie - Final Destination 2

Erin Morgan

Book - How Stella Got Her Groove Back

CD - The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill - Lauryn Hill

Movie - Girls Gone Wild



Nonpoint
Development

Nonpoint's sophomore release, Development, continues the ass-kicking the band left off two years ago with their debut release, Statement. Starting things out with the title track, singer Elias Soriano shows off his lungs and vocal range. The album continues smoothly into the first single and current hit, "Your Signs." The song takes a softer approach than the rest of the album, with more melodic singing and less obnoxious guitars. "My Own Sake" hits the listener hard as Soriano delivers a 10-second scream to open the song. Nonpoint closes out the disc with a song that lives up to its title, "Mint."

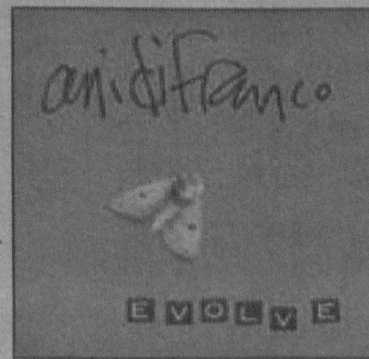
Nonpoint brings it to the table on Development, and they bring it loud. It has striking similarity to another loud rock act, Sevendust. Soriano's voice has much in common with the frontman of Sevendust. Both can let out a jungle-like scream, but can also capture

their audience by slowing things down.

Some of the lyrics on the album started to sound familiar, as the subject of a hurt heart kept coming back. Don't get me wrong, women have always been and always will be a male songwriter's key inspiration. Nonpoint needs to mix it up better.

When all is said and done, Nonpoint's Development is just that, a development. This band has improved its sound since Statement, and it shows on this album. Keep your eyes open for this Florida-based band, they are going to be bigger than the Olsen twins by the end of the year.

- Luke Krummel



Ani DiFranco
Evolve

Ani DiFranco has always been known for her independence. The indie girl has been making music

that says something for more than 10 years. Her latest release, Evolve, is a fine collection of jazzy and folksy tunes that deal with love, loneliness and life. At times only backed by an angry guitar and an upbeat piano with swirling horns, DiFranco manages to make her mark in a CD that only gets better with repeated listenings.

Standout tracks include the album closer, "Welcome To," a mellow track about dealing with one's shortcomings. "Serpentine" is classic Ani, who manages to make her voice snarl along with her guitar.

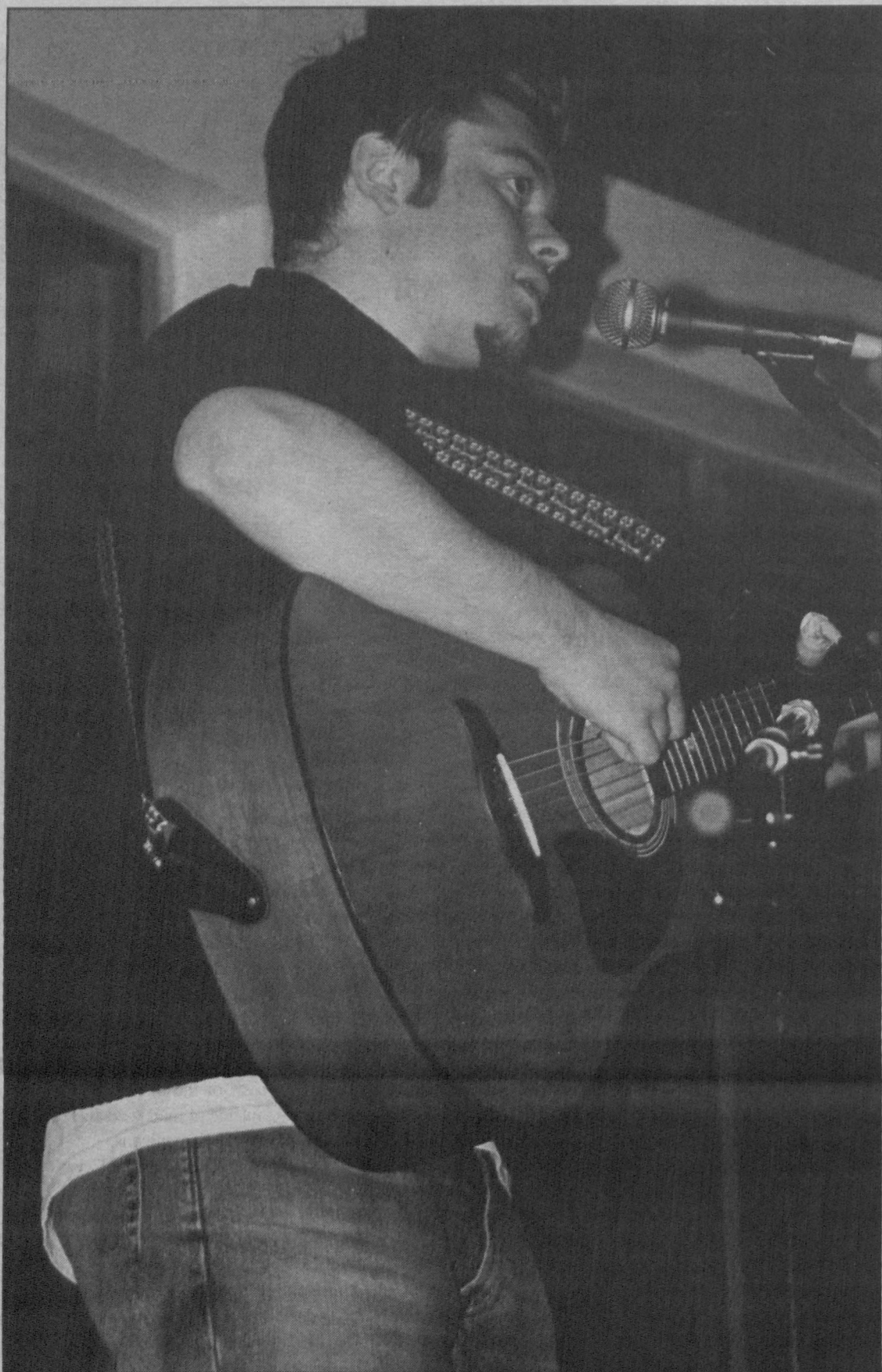
The jazz-hip hop trip "In the Way" is about the messy and uncertain end of a relationship. "Here for Now" has the same eclectic worldly feel, in a song about self-consciousness. The best song on the CD, "Second Intermission," features sparse guitar and an enchanting, yet rough voice.

The album takes a few spins to get used to. The seemingly random mix of instruments takes time to appreciate. What was background music for writing my term paper turned into the disc I would listen to on the way to class or at my desk. The album could stand alone with either just the music or the words.

Fans of DiFranco will love the CD. For those who have not listened to her much, try something new,

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Play Freebird!



CAMPUS PHOTO • MELISSA ARMES
Andy Matson performed solo at Campus Activities Board's Java Jive Tuesday night. Matson later joined Kat Roy on stage for Jimmy Eat World's "Hear You Me."

Liner Notes

Kill your radio

By Chris Gorman
For The Maine Campus

Take it from a man who works in a chain music store as a slave to the corporate pig-dogs — music today totally sucks. It's predictable, it's boring and it's devoid of skill. From mush-mouthed hip-hopsters to angsty mope-rockers, the billboard charts are full of ear-pollution. That is why this week I bring to you "Bands to Watch out For." Consider yourselves lucky; you've just signed up for "Good Music 101."

Warsawpack — "Gross Domestic Product" (G7 Welcoming Committee) — With an edgy jazz-meets-hip-hop backbeat, rapper Lee Raback spouts socio-political poetry like a more intellectual version of Zach De La Rocha. Rap doesn't get much more punk-rock than this. Warsawpack simultaneously progresses the hip-hop genre forward into new territory, while staying true to the politically and socially-conscious mindset of the old school. The live instrumentation makes them sound all the more urgent. I recommend this for fans of anyone from Swollen Members to Rage Against the Machine.

Boy Sets Fire — "After the Eulogy" (Victory Records) — These days, mainstream hard rock is dominated by steak-heads, plain and simple. Self-loathing and mindless nihilism is in, while social critique and societal introspection are out. Enter Boy Sets Fire, a punk-metal quintet from of all places, Delaware. Mixing the intensity of hardcore with a socialistic ideology, Boy Sets Fire has emerged as one of the leading forces in the underground punk scene. With their full-length major label debut due this year, this band is poised to go places. I recommend this for fans of System of a Down and Snapcase.

Hopesfall — "The Satellite Years" (Trustkill Records) — Like Boy Sets Fire, Hopesfall often get pigeonholed with the bevy of second-rate hardcore bands on the scene today. However, Hopesfall transcend their peers by mixing a potent combination of intense screaming, actual singing (a foreign idea for many of the hardcore

ilk) and strong melodies. The music works in movements, pummeling you with aggression one moment, then soothing you with lush instrumentation the next. Hopesfall's sound is probably too harsh for the mainstream, but these guys should reign over the underground scene for a long time. I recommend this for fans of Thursday and Glassjaw.

Gary Jules — "Trading Snakeoil for Wolf tickets" (Self-released) — All right, who here has seen "Donnie Darko?" If you caught that superb flick, you probably heard the remake of the Tears For Fears classic from 1983, "Mad World." That beautiful cover was done by none other than Gary Jules, a singer-songwriter currently working a regular gig in a New York nightclub. Despite the simple beauty of his folky pop music, Jules has yet to attain any sort of mainstream success. Nevertheless, he has been mentioned in the same breath as James Taylor, Cat Stevens and other great songwriters. Check this guy out. I recommend this for fans of Rufus Wainwright and Jeff Buckley.

Element 101 — "More Than Motion" (Tooth & Nail Records) — The best way to describe this group is a modern version of the Bangles or the Go-Gos. Sassy (but not snotty) female vocals and an indie/pop-rock sound should propel this band to a degree of radio acceptance. Vocalist Crissie Verhagen is a breath of fresh air, sincere but with a bit of attitude. Incidentally, the band does a pretty stunning cover of "I'm Like A Bird" by Nelly Furtado, actually rendering the song listenable. Element 101 may not be the most technically proficient or original band on the scene, but they more than make up for that with pep and a strong sense of melody. I recommend this for fans of No Doubt ("Return of Saturn" era) and 80s girl pop like the Bangles and the Go-Gos.

So there you have it, five good bands that have yet to receive their due. Hopefully 2003 has good things in store for the music scene. Then again, isn't there a new Limp Bizkit album due in May? Sigh.

It claims good people.

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you definitely won't be disappointed.

- Alex Lehning



Rhett Miller
The Instigator

Rhett Miller, the former frontman of Old 97's, released his first independent album, The Instigator, this fall. The album, a far cry from the Old 97's alt-country rock of the mid-90s is a pop-rock gem. On The Instigator, full of melodic guitar work and evocative lyrics, Miller has made the jump from frontman to soloist with ease.

The Instigator has been viewed by many critics as the next logical step for Miller, whose last release with Old 97's, Satellite Rides, was closer to main stream pop-rock than

their previous releases. The Instigator may be just the step Miller needed to gain widespread and mainstream attention. With standout tracks like "This is What I do" and "Our Love," Miller delivers powerful vocals and energetic melodies. On other tracks he maintains the alt-country twang that brought him his first fame.

Pick up The Instigator if you are a fan of Wilco, Old 97's, Whiskeytown or even singer-songwriters John Mayer and Alex Lloyd.

-Kris Healey

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Students gear up for spring break

By Luke Krummel
For The Maine Campus

Every March, college students across the United States relieve stress through the age-old tradition of parties, beaches and tight bathing suits known as spring break. The options are endless when it comes to picking a location. University of Maine students are picking various hot spots across the globe to begin two weeks of fun they will never forget — if they can remember it.

One of the first thoughts every student has is Florida. It's warm, affordable and there is everything to do from baseball to Disney. Mark Guyer, a fifth-year student, plans on visiting the beaches, playing golf and having fun at Busch Gardens.

"I am also looking forward to being able to go outside without my coat on," Guyer said.

Average high temperatures are near 76 degrees, making Florida warm but not overwhelming. Expedia.com offers flight and hotel packages for around \$700, but for the cheap at heart, a 26-hour or longer Greyhound bus ride and five-night hotel stay can be purchased for half of that. However, Florida is in the United States, which is bad news for all you kiddies. No underage drinking.

On the other hand, the Bahamas offers fun, sun and all the beer one could drink for students 18 and over. Cable Beach in Nassau sells itself to many spring breakers by giving them casinos, bars and the beach life.

"I am looking forward to legal-

ly being able to drink beers," Mike Pulk, a second-year student, said. "I am also going to get close and personal with a dolphin."

Pushing the mercury at 80 degrees, Nassau is a bit warmer at this time of year, but only receives an inch of precipitation throughout the month. Students will need to break the bank in order to pay for the advertised \$1,200 air and hotel package.

For skiers, spring break is not a time to hit the beach, but a time to hit the slopes. Sugarloaf USA in Carrabassett Valley offers 120 trails of skiing at a reasonably low cost. For anywhere between \$59 and \$119 per night, skiers get a room at the lodge hotel and a lift pass for the following day. Travel expenses are next to nothing, with only gas to pay for.

Make no mistake, skiing is not the only thing to do at Sugarloaf. Local bars, Judson's and Theo's, provide the nightlife many desire. However, Sugarloaf is not for the beach bunnies, as temperatures will barely hit 40 degrees and precipitation will be around four inches for the month of March.

There is only one other destination for those unwilling to brave the elements or part with their hard-earned greenbacks: Home sweet home. What could be better than sleeping in your own bed, chowing down on Mom's lasagna, or making a few extra dollars for next week's beer run. At a cost of nothing, it's not too shabby.

Regardless of where UMaine students are traveling this spring break, it can be trusted they will rock the casbah in grand fashion.

This is your song



CAMPUS PHOTO • MELISSA ARMES

Ace Barrera and Nicole Bolduc team up to perform their version of Elton John's "Your Song" Tuesday at the Union.

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School" has a plot. Unlike, Green and Schneider movies, "Old School" develops characters that you actually care about. In a way, this movie was a lot like the "American Pie" movies. It had its slapstick moments, and you laugh at the physical comedy, but it took the time to build up characters with lives that you could identify with.

Vaughn, the reluctant family man who never attended college,

and Ferrell are show stealers with their one-liners and pratfalls respectively, but Wilson is also impressive in his role.

Of course, the plot is somewhat reminiscent of "Animal House" and "PCU" as the fun-loving fraternity is hassled from the beginning by a snooty dean played by Jeremy Piven. But even as the movie revolves around the efforts of Piven to expel the non-students from cam-

pus life, it is careful to show the lives of the members as they exist outside of their wild parties and fraternity shenanigans.

No, "Old School" isn't a great film, but it is a great movie. It's one that showcases Ferrell's versatility and could jump-start his post-SNL career. If you liked the "American Pie" movies you'll probably love it, and I, for one, would fully recommend it.

SAE hosts beach party to benefit local charity

By Angela Flandaca
Staff Reporter

Looking to start your spring break a little early? Tonight is just the night to get the party started.

The University of Maine's Sigma Alpha Epsilon's fraternity brothers are throwing their third annual pre-spring break bash. The past two were successful and this one is expected to carry on the tradition.

"It's a great way for people to unwind and get in the spring break mood," Adam Nelson, SAE's public relations spokesperson, said.

This year's shindig will be held at Ushuaia beginning at 9 p.m. tonight. All proceeds will be donated to benefit the Old Town YMCA.

Prices are \$3 for those 18 to 20 years old and wearing beach apparel and \$5 without beach apparel, and free for those 21 and older, Nelson said.

"People are encouraged to dress up in Hawaiian shirts and other beach attire," Nelson said.

Whether your bags are packed with bathing suits, sandals and tanning lotion or you're just heading back home to mom and dad, this event is sure to provide you with the release most every student needs at this point in the semester.

"A lot of people are going to tropical places for spring break and this is a great way to get even more psyched up for it," Nelson said. "And for the people who aren't going anywhere, at least this warm atmosphere will hopefully help them to forget the frigid weather that lurks outside."

Raffles will also be offered for such prizes as tanning packages, CDs and more, according to Nelson.

So bust out the hula skirts, shorts and tank tops and get out there and celebrate a break from school while helping a great cause.

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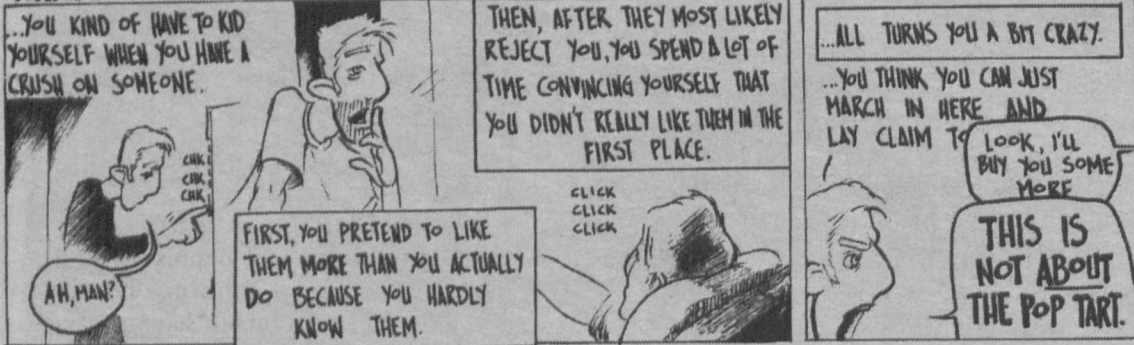
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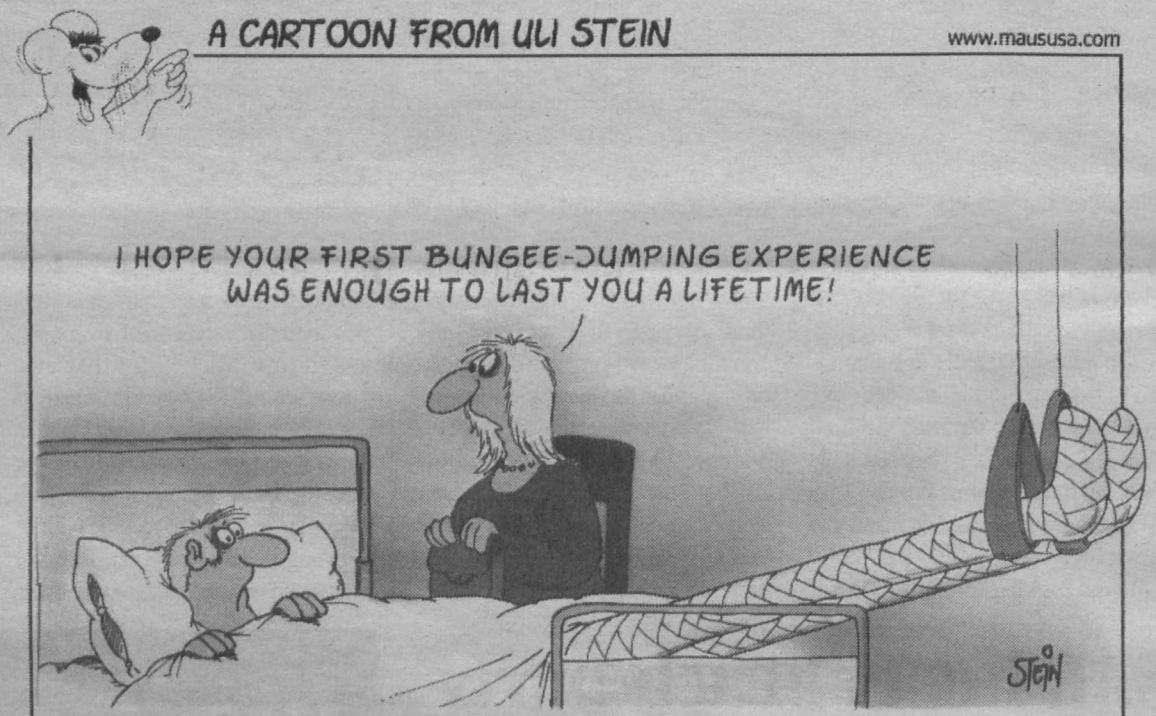
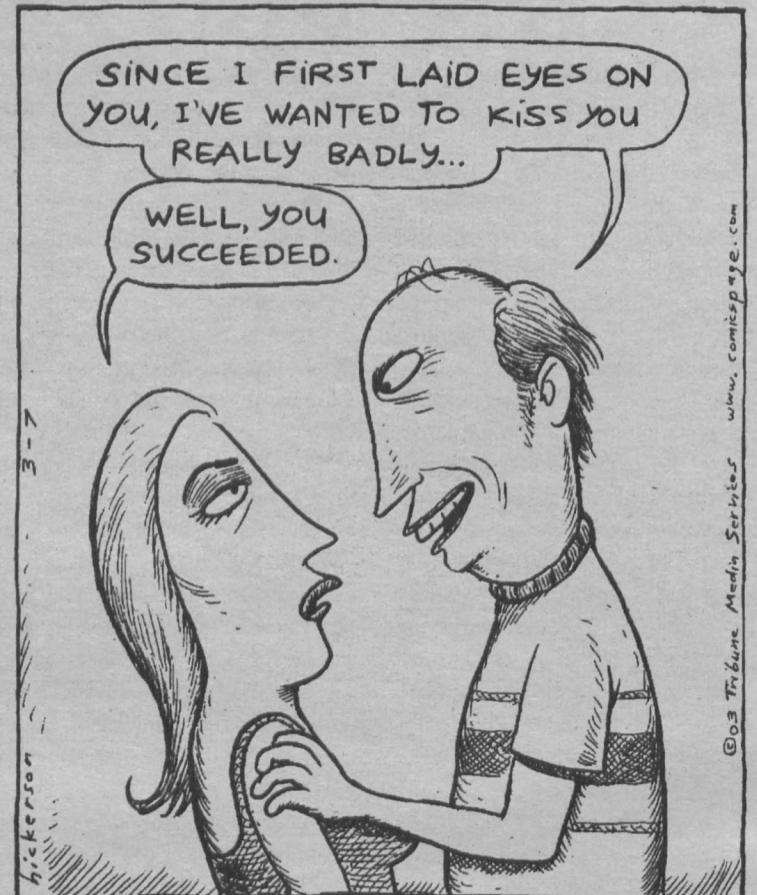
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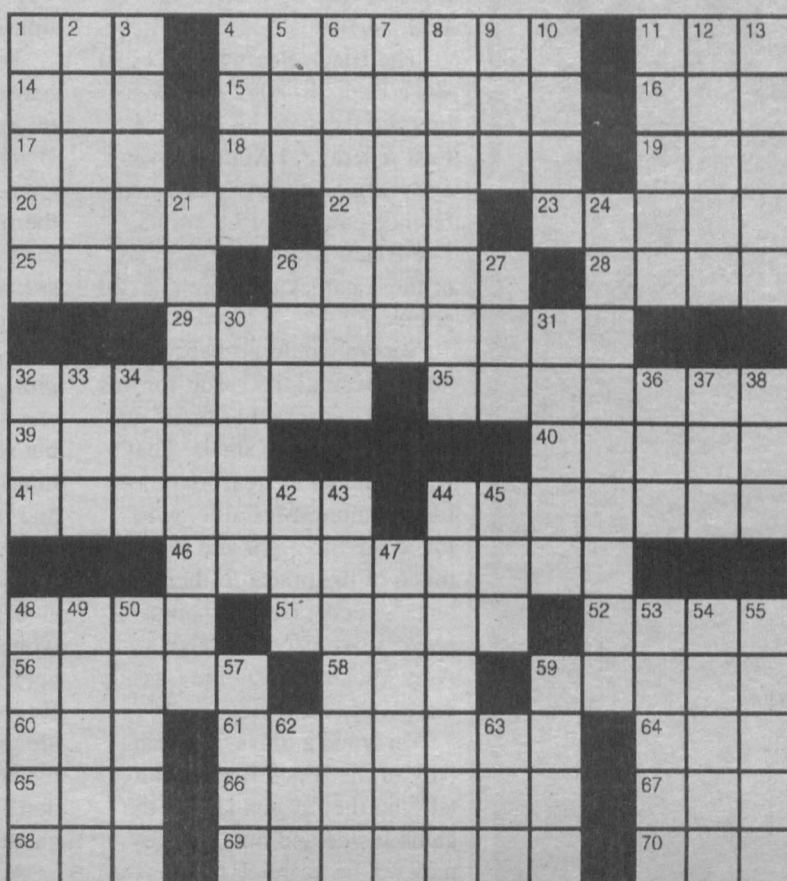
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"Wow ... I can actually SEE your free-floating anxiety waiting to attach itself to something negative."

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 - 11 Sports off.
 - 14 Thurman of "Pulp Fiction"
 - 15 Waldorf-___ Hotel
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 - 17 Angler's need
 - 18 Session
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 - 23 Killed
 - 25 In ___ (altogether)
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 - 28 Span of a cart
 - 29 Small cigar
 - 32 Toreador
 - 35 Loud racket
 - 39 Spry
 - 40 Tropical creeper
 - 41 Correct maps
 - 44 "___ de Roland"
 - 46 Sewing machine inventor
 - 48 Skier's transport
 - 51 Standing by
 - 52 Porker's grub
 - 56 Conestoga
 - 58 Disparity
 - 59 Back of a 45
 - 60 CBS logo
 - 61 Set apart
 - 64 Promos
 - 65 Silver or Ely
 - 66 Defrauder
 - 67 Shea player
 - 68 Set
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 - 70 Full-house letters
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 - 2 Sunoco rival
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Today's Horoscope

By Liz Jarell
For The Maine Campus

PISCES
(2/18-3/20)

You can't stop thinking about a special someone, and find yourself stressing about whether or not he/she returns your affections. Even though it's hard, relax and let yourself take it day by day. Wonderful things will begin to happen very soon.

Lucky days: 1, 17, 22

ARIES
(3/21-4/19)

Approach that new person in your life — that person you have been longing to get to know better. Invite him/her to get coffee or lunch sometime. Making such a simple move is going to benefit you greatly in a few weeks.

Lucky days: 5, 19, 30

TALIBUS
(4/20-5/19)

You are still questioning the situation with that certain someone in your past. He/she is reaching out to you, but you are unsure of what actions to take. Hear out his/her feelings out and consider reciprocating them.

Lucky days: 1, 13, 30

GEMINI
(5/20-6/20)

You have been spending a lot of time with a certain person and the outcome looks positive. Don't begin to form expectations, but let things happen naturally. What is meant to come from this will take its course all on its own.

Lucky days: 4, 16, 25

CANCER
(6/21-7/21)

You have been very stressed with work lately and find yourself getting a little overwhelmed. Give yourself some relaxation time and hang out with friends you haven't seen in a while. Your carefree attitude might just attract a special someone.

Lucky days: 2, 24, 28

LEO
(7/22-8/22)

Things are going perfectly with that certain someone and you couldn't ask to be any happier. A significant milestone that the two of you just crossed proves you have something very special. Listen to your instincts on your considerations of moving to that next level.

Lucky days: 7, 19, 26

VIRGO
(8/23-9/21)

You are finally getting to know someone who has been in

your life for quite some time now. Take things slow and steady and live in the moment. Enjoy that excitement and anticipation you are feeling in getting to know this certain person.

Lucky days: 3, 17, 25

LIBRA
(9/22-10/22)

Feeling a little overwhelmed and depressed with all the work thrown your way, you find yourself having little time for those special people in your life, and are tempted to blow off all schoolwork. Don't make any hasty decisions, but work on prioritizing and managing your time more effectively.

Lucky days: 7, 15, 30

SCORPIO
(10/23-11/21)

You are having a hard time getting that ex off your mind, meanwhile turning down other potential aspects for romance. Instead of thinking about that ex, keep yourself extra busy and focus on other special people in your life. You will feel better in no time.

Lucky days: 4, 16, 29

SAGITTARIUS
(11/22-12/20)

Money (or lack thereof) getting you down? You feel overwhelmed with all the money you will have to spend sporadically this week, and can't think of how you will afford everything. Look for temporary jobs here and there or even return those extra bottles laying around for some extra money in your pocket.

Lucky days: 6, 18, 26

CAPRICORN
(12/21-1/19)

Everything in your life is going perfectly, whether it is academic, social or extracurricular. Use this positive period to your advantage and take the opportunity to let the special people in your life know exactly how much you care about them.

Lucky days: 8, 13, 27

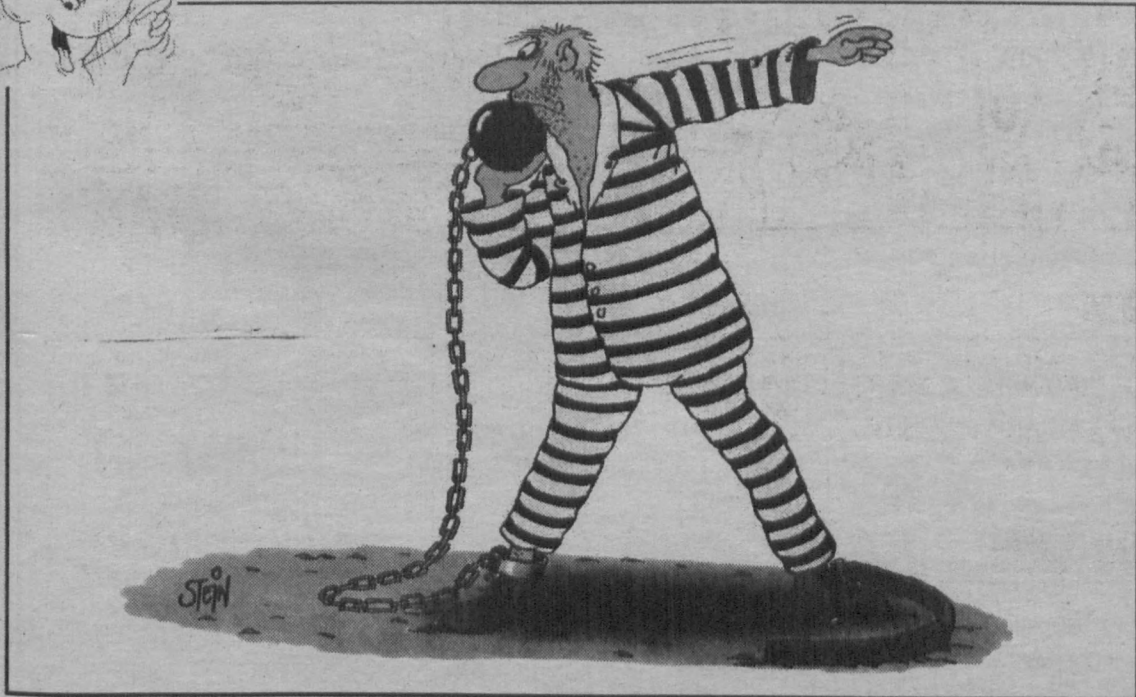
AQUARIUS
(1/20-2/17)

You find yourself reaching out to that certain someone, only to be continually turned away or not heard out. Keep persisting and let this person know what you are feeling. What is meant to happen will happen — at least you will know that you fought for what you believed in.



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[TEAM LEADERS]

MEN'S HOCKEY:

<i>Goals:</i>	
Lucas Lawson	21
Chris Heisten	15
Martin Kariya	13
Colin Shields	13

<i>Assists:</i>	
Kariya	35
Francis Nault	25
Robert Liscak	20

<i>Goaltending:</i>	
Jim Howard (14-5, 2.21 goals against average, .924 save %)	
Frank Doyle (10-2-5, 2.19 goals against average, .914 save %)	

WOMEN'S HOCKEY:

<i>Goals:</i>	
Karen Droog	15
Megan Aarts	12
Tristan Desmet	9

<i>Assists:</i>	
Aarts	14
Andrea Steranko	11
Raffi Wolf	11

<i>Goaltending:</i>	
Lara Smart (4-11-3, 2.24 goals against average, .921 save %)	
Dawn Froats (8-3-1, 1.66 goals against average, .921 save %)	

W. BASKETBALL:

<i>Scoring (per game):</i>	
Heather Ernest	20.4
Melissa Heon	11.2
Julie Veilleux	8.4

<i>Rebounding (per game):</i>	
Ernest	9.7
Monica Peterson	6.5
Veilleux	5.2

<i>Assists (per game):</i>	
Kim Corbitt	4.4
Heon	3.0
Missy Traversi	2.0

<i>Field goal percentage:</i>	
Ernest	.551
Abby Schrader	.480
Heon	.450

<i>Free throw percentage:</i>	
Ernest	.847
Heon	.833
Veilleux	.821

<i>Steals:</i>	
Heon	50
Corbitt	45
Ernest	23

<i>Blocks:</i>	
Schrader	19
Ernest	15
Nicole Jay	15

M. BASKETBALL:

<i>Scoring (per game):</i>	
Rickey White	13.2
Kevin Reed	12.7
Clayton Brown	12.0

<i>Rebounding (per game):</i>	
Rowe	9.3
Brown	6.1
White	5.4

<i>Assists (per game):</i>	
Eric Dobson	4.8
Derrick Jackson	2.6
Reed	2.0

<i>Field goal percentage:</i>	
White	.665
Rowe	.606
Brown	.517

<i>Free throw percentage:</i>	
White	.825
Reed	.732
Brown	.692

<i>Steals:</i>	
Dobson	49
Reed	42
White	36

<i>Blocks:</i>	
Rowe	99
Brown	12
Dobson	12

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Versyp and her team had no plans to duplicate 2001-02 this year.

The Black Bears haven't lost since Dec. 28, 2002 and have breezed through the America East schedule. UMaine's average margin of victory in 14 conference games is 15.8 points. The Black Bears have won six of those games by more than 20 points.

Versyp would probably give her players all the credit for this season's success, but that's just the kind of coach she is. That's what sets her apart from others like Palumbo-McCallie, who loved the limelight and received much of the praise for her team's success, even though players like Cindy Blodgett, Amy Vachon and Jamie Cassidy were more deserving.

Versyp is a player's coach. Any of the Black Bears could tell you their coach knows the game inside and out, but they may not be as quick to tell you about her compassion.

I don't like to put myself into columns, but since I have had a

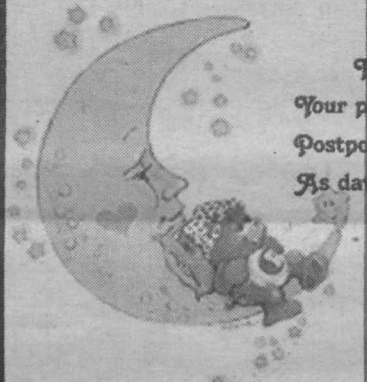
professional relationship with Versyp, I think it's worth mentioning.

When I was a fledgling journalist (I still am, I guess), one of the first beats I covered was the Black Bear women's basketball team. I had some reservations the first time I set up an interview with Coach Versyp. She seemed a little intimidating.

Don't let her steely eyes fool you. Versyp is the consummate professional. Respect her and she will respond with nothing but respect. I will probably interview thousands of coaches and players in the future, but I doubt I will forget Versyp's sincerity and genuineness.

The 2002-03 UMaine women's basketball season has been a memorable one, but it's far from over. The Black Bears are primed to make a return to the NCAA Tournament and don't be surprised if they win a game or two.

And when the time comes to hand out end of the year hardware, Coach Versyp deserves to be right in the middle.



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was as indicative of the kind of talent that they have."

Northeastern, under second-year coach Ron Everhart, has gone through some changes. The Huskies finished the season 15-14, the team's most wins since the 1994-95 season. Their 8-8 conference mark equaled that of the Black Bears', but Everhart's team lost the tiebreaker with two losses to UMaine. Everhart has a team with athleticism that likes to pressure the basketball.

"BU has proven they are the best team in the league over the long haul, but they have also proven they can struggle and lose."

"They have forced over 500 turnovers this year. No one else has forced more than 400, and I think the key to the game is really that simple," coach Giannini said. "I think we can score if we don't turn it over."

UMaine's 7-foot center Justin Rowe has presented matchup problems for the Huskies. Rowe closed in on triple-doubles in both wins. On the road, the senior big man scored 12 points, grabbed 11 rebounds blocked eight shots. Rowe registered 18 points, 8 rebounds and six blocks at Alford.

"Justin is a difference maker. When he plays well, we tend to win, and when he is not consistent we are not as good," coach

Giannini said. "It's a compliment to his talent and what he brings to the team, but we really need him to play well."

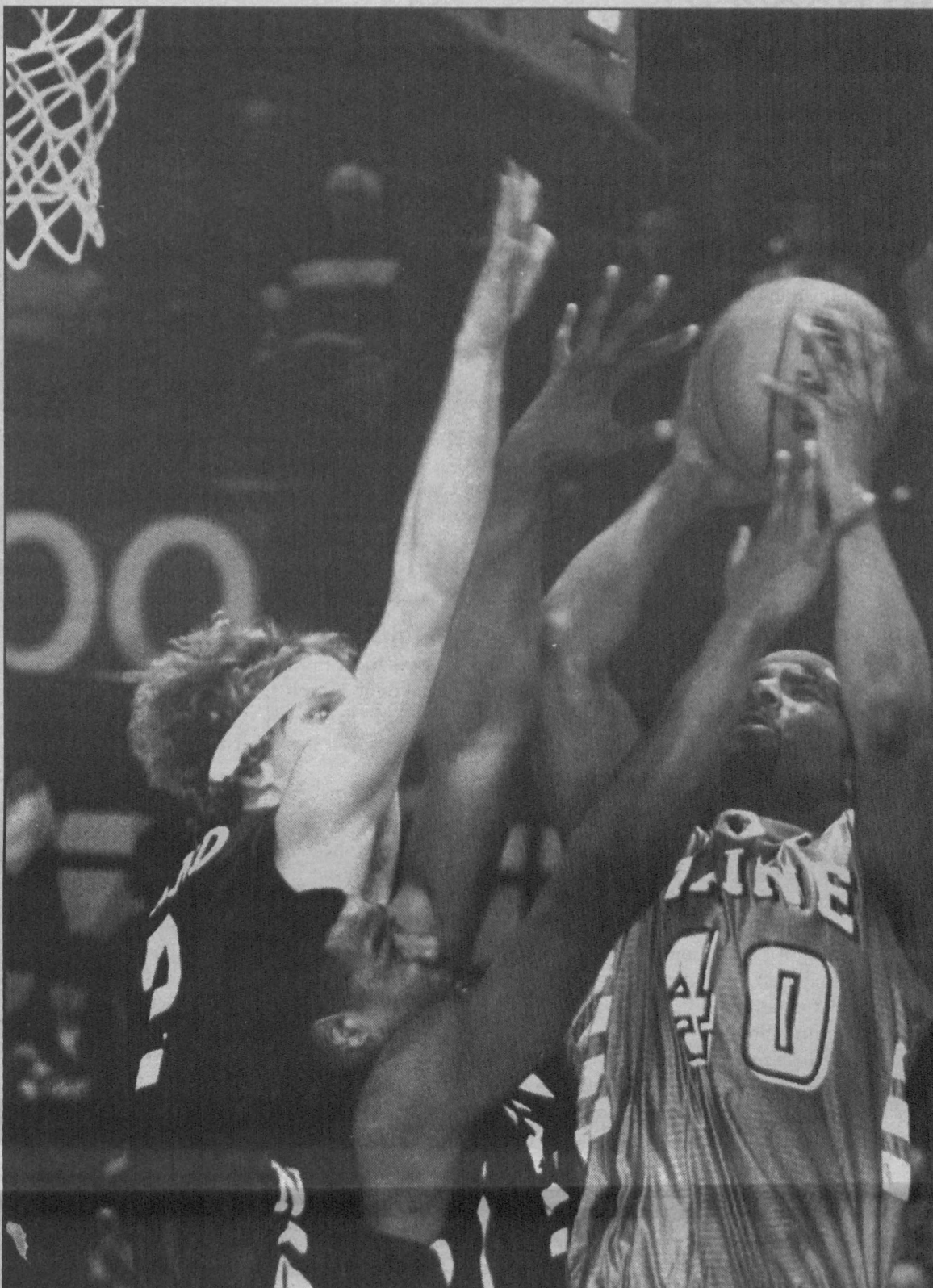
Rickey White has been the most consistent Black Bear performer all season and leads the conference and the nation in field goal shooting, knocking down 66 percent of his shots. The senior played at Mt. Ararat High School in Topsham, and has worked hard to become one of the best players in the league, Giannini said.

"Rickey's one of the favorite players I've coached throughout my career," Giannini said. "I just respect the independence that he's had to have and the effort he's made to make himself better on and off the court. As a coach, you want players who progress in their life and as basketball players, and he has done that."

White leads the team in scoring, averaging 13.2 points per game.

The tournament bracket features the top-seeded Boston University Terriers facing No. 8 University of New Hampshire. Second-seeded University of Vermont will play No. 7 University of Albany. The third seed is the University of Hartford, which will square off with the No. 6 seeded University of Stony Brook.

"BU has proven they are the best team in the league over the long haul, but they have also proven they can struggle and lose," Giannini said. "But I think New Hampshire and Albany struggle most of the time against the better teams. It would take a major upset for one of those teams to win."

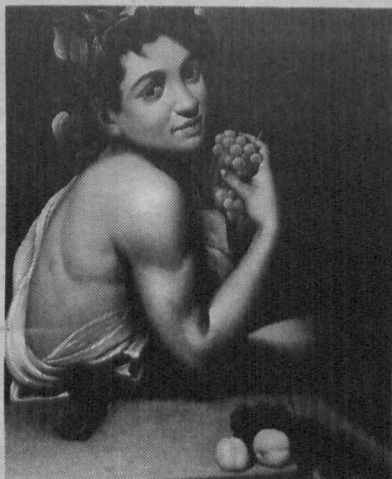


CAMPUS PHOTO • ANNA-MARIA EASLEY

Black Bear senior forward Clayton Brown takes a shot among a crowd of IPFW players in UMaine's 92-67 win Feb. 25. The Black Bears travel to Boston Sunday to take on Northeastern University in the quarterfinals of the America East Tournament.

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Sustainable UMaine Technical Writing Intern

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One internship available. This is a paid internship at \$1,000. This internship is open to all majors, but an environmental science background will be helpful.

Please contact Scott Wilkerson, UMaine Sustainability Officer on First Class or at 581-3300 Ext. 3 for an application and/or additional information.

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This season, the Black Bears have dropped all three games to the Wildcats by scores of 5-1, 1-0, and 3-0.

"It's not about beating New Hampshire," UMaine head coach Rick Filighera said. "It's always about us. I've always had the philosophy that you've got to worry about what you are doing inside your own locker room."

In the regular season, UMaine's strength was goaltending and penalty killing, according to Filighera. Weaknesses included not executing on the power play and not being able to score a lot of goals.

"We did not score the amount of goals that I thought we were going to, which would have made our record a lot better and maybe would have put us in a different situation than we were coming into the last weekend of the season," Filighera said.

Filighera also applauded the toughness of his team.

"I really liked the way our kids were mentally tough. We lost a lot of tight games, and I didn't feel they quit," Filighera said. "The Cornell weekend was the turning point of the year, and I felt we really started to stop making the same mistakes over and over. I felt the team stayed together. It could have been really tough."

The Black Bears will be up against a tough offense in New Hampshire, a team that has outscored its opponents 127-55. Offensively, the Wildcats are lead by Stephanie Jones (21 goals, 15 assists), Carolyn Gordon (19 goals, 15 assists)



CAMPUS PHOTO • JONATHAN WHITE

University of Maine first-year defender Katie Hartley looks for a teammate to pass to in the Black Bears' win over the University of Connecticut March 1. UMaine, the No. 3 seed, will play second-seeded University of New Hampshire in the semifinals of the Hockey East Tournament.

and Chandy Kaip (19 goals, 22 assists).

The Wildcats have one of the best goaltenders in the country in Jen Huggon, who has 25-6-2 record with a 1.42 goals against average and a .927 save percentage. Huggon also had 13 shutouts in the regular season.

"I think we can defeat UNH if we play the way we have been playing," Aarts said. "If we can score goals we will win, because I feel [their] goalie is the only reason they have beat us prior to this."

To win a playoff game, Filighera said he needs goaltending, players making safe plays clearing their zone and players need to get the puck in and get it out with no turnovers.

"We have to play a smart

game, and the big thing is you got to play it shift by shift," Filighera said. "You have to let things go, and you have to move on. You are going to make mistakes. You are going to get bad calls against you."

While the Black Bears face the Wildcats, Providence College takes on the University of Connecticut in the other semifinal game. The winners of each game will square off in the final of the Hockey East playoffs Sunday, March 16.

"It's a thing we have been working on all year, and I feel our kids are mentally tough because they have been in so many close games and have really started to win those games in the last few weeks," Filighera said.

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would have expected this year. The team was picked to finish eighth in the preseason coaches' poll, mainly due to their youth.

Out of 29 players on the roster, 25 are either freshmen or sophomores, but third-year head coach Don Cahoon has brought together one of the best recruiting classes the program has ever had.

Most of UMass's impact players are underclassmen, including leading scorer Greg Mauldin. The sophomore forward has 19 goals and 19 assists for 38 points.

Other key forwards include freshmen Stephen Werner (14-18-32), Matt Anderson (9-21-30) and Chris Capraro (6-16-22), as well as senior co-captain Tim Turner (14-18-32).

UMass's best defenseman is a converted forward. Junior Thomas Pock, a veteran of the 2002 Austrian Olympic Team, has scored 16 goals and 16 assists for 32 points from the blue line this year.

Freshman Marvin Degon has made a major contribution from the blue line, scoring two goals with 13 assists for 15 points. Degon is the reigning Hockey East Rookie of the Month. Also key to the UMass defense is sophomore Jeff Lang (3-7-10) and junior Nick Kuiper (3-2-5).

Freshman Gabe Winer will play in net for the Minutemen. He is 15-11-0 on the year with a 3.07 goals against average, and an .870 save percentage.

UMaine will have a tough decision in net for tonight's game. Freshman Jimmy Howard stopped 26 of 28 shots against BU in his first win in four outings Saturday. Junior Frank Doyle has continued to be sporadic, stopping just 16 of 19 shots in UMaine's 4-2 loss the previous night. That fol-

lowed up a performance in which he got an 18-save shutout against the Minutemen.

This year, Howard went 1-1-0 against the Minutemen with one shutout, and Doyle went 2-0-0 with one shutout.

UMaine's two major players up front should be the two leading scorers, seniors Martin Kariya and Lucas Lawson. Kariya leads the team in points with 48 (13 goals, 35 assists), while Lawson leads the team in goals with 21.

"We've played three good games in a row. The result wasn't there the first game of the BU series, but we played a good game."

Seniors Robert Liscak (12-20-32) and Chris Heisten (15-15-30) have also been key cogs in the wheel.

One major question will be whether junior Colin Shields (13-12-25) can break out of his 15-game goal-scoring drought. The last time he scored was Dec. 15, when he netted two against Harvard University.

The Black Bears' key defensemen will remain the same, with junior Francis Nault (10-25-35) leading the way in the offensive category.

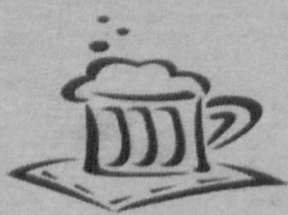
Two other important defensemen will be seniors Cliff Loya (1-6-7) and Tom Reimann (5-13-18). Loya has been UMaine's most steady defenseman all year, and Reimann has given the Black Bears some much needed stability since being moved back from forward three games ago.

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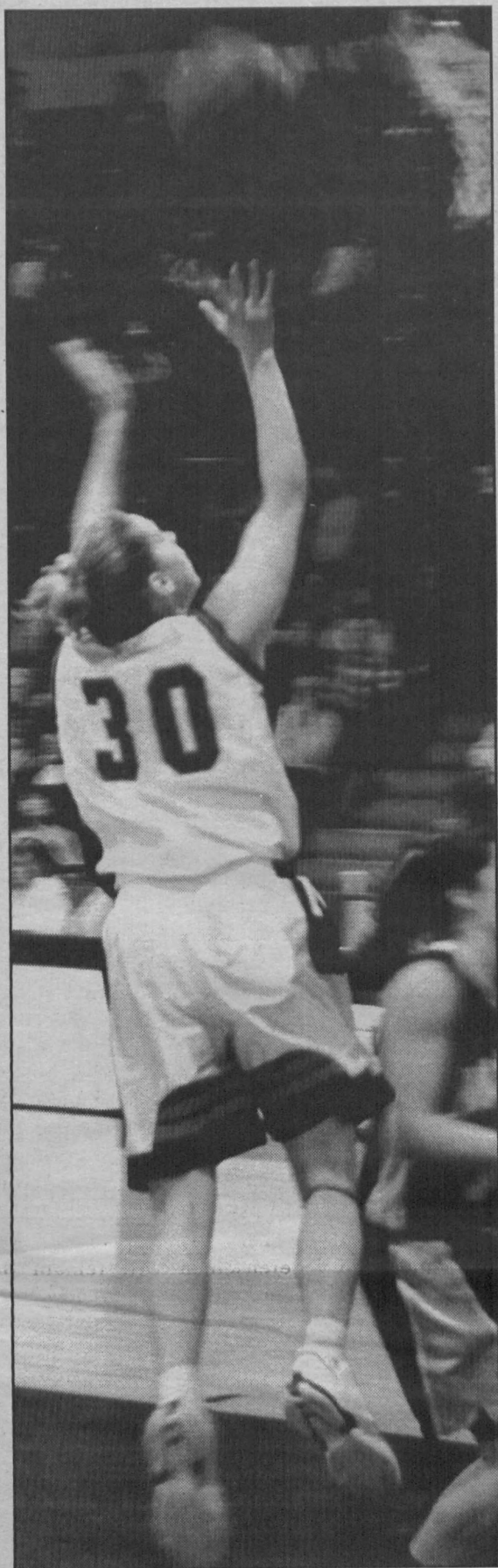


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CAMPUS PHOTO • JONATHAN WHITE
Black Bear senior guard Ellen Geraghty will play in her final regular season home game Saturday against Boston University.

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vaulted the Black Bears into the national spotlight. The UMaine women boast the nation's sixth-longest active winning streak behind Big East Conference powerhouse University of Connecticut. UConn won its 68th consecutive game against West Virginia University in a 78-58 victory Tuesday. Louisiana Tech University, Liberty University, Austin Peay University and the University of Tennessee have longer win streaks than UMaine, but the teams are separated by just six games.

UMaine may not have a 68-game winning streak under its belt, but the Black Bears do hold a 1-0 edge against Boston University this year. The UMaine women held BU to just 18.5 percent shooting from the field Jan. 29, and earned a 59-37 victory with the help of junior forward Heather Ernest's 20 points and 12 rebounds.

Ernest was recently named America East Player of the Week after scoring a career-high 34 points and grabbing 12 rebounds for her 10th double-double of the season against Hartford last Saturday.

In the first meeting with Boston University, Ernest and the Black Bear defense held BU leading scorers Katie Turhune and Katie Meinhardt to a combined 10 points.

Lately, however, the duo has had no problem offensively. Meinhardt earned America East Rookie of the Week honors for the fourth time this year Feb. 17, after averaging 19 points in contests with both Stony Brook University and Hartford.

Turhune, a 5-foot-11-inch guard, recently moved into fourth place on career scoring list when she tallied 18 points against Northeastern University March 1. She ranks third in America East scoring, averaging 17.1 points per game behind the University of Vermont's Morgan Hall (18.5 ppg) and conference leader, Ernest (20.4 ppg).

In her first year as a Terrier, Meinhardt is tied for ninth in the conference scoring ranks with UMaine junior guard Melissa Heon. Both women average 11.2 points per game.

The 12-13 (9-5 America East) Terriers also use their bench as an offensive weapon. BU sophomore Adrienne Norris is BU's sixth player, but she has led the team in scoring on several occasions. Norris also averages 5.5 rebounds per game, good for 12th in America East.

Saturday's game will recognize senior guard Ellen Geraghty in her last regular season home contest at Alford Arena. Geraghty, a fifth-year senior and captain of the 2002-03 squad, will graduate with a degree in psychology this spring.

St. Bonaventure men's basketball team calls it quits on 02-03 season

By Mike Jensen
Knight Ridder
Newspapers

St. Bonaventure's basketball season officially ended Tuesday. The players had had enough.

On Monday, the Bonnies forfeited six Atlantic-10 victories for using an ineligible player, and the A-10 presidents also voted to keep the Bonnies out of the conference tournament.

Tuesday, St. Bonaventure announced it would forfeit Wednesday night's game at the University of Massachusetts and Saturday's home game with the University of Dayton.

A statement released on the school's Web site said, "In meetings, members of the team expressed anger, frustration and dismay over the sanctions, and concluded later in the day that the enthusiasm and motivation needed to perform successfully in the games were lacking."

Apparently, St. Bonaventure's players, devastated by the news that they were ineligible to compete for an NCAA tournament bid, also were upset by the lack of communication from the school — and their own coaches — in the last couple of days.

Last week, St. Bonaventure announced that junior center Jamil Terrell was ineligible because he did not meet NCAA guidelines for junior college transfers.

Terrell reportedly did not have the required associate's degree from Coastal Georgia Community College. He instead had a welding certificate.

St. Bonaventure president Robert J. Wickenheiser, whose son, Kort, is an assistant basket-

ball coach at the school, said he was involved in the decision to admit Terrell.

"My heart goes out to the players," Wickenheiser said Tuesday in a statement. "I spoke with one of the players last evening, and he shared with me the feelings of hurt and confusion the team has about not being able to play in the tournament. I very much sympathize with the emotions they are feeling at this time."

"My heart goes out to the players. I very much sympathize with the emotions they are feeling at this time."

The player he talked to apparently was Norristown High graduate Marques Green, a 5-foot-6-inch junior point guard and a legitimate NBA prospect who leads the Atlantic-10 in scoring, assists and steals.

Atlantic-10 commissioner Linda Bruno said there would be no repercussions for the players because they decided to not play the two games.

"St. Bonaventure supported them in doing this," she said Tuesday afternoon.

In a statement released by the Atlantic-10, Bruno said, "We are extremely disappointed that St. Bonaventure has taken this action. The Atlantic-10 Presidents Council will discuss the university's decision at their April 1 meeting."

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Sports

The St. Bonaventure University men's basketball team will forfeit the rest of its season due to the use of an ineligible player. See story on page 19.

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Versyp: Coach of the Year

By Eric
Russell



Sports Editor

If University of Maine women's basketball coach Sharon Versyp doesn't win America East Conference Coach of the Year something is seriously wrong.

In all honesty, the third-year coach should be considered for national coach of the year honors. Gino Auriemma, the hallowed University of Connecticut Huskies and their 68-game unbeaten streak notwithstanding, the Black Bears' 17-game winning streak and undefeated conference record is hard to overlook.

But even more importantly, Versyp has done it with class.

When she came to Orono before the 2000-01 season, Versyp had large shoes to fill. Former coach Joanne Palumbo-McCallie had built UMaine into a top mid-major program, guiding Black Bear teams to six consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances.

Palumbo left three years ago to take a job at Michigan State University, and when she did, many fans and basketball insiders feared the end of an era.

Versyp had other plans.

Armed with Palumbo's last recruiting class, juniors Heather Ernest, Melissa Heon and Julie Veilleux, Versyp struggled through a tumultuous first season at UMaine, at times playing with a roster of only eight players.

Things got so bad in 2000-01, Versyp asked Erica Sobel, the Black Bear softball team's starting shortstop, to join her team for practices and games — at least until the softball season started.

Even with the dwindled roster, Versyp surprised the conference by finishing with a 9-9 league record and a fourth-place finish. The preseason America East poll picked the Black Bears to finish no higher than sixth.

Last year, UMaine finished fourth once again, this time with a 9-7 conference mark. But a first-round exit in the America East Tournament brought a disappointing end to the season.

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Northeastern awaits men's basketball

By Lucas Peterson
Staff Reporter

With the regular season complete, the University of Maine men's basketball team is preparing for the Choice Hotels America East Championships. The Black Bears finished fourth

with an 8-8 record conference record, 14-15 overall.

The Black Bears will face the fifth-seeded Northeastern University Huskies in a quarter-final game Sunday afternoon at Walter Brown Arena in Boston.

UMaine swept Northeastern this season with a 90-76 road

win Jan. 15 and a 75-55 win at Alford Arena Feb. 12. UMaine Coach John Giannini said his team will be prepared to face a talented Huskies team.

"The first time we played them was our best road game of the year. The second win they were really shorthanded without

Barea (out with an NCAA suspension) and without [forward Sylbrin] Robinson, who had a dislocated elbow," Giannini said, alluding to the absence of two of Northeastern's top players. "So I don't think that game

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Men's hockey hosts Hockey East Quarters



CAMPUS PHOTO • JULIE ALTENHOFF

University of Maine senior forward Lucas Lawson is roughed up by a Boston University player in the Black Bears' 4-2 win March 1. UMaine will host a best-of-three series with the University of Massachusetts-Amherst starting tonight at Alford Arena.

Bears look to shake recent woes in best-of-3 series against UMass

By Jeff Mannix
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine men's ice hockey team will begin its playoff run tonight as it starts a best-of-three game series against the University of Massachusetts Minutemen in the Hockey East Quarterfinals. Tonight's game will begin at 7 p.m., game two will be Friday, and game three, if necessary, will be Saturday. All games will be at Alford Arena.

The Black Bears (24-7-5, 14-6-4 Hockey East) and the Minutemen (17-16-1, 10-14-0 Hockey East) are very familiar with one another. UMaine has played UMass four times during the regular season, the most games the Black Bears have played against any team this year.

UMaine coach Tim Whitehead said he knows the games will be a challenge.

"They are a scrappy team," Whitehead said. "They play hard and they don't give up. They played a very good game against us a few weeks ago, and we know they will be hungry."

UMaine won three of the four meetings, taking the first game 1-0 at Alford Arena Nov. 9, as junior forward Colin Shields scored the game's only goal. UMaine won the championship game of the Florida Everblades College Classic 8-3 over UMass in Estero, Fla. Dec. 29. The Black Bears split a two-game series at UMass, losing the opener 4-2 on Feb. 21, but UMaine won 4-0 to split the series the next night.

"We've played three good games in a row," Whitehead said. "The second UMass game we think was the start of a little turnaround. The result wasn't there the first game of the BU series, but we played a good game."

The Minutemen, the sixth-seed in the Hockey East tournament, finished much higher than most

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Women's hockey to play UNH in league playoffs

By Matt Hritz
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The 2002-03 women's hockey regular season is in the books. Now it's time for the Hockey East playoffs, where the University of Maine (12-14-4 overall, 5-8-2 Hockey East) will take on the University of New Hampshire Wildcats (26-6-2 overall,

13-2-0 Hockey East). Since the game won't be played until March 15, the Black Bears have a week to ponder their opponent.

"I would rather play them this upcoming weekend because waiting an extra week is just torture," junior forward Meagan Aarts said.

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Women's basketball ends regular season against BU

By Becky Sturtevant
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The University of Maine women's basketball team will close the regular season at home against Boston University Saturday having already secured the first-place seed in the America East Tournament, to be held in West Hartford, Conn., March 13-15.

In a 68-63 victory at the University of Hartford March 1, the Black Bears clinched the America East regular season title and extended their winning streak to 17 games. The 17 consecutive wins are two shy of the school record of 19 games, set during the 1995-96 season.

The winning streak has also

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