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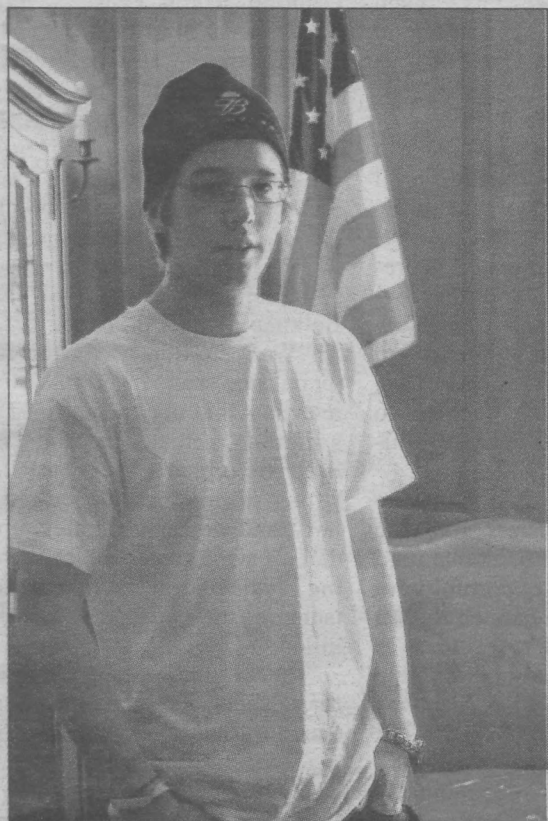
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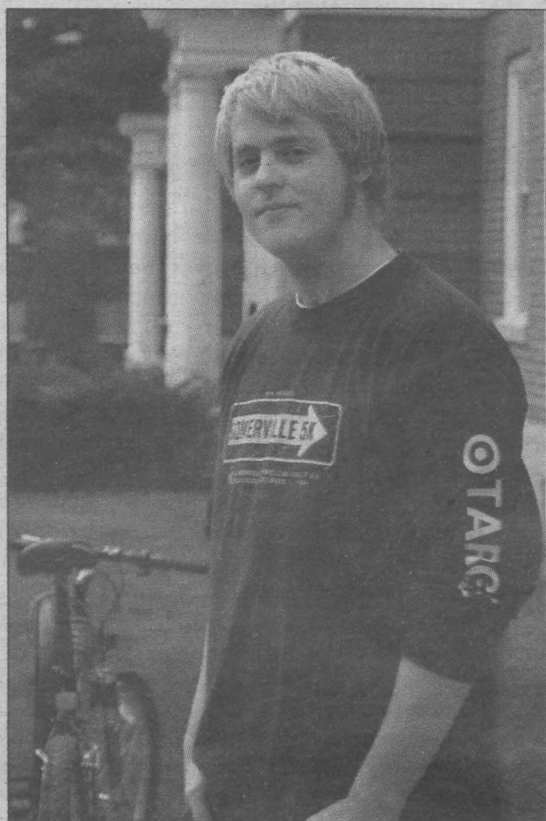


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Katrina-displaced students trying to fit in at UMaine



CAMPUS PHOTO BY STEVEN KNAPP



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STARTING OVER — Scott Vermeulen, left, and Lehan Wilson, right, were both displaced from Tulane University in New Orleans. They are now enrolled in engineering programs at the University of Maine. Vermeulen is a freshman and Wilson is a senior.

Living like a refugee

By Andrew Knapp
News Editor

Aug. 28 was supposed to be a momentous occasion for Scott Vermeulen. And it was. It just wasn't the kind of moment he thought it would be.

On that Saturday, Vermeulen, 18, moved into his dormitory to start his first year of college. While checking in, he was handed his room key and then ordered to get out.

"They said we were going on a bus ride," Vermeulen said. "They told us we'd be away for a couple days and to bring three-days worth of clothes."

This wasn't a freshman orientation. It wasn't a camping trip. It was an evacuation plan. The most destructive hurricane New Orleans has ever seen was about to hit.

Vermeulen was evacuated six hours after walking through the door at Tulane University. He was ushered to Jackson State University in Mississippi where he and 700 other students slept on a gym floor.

"No one thought it was a big deal," he said. "We thought it was just going to be a little rain."

The next morning, he awoke and watched the news.

"It said Katrina was going to hit New Orleans head on, and there might not be anything left of the city when it was done," he said.

Vermeulen knew it would be a while before he set foot inside city limits again. Because their flight was canceled, his parents were only an hour and a half away. Vermeulen called and asked for a ride home to Blue Hill.

"I chose Tulane purely based on New Orleans," he said. "I don't know if I want to go back to a city that's in shambles right now."

After returning to Maine, Vermeulen entered the University of Maine's biochemical engineering program, a near equivalent to the biomedical courses offered at Tulane, and moved into his brother's off-campus apartment in Orono. He planned to attend UMaine through Tulane's continuing

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UM System offers aid for Katrina students

By Andrew Knapp
News Editor

The University of Maine System has opened its doors to any displaced student from regions ravaged by Hurricane Katrina. Professors from New Orleans have also received help.

UMaine accepted two students from Tulane University in New Orleans and two professors from the University of New Orleans.

Laura Serpa and Terry Paulis, a married couple who taught engineering at UNO, are living in Somerset Hall's faculty residence, according to Dean of Students Robert Dana. As "faculty in residence," they are interacting with students and setting up informal programs.

If the storm terminated classes at their school for the semester, any student from an accredited graduate or undergraduate program was

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GSS to Cutler: Stop distributing faulty condoms

Senators approve resolution 10-1 to halt devices reported to break

By Angelica Dolbow
For The Maine Campus

On Friday, the General Student Senate held an unexpected meeting and passed two resolutions that will help protect students' health and safety.

The first resolution required Cutler Health Center to cease distribution of Premium brand condoms. The majority of the senators voted to cease the Premium condom distribution.

The second resolution involved urging Dining Services to rethink the decision to limit the amount of money students are allowed to transfer from dining funds to Black Bear Bucks. The senators

voted 10-1 on this resolution.

Senator Adam Kirkland proposed a new resolution that wasn't printed in Friday's agenda strongly encouraging to cease the Premium condoms that were provided by Cutler Health Center to RAs in each dormitory.

"Student groups on this campus have conducted unofficial tests of the Premium brand of condoms included in a recent shipment to Cutler Health Center and have noted an extremely high rate of failure with them," said senator Adam Kirkland. The groups "found in testing that this is the only brand of condoms that has

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CAMPUS PHOTO BY STACY ALEXANDER

QUITE FRANKENLY — Comedian Al Franken spoke to the state College Democrats convention Saturday at Bowdoin College.

Author, satirist Franken rallies College Democrats

By Andrew Knapp
News Editor

BRUNSWICK — Events surrounding Sept. 11, the war in Iraq and Hurricane Katrina have exposed the stupidity, crookedness and incompetence of the Bush administration, according to political satirist and bestselling author Al Franken.

Franken, host of Air America Radio's flagship program "The Al

Franken Show," won three Emmy Awards during his 15 years as an original writer for Saturday Night Live. He created the popular SNL character self-help guru Stuart Smalley.

Saturday night, Franken spoke to delegates at the second annual College Democrats state convention at Bowdoin College's Morrill Gym. As the guest of honor, he

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failed over and over again," added Kirkland.

Recently, several RAs have been e-mailing students, encouraging them to not use that brand of condoms. Many RAs recently replaced the Premium brand condoms that were available to everyone and were attached to the RAs doors with other reliable and safer condoms.

"This [issue], combined with several reports of failure during sexual activity by UMaine students, raises serious concerns about the effectiveness of this batch of Premium condoms," Kirkland said. "We encourage Cutler, at the very least, to be overcautious in this situation and limit their condom distribution to other brands in their stock. Cutler Health Center does have other brands of condoms currently in stock."

Several student senators heard second-hand that several students had reported cases in which the Premium condom broke on them or their partners during intercourse.

Without knowing your partners' sexual history, you can become at risk of a sexually transmitted disease when you're not using protection, or if the protection fails.

"If the university is going to supply students with contraceptives, they should be safe," said Senator William Pomerleau. "They should not break. Cutler should compile some statistics 'officially' about the condoms, and if what we're being told matches the results of the study, then the condoms should be changed."

Pomerleau was a co-sponsor of the condom resolution.

"This isn't anger language," said Kirkland. "We are not coming at Cutler. We're not 'stickin' it to the man.' Honestly, I don't see it as attacking an important concern."

In other news, Pomerleau sponsored another resolution to the student senate with an issue concerning the Dining Services on campus.

"From last year to this year, I see a number of negative changes: the closing of Stodder and the consolidation of the remaining commons, charging 50 cents for a cup of water and the new dining meal programs," said Pomerleau. "I see all of these changes as being negative. The system as it stands now is inadequate and unacceptable."

Up until this year, the MaineCard Off-campus Merchants program was helpful to some of the students on campus. Students had other options on where to eat besides the dining commons in which they were able to use their Dining Services money as takeout from some local restaurants. However, this year, the MOM program was terminated for the students who wanted to use their dining funds for takeout in place of Black Bear Bucks.

"The MOM program was an excellent program," said Pomerleau. "What we have is Dining Services trying to keep money on campus at the expense of students being forced to eat campus food endlessly. Students should be able to transfer more

than \$75 to their Black Bear Bucks account. I am not specifying a number because, as the sponsor of the passed Dining Services resolution, I am hoping to negotiate a more reasonable amount."

Some senators mentioned that students from this campus were not enthused with this change in Dining Services. However, the University of Maine students are adjusting to the options of eating either at the commons, at the Union or at the markets. After 11 p.m., however, students are out of luck in finding a midnight meal or snack, which leaves them the option of going to bed hungry until breakfast the next morning.

"The MOM program was basically used after hours," said senator Aaron Sterling.

"Students should most definitely not be going to bed hungry," said Pomerleau.

"According to Dining Services, under the MOM program, students spent an average of about \$150 on off-campus merchants. For what reason would they cut that amount in half? It is completely nonsensical. We're not asking Dining Services to lift the restrictions completely. We're asking them to reconsider and raise the amount."

Student Senator Jeff Bailey said, "It's [the students'] money," and they have a right to decide on what and how they want to spend it.

"As to my understanding, the Dining Services was losing money through the MOM program," said Senator Sarah Bigney. "This Black Bear Bucks decision is trying to keep money on campus. I'd rather have UMaine Dining than have other outside services provide meals to students. I think that they need to keep the money on campus."

Student senate President Kate O'Brien shared her views on Dining Services.

"The role [of this change] is to get students to interact with each other on campus," said O'Brien. "The changes are going to outweigh the sacrifices."

Kirkland commented on the meal exchange program that Dining Services has to offer this year. It was not optional last year. Some of the "items that people get are controlled and specific," he said. "If someone wanted a caesar salad instead of a garden salad with their pizza, you cannot exchange a garden salad for a caesar salad."

In other news, GSS voted unanimously to endorse the "UMaine Won't Discriminate" group.

"I was very thrilled that the Student Government has joined as a coalition partner," said Bigney. Bigney explained that this increases the vote on "No on Question 1" come the November elections. At the end of the meeting, Kirkland stood to announce his candidacy in running for president of the student body in the 2006 election. Sterling also stood to announce his candidacy for vice president in the 2006 election.

In addition, Senator Gabrielle Berube was voted as the new Executive Budgetary Committee member, Senator Morgan Pottle was appointed the new student Affairs Committee chairwoman, and Senator Zach Brochu was appointed as the new Membership and Retention Committee chairman.

Professor warns of possible tsunami on Atlantic Coast

By Peter Bissell
For The Maine Campus

Many people remember the day after Christmas last year when a massive underwater earthquake near Indonesia's Sumatra Islands caused a tsunami that devastated the nearby shores of Sri Lanka, India and Thailand. The wave left more than 250,000 people dead.

In Maine, aside from nor'easters, people have been blessed with a fairly calm environment, largely free from natural disasters such as tsunamis. According to the University of Maine's Dan Belknap, that doesn't mean we should let our guard down completely.

Belknap, a professor of earth and marine sciences, discussed various aspects of tsunamis and the global processes that cause them in a lecture on Wednesday in the Bryand Global Sciences Center. Belknap, along with fellow UMaine marine scientist Joseph Kelly, has studied the history of the Maine coast and other shorelines for 23 years and became interested in tsunamis after the disaster in Southeast Asia late last year.

"It brought it into focus to me," Belknap said of the catastrophic earthquake and waves it caused. "It made me realize that this is something we should be paying a little more attention to."

Tsunamis, often mistakenly referred to as tidal waves or seismic waves, are long-period waves created by an abrupt physical disturbance of the ocean floor or the water's sur-

face. This can happen in a variety of ways, including underwater earthquakes, as in the case of the Southeast Asia waves, large landslides into the water, the collapse of volcanic islands, or the impact of a meteorite or asteroid into the ocean. All but the last example have been recorded as causing massive and devastating waves at various locales worldwide.

Tsunamis move in excess of 600 mph over the open ocean and are virtually invisible until they near shorelines, when they slow down and gain height. They then slam into the shoreline with tremendous force, leveling buildings and trees with ease. When these forces were observed in grim clarity on Dec. 26, 2004, Belknap decided to look into tsunamis more carefully.

In addition to using the example of disasters like the Sumatra earthquake and tsunamis as an opportunity to learn what would happen if such phenomena were to occur near local shores, Belknap was able to learn from what he was already studying. The salt marshes of the coast and core samples he took from them act as records of the geologic events and phenomena that have shaped our shorelines for thousands of years, according to Belknap.

"I was able to look at the various sizes of the layers of silt and see when there had been unusually high levels of water," Belknap said. "It was clear that high-energy events such as tsunamis have occurred

here in the past."

So what events could theoretically create a devastating tsunami on the coast of Maine? An eruption of a volcano on the Canary Islands, located off Western Africa, has many scientists worried. In theory, the eruption would cause a large chunk of rock to break off and crash into the ocean, creating tsunamis as high as 330 feet to crash into the Atlantic Coast. An earthquake along the mid-Atlantic ridge, a major fault located in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, could also cause it.


Should we be worried? Dr. Belknap doesn't think so.

"We shouldn't waste too much time worrying about exotic events that may occur once in a lifetime, if that," he said. "We need to prepare the coast for strong storms that happen regularly, and we can accurately predict. If we have accurate warning systems implemented for tsunamis, then no one should be killed."

The Pacific Ocean, a hotbed for earthquakes that could cause tsunamis, has an excellent warning system implemented, and Belknap would like to see more funding go toward tsunami warning systems on the Atlantic Coast, including Maine.

"The [U.S. Geological Survey] and [National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration] already have an extensive buoy network in the Gulf of Maine," said Belknap. "It wouldn't take much to outfit these buoys with equipment to detect high-energy waves."

"Homophobes shouldn't be left alone with kids."



Homophobia is prejudice or discrimination against lesbians or gay men. Homophobia, like other forms of prejudice, has no place on our campus. What can you do to help? Speak out the next time someone insults or puts down a gay colleague or friend. Say no to discrimination.

UMaine Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Allies Council
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allowed to attend one of Maine's seven public universities under "visiting student status." Visiting undergraduate students enrolled with 15 credits are charged the in-state tuition rate of \$3,455 as opposed to nonresidents at \$8,525.

Dana is concerned for Louisiana schools losing money caused by the semester-long disruption.

"These are temporary placements, so I believe we should extend all kindnesses, but we should be realistic regarding the tuition being paid to the sending school or to us," Dana said.

The two students displaced to UMaine, Scott Vermeulen and Lehan Wilson, are current Maine residents and received no additional reduction to the existing in-state rate. However, the application process was waived, which made the rapid transition process from New Orleans to Orono much easier.

Wilson said that experience couldn't have gone better.

"We recognize that we are hugely vulnerable in so many ways and that nature cannot be fooled with."

Robert Dana
Dean of Students

"UMaine bent over to help me get into class and my dorm room," he said.

Late-starting classes at UMaine were the basis of Wilson's decision to attend school in Orono. He didn't want to arrive weeks after classes began. The fact that it was closer to home was a draw as well.

"I get to go home now when I feel like it," he said. "That's a new thing for me."

Bates College in Lewiston offered free tuition for any Maine resident displaced from a Gulf Coast school. While UMaine enrolled two displaced individuals, Bates attracted 18 from Loyola, Tulane and UNO to its programs with the Katrina Relief Initiative. That effort entailed extensive fundraising in order to allow the students to attend the school.

Vermeulen and Wilson both have friends attending Bates. Vermeulen briefly thought about entering the school as well before deciding on the more engineering-focused institution in Orono.

"I don't think I would fit in at Bates anyway," said Vermeulen. "It's not my kind of place."

Dana said he is concerned about all victims of the hurricane, including former UMaine faculty members Jim Killackey and Diana Hulse who took positions at UNO a few years ago. Dana said the disaster served as a refreshing reminder.

"Such devastation, loss of life, loss of property and loss of all that holds one to the earth's surface is shattering," he said. "We recognize that we are hugely vulnerable in so many ways and that nature cannot be fooled with."

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education program, but he unexpectedly received a phone call from the dean saying he had been accepted to the engineering school.

"I didn't even know I applied," he said. "I guess my father filled out an application and sent it in."

In actuality, the University of Maine System waived the application process for all students displaced from New Orleans and offered them in-state tuition rates. Because Vermeulen is a Maine resident, he can't take advantage of any reduced rates, but he said UMaine is similar to Tulane in price. The last-minute transfer to UMaine, however, left him without the scholarships and federal aid he would have received at Tulane. According to Vermeulen, the schools' engineering programs are comparatively accredited, so it doesn't bother him to attend college in Orono.

"I don't know if I'll spend the whole four years here, but I'll definitely finish this year," he said. "I can't go back now. It's too much to deal with."

The Tulane campus only saw a maximum two-foot water level, so Vermeulen hopes most of his belongings are safe. He said the evacuation crews were very adamant about not packing much because of the long bus ride. As a result, he left behind about \$3,000 worth of personal effects. Among them, he misses his camera equipment and Xbox video games — especially the Xbox, he said.

"And I have no clothes," he said. "I've been living on clothes I left behind because I didn't want them anymore."

"But I don't really care about that stuff. There are so many bigger problems down there to worry about college students' belongings."

Still, Vermeulen feels Tulane should communicate better with its students on the situation at the school and thinks it is intentionally not doing so to keep enrollment numbers up.

"What happens to a school if everyone decides not to go back?" he said.

No matter what decision Vermeulen makes, he will learn an important lesson from his experience: Be careful what you wish for.

On the flight to New Orleans, Vermeulen said he wanted to experience a hurricane. When he heard about Katrina, he was excited.

"Turns out, the experience was more than we could handle," he said.

Tulane student to finish career at UM

While the sun was rising on Vermeulen's college career with the start of the fall semester, it was setting on Lehan Wilson's.

Wilson, 22, had already spent four years as a civil engineering major at Tulane. He returned for a final semester in order to graduate in December. But Katrina sent him packing a little sooner than planned.

Wilson is a native of Weston, Mass., and current resident of the Portland-area Chebeague Island,

where his parents moved during his time at Tulane. He transferred to finish his college career at UMaine. Wilson is worried his academic files were threatened by the storm. Tulane may not know where Wilson stands if his records are under water.

"I don't care about formal graduation," Wilson said. "My friends did that last semester and said it was boring. As long as I get my diploma from Tulane, I'm all set."

"I knew then this one was definitely the most serious of any I would go through. It was a lot scarier."

Lehan Wilson
Senior
Civil Engineering Major

For the last two years, Wilson had been living in an off-campus apartment in the Broadmoor region of New Orleans, one of the hardest-hit areas of the city. Until 80 years ago, a lake filled that low-lying section. With water levels rising to 10 feet, the recent hurricane transformed it into Lake Broadmoor once again.

Wilson's friend, who returned shortly after the storm subsided, said everything was destroyed. Plants were dead. Houses were falling down. Mud left from the receding waters was drying to create an unbearable dust that permeated the air and coated the lungs of everyone who breathed it.

The fact he lived on the second floor gives him hope to recover his valuables. They're probably wet but still salvageable, he said.

While Katrina was Vermeulen's first experience with a hurricane, it marked Wilson's fifth evacuation from the city. According to Wilson, the other storms hooked east and had little effect on New Orleans. He knew this one would be different, however.

On the Saturday before Katrina made landfall, New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin appeared on television and told everyone to "get out now." The exit was mandatory. Most past evacuations were suggested, which is slightly above voluntary, according to Wilson.

"I knew then this one was definitely the most serious of any I would go through," he said. "It was a lot scarier."

Despite the ominous signs, Wilson was sure he would return in a few days. He grabbed his jeans, sandals, a book of CDs, a few T-shirts and a couple pairs of underwear.

Everything else, he left.

It had become such an old routine for Wilson that he didn't bother to pack anything else. Similarly to Vermeulen, however, the loss of materials was a superfluous concern.

"College students are lucky because we're all pretty much dependent," he said. "We at

least have a home base."

The 80 percent evacuation response was the largest Wilson had ever seen. Usually, it's around 40 percent, he said. Of the 20 percent who didn't make it out, Wilson said they need help.

"We should really be worrying about the people of New Orleans," he said. "There's a lot of money being raised, but it's going to take a lot more to bring it back."

When the hurricane hit on Monday, those left behind were the ones who couldn't leave — the poor, the elderly, the sick. They stayed because they didn't have the means to leave or a place to stay after they left.

Wilson said much could have been done to avoid the loss of life and destruction of the city. During his first college class, his civil engineering professor told his students that New Orleans was in a dangerous spot. Government simulations predicted 100,000 deaths if a Category 4 hurricane were to hit the city if residents didn't evacuate.

"Looking at something like that, the government should have been ready, but they weren't," Wilson said. "They weren't even close."

On the first day of classes, Wilson arrived on the Orono campus. He couldn't attend class that day because he needed time to organize his life. And even though he was thousands of miles away from Louisiana, Wilson couldn't escape the reach of Katrina. He watched the news, but he couldn't bear it. He had to bar himself from witnessing any more of the destruction.

"At that point, it was a very weird feeling in general," he said. "I felt very displaced."

Many fellow students in his classes at UMaine are in their later college years and already have a core of friends. Wilson said that makes it difficult to find people to socialize with.

But he does enjoy the increase in the amount of Boston Red Sox fans on campus. To avoid reminders of the hurricane, he has replaced watching the news with cheering for the Red Sox on television.

But soon, he will have to face the destruction once again.

Wilson is planning a trip back to the Big Easy during October break. He hopes to salvage some abstract ceramic sculptures he created. He promised one to his mother.

"I would also really like to get some of my Tulane shirts back, just to have something to prove I went there," he said.

On his trip to Maine from New Orleans, Wilson stopped at a thrift store in Boston to pick up some gear to get him by for the time being. His room in Oak Hall is telling of his current situation. His closet was nearly empty, excluding some dirty clothes thrown on the bottom. It didn't look like a normal college student lived in his room. The trip back will possibly remedy that situation.

"Guys that have already been there say it's the weirdest," Wilson said. "Maybe I don't want to see it. But the curiosity is too much. Plus, I want to get my winter jacket before it gets really cold here."

Wilson plans to search for a job in construction management only after touring the country this summer and visiting college friends he didn't get to see this year.

"I miss my friends. It's going to be tough to run into them again," he said. "But after all that, I think I deserve a little respite."

Business fraternity looks for members

By Shannon Shutts
For The Maine Campus

Alpha Kappa Psi, Maine's only professional business fraternity, is in the process of recruiting new members.

AKPsi is the biggest professional business fraternity in the nation. The group is open to any member of the University of Maine, but focuses mainly on economy and business majors. Like other fraternities, it seeks to help the community, uphold high ethical standards and build a brotherhood. But it has original characteristics separating it from other UMaine fraternities and sororities. The group can serve as a networking tool for students as they graduate and seek jobs in the workforce. With chapters around the nation, there are many options for meeting people in similar fields. At a national level, seminars and conferences are offered every year to heighten the professional skills of the members.

"The fraternity will teach us business etiquette, how to dress properly, how to give your best interview," said business student and founding member Amber Gallant. "If you're going to want to interact with people in a professional environment, you're going to want to be in this group. It provides vital contacts and prepares you for the real world. Any fraternity looks good on a resume, but this is one geared specifically to our field and that looks great."

Planning for the year's events is already under way. There is a committee for social events, community service and efforts to work more closely with other business organizations on campus. Semester dues of \$214 should pay for such activities, along with the possibility of informational guest speakers.

However, the fraternity has a deadline to meet. They will send their petition to the national chapter Sept. 17 to be chartered Sept. 19. They are preparing for a visit from Chad Smith, the regional director, who will decide on the recognition of the Maine chapter nationwide. AKPsi must have 44 members by that point. Right now, it has about half the requirement. Officers of the fraternity said now is the best time to join, regardless of the deadlines.

"I joined Alpha Kappa Psi, for one, to be more involved on campus and in business because it is my major," said AKPsi secretary Michelle Bartar. "And secondly, to meet new people and have fun. It's just a great experience all around, and when I graduate from UMaine, I feel that it will amaze interviewers for jobs when I can say that I am a founding father and officer of AKPsi at the University of Maine."

"Together we can set the tone of the fraternity and how it runs," Gallant said. "We will be making history and a big impact for those who follow us."



POLICEBEAT

By Randy Perkins
Staff Writer

20-year-olds charged at Timberview party

A party resulted in alcohol-related charges early in the morning of Saturday, Sept. 24 after police responded to a noise complaint on Timberview Drive. Police noticed a female, who appeared to be underage, holding a cup in her hand on the back deck of the apartment. When she saw the officers, she put her cup down. The officers asked her to come to them, at which point she ignored them and walked into the apartment. One of the officers went to the front of the apartment and stopped her as she tried to exit the front door. The female was identified as Erin Poitras, 18, and was charged with possession of alcohol by a minor. The tenants of the apartment were identified as Gregory Korotash, 20, and Michael Giesen, 20, both of Newtown, Conn. The occupants

admitted they had been consuming alcohol and that there were minors at their apartment consuming alcohol. They were charged with furnishing a place for minors to consume alcohol.

Police catch man, 19, with beer in hand on Washburn Drive

Yet another minor was issued a summons for possession of alcohol. On Thursday, Sept. 22, at 11:26 p.m., police on patrol noticed a man walking on Washburn Drive with a beer in his hand. He had a backpack on, which officers asked him to remove and reveal its contents. Inside were three cans of beer. The man was identified as Christopher Dean, 19, of Orono, and was issued for possession of alcohol by a minor.



CAMPUS PHOTO BY SARAH BIGNEY

THE THINKER — Concerned audience members ask questions of presenters about the proposed Plum Creek Development in Northern Maine. Many of the concerns raised were addressing environmental issues of the development.

Mitchell Center hosts talk on Plum Creek development

Proposed zoning plan to usher projects in Moosehead Lake area

By Riley Donovan
Assistant News Editor

The central and western part of Maine, from Greenville to Jackman, is one of many undeveloped areas in the state. Enter Plum Creek, a timber company that has suggested a plan to develop this particular part of the Maine woods.

On Friday, the University of Maine's Mitchell Center brought Jim Lehner, Plum Creek's northeast representative, and Luke Muzzy, the company's senior land asset manager for the state, to the campus.

Lehner, a UMaine graduate, worked for years in real estate in the Greenville area until last winter, when he joined the Plum Creek team that seeks to develop the area in which he grew up. Lehner tried to explain that the plan, which has become controversial with many Mainers scared of what it might do to the environment, is not actually one of the developments.

"This is not a development plan," Lehner said. "It leads to development, but it's actually a zoning plan."

He added that any development that will occur because of the plan will not happen immediately, but later down the road.

The plan that Lehner says was developed by Mainers, with Maine in mind, calls for a rezoning of a sizable amount of land. The total property allocated for rezoning, which is already owned by Plum Creek, is the size of Knox and Hancock counties combined, or about the size of Baxter Park.

Lehner pointed out the three key objectives of the plan. First, preserve the working forest for jobs and recreation. He

says that 98 percent of the land will never have residents there under the current plan. It will also include 71 miles of snowmobile trails.

Second, maintain the unique natural character and traditions of the area. They want to make the land available for camps and tourism.

And third, create economic opportunity and predictable development.

"We've heard some concerns about our development and we're going to address those as we revise the plan."

Jim Lehner
Member of Plum Creek
development team

The company would also like to provide land for affordable housing by creating 975 lots over the next 15 years for residential space.

"We don't know where that's going to be yet because we're talking to the communities," said Lehner. "We're committed to doing it, and we feel it will have a very positive effect on the area."

Lehner and Muzzy have been presenting their plan for five months. They say they have heard the thoughts of many Mainers on the plan and have taken each into consideration. They also acknowledge that changes will be made.

"We've heard some concerns about our development," Lehner said, "and we're going

to address those as we revise the plan."

Currently the plan includes seven percent of the Moosehead Lake shoreline, which is owned by Plum Creek. Lehner assured environmentalists that 50 percent of the shoreline is permanently protected, and will never be touched by the plan.

"I feel Moosehead Lake has a very good future ahead of it," said Lehner.

While Lehner admitted that the land has been developed a bit over the last 20 years, he said the Plum Creek plan will not have as large an impact as what has taken place recently in the area. He said 1,500 lots have been built over the last two decades.

"Our program provides 975 (lots), and then it's done as long as the state of Maine wants it to be," said Lehner.

Lehner said the land has not been upgraded much since he was in high school, and fewer move to the area as a result. He said that when he graduated from Greenville High School in 1978, he was one of just nine students in his class. He said today there are only eight pupils in the first-grade class. He added that Piscataquis County is the poorest county in Maine, and there has been a great loss in population in the area. Today, there are 94 students in the area high school.

Lehner argued that the Plum Creek plan will implement 800 jobs a year for the next 20 years. He also said this is the largest plan Plum Creek has ever undertaken.

They submitted the plan to the Land Use Regulation Commission, or LURC, in April. They expect another six months to a year before the plan can be adopted. Until then, Lehner and Muzzy say they will continue to campaign around the state for their plan.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Monday, Oct. 3

Games night

Campus Feud at 8 p.m. in Memorial Union. For more information, contact Carole LeClair on FirstClass or at 581-1793.

Tuesday, Oct. 4

Faith in Focus

Graduate student discussion group, Drummond Chapel in Memorial Union, 12 - 1 p.m. For more information, contact Casey Murphy on FirstClass.

Wednesday, Oct. 5

Energy Independence

William S. Cohen Papers Forum on the Promise of Energy Independence: Examining National Policy and Regional Action. 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at Buchanan Alumni House. For more information, contact

Gretchen Gfeller on FirstClass or at 581-1696.

Graduate school

"Applying to Graduate School: A talk by Scott Delcort," 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. in the Bangor Room of Memorial Union. For more information, contact Patty Couihan on FirstClass or at 581-1355.

Student entrepreneurs

"If I knew then what I know now: Real stories of UMaine student entrepreneurs," with Sheridan Kelley, Nathan Hankla, and Chris Frank. 5 - 7 p.m. in Memorial Union. For more information, contact Kerrienne Falco on FirstClass.

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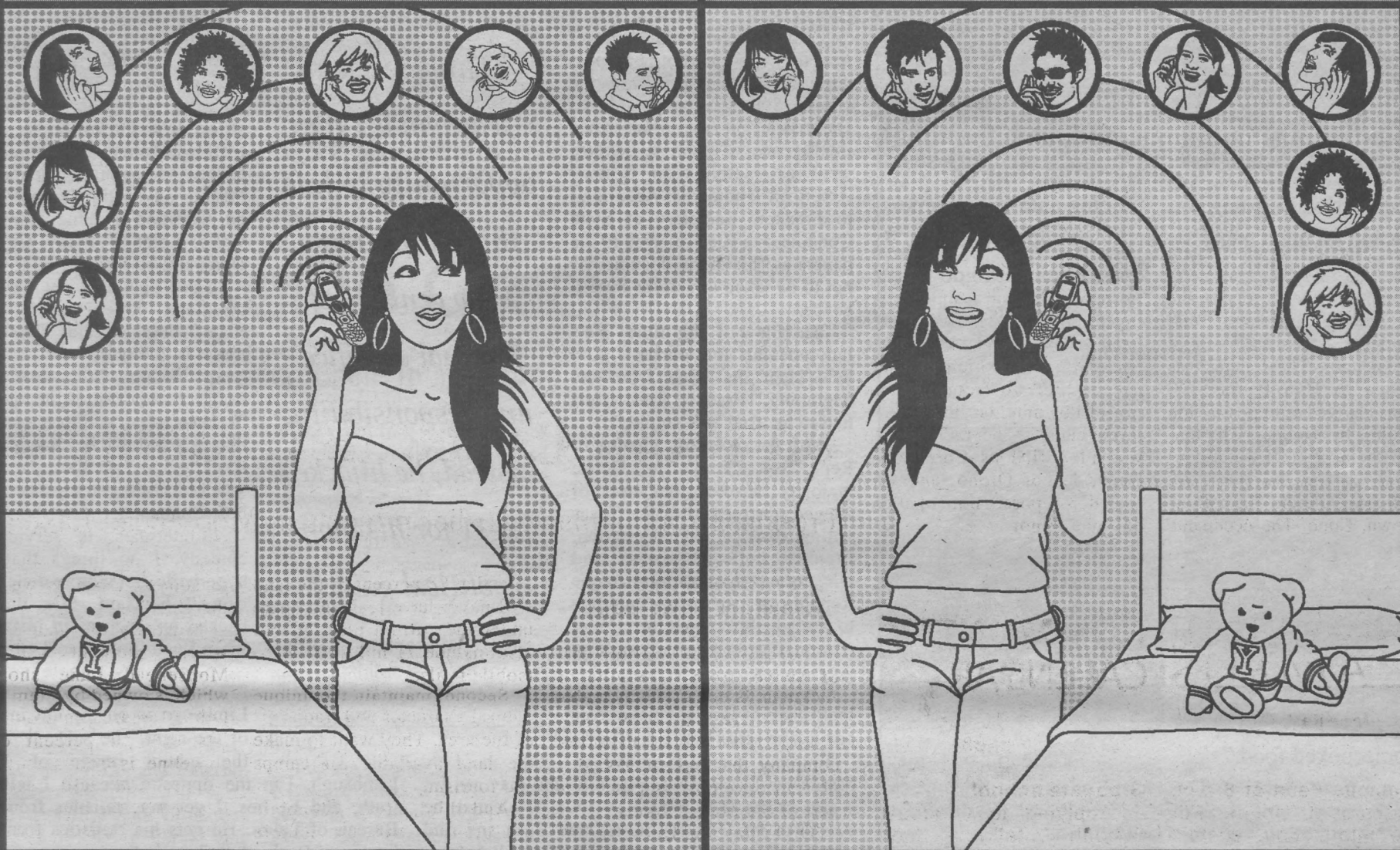
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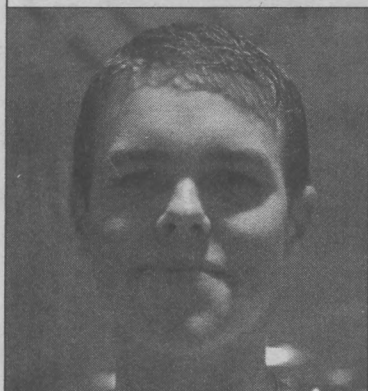
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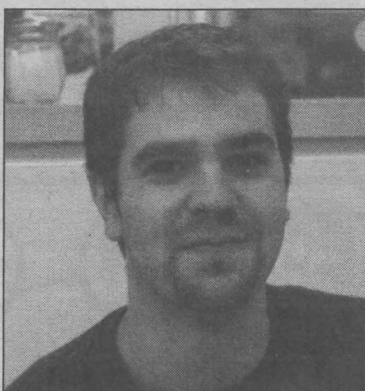
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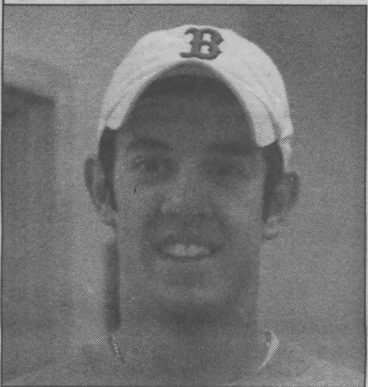
"Sleep basically, going home and taking a nap."

Michael Gill
Mechanical Engineering Technology
Sophomore



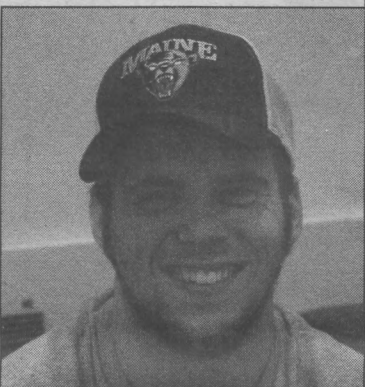
"Being able to go home and visit with my family. I don't often get to do that anymore."

David Paul
Physics
Graduate Student



"Homecooked food."

Derek Pinkham
Biology Pre-Med
Senior



"Sleep."

Ian MacDonald
Civil Engineering
Sophomore



"Getting to see my family for the annual Halloween Party."

Sarah Bretton
French
Sophomore



"I'm climbing Katahdin. I'm hoping to get to the top."

Joel Simons
Education
Senior

FRANKEN

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delivered an address that was witty at times, but serious at others.

"This president is lazy – intellectually lazy," he said. "He's a disaster, and we've been covering for him."

"Never in my life has this country been so united," Franken said, referring to the post-Sept. 11 era. "We had the whole world behind us. This president was handed the opportunity to lead this world into a new century of mutual sacrifice and responsibility. Instead, he hijacked 9-11 for his own political gain."

Franken believes Bush never read the report warning of a possible Al Qaeda attack in the United States. The President's Daily Brief on Aug. 6 unearthed intelligence of plane hijackings used as methods to destroy American landmarks. According to Franken, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice referred to the papers as "historical documents" not to be taken as serious intelligence.

"He blew it big time. He's incompetent and corrupt. And he's been that way from the beginning," Franken said. "He's lied to us. And he's stupid."

With the recent resignation of Rep. Tom Delay, the House majority leader, because of alleged obstruction of the Texas voting district reconfiguration, Franken believes arrests and allegations of corruption in the Republican party will continue to cascade throughout the current administration's remaining years.

"Americans are starting to look back at this administration again," he said.

Franken plans to move to Minnesota in the coming months and may run for a seat in the U.S. Senate in 2008. If elected, he vowed to immediately investigate Bush and find impeachable offenses, which he said will be evident.

"Congress will start just before the inauguration of a new president," said Franken. "So it will be a quickie impeachment."

Franken criticized Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, in his speech as well. As chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security and Public Affairs, Collins is in charge of investigating allegations of wrongdoing within the federal government.

"But she won't do it because of the president," Franken said. "She's a nice lady, but she isn't the kind of leader we need in this country."

Among other topics, Franken addressed Bill Clinton's sex in the Oval Office, Rush Limbaugh's drug incident and his many encounters with Fox News talk show host Bill O'Reilly.

Franken has authored four books, including one dealing extensively with O'Reilly entitled "Lies and Lying Liars Who Tell Them: A Fair and Balanced Look at the Right." In it, he examines conservative biases in the media, shady dealings in politics and their subsequent relationship.

When the book was first released, Fox filed suit against Franken for trademark infringement, claiming it reserved the rights to the slogan "Fair and Balanced." The judge announced a verdict that Fox's case was "wholly without merit" and could not trademark the slogan. The case was literally laughed out of court, Franken said.

"People in courtroom were laughing so hard, they were peeing. They had to use plastic sheeting to cover the seats," he said to an uproar from audience members.

Democratic students, including a contingent from the University of Maine, represented 19 colleges and universities throughout the state at the event. The weekend-long convention was designed to foster political participation in America's youths while providing four days of training and community service. Delegates heard lectures about threats to U.S. technological advancement and domestic policy. Maine Democratic Reps. Tom Allen and

Mike Michaud participated in workshops throughout the conference.

Gov. John Baldacci introduced Franken to the partisan crowd, remarking that the duo will have to go on the road together after their experience Saturday night. Baldacci and Franken appeared earlier at Bates College in Lewiston. Speaking for less than five minutes, Baldacci offered some encouraging words to the audience.

"If we're going to change the world, it's going to begin with you," he said. "You are the young leaders."

Baldacci cited a recent study dubbing Maine the No. 1 state in the nation for college student involvement in the political process. The governor closed with an official proclamation, declaring Oct. 1, 2005 "College Democrats of Maine Day" throughout the state.

Both speakers attacked Maine's Question 1, a referendum on November's ballot to strike from the law books a protection against discrimination based on sexual orientation. Posters advocating a "no" vote on Question 1 hung from the walls, along with College Democrat placards.

"I don't get how gay marriage threatens heterosexual marriage," Franken said. "The only threat is divorce."

In an interview with The Maine Campus after the speech, Franken responded to views that his radio show is "hyperbolic twaddle," and at the same time, attacked conservative talk show host Limbaugh.

"Sometimes, in service of comedy, I do things that are hyperbolic, but they're done with irony," he said. "Or they're backed up, such as in instances when I call [politicians] crooks."

"Sometimes people say Al Franken is doing what Rush Limbaugh is on the left instead of the right," he said. "I'm not the mirror image of Rush

Limbaugh. I'm the opposite because I tell the truth, and he lies. I get my statistics from the Bureau of Labor. He gets his statistics from the bureau of Rush's butt."

After itemizing the flourish of conservative media outlets, Franken denied a left-wing bias in the media.

"However, there is a right-wing media," he said. "These are Fox, talk radio and the Wall Street Journal editorial page."

"The media might be more liberal than the rest of the America, but that's only because they know more. Like in the gay marriage debate – the media knows more gay people, while the public is afraid of them."

Members of the audience appeared to be pleased with the convention.

State Rep. Emily Cain, D-Orono, was invited to the event to speak on youth involvement in politics. Cain, at 25, is the youngest member of the Maine Legislature.

"This weekend's conference was all about youth working together to affect positive political change," said Cain. "I am inspired by the energy and drive of the College Democrats this weekend. They understand there is a lot of work to be done, and they want to be a driving force of positive change within the Democratic Party."

Cain said the keynote address was an excellent way to cap the convention.

"Al Franken was honest and hilarious," she said. "He has an incredible knack for balancing humor with exposing the truth about many of our country's political leaders."

Christina Brown, president of UMaine's College Democrats, and member Bryan Kaenrath made up the Orono delegation. The convention helped focus efforts on what needed to be done to win upcoming elections and a Democratic majority in Congress, according to Brown. She said Franken's speech was more serious than expected, but poignant and effective.

"The Bush administration has lied to the American people on numerous issues, and there has been absolutely no outrage at this knowledge," Brown said. "I think it is very dangerous for the American people to get used to such a relationship with the U.S. Government."

Making mischief?



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Zeta Movement — Sisters from Delta Zeta do a little dance at the Greek Talent Show on Wednesday night

CAMPUS PHOTO BY NATHAN STEVENS



Relaying the Message— Competition runs high Friday afternoon, as preparation takes place for the relay race at the Greek Olympics part of UMaine's Greek Week

CAMPUS PHOTO BY LINDSEY ARONSON

Going Greek

Fraternities, sororities compete in academic bowl, parade, games

By Emily Whitney
For The Maine Campus

Greek Life is often under scrutiny. As a result, the unification events of this year's Greek Week have more importance.

"It's really fun, especially when you go with a group of your friends," senior Liz Cates said. "The friends that I've made, I've had since the beginning of my freshman year, and I hang out with almost every weekend."

Last Monday through Friday, all campus sorority and fraternity chapters participated in various events that both promoted Greek Life in general and attempted to bind already active Greeks together. Participation points were awarded to the most

operative chapters, with all new members or pledges who signed the new member book allowed to compete as well.

"Different days stand for different things," Stephanie Buckley, vice president of Greek programming said. "A big part of what we do is philanthropy. That is where campus cleanup comes from. Also, academics are important; all chapters have a GPA minimum, and that was highlighted by the academic bowl."

For the academic bowl, both fraternities and sororities competed in a college bowl trivia game. Each chapter chose one team of five people to compete. Fraternity Phi Kappa Sigma and sorority Alpha Phi won the allot-

ted 100 points.

By the end of the week, the point system determines an overall winner. Points can be deducted throughout the event resulting from missed deadlines, not cleaning up or auditorium fines. Still, the overall winners sorority Delta Zeta and Kappa Sigma fraternity walked away significant victors.

"Delta Tau Delta almost pulled ahead of them because of the talent show," Buckley said. "They were awesome. Basically, they put a complete band together and played 'I Believe in a Thing Called Love.' It was great."

The talent show had at least five chapter members participate in a six-minute maximum talent



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ADRIANNE HESS

Greek Load— It may be raining on their parade— but UMaine's Greeks aren't letting that stop them from a bawdy raucous to heat up a cold Greek Week afternoon.

piece, fraternities and sororities were judged separately. Victors received 100 points.

In the end, the week proved successful based on positive attendance and feedback.

"We've had a lot of bad

press lately," Buckley said. "This kind of thing brings Greeks into a better light. They can see us having fun without the alcohol. With [Greek Week], we prove that negative influences are not necessary."

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Cutler Blew It

Things are in a sad state of affairs when a facility whose mission is to save lives decides that it is more important to save face. The fact of the matter is when it came to ordering Premium condoms, Cutler blew it. A faulty condom is as effective as no condom. Of course, everyone is entitled to make a mistake but ignoring the issue will not simply make it go away.

Considering the seriousness of the issue, trying to deny that faulty condoms are being dispensed leaves a bad taste in the mouth. If Cutler will not admit to its own mistake, then kudos to the General Student Senate for taking a stand to put the safety of the students first. Faulty condoms from a health facility that put lives in jeopardy should leave students questioning the resiliency of their health insurance as well.

The way Cutler health denies that the condoms being distributed on campus are defective takes them out of the frying pan and into the fire. Let's just hope the word gets out before there are buns in the oven.

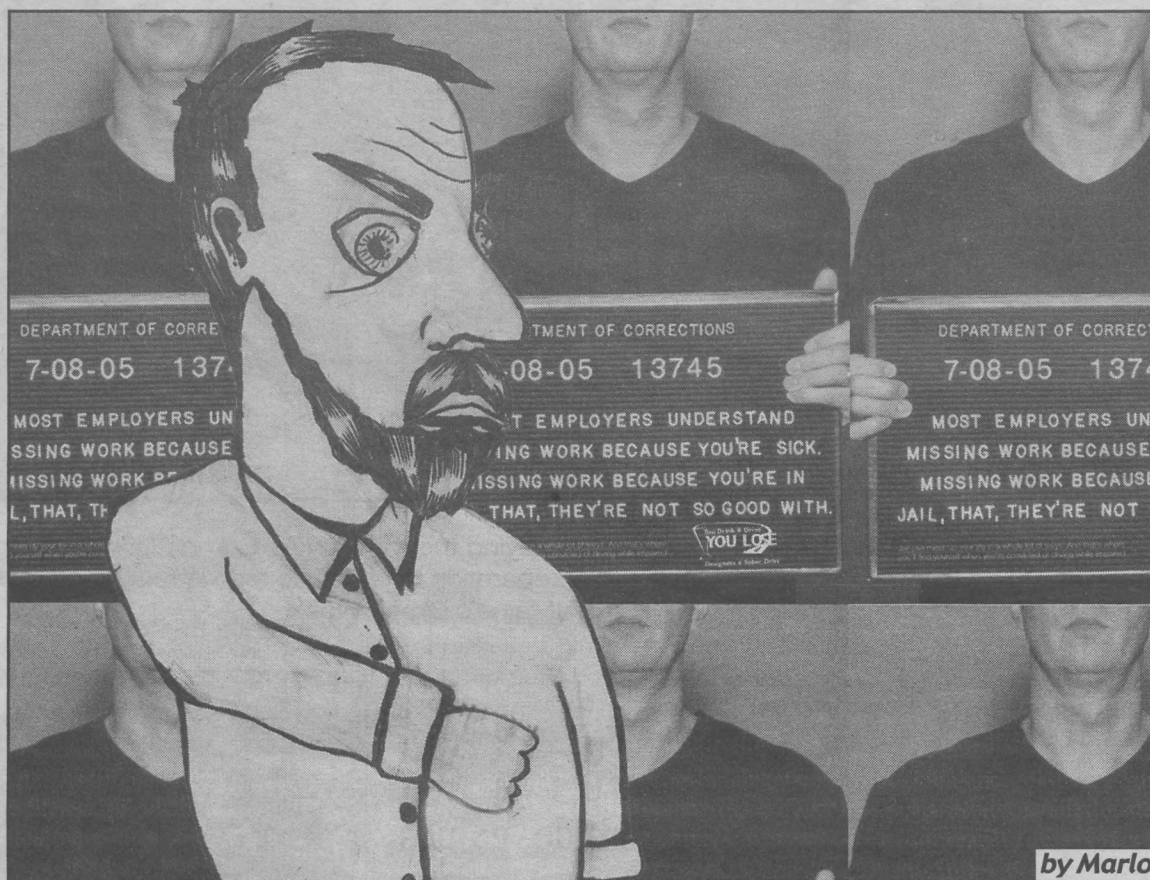
Burn Piles of Wood, not Cars

Last year, after the emotionally charged Red Sox postseason games, the University of Maine held bonfires to discourage students from rioting. These were successful in pulling loud, excited students from all over campus into a single location away from the dorms.

Not only did these bonfires neutralize the potential for unscrupulous behavior, they also provided a spot for students to gather and share their excitement. People from all over campus were able to have a good time without hurting anyone or anything.

Now that the Red Sox have secured a spot in this year's playoffs, we assume that the bonfires will be repeated this year, as well as the need for them.

We wish that great accomplishments in sports didn't inspire vandalism and other random acts of property damage. Unfortunately, the problem of sports rioting is growing every year. It's good that UMaine is approaching the issue in a positive way instead of simply upping police force.



UMaine Campaign is All Talk

Drunken driving campaign makes promises it can't keep

UMaine Public Safety recently joined a national campaign aimed at discouraging students from operating a motor vehicle under the influence of intoxicants, commonly referred to as an OUI. Posters promoting the campaign have been placed all over campus.

One poster reads, "Most employers understand missing work because you're sick. Missing work because you're in jail, that, they're not so good with." In smaller print it adds "Jail can mess up your life in a whole lot of ways."

The point of the poster is to inform students that if you are charged with OUI there will be negative professional repercussions. Its intention is to say you will get chastised at your job or even fired for getting an OUI. This is the only way to read the poster, not a loose interpretation.

MICHAEL
HARTWELL

OPINION EDITOR

If anyone can find another way to read this poster, write to me and I will print it in the next issue.

However, despite what these posters say, UMaine does not have a policy to punish employees convicted of drunk driving.

Let me make this crystal-clear: The same school that is putting up posters that say drunk drivers are punished at work does not punish its employees when they are convicted of driving drunk.

Some UMaine employees do find themselves on the bright end of a patrolman's flashlight.

Michael McCollum, director of corporate sales for the UMaine Athletics marketing department, was convicted over the summer driving while intoxicated. He still works here. Student conduct officer David Fiocco was convicted of drunken driving not long before UMaine hired him.

For those of you who aren't up on the news, David Fiocco is filing an emotional distress lawsuit against a fraternity for informing people about, among other things, his drunken driving conviction. Notice this is not a libel suit, since he was convicted of drunk driving, and you can't sue for libel when it's true.

Reading the words "emotional distress" in the context of a convicted drunken driver's record becoming public made me sick. If

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Disenchanted in Westfield

It has taken many years for our country to correct injustices. President Lincoln made his Emancipation Proclamation in 1862, freeing the slaves. It took

over 100 years for the Civil Rights Act to be signed by President Johnson in 1864. In 1920 the Nineteenth Amendment was passed and 26 million American women

became eligible to vote.

Several years ago, I joined the Christian Civic League, thinking that they wouldn't do

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Incorrect Politics

Pushing agendas on our language

LUKE
DENATALE

FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

Political correctness, better known as "PC," is not only annoying but changes the way we speak and interact, especially in a college setting. Recently in my history class, the professor began referring to what was commonly known as B.C., or Before Christ, as B.C.E., Before Common Era, and A.D., Anno Domini, as C.E., Common Era. This facet of political correctness is irritating. The idea behind this change in our documentation, according to the zeitgeist on political correctness, is because people are afraid that documentation by the Judeo-Christian calendar will create discrimination or favoritism among religions. I have never heard a person complain about the old system of B.C. and A.D. Even still, the Common Era and the Before Common Era are based around the Judeo-Christian calendar as far as dates are concerned. This has caused a problem with historical documents that have been written with B.C. and A.D. What are our standards for these documents? Do we erase B.C. and A.D. and substitute B.C.E. and C.E. as not to offend anyone? My professor will say when documenting events, for an example, "Year 200 our era". What is the difference if it's A.D. or "our era"? It still means the same thing.

Political correctness limits speech in many ways. Obviously there are boundaries, such as hate speech or slander. But it also limits the range of expression and interpretation of world events and history. I find myself saying things that are, according to PC, "outdated". Recently I used the term "Indian," to refer to the ethnicity of Northern American

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convicted drunken driver David Fiacco wants to know what emotional distress really feels like, he should try growing up without a mother because the nice salesman had too many before he got behind the wheel. David, if you can't deal with other people knowing that you endangered lives, then maybe casual manslaughter attempts aren't for you.

Fiacco waited a few years after the fraternity released his criminal record before launching the lawsuit. He even tried to sue the investigator they hired, presumably for investigating, but that was thrown out of court.

As far as I know, Fiacco has yet to cause bodily harm to anyone. It doesn't matter: he is just as guilty to me. The only reason "manslaughter" isn't on his criminal record is because not enough people were on the road that night.

Fiacco and his lawyer are using a frivolous lawsuit to try to profit from his horrible, illegal behavior. Does university administration even know about this lawsuit? Has he gotten a memo that says, "Hey David, great kegger last night, but you need to forget the lawsuit. You're making us look like a bunch of hypocrites. Do you know how many of those

damn posters we put up?" The fact that he is the student conduct officer, the judge, jury and executioner of Judicial Affairs, only darkens this bloodstain on UMaine's reputation.

Domino's pizza won't hire delivery drivers that have a single OUI on their record, and will fire any that get convicted. Sure, this isn't a fair comparison since their job revolves around safely driving and they don't require the same credentials as a university does. Still, it can be said that a pizza delivery chain has higher employee standards than our university.

UMaine has a program to help employees combat their substance abuse problems. UMaine also offers students a no-questions-asked van to drive them home if they shouldn't be driving. Both these actions discourage drunk driving and I applaud them. However, this doesn't give the school leeway to make false claims.

The message students receive from these double standards is cloudy. Freshmen now know that you can get an OUI and still go on to a successful career. You could be the director of corporate sales for athletics, the UMaine conduct officer or even the president of the United States of America.

Michael Hartwell is a senior journalism major and was recently honored by the Maine Press Association.

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Indians, and someone corrected me fiercely saying, "No, no it's Native American." Oh, I'm sorry I guess I'm outdated now. Let me get out my dictionary and update my "Newspeak".

I urge anyone who is truly interested in using Political Correctness to read an article by Bill Lind, an intellectual who belongs to a think tank in Washington D.C. He has recently labeled political correctness in its truest form, "Cultural Marxism". He traces the origins of political correctness back to the World War I era. I encourage anyone who is interested to read his article at: <http://www.academia.org/lectures/lind1.html>

Who honestly has the time to keep up with all the changes underway in our language and culture, which have worked fine for 2000-plus years but are no longer acceptable? I certainly have better things to do with my time. For now I think I'll remain archaic, an object of the past, and use the language I have grown up with. It's much too tiring to be constantly updating and revamping my vocabulary for things that have never offended anyone. Who knows, maybe people's responses from this article will shed more light on the subject for me. Overall I find "PC" to be a bunch of BS.

That does not stand for Bachelor of Science.

Luke Denatale prefers to be referred to as a North American-American.

statement including lies or distortions are too ridiculous for the league to promote as long as it is against gays and lesbians. To me this is un-Christian, un-American, and unacceptable. I hope a majority of fair-minded people will go to the polls this fall and vote no against discrimination.

Bob Tweedie
Westfield, Maine
Class of 1955

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any harm, and might even do some good. I soon became disenchanted and dropped my membership and support. Their focus was then, and to this day seems to be playing on our worst instincts and fears and cultivating hate and intolerance toward a segment of our citizens. No

What's a Picnic Without a Few ANTS?

Adult Non-Traditional Students annoy the rest of us

It is that time of the year: Early alarm clocks, over-filled lecture halls, dodging cars on campus and the Adult Non-Traditional Students (ANTS). Many of the upper-classman already know of the ANTS from their previous years. Most of them tend to get very annoying in class. If you do not already know of the ANTS, please get ready. I will offer as much help as I can for dealing with them in class.

Identifying ANTS is easy. Look for the 30-40-year-olds sitting front and center in the lecture hall. If males, their chests are usually stuck out and their pants will be pulled up somewhere around their nipples. They also have an aura about them as if they were silently saying, "Yeah dude, I am cool." The females will sit with their chin rested on their hand and nodding with almost anything the professor says. Sometimes you will hear brief sighs and they will smirk as if they were connecting with the professor.

The ANTS establish themselves on the first day of class. The teacher will ask a question and they will reply with something that makes absolutely no sense. "What the hell?" The teacher then has to politely tell them they do not know what they are talking about.

For instance, here is a typical in-class scene with an ANTS:

Professor: "So the environment

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what we are surrounded by and need to support in order to have a clean planet."

ANTS: Raises their hand and is called on by the professor. "We are surrounded by the environment so we need to support it, and if we don't we won't have a clean planet."

The professor will look at them in a way that says, "Yeah I just said that moron." This is the most typical thing that you will hear; ANTS trying to seem really smart, trying to get you to worship them because they didn't go to college 20 years earlier. Solution: Cover your ears and sing a song, or stand up, get their attention and yell "And I thought I was dumb."

I had an ANTS experience in my PSY 101 class a couple years back. I was listening to the professor lecture about conditioning. She gave an example that spanking children was a way to condition a couple of decades ago. Lo and behold, the ANTS in my class had to raise his hand to tell the class of 200 kids that he used to spank his children because it worked and he believed that people should still do it. He then looked around the class as if to say, "Yeah I said that, what's up now?" Honestly,

is who does that?

Another thing an ANTS tends to do is converse with the professor before the class starts. You might have a question for the professor, but don't want to interrupt the festive conversation, so you sit there without an answer. If it is an anthropology class, the ANTS is telling the professor that they just dug up a bone in their backyard and found the "missing link" for human existence. Solution: Go up to the professor and say, "I have an important question. Don't worry, I am not trying to impress you so you can boost my grade."

If you say this while making occasional death stares at the ANTS, most of the time they will sit down. When they do, do that thing that the old WWE group De-Generation X does: Make an "X" with your arms while doing a pelvic thrust. That will get the point across.

For all the younger students here, please try your best to deal with the ANTS, because they are good students and have just as much right to be here as us. Doing what I said for the appropriate situation will work, so resort to my solutions before violence. Remember all the signs you saw people holding in your first weeks here that read "Violence is bad."

Aaron L. Smith is a SCAB (Students Critical of Adult Bores).

Where Hurricanes and Wars Meet

Bush and the Iraq war are the reason Katrina was so bad

Hurricane Katrina revealed the racism, inequality, and poverty that exist in this country. One-fifth of the people in New Orleans lived below the poverty line, and about that number did not own a car. They were not able to evacuate the city, and when they were supposed to receive relief, they were left for days without food and water. According to an account reported on NPR, when a large crowd tried to cross a bridge to a dry suburb, police fired warning shots and stated no one could cross. The only rational explanation people in that crowd could give was that poor, black people were not wanted in white suburbs, even if they were hungry with no place to go in one of the worst disasters of our history.

The storm showed how funds necessary for the rational protection of a city were cut and spent elsewhere, particularly on the Iraq War. It also exposed the numbers of National Guard in Iraq from Louisiana and Mississippi, prompting the question: How much pain could have been avoided if there were more relief workers in those states and not in Iraq?

According to Newsweek, the Bush Administration recently

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cut funds requested by the Army Corps of Engineers to strengthen the levees before the storm hit. A simulation of a category 5 storm hitting New Orleans last year predicted disaster worse than we are currently seeing; yet little was done once the results returned. When there are known problems with infrastructure, shouldn't our government immediately act on such data and studies? Likewise, the statistics of poverty in New Orleans were well known. If a government has the power to alter someone's condition for the better, shouldn't it do so? The poverty level there is striking, and though there were certainly efforts to change that, they were clearly never the principal objective of our government. Maybe there has never been a government that acted appropriately for an extended period of time, but this does not mean we should not still hold up actual govern-

ments and leaders to the ideal. In this case, our government's priorities were elsewhere.

The most obvious example of these priorities is the Iraq War, which is costing hundreds of billions of dollars, hundreds of thousands of Iraqi and American lives, and peace of mind. The benefits of the war are simple: access to oil and influence over its distribution in a time when oil demand is incredibly high and oil supply is diminishing, and the ability to give out large government contracts to American firms supportive of the government. Looking at the priorities of American policy, money, power, and care for the elite, it really should not come as a surprise that Katrina could wreak such devastation. While Katrina was a natural occurrence that we cannot trace directly to human behavior, the extent of the destruction can be blamed on nothing else. The priorities and ideologies of the American elite have left many Americans poor and without help. Both at home and abroad, the pursuit of private interests leaves a wake of destruction behind.

Tristan Quinn-Thibodeau is a member of the Maine Peace Action Committee.

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8 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 3
State Theater, Portland

Better Than Ezra
7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 4
Maine Center for the Arts
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Concert of the Americas
7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 4
Minsky Recital Hall

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and the Simpletons
8 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 5
Ushuaia \$10

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Hour
8 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 7
The Kave, Bucksport
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Audible Mainframe and live
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10 p.m.
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Soma 36
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With the Bangor Symphony
Orchestra
7 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 9
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The Upjont
12 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 15
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ENTERTAINMENT

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8 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 8
North Dining Room, Memorial
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COMEDY

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9:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 14
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Put that in your stereo*

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Witch way to Salem?

By Kai Dauphinee
Staff Writer

CAB offers a fall
excursion to the
Halloween hot
spot where
anything is
possible.

The Campus Activities Board, a large presence here on campus, is best known for its themed activity nights. From Java Jive to Kickin' Flicks, CAB has made it its business to offer something different for every night of the week save Sunday. An additional staple of CAB's many endeavors is its day trips to places outside the Orono-Old Town area. While typically the most popular destination for CAB has been Boston, this year the powers that be are bravely taking a chance at trying something atypical. With new and varied destinations still in the works, CAB is a great way to escape the expected monotony of college life and visit some of the most intriguing places that New England has to offer, the first of which this year is Salem, Mass.

Now, if we are able to forget for a moment that Salem is in Massachusetts, and that Massachusetts happens to be the home of many archivals, one could find something rarely found in Orono. In a word: mystery. This time of year especially, the air in Salem is filled with a peculiar energy that makes it a unique destination to visit.

It is no secret that Halloween is Salem's Christmas. There is a plethora of activities for whatever your interest. Should you choose to spend the afternoon leafing through a used bookstore or stroll Salem's recently revitalized Seaport, the ease with which Salem can be discovered is, by far, among the most inviting in the nation. History, both good and bad, oozes from every brick and drips from every lamp post.

There are trolleys circling the city at all hours, allowing passengers to come and go as they please. Each trolley has its own tour guide to bring relevance to everything you see, and some things that you don't. Should you hear something of interest that might inspire a further look, you can leave the trolley behind as you poke around for as long as you wish in any area. When you are done, simply catch the next trolley that passes and continue on the tour.

Built on a foundation of mystery, Salem is well known for the legendary witch trials of 1692. If this tingles your spine then Salem has things to show you that can't be read about in books. Witness one of the nation's darkest hours as you experience

reenactments of trials that not only killed the innocent but created the societal archetypes for witches today.

Far from a mere "witch town," Salem has also grown to encompass a rich diversity of American culture and experiences aside from its heralded past. For every level of interest you show Salem there is another invitation pulling you deeper into the past. The Nathaniel Hawthorne House is now fully restored and open to the public, as well as The House of Seven Gables, which inspired Hawthorne's famous novel of the same name.

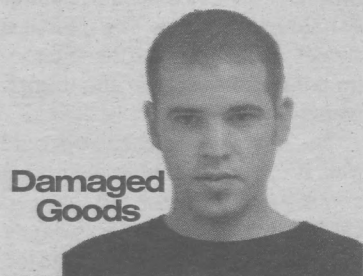
If you're looking for a little less history and a little more diversity, Salem is home to some of the most interesting restaurants in New England. From the eclectic Strega Restaurant and Lounge to the upscale waterfront dining of Victoria Station, every taste has a home just waiting to be found. And when it comes to shopping in Salem, the gambit is covered from vintage photography and sacred boutiques right down to tacky tourist shops with witches' heads cackling as you walk by.

With the gasoline situation the way it is lately, now is a great time to take advantage of these CAB trips. The bus leaves at 7 a.m. on the morning of Oct. 23. For \$25 you can go down and back without the worry of driving in traffic or paying for fuel — leaving you six hours to discover things you never even knew existed. After all, there are shadows in Salem with tales to tell that have never been heard. They're simply waiting for the right person to listen.



COURTESY OF KNIGHT RIDER

Can you hear me now?



Damaged Goods

By Kal Dauphinee

I think John Mayer pretty much hit it on the head in his song "Something's Missing" when he asked, "How come everything I think I need, always comes with batteries?" We have voicemail, snail mail, e-mail, iPods and cell phones, all of which designed to make our lives faster, smarter and more efficient. Why then, in our day of highly communicative technology, are we so bad at communication? Could these devices that were supposed to make our lives easier in actuality be causing us more pain in the long run? Just walking down the Mall, I find one out of five people are usually on a cell phone and two of the other four are listening to iPods — I've found myself in the latter group on occasion. Then there's that gem of an individual with an earbud in one ear and the cell phone in the other. I try not to take it personally, but at times, it feels like everyone is avoiding everyone else. This isn't just with strangers — these gadgets of contrivance are daily enabling us in the cowardly passive treatment of each other that is gradually killing our relationships. If anyone wants evidence, all you need do is be still long enough to observe people's actions around you.

Sitting in the Union last week, drinking my overpriced cup of buzz and attempting the new Harry Potter for the fifth time, I witness at the table next to me a detonation of female deception so nefarious it made Jezebel look like Joan of Ark. Here were four girls, at the same table, mind you, calling each other on their cell phones trying different variations of ignoring a call, hanging up on a call, and letting a call ring through to voice mail. The extent to which this little experiment was taken would have done Einstein proud. When they were finished with one round of calls, they then switched phones to see if the number of rings were different between separate carriers versus the same carrier.

Now my first assumptions were that either daddy just bought someone her first cell phone, or one of them was expecting Brad Pitt to call and just wanted to make sure the call could go through. Needless to say, I was wrong on both counts. I began eavesdropping at this point only to discover that these ladies were trying to decipher whether or not one of their boyfriends was getting her calls or ignoring them by how many times the phone rang before going to voice mail. After computing their findings, they proceeded to make assumptions not

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He writes, he plays, he sings



CAMPUS PHOTO BY SARAH BIGNEY

STARS AND SONGS — David Peterson, of the Maine Songwriter's Association, performed Friday night at the Bear Brew in a showcase of singer-songwriters from Maine. Peterson's tunes were folksy at times, rocking at times, and had a contemporary christian message.

Beer and bruises make for good music

Animal Suit Driveby, Soundbender, Burning Valhalla meet at Ushuaia

By Wayne D. Clarke
For The Maine Campus

If the number of bruises you wake up with in the morning indicates the awesomeness level of a concert, the show at Ushuaia on Wednesday night left the crowd black and blue.

First up on the night was Soundbender, a rock band that has snuck into the scene and worked its way to the top. It's unfortunate that a group as talented and strong as theirs doesn't have more gigs in the Orono area. A group of this caliber needs to be playing more than two to three gigs a month—it's a shame that they don't receive more exposure than they do. Soundbender could have easily headlined this show. Its performance style and music emulated that of any headlining act.

Burning Valhalla, a relatively young group out of Hampden performed next. Burning Valhalla was certainly a little less polished than of Soundbender, however they

did have their merits. In between the rocking power chords of your typical rock music were some pretty sweet harmonies. While the group is still young — all high school students — they have at least one awesome quality: stage presence. These kids worked well together as a unit, an extremely crucial aspect for any live band. Musically, Burning Valhalla still has a long road ahead of them. If they continue to play under the wings of bands like Soundbender and Animal Suit Driveby, they will have no problem traveling that road.

Next on the card was Third Floor View out of Portland, fresh off of its recent CD release, "The Innocent Routine." Third Floor View was a great choice for the show. The soaring vocals of Sean Leddy and sweet guitar riffs provided by Tim Nickerson, make this group perhaps one of the best emo-indie bands in the state. I was already familiar

with their well-polished stage production, as I gave them a perfect score at the WTOS Battle of the Bands back in August, but these guys once again surprised me. For the first time ever, I found myself rocking out in a mosh pit — sweating my face off and running into guys of all sizes. Third Floor View is simply emo and indie rock at its best — these guys, like Soundbender, could have easily headlined this gig.

Several beers and bruises later, Animal Suit Driveby, the evening's headliner, came to the stage. With the smoke machine turned on and the horns and guitars tuned, they began to play. ASD, out of Hampden, has been around for quite a while. I first saw them three years ago, when they opened up for underground indie artists Kill Hannah. Since then, they have come a long way from their scrappy, unpolished performances of

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Shock and Rock '05

By Zach Dionne
For The Maine Campus

George A. Romero, father of the zombie horror genre and director of "Night of The Living Dead"? Check. Swedish metal gods, Meshuggah? Check. Off-the-wall thrash metal act GWAR? Check. These names and more will be present in Worcester, Mass. on the weekend of Oct. 8 and 9 to take part in the second annual horror convention-slash-metal concert known as Rock and Shock.

The dual-venue event will be taking place at The Palladium and The DCU Center. The event is the brainchild of WAAF DJ Kevin Barbare in 2004. Barbare had for some time recognized the unmistakable link between the extreme visual assault of horror films and the intense auditory assault of metal music. Barbare himself was not the first to see this connection. In the early 1970s, metal pioneers Black Sabbath cited the dark and macabre feel of horror films as a direct influence to their musical sound.

Together with local promotion group MassConcerts, Barbare helped put together the first Rock and Shock in October 2004. Actor Kane Hodder, who played Jason Voorhees of the "Friday the 13th" films, and legendary punk-rock group The Misfits were among the participants in the inaugural edition of Rock and Shock. Although assembled in somewhat of a rush, the unique concept and one-of-a-kind nature made the first Rock and Shock a very well received, entertaining event.

With the event being more established in its second year, the bill is full of well-known actors, directors and metal groups. Aforementioned godfather of zombie horror George A. Romero will be present at the DCU Center for both days of the event, signing autographs, meeting fans and speaking before screenings of his films. The casts of Romero's films 1985's "Day of The Dead" and 2005's "Land of The Dead" will be in attendance for autographs and question and answer sessions. The same can be said of the cast of The Devil's Rejects, rock artist Rob Zombie's recent second endeavor into the horror genre. Both days of

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'Lords of Dogtown' skateboards under the radar

By Joel Crabtree
Copy Editor

Among this summer's movie hubbub, "Lords of Dogtown" managed to slip past the radar of most moviegoers.

Stacy Peralta, who made the 2002 documentary "Dogtown and the Z-boys," wrote the screenplay for "Lords of Dogtown." The film chronicles the true-life rise of the Zephyr skateboard team. For the most part the film is a retelling of Peralta's documentary. The major difference between the two is that with "Lords of Dogtown" we're seeing the story through the eyes of director Catherine Hardwicke.

The film follows three main characters, Stacy Peralta, Tony

Alva and Jay Adams. Unlike Peralta's 2002 "Dogtown and Z-Boys," which focused more on the legacy of the Zephyr team, "Lords of Dogtown" adds more depth to its characters. Unfortunately, with the exception of Heath Ledger and Emile Hirsch, the rest of the cast is only sub-par.

Heath Ledger is brilliant as Skip, the co-founder of the Zephyr skate team. He plays an eccentric character that acts as a father figure of sorts to many of the Z-Boys. Ledger is finally emerging as a great actor,

with both "Dogtown" and his upcoming film "Brokeback Mountain," directed by Ang Lee.

As far as direction is concerned, Catherine Hardwicke is relatively new to the filmmaker world. Hardwicke made a splash with "Thirteen," her 2003 directorial debut. "Lords of Dogtown" has Hardwicke's fingerprints all over it. The cinematic style nearly mirrors "Thirteen." The two films have a distinct look to them. The washed out colors of "Lords of Dogtown" makes it look as though someone placed the film underneath the unforgiving California sun for a day.

Although "Lords of Dogtown" is based on the true-life Zephyr skateboard team, Hardwicke still manages to superimpose on the characters her trademark teen angst feeling she established in

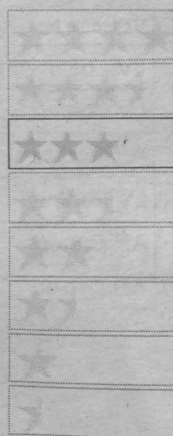
"Thirteen." It works from time to time in the "Dogtown," but much like "Thirteen," it gets irritating fast.

"Lords of Dogtown" does not capture the effect that the Zephyr team had on the skateboarding world. As well, it doesn't touch upon the state of the skate scene before the Zephyr team and how the Z-Boys revolutionized skating. The previous documentary had glorified the Z-Boys and their heroic skating, while "Lords of Dogtown" did nothing of the sort.

The soundtrack fits "Lords of Dogtown" well. It's a hodgepodge of '70s classic rock that stays in your head after the film is over. Hardwicke does a great job setting the atmosphere of the film by tactfully placing the music.

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REVIEW



In the diaper pail

Dollar Baby's feature film fails to impress

By Emily A. Whitney
For The Maine Campus

On the web site for "Stephen King's Gotham Cafe," there is an emboldened list of awards surrounded by a convincing olive wreath: Best Director, Best Actor, Best Special Effects and Best Cinematography. I was unable to locate the individuals who awarded these credits, but, in my opinion, they must have been smoking crack.

It wasn't that this short was awful. It has its various strengths, and in comparison to its competition, I can see the merit it's earned. However, as the feature presentation at Stephen King's Dollar Baby Film Festival this weekend, it was disappointing.

In the film, Chaney Kley plays Steve Davis, a soon-to-be bachelor following the divorce proceedings that are taking place between him and his wife Diane Davis, played by Julie Sands. The concept behind the short story is understandable: Davis is distracted by the seemingly mundane problems of matrimonial conflict until faced with the extreme problem of a psychotic, murderous maitre d'. Oddly enough, the fault of this film cannot be found in the plot. The script is actually an interesting piece that was rather intriguing at the onset.

The back story, however, almost ruined it. Besides the film's informal-like quality, the addition of some explanatory dialogue between husband and wife felt out of place. To begin with, we are not introduced to both main characters simultaneously, but separately. Most of the story is set in a restaurant where a

meeting between the Davises and their lawyers is to take place. Along the way, we see into the apartment and life of one particular waiter. The idiosyncrasies of his personality and unstable psyche are evident in his actions but separated until the Davises go into his restaurant. The filmmakers do transition into this well, and almost entirely up to this point, had my attention.

Fortunately, the action remains believable. Cullen Douglas does well as "Guy" the distraught, homicidal waiter. He is convincingly disturbed, as is the audience. Some of the screen writing during the fight scenes is shoddy, but we do get to see four different fluids. If for nothing else, a diehard King fan should download this film for the gore. Immediately following the fight, the acting becomes laughable, as does the screenplay. Basically, three people are dead, the couple is alive, and Diane refuses to acknowledge that Steve saved her life. None of these flow well with the movie. Maybe the transition was too quick, or the acting was too muted — whatever it was, it didn't work. At this point, the film's faults become evident. The lighting doesn't reflect as many aspects of horror as it should have, and the result was a film that looked like a commercial, at least after the waiter was no longer part of the intrigue.

Overall, plenty of aspects to this short are worth credit, but the annoyances of the acting coupled with certain unforgivable moments of dialogue taint it.

In general, the Dollar Baby Film Festival was well organized and well worth the admission price.

night, I was exhausted from moving around, yelling and moshing.

All in all, Wednesday was an action-packed, wild night filled with three bands that could have headlined. I give my props to the guys at Eye9d for putting this gig together. To learn more about bands coming to Ushuaia, visit eye9d's Web site www.eye9d.com.

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old. On Wednesday, simply put, they rocked.

ASD is known for their ability to keep the crowd's energy soaring, and they certainly did that on Wednesday. When I left that

CD review spot

The Like
"Are You Thinking
What I'm Thinking?"
Geffen Records

The Like is a band I was looking to hate. Why? Because when any band has such a buzz, they usually fall miserably short of critics' claims. First of all, the band holds an unfair advantage over the rest of us: Each member of the boho-chic all-girl trio is the daughter of a well-respected contributor to the music industry. Vocalist Z is the child of A&R impresario Tony Berg, drummer Tennessee's father is Pete Thomas of Elvis Costello, and bassist Charlotte is Mitchell Froom's daughter. Second, the band members are already idolized by teen mags for their fashion sense, which is both

annoying and discrediting to The Like's music.

"Are You Thinking What I'm Thinking" is The Like's first full-length album. Compared to the likes of Rilo Kiley, The Pretenders and The Sundays, The



Like boast a sound that's fresh yet familiar. All tracks feature the pleasant, sweeter-than-Chrissy-Hynde voice of Z Berg, who wrote all of the album's songs.

Some of the band's songs emphasize aggressive, throaty guitar riffs, while other songs float over your ears like candy-coated bubbles. Berg's lyrics are refreshingly unique as well, as The Like has successfully avoided the pigeon-holed fate of songs about girl-wants-boy.

So is it worth checking out? Yes, if only to see what the fuss is about. The Like is a band that's so catchy that they aren't catchy, or maybe that's because I am jaded and I don't really listen to catchy music anymore. Their music is so carefully yet effortlessly structured that it almost leaves you empty when you start to admit to yourself that it is actually good. By no means is this "the best album of the year," but at least it's music hitting the airwaves that isn't complete rubbish.

— Astra Brinkman

KMFDM
"Hau Ruck"
Metropolis Records

"Hau Ruck," KMFDM's latest release, is without a doubt one of their strongest albums. With driving political anger and more of the grinding beats we love them for, these industrial giants are here to take back what belongs to them.

Vocalist Sascha Konietzko, speaking about the album in the liner notes, says that "Rather than on previous recordings, this time around we didn't bother with guest appearances and other decorum. Instead we made the record that was long burning under our own nails." This process included Konietzko's ditching nearly all of his digital synths and sound modules, replacing them with

70s and 80s analog synthesizers.

As for the results? Utterly staggering. Not only is it catchy as hell, but it is quite certainly the best overall industrial album to come out this



year. The most surprising aspect of the album, however, is its tendency to sound more like Nine Inch Nails than KMFDM.

The programming in "Hau Ruck" is worthy of its own individual praise.

The whole thing kicks off with "Free Your Hate," a fast-paced march that the devil himself would enjoy. Here Sascha reminds us that "Silence is golden / Ignorance bliss / Better off not asking / What you'd rather forget." From the crawling beat of "You're No Good" to the deep groove of "Professional Killer," and even the Marilyn Manson-esque "Feed Our Fame," the energy never lets up.

To put it plainly, this is one of the best industrial-rock albums in the past several years. If you even remotely like KMFDM, buy it.

— Jesse Davis

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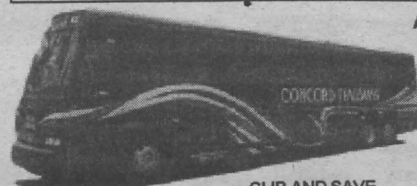
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only as to the guy's whereabouts, but the company he was keeping, because you know they called the "other woman's" phone, too. Meanwhile, I'm sitting there, having completely given up on Mr. Potter at this point, wondering to myself: What poor schmuck has been ensnared by these sirens of cell phone technology? One thing was certain, however: A six-pack on Superbowl Sunday would have more longevity than any of these girls' relationships. That's not to say that us guys aren't playin' the communication game just as badly.

Another example of love incomunicado came my way a few weeks ago. I spent the better part of a night and the next morning with a friend as she opened the flood gates on my shoulder over a recent breakup. Now, the relationship, while still relatively new, had been intense both physically and emotionally, to the point that the "L"-word had been exchanged. Things appeared to be progressing in the natural order when out of the blue one rainy Sunday afternoon, she received an e-mail from the guy — seriously, where's the class? — in which he extolled all of the wonderful things about her and how amazing she was, but that he just wasn't in the same place and blahdy-blah-blah-blah. Basically it was a classic, "it's-not-you-it's-me" dumping, though the guy definitely sprayed it with Glade first so it wouldn't smell like the b.s. that it was. What strikes me as pathetic is that this was the last she ever heard from the guy. After talking up how

much he wanted her to remain a part of his life and "keep communication open," there was none. It was hot, heavy, passionate — and nothing. She was like Wile E. Coyote walking off a cliff. It's all good and then there's that three-second delay before the ground just drops out from under her. The next thing you know, she's at the bottom of the cliff drowning in tequila and watching "Notting Hill" for the umpteenth time.

Why is it so hard to be honest with one another? Why do so many use that honesty as a weapon? It seems as though the second someone understands that you need or want them, they're already boarding the plane for a power trip. Honesty is always an issue on both the good and bad sides of love; it just tends to hurt more on the latter. Maybe because it's lacking is why it's bad. Could it be that, in this politically correct time, we've become so afraid of hurting other people's feelings that we've been unwittingly tricked into getting our motivations across by way of a nonverbal means that aren't clear, even to us? Of course, it could just be that we're all bad liars. Couple this with our fear of honesty, and you'll find it's often easier to say nothing at all — hence the lack of quality communication. Our technological advancements have not improved our communication by giving us more ways to communicate, but have given us more means to justify the mere assumptions of one another's motives based on conjecture and silence. There is, however, one very simplistic way to solve the dilemma of our missing and sincerity and that is to ... hold on a minute. I'm getting a call.

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For all it's worth, "Lords of Dogtown" is nothing more than mediocrity. It doesn't even come close to Peralta's "Dogtown and Z-Boys." Hardwicke made a good effort with "Lords of Dogtown," and the film does have something going for it. "Lords of Dogtown" is

If you liked this film, try;
Dogtown and Z-Boys
Thirteen
Blue Crush
Step Into Liquid
Riding Giants

really a movie for fans of "Dogtown and Z-Boys." It's a surreal feeling seeing the Z-Boys on screen not in documentary form. In fact, it's worth the price of a rental.



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For fans of extras, there is a commentary from the original Z-Boys on the DVD. For the most part, the special features aren't worth the time. There's a "bails and

spill" feature for those who enjoy watching people take diggers. However, the only extra on the disc worth watching is the commentary from the Z-Boys.

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the convention will see Lion's Gate Films presentation of trailers for upcoming horror movies, and numerous staff members of The Horror Channel will also be found among the turnout. In addition to having a chance to win a free "vampire vacation" to Transylvania, courtesy of www.dractours.com, Rock and Shock goers will have the opportunity to be made up by professional horror movie make up artists.

Each day at 5 p.m., convention-goers will make the pilgrimage to The Palladium next door for their daily dose of metal, with acts chosen in the spirit of the horror convention. There is an intimidating amount of bands playing between the two days

of Rock and Shock — eight on Saturday and 15 on Sunday, spanning a smaller upstairs stage and a larger downstairs stage. One can't help but make comparisons between Rock and Shock and The Palladium's own April tradition, the New England Metal and Hardcore Festival, a 7-year favorite by the venue.

Saturday's concert will showcase Battle For Ozzfest winners A Dozen Furies in addition to the amazingly heavy live act Devil Driver, led by former Coal Chamber frontman Dez Fafara. Headlining on Saturday will be GWAR, whose over-the-top stage antics have earned them scores of both positive and negative responses over the years. Fans that did not get a chance to see GWAR on this past summer's Sounds of The Underground tour will be in for a surprising night of gore, obscenity

and chaos, to say the least.

Sunday night will see main stage and second stage bands both performing at 5 p.m. Notable acts to look for will be Nightrage and Swedish groups The Haunted and Meshuggah. The Haunted have toured extensively in the United States over the past year, most recently on Ozzfest. Meshuggah, however, will be more of a treat to see live: This is their first U.S. trek in several years.

Tickets for Rock and Shock are available at Strawberries and through www.tickets.com. Prices are \$15 for a one-day convention pass, \$30 for a one-day convention and music pass, or \$50 for an all-weekend, all-access pass. Grab four friends, fill up a car, split the gas money for the four-hour drive to Worcester and kick off your October break with the vicious horror and metal assault of Rock and Shock.

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Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday (10-03-05). Sometimes you follow, but this year you take the lead. Others look to you for guidance and advice. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: Ten is the easiest day, zero the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)
Today is an eight. Somebody else wants to tell you what to do, and you should let them. Of course, this assumes you've chosen a person who knows what he's talking about.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Today is a three. There's no way you can finish everything you've started now. Send out a request for assistance.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
Today is a nine. You may feel swept away, but it's actually a good idea to pay attention and steer the boat. Don't drift.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Today is a five. Your biggest problem now is choosing. Take your time, and save all your receipts.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Today is an eight. If you could spend all day reading, you might double your words per minute. Retention looks great, too. Go for it.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today is a five. You have more than you thought you'd get. Yes, it's a wonderful thing. But, don't get goofy and lose it. Keep your wits.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Today is a nine. The game is definitely weighted in your favor. You have such an advantage, there's really no contest.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Today is a three. The person you're trying to please is constantly changing their mind. You figure out what needs to be done and do it, if you can.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Today is an eight. Listen and learn in a group setting, a class or seminar. Get the tapes too, if they have them. There'll be too many new things to remember.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Today is a six. It's easy to see that your leadership has impressive goals. How to achieve them? Well, my friend, that's where you come in.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today is a nine. Your curiosity knows no boundaries, so why set any? Travel, beyond the beaten path is your specialty.

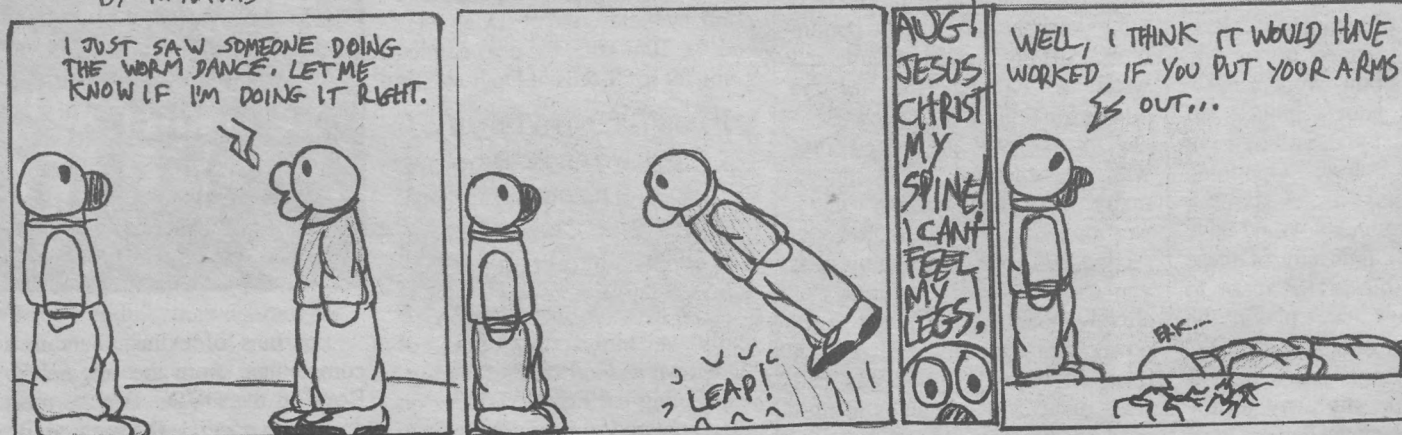
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Today is a four. They say there are more Pisces billionaires than any other sign. That's because you do the research, and you're also lucky.

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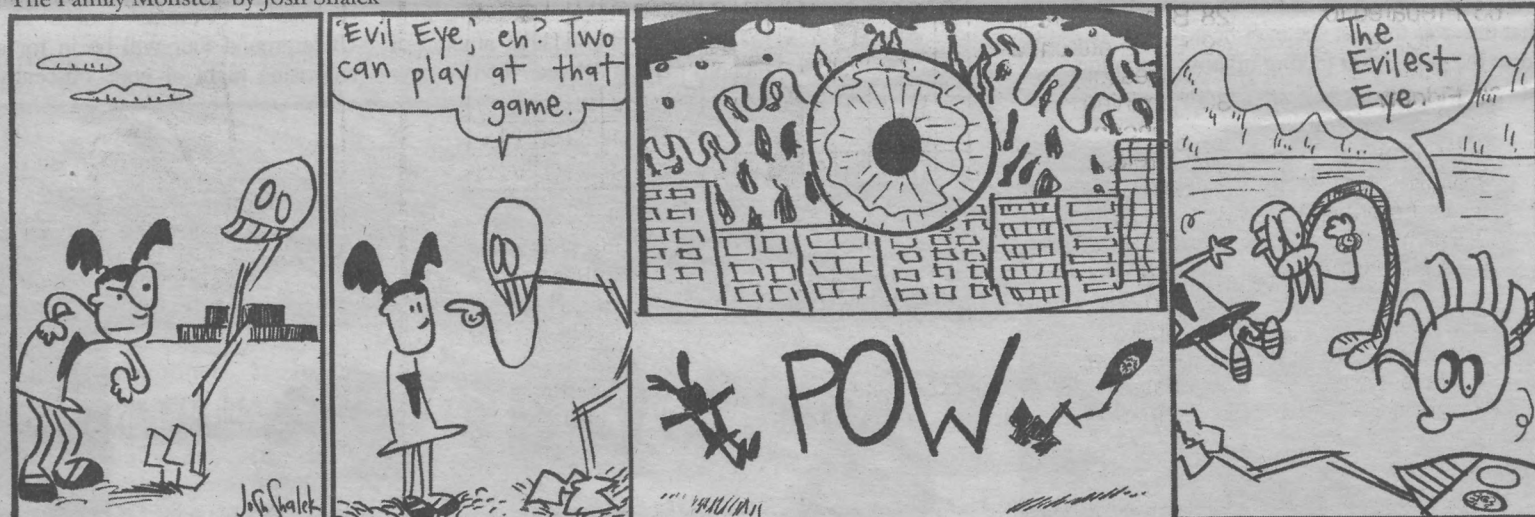


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A College Girl Named Joe



The Family Monster by Josh Shalek



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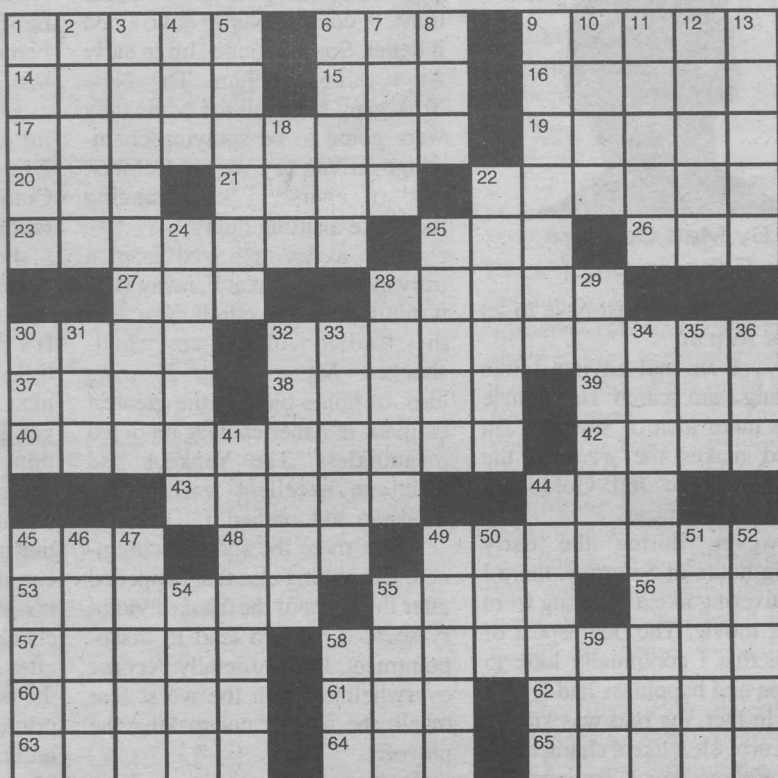
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Crossword

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- 1 Knights' weapons
 - 6 "JAG" network
 - 9 "Thou ___ not commit..."
 - 14 Bikini, for one
 - 15 Tiny amount
 - 16 Book after Daniel
 - 17 With relevance
 - 19 "Rocket Man" rocker John
 - 20 Atlas page
 - 21 Dashed
 - 22 Adage
 - 23 Good-luck charms
 - 25 Congeal
 - 26 Comic Romano
 - 27 ___ Alamos, NM
 - 28 Former rulers of Iran
 - 30 Child's coaster
 - 32 Uncool state?
 - 37 Dangle
 - 38 Ream part
 - 39 Spiny African plant
 - 40 Made excuses for
 - 42 Cornbread
 - 43 Go-getters
 - 44 Bribe
 - 45 Bikini part
 - 48 Took a seat
 - 49 Red gems
 - 53 Soup legume
 - 55 Silvers or Collins
 - 56 Extinct bird of New Zealand
 - 57 Putter Palmer
 - 58 Pithy quality
 - 60 Hammer's targets
 - 61 Talk informally
 - 62 Ice-cream holders
 - 63 Prepared to propose
 - 64 Pique
 - 65 Fidgety



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Solutions

- 7 Digestive fluid
- 8 Porky's pen
- 9 Put one's sword away
- 10 Saintly
- 11 On the move
- 12 First name in bad hoteliers
- 13 Sharp-tasting
- 18 ___ for profit
- 22 Burned some
- 24 Implanted
- 25 Use jointly
- 28 Business dress
- 29 Easily attached accessory
- 30 Feminine pronoun
- 31 Careless
- 32 Shrill comment
- 33 Two pints
- 34 Hasty marriage
- 35 Father's boy
- 36 Told you so!
- 41 Top-level busybody
- 44 Glass ingredient

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- 45 Deadpan
- 46 Aired again
- 47 Leibovitz or Lennox
- 49 Figure
- 50 Mining excavation
- 51 Suffers defeat
- 52 Smart-alecky
- 54 Turn soil
- 55 Bartlett, for one
- 58 Med. procedure
- 59 ___ sequitur

COLLEGE SEX TALK by Dr. Sandy Caron Summer Breaks and Heartaches

Question from a student attending the University of Maine: School's back and I just found out that the person I've been seeing since last semester had a boyfriend at home over the summer. She hasn't told me this - I found out from her roommate. How do I handle this?

Male, Sophomore

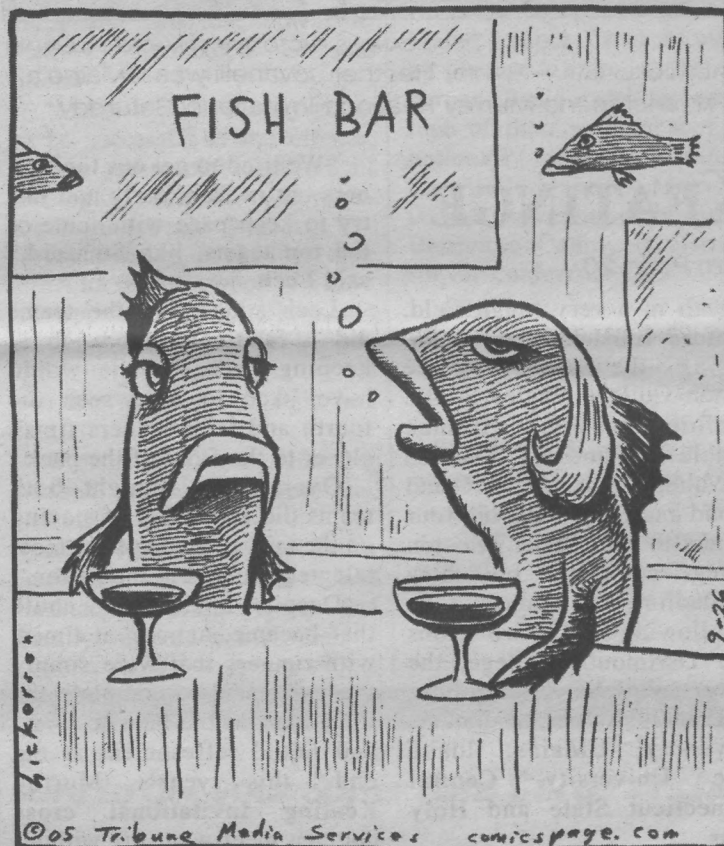
Dr. Caron's Answer: There seem to be several unknowns: 1. You don't know how serious her relationship at home is; it could be a childhood sweetheart, or just a close friend. 2. I don't know how serious you are about this relationship. What does this relationship mean to you? Is this a casual dating relationship or someone you see as a potential life-long partner? Even though you are feeling hurt, it seems to me the place to begin is to sit down and talk to her. Remember: Her roommate may not have all the facts straight. You might say, "I'm feeling hurt. I understand you have a boyfriend at home and I need to know where I stand." There are many questions only she will be able to answer.

Question from a student attending UMass-Lowell:

I want to be able to date others while at college, but I have a girlfriend back home. She doesn't want to break up. Should I just go ahead and date people here and not tell my girlfriend? Male, First-Year

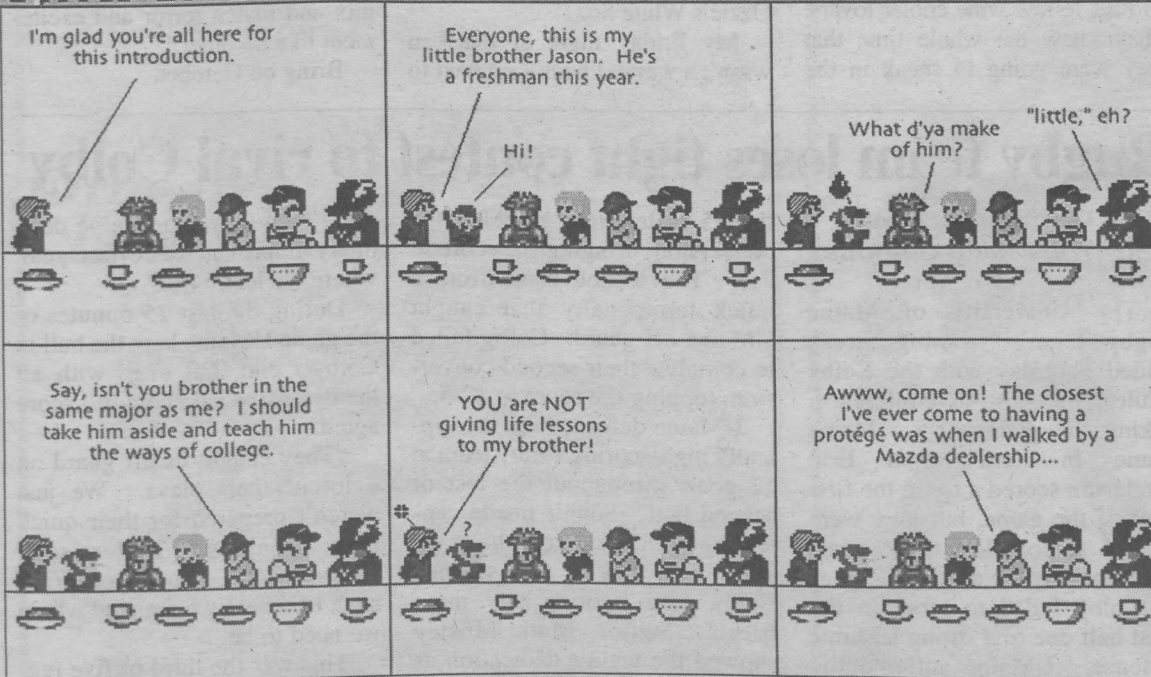
Dr. Caron's Answer: It sounds like you need to decide what you really want in relationships with others. It's difficult to have a relationship built on deception - with either your girlfriend at home or the women you would like to date here at college. If you really want to date other women, you need to be honest about your feelings and tell your current girlfriend. In the long run, you won't be doing her (or you) any favors by being dishonest.

Dr. Sandra Caron is a Professor of Family Relations/Human Sexuality at the University of Maine. To submit a question to Dr. Caron or chat with your peers visit her Web site <http://www.college-sextalk.com>.



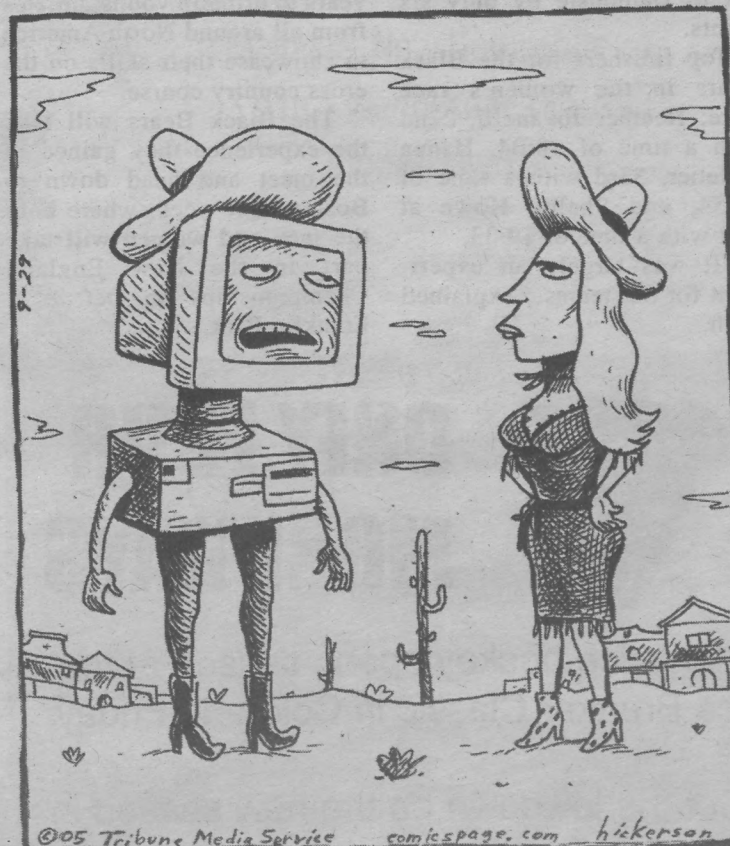
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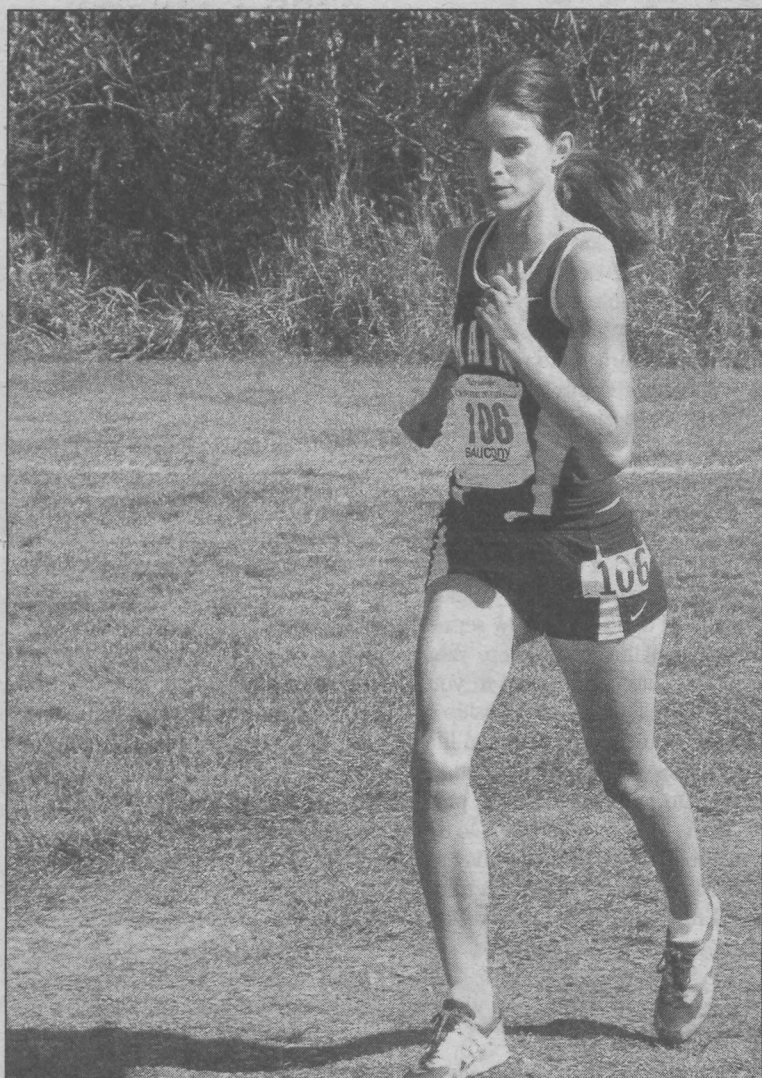


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LEADING LADY — Senior Heather Jovanelli was UMaine's top finisher in the Murray Keating Invitational Saturday.

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seventh in a very tough field. Stanford finished first, again, beating the second place Boston College Eagles 25-42. Stanford runners, Arianna Lamble and Theresa McWalters finished first and second and despite having four runners in the top ten, Boston College could not overcome the Stanford powerhouse.

Following these two teams were Dartmouth College, the University of New Hampshire, St. Francis Xavier, Dalhousie University, UMaine, Idaho State University, Central Connecticut State and Holy Cross.

UMaine came just short of securing the sixth spot, losing out to Dalhousie by only six points.

Top finishers for the Black Bears in the women's race were: Heather Jovanelli, 22nd with a time of 18:04, Hanna Pelletier, 33rd with a time of 18:54, and Shelby Howe at 51st with a time of 19:33.

"It was largely an experiment for our teams," explained Lech.

"We tried to get our top runners out in front early and just try to keep pace with some of the top teams, like Stanford," said Lech.

Lech added that the teams did a relatively good job at keeping pace, but he would have liked to have seen the fourth and fifth runners finish closer to the front of the pack.

Overall, he thought both teams did a fine job of staying on the tails of some of the most talented runners in the nation.

Despite a finishing chute that became jammed at times, with runners that were simply too exhausted to complete the long walk to the benches, cots and liquid refreshment at the end, this year's Murray Keating Invitational cross country meet went off without a hitch.

It should continue in future years to bring in young athletes from all around North America to showcase their skills on the cross country course.

The Black Bears will take the experience they gained in the meet and head down to Boston next week, where both the men and women will take part in the New England Championships on Oct. 8 at Franklin Park.

Red Sox nation braces for playoff angst



By Matt Conyers
Editor in Chief

Sometimes you just have to let the fear seep in.

Now, I am not saying I like admitting I am scared. Hell, I hate it. The mere idea of saying I am worried makes me weak at the knees. I am no Jeff Goldblum. Let's make that clear.

However, during the early evening hours of Saturday, there I was quivering like a little bug from a Pixar movie. The one aspect of my life that I continually look to for hope and happiness had let me down. In fact, my butt was kicked to the curb. I felt like a character in a Saul Bellow novel. Tragedy and heartbreak, my two best friends, were plopping down on my sofa for what looked like another long-term visit. Mr. Randy Newman, life was not good.

Growing up a Red Sox fan you learn this fact pretty quickly. Things are never meant to stay the same. For Sox fans, happiness is only a harbinger for impending sadness. Yeah, they won the World Series in one of the most dramatic ways possible, but that only meant something far worse and heart-breaking was coming. It couldn't be avoided. And of course, Derek Jeter and his good pal Joe Torre would be in charge of conducting the colossal letdown. It was as predictable as an episode of the O.C.

I should've expected this. Baseball is a lot like my love life: long, extended moments of promise and hype mixed with crushing failure and disappointment.

So sure enough, as forecasted there was Jeter and his footclan Saturday afternoon wreaking havoc at Fenway park. This time the ones we shall not name were stealing an American League East division title. A crown that for the first time in eight years looked to be leaving the dark side. That, however, didn't matter to ARod and his fellow wine cooler lovers. They knew the whole time that they were going to sneak in the

back door and snag the division. It was the master plan. Darth Vader himself couldn't have envisioned it better. Sox six games up in early August, no problem. The New York gang knew all the while they were going to be spraying champagne on Yawkey Way in October. And of course, I was standing there like a sitting duck.

Only a day removed from a truly magical night at Fenway Park watching the Sox climb even atop the leaderboard, I was shell-shocked. My evening, 25 rows back of home plate at the greatest ballpark in America, was rendered meaningless. The Yankees had taken an excellent start to the weekend and torched it.

From there the sadness continued. Everything else that happened after the news of the Yankee victory seemed only to lead to disappointment. I had officially become overwhelmed with the worst fear of all: the fear of not making the playoffs.

It was going to be a long autumn. No longer would the leaves shine as bright. Apple cider would be as delightful as Moxie. Fall had taken a turn for the worst and I was going to be gone till November.

October is just not the same without your team playing for the pennant. Instead of reflecting on Big Papi's slugging percentage, I was actually going to have to do homework. Forget bonfires, it was going to be long nights spent studying philosophy for me. No longer did I have an excuse to put off Spanish. The beauty of fall had just been taken from my cold, hard grasp.

But oh, how quickly the tides can change. Or in this case, how quickly a Doug Mirabelli home run changes one's mood. In one gorgeous, bare-handed swing my perspective had changed on Sunday afternoon. My worst fears had been washed away. The Red Sox were winning and winning big. As well, Cleveland had just lost. By the end of the day, the Sox had trounced the Yankees and garnered their third straight postseason appearance for the first time in team history.

The Sox are headed back to the playoffs and have a date with Ozzie's White Sox.

My Friday night at the Fen wasn't a waste. I hadn't sat next to

that guy who smelt like moth balls for nothing. All at once, the experience became one of my best at Fenway Park. I began to remember every little detail. The cute girls two rows back, the wonderful taste of that Fenway Frank. Every memory was good again. October had promise; hope was reborn.

Fear, however, is something every sports fan carries with them. And by no means is mine gone. It's just been tucked away into a little corner, patiently awaiting its next fateful appearance. Better yet, it's been morphed into something more extreme: a postseason sweep by the Yankees. It is a threat and danger to my psyche that no 2004 World Series DVD can overshadow. Forget last year, it's gone just like last week's paycheck at Fenway Park. Baseball after all is a game of fears. That's the wonder of it. Just look at its primary faceoff: the pitcher vs. the hitter. What's more scary than a 97 mile per hour fastball hurtling down on you? Or a hard-hit line drive hurtling back at you without anywhere to go? It is a game where brief moments of terror come packaged with explosions of excitement.

Look at last year's American League Championship Series. In Game Four, Dave Roberts stole second base in the ninth inning with Mariano Rivera on the mound. Pure Terror for a Sox fan. In one fleeting moment the Sox could have lost their only base runner with the best closer in the game. Wes Craven couldn't come up with things worse than that. Following that play, Bill Mueller lines a drive back up the middle to bring home Roberts and tie the game. True excitement at its finest.

This is why baseball is simply the best. The drama created in every moment and every play is unmatched. And it is why people like me will keep coming back to baseball with that huge smile on their face after being punched in the gut. So let that fear seep in. Let it overcome you. Because in the end, that fear will make the excitement even better. Why do you think the baseball playoffs are truly the best thing going? They mix and match terror and excitement like no other.

Bring on October.

Rugby team loses tight contest to rival Colby

By Danielle K. Smith
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine rugby team's winning streak ended Saturday with the Colby Mules, the best in conference, taking the game 12-5. Maine came in hard when Eric Anderson scored a try in the first half of the game, but they were unable to complete the conversion, making the score 5-0.

Colby failed to score in the first half due to a strong UMaine defense. UMaine suffered the loss of wing Mark Grimes when he left the game with a lower leg injury. X-rays are required to determine the exact injury. Freshman Ian Larson came into the game as a replacement.

Colby's Erik Brockmayer scored twice during the second half. First off of a set play from

the 15 meter line, grabbing the conversion, bringing the score to 7-5. The second came from a quick tap penalty that caught UMaine off guard. Colby failed to complete their second conversion, topping the score at 12-5.

UMaine defense kept the typically high-scoring Colby team at 12 goals throughout the rest of second half. Senior inside center, Stefan Scarks, kept the game close with tackles that stopped Colby from scoring any more tries. Senior Matt Mosley showed the team's dedication as he continued to play after suffering a broken nose in the second half.

"We were really defense-oriented in this game," commented senior Josh Taylor. "They are a high scoring team, and our defense did a good job of shutting Colby down from scoring

more than they did. We've definitely improved since last year, where we lost 64-0."

During the last 15 minutes of the game UMaine kept the ball in Colby's end, but even with all the defensive help couldn't score again.

"They caught us off guard on a lot of their plays. We just weren't prepared for their quick play penalties," Taylor said. "This was a good measuring stick of where we are, and where we need to be."

This was the third of five regular season games. UMaine will need to win their next two games with at least four tries in each game to qualify for the wildcard spot in the playoffs.

UMaine goes on to play at Bowdoin this Saturday at 1 p.m., and at MMA the following weekend.



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Men's ice hockey opens season at the Ice Breaker Classic in Colorado Friday.

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UMaine 31, Albany 7

October 1, 2005

Fitzpatrick Stadium, Portland

Albany	0	0	0	7	7
UMaine	14	10	7	0	31

First Quarter

UMaine: Kevin McMahan 11 yd pass from Ron Whitcomb (Bobby Donnelly kick). 2:52

UMaine: Arel Gordon 22 yd pass from Whitcomb (Donnelly kick). 0:36

Second Quarter

UMaine: Donnelly 35 yd field goal. 5:41

UMaine: Wellington Talkpa 1 yd run (Donnelly kick). 0:19

Third Quarter

UMaine: Gordon 57 yd punt return (Donnelly kick). 10:42

Fourth Quarter

Albany: Marcus Allen 3 yd run (Rob Wood kick). 7:48

UMaine Statistical Leaders

Passing — Whitcomb 17-25-2-1 191, Chris Legree 3-6-0-0 23

Rushing — Montell Owens 22-128, Jerron Pearson 8-25, Whitcomb 4-28, Terron Allen 3-17, Legree 4-14, Talkpa 4-10

Receiving — McMahan 8-86-1, Ryan Waller 3-35, Gordon 2-37-1.

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"It was really good to see the special teams part," said Cosgrove. "The two blocked kicks put them on their heels ... we fed off a lot of things as a team."

The other blocked punt came at the end of the second quarter by Goyins, which again set up a Black Bears score.

Starting at the Albany 30-yard line, the UMaine offense maneuvered its way to the endzone with the final play of the drive being a 1-yard rush from freshman Wellington Talkpa, who recorded his first collegiate touchdown.

UMaine headed to the locker room leading 24-0.

"You have a 24-0 lead at the half then you're probably doing some things right, and I thought across the board we did," said Cosgrove.

The Black Hole defense held the Danes to 27 total yards in the first half, disallowing the Albany offense from gaining a first down.

"We ran into another pretty good defensive unit," said Albany coach Bob Ford. "I think the fact that they held Nebraska to nine points at halftime gives you some indication of how good they are."

After the Danes' first possession of the second half, Pallozzi was forced to punt.

This time Goyins or Hicks didn't step in the way of the boot; however, speedster Arel Gordon made a similar statement for the special teams unit.

Gordon fielded the kick and bolted his way to the endzone, practically untouched, for his third career punt return for a touchdown.

"It was a low one, I came up and ran under it," said Gordon. "I knew that if everybody stayed on their blocks for just that quick count, I could make

something happen."

And he did. The touchdown, which was his second of the game, impressed Atlantic-10 officials so much that they named the New York native Special Teams Player of the Week for the fifth time in his career. The punt return also moved Gordon into first place with the three career returns.

"I think it's going to be a boost for us, finally getting that big one on special teams," said Gordon.

In the fourth quarter, Albany running back Marcus Allen gave his team their only score of the game, rushing three yards for a touchdown.

Besides the one score, Maine's defense stymied the Danes, allowing just 158 total offensive yards to the Black Bear's 424.

Joan Quezada and Jermaine Walker led the way with five tackles each; however, 13 other UMaine defenders recorded more than one tackle for the Black Bears.

Senior tailback Montell Owens recorded his second straight 100 yard rushing game, gaining a career high 128 yards on 22 carries. Whitcomb completed 17 of 25 passes for 191 yards and two touchdowns to lead the balanced UMaine offense.

"Maine football is only going to be successful if the offense, defense and special teams are all feeding off each other and working together," said Cosgrove.

On Saturday, they did just that.

"A lot of times when you have a disappointing game it flows into the next week," said Whitcomb. "We really wanted to get a great win this week and go right into JMU."

UMaine visits the defending national champions Saturday, looking for revenge.

The Dukes beat the Black Bears in Orono on a last second touchdown during Friends and Family weekend last October.

Men's soccer drops match to Binghamton

By Ryan Clark
Staff Writer

For 89 minutes they gave themselves a chance to win, but it took only one minute to guarantee a loss.

A costly challenge within the penalty box saw the University of Maine Black Bears lose their first America East match 1-0 to the No. 19 Binghamton Bearcats on Saturday at West Gym Field in Vestal, N.Y.

Less than a minute before the hour mark, the Bearcats, who stand at 8-2-1, 2-0-0, were given a penalty from the spot which was considered controversial. Binghamton forward Joey Neilson appeared to have flown after contact with the UMaine defense.

The Black Bears stand at 2-6-1, 0-1-1.

Once the referees assessed the situation, senior back Graham Munro converted a penalty kick to give the Bearcats a 1-0 lead. Munro beat Maine keeper Chad Mongeon by placing his shot in the right corner. Besides taking advantage of their penalty shot, the nationally ranked co-America East leaders outshot Maine 16-0. The University of Maryland-Baltimore County is also tied for the conference lead.

As for the Black Bears, they are tied for seventh with Hartford in conference standings.

UMaine will return to Alumni Field on Wednesday when they play the first of three straight home matches, beginning with New Hampshire at 3 p.m. The Wildcats are at the bottom of the conference table with a 0-2-0 record.

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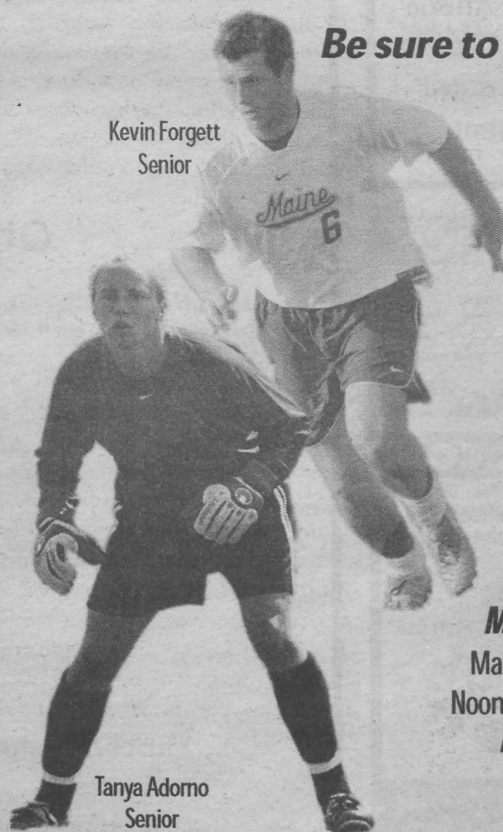


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WORKING INSIDE — Senior Shaunessy Saucier carries the ball into the Albany zone during Sunday's 3-2 victory.

POWERS

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"Nobody really wants to come to Maine. So, hopefully we get to punish those teams that don't want to come here."

With three of their four home games already played, the team is a perfect 3-0 on Morse Field at Alford Stadium. They are 4-4 on the road.

The Black Bears will now prepare for six straight games on the road, four of which are America East contests. While the fields will not be as familiar as their own turf, Spencer says that her team approaches each game the same way.

"We know our field, so when we go down to travel, we have to get on the field before we actually play and make adjustments," she said.

Although Maine has a number of young players on their roster it was their seniors that stepped up and made the big plays on Sunday.

Saucier, who hit the game winner today, has been playing

very well. This past week, she was named the America East Player of the Week for her play against Providence and the Rhode Island last weekend. Her goal on Sunday was her fifth in the last three games.

Even with all of her recent success, Saucier is quick to pass the praise to her team.

"I'm just glad our team is doing well," she said. "It's definitely a team effort."

The Black Bears will take their conference win and try to build momentum off of it.

"We take every game seriously, but conference games have a different feel, you get more excited even if you don't mean too," said Saucier. "The other games we play are for us to do what we need to do to win the conference games."

The Black Bears return home on Oct. 30 to finish their season against the preseason favorite Boston University, who are now tied atop the America East standings with UMaine.

The Black Bears will play another conference game, visiting the Vermont Catamounts on Saturday.

Lost treasure returns to sports world



By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

You can have the hardball heaven of October baseball; I don't want it. I'm not interested in the walk-off hits, pitching performances, or who's upsetting the Atlanta Braves this year.

You can have gridiron drama too. Don't tell me about how many touchdowns Peyton Manning threw this week, why the Eagles can win with or without Donovan McNabb, or how the Cincinnati Bengals are the new Kansas City Chiefs.

This Wednesday, for one day only, I simply don't care. Why?

Because hockey's back, baby. Smooth skating, dekes that give you a stiff neck, and super-human goalies making saves that leave you wondering how the human body can possibly move like that. Bone crunching checks, knock down drag out fights, and a passion unmatched in professional sports.

That's just a small sample of what's waiting when the National Hockey League returns after a one year absence that was devastating for its fans and may prove even more devastating to league ratings and revenues.

It would be easy to focus on why the lockout was a complete disaster, and why the owners and players are total morons for letting an entire season slip away. Its fanbase was already shrinking, hell, even ESPN didn't want to televise the games anymore.

What's even easier than that is kicking back with an ice cold

Molson and thanking the sports gods that hockey is actually being played at a professional level this year.

The best thing that can happen to the NHL is Wednesday night. The relaunch will see every team in the league in action, and will pull the focus away from labor strife and bad business decisions and right back where it belongs: on the ice.

The league's strides to improve the game should be seen right from the get go, as ties are no longer allowed. Regular season games will end with a dramatic shootout, and at least one game will showcase the league's new project Wednesday night.

It will be great for the league because breakaway goals and saves are automatic Sportscenter top ten fodder. Now there will be at least 10 attempts in every overtime game. As suggested by Bruins broadcaster Dale Arnold, the players should shoot out without their helmets on, making their faces and personalities more accessible to fans.

NHL officials have also trimmed down goaltender equipment and changed icing rules to create more open space and scoring chances. The biggest change will be in enforcing obstruction and interference penalties, much like college hockey did last year. It will lead to a lot of power plays as players adjust but will eventually let skilled players do more creative things with the puck. The results were positive in the NCAA and the NHL should be applauded for following suit.

So here it is, reborn. Once termed, if only for marketing purposes, the coolest game on the Earth, the sport that drives Canadians bananas and leaves most of America scratching its head wondering what all the fuss is about has finally returned. Some fans are angry with the

lost year and vow never to go back, but for most it's like the return of an old girlfriend who leaves too often and never stays long. You always swear you won't get into that again, but she's just too damn pretty to resist.

With budding stars like Martin St. Louis, Jerome Iginla, Joe Thornton and Sidney Crosby the NHL is truly that beautiful a game.

Young, athletic goaltenders like Andrew Raycroft, Marty Turco, Dwayne Roloson, and yes, UMaine's Jimmy Howard making unbelievable kick and glove saves will continue to draw highlights and audiences.

The swan songs of Dave Andreychuk, Joe Sakic, Peter Forsberg, Mario Lemieux, Jaromir Jagr, and Martin Brodeur will provide compelling storylines for years to come, and the reemergence of mighty mouse scoring moves like those of Samsonov and Kariya will wow the masses.

The passion and life or death strife of an overtime playoff game will send millions to work the next morning tired and late.

The return of the most dynamic and exciting sport on the market is probably going to be overshadowed by playoff baseball and the middle of the pro football's week five, not to mention an exciting college football weekend.

Not in my house. I'll be tuned to the renewal of the richest rivalry of them all: Habs and Bruins, picking up where they left off in April 2004.

If you want a boring, one run baseball game go with the popular choice and turn to the play-offs. But if you're looking for heart pounding action and an exciting, satisfying way to spend three hours, take my advice and invest in the NHL. I promise it won't disappoint.

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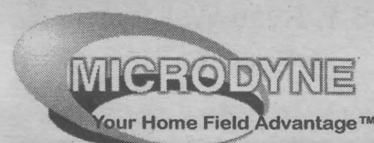


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Volleyball takes down UNH, UMBC in straight games

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

The University of Maine volleyball team kicked off America East play this weekend with a pair of 3-0 wins over visiting University of New Hampshire Friday night and at the University of Maryland Baltimore County Sunday afternoon.

The Black Bears stand at 2-0 atop the conference standings, tied with Binghamton and Albany. Winners of four of their last five matches, UMaine runs their overall record to 5-8.

Friday night in the Pit at Memorial Gym, UMaine started their America East season in impressive fashion, dispatching a talented UNH squad in straight games, 3-0.

"I wouldn't say I'm surprised. Excited maybe, because I know what our girls are capable of and because you really can't predict what's going to happen out there from night to night," said UMaine head coach Lynn Atherly.

The Wildcats, a perennial power in the America East conference, came out strong, building an 8-2 lead in the first game.

Where many coaches would take a timeout to stop momentum and talk things over, Atherly decided to let the Black Bears play through the adversity, and it paid off.

Senior Shannan Fotter recorded a block followed by a kill to spark a UMaine run that gave the Black Bears a 14-13 lead and forced UNH to call their own timeout.

"Right there, we weren't making huge errors or missing by very much. They weren't so much out-playing us as we had a couple shots just barely out. I had confidence the girls would relax and play the way we know we can play," said Atherly.

The Wildcats roared back and the teams traded points until UMaine trailed 26-24 and Atherly called a timeout. UMaine stormed out of the break, going on a 6-1 scoring run to take game one 30-27.

"We have some tremendous leaders on the court, not just our



SETTING IT UP — Junior Shelly Seipp (2) sets a spike opportunity for senior Shannan Fotter during Friday night's 3-0 sweep of the University of New Hampshire at the Pit in Memorial Gym.

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seniors, but in our juniors and even the freshman. Shannan is typically someone we rely on to finish things and kill the ball, and while that was good tonight the other parts of her game really came to the surface as well," said Atherly.

The Black Bears were on cruise control in the second game of the match, winning it 30-19 to take a commanding 2-0 lead in the best-of-five match. The Black Bears had four service aces in the game with just one bad serve to overpower the Wildcats.

Game three was a back and forth affair as UNH battled to keep their hopes in the match alive. The game was tied 3-3 and 6-6 before UMaine took a 15-12 lead. UNH came back to tie it at 20 and then took a 26-24 lead.

UMaine tied it at 26 with an emphatic kill by senior co-captain Leah Guidinger, and had match

point at 29-28. The resilient Wildcats fought off that point, and a second match point at 31-30 before succumbing to match point three, as the Black Bears won 32-30 to claim the 3-0 match sweep.

For the match, UMaine had six service aces and seven service errors, compared to UNH's three aces and 12 errors.

"That was a factor. Serving and passing are what win college matches and tournaments, and we outdid them in those areas," said Atherly.

The Black Bears spread the ball around offensively, as senior co-captain Kaili Jordan has a team high 11 kills, freshman Lindsay Allman had 10 and Guidinger and Fotter notched nine apiece.

UMaine was able to share the ball because each hitter was on her game. Due to the passing prowess of junior setter Shelly Seipp, the

5'6" standout from Spokane, Washington had a match high 37 assists and even got up to block a shot. She had another outstanding match Sunday, notching 42 assists.

"The goal is to spread the ball out, unless you have one hitter who's just on and you try to get it her way. You would like to see everybody on and then you can still spread it out. Shelly had a great match, she set some amazing balls tonight," Atherly said.

For the Wildcats, Emmy Boulton led the way with a match high 15 kills. Two-time All-Conference selection Erin Walker was held in check, getting just nine kills on 30 attack attempts for a .067 attack percentage.

Defensively, the Black Bears held UNH to .098 for team hitting percentage. Junior Jody Connacher led the way with 22 digs while Jordan, Allman, and

Seipp had eight each. Freshman Ashlee Wright had a strong defensive performance, totaling nine digs.

The Black Bears downed the Retrievers 30-24, 30-16, and 30-26 for the 3-0 match sweep. UMaine had 52 team kills with Fotter and Guidinger leading the way with 15 and 11, respectively.

UMaine will have some time to work on refining their game with just one match scheduled in the next 11 days, hosting Hartford next Sunday at 1 p.m. They'll then have the week off before a road trip to Binghamton and Stony Brook on October 14 and 16.

"One of the first things I told the girls was that we're not playing perfect. We've made good adjustments and played well, but not perfect. There are always things we can improve on," said Atherly.

Black Bears, Terriers tie in marathon match

By Meghann Burnett
Staff Writer

The University of Maine women's soccer team battled Boston University in high

Women's Soccer

winds and driving rain and came out with a 1-1 tie at Alumni Field Thursday afternoon.

Senior Erin Corey scored the game-tying goal with 6:15 left in the match. Sophomore Laura Harper made a one-on-one move on the offensive side of midfield and broke for the goal.

Harper crossed the ball and BU goalie Christina Reuter came out to make what would have been a routine save.

The ball slipped from Reuter's hands and bounced to a charging Corey who carried the ball behind Reuter into the goal. For Corey, it was her third of the season.

With gale-force winds at their backs, BU scored 10:40 into the first half, when Michelle Shulman rocketed a shot from just outside the 18 yard line past UMaine's Tanya Adorno. For Shulman, it was her team-leading fourth of the season.

Sophomore Jasmine Phillips replaced Adorno for the second half, making four saves and continuing her scoreless streak to 350 minutes. Adorno made two saves on 16 shots.

Sophomore Brittany Saisselin had a chance to win the game as time expired. BU was called for a handball just outside the 18 and Maine was awarded a direct kick. Saisselin's shot sailed just inches over the crossbar as the game ended.

The two teams battled through two overtimes and neither could find the back of the net, in the second marathon 1-1 tie between the teams in recent

memory. The Black Bears and Terriers also tied 1-1 in the 2003 America East conference title match, which the Terriers won on penalty kicks. Thursday's tightly contested match showed that they may again be the favorites in the conference.

The Black Bears went on the road Sunday and took a 1-0 victory from the University of New Hampshire to improve their conference record to 1-0-1, good for a second place tie with several teams in the America East conference standings.

Maureen McHugh notched her second goal of the season to give the Black Bears the only goal they would need as the UMaine defense secured another shutout.

The Black Bears return to action at Alumni Field Thursday afternoon as they take on America East foe Stony Brook at 3 p.m.



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Spencer's two goals power UM past Albany

By Joseph Burnham
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine Field Hockey team won its first America East conference game on Sunday, defeating the University of Albany 3-2. The team improved its record to 7-4 overall with the win, and 1-0 in conference play.

The game was a defensive battle for most of the first half, with each team having few opportunities to score. With 3:28 left in the first half, senior Kasey Spencer scored the first goal of the game on a penalty corner.

Shortly after, on another penalty corner, Spencer got her second goal, sending the team into the half with a 2-0 lead.

The Great Danes, determined not to be shut-out, scored eight minutes into the second half, when senior captain Tina Bryson broke away on a UMaine miscue and beat Black Bear goalie Rebecca Giroux, closing the gap to 2-1.

After that goal, both teams tightened up, each playing with the defense they had during the first half.

With 7:40 remaining in the game, UMaine scored their third goal when senior captain Shaunessy Saucier shot the ball past Albany goalkeeper Ashley Ross on a pass from Spencer.

The Great Danes added

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SHE SCORES — Kasey Spencer (25) celebrates one of her two goals Sunday afternoon with teammate Kim MacDonald (15) as Albany's goaltender looks on in disappointment.

another goal with less than fifteen minutes, which ended the scoring for the rest of the game. With a late flurry of shots from Albany, Maine's defense, led by junior Joanna Fernandez, was able to defend its goal and hold on for the win.

With the victory, the Black Bears move to the top of the America East and one step closer to home field advantage during the conference tournament. With only four home games on the schedule this year, Spencer and the rest of

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the UMaine team would love to have their competition come to Orono.

"Hopefully, we host the tournament and get to play more here," said Spencer.

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Black Bears maul Danes in Portland

By Erinne Magee
Staff Writer

They looked like a different team Saturday night at Fitzpatrick Stadium.

The loss against Richmond had either long left the minds of the UMaine football team, or ignited a fire that helped the Black Bears refocus and pound the Great Danes of Albany 31-7.

"I really liked how we came out of the gate tonight," said head coach Jack Cosgrove. "We made a point of starting the football game a little better. I thought we had a better focus early in the game."

It took three possessions for the UMaine offense to light up the scoreboard. Ron Whitcomb found Kevin McMahan for an 11-yard touchdown pass with less than three minutes remaining in the first quarter to complete a three-play drive.

The drive was setup by Anthony Hicks, who blocked Marc Pallozzi's punt on Albany's 20-yard line. The ball was recovered by Alex Goyins, helping set up the ideal field position for UMaine.

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UMaine places high against talented field at Murray Keatinge

Prestigious annual meet draws teams from all over the country

By Nick McCrea
For The Maine Campus

This past Saturday didn't just usher in the first day of

Cross Country

October. It also brought in droves of buses as cross country teams from the Northeast, Canada and the West coast gathered together to compete in one of the biggest race of the year, the 14th annual Murray Keatinge Invitational at the University of Maine.

Men's and women's teams from Boston College, Central Connecticut State, Dalhousie University, Dartmouth, Holy Cross, the University of Iowa, Idaho State University, University of New Hampshire, St. Francis Xavier University (Nova Scotia), Stanford University and of course UMaine took part in the race.

With a newly found fifth man and his top runners rested, head coach Mark Lech was hoping that his Black Bears would have a strong showing at their biggest event to date.

On a crisp breezy morning,

101 male runners lined up and took to the fields, carriage paths, and track in the hopes of breaking the tape, or setting a personal best time.

Ben True of Dartmouth College was the first to finish in 23:59 seconds. Two of his teammates followed him close-

not be impeded. Every other top-10 finisher in the race was from Stanford University, and every Stanford runner finished the course in less than 24:28.

The results of the race were decisively in favor of Stanford, who scored only 26 points. The second place team from Dartmouth College collected 49 points.

Following Dartmouth were the University of Iowa, Boston College, UMaine, Idaho State, the University of New Hampshire, St. Francis Xavier, Holy Cross and Central Connecticut State.

UMaine's fifth place finish was strong considering their competition. Their top two finishers were Kirby Davis at 18th with a time of 24:38, and Donnie Drake at 19th finishing with 24:39. The two said that having all these strong teams at the meet drove them to perform at their peaks.

"Several of our guys came close to their personal records, which is great because this is really the first big test we've had," said Drake.

The women's squad also had a strong showing, finishing

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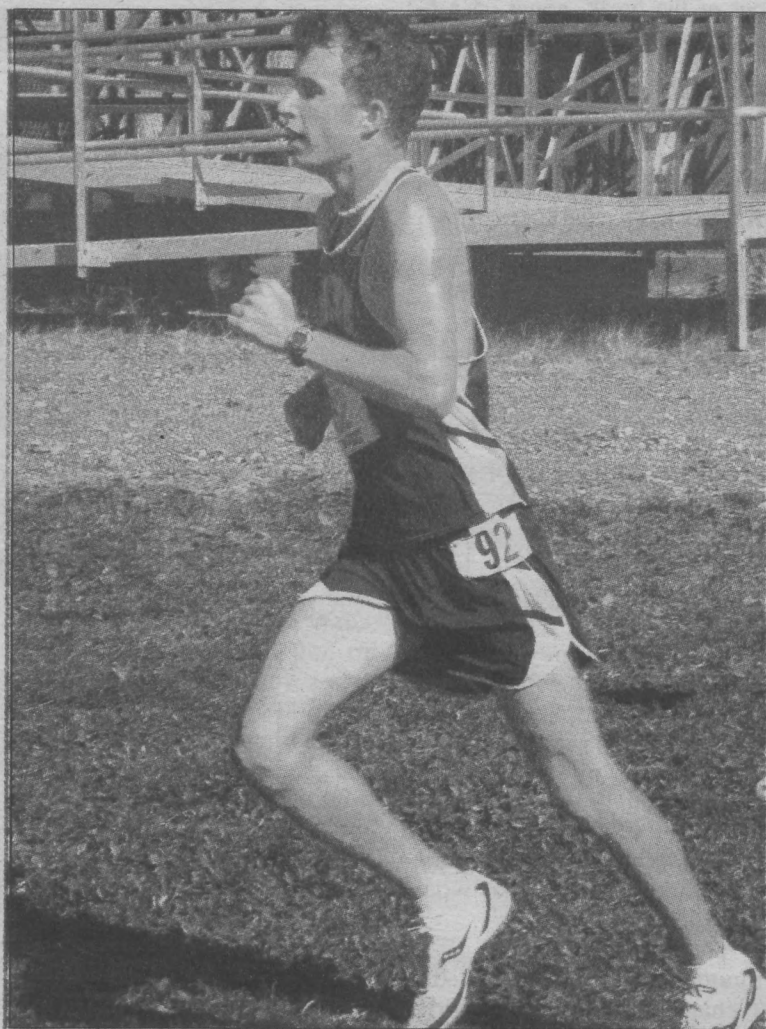
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- 19. Don Drake — 24:39
- 25. Josh Tervino - 25:08

WOMEN

- 22. H. Jovanelli — 18:04
- 33. H. Pelletier — 18:54

ly, finishing in the top 10. Alec Wall finished in third, with a time of 24:07, and Dave Burnham finished sixth, with a time of 24:14. Despite this very strong showing by the Dartmouth men, the heavily favored Stanford team could



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HOME STRETCH - Junior Jon McGonagle runs in the Murray Keatinge Invitational Saturday.