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# THE MAINE CRAPUS

A THORN IN THE ADMINISTRATION'S SIDE SINCE 1875

This one is for  
your grandmother,  
Collin Grady.



## Hoff: 'Please park on my front lawn'

### President donates house for new residents, visitor parking facility

By Matt Shaer  
Editor in Chief

Bowing to pressure from a University of Maine System committee on internal affairs, UMaine Orono President Peter S. Hoff announced yesterday that he would hand over his on-campus house and the surrounding property for use as a large resident parking lot, which he said would serve the Balentine, Penobscot, Estabrooke and Stodder dormitories.

The move comes just days before a committee on the parking crunch, led by UMS Vice Chancellor Elsa Nunez, was set to release their findings to the public.

"The buck stops here," Hoff said in a press release. "As the president of UMaine, I felt strongly that it was time to put my money where



Hoff

my mouth was and make a real effort to do something about one of the biggest problems I can see on campus." Included in the press release was a diagram of the lot and a building schedule, which sets a completion date for early 2006. Hoff's house, which he shares with his wife, faculty member Dianne Hoff, would be knocked down in late August, giving the

Hoffs enough time to move furniture and the many historic pieces housed in the property to a temporary holding facility.

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CRAPUS PHOTO • AARON GOT SKILLZ

PARK IT — President Hoff's house will soon be demolished and replaced with resident and visitor parking lot following an announcement Wednesday.

## Cutler set to deliver new services for area needy

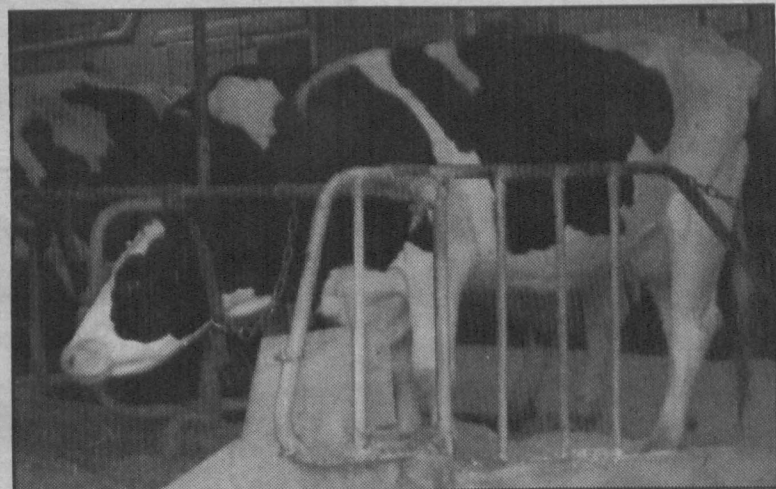
By Kristin Saunders  
Sports Editor

University of Maine students unimpressed with their bodies will soon be able to make the world a more beautiful place through Cutler Health Center's future Jackson Family Center for Plastic Surgery.

The Jackson Family Center for Plastic Surgery plans to embrace a revolutionary practice. In a study released Tuesday by Cutler Health Center, the Jackson Family Center for Plastic Surgery will offer plastic surgeries for students to resemble their favorite '80s stars.

"This center is going to be able to provide the rather bland UMaine student body with the opportunities of those in Beverly Hills," said Dr. Mark Jackson, Cutler Health Center director.

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FILE PHOTO

MOO — Witter Farm is preparing to donate some of its livestock to the biology department for research.

## Witter donates livestock for experimental research

By Jackie Farwell  
News Editor

In a groundbreaking new collaboration, the University of Maine's biology department will conduct research at Witter Farm in an effort to test the effects of a new drug.

"Basically, we needed some test subjects and the cows and horses were right here," said William Englehart, a biology professor who is conducting the study. "We're very glad, and a lit-

tle surprised, that the folks here at Witter have been so cooperative."

While Englehart has declined to share details of the study or the new drug being tested, citing concerns about "experiment contamination," Witter employees remain excited about the barn's new visitors.

"We're really happy to be able to help out another department like this," said Sandy Stewart, a first-year animal sciences major

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## Students poisoned by commons food

By Aaron Skilling  
Asst. Production Manager

University of Maine students Christopher Hanlon and Justin Peters weren't expecting gourmet cuisine when they ate dinner at Stewart Commons on Wednesday, but they also weren't expecting to eat dessert in the emergency room at Eastern Maine Medical Center.

Hanlon, a third-year women's studies major, was rushed to EMMC after he collapsed in the dining room at Stewart Commons at approximately 7 p.m. Peters, also a third-year student, became ill while accompanying his friend to the hospital. Both students are expected to recover fully and were resting comfortably in the hospital as of press time Wednesday.

Officials believe rat poison that was stored above cooking surfaces at Stewart Commons is to blame. Katelyn Smith, spokeswoman for the Maine Bureau of Health, addressed university officials and families of the victims at an early morning press conference Thursday.

"Blood tests reveal the presence

of a compound called Brodifacoum Technical — the active ingredient in Talon-G, a potent rat poison," Smith said. "Traces of this chemical were also found in pepperoni pizza being stored in the rotating pizza warmer."

According to Hanlon's mother, Alyssa, both Peters and her son

**"I don't want my last dinner to be at Stewart Commons."**

consumed pepperoni pizza for dinner Wednesday.

"We are shocked by this apparent poisoning. The boys told us horror stories of the food at Stewart Commons, but we didn't believe them until now," Hanlon's mother said.

Noel March, chief of UMaine Public Safety, said his officers are working closely with Maine Bureau of Health investigators to

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*Submissions for The Maine Crapus Community Calendar are relatively inexpensive, and can be sent on FirstClass to Rick Redmond, or dropped off in The Maine Crapus office located in the basement of Memorial Union. Please include all the important information about your event and be sure to ask yourself "Does Rick really care about this?" Because if he doesn't, he won't put it in. Chances are no one cares about your trivial event anyway. Deadlines for submissions are 9 a.m. Sunday for Monday publication and 9 a.m. Wednesday for Thursday publication.*

#### Thursday, April 1

- Wilde Stein will hold a lecture "Why Gay Marriage is Wrong," at 4 p.m. in the Bangor Room of Memorial Union.
- The Student Women's Association will hold a workshop called "Your Clitoris and You," at 6 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge of Memorial Union. E-mail Kassie Merrill on FirstClass for information.
- There will be a "Poke Bellini" night at 7 p.m. in the Marketplace of Memorial Union. Enjoy a night of poking a fat man in a small towel. This event is sponsored by Campus Activities and Events.

• The UMaine Forensics team doesn't actually do "forensics" but will hold a "CSI Night" in an effort to promote their group and self-serving captain. The event will be held at 8 p.m. in 100 DPC. E-mail Kyle Webster on FirstClass for information.

• The Pagan Student Association will hold a cross burning party from 8-10 p.m. on the lawn of the Wilson Center on College Ave.

• President and Dianne Hoff will hold a "Headmasters & Schoolgirls Party" from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the president's house. This is a

theme party so bring a date and dress to impress. Free booze!

#### Ongoing

• MaineBound will never again hold a belay seminar because nobody knows what belay means.

• Campus Crusade for Christ will not cover up its creationism lecture this year by calling it something else, like "Intelligent Design."

• Student Senate meetings will now be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday evening at Number 10 North Main in Old Town. Bring your own brandy. Buckets of fun for everyone!

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## Intelligent Design Challenges Evolutionary Theory



Dr. Paul A. Nelson received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in Philosophy (1998). His forthcoming monograph, *On Common Descent*, critically evaluates the theory of common descent, and is being edited for the series *Evolutionary Monographs*. Paul is a member of the Society for Developmental Biology, and the International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology.

Wednesday April 7, 2004  
7:30 pm, 101 Neville Hall  
Lecture & Discussion

Inviting the campus to dialogue: *Campus Crusade for Christ, Lifelines, Comprehensive Fee, and Student Government*

# Senators pick brains, noses at recent meeting

## Debate rages over VP's new haircut, other important 'stuff'

By Tracy Collins  
Production Manager  
and Rick Redmond  
Asst. News Editor

Absolutely nothing happened at Tuesday's meeting of the General Student Senate. During the first six hours of the session, the members in attendance sat there and stared at each other, and after a brief break in which Sen. Dan O'Brien told a story that everyone pretended to listen to, the session reconvened and there was group nose-picking followed by Duck-Duck-Goose and a nervous-twitch contest, in which President Cortlynn Hepler was the victor.

"[Something unimportant and probably poorly phrased]," said Ross Bartlett, vice president for financial

affairs, during his executive report. "[Something else unrelated to anything of consequence, and also something about something no one cares about]." Bartlett then asked the members of the senate to please call him by his alias, Doogie Howser, for the remainder of the meeting.

During vice president for Student Entertainment Kate Trinward's executive report, she announced her plan to take over the responsibilities of Bumstock chair following a mud-wrestling match with current chair, Erin Smith.

"I know I can take that bitch," Trinward said. "It will be fabulous, trust me."

The rest of Trinward's report consisted of a motion to get the members of the senate to finally decide if

they like her new haircut. The motion was tabled.

Kyle Cyr, vice president for student affairs, announced that the investigation into moles within the organization was concluded.

"It has been determined that Sarah Bigney is, in fact, an employee of *The Maine Campus*," Cyr said. "She has been given the choice to resign or be burned at the stake." Bigney later resigned.

The General Good and Welfare section of the meeting consisted of head-scratching and finger-picking, and although Sen. Kate O'Brien opened her mouth for what promised to be an exhilarating statement, nothing more escaped her lips but an ape-like grunt followed by soft-

er grumbling noises as she rocked back and forth in her chair and reapplied her lip gloss.

During the new business section of the meeting, Erik Black announced some of his new ideas he would like to see implemented during his short stay as president of the senate.

"We are going to start doing stuff soon," said Black, who was recently appointed president of the senate after Justin Brown abruptly and irresponsibly left his position for reasons that were probably childish. "And by stuff, I mean really important stuff, like getting students to care about us and getting some quotes on new office furniture."

Sen. Jesse Davis introduced a resolution to add the following

mandatory items to the GSS dress code: leather chaps, fishnet stockings, f\*ck-me boots, chains and black nail polish.

"I think it's all about originality man," Davis said. "That's why we should all wear the same thing."

After the meeting, former Sen. Matthew Desmond sat in Union Central to ponder the events of the past few hours of his life. He stared blankly for about a minute and a half, and then went home.

The next meeting of the General Student Senate will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 6, in the basement of Memorial Union. All are welcome to attend and count how many times Sen. Kate O'Brien crosses and uncrosses her legs.



CRAPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BREWER

NO FACE — Sen. Kate O'Brien participates in a debate about the new haircut of Kate Trinward, vice president of Stupid Entertainment. O'Brien said the new do made Trinward "look, like, totally cuter."



CRAPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BREWER

BORED STIFF — Matt Desmond and his unidentified fraternity brother react to statements made at a recent GSS meeting. Desmond is a former senator.

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## Mudslinging leads to forum shutdown

By Chelsea Cheney  
For The Maine Crapus

The Student Forum was shut down this week after a barrage of personal attacks and off-topic bickering forced conference moderators to cut the campus community off.

The forum, a popular message board on the University of Maine's intranet e-mail system FirstClass, receives an average of 3,000 posts every day. The forum's purpose is to "facilitate student discussions about UMaine student life and events," according to the moderator of the forum.

The conference purpose also states that "posts to the conference should pertain to happenings on the UMaine campus or issues directly related to student life. The conference should not be used for personal discussions, personal attacks, solicitation, slander or libel."

After receiving hundreds of e-mails to the forum under the forbidden categories listed above this week, conference moderators said they had no choice but to shut the message board down.

"It was just getting out of hand," conference moderator Jayson E. Schmeigal said Wednesday. "I was cutting classes just to have time to move everything to the off-topic folder."

The problems began Monday morning when UMaine student Condie Flaherty posted a message

seeking buyers for his 1988 Ford Chevy.

"She doesn't really run, but good for parts. Asking \$100 OBO," Flaherty wrote.

Twenty people immediately replied to the post, condemning Flaherty for soliciting on the forum.

"There's a wanted/for sale folder on FirstClass," forum regular Calamity B. Wendell wrote. "Stop bothering us in here."

Posts like Wendell's were then attacked by students defending Flaherty's right to freedom of speech.

"This is America, Calamity," forum regular Chris Smythe wrote in response to Wendell. "Get a clue."

FirstClass history shows Wendell read Smythe's message at 5:32 p.m. Monday but did not reply for almost four hours, during which time Smythe wanted to know what the "silent treatment" was for.

Lurkers of the forum (who wish to remain anonymous) told this reporter there were a lot of emotions running high during the arguments. They say they're glad the moderators are trying to get a handle on things, but hope the forum will be up and running again soon.

"It's really the best form of entertainment on campus," one lurker said.

Conference moderators said the forum should be up again later today, but cautioned posters to stay on topic from now on.

## Plastic surgery offered at Cutler

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Through a private donation from the Neverland Foundation, the center is expected to be completed in the fall of 2004. The Neverland Foundation was established by Michael Jackson prior to his legal troubles. It has been alleged that the foundation was established to shield part of Jackson's nest egg from victims' settlements or civil trial retribution.

"The University of Maine was the perfect choice for the Neverland Foundation to donate funds to create the Jackson Family Center for Plastic Surgery," said chairman Gary Coleman. "With the harsh, cold Maine winters we think the students might need a little pick me up, and a little plastic surgery to look like their favorite '80s stars is just the ticket."

The study noted the recent phenomenon of young adults vying for plastic surgery to look like their favorite celebrities.

"The '80s were such a great time for Mike and me, we thought we would recreate it for everyone," Coleman said.

The Neverland Foundation study plans to establish five of



the Jackson Family Centers for Plastic Surgery at college campuses across the country. The study said UMaine was chosen in part to the "still ever-present mullet" throughout the state.

Coleman said there will be group rates for students who wish to make themselves into the '80s favorite Corys — Cory Feldman and Cory Haim. Coleman said the center will have established wholesale prices for surgeries to look like the Corys, Boy George, Cyndi Lauper, Molly Ringwald, Axel Rose, Don Johnson, Rick James and Rhea Perlman. Students will be able to recreate any '80s star, but most provide doctors with a photo and are subject to slightly higher rates.

"What you talking about, everyone loves the Corys," Coleman said.

Like all of Cutler's services, students will be able to bill their plastic surgery to their student accounts. If a student has remaining funds from grants, scholarships or loans credited in the account, the patients will be able to help pay for their surgeries.

"No one ever said a scholarship was only for education," Coleman said.

As part of the Neverland Foundation, students will be able to take advantage of attending a research-based university with a plastic surgery center. Work study positions will be available for students who have available time and would like to pursue careers in plastic surgery.

"Cutler Health Center prides itself on teaching students about careers in medicine," Jackson said. "Thanks to the Jackson Family Center for Plastic Surgery any UMaine student who wants to learn how to slice and dice to create an '80s celebrity, they can. This center will offer opportunities for all students, the book worms to the ones who want bigger breasts."

## President's house to become parking lot

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Joe Carr, a spokesman for UMaine, said the Hoff's would be relocated to Bangor until a house closer to campus could be found.

The family has lived in its current home, located across from Alumni Hall, since Hoff assumed

the presidency at UMaine five years ago.

Hoff had previously promised to effect change in the parking crunch, which hit the campus hard this year, but had accomplished little besides the opening of a pair of perimeter lots. Nunez opened the committee in early March to help speed the process along.

"We felt that change was possible in the parking situation," Nunez said yesterday afternoon. "We assembled a team of hand-picked building specialists and a few members of the board [of trustees] with the hope of easing the problem before the fall semester."

Although Nunez is not scheduled to release the findings of the committee until early next week, she speculated that Hoff might have been tipped off by a board member and issued the release to preempt any action by the board.

"This was not a top-secret project," she said. "The process was fairly open, and although Peter was not directly involved in the selection or hearing procedure, he has friends and associates who were privy to the minutes of our meet-

ings."

Pressed for comment this morning, Hoff said that he had, in fact, not acted in self-defense, but in the interest of the welfare of the general student population.

"Elsa and I are good friends," he said. "I'm confident that the committee's decision would have been just. But my decision to hand over the land for the parking lot has nothing to do with the committee. I am acting, and have always acted, in the best interest of UMaine."

Nunez refused to comment on whether the committee's decision will, or would, include the parceling of the president's house.

"This is all speculation," she said. "Everyone should wait for the report."

Carr said the proposed parking lot, which has been contracted to K.M. Kennedy and Brothers, a company out of Waterville, for an undisclosed sum, would include 100 resident spots, 10 handicapped spots and eight visitor spots, and would help relieve a lot of the crunch felt on that side of campus.

"It's good news for parking," he said. "Finally."

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# WORD of mouth

## What would you change about *The Maine Campus*?



**"Stop being so conservative. Shorter skirts and more low-cut shirts."**

Kristin Saunders  
Of questionable moral character



**"More of Marshall's mom on production nights."**

Dicky Redmond  
Likes older women and cats



**"They should work harder."**

Tracy Collins  
Isn't she just cunnin'?



**"The Maine Campus? Is that the yearbook?"**

Kyle Webster  
Currently serving hard time and enjoying it



**"This papah ain't fit for me to pee on."**

Matt Shaer  
Likes to mark his territory



**"Fewer racist columns."**

Marshall Dury  
Future master and commander



**"Less grammer n' speling mistax."**

Julia Hall  
Hooked on phonics worked for her



**"The staff is too damn hott."**

Jackie Farwell  
Doesn't play a'-hate, plays along

# Witter donates livestock for testing of new drug

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and Witter employee. "I'm sure Angus, that's my cow, will be really great. He's so good with people, and I heard this new drug they're testing is for little kids who have cancer, so it's for a really great cause."

Englehart wouldn't confirm the rumor, saying only, "Oh man, we would have loved to test this on kids. But they have laws about those things."

Englehart has been with UMaine's biology department since 2000, having previously worked in the commercial sector for companies including Revlon cosmetics and Elmer's Glue. He was recently awarded the university's "Excellence in Experimental Research" distinction for his work with area homeless, an honor that was well deserved, according to UMaine

President Peter S. Hoff.

"Dr. Englehart's research has led to some great learning opportunities at the University of Maine, and his new project will really make some progress in streamlining the Witter Farm animal population," Hoff said. "I'm confident it will bring in significant corporate donations that may be used for a new scholarship fund for low-income students, or maybe another building or some hockey uniforms."

Biology students visited the farm Tuesday and began setting up equipment, including petri dishes, syringes and shovels, which the students used to dig large holes in a nearby field.

"The holes are for the bodies," said second-year biology student Jenny Harrison. "I mean the antibodies, we have to store them in a cool, dry place."

Sarah Strout, a third-year ani-

mal sciences major, stood with her horse while the biology students set up some electrical equipment.

"I don't know much about science, but they look like they know what they're doing. I just wish they would let us observe the testing, but they said it's against the scientific method or something," Strout said. "I just hope Pockets behaves himself, he doesn't like strangers. Do you Pockets?"

All Witter employees and media representatives were asked to leave the farm before testing began Tuesday.

"We really can't afford to compromise the testing," Englehart said. "It's really a matter of particulate contaminatory flagella, with a probability of microbacterial photosynthetic mitochondriatic amoebas. So I'll have to ask everyone to leave."

# Students poisoned at Commons

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uncover the source of the chemical. "At this time, we have no reason to believe that the alleged poisoning was intentional, but we plan to have all evidence gathered in time for breakfast Thursday morning," March said.

"There haven't been any other students to come forward with the symptoms experienced by Hanlon and Peters, so we believe this is an isolated incident," said Morgan Moores, a student nurse at Cutler Health Center.

Health center officials are asking students to come forward if they have experienced headaches, stomach pain and nausea and have eaten at Stewart Commons since

Tuesday. "It's important for us to know if more food items at Stewart were affected," Moores said.

Maine Bureau of Health officials say the chemical found in the pizza is sufficient evidence to assume that rat poison is to blame. An unannounced inspection of Stewart Commons occurred late Wednesday, revealing the hazardous placement of the rat poison as well as other cleaning chemicals.

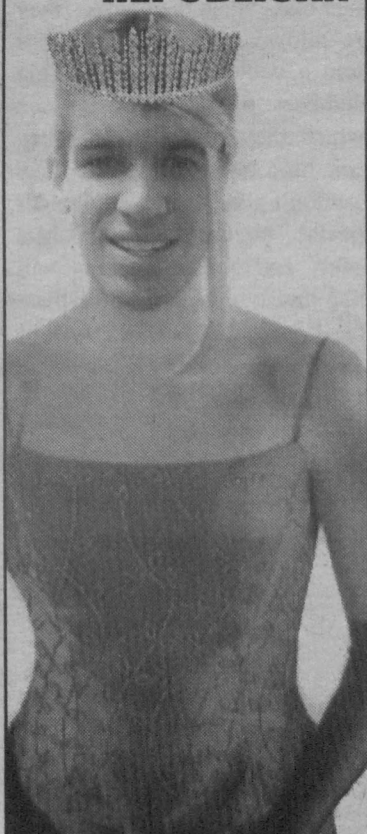
"This is negligent on the part of Stewart Commons directors. You just don't store dangerous chemicals over food-preparation space," Smith said. Smith said the box of poison may have been knocked off the overhead shelf and spilled into the pizza dough.

Smith said during the inspection of the commons, rat droppings and large roaches were discovered in the kitchen.

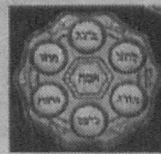
"UM Dining Services will be fined for the uncleanness of the kitchen and will be inspected regularly during a six-month probation period. This is just the tip of the iceberg though, depending on the outcome of the investigation," Smith said. Matthew Morrill, interim director of UM Dining Services, refused to comment.

"I used to worry about eating there before this incident. I don't think I have the stomach to set foot in that place ever again. I don't want my last dinner to be at Stewart Commons," said Travis Frye, third-year business major.

## VOTE REPUBLICAN



## Hillel Passover Seder!



Who: Everyone is welcome!

When: Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>  
@ 5:30-8:00 pm

Where: Wells Commons,  
Private Dining Room

Cost:

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Students w/o meal plan - \$7  
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Space is limited! Please RSVP by April 2<sup>nd</sup>, before time or space runs out! Also, let us know about any dietary needs (i.e.: vegetarian).  
Email Tabitha Shore on First Class to RSVP or w/any questions.

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## EDITORIAL

### Ugly McUggles

Ugly people. Where do they all come from? We here at *The Maine Crapus* sure don't know, but we do know that the University of Maine has far too many of them. Take a look around the classroom. Memorial Union. God, they sure are ugly, huh? You're damn right. Time to take action.

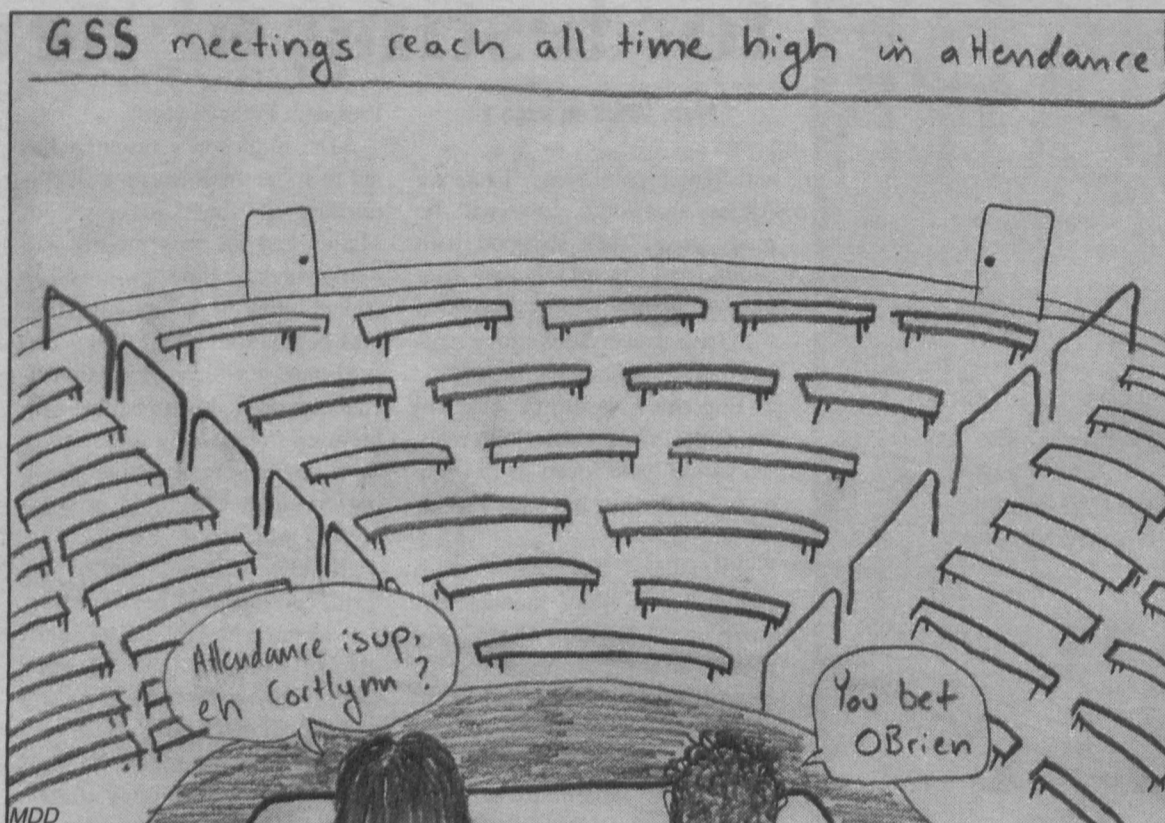
*The Maine Crapus* would today like to advocate a new plan we like to call the "Pretty Campus Project" — not to be confused with the "Clean Campus Project," or the "Safe Campus Project." No, this project will be effective. It will be groundbreaking.

What we propose is simple: 1) Institute immediately a panel of five knowledgeable students, who will, over the period of a year, review the entire student body at UM. They will, in turn, be granted the power to eliminate anyone who does not score above a "5" on the date-a-bility scale. We call this the "cleanup." 2.) Close the admission doors on ugly people. Sound hard? It isn't really. Just have applicants attach a small photo with their applications. We'll hire a special admissions adviser — say, Paula Abdul — who will be responsible for rooting out those little nasties before they come in. 3.) Get ready for a much smaller campus.

### Fun while it lasted

Talks of the UMaine System being consolidated has made many of us here at *The Maine Crapus* wonder if it's time to throw in the towel. And by towel, we mean that all students, professors and administrators have given it the old college try, but we think that the university system trustees should know when to call it quits.

Amidst Fogler Library's recent struggle, tuitions increases, parking woes and state funding problems, it's time to shut the doors on this fine institution. Forever. It is sad to watch UMaine gasp for air, having been removed from the proverbial water of political and tax payer support. Without these things, UMaine is nothing but the shell of a state university that may not know when enough is enough. P.S. Enough is enough. Goodbye.



## Solid as a rock

### Student Forum imparts wisdom on daily basis

Writers often talk of having a muse that inspires them, and mine is the Student Forum.

If you haven't been there, click onto FirstClass right now and spend a couple of hours browsing the seemingly endless threads of campus hot topics such as "Direct Connect," "Howie Day," "Idiots" and "More Idiots."

Being privy to the sheer brilliance of the Student Forum is an experience unlike any other. Not only is it a great way to get information, it is constantly being updated with replies and new topics from some of the most reasonable, respectful and creative wordsmiths on campus.

The Student Forum is constantly surprising me. For

JULIA HALL



HEAD COPY EDITOR

instance, last week there was a 77-plus post thread on the subject "UMS." At first glance, one would think the topic of discussion would be the University of Maine System's future consolidation of seven universities down to four. While the original post was on said topic, clicking on post 26 or so revealed to me that the discussion was now on the laptop program in Maine public schools. Ingenious! When I thought I

would be getting a perspective on the UMS — as was in the subject line — I was actually getting someone's thoughts on an entirely different subject. Luckily, no one had changed the subject line to relay that the thread was on a new topic, so I was completely surprised.

But wait, there's more. Student Forum has certain mysteries, certain *je ne sais quois*, if you will. For instance, this week there was a thread that had the subject line "K." What would "K" stand for? "OK?" "Kentucky?" "Kissing?" Or perhaps an initial of a person or event on campus. Oh, the suspense. I could hardly wait to click on the elusive thread and have the

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## Letters to the Editor

### • New athletic program

It has come to my attention that athletes, who as we all know are the reason this school is still functioning today — without them, we might easily be slipping into a pit of administrative focus on academic excellence and NOT new locker rooms — are not being treated in accordance to their stature on the Orono campus. Athletes are a special brand

of student. They can leave and enter class when they please, they are allowed freedom to choose from a wide variety of willing members of the opposite sex (which they routinely do), they rock blue sweat pants like they just don't give a damn, and under special circumstances, Public Safety and Judicial Affairs will even turn a blind eye to the massive brawls they start outside of

the Ushuaia dance club.

Recently, however, my office has been flooded with letters and complaints from both professors and students complaining of unequal treatment. In one case, a student mentioned that his professor had specifically asked one hockey player to stand up in class so everyone could clap for him. And what, I ask, is so wrong with

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## Right wing rant

### Six reasons to go Bush, and go now

MATT SHAER



EDITOR IN CHIEF

That's right folks, it's almost election time again, and as Editor in Chief of *The Maine Crapus*, I feel a real responsibility to my readers to share with you my choice for President of the United States — the proud commander and chief George W. Bush. Listed below are six reasons to join the Republican party (unless you're gay). Read up, vote Right, and make this country proud.

Gay Marriage: Who wants homosexuals to be able to marry? For God's sake — they shouldn't be allowed to vote! Allowing gays to enter into the sacred vows reserved, thousands of years ago, for a man and a woman will only destroy the institution as we know it. Ignore the statistics that show homosexual relationships are usually more affectionate and more likely to last than their heterosexual counterparts. Ignore the fact that showing our children that love — no matter who shares it — is something to be valued and cherished is an important lesson. Ignore the fact that homosexuality is probably less than a "fad," ignore the fact that it's been around for hundreds of years, and ignore the fact that the constitution provides freedom for every American citizen. It's just plain wrong man! Bush supports a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage, and I think God agrees because he said so somewhere after the passage about the ark, and somewhere before the warning that offers eternal damnation to any heterosexual couples who have sex while the woman is menstruating. Sinners, beware!

Military Record: While little Mr. Fancy Pants Kerry was earning all sorts of awards in Vietnam, at one point killing two enemy sol-

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mystery revealed.

Another benefit to the student forum is how it brings student leaders in contact with the little people on campus. Again back to the UMS thread last week, Matthew O. Gagnon, former president of the General Student Senate, had 10 posts in a row, which he used to refute all arguments before him. If it weren't for the Student Forum, how else would I have known where Gagnon stands on such important issues? And how convenient that the Student Forum allows him to post 10 times in a row so I don't have to go looking all around for his posts. I can just spend an hour clicking on them one-by-one and reading them all in one sitting.

If only there were a print version of the Student Forum where students could write in with their opinions on matters of importance to the campus community.

More Bush

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diers by himself to save his boat and his comrades, George Bush enrolled safely in the National Guard so he wouldn't have to die, and so he could be our president today. And once in a while, when he wasn't drunk or all coked up, he even showed up and flew a plane. Now who's the smart one? Huh?

Abortion: You mean to tell me you think a woman should have control over her own body? You mean to tell me the government shouldn't be able to interfere in her reproductive rights? I didn't think so. Bush supports the pro-life movement and so does God. Go Bush.

National Security: Need I say more? Here we have a president who was so convinced that Iraq needed to be invaded that he spent two years profiting off world sympathy over the Sept. 11 attacks and two years hyping up intelligence reports — in fact, at a few critical junctures, he lied blatantly to the American people about what exactly Saddam had over there — all so we would support his Iraqi

Perhaps this publication could have news stories and listings of events at the university.

But would such a publication take away from the timeless e-mailing tradition and utter convenience of the online Student Forum? Never! It is this online community, and not, say, a newspaper that truly brings people together in a Mensa-like exchange of ideas. What surprises me is how truly respectful and cordial people are to each other on the Student Forum. They can agree to disagree without \*sighing\* or \*rolling their eyes\* disdainfully at one another. This is democracy at work, folks.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I'm going back to the Student Forum. \*Waves good-bye.\*

*Julia Hall is a computer science major who spends 90-plus hours on the Student Forum a week.*

crusade. Now damn folks, that is a man with drive and character.

Taxes: Less of 'um, dammnit. All you have to do is study the long history of heavy Republican spending and heavier tax cutting to realize that these men have been mathematical geniuses. Look, I don't care how high our deficit is — even if it is the highest in history, and yeah, so what, even if George ran it into the ground all by his lonesome. I refuse to pay higher taxes! I don't care how little children are benefiting or what programs we'll have to cut to pay for Dubya's exorbitant spending. I'll say it again: No new taxes. We know the Bush family can deliver on that.

Guns: More of them, now. You're damn right I hunt with my M-16 with optional grenade launcher, and you better believe I don't support a ban on the assault weapons that are killing dozens of children every year. Bush loves big guns. We love Bush.

*Matt Shaer is the president of the College Republicans.*

Letters

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this special treatment? Surely the player deserved it.

So today, in the face of concerns over preference, I write to announce a multi-part plan that will restore and maintain athlete standing on this campus. I call it "Athletes Are Just Better." Cameron Lyall, a senior men's hockey player, has graciously accepted my offer to head the committee, whose first move will be the installation of a new athletes only lounge in the union where athletes can meet to discuss anything they please and engage in all sorts of indecent activity. Thanks to the Public Safety

department, who has once again agreed to turn a blind eye, the lounge will be unmonitored by any administrative or police figures. Cameron would gladly have written to tell you of the plan himself, but the grammar check on his computer — paid for by our department — has broken, and he finds himself without the adequate means to express himself. Please look for the press release, slated for release next week, which will more thoroughly detail our plans for the University of Maine.

**Patrick Nero**  
Director of Athletics

A case for "chick flicks"

Why girl movies rock

MIKE MELOCHICK



FOR THE MAINE CRAPUS

There is nothing better than curling up with a good movie. I'm not talking "Godfather Trilogy" good, or even "Top Gun" good — I'm talking "Fried Green Tomatoes" and "Steel Magnolias"-type good. I'm talking about "chick flicks." You may state your claim that action movies and raunchy comedies are quality film experiences, but nothing compares to a good cry at the end, which by the way comes way too soon in most chick flicks.

There is something to be said for strong female characters overcoming the struggles of oppression in everyday life. Their poise and grace in the face of adversity offers us an inkling of hope in our own lives, as we face similar trials and tribulations.

If I had a quarter for every time I laughed and cried with anyone of Sandra Bullock's characters, I wouldn't be sitting here in an apartment in Orono slaving over a computer. Instead, I'd be living it up in a mansion in Hollywood right next to all my favorite female stars. I'd have brunch with Julia Roberts, and tell her how much I loved her tenacity in "Pretty Woman," or how her portrayal of a strong, sophisticated rebel in "Mona Lisa Smile," had warmed my soul. I'd dish with Rene Zellweger about all her on-screen romances, and giggle with her about her off-screen love life. Ah, yes, life would be grand.

Imagine enjoying dinner with Susan Sarandon in a quaint Hollywood café. I'd have so many questions, I wouldn't know where to start. Would I ask her about her devotion to so many charitable organizations, or would I inquire about her ability to play a gun-toting outlaw in "Thelma and Louise"?

I'd probably lose track of all my non-chick flick-loving friends. Sorry guys, I can't go out to the bars tonight, Gwyneth and I are taking in a ballet or perhaps an Off-Broadway show. Make sure to drink one for me former friends.

Look at what I've done. I got all caught up in the glamour and glitz that is a starlet's life that I have forgotten my main point. The morals in chick flicks are the ties that bind. Think about a world in which the world was more like these movies. Cinderella stories would be coming true for everyone. There would be no more war, because everyone would be happy and content, like J-Lo at the end of "Maid in Manhattan." Now that is an original movie.

The new wave of ladies leading us to the chick-flick promise land is a strong group. Led by Julia Stiles ("Save the Last Dance," "10 Things I Hate About You," "The Prince & Me"), this crop of tearjerkers will have us filling the seats and our tissues for many years to come.

I don't know why people care so much about seeing "Star Wars" and "Lord of the Rings" that they would camp out for weeks just to see the film's opening. I stayed outside Hoyt's Cinemas in Bangor for 20 minutes to see "Two Weeks Notice," and I was probably happier than any of those people who waited months to see some long sci-fi movie. Give me a Hugh Grant/Sandra Bullock vehicle any day over some "epic" movie that's three hours long. I like my quaint, hour-and-a-half formulaic storyline with a horribly predictable end, thank you very much.

So next time you are perusing the video aisles at Block-Buster, don't just pass by "Alex-and-Emma," grab it, run to the register, take it home, and be ready for one of the greatest movies ever. And if you love Kate Hudson's fantastic performance in that, grab "How To Lose a Guy in Ten Days" when you return the other gem. You will laugh until you cry because I know I did.

*Mike Melochick is a junior journalism major who has had recent head trauma.*

What diversity problem?

UMaine epitome of ethnic and cultural variety

MARSHALL DURY



OPINION EDITOR

If you attend the University of Maine long enough, you will run into certain undeniable truths: our hockey team is treated like royalty, there will never be enough parking on this campus and lastly, people seem to think that diversity is a huge problem. Despite popular opinion, I'm here to tell you the truth. Diversity is more than alive at UMaine. It is thriving before your very eyes.

Before we look at UMaine as the student and teacher melting pot I know it as, let's do some macro-statistics work. Like the cultural epicenter of America, Maine has the largest percentage of ethnic and cultural diversity of any state in North America. As we all know, 74 percent of this state is something other than white. Just take a look at our catchy and appealing state motto: "Maine, culturally enriching enough to make your ignorant, close-minded relatives not come visit." Surely Maine's state legislature would not debate over something as important as a state's motto and subsequently mislead the American people as a whole. After all, if it's the first thing people see when they come into the state, it can't be wrong.

Now, you're probably saying, "Marshall, my dear and trusted journalist, tell me something I can wrap my mind around about the university community." I thought you would never ask. UMaine's cultural

and ethnic diversity is something you can see as soon as you walk out of your dorm or apartment. The Orono-Old Town area is a hodge-podge of different languages, religions, sexualities and ethnic heritages. If anything, I blame the university for being too overbearing with its promotion of Cajun cookoffs and Latin dancing festivals.

Take a look at our hockey team. Notice anything odd? I do. Not a white player in the bunch. I suppose you could count little Todd Jackson, UMaine's Equipment Manager, as an integral part of the UMaine hockey team, but that may be stretching it. You can even take a look at the football team. Surely that is a clear indication of UMaine's diversity.

If you don't believe me, just ask Harry Payne, UMaine's executive director for Equal Opportunity and Diversity. I didn't interview him or even try to contact him, but something tells me he'd say diversity is perfect at UMaine. I don't think we need to change anything about our approach to diversity. I am even going to be so bold as to say that col-

leges like New York University and Berkeley should be taking tips from us.

If you think about it, there is one concept that clinches this diversity debate we've all heard so much about. There is a Web site solely devoted to strengthening UMaine's diversity. If I've learned anything in college, it's that if a topic is important enough to have a web page, you should believe everything it says. Hell, UMaine even has a Diversity Action Plan for 2003 to 2005. I didn't read the publication, but I'm inclined to guess that it gives us a lot of erroneous facts and statistics about the equal number of students across the University of Maine System.

I can't tell you how many times I've gotten shiners or kicks to the groin at a party for defending UMaine President Peter Hoff and his approach to diversity. Somehow, diversity is always the first thing college kids seem to want to talk about when they get intoxicated. Clearly the topic is on everybody's mind, and from what I can see, it's the number one priority for administrators here at UMaine. If anything, President Hoff should sit back and fire a few diversity planners here at UMaine. What have we got to lose?

*Marshall Dury is a freshman KPE major with a minor in bioengineering and women's studies.*

Don't write a Letter To The Editor. Chances are no one cares what you think, and you can't write anyway.



# Style

## Beer is back at Bumstock

Milwaukee's Best to sponsor annual festival, to be renamed 'Beaststock'

By Kyle Webster  
Better Than You

In an effort to encourage a larger attendance and salvage what is left of this year's festival, the Bumstock Committee made two surprise announcements yesterday. Erin Smith, Bumstock director, held a press conference at 2 p.m. that unveiled a new sponsor and a new name for the annual festival. Representatives from Milwaukee's Best stood beside Smith as she excitedly announced their sponsorship.

"We feel that this drink, so cheap and with such little flavor that one can only truly enjoy it when one realizes there is no other option available, is the perfect sponsor for what this event has become," Smith said. "They have agreed to provide enough beer for all and ... hehe, sorry, I'm a little trashed."

Smith then lost her posture and began laughing hysterically as she tumbled from the podium onto the floor.

Jon Hanson, a national representative for the Beast, then stepped up and unveiled a new banner advertising the event.

The sign read, "Beaststock 2004: a Festival of Flava."

"We are very excited about this partnership and this new festival experience," Hanson said.

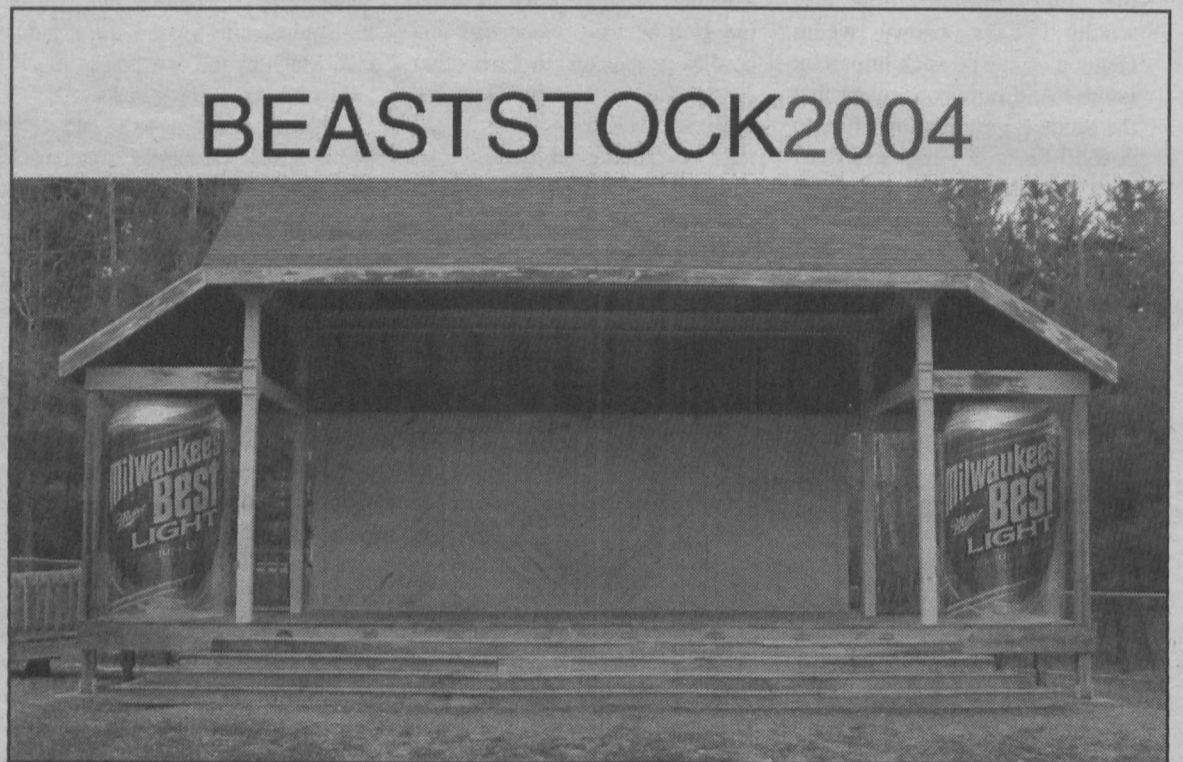
He went on to describe the meaning behind the title.

"Beaststock is obviously just a play on words incorporating our product with your little festival," he said. "The motto after that is this year's slogan. We chose it in an effort to promote the diversity this show is sure to bring out. Also, we know how much you Maine kids love your rap with such high quality acts as Little Egypt, Fat Joe and Redman slotted to play each year. You guys truly are down wit da flava."

Smith then stood up and stumbled out the door where she proceeded to vomit.

At a later interview, Smith further explained the committee's decision to partner with a beer company.

"It really made sense," Smith said. "They'll give us beer and we like beer. I'm also hoping to now be known as the Beer Goddess or Beer Chick rather than the Bumstock Bitch. Hell, I'll even settle for



CRAPUS PHOTO • HOLLY IS MY BARBER

SPONSORSHIP — Bumstock Field, now known as Beaststock Field, is seen with the banner advertising the new partnership between the Bumstock Committee and Milwaukee's Best.

Beer Wench."

Other members of the UMaine community are not as supportive of the idea.

"Bumstock has done nothing but go down hill," Emily Burnham, music director of WMEB and avid Bumstock

critic, said. "This is a new low. I can't blah di blah diggity blah blah blah. Blah more blah blig-gity blah. Smith sucks. Blah blah blaggaty blah."

Regardless of opinion, contracts have been signed and Beaststock 2004 is a reality.

"This is going to be great. I think students will really enjoy it," Smith said. "If nothing else, with all this free beer, maybe students will be able to forget that it's not 1999 and Eve6 are has-beens. God, I have a headache."

## Singer Howie Day denied Brewer roots

By Holly Barber  
Staff Can't Write-r

Trapping women in bathrooms and breaking cell phones: it's just another Day. On Wednesday, March 24, rock star Howard Day Jr. was reportedly arrested for disorderly conduct, criminal damage to property, and intimidation of a victim in Madison, Wis., following a concert.

But perhaps more surprisingly, it has been discovered that Day Jr., who usually claims Bangor as his home, has Brewer, Maine listed as his place of residence on his driver's license.

Michael Celli, the mayor of Brewer, was tracked down by this reporter to be questioned in regards to his city's "home-town hero."

After several attempts to call his home, reporters found Celli lying in his bed, where he lay for two hours, even after reporters and then police tried various methods to wake

him. After he collected himself, Celli stepped out to his front porch where he delivered statements in regards to the Day Jr. incident.

"Howie Day is in no way affiliated with this city," Celli said. "He has never lived here and I don't know the kid. Our hero is Joshua Chamberlain, not some jailed-up loser who can't get a piece of ass on his own."

Bangor mayor Daniel Tremble was likewise questioned and similarly denied any connection with the heathen.

"No, don't you know Howie Day is from Australia? He always says that," Tremble said. "He doesn't live here. Never heard of him, or seen him play piano at his father's restaurant while I had a burger."

He went on to state that the city takes no responsibility for the style Day Jr. has chosen for his hair.

"Do you think someone

from Bangor would spend that much time on their hair to make it look like that?" he said. "I mean, yeah, we do have a Target now, but no self-loving Spectrum-goer like myself would be caught dead with that rat on his head."

Howard Day Sr., a Brewer resident, refused to take calls from the media. But when his house was "broken into" at 1:43 a.m. Tuesday and he was "hog-tied and thrown into the back of a black Chevy Suburban for questioning", Day Sr. was cooperative with his captors. When asked about his son, Day Sr. replied, "I don't have a son named Howard."

All city records for both Brewer and Bangor were found without any mention of the name Howard Day Jr. Even the Brewer High School yearbook was found with only a blank space and a whited-out name located between Henrietta Dagwood and Edward Edwards.



CRAPUS PHOTO • YER MOM

ANOTHER PERFECT DAY — Howie Day sits behind bars, longing for a place to call home.

When questioned about all the controversy surrounding his place of residence, Day Jr. said, "This is rock and roll, baby. F\*ck Brewer and

Bangor, I'm from Australia." "No he's not," said John Howard, prime minister of Australia, in a press release late yesterday.

# 'Play Naked' satisfies Union crowd

By Jimmy Schmidt  
For The Maine Crapus

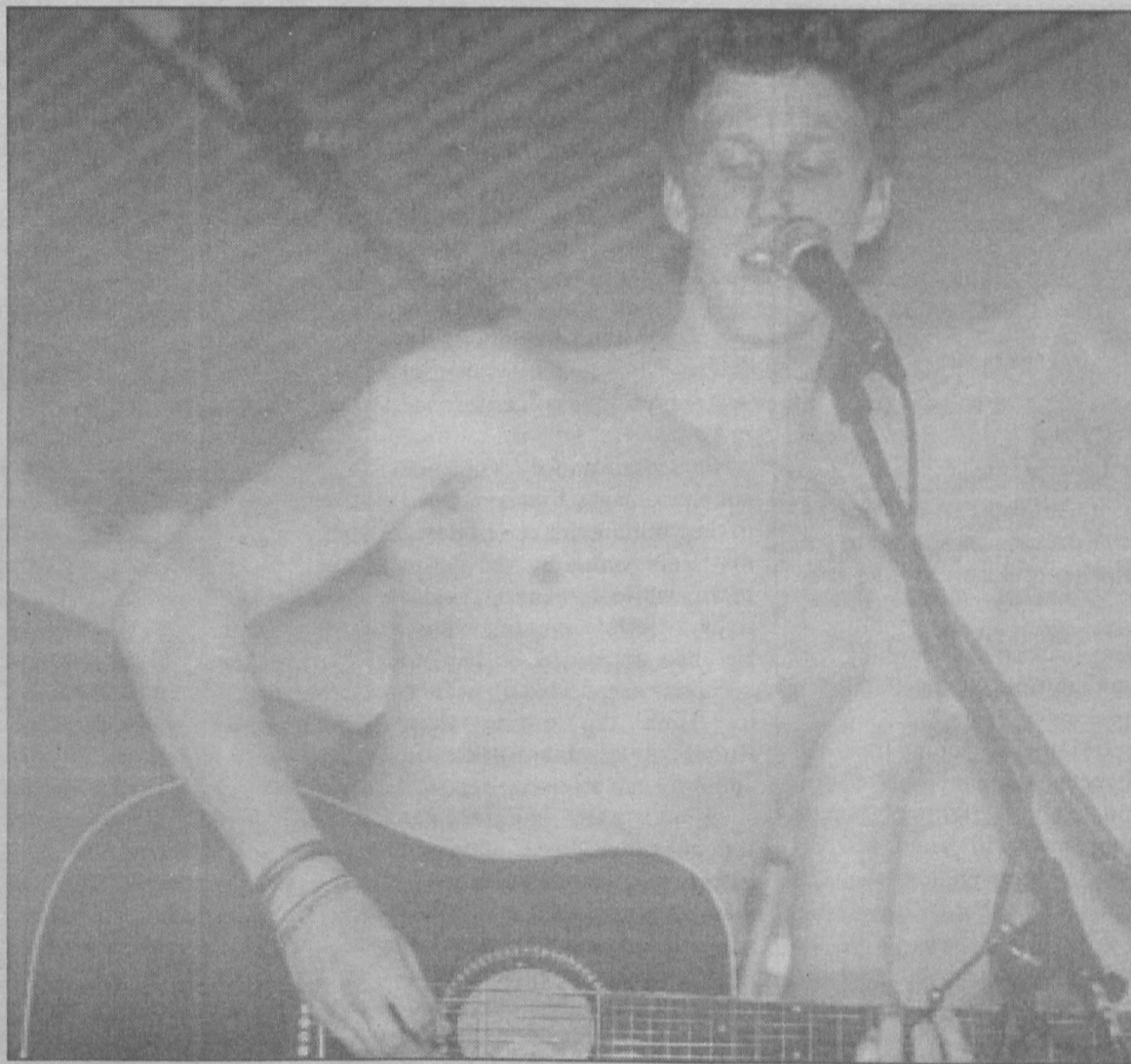
The Campus Activities Board held its first annual "Play Naked" Java Jive evening this past Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Memorial Union. The event, which drew more than 650 UMaine students to packed seating, was the best-attended event in CAB's history.

"This is something we may look into a little further," Java Jive chairman Sean Walsh said. "Quite honestly, some other CAB members and myself had been drinking and just shot this idea out as a joke, but it eventually came together. I'm quite proud of this program. The musicians got to perform and the spectators ... well, they just got to watch."

Java Jivers sang such cultural pop staples like "When I Think About You I Touch Myself," Jimmy Buffet's "Let's Get Drunk And Screw," and Right Said Fred's "I'm Too Sexy." The climax of the evening came when UMaine graduate, Jewel, took the stage to applause and some tears.

"I just thought her music was beautiful and her body was rockin'," senior new media major, Michael Mathien said. "She's got some good finger work and I'd love to rock out with her sometime if her axe could take the abuse."

"Play Naked" did not just serve to please the men in the crowd though. In an unannounced and unrehearsed performance, John Mayer took the stage shortly after Jewel and busted out at least four new songs that had women and men alike busting at the seams. His set included fan favorites like "Bigger Than My Body" and "Comfortable." His evening at "Play Naked" ended with an unprecedented 13-minute version of "Your Body Is A Wonderland," getting event organizers and music fans moving.



CRAPUS PHOTO • ANNA-MARIA "GOD-LIKE" EASLEY

FEEL THE VIBRATIONS — One of the many performers at Tuesday night's "Play Naked" Java Jive entertains the crowd by strumming his instrument and feeling the beat.

"I used to hate the song but just seeing John Mayer out there in his birthday suit singing like he's whispering ... it really moved me," said sophomore new media major and *Maine Crapus* music critic, Aerin Raymond.

"Play Naked" attendees were not done when Mayer left the stage. Marshall Dury, a senior English major and self-proclaimed savior of rock 'n' roll, took the stage to end CAB's evening of bare-back playing. His set spanned several musical genres, playing Smashing Pumpkins' "Cherub Rock," U2's "Stay [Far

Away, So Close]" and Pearl Jam's "Alive."

"It was a tough show, and really hard to concentrate. I've never had so many women throw themselves at me at once," said Dury. "I was pretty nervous about getting up on stage but when I saw how small Mayer's equipment was, I wasn't too concerned."

Dury ended the evening with a slowed-down version of Metallica's "Master Of Puppets," which had people passing out and speaking in tongues due to the song's sonic glory.

CAB organizers are already

planning next year's "Play Naked" Java Jive in hopes of strengthening campus music events. CAB has officially stated that the event was a success and is looking in to coordinating with this year's Bumstock Committee to get half of this year's musicians to perform naked.

"CAB's program inspired me. They put on a great show to the eyes and ears," Bumstock director Erin Smith said. "This is a testament to what a couple event organizers — a few beers deep — can come up with for the student population."

# Quaint, intimate club wins 'best in world'

By Kelli Michaud  
For The Maine Crapus

It is official: Ushuaia is the greatest club in the world. At Wednesday night's DanceStar 2004 Award Show held in New York City, the local club took home the "best club in the world" award. Famed techno musicians Moby and the Chemical Brothers presented the award to owner Alexander Gray in front of a capacity crowd of 2,000.

"I'm incredibly excited," Gray said tearfully. "I knew we were one of the best clubs, but I didn't expect us to win. Wow."

Ushuaia beat out such favored clubs as Boston's Avalon, New York's LQ, Brussels' Illusion and Paris' Loco. The clubs were ranked on a graded scale of 10, by an eight-panel judging board, in the categories of atmosphere, staff and music. Ushuaia scored a perfect 30, outscoring second-place LQ by two.

In his acceptance speech, Gray thanked his staff and the students of the University of Maine.

"If it weren't for the students who come every weekend and pay the cheap, cheap price of \$8.50 a drink, I wouldn't be able to stay in business," Gray said. "This is really their award."

According to members of the judging panel,

UMaine football and basketball players gave the club an advantage over the other clubs in the atmosphere portion of the voting.

"The way the athletes give the club a testosterone-filled vibe is purely amazing," said panel judge Rick Berry. "When I visited the club one weekend night, I actually stepped on the shoes of a football player and him and six of his friends almost kicked my ass. For me, that was tops, purely classy stuff."

The lack of dress code also helped earn the club a perfect score in atmosphere, and the judges only had positive things to say about the club's staff, mainly the bouncers.

"They use steroids to perfection. Not enough to be physically intimidating but just enough to give them that 'roid-filled rage we've grown to love," Barbara Petterson, another judge, said.

"We try to keep most of our bouncers juiced up. It just kind of gives them that extra crazy edge over the patrons, if it ever comes to a fight. It's reassuring to know our bouncers can snap at any point," Gray said. "Steroids are cheaper than cocaine."

Ushuaia also shined in the music portion of the



CRAPUS PHOTO • SARA BIGGER THAN ME

Ushuaia stands triumphant.

voting. The club received another perfect 10, prompting some industry insiders to brand it as a trendsetter in club music.

"The way the in-house DJ barely mixes Britney Spears and other Top 40 music is masterful," Petterson said. "This allows for all the underage club-goers that need to go outside to down booze and smoke up to stay in the club vibe because it's the same music they're hearing in their car."

Area patrons are excited by the new "hometown hero." A welcome home party is being arranged for Gray's triumphant return with award in hand.

# The List

## THEATER

Live "Girls, Girls, Girls"  
Memorial Union  
Friday @ 9 p.m.

"Some show  
you won't attend"  
Maine Center for the Arts  
Saturday @ 7 p.m.

## ROCK/POP

Fat Joe  
Bumstock Field  
Never

Redman  
Bumstock Field  
Never

Method Man  
Bumstock Field  
Never

Steve-O  
Ushuaia  
Never

Eve6  
Bumstock Field  
April 24?

Now Transmission  
Everywhere

ALL THE FREAKING TIME

## CLASSICAL

Dr. Phillips on Piano  
Minsky Recital Hall  
Whenever you'll listen

Some guy playing  
an instrument  
Minsky Recital Hall  
Tuesday @ 4:14 p.m.

## DANCE

We're in Maine,  
there are no real dance clubs  
Go to Boston

Cheerleaders Gone Wild  
Bear's Den  
Saturday @ 8 p.m.

## FILM

"Debbie Does Dallas"  
DPC 100  
Friday @ 10 p.m.

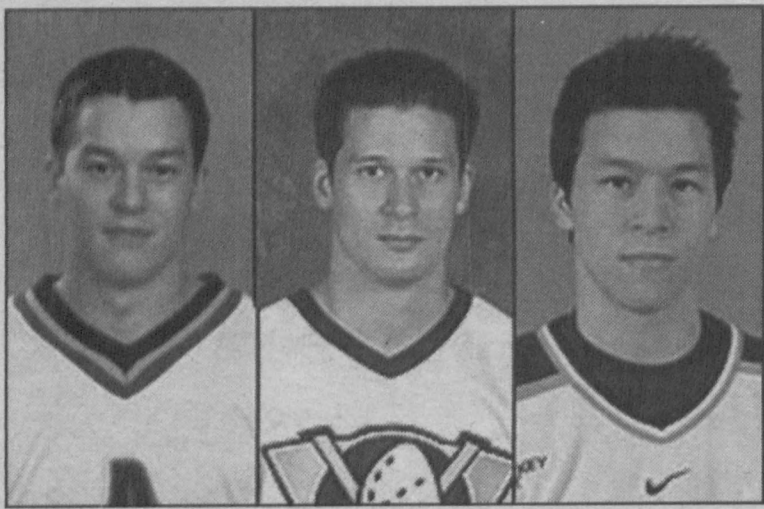
"Teenage Catgirls in Heat"  
The President's House  
Saturday @ 11 p.m.

## ART

"Administrators in the Buff"  
Museum of Art  
Daily 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Kyle Says:**  
**"Go to  
Hell, ass."**

# Kariya brothers donate sperm to UMaine hockey program



DONATION — Kariya brothers, (left to right) Steve, Paul and Martin donated three and half gallons of sperm to be used to create a small army of Kariya children to take the ice at Alford Arena once again.

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announced its coordination with the Give A Little, Get A Little Sperm Bank on Wednesday after Public Affairs Director Joe Carr and Whitehead completed a four hour planning period. It has been announced that the Kariya Super-Sperm will only be artificially inseminated in collegiate and professional female hockey players, in hopes of keeping the genealogy of excellent hockey players fairly contained.

"Women will apply for a position to carry a Kariya baby and receive full support from UMaine ... since they are carrying something that will collectively be trained and raised by the university community," Carr said. "This is really like creating an army of excellent hockey players, and I know students and fans of Black

Bear hockey want nothing less than multiple championships in the coming years."

UMaine is hoping that the obscene amount of sperm donated and rigorous female applicants will yield Kariya-esque players in less than 20 years. The unborn Kariya children will be educated in Bangor and a strict schedule of only hockey and extracurricular activities to shield them from contact with the outside world. Once

**"This is really like creating an army of excellent hockey players."**

ushered silently into the UMaine hockey community, the unborn saviors of hockey will release their stick and puck fury, according to Carr.

"Only time will tell what these boys and nature have to offer UMaine," Whitehead said. "We're depending on evolution and DNA to do its work so UMaine can play king of the mountain in collegiate hockey. Only time will tell."

# Olympics to arrive in Bangor for 2012

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Johnson, Bangor resident and city Olympic campaign leader. "Just because it's Bangor, Maine, and not some stupid third world country doesn't mean we will roll over and die. We can make fun of them too you know."

Roll over and die they did not, as the IOC announced the Queen City as the winner at yesterday's press conference in Yalta.

Immediately following the announcement, Johnson raced to the podium and pulled down his pants, mooning the entire room, while screaming expletives to fellow running mates. He then explained he had no acceptance speech but wanted to thank the movie Cool Runnings as inspiration to attempt such a feat.

"That part where the Jamaican guy kisses the egg before they go down the ice, man, that's when I realized I wanted to be an Olympian."

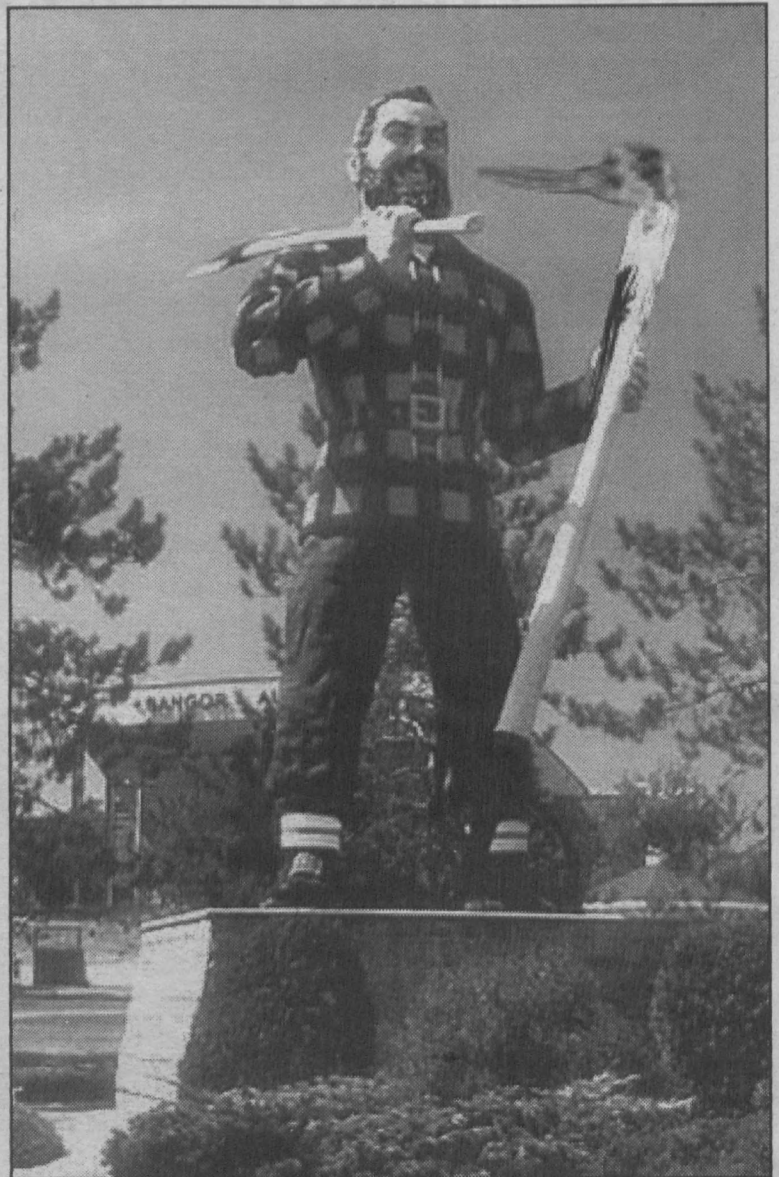
When asked to elaborate and clarify his previous statement Johnson replied: "On what?"

"That's how we do it in Maine," said fellow Bangor campaign member Nigel Samsonite, already cracking into a handle of Allen's coffee brandy. "We tell it like it is, and then do it like it is!"

It was widely rumored that Cuba would get the nod from the IOC, which prompted the country to begin a foolish six-month celebration, eliminating any chances the country had of winning the contest.

"We were certainly after an unexpected and incomprehensible site," Felli said. "But after we took a tour of the Cuban territory, it was too trashed and dirty even for our standards. I think someone even spit in Fidel Castro's face before we all got back on the plane."

Johnson and Samsonite were unavailable for comment on the subject this morning due to excruciating hangovers, according to their wives.



OLYMPIC TORCH — Bangor's Paul Bunyan statue stands with the Olympic torch. Bangor was chosen to host the 2012 summer Olympics.

The victory means countless projects and spending for the city, but according to Maine Gov. John Baldacci, the state has come up with a self-proclaimed "cool idea."

"We were able to kill two birds with one stone on this one," Baldacci said. "We are bringing in illegal immigrants from a grab bag of countries to start renovating the city. They work 10 times faster than any American and think that \$3.75 an hour is good pay."

It is projected that Bangor will be complete with its construction roughly three years before the beginning of the 2012 games.

Because he city is hiring so many foreign workers at such

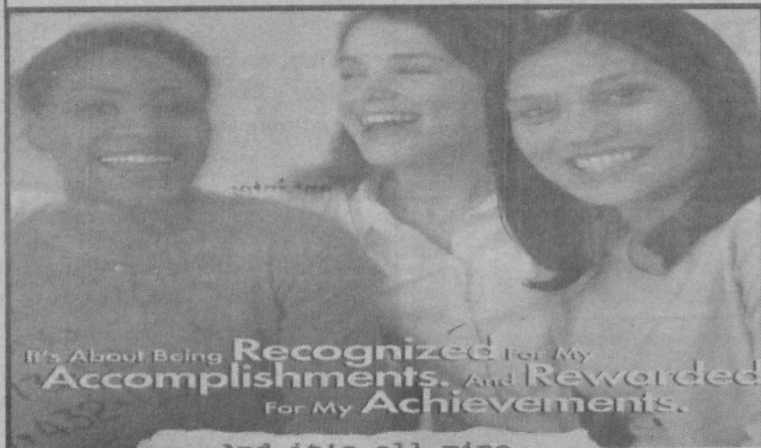
little cost, area workers are getting the next eight years off with pay.

"If it means getting paid without doing work then I'll let those losers do my job," said local welder Chip Bruger. "It ain't hurtin' me nothin' fierce."

Athletes around the world have been feverishly looking up the city's history and location. Immediate reactions among ex-Olympians Dave and Dan O'Brien were that of excitement.

"We've never been to Oklahoma," they said. "But I guess we won't be going anytime soon, since the Olympics are in Vermont... Ohio... Canada... Maine?"

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# Sting discovered as UMaine hockey coach

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prised and pleased with Sting's success on the bench at UMaine.

"We were a little nervous about a musician coming to Maine to coach," said sopho-

more Ben Murphy. "He's done a pretty decent job though. We hope he decides to stick around for a while."

And stick around is exactly what he wants to do. Sting says assuming the identity of Whitehead was one of the best

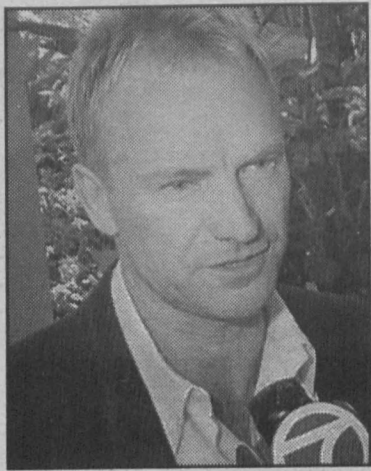
career moves he's ever made.

"A few more of those Hockey East trophies would look really good with all those Grammy Awards in my case," he said. "As long as [the team] keeps winning, I think I'd like to stay here."

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# Pop star Sting lives life as hockey coach



SWITCH — Living life as a pop icon, Sting (left), has since left music to live as Maine hockey coach Tim Whitehead (right.)

By Dicky Redmond  
Chief Sensationalist

Those who may wonder where pop/rock superstar Sting has disappeared to over the past five years, need not look any longer. Sting has been laying low at the University of Maine, assuming the identity of men's hockey coach, Tim Whitehead.

Sting has once again led the Black Bears to another showing at the NCAA Frozen Four, proving his desire to leave the role of pop icon behind and concentrate on his second love — coaching.

"I needed a little break from the whole music thing," Sting said. "After 'Desert Rose' things just never picked up again."

Sting put the brakes on his music career back in 2001 to come to UMaine and take the reins for the men's hockey program. Sting and Whitehead are actually long-lost twin brothers and have decided to switch identities and live each others lives. Since coaching at UMaine Sting has earned himself several nods for the Hockey East Coach of the Year

and the American Hockey Coaches Association Spencer Penrose Award as the National Coach of the Year in 2002. Sting is up for the Penrose Award again this year, but says he doesn't think his iconic status as a rock star will help to sway the judges.

"I try to put hockey first these days," he said. "They won't even let me sing the National Anthem at the games. They think it may sway the votes or something."

"If he was really Sting, I think I would know," said Bumstock director Erin Smith. "I know everthing about music."

Despite some skepticism, people close to Coach Sting see both his musical and coaching genius.

"He's a great candidate [for the award]," said Assistant Coach Grant Standbrook. "You don't even realize he's this big star when he's on the bench coaching."

Members of the team have also rallied in support of their coach, saying they're both sur-

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# UM teams compete in hockey, chess, tag

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match.

"This is just sensational, the chance to see [baseball head coach] Paul Kotsiopoulos try to out-coach Tim Whitehead is spine-tingling," Monaco said.

If the coaching match-up is not enough to make your mouth water, the player duels will surely wet your wet whistle. Senior hockey captain Todd Jackson will go head-to-head with All-American Aaron Izaryk and pitching standout Mike MacDonald goes up against offensive superstar Greg Moore, not to mention crowd favorite Colin Shields matching up against confident Scott Robinson. When asked to dissect the challenge of going head-to-head with Shields, Robinson answered with a sly smile on his face.

"Quite frankly, I haven't been too impressed with Shields this season," Robinson said. "Yeah, we all know he is quick and has a stellar shot, but come on man, he has never faced the competition he is going to face when he butts heads with me."

When asked to respond to Robinson's comments, Shields said he did not want to honor Robinson's words with a statement. Instead, freshman Michel Leveille took the chance to send a message to the entire baseball clubhouse.

"If those guys think they can come into our house and push us around, they got another think coming," Leveille said. "This is our ice and we will defend it."

As for the goalie match-up, it is unclear who will go for the hockey team but baseball goalie freshman Matt McGraw is sure

hoping it's going to be Jimmy Howard.

"I am tired of hearing that Howard is the top young gun on campus," McGraw said. "This is my chance to outshine the prodigal son and show the masses where the real spotlight should be."

If the baseball squad is coming off as over-confident, it is because they are. They say they have been waiting for this moment since the minute the first puck dropped at Alford. They have been practicing twice a day

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on ponds and outdoor rinks all over Old Town and Orono, sophomore Greg Norton said. When called upon to discuss his team splitting time between the diamond and the ice, Kotsiopoulos' secretary said the coach was busy working on game plans and time was of the essence. The team instead issued a brief press release stating: "We are delighted to get a chance to go skate with their guys but this is no media stunt. We feel we can skate with these guys and give them a game for the ages."

If the excitement isn't peaked high enough, word is buzzing around campus that Fox Sports Net has been talked to about covering the game live across the

nation. This news has excited senior Mark Reichley about getting some national attention.

"I feel this is my one shining moment to show the public how talented I am," Reichley said. "This could be a real launching pad for me."

With the buzz surrounding the athletic department and all the interest in the Baseball/Hockey Ice Battle, men's basketball coach John Giannini took the opportunity to try and create some attention for his own squad. In unprecedented fashion, Giannini quickly established a campus-wide chess match that even Bobby Fischer would be proud of. The chess match is being held to prove that the basketball team has its own title, "The smartest team on campus." Giannini has formed a field of 64 that will allow all student-athletes to go head-to-head against basketball standouts Kevin Reed, Chris Bruff, David Dubois and Olli Ahvenniemi. Giannini believes the other student-athletes will be hard-pressed to contend with the chess-playing skill of 6-foot-10-inch Ahvenniemi.

"Ollie is our big dog in the competition," Giannini said.

With the ripple effects of the hockey challenge being felt throughout the various sports programs, it will be hard to find a more excited and delirious athletic department. The football team has even gotten in the mix.

The team is currently in the works organizing a game of teabagging against any eager opponent. The team has been practicing the delightful move against other teams in its conference and is hoping to expand to even bigger squads. What will come next?

The Off-Campus Board,  
a Representative Board of the UMaine Student Government, Inc.  
is looking for a dedicated and driven individual to serve as President for the second half of the 2004 term (Fall 2004 semester, 15 weeks).

Student must be an activity-fee paying full time undergraduate student interested in bettering the experience of off-campus students here at the University of Maine.

Responsibilities for the term include:

- Supervising four employees (1 secretary, 3 community representatives)
- Attending meetings within Student Government
- Communicating issues commuter students face to the administration
- Organizing OCB elections for the 2005 term

All interested parties should contact Mary Gatchell (current OCB President) on FirstClass or at 581-1840 for an application and more information. In addition, one can stop by the Representative Boards office (161 Memorial Union).

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## Kariya sperm to create UM hockey army

By Marshall Pudd  
For The Maine Crapus

The University of Maine hockey program got a boost Tuesday when Steve, Paul and Martin Kariya all donated their sperm to the Penobscot County Give A Little, Get A Little Sperm Bank, in Bangor. In a press conference following their "donation," all three Kariyas seemed to be looking toward the horizon to carry on the tradition of hockey excellence at UMaine.

"This is something the three of us as brothers have been meaning to do for a long time," said left wing Vancouver Canucks team member, Steve Kariya. "We hope this is a way to keep it in the family at UMaine."

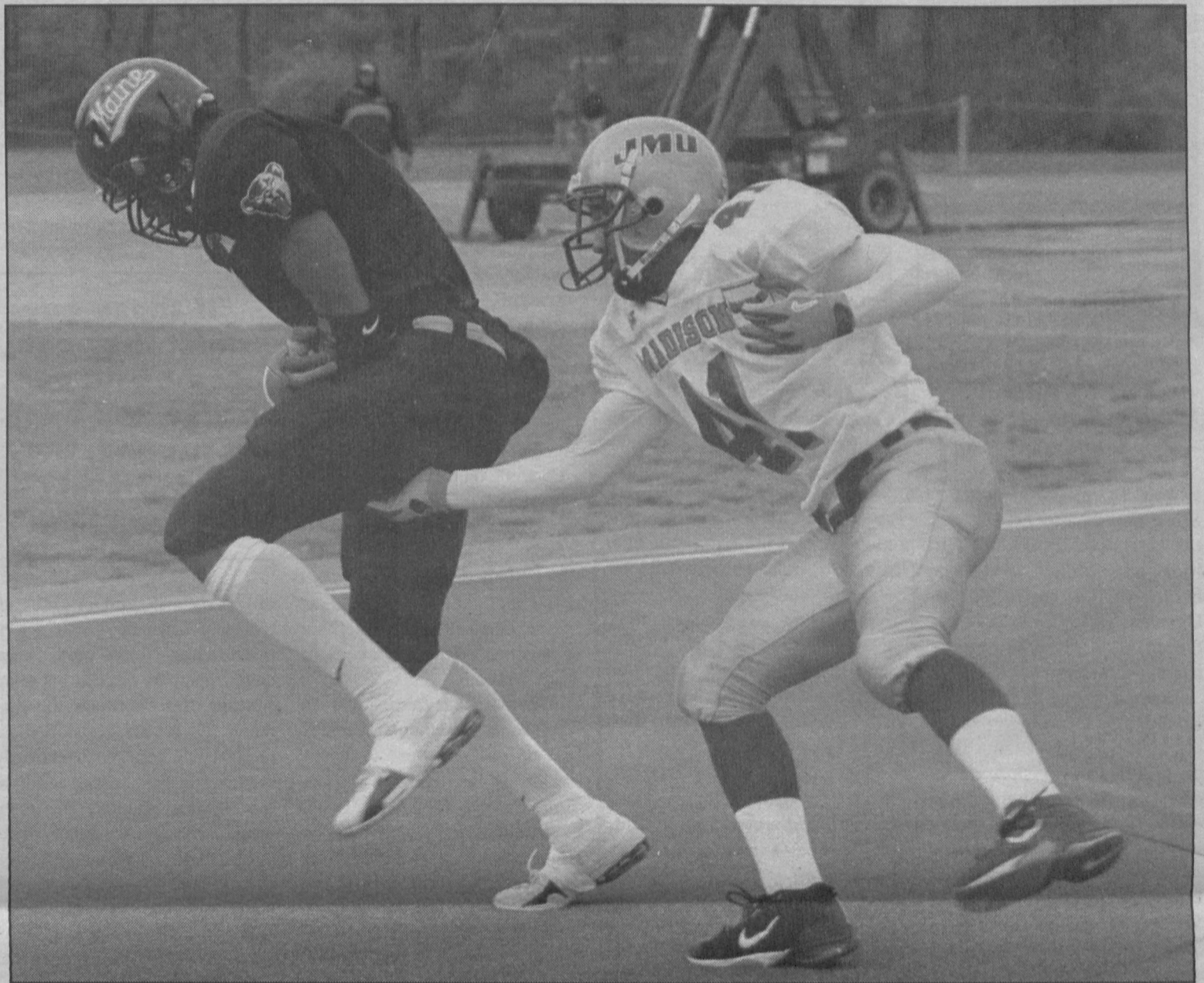
UMaine hockey coach Tim "Sting" Whitehead said he was more than thrilled about the long-term goal of a program such as this, and seemed delighted at the thought of multiple Kariyas running around campus — waiting for their shot at a national title.

The Kariya brothers donated more than three and a half gallons of sperm over a six month period, and took off time from their jobs to wholly devote themselves to the cause of sperm donation.

"I've never seen three men so devoted to a cause in my life. Their dedication to the task at hand when they were here was something anyone would be astonished by," said Give A Little, Get A Little director, Patricia McPudd. "I knew athletes had stamina but those men weren't even breaking a sweat. I just wish all of our donors were in that good a shape."

UMaine publicly

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THE ELEPHANT WALK — University of Maine and James Madison University players introduce a new style of endzone celebration. The football team has been practicing its new form of tag.

## UMaine teams offer challenges

### Baseball, hockey teams to face-off at the Alfond Arena

By Marv Albert  
For The Maine Crapus

Last Wednesday started out like any other balmy day in Orono, but by the time twilight rolled around, the University of Maine baseball team had created a shockwave that has put the Athletic Department in a complete tailspin.

On Wednesday afternoon, the team had sent an almost laughable proposal to University of

Maine hockey coach Tim Whitehead. Inside that flimsy little envelope was the challenge of

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all challenges: The baseball team wanted to settle all scores and prove to all to that they were the best hockey team on campus. But even more ridiculous than the

team's absurd offer was Whitehead's own response. He accepted. Doing the baseball boys one better, he quickly arranged for the setting and date of the challenge.

"When I saw that proposal, I knew there was only one answer," Whitehead said. "I figured I would do them one better and schedule the game, I didn't want this to fester."

The date of the tussle will be at 8 p.m., April 15 at the Alfond

Arena, and fans have already begun the push for tickets. The event has quickly become the hottest ticket in town and as of Sunday afternoon several students had already started camping out. Sophomore Noah Monaco, who has been camping out since late Monday morning in front of the Alfond ticket office, was eager to comment on the excitement surrounding the

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## Bangor selected to hold 2012 summer Olympics

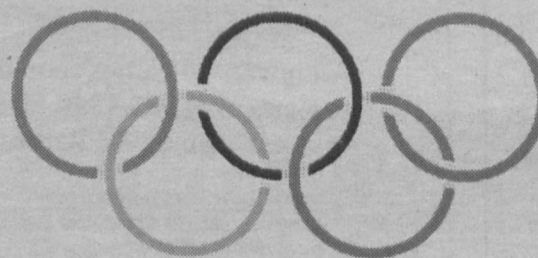
By Glenn Quagmire  
For The Maine Crapus

The world's largest sporting upset had nothing to do with college basketball this year, but instead came at the heels of an incredible decision made by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to allow Bangor play host to the 2012 Olympic Summer Games.

"We believe Bangor and its neighboring towns can provide the right facilities for what we

are looking for in terms of size and crappiness," said Gilbert Felli, executive director of the IOC. "The Olympic Games have lost their appeal over recent years, and what better way to continue the trend than have this (expletive) city host the legendary event?"

Felli said Bangor's plethora of cheaply priced hotels, middle-class restaurant chains, and



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the outstanding high school running track are exactly what Olympic athletes should be

immersed in during the games.

"They all do steroids anyway," Felli said laughing. "These people don't deserve high-class treatment." When asked about housing the hundreds of thousands of projected spectators, Felli shot a perplexed look and replied: "Do

you really think people watch the Olympics? We don't need more than 300 or 400 seats per

venue. We'll be lucky if that even sells out."

Bangor has been the clear dark horse of the entire campaign trail, with the city's representatives facing countless heckling by front-running opponents Madagascar, Cuba, and the Ivory Coast at monthly meetings.

"We were subject to a lot of rash comments," said John

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