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Rec center locations narrowed

400 MCA parking spots threatened

By Jackie Farwell
News Editor

Organizers of a proposed \$25 million recreation facility for the University of Maine held a public forum Thursday, announcing that a site on Rangeley Road has been selected as a favorite.

Supported by President Peter Hoff, the proposed site is located in the Maine Center for the Arts parking lot, encompassing 400 parking spaces toward the east end of the lot near Rangeley Road, according to Malcolm Collins, a planner with SMRT Inc., a Portland architecture firm working on the project.

The site is located near the center of campus and a main entrance, allows room for expansion, and has minimal environmental impact, Collins said.

"It has only one major negative trait, and that is it displaces quite a number of parking spaces," he said. "To eliminate a great site because of its impact on parking, we would say, is a little short-sighted."

The site also has sufficient access to existing infrastructure, including gas and steam lines, and is within a five-minute walk of two-thirds of the university's residence halls, Collins said.

The SMRT team scored the sites — the Rangeley location not among the original six proposals — and were encouraged not to favor a site based only on parking, Collins said.

The 84,000-square-foot facility will also require its own 200 spaces, which could be constructed adjacent to the facility with the removal of the Belgrade "spur," which connects the Belgrade Road and Rangeley Road, according to Bill Charland, the project's construction manager.



CAMPUS PHOTO • KRISTEN HOPKINS

INTENSE COMPETITION — Bananas plays a round of foosball with first-year Will Emery (left), junior Andrew Formalarie and sophomore Jeremy Riedel at "Bowling with Bananas" on Friday night.

Makeover in store for Bananas

By Ernest Scheyder
Staff Writer

Next season, fans at Alford Arena and other venues will notice a renovated and revamped Bananas the Bear. The mascot's costume, which is cared for by the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, will be redesigned and updated this summer, according to Andrew Formalarie, a brother of APO.

"We're looking for a more agile [costume]," Formalarie said. "Visibility is a big thing ... It's big and clumsy."

The current costume's setup and facial design is also something the brothers of APO are looking to change. According to Formalarie, the bear's face will be more fierce and look more like a bear.

"It doesn't really look like a bear," Formalarie said.

The new design should be finished by the end of the semester, at which point APO will begin fundraising for the new costume. The fraternity plans on purchasing two costumes, so Bananas can be in two places at once and double APO's philanthropy efforts, Formalarie said.

The brothers of the fraternity take turns donning the costume for athletic events, a service project for the group since 1969. Bananas became the name of the university's mascot in 1941, when a black bear cub strayed onto the football field during a game and the crowd went "bananas," according to a brief history on UMaine's Web site. The bear's costume has changed five

times, with the last change occurring in the mid-1980s, Formalarie said.

The brothers of APO are working with the university's marketing department for the makeover. While the brothers do not need university approval to make the changes, they would like to have UMaine's blessing, Formalarie said.

President Peter Hoff has seen the changes and endorsed them, Formalarie said. While the brothers have the university's support, they will have to shoulder the financial burden of the new costumes without university aid. Soon the brothers will begin a campaign to raise the required funding.

To start the process of fundraising, the brothers held a bowling fund-raiser at the Old Town Bowling Lanes on Friday night.

Supporters paid \$6 to spend an evening bowling with Bananas and support his upkeep.

While the administration supports Bananas' new look, some students prefer the current mascot.

"I like him. I think he's cute, and I like it when he strips," said Meredith Szeliga, a second-year pre-veterinary major.

However, some students are willing to consider the changes.

"I have an issue [with the change], but on the other hand, I think Bananas should be a little more intimidating," said Erika Davis, a second-year animal science major.

Fans can expect the new Bananas to make an appearance during the athletic season this fall, Formalarie said.

Man deported after trespassing in Knox Hall Canadian uncooperative with Public Safety, local authorities

By Angela Fiandaca
Staff Writer

University of Maine's Public Safety department is investigating a case involving a Canadian citizen who was found trespassing in Knox Hall

for several days at the beginning of February.

Adam Davidson, 31, of Amherst, Nova Scotia, allegedly spent one night with two residents in the building, and possibly elsewhere in the residence hall. Davidson has since

been deported back to Canada and Public Safety is considering pressing charges of possession of stolen property, according to Detective Sgt. Chris Gardner.

Public Safety received a phone call from Knox Hall on

Feb. 3 at 9:49 a.m. of concerns about a suspicious person inside the hall.

"The physical description matched the description of two previous incidences that we'd

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UMaine Community Calendar

Submissions for The Maine Campus Community Calendar are free, and can be sent on FirstClass to Rick Redmond, or dropped off in The Maine Campus office located in the basement of Memorial Union. Please include all the important information about your event. Deadlines for submissions are 9 a.m. Sunday for Monday publication and 9 a.m. Wednesday for Thursday publication.

Monday, Feb. 16

- Children's Author Judi Beach will be reading and signing her book "Names for Snow" in the University Book Store from 1 - 2:30 p.m. Call Holly Williams at 581-1700 for information.
- There will be a free belay seminar from 3 - 10 p.m. at the Maine Bound - UM Outdoor Education Center. Call Paul Stern at 581-1794 for information.
- The Career Center will sponsor "Careers for Philosophy and Other Liberal Arts Majors" at 3:10 p.m. at the Career Center in Memorial Union. Call Patty Counihan at 581-1359 for information.
- Today is the deadline for degree filing for those who

plan to graduate in May. Call Roberta Hussey at 581-1290 for information.

- Games Night will feature a Cribbage Tournament from 8 - 11 p.m. in the Coe Room of Memorial Union. This event is free for students and sponsored by Campus Activities and Events. Call Carole LeClair at 581-1793 for information.

Tuesday, Feb. 17

- The Office of International Programs and National Student Exchange will be holding a Study Abroad General Information Session at 2 p.m. in 202 Winslow Hall. These meetings address basic policies and procedures students should be aware of before studying abroad. Call Susan Nolan Landry at 581-2905 for information.
- The Career Center will sponsor "Careers for History Majors" at 2:10 p.m. at the Career Center in Memorial Union. Call Patty Counihan at 581-1359 for information.

Wednesday, Feb. 18

- Faculty author Jennifer Gosetti will be holding a book signing of her new book "After the Palace Burns" in the University Bookstore from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call Holly Williams

at 581-1700 for information.

- The Employee Assistance Program will sponsor a presentation for supervisors, "Mental Illness in the Workplace" from noon - 1:30 p.m. in the FFA Room of Memorial Union. Call 581-4014 for information.

- Barbara Ransby will present "Ella Baker and the Writing of Black Feminist Biography 'A Conversation Between Sisters Living and Dead'" as part of the Women in the Curriculum and Women's Studies Lunch Series. This event will be held from 12:15 - 1:30 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge of Memorial Union. Call Angela Olson at 581-1228 for information.

- The Career Center will sponsor "Careers for Political Science and Public Administration Majors" at 2:10 p.m. at the Career Center in Memorial Union. Call Patty Counihan at 581-1359 for information.

- Maine Bound will hold a Beginner Telemark Skiing seminar from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Maine Bound-UM Outdoor Education Center. The cost for this event is yet to be announced. Call Paul Stern at 581-1794 for

information.

- Kickin Flicks will show "Scary Movie 3" on a big screen in DPC 100 at 7:30 p.m. This event is free for students and is sponsored by Campus Activities and Events. Call Carole LeClair at 581-1793 for information.

Thursday, Feb. 19

- Barbara Ransby will present "It's the People who are Under the Heel who Have to Lead: Ella Baker and Working Class Black Leadership in the Civil Rights Movement" as part of the Marxist-Socialist Studies Luncheon Series. This event will be held from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. This event is sponsored by the Marxist-Socialist Studies program, the Maine Peace Action Committee, Memorial Union and the Women in the Curriculum/Women's Studies Program.

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Accounting majors help students with taxes

By Olivia Reed
For The Maine Campus

Once again, accounting students at the University of Maine are assisting fellow students with filing their income tax forms before the April 15 deadline.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program operates in 217 Donald P. Corbett business building from 1-4 p.m. every Wednesday. The group handles roughly 100 returns every year, with forms ranging from the simple 1040EZ to the more complex 1040A.

Professor Steve Colburn supervises the volunteers, who are all accounting majors within

the undergraduate and graduate programs. The students don't get payment or class credit toward their education.

"Volunteering through VITA is a great practical experience helping people file their returns," said Kevin Staples, a fifth-year accounting student. "It feels good helping people with their taxes."

All of the volunteers had to take a tax class, BUA 312, in order to understand the complex issues surrounding taxes before volunteering to put the theory into practice.

Melissa Diconzo, a fourth-year accounting student, helped Mark Corey file his taxes. Although Corey is a senior, it

was his first time seeking tax help because of the tax issues resulting from his internship for a non-profit organization through the Maine Space Grant Consortium. Corey needed to file a 1099 Miscellaneous Form, which he said he did not feel comfortable filing on his own.

Brian Brown, a second-year journalism major, sought help because he needed to file for self-employment. He worked for the Katahdin Times newspaper as a sports correspondent, and is considered a sub-contractor for tax purposes, which makes his tax filing more complicated.

The table, located directly inside the door of 217 DPC,

offers most tax forms, including the education and learning credit forms. The education forms are for students whose parents did not claim them on their taxes. Colburn reminds the university community to bring W-2 forms and 1099 bank forms when seeking tax help from the accounting students. It makes the volunteer's job simpler if person seeking help brings the necessary paperwork, he said.

Colburn also recommends that out-of-state students try to bring their own forms with them to the help session. If they forget or simply do not have them, then Shana Corey, a fourth-year student, will help download the forms from the Internet.

VITA is a federally sponsored IRS program. The VITA program began on the UMaine campus under the supervision of professor Melvin McClure, who now helps international students file their taxes. The international students' taxes are handled separately because of the complexities often involved with their filing.

Colburn has supervised the program since 1996.

"The students seem to enjoy helping people with their taxes to try and get them more money than they would have on their own," Colburn said. "I act as a supervisor while the students put the theory of the classroom into a real life experience."

Hundreds donate at two-day blood drive Memorial Union event among best collections, organizer says

By Heather Cox
Staff Writer

Approximately 270 University of Maine students and staff donated blood at an American Red Cross drive in Memorial Union last week, some waiting more than an hour just to donate a pint of blood.

Every year, a local American Red Cross chapter in Bangor works with various Greek and volunteer organizations on campus to bring three two-day blood drives to the university every year.

"We're thrilled with the number of donators [this time]," Red Cross account executive Angela Bilodeau said. "It's really great."

The donated blood collected over the two-day drive, held last Tuesday and Wednesday, won't go to treating patients just yet, Bilodeau said.

"We're part of the New England region of the American Red Cross, so all the blood will go to a national testing lab in Dedham, Mass.," Bilodeau said, adding that the blood will undergo 48 to 72 hours of testing before being sent out to hospitals.

"After that, each state pretty much collects the blood they need," she said. "It all goes back to the hospitals. The biggest user of blood is cancer patients—30 percent of all the blood is used for transfusions."

Besides being used to treat cancer patients, donated blood goes toward treating a vast number of other patients, including accident and burn victims, and premature babies.

Although last week's blood drive was one of the most successful Bilodeau can remem-

ber, she said organizers didn't think they would have as many volunteers because of a last-minute location change. Originally to be held in Wells Commons, the drive was moved at the last minute to Memorial Union due to water damage in Wells.

"We were a little concerned because the space was smaller, but we had more people than [we've had] at Wells," Bilodeau said.

But a change in location and long lines at the tables didn't stop students from showing up in droves to donate.

"I know it'll be used to save a lot of lives if they need it, and I know if I needed it I'd like someone else to have donated it, too," said first-year donor Yayoi Kimura.

Although Kimura had to wait about an hour before donating blood, she said the wait didn't sway her decision to participate.

"I signed up at 4:20 and they just had so many people there," Kimura said. "The doctors were so tired but they were happy that so many people wanted to do it."

First-year student Alice Shin agreed with Kimura that a long wait was not reason enough to abandon her plans to donate.

"There were so many people there that they told us we had to come back in an hour," she said. "I wanted to donate blood to help people and be a good citizen."

"They were supposed to stop taking blood at five but so many people were there, they just kept taking it," Kimura said.

Plans are in the works to hold another blood drive sometime in April, Bilodeau said.

Valuing nature



CAMPUS PHOTO • MOIRE DANIELS

WALK OF LIFE - The Orono Land Trust, which manages the Orono Bog Boardwalk (seen above) is expected to receive a grant from Lands for Maine's Future to preserve land and waters in Orono. The amount of the grant is undisclosed but is estimated to be in the hundreds of thousands.

LEGAL Affairs



Attorneys David R. Miller and Ted Curtis

Recently, we have seen an increase in the number of students seeking legal advice regarding theft. The laws of each state differ regarding theft. Generally speaking, in Maine a person may be found to have committed the crime of theft if that person obtains or exercises control over the property of another with the intent to deprive that other person of the property. The vast majority of Maine law relating to theft may be found in 17-A M.R.S.A., sections 351 to 361-A. Under Maine law, anything that has a value may be stolen, including real estate, animals, intellectual property (like trade secrets and other similar proprietary information), and services. Sounds sim-

ple, right? Wrong. The law of theft is intended to be very comprehensive, and you may be surprised at the variety of things that are punishable as theft.

While services are not property, "theft of services" is still generally charged and punished like any other variety of theft. Some examples of "theft of services" include skiing without purchasing a lift ticket or failing to pay for a cab ride. A small segment of our readership has made the unfortunate discovery that the University of Maine charges people with "theft of services" for using a fake or copied parking pass to park on campus. "Receiving stolen property" is treated as a variety of theft. Receiving, retaining or dis-

posing of the property of another, believing that it was probably stolen, is for most purposes the same as having stolen it in the first place. It is considered theft to take lost or mislaid property, to accept delivery of goods knowing that the deliverer has mistaken the identity of the recipient (or for that matter, that the deliverer has mistaken the nature or amount of the property so delivered). It is also considered theft to merely operate a vehicle without the consent of the owner, knowing that one does not have permission. Obtaining or exercising control over property or money as a result of intentionally misrepresenting

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Police alerted to abandoned pizza



POLICEBEAT

By Kyle Webster
Style Editor

•An Old Town man called police recently following a pizza order that was never picked up. A little before 2 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 3, a man ordered a take-out pizza from Brother's Pizzeria. When he didn't pick up the order, the man was allegedly called three times by Brother's employees over the course of an hour before the cops were called. The owner of the business said he was "sick and tired" of people calling in take-out orders and not picking them up. When asked if he wanted to press theft of service charges, the owner said he would if the man refused to pay. Police contacted the man, who claimed he had canceled the order 10 to 15 minutes after he ordered because he realized he did not have enough money to pay for it. He agreed to pay for the pizza once he received his paycheck on Friday, Feb. 6.

•A man filed a complaint with Old Town police earlier this month after a check was allegedly stolen from him on Dec. 22, 2003. The man claimed that a business based out of Long Beach, Calif., stole a check for \$149 electronically out of his account. He said he never did business with the company and has since contacted his bank. The man filed the complaint with the police on Tuesday, Feb. 3, because his bank said he needed an incident number. The bank is investigating and will involve the police as necessary.

•A window was found broken at the Old Town YMCA at roughly 7:45 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 7. An employee of the community recreational center discovered an egg-sized hole in the window. In front of the window, what appeared to be a Corona beer bottle was discovered. This case is under investigation.

Canadian may face charges

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had in previous days of a man that had approached several students, was quite aggressive, speaking of religious material," Gardner said.

Public Safety searched the building and located Davidson. He refused to identify himself to Public Safety officers because he was trespassing, Gardner said.

"He wasn't cooperative. He wouldn't talk with us," Gardner said. "At that time our officers detained him for the purpose of making a positive identification of who he was."

Davidson was transported to UMaine's police department, and an interview was conducted and his identity was ascertained. Public Safety officers contacted border patrol officers and were asked to deport Davidson back to Canada. He was then transferred to the custody of border patrol on Feb. 3, according to Gardner.

Public Safety learned of a Dodge Caravan in the Orchard parking lot registered in Davidson's name, and the vehicle was towed to Sullivan's Automotive Service in Old Town, Gardner said. Through the van's windows, Public Safety officers could see an identification card that did not

belong to Davidson, Gardner said. Following up the discovery with Canadian authorities, Public Safety applied for a warrant to search the inside of the car. The search warrant was granted from Bangor District Court on Feb. 6.

A search of the car was conducted at Sullivan's, which revealed that the identification card belonged to an employee of Suncor Energy, a large petroleum refinery in Canada.

"This ID is a card swipe and would give access to much of the \$14 billion properties of Suncor Energy," Gardner said.

Public Safety is still investigating how and why Davidson obtained the ID card. The van was then released to Davidson.

Gardner said there have been complaints about Davidson in both Bangor and Old Town in recent months.

Davidson was arrested by the Penobscot County Sheriff's Department on a warrant Dec. 13, 2003, at Howard Johnson's on Odlin Road in Bangor for theft of services, according to Bangor police Lt. Jeff Millard.

"He either didn't pay his bill when he ate or he didn't pay his bill in his room," Millard said.

Howard Johnson's manager was unavailable for comment as of press time.

The charge for theft of services is pending prosecution. However, Millard said the charge would probably be dismissed if Davidson were deported back to Canada.

Davidson was later arrested on a warrant Jan. 23 because he failed to show in court for his arraignment for the theft of services at Howard Johnson's. Davidson was also given a criminal trespass warning three days later ordering him to leave the Greater Bangor Area Shelter. Comment from shelter employees was unavailable at press time.

Davidson was also given another trespass notice from the Bangor City of Health and Welfare Department, Public Health Nursing on 103 Texas Ave., according to Millard.

Gardner said it is unknown how long Davidson was in the United States or in Maine before being deported. However, Public Safety officers believe Davidson had been in the country since December, though it is unknown if his visit was continuous.

"We're still investigating," Gardner said. "There have been no charges at this time [from UMaine Public Safety], but we expect he may be charged."

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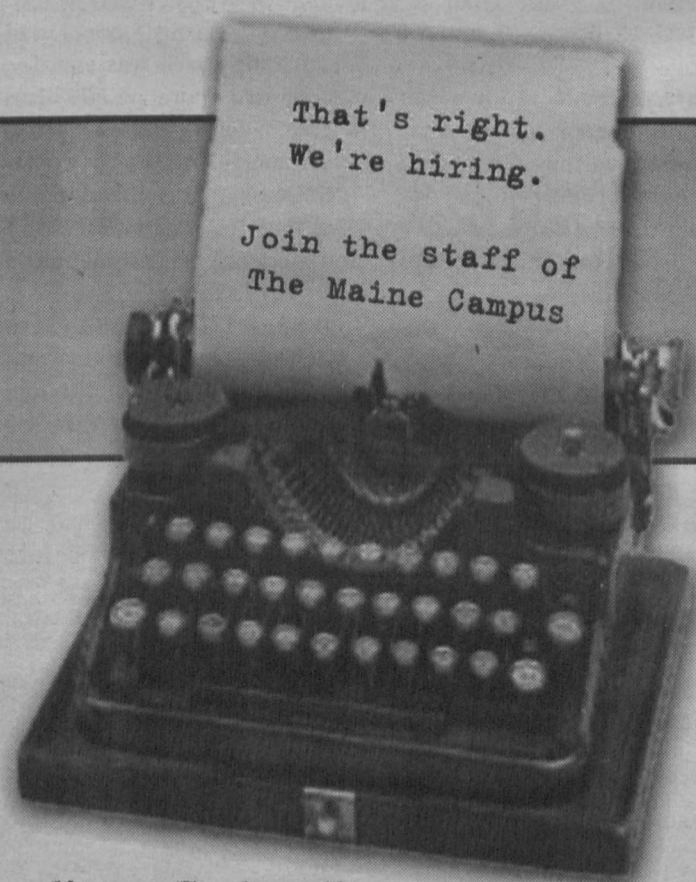
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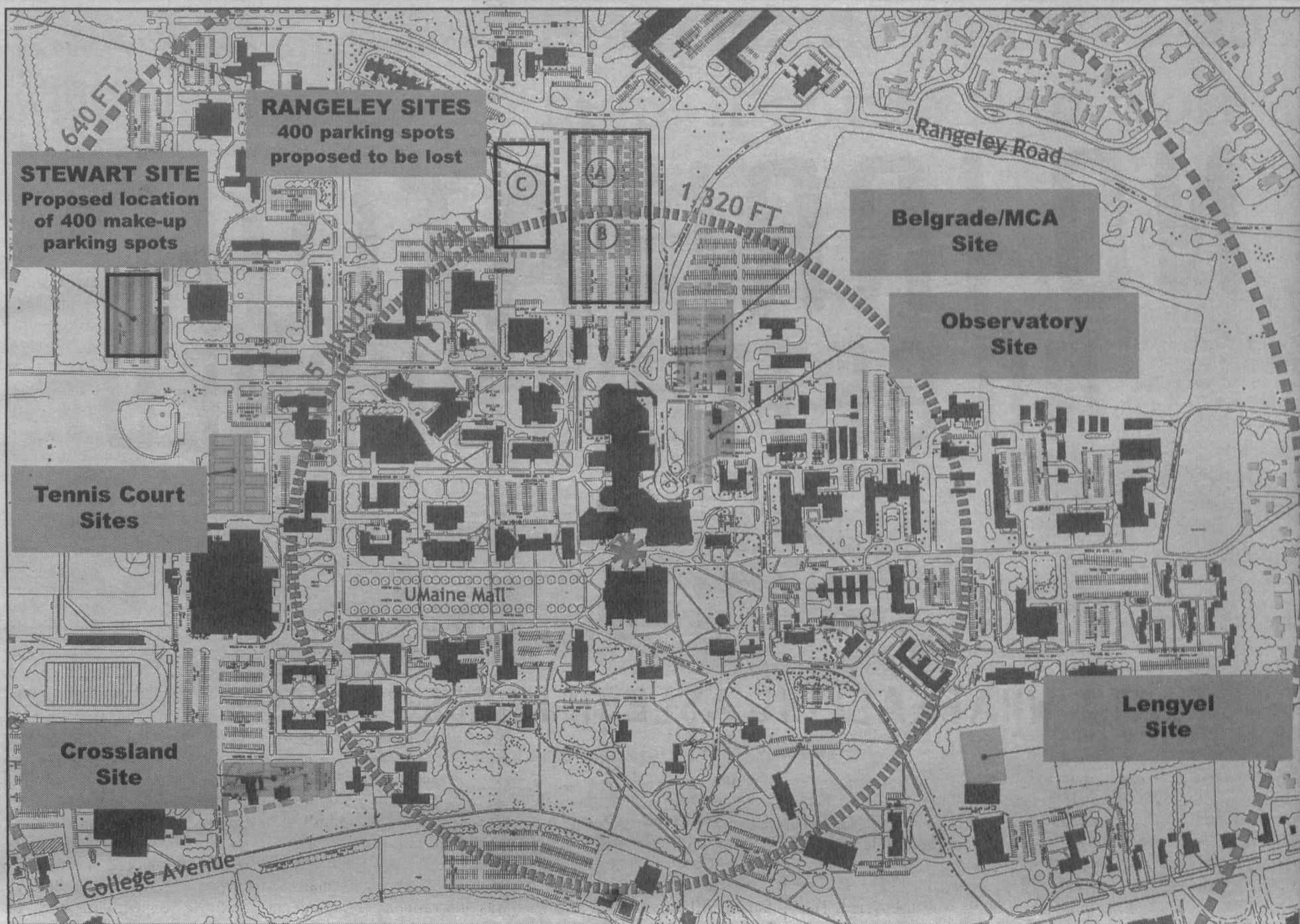
The Maine Campus is currently seeking applicants for the following positions for the 2004-2005 school year:

- Assistant business manager • Head copy editor • Copy editor • Style editor
- Assistant news editor • News editor • Production manager • Layout assistant
- Sports editor • Photography editor • Assistant photography editor • Opinion editor

E-mail Marshall Dury on FirstClass with questions. Applications are available in The Maine Campus office in the basement of Memorial Union. Submit completed application, cover letter and writing samples if applicable to Marshall Dury in The Maine Campus office by Feb. 27. These are paid positions.

Work with us.





MAPPED OUT — University officials have endorsed a site in the Maine Center of the Arts parking lot, near Rangley Road, for a proposed \$25 million recreational center. The location, a combination of site A and site B in the map above, includes 400 parking spaces that would have to be relocated if the 84,000-square foot facility is constructed there. The spaces would be made up for with an expansion of the Stewart and Hilltop parking lots. The adjacent site C, near the Doris Twitchell Allen Community Center, was dismissed from consideration because of its proximity to protected wetlands. The Belgrade/MCA and Observatory sites would crowd the Maine Center for the Arts building, and construction in the Lengyel and Stewart sites would require trees to be cut down, planners say. The Rangley site is within a five-minute walk of the center of campus, marked with a star above, and has minimal environmental impact, as well as room for expansion, planners say.

Rec. center site to be finalized by March

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The 400 spaces that would be lost with the facility's acre and a half footprint on the MCA lot would be made up for with an expansion of the Stewart and Hilltop lots, Charland said.

Construction of those parking spots would be completed before work begins on the recreation center, said Janet Waldron, UMaine's vice president of administration. Some of the costs incurred through the expansion of the Stewart and Hilltop lots would be funded through the project's \$25 million budget, she said.

Organizers are building off a recently completed study of the university's traffic system, performed by the Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System, to develop public transportation and parking for the recreation center, Waldron said.

In November of 2002, UMaine students were surveyed by e-mail about their preferences for a new recreation center, and chose a site close to the

proposed Rangley location, Collins said.

"There were champions of each site," he said. "The students seemed to focus on or favor a site near the MCA."

A recreational facility constructed on that site, however, would have crowded the MCA building, Collins said.

Parking during the evening, when both the MCA and the new center would be busiest, shouldn't be a problem with the Rangley site because students will likely walk to the center from nearby residence halls, Waldron said.

A site next to the Rangley location, near the Doris Twitchell Allen Village Community Center, was dismissed because of its proximity to a protected wetland area, Collins said. Permitting and Department of Environmental Protection requirements would have made construction on the site expensive, he said.

A proposed location near the Maynard F. Jordan Observatory was also dropped from consid-



CAMPUS PHOTO • DENISE FARWELL

OUTER SPACES — Construction manager Bill Charland reviews Thursday how a proposed site for a new recreation center would affect parking on campus.

eration because of crowding issues, as well as potential traffic problems, including accessibility to Memorial Union's loading docks, Waldron said. Sites next to Lengyel Gym and in the Stewart lot would have required clearing trees to make room for construction, she said.

Students will pay \$90 per semester to use the facility, which will include multipurpose athletic courts, an indoor track,

a lounge, a 10,000-square-foot swimming pool and a sauna. An 11,000-square-foot fitness center, more than twice the size of Latti Fitness Center in Memorial Gym, is also planned. Students currently pay \$35 per semester to use Latti, a charge that would be eliminated with the new center, Waldron said.

The university's organized sports teams will continue to use Latti, but will not be permitted

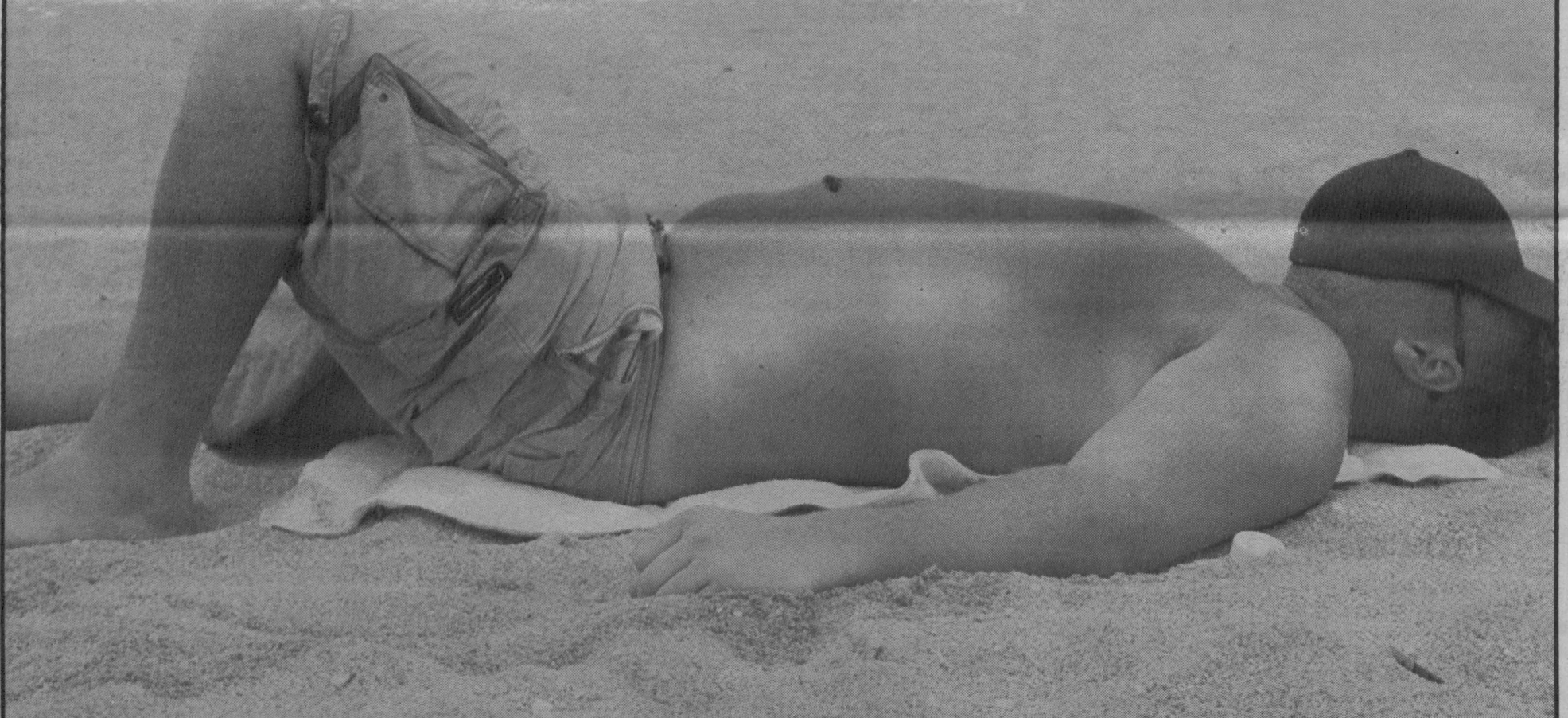
use the new recreation center, Waldron said. The teams would have permission to renovate or expand Latti, she said.

The public will also have some access to the new center, Waldron said.

Project organizers hope to formally decide on a site for the new recreation center by the end of the month, Waldron said. A grand opening is planned for the fall of 2006.

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Lawyers say anything with value can be stolen

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or falsely stating to an insurer material facts relating to a policy, application or claim is called "theft by insurance deception." Most commonly, this means that obtaining payment as a result of filing a claim that uses false information is theft.

The Maine statutes differentiate between the classes of theft, for purposes of fines and jail sentencing, based upon the value of the property or services that are stolen. Theft of less than \$500 is defined as a Class E crime, punishable by not more than six months in jail and up to a \$1,000 fine. When the value of the stolen property is more than \$500 but less than \$1,000, the crime is a Class D crime, punishable by one year in jail and a \$2,000 fine. When stolen items exceed the value of \$1,000, but are worth less than \$10,000, the crime is defined as a Class C crime. Class C crimes can receive a punishment of \$5,000 and five years in jail. Stolen property valued at more than \$10,000 can result in a conviction of a Class B crime, resulting in potential punishment of 10 years in jail and a \$20,000 fine.

Some estimates place the aggregate national daily value of

stolen goods and services at approximately \$25 million. Despite this, shoplifters say they are caught an average of only once every 49 times, and they are turned over to the police only 50 percent of the time they are caught, according to a popular Web site that deals with shoplifting, kleptomania and other theft issues.

Despite these odds, succumbing to the temptation is not worth the risk. Those convicted in Maine for the theft of an item worth \$1,000 can realistically expect a jail sentence of several days to several weeks (probably the latter), even if the offender has no criminal record whatsoever. Social stigma and the loss of opportunities inevitably follow. You must always remember to seek the assistance of an attorney if you find yourself charged with theft. At that time, an attorney may be one of a few people on your short list of allies.

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Survey indicates '04 grads more likely to find work

By Teresa M. McAleavy
Knight Ridder Tribune News Services

The Class of 2004 should have an easier time finding work than other college grads have had in recent years.

The nonprofit National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) measures the potential job market for new grads by polling its company members on four separate occasions throughout the academic year. Three rounds of queries on plans to seek out this year's crop of college grads all point to the first increase in hiring in two years.

In August, NACE's Job Outlook 2004 survey found that employers plan to hire 12.7 percent more new college graduates this year than last, marking the first projected increase since 2001.

In NACE's second round of the survey, released in November, nearly 70 percent of employers said their hiring plans hadn't changed from when first asked in August.

About 17 percent said they planned to hire more than they originally reported, compared with just under 14 percent who said they planned to hire fewer grads than when first asked in August.

In general, employers reported being most interested

in hiring business and engineering grads at both the bachelor's and master's degree levels.

"We do look at areas of demand, but most questions looked very broadly at the job market for the whole class," said Camille Luckenbaugh, research director for NACE.

"We're forecasting what employers expect the market to be like, and what we've found is really good news, because it's the first time in two years we're seeing a projected increase in hiring."

The most recent NACE survey update, released at the end of January, found that hiring intentions remain pretty much unchanged. It also found that more companies are moving toward accepting job applications only online.

We recently talked to Luckenbaugh about NACE and what its survey, which will again be updated in April, could mean for this year's college grads.

Q: What is the job outlook survey?

A: The job outlook survey is a survey of our members that asks them to forecast what they expect the job market to be like.

Q: What is your membership?

A: It varies, but our last survey had 1,077 employer members, and colleges and universities are probably at

about 1,300. But we lose some and gain some every day, so it does change.

Q: What does the survey suggest so far?

A: It's the best news we've seen in the past two years. But we don't want everyone to think everything is rosy or back to where we were a few years ago. Some employers are feeling the recovery, but we have just under one third saying "We're not there yet." A lot are still looking at big budget constraints.

Q: What does the most recent survey indicate?

A: It's positive. The winter update only goes out to people who had initially given us numbers in terms of how many they plan to hire this year, so it's much smaller, with 222 employers surveyed. We found that 70 percent aren't changing their hiring projections. Last year, it was 55 percent, so more people this year still intend to hire.

Q: What's the most important message this year's graduates should take from your survey?

A: Things are looking up. Last year, we heard a lot about students being very negative and very apathetic about their prospects. This information indicates things are picking up, but don't think you don't have to work, because you will. Just know your chances are better this year.

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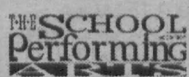
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There has been a change and the only organizations that need an appointment scheduled with the VPFA are Board and Community Association representatives. A list of appointment times will be available in the FAO for those organizations.

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EDITORIAL

A waste of space

As the plans for the newly proposed \$25 million recreation facility at the University of Maine unfold, students should take note of how the new facility will affect their lives — especially in regards to parking.

Unknown to the average student, the facility's public forum was held on Thursday, Feb. 12. Student attendance was sparse, which could have been avoided by not holding the public forum at 2:30 p.m. — a rather inconvenient time for students.

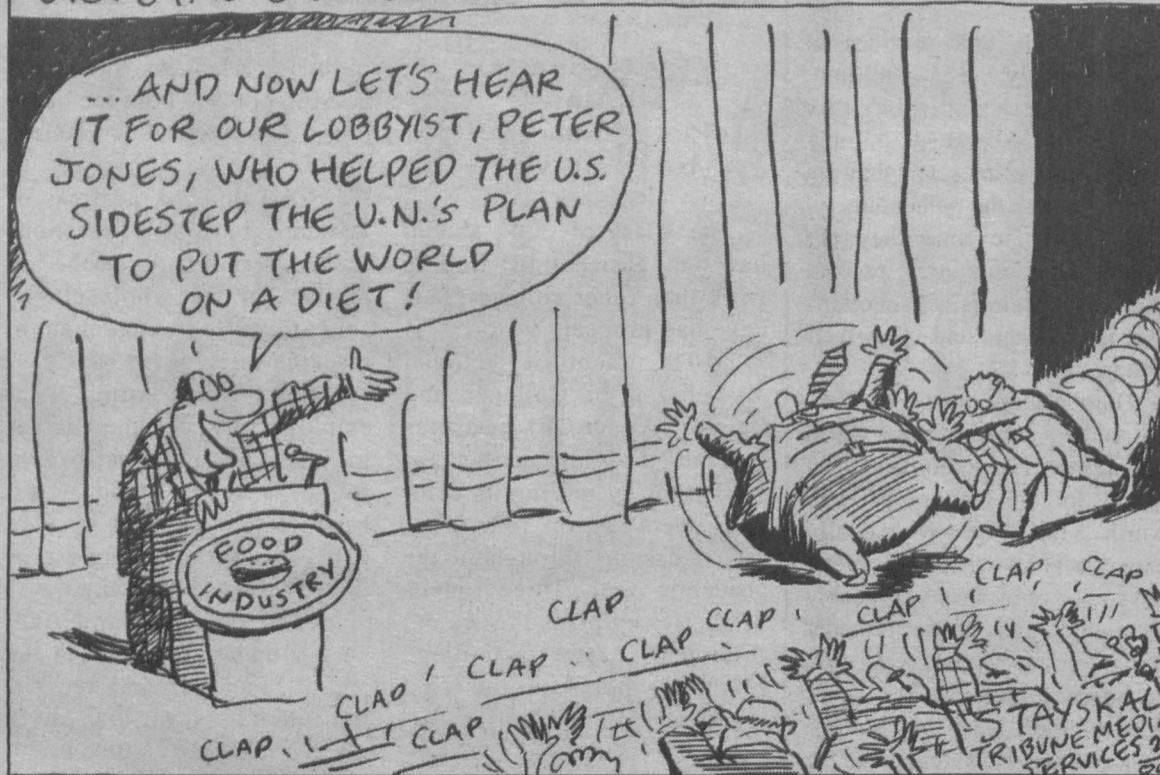
At the forum, developers announced that if all goes according to plan, the recreation facility will result in the loss of 400 parking spaces in the back end of the Maine Center for the Arts lot. The plan to compensate for these lost parking spots is a proposed expansion of the Stewart and Hilltop lots. While this sounds promising, to execute the plan, organizers will have to cut into the highly valued university forest. The lot expansions may not be striking at the heart of the forest, but paving valued natural areas of the campus sets a dangerous precedent.

If organizers continue on this plan of action, millions of dollars will go to a recreational center while the academic sphere of the university continues to disintegrate because of lacking funds.

Just this past year, Fogler Library was threatened with the loss of a substantial amount of their periodicals and journals due to budget shortcomings. Yet university officials are approving the creation of a \$25 million facility. Rather than pour such a large amount of UMaine's finite budget into something we do not really need, why not expand and renovate Latti Fitness Center and the Memorial Gym?

If the creation of a recreational center is to go forward, organizers should thoroughly consider the repercussions of their plans so that they don't end up damaging the university more than they improve it.

U.S. STALLS U.N. PLAN TO FIGHT OBESITY



Injustice for some Cuban detainees deserve a fair trial, and soon

At a Pentagon press conference last year, Secretary of State Donald Rumsfeld was asked why the approximately 650 suspected war criminals held in U.S. custody at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, were not being afforded the right of trial. There was a pause and then Rumsfeld, with a smile, announced that the detainees, who had largely been captured in the Afghanistan campaign, were "committed terrorists" and were not entitled to the prisoners of war status normally afforded enemy combatants. How Rumsfeld knew, exactly, that every one of the 650 criminals — many of whom, according to Human Rights Watch are farmers and civilians — were terrorists, was apparently a fore-

MATT SHAER



EDITOR IN CHIEF

gone conclusion — no one in the White House Press Corps asked.

Weeks later, the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, an international advocacy group, leveled a press release at the Bush administration alleging that the White House had deliberately flouted the Geneva Convention in order to deal with the prisoners without outside influence. The premise is straightforward but disheartening: under international law

and U.S. law, a war criminal is entitled to a fair trial before a military tribunal. However, if the prisoners are labeled "unlawful combatants" — the somewhat unlikely moniker by which the Pentagon has decided to refer to the detainees — they can be held indefinitely, without access to legal representation. Quite simply, it's conceivable that a prisoner could sit in Cuba for years, leave his cell only one hour a day, never see a lawyer, and never tell his side of the story to anyone but the prison interrogators. It is the single most egregious blow the United States has dealt to human rights since George W. Bush became president.

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Letters to the Editor

•Correct use of vagina

Marshall Dury raised some valid points in his latest opinion column "A Tactless Use of Vagina" in the Feb. 12 issue of *The Maine Campus* regarding the depiction of a vagina on a poster advertising "The Vagina Monologues." I must ask Dury, though, how else would he visually represent "The Vagina Monologues?"

Dury's article suggests that he

has never actually seen "The Vagina Monologues" in person. If he were offended by the poster, I would strongly caution him against seeing the actual production. In the rendition I saw in Pittsburgh, erected in the background was an eight-foot tall, detailed vagina. If he was shocked on his way to class, he might piss himself-in his seat in Pittsburgh.

Banter aside, let's discuss two things that "The Vagina Monologues" covers: iconography, what images represent, and iconoclasm, the destruction of popular images. When Dury saw the poster with, God forbid, a vagina on it, he was instantly repulsed. He probably asked himself why he had to look at it. When he saw that vagina, his

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2.5 hours for pizza? Only at UMaine

MIKE HARTWELL



FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

When I started going to this school I was happy to learn about the MaineCard off-campus Merchant Program, or MOM for short. I don't pretend to understand the significance or justification of the acronym, but I was pleased with the concept. The school's Web site sums up the MOM program by saying, "The MOM program will allow students to use their dining funds on their MaineCard to pay for on-campus deliveries from off-campus merchants. Simply pick up the phone, and tell the merchant you want to order pizza using your MaineCard." Unfortunately, the MOM program has a lot of flaws that become painfully obvious after using it just a few times. In a related story, the investigation by the National Acronym-Deception Agency is still underway.

The biggest problem I've noticed is that every restaurant takes forever to deliver to the dorms. Most students take it out on the person who delivers their food. Everyone assumes that if it takes two hours for a pizza to get to your room, it's because the delivery guy spent an hour and a half goofing off. Having worked in the pizza delivery industry, I can assure you the people delivering want to get it to you as fast as they can. They make less than minimum wage, just like a waitress, and rely on tips. They want to do as many deliveries as they can in a night so they'll make more money. Whenever it took me more than 45 minutes to deliver, it was always because we had too many orders and not enough workers. Unfortunately, two hour deliveries are the norm here and the only logical explanation is that the restaurants are not adequately staffed.

Another unfortunate surprise

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Cuba

Administration officials have continually justified the internment of the Guantanamo detainees as a matter of national security. Although the Supreme Court has agreed to hear arguments this spring from a group of lawyers who allege that the continued incarceration of the "unlawful combatants" is constitutionally illegal, Solicitor Gen. Theodore B. Olson remained defiant.

"This litigation challenges the President's military detentions while American soldiers and their allies are still engaged in armed conflict against an unprincipled, unconventional, and savage foe," Olson said.

With White House lawyers following closely, Olson has said that access to the detainees, even by military lawyers, would endanger "Homeland Security" efforts to an unacceptable degree.

But, late last year, perhaps under pressure from a coalition of human rights groups, both American and international, the Pentagon did an astonishing thing: it released the names of two of the detainees, and even gave them military lawyers. At an undisclosed time, at some point in the not-so-near future, the team of William Gunn, a career military lawyer, will represent Yemini national Salim Ahmed Hamdan, and Australian citizen David Hicks before an American military tribunal in Cuba. Although the Pentagon has main-

tained its dubious right to monitor all attorney-client conversations — a move that makes it unlikely for prisoners to disclose their own story for fear of persecution and prosecution — the trial, when it occurs, will be an important victory for human rights and a turning point in the battle to bring the basic tenets of international law to Guantanamo Bay.

There remain, however, approximately 648 unnamed and un-represented detainees in Cuba. It is important to note that no credible organization, as far as I know, has argued that any of the prisoners should be set free. For that matter, no human rights group has claimed that any of the other 648 are innocent; guilt, apparently, is something that only the President and Rumsfeld can determine. But regardless of how you feel about legitimacy of the war in Iraq, or even the war of terrorism, it should be clear — if only because as Americans we've done enough grandstanding on freedom and democracy to back it up — that the detainees in Guantanamo Bay deserve at least a lawyer. They deserve at least a trial. And we, as American citizens, deserve to know at least how long the detainees will be held, and for what. To know anything less is first a constitutional violation and second a matter of human decency.

Matt Shaer is senior English major.

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is the service charge that all of the delivery places tack on to your bill. The University of Maine does not mention anywhere on its Web site that it leeches a whopping 20 percent of the total cost of your bill away from the merchant. All of the restaurants are forced to increase your bill by 20 percent to make up for the charge. Keep in mind none of this money goes to the below-minimum wage driver.

Let's not forget the horror stories we've all heard. A casual acquaintance told me about ordering chicken parmesan from Orono House of Pizza last month and finding a staple where one would expect to find a condiment. She called OHOP, but the owner did not believe her story and hung up on her. She called back but the only progress was this time she received vulgarities

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mind instantly associated it with an iconographic image of what he thinks it represents and stands for. He then asked himself why the event's organizers would ever want to use that sort of image. He wrote in his article about how depicting this event with a vagina is a double-edged sword, in that they're fighting fire with fire. I think they're doing a fine job.

If Dury's curiosity roamed and he actually did attend "The

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The timeline of heartbreak

A tragic story that is told all too often

NATE
KATZ

FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

It happened again. I worked up the nerve to ask that special someone out. I've spent 21 Valentine's Days alone. This year would be different. I summoned up the courage and asked that certain young lady out, and as fate would have it, she accepted. From here on, I will describe what would be my first Valentine's Day in a chronological time line for that seems all the more poignant.

4:17 p.m. — Begin the laborious task of selecting the perfect outfit. After many switches, alterations and consultations, the perfect outfit is achieved.

5:35 — Practice conversational skills with the mirror and check my catalogue of facial expressions.

6:15 — Shower and use roommate's sweet-smelling cucumber-melon body wash.

6:50 — Rub myself with manly cologne — not too much though — then run through apartment to lose excess scent.

7:04 — (I ran for a long time.) Return to room and don perfectly pressed outfit.

7:17 — Depart from Old Town apartment for 8 p.m. dinner engagement in Bangor.

7:40 — Arrive in Bangor. Drive around for 10 minutes so as not to appear desperate.

7:52 — Casually stroll into restaurant and look around for date. Ascertain that I have arrived first.

8:00 — I am forced to table by an irritable waitress who is obviously not happy to be working on Valentine's night.

8:01-8:10 — Try to look cool and collected while reading the placemat. It's a nice restaurant; they

just had paper placemats with trivia questions.

8:12 — Successfully complete maze on the placemat.

8:14 — Check watch as nonchalantly as possible.

8:15 — Catch nearest waitress's arm and ask for the correct time.

8:16 — Determine that my watch and waitress's match up.

8:17 — The initial feelings of panic and doubt set in. I begin to feel awkward sitting at table for two alone.

8:18 — Make first of many calls to date's cell phone. Secretly hope that she's been in a minor accident or got pulled over on the way because she's not answering.

8:19 — Decide not to leave a message — no need to alert the happy couples around me that I'm scared.

8:20 — Tell the waitress for the second time that I'm waiting for someone and I don't want to order yet. People are now definitely starting to look at me.

8:22 — Leave the table under the pretext of needing the bathroom. Secretly call my date from the men's room. This time I leave a message.

8:27 — Back at the table, things are getting out of hand. People are now openly addressing my situation at their table.

8:32 — It appears that the waitress takes joy in humiliating me. I am told it's a busy night and I need

to order.

8:33 — I now openly call my date and again get her voicemail. Choosing not to leave a message, I instead opt to call her house. I am told I have the wrong number.

8:35 — Determine that I do not have the wrong number.

8:38 — Try to stealthily get away from table. Instead I kick a chair and almost fall. Abandon stealth for speed and run from the dining room. I'm followed by a chorus of "Ohhs."

8:45 — Attempt to drive home through streaming tears.

8:57 — Stop at Tim's Little Big for the cheapest bottle of wine I can find.

9:15 — Run into my room and slam the door. Come back out for corkscrew and to steal roommate's chocolate heart.

9:20 — Sit in my bed, listening to the soul-wrenching sounds of Elliot Smith while guzzling and eating away the pain as I curse women, one in particular, to Hell.

10:07 — Pass out amid cheap wine and chocolate orgy.

And so now, gentle reader, you know the bittersweet truth. I never thought that following my heart would bring me to this. What was destined to be the night of nights was only saved by Tim's and a roommate's girlfriend who sent chocolate. Actually I kind of imagined cheap wine and an orgy ending my evening, but that's irrelevant.

Hopefully next year I'll remember how it always ends, skip the pain and go straight to the cheap wine and chocolate orgy.

Nate Katz is a lonely man with only his readers to latch on to.

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before being hung up on again. She kept calling and was offered a replacement sandwich, but wasn't in the mood for it anymore.

Many students have experienced a rush of anger after driving to one of the restaurants and being told that dining funds only work for deliveries from the off-campus merchants. What's the harm in allowing students to use their dining funds at the same restaurants when they go out? I can think of zero logical flaws in ending the delivery-only rule. A lot of other schools allow students to buy food at off-campus restaurants. Students with cars would have a few more options when they run out of meal swipes for the week, and not have to wait two hours for their food.

Mike Hartwell is a junior journalism major.

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Vagina Monologues," he would understand what they're trying to do with the image of the vagina. The play itself is very iconoclastic in nature: this is what Dury associates with when he sees a vagina, and this is what they associate with. Narrow-mindedness is what the play is trying to fight, and in Dury's case, failed.

Rick Cummings
Junior computer science and English major

Abortion education

Approaching the topic from a logical perspective

The recent appearance of Roe v. Wade attorney Sarah Weddington at the University of Maine caused a stir among local abortion opponents. I applaud Terence Hughes and Jean "Henny Penny" Barry for using their constitutional rights to speak out against the pro-choice rights lawyer, but I feel that they don't effectively represent or communicate the ideas of their faction.

I have a message for those who stand in public places — namely in front of Memorial Union — with their gruesome dead baby posters. You can make people feel uncomfortable all you want, Mr. Hughes, but that isn't going to change anybody's pro-choice stance. We aren't dumb. It's time that you respect us as the intelligent human beings we are.

We know that abortions aren't pretty, but the way you are attempting to reach us is comparable to trying to entice flies with vinegar or straight men with Barbra Streisand music. Those posters make us want to spit on you. They might lessen our desire for those juicy cheeseburgers from The Black Bear Grill, but chances are the posters are not going to sway our opinions on abor-

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tion. You're not creating pro-lifers, you're breeding vegetarians. There is nothing wrong with vegetarianism, but somehow I feel that is not your intent. It is merely a by-product of a poorly designed marketing scheme.

I will forever feel that in some circumstances, abortions can save two lives: mother and child. I've been challenged by many questions from pro-life constituents. There's the ever-popular "Why allow the mothers to play God?" Forcing your own set of commandments on other people and putting a ban on abortions is playing God, too. I may not be completely comfortable with abortion myself, but I feel it is important to let others decide for themselves. We are not supposed to judge; God is. Besides, prohibiting abortion is like prohibiting alcohol; people are going to resort to their homemade moonshine. Women will be dropping like flies to coat

hangers and quacks in city alleyways. The real way to attack abortion is through education and increasing the availability of contraceptives.

I challenge Hughes and Barry to put down their offensive signs. Begin with a more personal method. Hughes sputters about the correlations between breast cancer and abortion, as well as the psychological effects of the procedure. So turn your attention to teaching these negative aspects of abortion to small audiences.

Stand outside Memorial Union not with your poster but with a handful of informational booklets, or use a tasteful sign to inform people. Take an objective approach — nobody likes to be preached to. "Pick battles big enough to matter, small enough to win," said writer Jonathan Kozol, on the topic of teaching. If you want to make a difference in your community, teach the facts with a subtle approach and influence one life at a time — and quote Martin Luther King Jr. or Abe Lincoln, not Henny Penny.

Aaron Skilling is a junior advertising major.

Style



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CONFRONTATION — Christopher Franklin as Benedick and Kat Johnson as Beatrice star in "Much Ado About Nothing," which opened this weekend in Hauck Auditorium. The show runs Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2 p.m.

'Nothing' performed to perfection at Hauck

By Austin Soule
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine's School of Performing Arts' production of Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" was nothing short of brilliant. The performances by the cast members created excitement in what is

usually one of Shakespeare's duller plays.

On a beautifully designed set depicting Messina, designed by Chez Cherry, who also helped the clubs Classic's and Ushuaia with their interiors, the play begins with the army of Don Pedro being welcomed by Leonato, the governor of

Messina. Count Claudio, the hero in the recently ended war, falls in love with the governor's

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daughter, appropriately named Hero. The wedding date is set, at which point the twists, turns and

drama begin. Don John and his henchman design a plan to disrupt the wedding plans by convincing Claudio that Hero is unfaithful.

While this is going on, Benedick, a soldier in Don Pedro's army, and Hero's cousin, Beatrice, exchange lines in a match of wits. Both have sworn

off marriage and believe that love is not for them. Don Pedro plans to trick them into falling in love with each other. The actress playing Beatrice, Kat Johnson, steals the show as she and Benedick thoughtfully trap each other in a war of put-downs.

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Tablz Turnd draws massive crowds for old school jams

By Matt Kearney
For The Maine Campus

Thanks to the Bear Brew Pub's Thursday night DJ show Tablz Turnd, there is a place in Orono to escape the monotonous DJ scene of top-40 and club music and hear some blasts from the past. "Tablz Turnd" features old-school hip-hop music mixed and scratched by University of Maine students Andre Sirois (DJ Food Stamp) and Jamar Croom (DJ Calibur) and is hosted by Michael Hart (Big Mike).

Tablz Turnd, the brainchild of Matt Haskell, the owner of the Bear Brew, and Sirois, made its first appearance after Thanksgiving break and was immediately a success. Since its first night, Tablz

Turnd has been featured the second and last Thursdays of every month. Thursdays had always been popular at the Bear Brew due to College Night drink specials, but Tablz Turnd seemed to only make the night that much more enjoyable for its patrons.

"College night has always been a success... but people are enjoying it more now, it's a good atmosphere," Haskell said.

Haskell emphasizes that the bar is not trying to compete with any other club or bar, but is just offering an alternative for college students.

"This [is] more like your local bar thing. We're not trying to do the club thing by any means, we're just



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OLD SCHOOL STYLINGS — Tablz Turnd, a bi-weekly showcase of local DJs, fills the Bear Brew Pub full of patrons. This past Thursday featured DJ Calibur and DJ Food Stamp.

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Dancing to the perfect cover

Reaganomics play as part of CAB's celebration of the '80s

By Jared Palmer
For The Maine Campus

"'80s music done right" is the motto of the Reaganomics, the '80s music cover band that played in Memorial Union Friday night, and their motto seems to be true.

The show was equally suited for regular "I love the '80s"

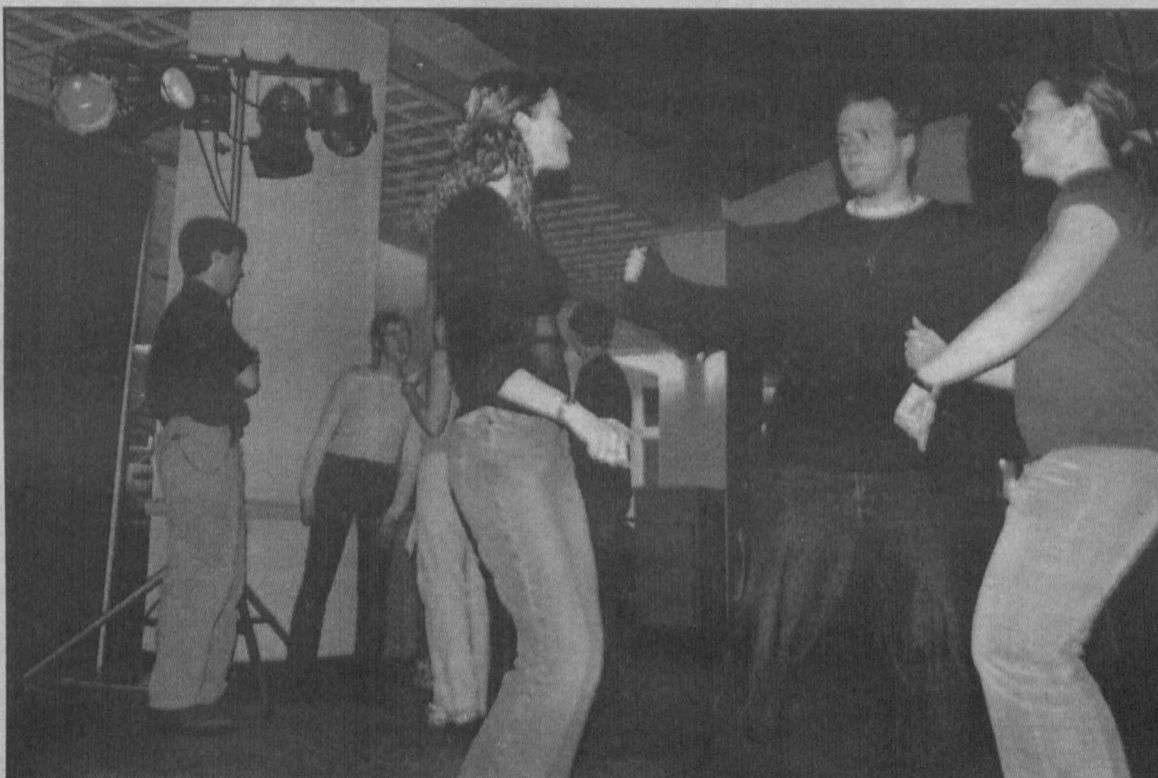
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viewers and the poor souls who get '80s pop choruses stuck in their heads for months on end. The well-known music and an open dance floor gave a few intrepid souls a chance to bring out their vintage dance moves.

The Reaganomics is a Boston-based band that specializes in '80s pop and new wave. Their instruments and clothing are all authentic, providing nostalgic concertgoers with the music they crave, the way it was meant to be heard.

The five-piece band consists of electric drums, a guitar player/ male vocalist, a female vocalist, a synth bass player and a synthesizer player who, according to the band's Web site, is able to telepathically program his instrument.

It is usually expected that when attending a concert, the music will undoubtedly sound nothing like the recordings. This law of nature seems to go double for cover bands, but



CAMPUS PHOTO • SARAH BIGNEY

MOONWALKING — Meg Sayles (left), Glen Davenport, and April Pearce (right) celebrated the '80s dance party to the sounds of the Reaganomics, an '80s cover band from Boston, in the union Friday night.

the Reaganomics proved to be the exception to the rule by providing music that sounded surprisingly like the genuine recordings. This faithfulness to the original was doubtless the influence of the classic instruments as well as the talent of the musicians playing them.

The set list was enough to make any die-hard '80s music lover proud and included hits by Michael Jackson, Madonna and Bon Jovi. Even the intermission, which gave both the

band and the dancers a chance to rest, was graced by the sounds of Duran Duran's "Hungry Like a Wolf."

Several songs stood out from this "Wedding Singer" like set-list, but the cover of Michael Jackson's "Billy Jean" was certainly the most memorable. Not only did the song itself bring back memories of the days before the infamous scandals, when it was still socially acceptable to claim to be a Michael Jackson fan, but the female vocals

added to the faithfully reproduced music made a great song even better.

Yet another song that stood out was the cover of Madonna's "Borderline." It was memorable not by any special skill or gimmick with which it was played, though the reproduction was flawless, but due to the catchiness of the song. Anyone who has heard the song has had periods ranging from hours to months

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Love in the air



CAMPUS PHOTO • MATEJ KRAJCOVIC

Students groove at the International Student Association's dance, The Oronoka Valentine's Party. The event was held Saturday night at the Bounty in Bangor

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THE FLYING V — The movie "Miracle" used real hockey players and actors to depict the 1980 Olympic win by the U.S. hockey team.

'Miracle' on ice

New film includes UMaine hockey alumnus

By Nathan Thoms
For The Maine Campus

In the 1980 Olympic Games, the United States men's hockey team overcame enormous disadvantages to successfully defeat the Soviet Union and go on to win the gold medal, breaking a nearly 20-year winning streak for the Soviets in what was aptly described as a miracle on the ice. "Miracle" (2004, Rated PG), starring Kurt Russell

("Vanilla Sky," "Escape from L.A.") as Olympic coach Herb Brooks, aims to retell this story to show the audience what it was like to be a member of that

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remarkable team and be a part of such an astonishing accomplishment. The audience gets the chance to see the entire process, beginning with the team's formation to the selec-

tion of the coach, to the selection of the players, through the grueling schedule of practices, past several defeats to eventual success.

"Miracle" is a realistic depiction of a remarkable event in American sports history. Brooks and a variety of the members of the real 1980 US hockey team signed on as advisers. Unfortunately, Brooks suffered an untimely

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Dance party entertains few

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of the words "...borderline...feels like I'm going to lose my mind...you just keep on pushing my love over the borderline..." cycling through their skull. Listening to the song at live music volume did nothing to deaden this maddening effect.

The dance floor, while not packed, contained a respectable number of students, many of which sported authentic clothing from the Day-Glo Decade.

The event's proximity to the Bear's Den Pub was another plus. Unlike the recent karaoke events, the stage was set up in the middle of the dining area so that patrons of the bar,

while certainly not in the front row could still enjoy both their

The show was suited for regular "I love the '80s" viewers and the poor souls who get '80s pop choruses stuck in their heads


beverages and the act without needing binoculars to see it.

The Reagonamics' performance was a part of '80s week, put on by Campus Activities Board.

Corrections

In the Feb. 12 edition of *The Maine Campus*, the title of MCA act Jonny Lang's newest album was incorrectly reported. Lang's most recent album is titled *Long Time Coming*. In the Feb. 9 edition of *The Maine Campus*, a list of spon-

sors for CAB's Around the World Late Night was given. The Latin American Student Organization was left off of that list. *The Maine Campus* strives to have an accurate and informative paper. If you notice that we have made an error, please contact the appropriate section editor.



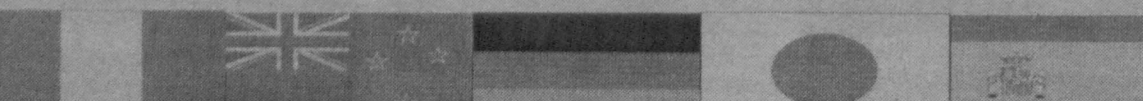
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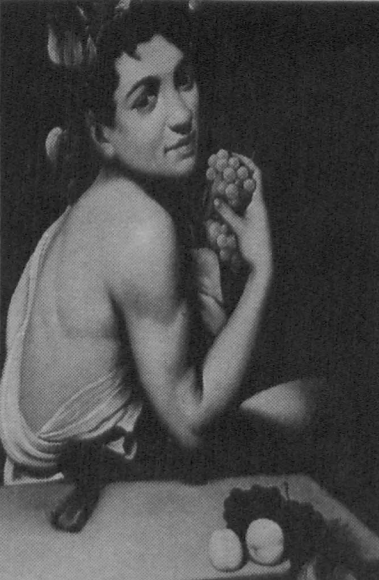


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UMaine DJs mix up Orono

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trying to play good music on a night so the college kids can come in and drink cheaply," he said.

For Sirois, the night is all about providing people with good music and a good, fun environment.

"It's to have a good time, as corny and cliché as that sounds," he said.

For Sirois, the biggest difference between the music featured at "Tablz Turnd" and elsewhere is the song selection.

"We get to play music that we like, old music, not shitty club music," Sirois said.

Sirois, a hip-hop fan since the age of 4, is all about playing "fun music" he thinks people enjoy.

Hart believes that people really flock to the Bear Brew when "Tablz Turnd" is featured.

"The response has been terrific, the Pub is packed, people are having a great time with some great music," Hart said.

Sirois says he realizes that while people enjoy hearing old-school hip-hop a few times a month, every week might be pushing it, which is why "Tablz Turnd" is only every other Thursday.

"The basic reason for that is so that it doesn't get stale," Sirois said.

One of Sirois' main goals is to keep the music fresh and fun.

"Tablz Turnd" also tries to attract people and provide a fun atmosphere by giving away prizes. Prizes have



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YOU SPIN ME ROUND, ROUND BABY — Jamar Croom, a.k.a. DJ Calibur, spins with DJ Food Stamp (not shown) at Tablz Turnd, an event that occurs every other Thursday at the Bear Brew Pub in Orono.

included Celtics Tickets, Old Town Canoes and Sugarloaf passes, among other things.

Through the music, cheap prices and prizes the Bear Brew tries to create a place for a clean, fun environment. Essentially, the purpose of the night is how Sirois described it: "It's to have a good time."

"Tablz Turnd" is featured

from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. every other Thursday night at the Bear Brew Pub. There is no cover charge and drink specials include \$1 12-ounce Bud, Bud Light and Bear Brew beers; \$1.25 pints of Bud, Bud Light and Bear Brew beers; \$2.50 16-ounce well-drinks, and other special prices on an assortment of drinks.

'Miracle' celebrates U.S. victory

From MIRACLE on page 12

death during the production. Regardless, the contribution of these people enables the goals, action, story and acting, to be dead-on accurate in its presentation of the events as they took place during the 1980 games. Russell shines brightly in his role as the coach of this team; from the Minnesota accent, to the coaching style, Russell's performance is as life-like as acting gets. All the hockey players are stellar in their performances, but special

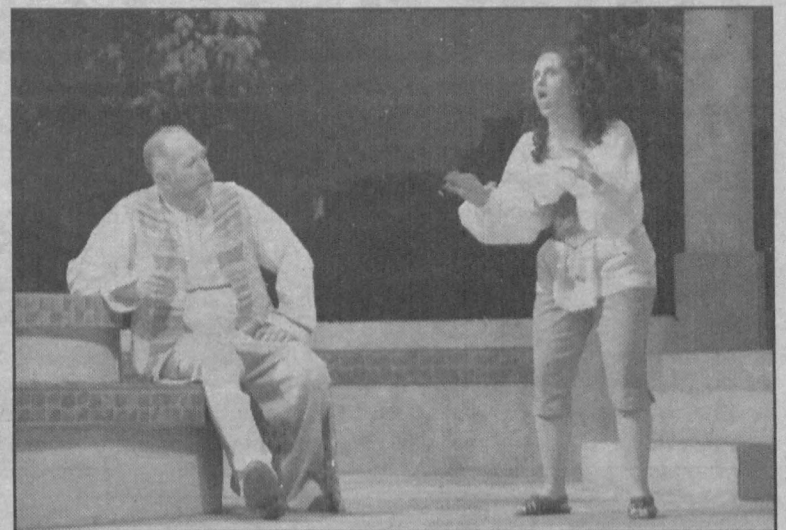
attention should be paid to Billy Schneider, the son of Buzz Schneider, who portrays

Mike Mantenuto, the former University of Maine hockey player, portrays Jack O'Callahan

his father in this film, Patrick O'Brien Demsey who perfectly plays the role Mike Eruzione, and Mike Mantenuto, the former University of Maine hockey player, who portrays Jack

O'Callahan.

While there are movies which are much more complex, much deeper and much more artistically valuable, "Miracle," aims to be a simple, but accurate, depiction of this remarkable event in the history of the Cold War. Director Gavin O'Connor succeeds admirably in meeting and surpassing these modest goals. "Miracle" is strongly recommended to all audiences and a hearty thank you is due to Disney for allowing such an exceptional film to be made.



CAMPUS PHOTO • SCOTT CAPARELLI

GAGGED — Beatrice, played by Kat Johnson, speaks to Leonato, played by Richard Crucher in the School of Performing Arts' production of Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing."

'Much Ado' brings Shakespeare to Hauck

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The night before the wedding, Don John's henchmen are apprehended by the time period's version of police for unusual activity in front of Leonato's house as they are discussing the plan just set for Claudio. However, it is too late, for at the wedding Claudio does not marry Hero. He instead shames her and tells why he will not marry her in front of everyone. The friar believes in Hero's innocence and proposes that Leonato announce that Hero has died from shock. The friar believes this will help Claudio remember his love for Hero. From there, things get crazier as love lives are twisted and antics are increased.

The acting in this play is spectacular, especially considering that it is a student production.

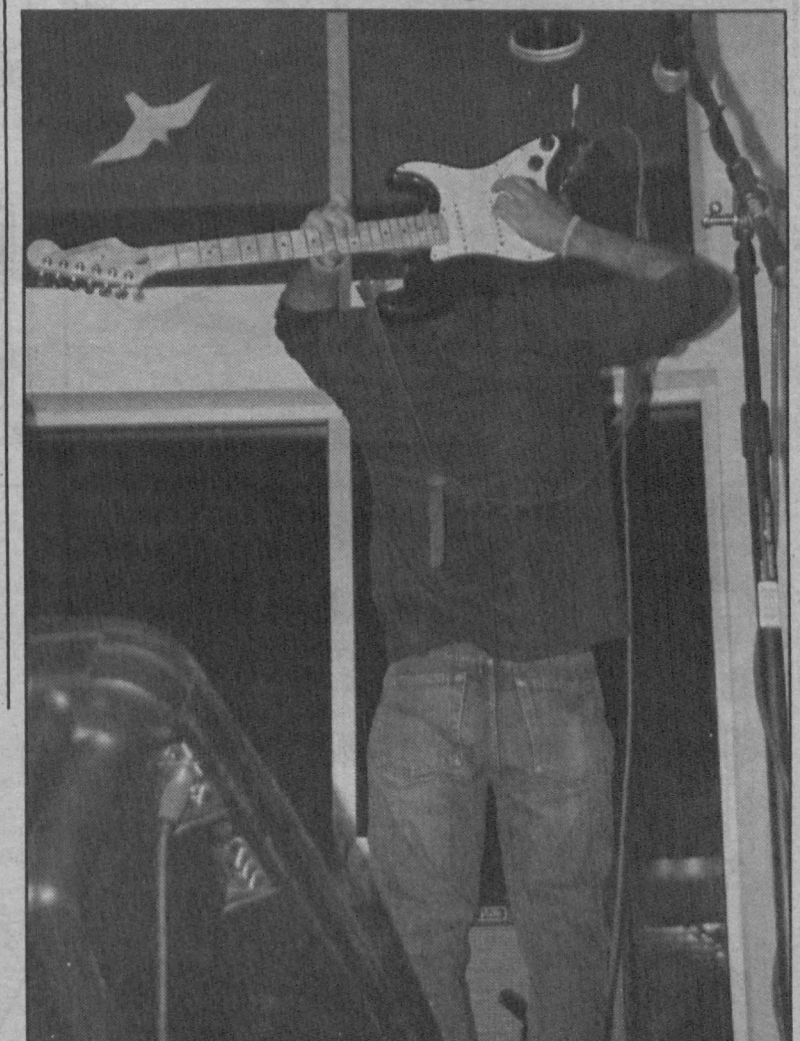
Professors and students came together to create a truly enjoyable and enticing experience for all in the audience to enjoy.

One aspect of the play that deserves special attention is the set. It is like something you would find at a small town in Greece. With beautiful lighting and even more impressive set structures, the audience is truly transported to the city of Messina.

For Shakespeare lovers, or even those who stray away from plays of this sort, SPA has truly captured something enjoyable that makes this play flow and entertain the audience from beginning to end.

"Much Ado About Nothing" is playing in Hauck Auditorium from Thursday, Feb. 19 to Saturday, Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, Feb. 22 at 2 p.m.

Back up



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Alexander Bartolomei of Sparkling Joint plays Jimmi Hendrix for the crowd at The Frequency on Thursday night.

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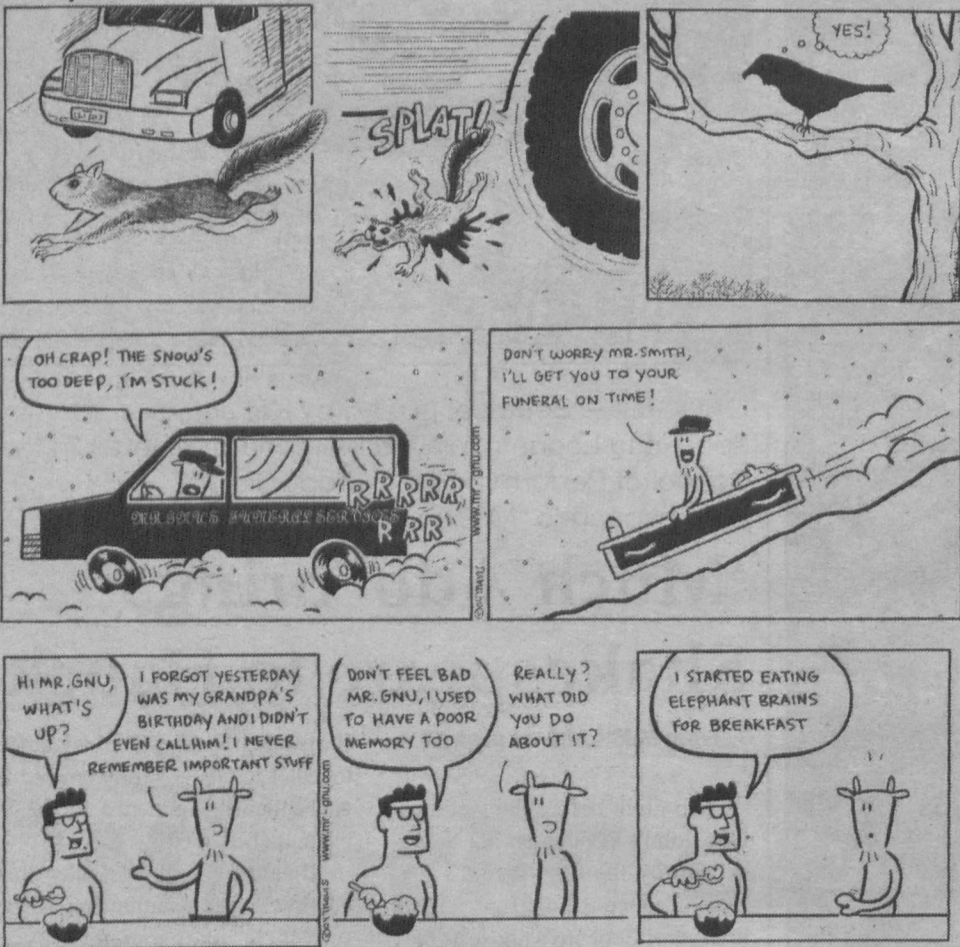
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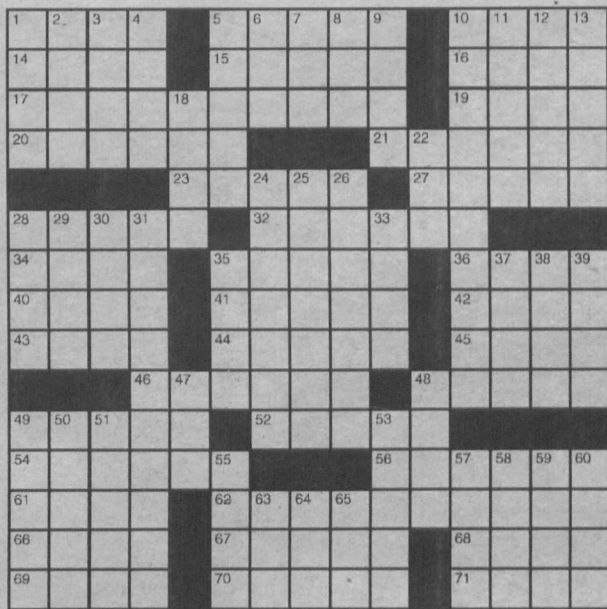


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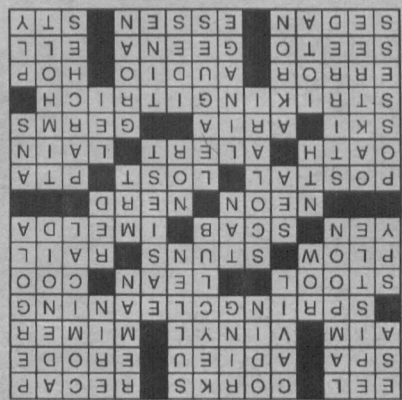
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SEX MATTERS

Don't forget the condom!

February 14-21 is National Condom Week, so I'd like to focus today's column on several questions I have received about condoms from college students around the country. Whether you go to college in Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana or elsewhere, I'd like you to take a moment to think about the issues related to condom use. Let me start off by saying that vows of abstinence break far more often than condoms. Having said that, I would like to point out the simple truth: For sexually active couples, condoms are the best means we have of preventing HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections. For a couple who is committed to having sexual intercourse and who has any concern regarding any of the STIs, latex condoms are the best means of preventing infection. Abstinence and a mutually faithful, monogamous relationship with an uninfected partner are even more effective, but if sexual intercourse is going to occur, whatever the reasons behind the decision, condoms are the best approach to preventing an infection.

For condoms to work, they must be used correctly and consistently. The following instructions will help ensure effective use.

- Use latex condoms every time you have sexual intercourse. This is the key to any kind of successful contraception.
- Use spermicide containing nonoxynol-9 with the condom. Foam and film are both easy to apply. Spermicide protects against pregnancy and a number of STIs.
- Do not put a condomless penis into a vagina or anus. Even if a man has great "control" there is always the possibility of accidents.
- Leave about a half-inch of space at the condom tip, and roll the condom all the way down to the base of the penis.
- Soon after ejaculation, the penis should be withdrawn. Make sure someone holds the base of the condom firmly against the penis as it is withdrawn.
- Do not reuse condoms.
- Keep condoms in a cool, dry and convenient place.

If you and your partner are uncomfortable with condom use, consider the following.

- Communication is crucial. It may seem "unromantic," but planning your contraception/STI protection strategy before you are sexually entangled is essential. Sex is too important to be left up to your genitals. Giving or getting a disease or worrying about pregnancy is about as unromantic as you can get. Explore your feelings together.

er. Share your knowledge. Consider visiting Cutler for information — together. Neither partner should be forced to use a form of birth control he or she is truly unhappy with. But the issue of protection must be dealt with by both of you.

- Don't forget your sense of humor and playfulness. Condoms can actually provide lots of laughs, and laughter and sex go well together. Fancy condoms — lubricated, ribbed, flavored, colored (have you seen the black "tuxedo condoms" for formal affairs?) — are popular for their entertainment value. Let yourself be entertained.
- Stand your ground. Unless you want to be pregnant or want to contract an STI, you need protection during sex. If your partner says "no" to using a condom, you can just tell them that none of your other partners have minded. If your partner cares about you, he'll want to use a condom. If he really is against wearing a condom, she can wear one. The female condom offers great protection from pregnancy and infection as well.

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Win marks milestone

Bears hold opponent under 40 points for first time this season

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with a 7-0 run and close to within two points of Maine's lead at the 4:30 minute mark. The Black Bears would close out the half with six straight baskets, giving them a 24-18 advantage at the half way mark of the contest.

With the opening whistle of the second half, Albany emerged from the locker room re-energized and possessing a new-found drive. The Great Danes were able to open the half with a 10-5 run, catapulting them only one point away from tying up the decision. Then after trailing for all but the opening minutes of the game, Albany was able to snatch its first lead of the day at 10:29 to grab a 30-29 advantage. The go-ahead basket came off the hands of freshman guard Jon Iati, who scored a team-high 12 points, on a fading 16-foot jumper from left of the lane.

After being held scoreless for almost seven minutes, Maine was able to regroup and strike back with eight unanswered points. The stretch of baskets was all the Black Bears would need to put themselves up for good. Notre Dame transfer Chris Markwood would begin the run after hauling down a loose rebound and putting the ball in the hoop. Hadjisotirov then sank a three-pointer from the top of the circle. Flavin, who added eight rebounds and three blocked shots, would cap off the streak of consecutive baskets by converting on an old fashion three-point play. The play pushed the Maine advantage to 37-30 with 4:22 left in the game. The Black Bears were able to put the finishing touches on their 10th conference victory of the year by closing out the game, with 12 free throws, ensuring the win.

For Maine the rather sluggish match was a milestone, marking the first time this season it had held an opponent to less than 40 points. It also stood as a season low for Albany, who was held to a season-low 36 points. The

Black Bears, who held the home team to 26.8 percent shooting, gave the Great Danes their lowest scoring total since 1973.

Albany's Aquawasi St. Hillaire tallied his fourth double-double of the year, while grabbing 10 points and hauling down 11 rebounds. In the decision, Maine would shoot a season low of 29.5 percent from the field, however it was enough to give the Black Bears their sixth win in as many games against Albany.

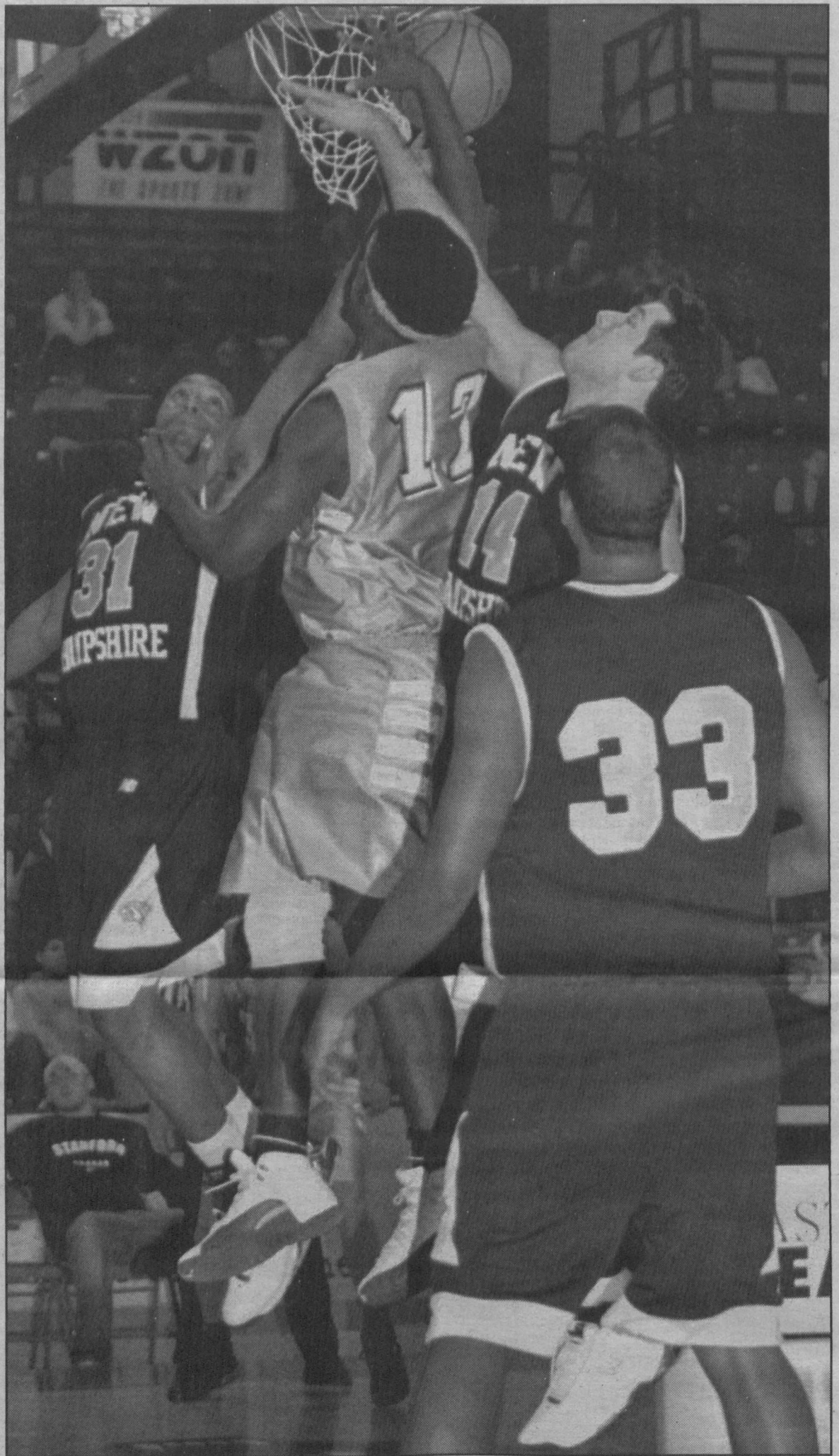
"Both teams did a good job on defense," St. Hillaire said.

St. Hillaire discussed his team's troubles with turnovers and scoring.

"We turned the ball over and struggled to put the ball in the basket when we had chance to take the game over in the second half," St. Hillaire said. "We don't have a lot of guys who can get their own shot, so we have to set good screens and look for each other."

Along with Petkus, Maine was able to get double digits from senior Flavin, who has continually been Maine's go to guy this season when all else fails. Flavin posted 10 points and grabbed eight rebounds off the glass. Standout Kevin Reed struggled much of the game on the offensive side, but was still able to contribute to the outcome by snatching eight decisive rebounds. Reed's ability to still make an impact on the game helps to show the Black Bears' ability to still contend when facing surmounting adversity.

Maine, who improved to 10-4 in conference play and 16-7 on the season, is set to face off against Boston University this Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Alford Arena, in the team's last home game of the season. The Black Bears are sitting in third place in the America East Standings, while the Terriers rest just above in second place. The Terriers, considered one of the best teams in the conference, promise to give the Black Bears their toughest challenge at home this year.



TANGLED NETS — Black Bear Eric Dobson fights for the rebound during last Wednesday's game against rival UNH. The team beat Albany Saturday 48-36, improving to 16-7 for the season.

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Howard sets career high with 40 saves

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chances that Frank Doyle stopped, but at 7:45, the Huskies tied the score.

After Mike Lundin lost the puck off his stick at the red line while trying to start a rush, Mike Morris swooped in to take it away, leading to a two-on-none breakaway. Morris held the puck until he got to the circles, where he passed off to Jason Guerrero, who one-timed the puck under Doyle. It was Guerrero's 16th goal on the year.

UMaine took over the flow of play again to start the third and were quickly rewarded with a four-on-four goal. Derek Damon fed the puck to Jeff Mushaluk at the right point. He slapped the puck into the air, where it was tipped and ended up in the goal. Gibson complained the UMaine had batted the puck in with a high stick, but the official ruled that the stick was that of a Northeastern player, allowing Mushaluk's goal to stand at 3:26 of the third period.

"I was just trying to get it to the net," Mushaluk said. "I don't know if it hit anything on the way there, but I'm glad it went in. That was a big goal for us."

It was Mushaluk's first point in eight games.

UMaine put the cap on the win when Todd Jackson streaked down the left wing, beating two backcheckers, and then fed Greg Moore for an easy one-timer goal at 8:50.

"It was a good effort tonight," UMaine coach Tim Whitehead said, "The team really stepped up. Mushaluk's goal was huge. Todd Jackson's play was great.

And Frank did a wonderful job for us in net."

Doyle made 30 saves in the win, while Gibson stopped 31 in the loss.

Saturday's game saw a lot of up-and-down action, with both teams getting chances. UMaine outshot Northeastern 13-12 in the opening frame, but Howard had to make the better saves.

In the second period, with Northeastern on the power play, Howard had to make what he said was his toughest save of the night.

"I stopped the first shot, and the rebound went right to [Trevor Reschny]," Howard said. "He went from his backhand to his forehand, I didn't think I was going to get over there in time, but I got a pad on it." Howard snared the shot in his glove to keep the game scoreless.

UMaine hit its first of two posts in the game later in the second. Gibson knocked aside a Colin Shields shot from the top of the right circle, but left a rebound for Michel Leveille in the left circle. Leveille beat Gibson with his rebound, but rang the shot of the post and the Huskies got the rebound out of trouble.

Gibson made a big save midway through the third period on Dustin Penner when as he tried to move it around a fallen Gibson, but he got his glove up to stop the shot from right low slot. A little later, Gibson got his right pad to a redirected shot by John Ronan. Gibson's save was just enough to deflect the puck off the post, keeping the game scoreless.

Howard made a brilliant save with just under four minutes left

on an Eric Ortlip one-timer from the left circle. Howard caught the puck out of the air.

Neither team got a legitimate chance in the overtime, and the game ended 0-0. It was UMaine's first scoreless tie since Jan. 5, 2001. Gibson made 32 saves for the Huskies, while Howard stopped a career-high 40 shots for Black Bears.

"I was just trying to take it one save at a time," Howard said. "I was seeing the puck real well. I didn't realize I had [40] saves. I was just focusing on each shot."

"Jimmy was excellent," Whitehead said. "Not only was he seeing the puck real well, but he was sponging up the rebounds as well."

"I'm not happy with the tie, to be honest," Whitehead said. "Any time you don't get two points, you're not happy. We had our chances, but we hit a couple posts. Their goalie played great and so did ours. The positive is we took three points out of the weekend on the road, which isn't easy in this league. The negative is that we gave away a chance to get another one, and points are important this late in the season in Hockey East."

The Black Bears are now 21-6-3 on the season and 12-4-2 in Hockey East. UMaine tied with UMass in second place in the league after the Minutemen dropped a pair of games to first-place Boston College. The Bears trail BC by five points in the Hockey East standings.

The Black Bears will play a two-game series with the Providence Friars this Friday and Saturday at Alford Arena.

UMaine pulls out win over Albany

By Matthew Conyers
Staff Writer

It is often said that the true mark of a good team is its uncanny ability to win when it has no business pulling off a victory. For the University of Maine men's basketball team, that type of victory came on Saturday afternoon, when the Black Bears earned a 48-36 victory against the Albany Great Danes.

Maine was able to overcome constant offensive struggles and shutdown the Albany scoring

Men's Basketball

attack en route to its fifth consecutive win. Junior guard Freddy Petkus, the Black Bears' resident sniper from behind the arc, would tally 12 points for the afternoon, leading Maine in the scoring department.

After the match Albany's head coach Will Brown commented on his team's success on the defensive side and their struggle on offense.

"This is tough to swallow when you give up 48 points and lose," said Will Brown, whose team has dropped three in a row and 10 of its last 11 games. "Maine did a solid job defensively, but we had plenty of easy opportunities. Even though we didn't execute, we still missed layups, second-chance shots and foul-line jumpers."

Both teams came out of the gates sluggish and unable to find the bottom of the net, until senior Eric Dobson tallied the first points nearly two minutes into the match. The start of the decision would be highlighted by a Black Bear offense that was able to combat any assault Albany tried at the basket. It was the opening five and half minutes that saw the Black Bears hold Albany scoreless, but more importantly showcase the best defense in the conference. Maine's frantic defense has continually caused many opponents' offenses to stall.

The Black Bears defense has held its competition to a dismal 61.3 points a game and an even more impressive .393 from the field. The Great Danes were finally able to crack the scoreboard 5:48 into the match when standout freshman guard John Iati was able to drain three points to pull Albany even at 3-3. Petkus would respond, giving the Black Bears' offense some life by nailing back-to-back three-point shots and launching Maine to a not-so impressive lead of 9-3, 10 minutes into the match. As the half progressed Maine got support on the offensive end from Ludmil Hadjisotirov and Chris Markwood. Both players would continue to add to the Black Bears' success from the three-point line, successfully making long-range baskets. Albany was able to counter late in the half

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Bears suffer bittersweet tie, loss in UNH series

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when senior forward Meagan Aarts tipped in Tristan Desmet's centered pass from the top of the crease with 5:18 remaining in the period. Cheryl White also picked up an assist on the power-play goal.

New Hampshire, 15-8-4, overall and 10-1-2 in Hockey East, tied the game in the second period at the 18:43 mark, when Shannon Clement scored a power-play goal. Rebecca Paul and Martine Garland assisted on the play.

Karen Droog got Maine back the lead with her short-handed goal at the 12:35 mark of the third period. Morgan Janusc assisted Droog, who went on a two-on-one rush and wristed one between New Hampshire goaltender Melissa Bourdon's pads.

With less than two minutes in regulation it appeared the Black Bears were on their way to their first win at home against the Wildcats, but New Hampshire had other plans when Sadie Wright-Ward tied the game at two when she scored a power play goal on Maine senior goaltender Lara Smart. Neither team could muster another goal in the rest of regulation and overtime.

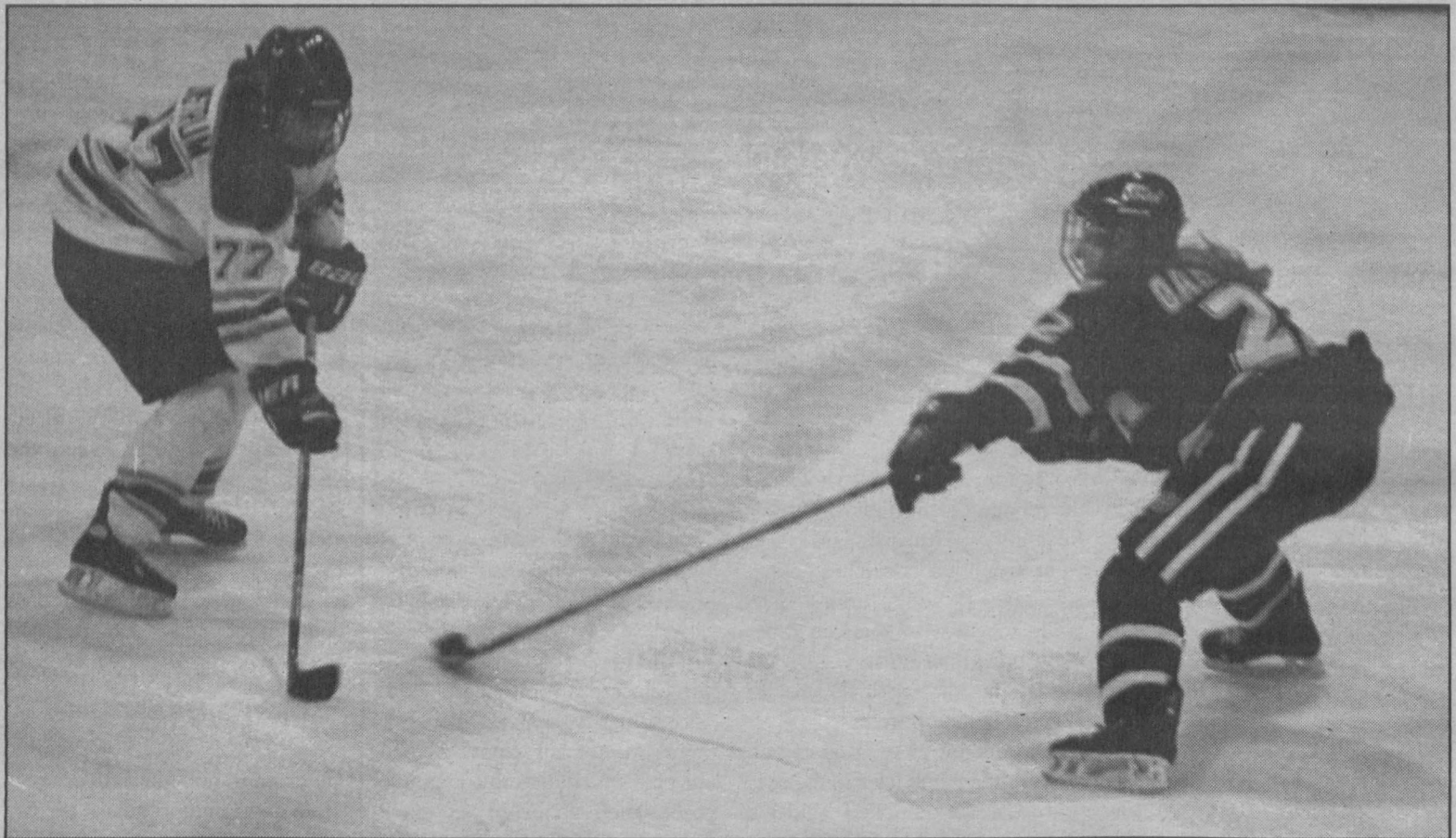
Smart made 26 saves in the contest, while Bourdon stopped 30 saves for the Wildcats.

In Friday's afternoon match-up, three goals in the span of 2:25 spelled doom for the Black Bears, as the Wildcats broke up a 2-2 tie in the third period to escape with the win.

The three goals came from Wright-Ward, Garland and Janine Goulet.

In the first period the Black Bears and Wildcats went back and forth with goals. Droog opened the scoring at the 12:17 mark of the first period when she scored on a rebound in front of Bourdon. Vicky Johnstone and Janusc assisted on the goal.

Just 18 seconds later New



GAME ON — First-year Black Bear Katie Sunstrum makes her move on the UNH goal during Friday's women's hockey game. UMaine lost one and tied another in the weekend series.

Hampshire responded when Jackie Wedster wristed one past Smart, tying the game at 1-1.

In the 15:47 mark of the second period Aarts scored on a breakaway goal with an assist from Desmet.

Once again the Wildcats responded in quick fashion as Carolyn Gordon tied the game with a slap shot with 2:01 left in the period.

"We were devastated in the fact that I really felt that mentally we let down just for three minutes," Filighera said. "For 47 minutes in the game we are 2-2 with one of the top teams in the country."

Smart made 27 saves for the Black Bears while Bourdon stopped 25 shots for the Wildcats.

"We played a little more aggressive [Saturday]," Filighera said. "Lara was great. I just thought she

played wonderful. I have nothing but positives to say about [Saturday's] game. [Friday's game] was a learning experience and I think we learned a lot as coaches, as people and players."

Next weekend the Black Bears go back on the road when they face Northeastern University in a battle of positioning in Hockey East. The following weekend the Black Bears return home for their final two games of the regular season as they host the Boston College Eagles.

"I like our team," Filighera said. "I like the way we play. I am very proud of the kids. I can't say enough about them. It is a wonderful day for us. We are going to get there. There were so many positives that I was seeing that I think we can parlay into moving forward into making the playoffs."



PILE UP — UMaine forward Sonia Corriveau crashes into first-year UNH goalie Melissa Bourdon during Friday's game.

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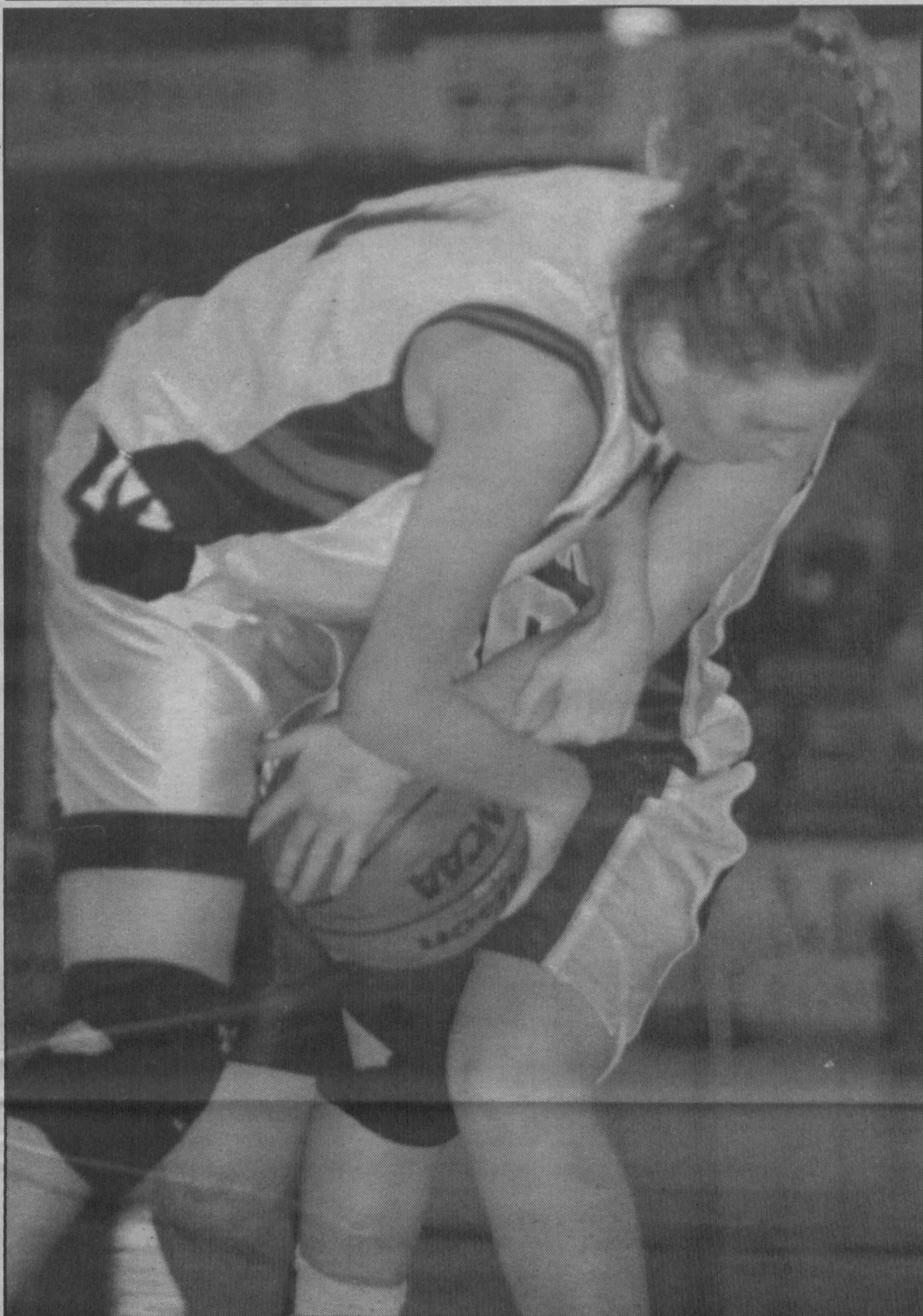
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MY BALL — Senior Heather Ernest fights an Albany player for possession of the ball at the basketball game Saturday in Alford Arena. During her first game back following an eye injury, Ernest chipped in 14 points en route to a 69-44 Black Bear win. The team remains unbeaten in America East.

UMaine wins on the road at UNH

By Riley Donovan
Staff Writer

DURHAM — The University of Maine women's basketball team took its 26 game conference winning streak on the road Wednesday night as it defeated the University of New Hampshire 63-50, increasing the streak to 27.

With last season's conference player of the year, senior forward Heather Ernest, on the bench, Maine looked for other players to step up. Junior forward Monica

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Clark scored seven points and played 20 minutes. With 3:18 left to play, Maine had stretched its lead to 22, New Hampshire would outscore Maine 11-2 down the stretch with Maine's starters on the bench. Ray Williams and Maren Matthias led New Hampshire in points with 10 each.

New Hampshire hit just four of 15 free throw attempts, just 26 percent. Maine, the best free-throw shooting team in the conference, hit 70 percent of its free throws.

New Hampshire lost its third straight game. Maine picked up another conference win to improve to 11-0 in the America East and 16-5 overall.

Heon's family and friends were on hand to cheer her on as she got her 1000th point.

"The win was much more important than my 1000th point," Heon said.

"She's always been the spirit of this team. She's the soul of this team," said head coach Sharon Versyp. "When she scores in double figures, we pretty much win every game. I'm extremely proud to be her coach and to share this ride with her. She shows her emotion. You can tell her presence on the floor."

Peterson played well in the low post in the absence of Ernest.

"I figured I had to do a little extra but I just went about the game as I normally would," Peterson said.

The team played well as a whole without its best player on the floor, scoring 63 points, just below its season average.

"Our team really played as a team," Versyp said. "We stepped up to the plate."

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Peterson answered the call with a double-double. Peterson's 13 points and 15 rebounds filled the hole in the post as Ernest sat out because of a swollen black eye.

Senior guard Melissa Heon scored the 1,000th point of her career as she came home to New Hampshire, where she played her high school career at Somersworth High School, and averaged nearly 20 points per game her senior year in high school. Heon had 12 points, but shot just four of 12 from the field. Senior Julie Veilleux also struggled from the field, shooting four of 16, but finished with 11 points and five rebounds. In the first half Veilleux had just one of 10 from the field.

Maine took a 6-0 lead and stretched it to a 13-point lead at one point, 20-7. New Hampshire never led, but cut the lead to 30-22 at halftime. Maine started the second half on a 7-0 run, and had a 39-22 lead until Maine's Danielle Clark hit a three to cut it to 14 with

Black Bear defensive pressure leads to 17 Albany turnovers

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1984-'88, who scored 2,153 points, and Ellis, 1981-'85, who scored 1,696 points. Former WNBA player Blodgett, who is well known and the all-time leading point scorer at Maine with 3,005, was not present. Blodgett played for the Black Bears from 1994-'98 and led her team to four straight NCAA appearances.

During the game Corbitt went on an eight-point scoring run from 15:58-14:51. She stole the ball and the show for a couple of minutes, with two three-point plays and a break-away lay-up.

"It was fun watching the Kimberly Corbitt show for those couple of minutes," Ernest joked.

Coach Sharon Versyp, although her team won easily, still saw things she did not like. Her team was out-rebounded and had trouble shooting in the first half, but still there were positive aspects in the game.

"I thought we handled them

"I thought we handled them defensively very well. I think our pressure hurt them with 17 turnovers."

defensively very well," Versyp said. "I think our pressure hurt them with 17 turnovers. We were able to get a lot of transi-

tion baskets and I think that was the key to our success."

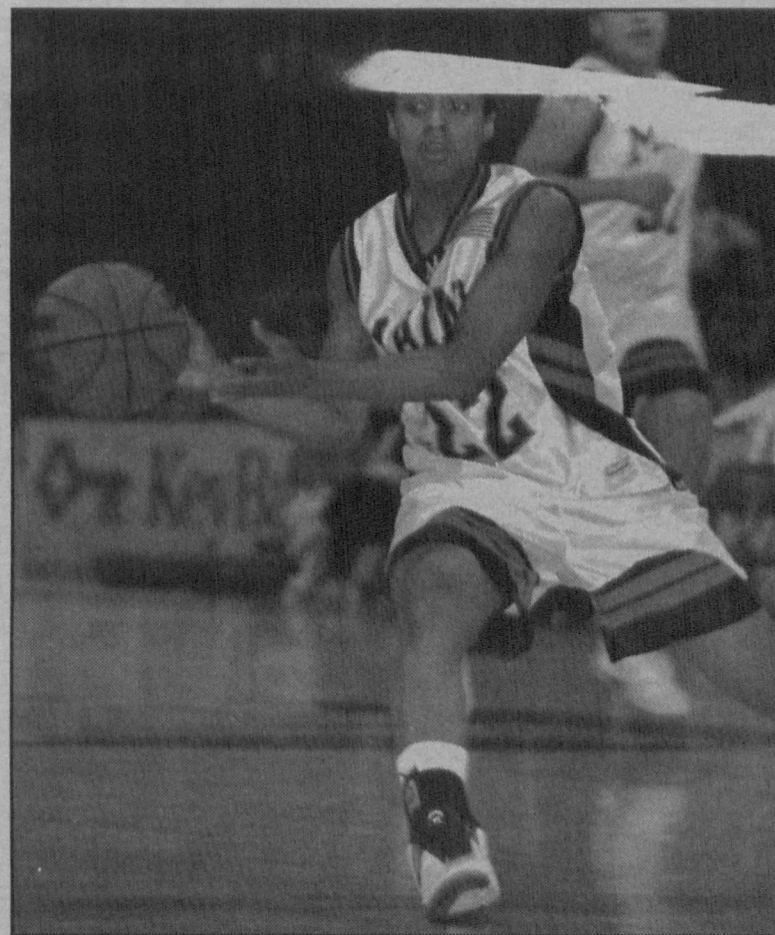
Ernest was aware of the rebounding trouble her team had in the first half. Maine was out-rebounded 25-16 in the first 20 minutes.

"In the first half our defense was pretty good, we just didn't box out," said Ernest. "They got a lot of offensive boards, and not everybody was boxing out the way we should so it was pretty frustrating to play 30 seconds of tough defense, maybe make them take a bad shot, and they would get another chance."

The defensive pressure was key.

"I don't think they played full court man as well as we did tonight," Versyp said.

Maine will travel to Boston on Wednesday night to play Boston University.



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GAME FACE — Junior guard Kim Corbitt looks to pass the ball at the Saturday night game versus Albany. Corbitt scored 12 points in the 69-44 win.

Defense leads Bears past Albany

UMaine improves to 12-0 in America East winning streak

By Riley Donovan
Staff Writer

The University of Maine women's basketball team put up perhaps its best defensive effort of the season and beat the Albany Great Danes Saturday night. The 69-44 win gave Maine its 12th straight victory, making the team 12-0 in the America East conference and 17-5 overall. Albany fell to 5-7 in conference play and 8-13 overall.

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Before the game senior

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guard Melissa Heon was honored at center court with a game ball from the previous game, when she tallied the 1000th point of her career.

Heon did not get off to a great start in the first half, shooting one for eight from the field with just three points. Heather Ernest returned to action after missing the game at the University of New Hampshire because of a swollen eye. Ernest scored a game-high 14 points, 12 of which came in the first half.

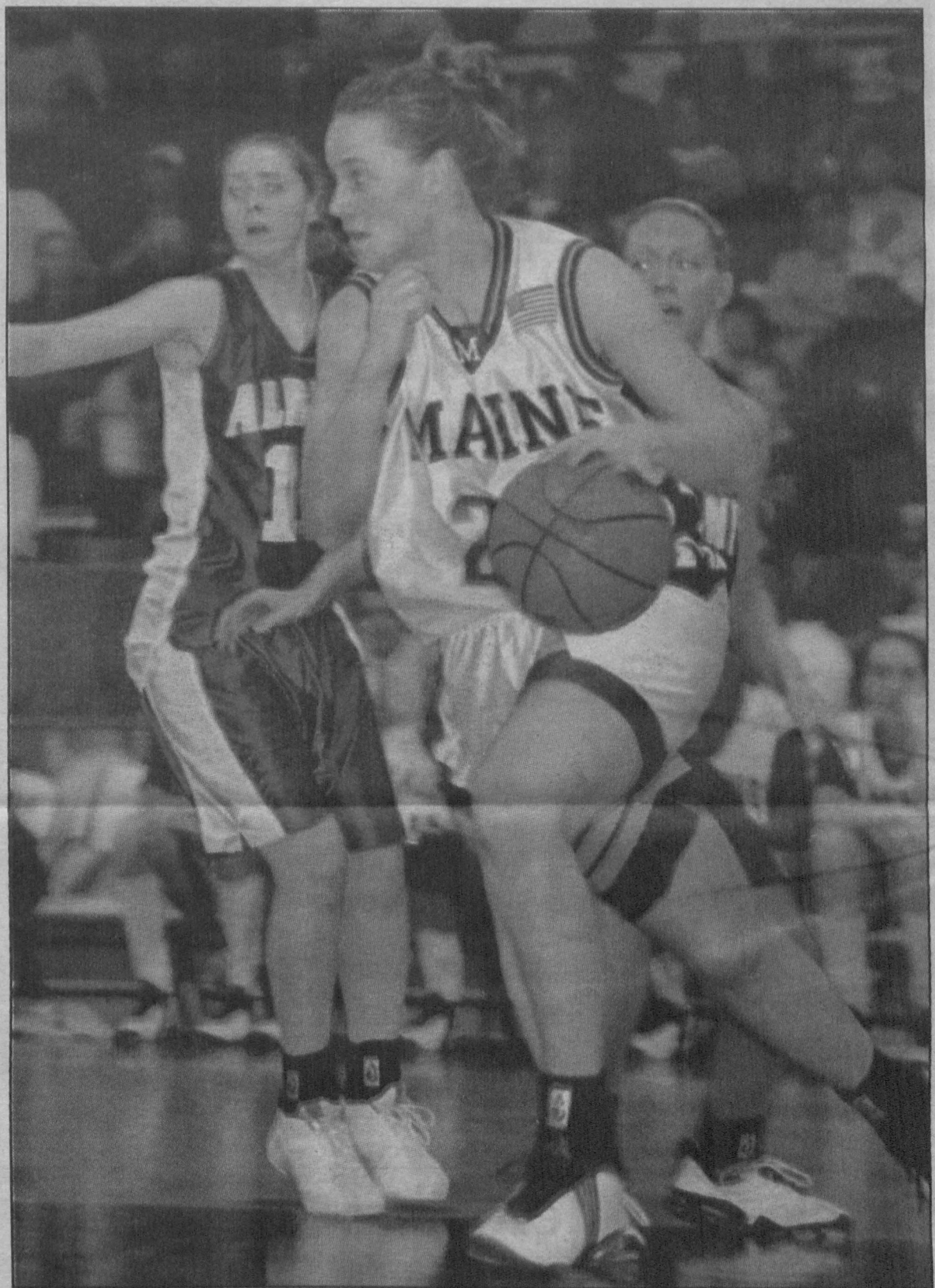
While Maine had a slight lead for much of the first 10 minutes of play, Albany stayed right with them. About halfway through the first half Maine started to press, which slowed down Albany's momentum. Maine could not make a run in the first half, because the Great Danes matched the Bears basket for basket. With 3:07 remaining in the first half, a

three-pointer by Jen Schumacher of Albany tied the game at 18. Maine could not get much going in the first half. Aside from Ernest hitting most of her shots, the only other bright spot for Maine in the first half was freshman guard Ashley Underwood. Underwood hit three three-point baskets, scoring 11 points on the game, to tie her career high at Maine. Underwood's three pointers were huge for Maine and allowed her team to go in to the locker room at halftime with a 28-24 lead.

In the second half Maine would keep up its defensive pressure holding the Great Danes to 20 second-half points. Maine also had a surge on offense. Kim Corbitt had 12 points for the game, 10 coming in the second half. Slowly Maine's lead had begun to grow and it had grown to 10, 49-39 with 8:04 still to play. Maine then went on a 13-3 run over the next four minutes to give the Black Bears a 20-point lead, 62-42. During the last 10 minutes, Maine allowed just seven points and took a 25-point lead to earn another win.

Halftime featured the retiring of the numbers of women's basketball greats Cindy Blodgett, Rachel Bouchard, Liz Coffin and Emily Ellis. Bouchard, who played for Maine from 1987-'91 and scored 2,405 career points, was joined on the court by Coffin,

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CAMPUS PHOTO • ANNA-MARIA EASLEY

DRIVING THE LANE — Black Bear Julie Veilleux drives the net Saturday night in the Alford Arena, en route to a 69-44 win over Albany. UMaine improved to 17-5 overall and an undefeated 12-0 in America East.

Bears take three points in Boston Howard nets 40 saves in Saturday's scoreless tie

By Jeff Mannix
Staff Writer

BOSTON — The third-ranked University of Maine men's ice hockey team had a hard-fought weekend series at Matthews Arena against the last-place team in Hockey East, the Northeastern Huskies. The Black Bears used a strong third period to win Friday's game 3-1, but continued to struggle offensively on Saturday night, held scoreless for

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the third time in the last five Saturdays, in a game that included an exceptional performance by Jimmy Howard, which led to a scoreless tie.

Friday's game was a battle from the start. Strong skating led

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to an even game for the first few minutes, but UMaine took over later in the period. The Black Bears could not get on the board, though, thanks to some big saves by junior Keni Gibson. It would take a second period power play for UMaine to get on the board.

Late in a power play, Prestin

Ryan took a slapshot from the right point through traffic that was stopped by Gibson. Gibson was out of his crease when he made the save and tried to scramble into a pile to get the puck. He was unsuccessful, and the pile fell on top of him, leaving Mike Hamilton to poke the rebound into the open net at 5:39 to give the Black Bears the lead.

That lead was short lived, as Northeastern got a lot of jump after the goal, and started to take the play to the Black Bears. Northeastern had some quick

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UMaine ties, drops game in UNH series

By Matt Hritz
For *The Maine Campus*

The University of Maine women's hockey team came away this weekend earning its first ever point at home against the University of New Hampshire with a 2-2 tie on Saturday, as well as suffering a 5-2 loss on Friday.

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"It is a bitter-sweet point because the two would have been much better for us," Maine head coach Rick Filighera

said. "I will tell you that I am so proud of my kids. We've had a tough time over the past few weekends. We are playing really tight with the best teams who are battling and yesterday we had the same two

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periods as we did today. The difference today is I thought we took it to them in the third period."

In Saturday's noon match up, the Black Bears, 8-13-4 overall and 5-7-2 in Hockey East, took the lead first

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