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be allowed
to associate
with beer?
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\$5 student fee hike to assist university media organizations

By Christie Zawacki
For *The Maine Campus*

Every student, undergraduate or graduate, who has over six hours of classes is charged a \$10 communication fee on their student bill. The university is proposing the fee be raised from \$10 per student to \$15.

Dean of Students Robert Dana said raising the fee will serve many constituents on campus, including several campus media outlets. The communication fee has grown as the media sources on the campus have. In 1994, the fee was \$8, and in 1995, the fee went up to \$10. Now, almost 10 years later,



Dana

the university wants to raise it to \$15.

"I am not surprised that the fee is being raised," said Mary Arsenault, a first-year graduate student. "There is always a new fee added or adjustment made somewhere. Every year I've been a student, fees have been changed or added. I am more indifferent about the fee being increased. It's only \$5."

With the campus always growing and progressing, Dana said it is time to raise communication fees because times have changed.

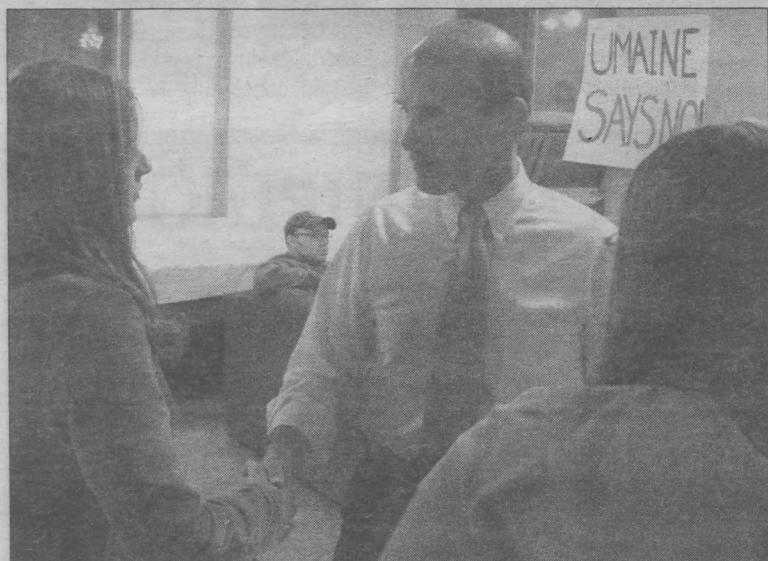
"The additional money will be added to everyone's pot and will be fairly divided between the media outlets on campus," he said.

The additional funds are proposed to go to other media sources on campus like the Maine Channel and WMEB radio.

Of the additional \$5, \$3 will be

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Governor fields questions from UM students



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

SHAKE ON IT — Kristen Regan and Erin Burbank talk to Baldacci after a discussion on Question 1 in Hancock Hall Tuesday. "He's very insightful and personable," Regan said.

Baldacci urges 'no' on Question 1 at Hancock

By Riley Donovan
Assistant News Editor

Maine Governor John Baldacci chatted with students at Hancock Hall Tuesday night. Baldacci and state Representative Emily Cain, D-Orono, spoke to students about Question 1, a referendum concerning sexual orientation, on next Tuesday's ballot.

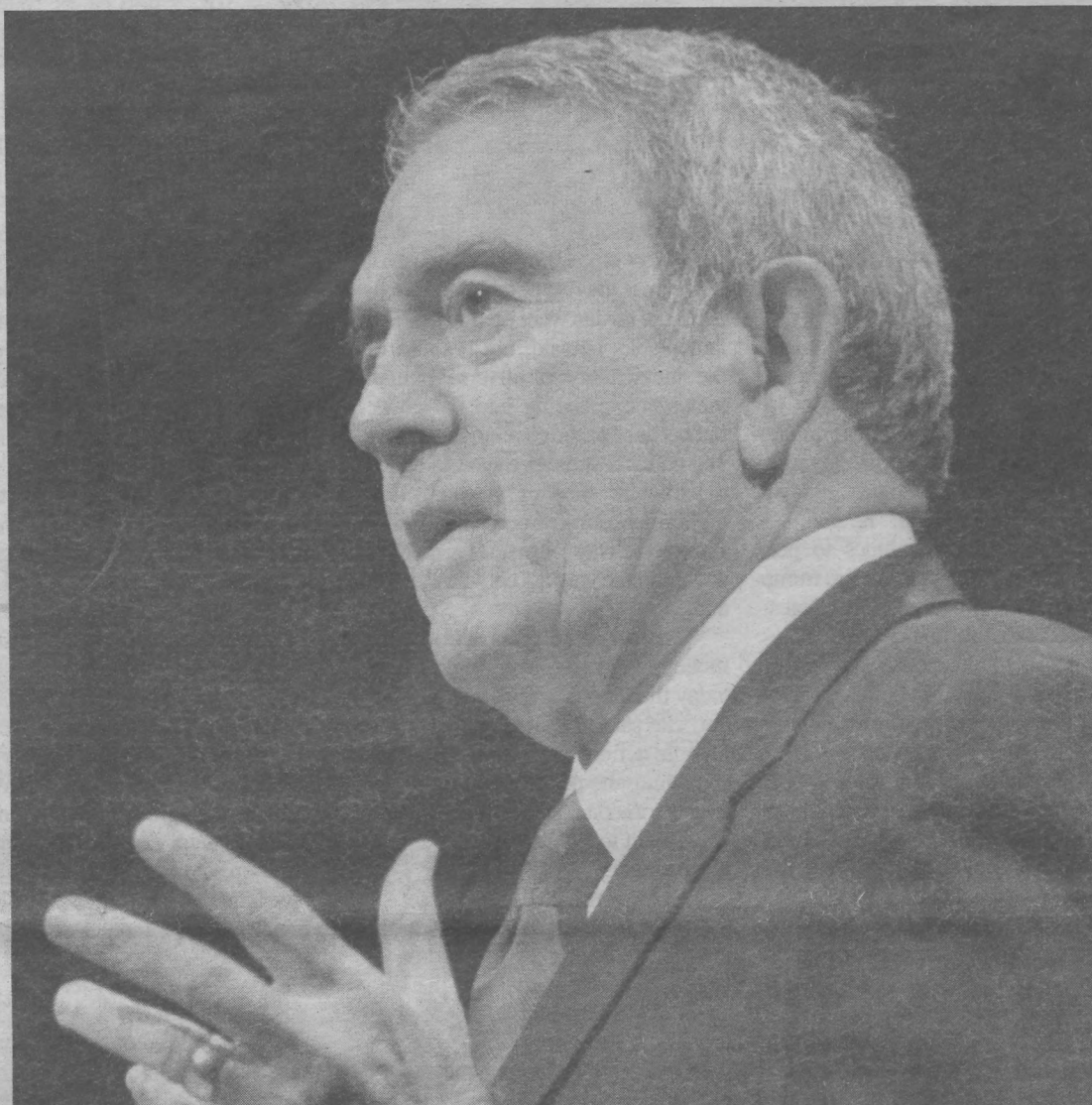
Cain and Baldacci both spoke

in support of the "No on 1" campaign, led on campus by Sarah Bigney, a junior international affairs major. Bigney and nearly 60 students gathered in Hancock's lobby to listen to Baldacci and ask him questions.

Baldacci responded to a number of questions, ranging from why the question on the ballot is

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CBS correspondent: News needed for survival



CAMPUS PHOTO BY STACY ALEXANDER

RATHER EXPERIENCED — Former CBS News anchorman Dan Rather speaks to a crowd of 1,400 at the MCA Tuesday morning about the importance of the consumption of news by college-age citizens.

Rather visits UMaine

By Andrew Knapp
News Editor

Survival.

If today's youths are to survive in the outside world, they need to be well-informed of current events — they need to watch the news.

That's according to former CBS Evening News anchorman and current 60 Minutes II magazine correspondent Dan Rather.

On Tuesday, Rather addressed an audience at the University of Maine's Maine Center for the Arts in the fifth installment of the William S. Cohen lecture series. All 1,600 tickets allotted for the event were distributed, yet attendance was estimated at 1,400. Numerous balcony seats in Hutchins Concert Hall remained empty.

Recalling experiences with the Soviets at Tiananmen Square, communism in eastern Europe and apartheid in South Africa, Rather covered topics from his life as a reporter to the degradation of television news. He focused his speech, however, on the future of American journalism. For him, the most pressing issue today is the increasing trend of young people failing to watch or read news from reputable sources.

"Students are in school to become better educated, more knowledgeable. For a lifetime of learning, news should be part of that," Rather said to *The Maine Campus* in a press conference prior to the lecture. "In preparing oneself for the world outside a university campus, it's impera-

tive for your own dreams, own ambitions, own survival that you keep up with current events."

Rather blamed new media for the baneful state of journalism. When he assumed the anchor chair in 1981, technology was sparse, Rather said. But the subsequent reliance on human resources gradually faded as journalism evolved into a computer-driven marketplace. According to Rather, the tendency to turn to the Internet as a primary news source results in the inability to separate legitimate, fact-based, spin-free news from rumor, innuendo and so-called "folk" news that advances a partisan, political and ideological point of view. Appreciation for accurate reporting has been lost in a world of Google searching, he said.

"We've been flying from the seat of our pants in television news since the 1980s," said Rather. "This has cost us and has cost you."

Shifting his address solely to undergraduates in the audience, Rather challenged whether heightened knowledge of new media truly contributes to human ability and intelligence. College students have the chance to profoundly affect how news is gathered, defined, delivered and disseminated, he said. Despite having the intelligence needed to achieve a university-level education, students aren't sufficiently informed.

"I will argue that you are less informed than your parents were," he said. "Your sophistication, your intelligence is not matched by the level of information you need."

Rather stressed the need for college-age students to

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CAMPUS PHOTO BY STACY ALEXANDER

TAG TEAM — Rather and Bangor native Bill Cohen field questions from the press before Tuesday morning lecture.

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question the media because "you are who they want as viewers the most," he said.

Students need to demand quality journalism from the media, he said.

"We need to do more, but we can't do it without you," he said.

If technology continues to pervade the reporting process and trump humanistic approaches to the profession, Rather said the network news broadcasts may become elements of the past. Replacing human ability with the Internet would run contrary to the evening news concept.

Journalism.org reports CBS News received top viewership ratings in 1980. However, in 2004, CBS dipped considerably beneath NBC and ABC respectively.

"It could mean, ever sooner than you think, that one network could drop out of the news business, or it may eliminate the evening news business altogether," he said. "I'm not predicting it will happen, but it's a possibility."

If that fear comes to fruition, 25 to 30 million people who tune into the 6:30 news every night will lose a 30-minute period crammed with the information necessary to survive, he said. For viewers, the network news is easy to watch because it's passive. People learn with little effort. Despite ease of use, however, viewers remain relatively scarce.

Mark Kelley, a mass communications professor, incorporates current-event updates into his curriculum. He said students appreciate that because they usually don't take the 30 minutes to watch the news. Americans can't afford to lose the time when viewers trust professionals to deliver the day's most significant developments.

"That is a concern because these people will be assuming positions of leadership and responsibility in the world," said Kelley, who was a local news anchor for 20 years in New York and Indiana. "We need a time of night to sit down and talk about the news. Now with the Internet, we are losing that. An uninformed pop-

ulation is vulnerable."

Rather said the main change that has taken place throughout the past 20 years is the rise of tabloid journalism. The results were predictable and lamentable, he said, not because of the inevitability of diverse human viewpoints creeping into the news, but because of the ensuing marketing and political strategy meant to entice a particular slice of viewers. This niche-marketing trend has transformed the way journalists gather the news and the way it's delivered to the audience.

"There's more competition, and money plays a much bigger role today than it did when I was starting out," he said, following up with his favorite definition of news. "News is something the people need to know, which someone, somewhere doesn't want them to know. And all the rest is advertising."

Cohen, President Clinton's secretary of defense from 1997 to 2001, introduced Rather to the audience. Cohen, a Maine native and the lecture's namesake, said he has known Rather for 30 years.

"It's been nice to get to know the character you see on camera," said Cohen, a 1958 Bangor High School graduate. "He's a great humanitarian. He feels deeply about the issues. He cares about what he's reporting on."

On Sept. 8, 2004, weeks before the presidential election, Rather ran a 60 Minutes II story concerning four memos that apparently exposed President Bush's preferential treatment in the Texas Air National Guard. While initial speculation attributed the memos to Lt. Col. Jerry Killian, Bush's now-deceased supervisor, the documents were later determined to be forged.

On March 8, Rather resigned from his anchor seat at CBS and assumed the role of correspondent for 60 Minutes II.

Cohen said Rather has distinguished himself as an accomplished journalist by asking sources difficult questions despite the consequences. While politicians used to be more timid in dealing with the media, journalists today won't challenge authority, dreading termination of a source.

"Too many members of the press — Mr. Rather excluded — are fearful

that if they step on the toes of the powerful, they will no longer have access to cover those stories," said Cohen at the press conference. "It's the duty of the press to be skeptical. It's the skepticism of the press that makes sure [politicians] stay honest."

After the voices and faces of the "big three" networks of ABC, NBC and CBS began to fade from the airwaves, discussion ensued as to whether this was the end of an era for high-profile news anchors. After 21 years, NBC Nightly News anchorman Tom Brokaw stepped down from his post in December 2004. On April 5, ABC World News Tonight anchorman Peter Jennings announced his diagnosis with lung cancer. He died on Aug. 7.

Rather said he was honored to work with Brokaw and Jennings, but denied that it was the end of an era.

"I can be dumb ... on a lot of things, but I'm at least smart enough to know that nobody who read the news on television defines an era," he said before the lecture. "Legacy eras are for statesmen, for people who solve nuclear fusion, for those who find cures for cancer and polio — not for people who do television news."

Past keynote speakers in the Cohen series have included Cohen himself, then Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, former U.S. Senator and astronaut John Glenn and former Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

Rather, who turned 74 on Monday, had just returned from North Korea prior to his arrival in Maine. The duo addressed career aspirations for a group of high school seniors in Bangor earlier in the morning. Cohen said his ability to continue speaking was a "tribute to his stamina, perseverance and young age."

Besides commentary critical of the news profession, Rather, a Texas native, offered the same anecdotal links of folksy, quirky and dry humor, which characterized his later career in the anchor chair, to tie his points together.

"I'm a long way from the green

grass of Texas, but I feel at home today," he said of UMaine's hospitality.

Kelley was critical of Rather's speech. With extensive experience in the news business, Kelley was hoping for more insider views into the "rare air" of network coverage.

"He didn't say anything I wouldn't have said myself," said Kelley.

Rather was still as daring as he could have been, considering he is still under contract with CBS, according to Kelley. Rather hinted at a certain 24-hour news channel that wasn't a legitimate source.

"I could guess who he was talking about, but he never said it," Kelley said. "I'm sure there were many things he would have liked to say, but couldn't at this point. His speech was probably prepared well ahead of time."

"It is vital for our generation to begin taking an interest in the domestic and world affairs that shape our lives."

Christina Brown
College Democrats President

"I admire him for choosing to continue on a humble path of searching for the truth to inform others about the world."

Rep. Emily Cain
D-Orono

UMaine President Robert Kennedy and business college dean Daniel Innis offered opening remarks. After the lecture, Kennedy presented Rather with an engraved

clock, "because so much of what he does is based on time," he said.

After the prepared speeches, Cohen and Rather were each asked two audience-submitted questions. Julie-Anne Scott, president of UMaine's Association of Graduate Students, led the session.

Cohen responded to queries into further political involvement, possibly a run for Maine governor. Despite being older, wiser and still enthusiastic, however, Cohen said 31 years in public office was sufficient, and he's content to sit back now and collect his social security check.

"But I've always contributed in any fashion I could, and I will continue to do so," he said.

Cohen then spoke to the increasing unpopularity of the Iraq war. He said leaving prematurely would destabilize the region and question the U.S. relationship with the rest of the world. An early exit, coupled with the unorganized reaction to Hurricane Katrina, would send a sign that the United States isn't as powerful as the world once thought. It would spur open manufacturing of nuclear weapons in other countries, he said.

The final question pertained to Rather's experiences in interviewing former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. Rather met with Hussein twice during his career — once immediately following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in the 1990 Gulf War and again days before the start of current U.S. military operation in Iraq in March 2003.

Hussein is all about survival, according to Rather. He thinks he won the war against the U.S. because he's still around, he survived. Even though he sits in a cell awaiting trial for war crimes, Hussein still dreams of victory.

According to Rather, Hussein exudes a certain bearing that allows him to command any landscape he's thrown into. He simply looks at you with powerful eyes and intimidates you, Rather said.

"But even those close to him described him as a stone-cold killer," he said, concluding the lecture.

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worded the way it is, to why the effort to secure equal rights in the workplace is so important.

"Maine has to be a welcoming and diverse state," said Baldacci. "It's important Maine cannot say anything but 'no.'"

Baldacci fielded a question concerning how important it is to have a law that secures the rights of gays and lesbians in the workplace. He said it is wrong to assume that discrimination does not exist. As much as some people want to believe discrimination is not an issue in Maine, it has happened, he said.

"Believe me folks. It matters," said Baldacci. "This is a big deal for our state."

Issues of discrimination have come before the Maine voters before, and no bill has ever been passed to enable equal rights regardless of sexual orientation. Baldacci said it is currently legal for an employer in Maine to fire an employee because he or she is gay.

He said while past referendums on the subject have failed, he is confident that the voters of Maine will vote 'no' this year.

"Let's get this right this time," he said. "When I talk to people in the creative economy, this is a big issue. It's not reflective of Maine values to not allow this to be addressed."

One student asked Baldacci if those who support a 'yes' vote on Question 1 are right in suggesting that this is just a step in the direction of legalizing gay marriage. Baldacci refuted the student's argument by saying the two issues are not related.

"It has nothing to do with it," Baldacci

said. "It's apples and oranges."

Baldacci again stressed the need for a law, suggesting that many people lack the understanding that a law is necessary to protect citizens.

"People don't believe that discrimination happens, so they feel we don't need a law," the governor said. "It's a basic right. We really shouldn't be having the debate."

Baldacci also suggested that the nation is watching Maine right now. He said it is important that other states see that Maine makes the right decision. He also said there is a possibility that whichever way the vote goes next week, the issue could be around for a while.

"If it's a close election, I think it might come up again," he said.

Cain also spoke. As the State legislator from Orono, she feels it is her duty to be in close communication with students at UMaine, who are constituents of hers. She was happy to bring the governor to her district.

"I couldn't be more proud to share this space and have the governor come to campus," said Cain, who also spoke out in favor of equal rights.

"No on 1" chose to hold the event at Hancock Hall because it is the social equity dorm.

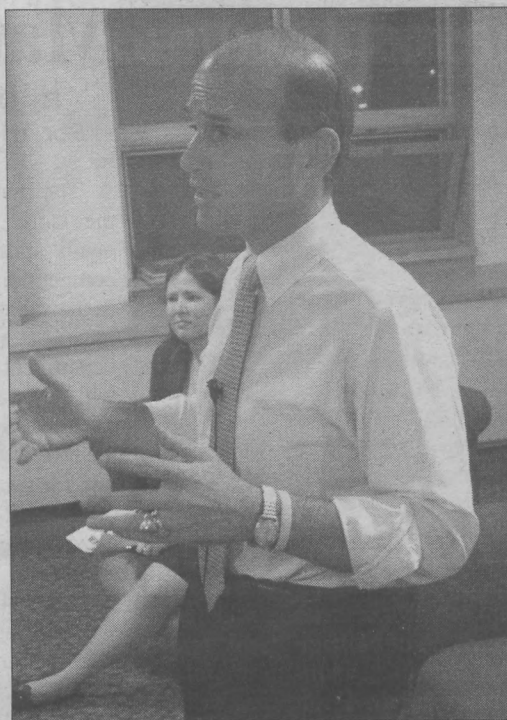
Baldacci said after his talk that he only feared the effort from the other side because of the bad information that has been put out there. He also said it is about education, and it is important to educate people on this topic.

"There's a lot of misinformation put out, and it's difficult," said Baldacci. "It's a referendum campaign. It's on an issue. It's not like a candidate."

He added that because of the misinformation, there is a lot of explaining to be done, and he finds it important to get that

"Maine has to be a welcoming and diverse state. It's important that Maine cannot say anything but 'no.'"

John Baldacci
Maine Governor



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO
Gov. Baldacci and Rep. Emily Cain talk to a group of students in the Hancock hall lounge Tuesday night.

message to college students.

"You have to kind of go around and make sure people know what the issues are, what does the law state. I think the more they learn about the law and they understand what it is and what it isn't, they'll be a lot more comfortable with what it is."

He also said that every other New England state already has an anti-discrimination law in place, and Maine is trying to catch up.

As she helped pick up chairs and clean up after Baldacci left, Cain spoke about the importance of student support next Tuesday.

"I believe that college students have a huge role to play," said Cain. "College students tend to be much more tolerant and much more aware that sexual orientation doesn't define you."

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given to support the Maine Channel. As the Maine Channel has struggled on campus for funding and equipment in the past, Dana hopes that this fee can provide them with a reasonable operating budget to help them become "a vital and viable media source on campus."

Dana also hopes that The Maine Channel will become an accountable media market on campus. The remaining \$2 will go toward The Maine Campus.

"The fee is putting more money towards something that can get students involved."

Jesse Davis
senior

"I am not worried about being charged more," said Jesse Davis, a senior journalism major. "It benefits what I feel is an important cause on campus. The fee is putting more money towards something that can get students involved. And the students are paying for something that they can go out and become involved in."

Students will have the opportunity to vote on the proposed fee increase. Voting information will be available on FirstClass when the time comes.

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Michael Uhl

The Role of Progressive Veterans and the GI Resistance During Vietnam and Today, 12:30 - 1:45 p.m. in the Bangor Room of Memorial Union. For

more information, contact Doug Allen on FirstClass or at 58-3860.

Improve your teaching

See student learning through peer tutors' perspectives, by Ruth Doucette, a center for teaching excellence workshop, 2 - 4 p.m. in the Coe Room of Memorial Union. For more information, contact Gail Agrell on FirstClass or at 581-347.

Saturday, Nov. 5

Mathematics contest

Second annual UMaine math contest starts, with all undergraduates eligible, with different categories for each class. There will be prizes. For more information, contact Sergey Lvin on FirstClass.

Culturefest

A celebration of countries and cultures, 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. in Memorial Gymnasium. For more information, contact Sarah Joughin on FirstClass or at 581-2423.

Math contest to offer \$400 in prizes

By Brian Sylvester
For The Maine Campus

The mathematics department at the University of Maine is once again sponsoring a mathematics competition to raise student interest in the subject. This year's questions have been posted on the math department Web site, and students will have several weeks in which to complete the questions and submit them to the department. The deadline for submissions is Dec. 5. The department is offering three cash prizes for each of the three student groups.

In 2004, the math department was looking for a way to increase student participation in the math field and perhaps to attract more students to their own department. They saw that many colleges across the nation sponsored competitions for the students, encouraging them to hone their math skills outside of the classroom with prizes of cash or gifts. To that end, the math department sponsored the first competition, granting cash prizes totaling over \$1,000 to the students who participated.

Many of the winning students were from departments not connected with the mathematics department. Professor Sergey Lvin, who is once again organizing the competition, hopes that even more students will participate this year.

"We want to draw more students towards math," he said. "We want more students to participate."

He recalled that many of last year's participants told him they would enter the contest again if it

was held a second time, and that he was approached by many other students who had not tried the first time but wanted another opportunity. The questions for the competition are not course-oriented and are designed to be answered by students of any background. They are divided into three groups: freshmen, sophomores and juniors, and seniors, with the questions getting more difficult for each student group.

The questions for the freshmen are designed for students with a basic high school math background, while sophomores and juniors are expected to have a more thorough grasp of calculus and advanced geometry. Senior questions are concerned with linear algebra and differential equations.

Students are encouraged to work through the problems on their own time and check their answers with whatever resources are available to them. However, Lvin stressed the need for students to work individually on their answers. Online questions online allow students a great deal of time to perfect their answers and also provides the department with a greater opportunity to advertise and draw more students to the contest. Lvin spoke regarding other colleges with similar competitions, saying that many of them hold the contest in a single day, with three to six-hour test-like sessions. Lvin wanted the atmosphere of the contest to be more relaxed and he feels that the structure of the contest allows for that.

"Because it is a take-home test," Lvin said, "we don't expect it to be done in two or three hours."

Lvin was very pleased with the results of last year's competition, noting that the grand prize winner from the sophomore-junior group had never taken a single math course with the university. More so than anything, the goal of the contest is to encourage students who enjoy and excel at math to continue learning about it.

Van Tran, a business finance major, walked away with the \$250 grand prize. Another winner was Jon Brophy, a second-year physics major who entered the freshman contest and won \$100. Brophy described the contest as "pretty fun," saying it was like "doing math problems I could easily get as homework . . . and getting paid for it."

Brophy encouraged all students to participate in the contest, noting that it isn't necessary to get all of the problems right or even to get all of them finished.

First-place winners in each of the three groups will win a \$250 grand prize. Second-place winners will receive \$100, while third-place winners will receive \$50. The problems were drawn from many different sources by faculty from the math department, and the student responses will be graded by a mixed committee of faculty and graduate students from the math department. Lvin noted that there is no set size for the committee, as the volume of responses to the questions will dictate its membership. Answers should be submitted in writing to the math department, Neville Hall Room 333, on or before Dec. 5, 2005.

Correction

An Oct. 27 article concerning Question 1 wrongly proclaimed the uniqueness of a Maine law. Six other states also have laws

including provisions for gender expression or identity.

The Maine Campus strives to produce an accurate newspaper. To report an error, e-mail Matthew Conyers at eic@mainecampus.com

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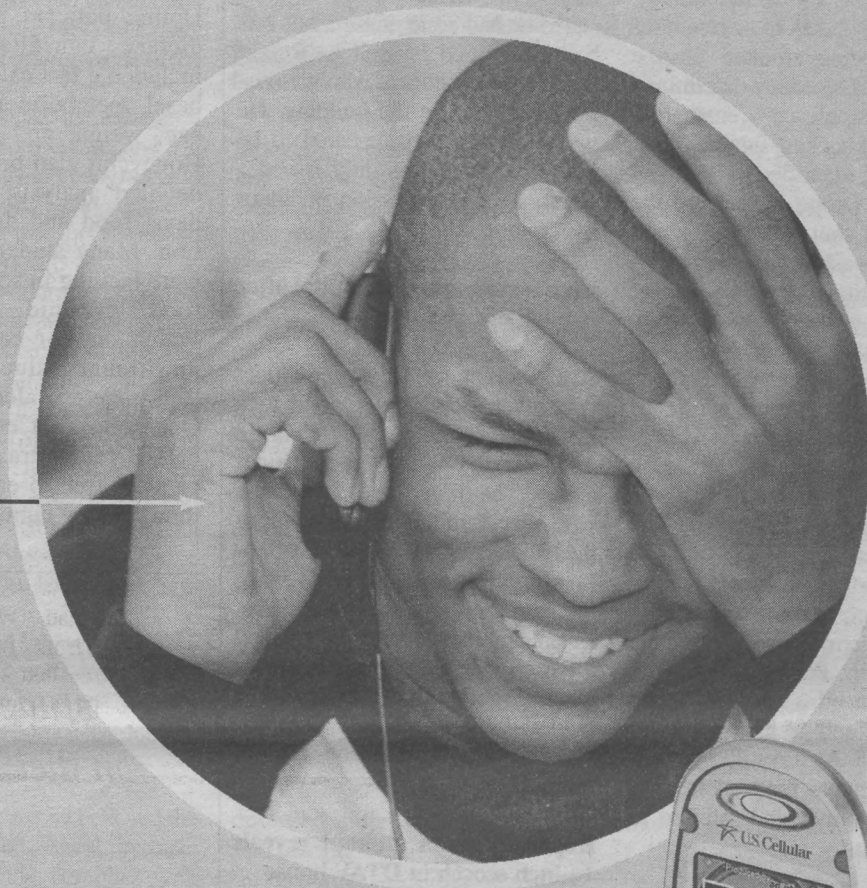
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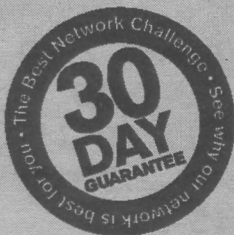
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POLICEBEAT

By Peter Bissell
For The Maine Campus

Hancock resident summonsed after alleged pot incident

A Hancock Hall resident was given a summons for possession of liquor by a minor at 5:48 p.m. Sunday. Officers responded to a report of marijuana being smoked on the second floor. Once they determined where the smell was emanating from, they knocked on the door. The resident, identified as Maxwell Poe, 19, of Orono, came into the hallway and shut the door behind him. Officers asked what was being smoked in the room. Poe denied that anything had been smoked. Officers asked if they could step inside, and Poe consented. Once inside, officers observed numerous empty containers of alcoholic beverages. Poe also admitted to having smoked marijuana earlier in the day. Poe was asked if he had any smoking paraphernalia, and he turned over a pack of rolling papers. Officers then asked if they could have permission to search the room, which Poe granted. The search produced a can of Natural Light beer, and a half-gallon of Orloff vodka. As a result, Poe was issued a summons for possession of liquor by a minor and referred to judicial affairs.

Underage non-student gets summons for possessing alcohol

At 10:09 p.m. last Friday, an officer on foot patrol in Knox Hall noticed a man in the third floor stairwell with a 12-ounce can of Bud Light. The man appeared underage, so the officer proceeded to head up the stairs toward him. The man stepped into the third floor and attempted to enter a room. The officer stepped

into the third-floor and advised the man that he should come talk to him. When asked for ID, the man stated he had none on him, but verbally identified himself as Robert Seavey, a non-student who was visiting someone in the building. He was under 21 and appeared to be intoxicated and was duly issued a summons for possession of liquor by a minor.

Man transported to hospital after passing out in York Hall

At 11:02 p.m. last Friday, an officer was given a call to respond to a heavily intoxicated individual in York Hall. When the officer arrived, he found the individual, who was identified as a resident of the hall, passed out on the first-floor D wing. The officer tried to wake the man, but he was unresponsive, so an ambulance was called, and the man was placed on a stretcher and transported to the hospital. The man was referred to judicial affairs for possession of alcohol by a minor.

Reported arson attempt reveals 14-inch scorch in DTAV house

Officers responded to a call from the village coordinator of DTAV at 11:35 a.m. Oct. 25 about a possible arson attempt in the first floor Lown House lobby. Officers found a scorch mark on the wall that was about 14 inches long and about a half inch wide. The mark was able to be scrubbed off, and no further damage was discovered. The case is still under investigation.

Sandwich day brings good food, health

By Emma Pope-Welch
For The Maine Campus

A piece of pizza a day keeps the doctor away. Well, not really, but every food type is OK in moderation.

Wednesday's National Sandwich Day provided nutritional information and health awareness. Information came in the form of a brochure, continuous PowerPoint presentations and discussions with a nutritionist. Peer Education and the Black bear Dining Nutrition Services considered the collaborative effort a success.

Laura Honeycutt, Black bear Dining dietician, provided quick dietary consultations. These included a fast calculation of the basal metabolic rate based on age, weight and activity level. Honeycutt also provided a more detailed analysis based on one day's food and drink consumption. Many students found they were lacking in some area of the food pyramid requirements. Watch out for calories without nutritional value. Dressings, Powerade and alcohol are a few. One Jello shot contains almost half of your extra calorie category. Feel free to eat your pickles though; they contain hardly any.



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SANDWICH WORKSHOP — UMaine Dining Services dietician Laura Honeycutt provides a free diet analysis to a student as part of National Sandwich Day on Wednesday.

leads an effort to bring more DineSmart options to campus.

DineSmart is an incentive-based program to encourage healthy eating that started at the end of October. Students are encouraged to try alternatives every day.

"I'm working to get the menu expanded soon," said Honeycutt. "I eat better on campus than at home because there is such an assortment of fresh fruits and vegetables."

Credit for National Sandwich Day preparation goes primarily to Ashley Brann. Brann, a third-year psychology major, planned the event for Peer Education.

Fruits and sweets donated by Dining Services enticed participants. The event focused on body image, eating disorders and physical and dietary health.

"College is different from

home, where meals are cooked for you," said Brann. "Students are eating the food they can grab the fastest and shoveling it into their mouth on the way to class."

Brann created a PowerPoint presentations that played during the event. Information touched on issues such as media effect on body image and tips to stay healthy. The Totman Lounge was set up to be "relaxed and comfortable," said Angela Fiandaca, Peer Education graduate assistant. "We wanted a fun way to bring people in and provide information."

Every student with a meal plan is eligible for diet consultation with the Nutrition Services. Laura Honeycutt is located in 101 Hilltop Commons and can be reached at 581-4771. More information about Peer Education is available at <http://www.umaine.edu/peered/>.

Honeycutt consults students on diet issues

Honeycutt works with Dining Services to address special dietary concerns, controlling portions and nutritional education. Honeycutt also

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STUDENT SENATE NOTES

GSS mulls blood drives, student vote

By Angelica Dolbow
For The Maine Campus

During Tuesday night's meeting, General Student Senate voted on three resolutions that will go to the student body for approval.

GSS voted on whether or not to allow students to vote on increasing the student activity fee from \$35 to \$50 by a referendum vote.

After the majority of the senate voted 16-0-1 in favor on this resolution, the student body will have to vote. The student body has the choice of increasing the activity fee or not. It will vote on this referendum on the same day of the presidential and vice presidential elections for GSS.

The last time the student activity fee was increased was 1999. Since then, GSS has been working with approximately the same budget, given a gradual increase in enrollment; however, costs have continued to increase. Since 1999, the number of student government recognized clubs have also increased, causing the unallocated portion of the GSS budget to thin out. In order for GSS to be able to continue to aid these clubs financially, the increase in the student activity fee is necessary.

President Kate O'Brien said the student activity fee goes to the student government.

"Student government uses this money to operate Student Government, Inc.," said O'Brien. "We use [the activity fee] to pay employees and provide budgets for the recognized representative boards, community associations and clubs. This money also makes up the budget for Student entertainment. Student entertainment is a division of GSS that provides entertainment in the form of concerts, guest lectures and Bumstock. GSS also pays for the campus lawyer and the readership program."

Student entertainment, the largest budgeted division of GSS, is dedicated to bringing the best entertainment to campus for the students, but with its current budget, it is unable to compete.

GSS is proposing to increase the

student activity fee to increase student government unallocated funds and the student entertainment budget. The unallocated fund serves as a mechanism for which student government-recognized groups can request money for events and activities. This increase would benefit approximately 180 student organizations on campus.

O'Brien said UMaine pays the lowest student activity fee compared to other New England schools. This change is needed to better the quality of programming that both clubs and student entertainment conduct.

Two other resolutions were passed that will need a student vote in order to take place. Both of these resolutions are amendments to the student government constitution. One resolution involved whether or not to add the vice president to the executive budgetary committee. The third resolution concerned the vice president of financial affairs submits the budget to the senate for the next fiscal year.

On another note, Associate Dean of Students Kendra Scheele handed out a draft letter that she wrote to GSS members. The draft letter urges UMaine groups to hold blood drives with blood collection organizations in support of striking down the ban against blood donations from gay and bisexual men. This resolution, which will be redrafted, will recommend UMaine student organizations not to use the American Red Cross until further notice. Along with the redraft, senator Derek Mitchell plans to write a cover letter addressing the issue.

"I felt it was time for the [FDA's policy] to be reconsidered," said Mitchell. "I wanted [the ARC] to bring [FDA's policy] back in the light of the scientific and technological expenses."

Every blood-donating organization has to follow the Food and Drug Administration's policy that asks men about any past or current sexual relations with other males. Only the American Red Cross supports the FDA's policy. The other blood-donating organizations have to follow the FDA's policy, but they do not support it like the ARC does. Last spring, UMaine students had

sparked controversy with the FDA's policy.

"We want to urge [UMaine] groups to select other gatherers of blood until ARC advocates for the changing of the FDA policy," said senator Adam Kirkland. "This urges student organizations not to use the Red Cross because they support the discriminatory policy."

In April, GSS passed a resolution to ban ARC from UMaine departments and student organizations.

ARC is advocating for the FDA to change the policy. A blood drive on the UMaine campus hosted by the Intrafraternity and Panhellenic Councils will be held in conjunction with Eastern Maine Medical Center Blood Donor Program instead of the ARC on Nov. 3.

"I was here to ask the senators if my letter sounded accurate, and if it didn't, what kinds of changes could have been made," said Scheele. Scheele believes that this resolution will "work out good."

Mitchell also addressed the GSS a resolution to repeal the senate April 15 resolution about the Red Cross.

Chief Medical Officer of the ARC Biomedical Services in Washington, Dr. Jerry E. Squires, sent a letter dated Aug. 17 to Chief Executive of the American Association of Blood Banks Karen Shoos Lipton. The letter cited "significant additional information" concerning donating blood, including the development and implementation of the nucleic acid test. Squires urged a re-evaluation of the deferral of "men who have sex with other men."

Mitchell said that he believed the resolution needed repeal because Squires' letter fully complies with the request from GSS.

"Personally, I applaud that they did exactly what I hoped that they would do and urged for reconsideration."

Paper mates



CAMPUS PHOTO BY STEVEN KNAPP

BUILDING CHARACTER — Isabel Oporto watches Pembra Lams closely as he translates the name "Jessica" at the Asianfest on Tuesday night.

On another issue that was brought up during Tuesday's meeting, was to urge the Maine State Legislative Council to reconsider their actions on a legislative resolution.

Senator Aaron Sterling and other GSS members encouraged the council to reconsider a resolution to amend the state constitution to lower the age of eligibility for election to the House of Representatives. The resolution was passed 13-3-1.

"I would like to see the legislative council to agree to put this resolution on the session agenda, and then have all of the citizens in the state decide if they want to make this change," said Sterling.

The session agenda is made by the legislative council, which goes to the state House of Representatives and Senate.

"Whatever is on the agenda is discussed in the state government," said Sterling.

"I don't want the legislative council making the decision for everyone in the state. If it's possible to make decisions for themselves, this has to go to the referendum," said Sterling.

The legislative resolution remains until it is accepted by the council, put on the agenda and added by the House or Senate. The resolution then does not become a legislative document or a bill until it goes to the House. Once the House and Senate pass it, the document remains until it is signed by the governor.

Mitchell, a co-sponsor of the resolution, plans to bring a letter personally to legislative council members, encouraging them to reconsider the bill and carry the resolution personally to Augusta.

"The resolution will discredit in the eyes of legislators in Augusta," said senator Nathanael Saint Cyr. He believes this will "open the door to unqualified individuals without any life experience. State representatives and senators should have more than a good resume and that something more is life experience."

Saint Cyr said he puts the student's welfare and citizens of the state before his opinion.

"I feel if [this resolution] were to pass, it would seriously undermine the students of the school and citizens of this great state."

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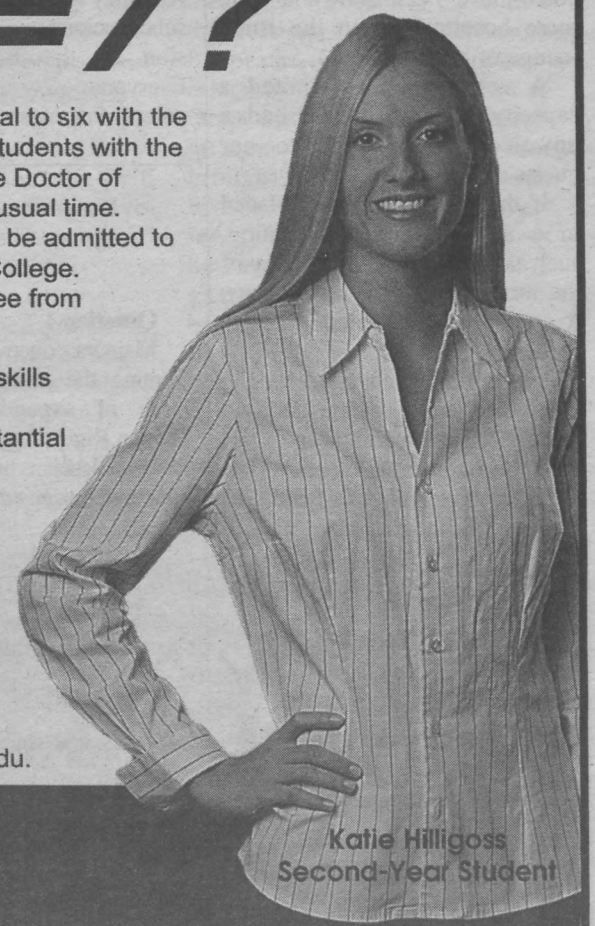
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Second-Year Student

Rather speech ends sourly

This Tuesday, the University of Maine was able to get former CBS Evening News anchor Dan Rather, along with former Secretary of Defense Bill Cohen, as guest speakers on campus.

Both speakers gave positive speeches concerning changes within the news media. The question and answer period, however, was a failed attempt at an anti-Iraq war rally.

Question-and-answer periods at events of this nature are carefully controlled affairs where questions are written on cards and passed in before being selected. Of the four questions asked of Rather and Cohen, three of them were related to the war in Iraq and posed in such a way as to instigate the speaker to criticize the war. Cohen gracefully side-stepped the loaded question posed to him, while Rather, when asked him to compare Iraq to Vietnam, disagreed and said the two wars had more differences than similarities.

Whoever filtered these questions clearly exercised an agenda. This was an inappropriate abuse of power at an event aimed to serve all of the campus.

Baldacci put into tiny study lounge

UMaine Won't Discriminate sponsored a special student forum featuring Governor John Baldacci. The location of the forum was Hancock Hall, an obvious choice as it is the pinnacle of beauty and prestige on campus.

While Hancock is recognized as the equity-themed residential hall, a guest of Baldacci's profile could have been shown a little more hospitality than the study lounge of a dorm.

A venue with as limited a capacity as a study lounge sends a unwelcoming message to our guests and listeners.

If the forum had been placed in a more prominent location, such as Memorial Union or any of the nicer classrooms on campus, it could have attracted a larger audience.

If an intimate location for the discussion was what UMaine Won't Discriminate was after, then the bathrooms of Hart Hall are available weekends from 2 to



Christmas Jeer Comes Early

Frogs and elves deserve the same rights as Clydesdales

Blame this one on the damn frogs.

Yeah, you know, those little green amphibians. Ten years ago, America was hit hard by the vengeful peepers. Now, I am not talking about a bunch of little blood-sucking Kermit's running around. No, the terror was much more real. They invaded our television sets.

During the last decade, every human being knew Mr. Toad's favorite word. How could they not? Those pesky creatures opened their mouths every time John Madden said it was commercial time. They were the Budweiser frogs. It was, after all, their job to pick up the slack for the Taco Bell dog and that cute little beef lady from Wendy's. And they did. They seeped into the subconscious like a swampy version of the Backstreet Boys. Everyone knew their names, their voices, and, most of all, their part in

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the little jingle that rocked the red, white and blue. There was no way around it. The frogs were part of our culture and we loved every minute of it.

So why, then, on Saturday was another beer mascot denied his chance at glory?

Over the past week, a constitutional battle began brewing in Hartford, Conn., over a holiday beer that state officials are trying to ban. The reason for the outlawing? Oh, it's actually quite simple: the label on the beer bottle entices children to drink.

Forget the fact that the three big beer labels are currently represented by Clydesdales, the girl in the moon and a bright sliver train. That means nothing. This is different, of course. This time, the cheery little mascot is an angry elf and we all know elves are really bad. The British import, "Seriously Bad Elf," depicts a mean-looking elf with a slingshot firing Christmas ornaments at Santa's sleigh as it flies overhead. Say it ain't so Anhuesser.

How dare they infect our pop culture with evil, ugly creatures like elves? Even worse, they are setting out to damage the souls of thousands of children. Right?

Well, the state of Connecticut thinks so.

The state liquor regulations bar alcohol advertising when images might appeal to children. In this case, Connecticut Attorney General See CHRISTMAS on page 9

Letters to the Editor

Question 1

Mainers, once again, are confronting the unfortunately divisive issue of expanding the Maine Human Rights Act to protect our fellow gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered citizens due to Question 1.

A group, including many who claim to be acting on their Christian faith, have forced a people's veto of the expansion of civil rights passed by the Maine Legislature earlier this year to protect people subject to discrimination based on their sexual

orientation. We, as the interim rector and elected leadership of St. James' Episcopal Church in Old Town, are distressed that the source of much of this divisiveness has had its roots in

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I'd Rather Not Listen

Retired reporter failed to inspire

LUKE DENATALE



FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

Journalism majors will face a crucial task in the future. The task is one of non-biased reporting, one which Dan Rather, former CBS News anchor and current correspondent, failed at miserably. His speech Tuesday at the Maine Center for the Arts was, to say the least, extremely boring and rarely touched upon what I think most people wanted him to: his pseudo-resignation. His lecture was primarily on the rising importance of young journalists, yet I feel he inspired few.

My favorite thing he said was that we need to be careful of the sources we get our news from, primarily mentioning the Internet. How is one to know if the news we get is legitimate and non-partisan? I kind of wish Dan had asked himself that before he pushed the agenda that led to his resignation.

To those who are not familiar with the circumstances surrounding Mr. Rather's resignation, here is a short history. They are referred to as *the Killian Documents* or "Rathergate" and "memogate." The basis of this was reporting on President George W. Bush's military record. Please keep in mind, my friends, that this was during election time in 2004. These documents of his military records contained criticisms of his military record. As it turned out, they were forgeries, uncovered primarily by Internet bloggers. Despite Dan's "great fumble," there were other documents that were widely accepted as authentic in which Bush's commander, Lieutenant Colonel Jerry B. Killian described Bush as "an exceptionally fine young officer and pilot," a far cry from Rather's blistering attack. I think it's fair to say, "Dan, you screwed up big time on this one."

Personally, I think that Dan Rather should no longer be allowed to report news. How can

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CHRISTMAS

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Richard Blumenthal believes the British import is going out of the way to attract the attention of youngsters. Using an image of Santa Claus on an alcoholic product is in direct violation of the law. Because of this, the state Liquor Control Division notified Massachusetts-based Shelton Brothers distributors that they can not sell the beer. The company, a large distributor of alcohol across the country is now down one popular winter ale. And they aren't too happy about it.

Their anger is well-directed. Why is it such a big deal? The company had no such problems when they sold the product in 30 other states. So why, then, does Connecticut feel it is so important to throw the politically correct hat into the ring? Of course, every state has the right to set its own laws in regards to liquor, but does this truly merit a course of action? According to recent codes adopted by the Beer Institute and the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, it does. In the past three years many states have prohibited the use of Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny when marketing alcohol. So this isn't just the constitution state's problem; it's the whole country's. After all, the regulation has several major constitutional flaws.

The first and easily the largest problem with the ban is that it violates the Shelton's free speech rights. The Massachusetts distributor, has every right to be upset. Not to mention under the establishment clause the government cannot endorse or disapprove of such things as Santa

Claus or the Easter Bunny. Also, the ban on jolly old Saint Nick raises another question. Isn't it illegal under the establishment clause to disapprove of a religious figure, which Santa Claus could be called? Yes, it is most certainly illegal under the constitution. Since the problem is centered around Santa Claus being shot down and its effect on children, Shelton has every right to use that as his main argument.

To combat the ban even more, all one needs to do is take a look at other beer-label cases. For example, in *Bad Frog vs. New York*, a court ruled that the potential for an image to attract a child is not reason enough to ban it from a beer bottle because there are already laws against selling beer to children.

The label is simply trying to stand out and be creative, that's it. In today's society, however, things are not so easy. In fact the labelgate represents something essentially wrong with how Americans think. We take ourselves way too seriously. Did any toddler really get so turned on by the frogs that they went out and guzzled down a Bud afterwards? No. It was simply a clever jingle that kids had fun with. That's all. Nothing more, nothing less. However, our culture loves to take things to the next level. In this case, we are exposing our fear of, God forbid, not being politically correct. Oh no, kids are talking about beer ads. Give me a break. No 10-year-old was ever accused of jumping on his Huffy and rolling down to the local brewery for a buzz.

Now, I don't want my three-year-old cousin knocking back some winter ale as much as the next guy, but there has to be a line to all this seriousness. And it should start with the Constitution.

Matt Conyers is an elf.

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one trust his reporting again? After pushing forged documents in the public's face and saying, "Hey everybody, look what I found, our president was not only trying to avoid going to war, but also was a horrible soldier state-side!"

On top of occurring during an election year, in which public opinion can sway with a damaging document such as this, it's fair to deduct that he was pushing his own agenda. This is one thing I worry about in the future of journalism: How can one be sure the press isn't pushing a one-sided

agenda forward, or in this case jumping on a partisan scale to tip the balance in a presidential hopeful's favor.

Primarily, I felt I gave a chance for Dan Rather to come out with his true feelings for current president George W. Bush, instead of using false documents to show his distaste for our current president. I put on my question card, "Please, Dan, tell us how you really feel about President George W. Bush." I was hoping he would at least address his mistakes at the lecture.

For the love of God, Dan, own up and get the hell out of journalism.

Luke Denatale is a junior political science major.

LETTERS

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our Christian faith. We are especially troubled by the frequent representation that the Christian position on this issue is to oppose extending basic human rights to our homosexual brothers and sisters.

St. James' Church and the Episcopal Church in Maine as a whole have long supported eliminating discrimination against anyone based on their sexual orientation or identity. We are called as Christians to love our neighbors regardless of their differences. Legalized discrimination is neither Christian nor moral.

Christians opposed to amending the Human Rights Act to protect gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people often espouse the philosophy of "love the sinner but hate the sin." These Christians claim we must

speak out against sinful acts. Christ never addresses homosexuality during his ministry on earth. But he did condemn hypocrites who point at the speck in their neighbor's eye while blinded by the beam in their own eye.

We do not see how Maine Christians can say they truly love a particular group of their neighbors while condoning discrimination against them in employment, housing, credit, public accommodation or educational opportunity. Discrimination, regardless of one's views concerning human sexuality, is not in keeping with the message of Christ.

We look forward to the day when Maine affirms that it loves all of its people, as Christ calls us to do, with the full force of law.

*The Rev. Dick Johnson
Old Town*

Tolerance Crusaders Are Dirty Liars

You have the right to oppose other people's decisions

Remember the episode of South Park where the kids are sent to the Concentration Camp of Tolerance to learn how to become socially acceptable human beings? Funny episode. Remember what Mr. Garrison said at the end, after parading into the room riding Mr. Slave like a toy pony? Tolerance and acceptance are not the same thing. You can tolerate something and still dislike it. Some people don't seem to understand this.

See, it goes like this: You do something because you want to. Good or bad, it's your call what you do, until it starts to infringe on someone else's rights. With human rights being a common concern among most of the populous for some peculiar reason, I'm not allowed to kill you or maim you or raze your entire hometown because I don't approve of what you do. I need to tolerate your behavior. I can't just take you out into the woods and shoot you because you like Nelly. That doesn't mean I need to like it.

People now are so intent on being politically correct that they're trying to rob us of our freedom to disapprove of the actions of another. "What right do you have to disapprove of what I do? It's my life. Don't judge me." Yes, yes, I've heard it a thousand times. Honestly, I don't care. Do whatever you want with your life. Seriously. If you want to drive your car

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over the edge of a cliff while shooting heroin into your eyeballs, go ahead and do it. Just know that I reserve the right to dislike you for your behavior (yea, unto the depths of Sheol). My opinion of you as a person is colored by the things you do.

*"I can't just take
you out into the
woods and shoot
you..."*

I know it's a strange concept, but hear me out for a minute.

I pick and choose the people with whom I associate. I form opinions of the people I meet based on the things they do and say. I judge others by their behavior and expect them to give me the same courtesy. To say you accept everyone is to admit you're a liar. People only accept the things that society demands them to. It's called the "social desirability factor." No one wants to be seen as running

against the grain. No one wants to be seen as a bigot, racist, sexist or what-have-you. I'm sorry, but I'm not going to be accepting of everyone. I refuse to relinquish my right to disapprove. If I don't approve of your lifestyle, I'm probably not going to associate with you. Call me prejudiced if you like. I just won't be around to hear your defamations.

Lately, it seems that people are attempting to eradicate the concept of 'the norm.' Everything is relative. There is no absolute morality. Do whatever seems right to you. I'm sorry, but that just doesn't cut it. Not in my book anyway. In order for society to properly function, there must be clear lines drawn as to what is and is not permissible. That's the whole purpose of disapproval: If society doesn't condone a certain form of behavior, it is suppressed. I'm not saying that this is always a good thing, but it certainly can have its benefits. When society as a whole shifts to condoning every behavior, we turn into a bunch of animals.

"But humans are just animals anyway. What makes you think that?" Shut up. We need standards of conduct. Think you're accepting of everything? You aren't very accepting of my lack of acceptance of your acceptance, are you? I thought so.

Ian Marquis lives on a ranch with a stoner, three goths, two hippies and a polygamist family.

Holy Croc! Those Shoes Are Bright!

Ugly footwear fad creeps across our vulnerable campus

I'm not a trendsetter by any means and I don't pretend to be. Keeping up with the latest style can be too much to handle, but to tell you the truth, it's a matter of laziness more than anything else. Even though trendsetting may not be my forte, I do feel the obligation to help everyone see what they are getting themselves into before hopping on that bandwagon.

What happened to good old fashioned sandals? Sure, you still see them from time to time, but they are slowly being replaced by the rubber footwear known as Crocs. You may not recognize the name, but you can't miss the shoe—it's the master of all eyesores. Being the trend follower I am, to be fair I did some research. One Web site made the claim that Crocs are so versatile, you can wear them to "stroll on the beach, or walk to a meeting." A meeting?! I can see my business professors now, "Remember to look professional for your presentations next week, which includes a suit and tie, and obviously your best pair of fluorescent colored rubber clogs." The Web site goes on to claim that Crocs come in 12 colors and a pair is advised for every outfit. My mom never taught me how to match colors, but I'm damn sure there isn't an

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outfit in my closet that will match those bright orange eyesores I see people showing off as if they were a shiny new Rolex.

After they finished promoting their product, Crocs sounded like the best thing since sliced bread. They are made from "special" space-age material and are so comfy and durable that anything is possible. Correct me if I'm wrong, but I didn't see Neo throw on his bright pink Crocs before his final battle with Mr. Smith. And I missed the part where Frodo notified Sam they simply could not leave until he found his dark purple pair, and if he did, he should have kept the ring and thrown them into the fires inside Mount Doom.

So it appears that the outdoor lovers have a new footwear hero, pushing their beloved Birkenstocks into a backseat position behind these foot-shaped spaghetti strainers. I mean honestly, they are as much of a sieve as the Denver goalie

was those first two games of the season. The unbelievable Croc phenomenon inspired me to further research, leading me to find their official Web site. Although I expected these funny foot coverings to be from the makers of Grape Nuts, they are surprisingly from the genius minds that brought you the boardgame Mousetrap. You may be wondering what the connection is between a Milton Bradley board game and Crocs, but think deeper and you will see the connection: they are both frustrating as hell. I spent as much time trying to figure out the new rubber clog fad as I did trying to get that ridiculous marble to propel the plastic diver into the yellow dish and eventually catch that crafty rodent.

My goal here is to simply inform, not criticize. My ultimate fear is that I will soon be the minority walking around campus with my old-fashioned Gap sandals. So go out and do your own research, but keep in mind that if the situation is left unchecked, "Don't forget to wear your rubbers" will no longer be a phrase exclusively for protective parents and your RA's message board.

Travis Griffin is a third year business major who enjoys complaining about, well, anything.

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MUSIC

Headstart!
8 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 3
Memorial Union

Sweet Honey in the Rock
8 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 4
Maine Center for the Arts

Alexisonfire, Recieving End of
Sirens, 3, Idiot Pilot, Burning
Valhalla
8 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 4
Ushuaia
\$13

Rock For Relief
5 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 5
Husson College Campus
Center
\$5 at Bull Moose; \$7 at the
door with student ID

Karaoke
9 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 6
Bears Den, Memorial Union

As I Lay Dying and U2
5 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 6
Ushuaia
\$17

ENTERTAINMENT

Culturefest 2005
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 5
Memorial Gym Field House

"Blithe Spirit"
Presented by The School of
Performing Arts
2 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 6
Hauck Auditorium

ART

"No Two Alike: African-
American Improvisations on a
Traditional Patchwork Pattern"
Quilt Collection
Through Jan. 14
University of Maine Museum
of Art

An exhibition of photographs
by Melonie Bennett
Through Jan. 14
University of Maine Museum
of Art

COMEDY

Eric Lyden
Maine Attraction
9:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 4
Main Dining Room, Memorial
Union

MOVIES

"Charlie and the Chocolate
Factory"
7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 4
Bangor Room, Memorial
Union

BARS

35 cent wings & \$2 Bud Light
Pints
Mondays
Finger Rock at Ushuaia

Open Mic Night
9 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Wednesdays
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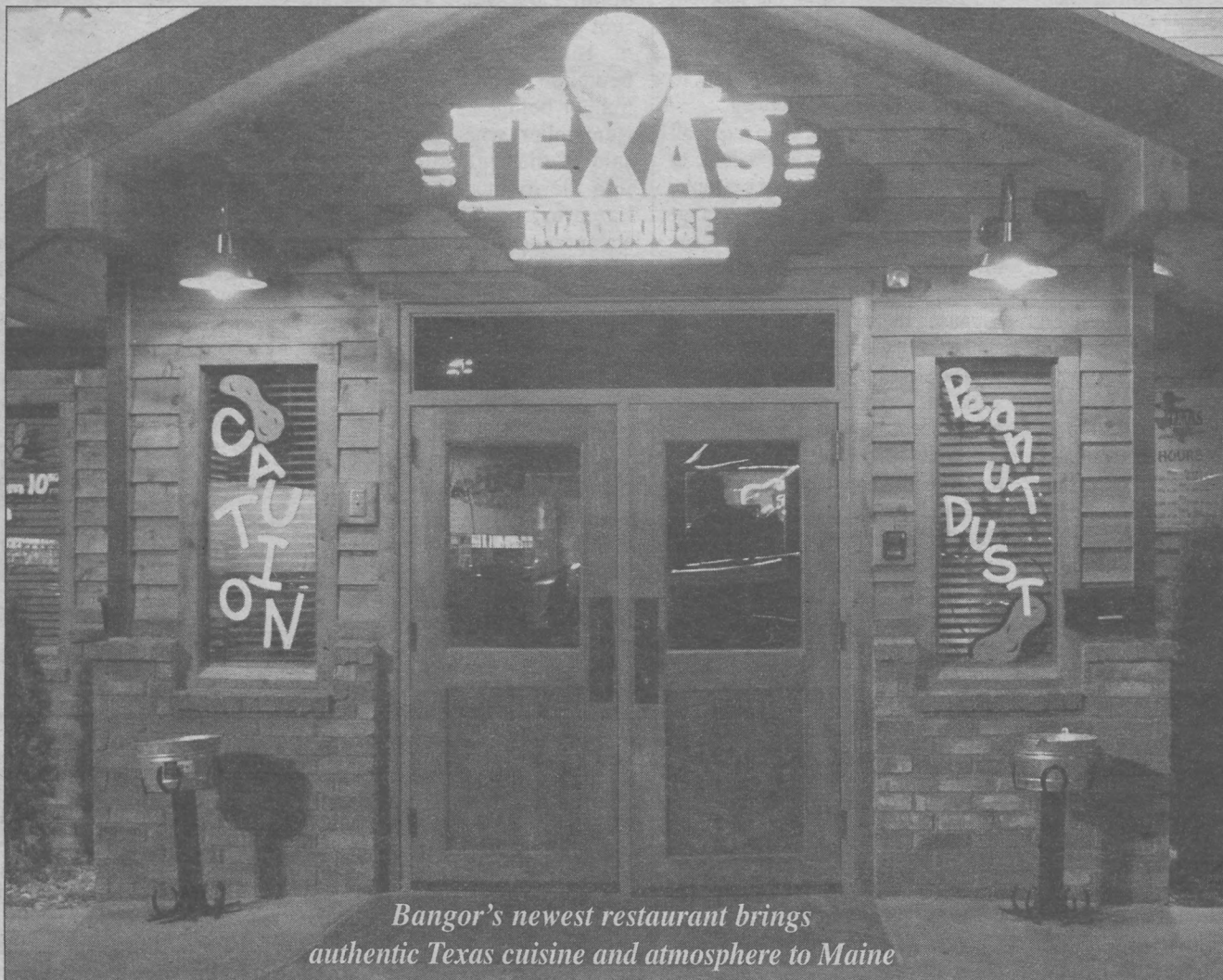
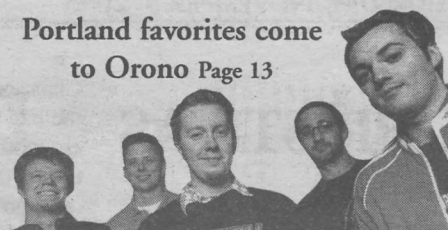
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Thursdays
Staar Club

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this weekend. Page 12

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Portland favorites come
to Orono Page 13



Bangor's newest restaurant brings
authentic Texas cuisine and atmosphere to Maine

There's a new mess hall in town

By Ryan Clark
Staff Writer

The only thing missing from the Texas Roadhouse is J.R. Ewing himself. From the down-home sounds of country music, blended with rock here and there, the Texas Roadhouse restaurant in Bangor has proved why the only thing trendier than a cowboy hat is the long wait.

Luckily, all these things have been taken into consideration, as they have waiting rooms complete with benches, as well as a digitized waiting schedule that gives people an idea of how long it will take to get a table.

By the time one enters the restaurant, the first thing that catches the eye, besides the staff, is the giant blocks of meat that are sold. At this point, one thing is true: The wait is well worth it.

As you walk across the floor, the crackle under your feet is not the squashing of roaches, but peanuts. Unlike other Southern-themed restaurants in the area, the Texas

Roadhouse provides the authentic feel of throwing peanut shells on the floor, which is similar to some small-town barbecue places in Texas.

Once you get to the table and order a beverage, it's just like any other restaurant. What makes it different is the way it tastes.

Although Smokey Bones may have been the pioneering barbecue restaurant last year, the roadhouse proved one thing: Don't Mess With Texas.

Seeing the servers line dance, while the average dinner conversation is held, provides a great lead up to the meal. The food is extremely good. The regular items, like chicken and beef, are all great, but it's the ribs that make the place stand out. In most cases, eating ribs without making a mess is a hard thing to do, but at Texas Roadhouse, the meat just slides off the bone.

The only drawback to the Roadhouse is this: The dinner is so good and filling that the only way you can make it through dessert is to order a kid's meal.

Overall, this shows why they are the busiest restaurant in the entire state and unless other places take notes, it could be a long winter.

The Texas Roadhouse received a five-star rating.



DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS — (Top and Left) The Texas Roadhouse cautions people of peanut dust, which is abundant inside the new restaurant. (Right) A deer mounted on the wall in the bar area rests next to a digital clock that lets people know when their table is ready.



CAMPUS PHOTOS BY STEVEN KNAPP

Rock music fuels Katrina relief effort

By Erin McNamara
Copy Editor

What are you doing this weekend? Sitting at home, watching TV? Sitting at your friend's house, watching TV and getting drunk? If that's the most excitement you see for yourself this Saturday, Nov. 5, then put that beer money back in your wallet, because there's a much better way to spend it.

**5 p.m.
Saturday
Husson**

Over at Bull Moose Music in Bangor, tickets are \$5 apiece for the Rock for Relief concert going down this weekend at Husson College in the Campus Center, and will also be on sale at the door for \$7. The show, put on by Husson College student Steve Williams with help from Leah Atwood of Rotten Rosie Records, will help Maine's Congregational Churches send three tractor trailers, all loaded with relief supplies, to Louisiana by providing the money to fuel the trucks on the way down and back. All 11 bands playing the show are donating their time for this cause.

Saturday's lineup includes a wide variety of local hardcore, metal and various other rock bands. Local favorites Soundbender, Nobis and

Stalk the Ground, as well as less well-known groups like The Echo Theory and Rip Roarin are set to perform.

Craig Kyllonen of Rip Roarin, the thrash metal duo opening the show, was pleased that Husson College is offering the venue for this show for no cost to the organizers. He stated that under normal circumstances, a portion of the money brought in needs to be used as compensation for the use of a hall or club, and this show provides a great opportunity for all the proceeds to go directly to the charitable cause.

In addition to the great cause, showgoers can expect an awesome and varied rock show. Bands like Soundbender and Nobis, who lean to the harder side of rock, will be accompanied by The Echo Theory, a progressive rock-funk fusion group. The unusual combination of groups promises to add an interesting twist to the night. If The Echo Theory gets you going this weekend, they have another show coming up on Nov. 10 at the University of Southern Maine.

Soundbender and Nobis have an aggressive schedule for the fall and winter, including two more shows at Ushuaia, one with Tomorrow's Tragedy and The Disaster Complex, and another later in the year with Paranoid Social Club.

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Roy performs well at Java Jive despite illness

By Abbey Greslick
For The Maine Campus

As if there aren't enough acoustic guitarists trying to serenade their way into tired CD players everywhere — or so I thought before going to this week's Java Jive, where UMaine's Rob Roy played an eclectic mix of originals and covers.

He started off with "Sweet Sympathy," one of his original songs. He then started into Jack Johnson's "Rodeo Clowns." About half-way through, he stopped play-

ing, apologized to the crowd for the song choice, and started a new song. The audience laughed, and seemed to get more into his music as the set went on.

It was nice to see a performer actually gauge the audience and not be afraid to react accordingly. He played with the energy of Marc Broussard, and vocals comparable at times to Rob Thomas.

His cover songs were impressive, but his originals had an appeal all their own. He introduced many of

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HEAVY METAL — U2, along with As I Lay Dying, who have been touring with Slipknot until the recent cancellation of Slipknot's tour, will play at Ushuaia Sunday night.

Slipknot tourmates visit Ushuaia

By Zach Dionne
Staff Writer

Metal and hardcore fans will rejoice when widely popular metalcore act U2 headline at Ushuaia this Sunday, Nov. 6.

Currently on tour with Slipknot, the appearances of U2 and As I Lay Dying at Ushuaia have been unaffected by the recent cancellation of Slipknot's tour date in Lewiston. Originally scheduled as an off-date from the Slipknot tour, U2 and As I Lay Dying will now be making a special trip to play for the metal and hardcore fans in Orono.

The show will be opened by Last Chance to Reason, a local group that has seen amazing increases in popularity in the past year. Despite lineup changes, a new band name (they were formerly known as Forging a Memory) and stylistic evolutions,

the band continues to tour and is frequently booked throughout Maine. The band currently has five shows scheduled through Dec. 3. Their recent EP on Abaddon Records is described in a review on the band's Myspace profile as, "A must for anyone into hardcore and metal [with] intricate guitar licks and off time signatures." Last Chance to Reason will have to bring something special to the table on Sunday to impress fans waiting to see the fierce breakdowns, solos and brutality that U2 will bring.

U2, who hail from Massachusetts, have been touring nonstop for over a year in support of their 2004 Metal Blade Records release, "The Rising Storm." U2 demonstrates an ability

rarely seen in metalcore: the ability to write multiple breakdowns in each of their songs while staying fresh and innovative. Most metalcore bands try to follow in the footsteps of U2, which result in writing monotonous songs with unoriginal, chugging, repetitive breakdowns. The passion and originality of U2's music makes them an amazing live act. They maintain their fresh feel by implementing guitar solos, simultaneously technical, impressive, catchy riffs and blazingly fast drums.

As I Lay Dying's fast and emotionally fueled brand of metalcore will warm up Ushuaia's stage for U2. Coming back from a summer of playing for enormous audiences at Ozzfest, the small venue show should be a change of pace for

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- 9 Coheed and Cambria • Good Apollo, I'm Burning ...
- 10 Wolf Parade • Apologies To The Queen Mary
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- 13 Boom Bap Project • Reprogram
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CAMPUS PHOTO BY STEVEN KNAPP
MONSTER MASH — Enthusiastic fans cheer Bad Taste on at It Came From WMEB on Sunday in The Bears Den.

It came from your campus radio

WMEB turns The Bears Den into a mosh pit on Sunday night

By Anthony Crabtree
For The Maine Campus

Last Sunday WMEB put on a Halloween-themed rock show aptly called "It Came from WMEB" in the Bear's Den. The fliers for the event, which were posted all throughout the campus, made promises of live music from local favorite bands, a raffle, a costume contest and candy. The show did in fact deliver.

The night opened with a new band named Wicker Man, who were formerly known as Here Be Dragons. The name change, which was announced during their set, was appropriate for the Halloween show, as the Wicker Man is a popular movie among

horror film fans. This was Wicker Man's first show, and we will probably be hearing more from them on campus very soon.

The next band to play was Bad Taste, a punk band who also has a horror movie-themed name, and several songs with references to cult films like "The Astro-Zombies." When asked about this, bass player Ryan Vandelle replied "What gave it away?" He continued by citing some of the bands that influenced them, such as the Misfits, Samhain, Danzig and Alice Cooper.

It was also during Bad Taste's set that a group formed in the center of the Bear's Den and began to dance in a fun, but

slightly odd fashion. The best way this dancing could be described, is if Chubby Checker's "The Twist" went awkwardly wrong, with unnecessary steps added to this beloved slice of Americana, including moves like throwing your elbows out and running around in a circle. One of the participants of this circle, Dave, commented on the fun time he had and added "It was a good environment, and usually these types of shows don't get big turnouts, but this one's getting a good turnout."

The energetic circle continued throughout the next band to play, the Murder Weapon. This

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Gospel group comes to MCA for 'sweet' soul

By Ryan Clark
Staff Writer

Going back to their past has done one thing — provided audiences with a timeless sound.

On Friday night, the a cappella women's vocal ensemble Sweet Honey in the Rock will perform at 8 p.m. in the Hutchins Concert Hall at the Maine Center for the Arts. Their stop in Orono will be their sixth on an eight-month schedule, which includes a performance at Carnegie Hall on Nov. 12.

The group was founded by Bernice Johnson Reagon in 1973 at the D.C. Black Repertory Theater Company.

Since that time Sweet Honey in the Rock has blended different styles of music ranging from blues, spirituals, traditional gospel hymns, rap, reggae, African chants, hip-hop and jazz.

Over time, the group has gone on to release 20 albums and won a Grammy Award. Although Reagon announced her retirement in February 2004, the group still continues to intrigue audiences with a unique sound displayed by six voices.

Although their sound may be timeless, with ideas extending to the mid-1800s, their lyrics continue to change as they have written songs based on issues such as civil rights.

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them. No two songs were similar enough to seem identical, as is annoyingly common among the repertoire of so many other acoustic guitarists these days.

Roy had an impressive onstage presence. He said he felt awful, but for the most part, played very well. Not only was the audience into the music, but they also laughed at his random comments — with topics ranging from songs about potato farmers to getting drunk. When he broke a string, he finished the song he was on, switched guitars, then kept right on playing. He seemed confident and comfortable on stage.

I was reluctant to leave after hearing such a strong ending — "All Along the Watchtower." Some people cheered in recognition as he began, and by the end, everyone was struck by how Roy finished off the night. Dylan would have been proud to be there watching.

Make it comedy this Friday

By Joel Crabtree
Copy Editor

Following the Last Comic Standing competition at 9 p.m. this Friday, comedian Eric Layden will grace the stage at Memorial Union, courtesy of the Maine Attraction.

Layden, a New Jersey native, went to college for six years.

According to his Web site, he attended "the University of HisLocalCommunityCollege ... where he majored in transferring."

His Web site boasts strong confidence in Layden's performing abilities. "From his first performances to his latest, Eric has left his audiences and reviewers very glad that he left the hardware department at Sears."

Layden has opened for several headlining comedians such as Joan Rivers, Lewis Black and Christopher Titus. He is well-known for his imitations, which range from Mel Gibson or Ray Liotta to Santa Clause.

Eric Layden is set to take the stage at 9:30 p.m. this Friday at Memorial Union.

9 p.m.
Friday
Union

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As I Lay Dying. They released "Shadows Are Security" through Metal Blade Records this past spring.

In the past year, Unearth has come to The Palladium in Worcester multiple times, the Tsongas Arena in Lowell on the Sounds of The Underground

Tour, and other notably sized venues. Unearth playing for a capacity crowd of several hundred at Ushuaia on Sunday will be a treat for anyone privileged enough to have a ticket. Get your ticket now. You will not be disappointed with the crushing live performance by Unearth in our ridiculously small hometown venue. Sunday may very well end up being one of the most intense and memorable shows of the fall.

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Headstart! makes it back to UM

By Gordon Provost
For The Maine Campus

Anyone bummed out about the cancellation of the Headstart! set last year at Bumstock can frown no longer, as Campus Entertainment and The Frequency bring you Headstart! live in the Marketplace of Memorial Union at 8 p.m. tonight.

Headstart!, a five-person group with four UMaine graduates, is another-u-and coming band who gained success in Portland's growing alternative music scene.

Headstart! drummer Adam Parvanta said that the band had played at UMaine "about five times. The best part about playing college shows is that the intimacy between us and the crowd is more enjoyable and it is... a lot more energetic," he said.

Headstart! is working on some new songs and will be "going back



COURTESY OF HEADSTART!

into the studio this weekend," Parvanta said. They recently completed a music video for a song off "Sincerely Yours," their latest album, released in March 2005. Parvanta said it was done by an amazing director and that the quality was unbelievable. "I can't even begin to explain it."

Parvanta said that it was difficult for him to describe the musical style of Headstart! because the group comes from such diverse musical backgrounds. Some members liked to play styles influenced by such bands as 311 and Weezer, while others are into harder rock.

One fan, Amy Mason, a fourth-year psychology major, said Headstart! is, "Kinda punkish. The

words are pop-styled but the music is more punk." Another fan, Renee Meservier, a first-year student, said she would "call it alternative. [It] targets a crowd that isn't so hardcore, but likes an upbeat style of music."

Reading this article alone can't prove to you why they received the Portland Phoenix Best-music Poll's Best Live Act in 2005. You will have to come and see the show for yourself, tonight at 8 p.m. in the Marketplace of Memorial Union.

The Frequency is a biweekly concert on Thursday nights, designed to showcase new local bands while also giving students a chance to see free live entertainment.

excited to get out and play"

Nobis expressed confidence that the crowd Saturday will be positive. When asked for commentary on the "scene" in Maine, Jason Cyr, Nobis' manager, said "What people don't realize is Maine is one of the few areas where the local scene embraces all genres. The local music

scene is very strong in Maine."

So get out your black tees, your ripped jeans, and all the hellacious enthusiasm you can muster, because Rock for Relief is happening at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Like Sam Papaefthemiou of Stalk the Ground said, "We like to help people and we like to rock."

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band played an arrangement of songs that can be best described as a psychobilly style, but the songs were filled with energy and the crowd as well as the members of the circle definitely felt that.

As the night wore on, and the hours became late, the crowd began to dwindle. A band called The Outsiders took the stage and revived the night with some loud, fast songs. After they finished, the stage was set for Skawabunga to come in and take home the show, which was probably the last that they will ever play.

Kyle Demilner, the vocalist for the band who also plays guitar, was flown in from Philadelphia specifically to play this event. "I flew into Boston last night and drove up, but it was worth it. I'd do it again," he said. Demilner commented on his journey. He described the event as, "A perfect Halloween show. Everyone was into it."

The fans who have known

Skawabunga for the past three years thoroughly enjoyed the final performance. The crowd sang and danced along to the songs they knew and loved, and Skawabunga went out in a blaze of glory.

Throughout the show, Mark Seiler, also known as DJ Phonicoid, played while the bands were setting up and sometimes played with the bands themselves. He performed until midnight, and his presence added a great deal to the show.

The show was a huge success. "I think it went very, very well" commented WMEB station manager Tom Grucza. WMEB Program Director Mary Holt, who fronted the show, said, "I was very pleased. I was happy with the turnout."

All proceeds for this event went to the Bangor Humane society. "We raised probably over \$400 when all is said and done for the Bangor Humane society," Holt said. After the show concluded, Zuke, the saxophone player for Skawabunga, summed up the crowd's reaction to this show by saying, "WMEB rocks!"

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As for the group itself, their name comes from Psalm 81:16 in the Bible, where a promise is made to a people of being fed by honey out of the rock.

Earlier in the year, the group was the subject of a documentary entitled, "Raise Your

Voice." The documentary was filmed by Stanley Roberts, who is famous for his work, "The Murder of Emmitt Till." The documentary explored the group's history as well as an in-depth viewing of the group's unique sound and style, which includes the members wearing traditional African clothing.

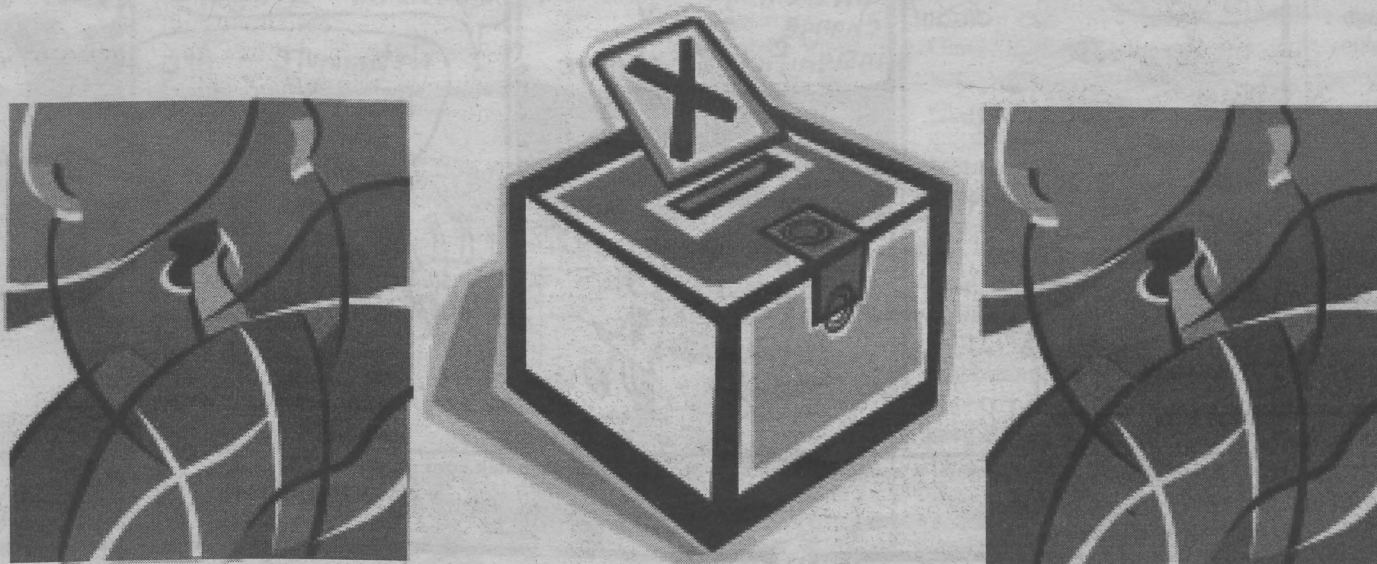
Tickets are available at the MCA box office from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Jesse Thulin, vocalist, guitarist and frontman for Soundbender stated, when asked about the show this coming weekend, "We're just

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Horoscopes

Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday (11-03-05).

There's money flowing into your pockets this year. That's the good news. The bad news is that you'll have a tendency to squander. Resist that temptation. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: ten is the easiest day, zero is the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is an eight. Travel beckons, and this time it's worth your while to check it out. You'll discover amazing things out there, much to your delight.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a six. You'll discover lots of new ways to save money over the next day or two. Everyone wants to barter, so hold out for the very best deal.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Today is a six. One of your favorite conversationalists has a lovely idea. Encourage it. Don't argue. That would be counter-productive.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Today is an eight. More work coming in. More confusion, too. Set up a new routine and make things go more smoothly.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is an eight. True love will prevail again, much to your delight. A bold suggestion is apt to be merrily encouraged.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a six. The odds are high that your place is a mess. If it isn't, it will be, soon. It could be you, tossing things out, doing your November cleaning.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a seven. Ask questions, and you're apt to make an interesting discovery. Be bold talking about anything except money.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is a seven. There's a lot of money coming in. The challenge is to hold onto it. Learn the value of what you have.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a seven. Now's the time to suggest the changes you believe will work. You've got a charming, charismatic style.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a seven. Get things arranged behind the scenes, so you'll be able to move quickly. You want everything to fall the right way when you give it a shove.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is an eight. The tension is broken. The adversaries get interested in other things. They may not ever know you helped, but if you cared, you did.

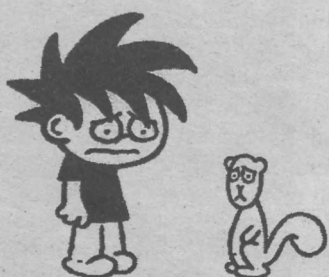
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is a seven. People who have lofty ideas actually need your help. Point out things you see that they haven't noticed, yet.

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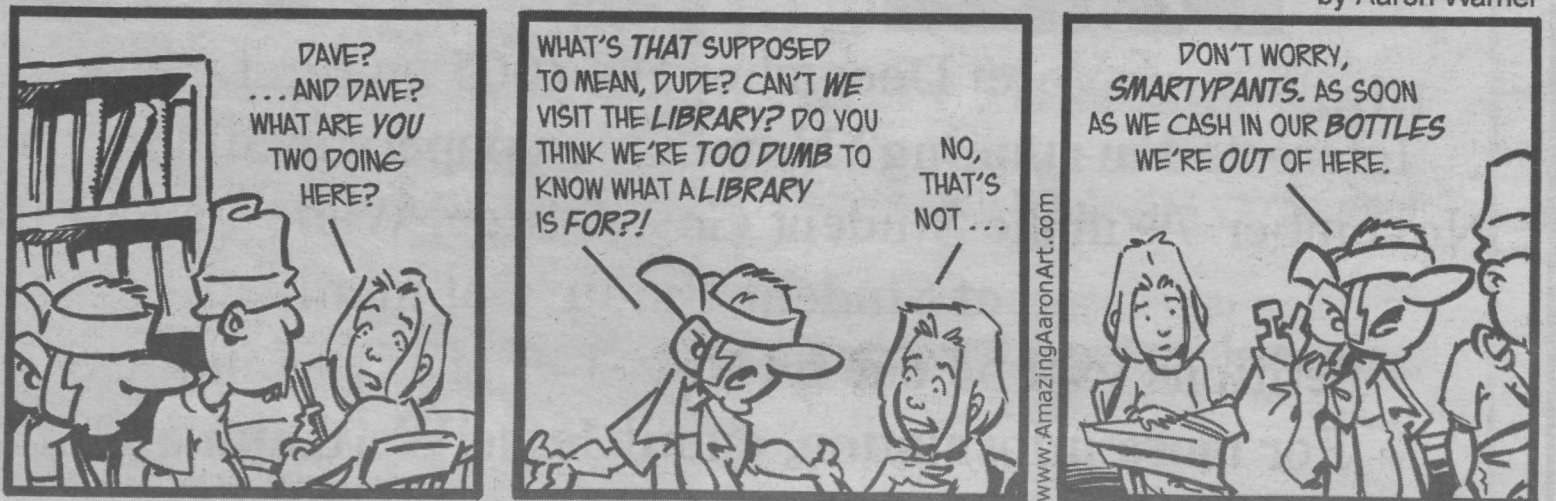
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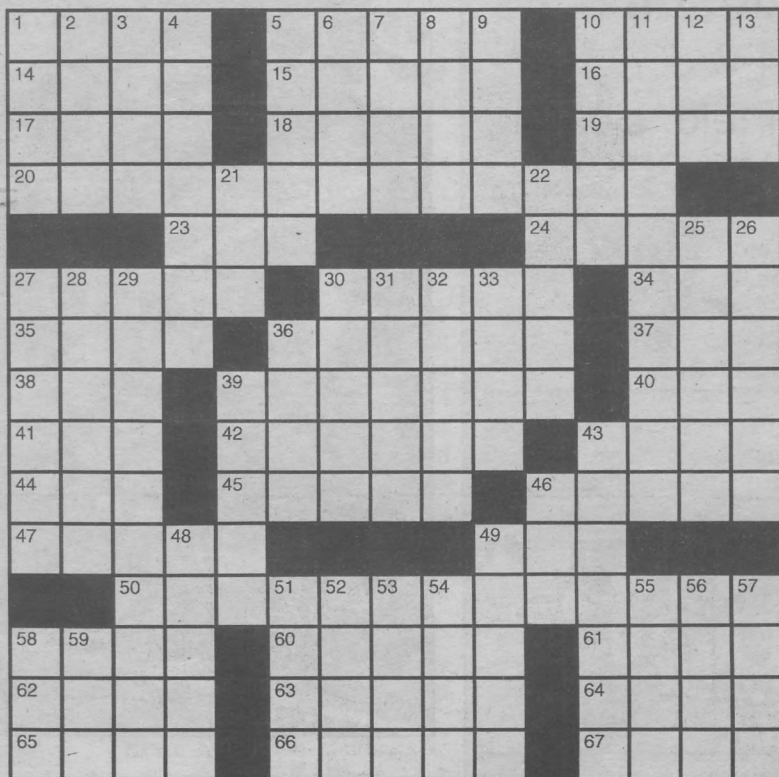
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ACROSS

- 1 Steer flesh
- 5 Liberator
- 10 Adder cousins
- 14 Countertenor
- 15 State gambling
- 16 Cogwheel
- 17 Pronounce indistinctly
- 18 Ladd and King
- 19 Furthermore
- 20 Ras Tafari Makonnen
- 23 Grown acorn
- 24 Old Peruvians
- 27 Kenneth or Bart
- 30 Aussie Rod
- 34 Hanoi holiday
- 35 Gull relative
- 36 Second spin?
- 37 Levin or Gershwin
- 38 Battering device
- 39 Benefactors
- 40 Manger morsel
- 41 Fitting
- 42 Luanda's land
- 43 Chip in chips
- 44 Holy cow!
- 45 Packs away
- 46 Beasts of burden
- 47 Pigs' pads
- 49 Garfunkel or Carney
- 50 Avoids
- 58 Essence
- 60 Out in front
- 61 Appropriate moment
- 62 New thought
- 63 "Giant" ranch name
- 64 Clinches
- 65 Work for
- 66 Parts of windows
- 67 Fires

DOWN

- 1 Uproarious party
- 2 Jazz giant Fitzgerald
- 3 Needle case
- 4 Friendless
- 5 Liquor container
- 6 Part in a play
- 7 Latin & others
- 8 Sicilian rumbler
- 9 "Upside Down" singer
- 10 Once more
- 11 Choices
- 12 Family men
- 13 Packed-house letters
- 21 Auditory organ
- 22 Fathers
- 25 Make bubbly
- 26 Ohio and Colorado
- 27 Drinker's tubes
- 28 Pekoe server
- 29 Forceful cajoler
- 30 Release
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Image is everything

I've finally realized why I'm not getting rich. Not fast enough, anyway. Any fool can find a dollar on the sidewalk. Sure, that raised my net worth to something of the order of six thousand percent, but it hardly puts me in the running for millionaire status. Half a cup of coffee later and I'm right back to being broke.

The reason I'm not getting rich is that I write newspaper columns. Nobody gets rich doing this. Actors make a movie and score more per sentence than I made last year. A rock star belts out one cheesy ballad and pulls down enough loot to not only make me look poor, but also enough to make sure I stay that way. Thanks, pal. You'd think Trent Reznor would have something better to do with his time.

No, it's pretty much impossible to get rich writing newspaper columns. The best I can hope for is someone telling me they cut one out and stuck it to their fridge with a little fruit-shaped magnet. Then I can go back to diving into fountains for spare change.

"Sweet! A dime!"

I think it's an image thing. Rock stars are cool. Actors get chicks. Funny men in the newspaper are lucky when others decide to spit AT them instead of ON them.

"PTUUU!"

"Ha ha! You missed!"

"PTUUU!"

"Never mind."

It's definitely an image thing. At least, I hope it is. I can't depend on my acting ability to help out - I'd have a hard time emoting "pain" even if you were to take a ball peen hammer to my knees. Singing? Forget it. My singing voice is on par to the noise you'd get were you to hit a duck in the testicles with a taser (do ducks have testicles? Where do they keep them?). What's a guy to do?

I decided to sit down and evaluate what can be done to improve my image, thus marketability, thus getting-rich-id-ness.

Step one was presence. When Gene Simmons walks into a room, you can bet everyone is paying attention. Hell, Barry Manilow can probably pull that off, too. I looked into this. There are actual classes you can take, books you can buy, and people you can PAY to come and teach you how to work a room. For instance, here's a quote from one such venture:

"(1.) Planning - This is the most important step and will save you time, money and hassle in the long run. Here are the basics to consider when planning:
A.) Determine the area of the room. Measure the length and width of your room and multiply the two numbers to give you the rough square-footage of the room you will be painting. Take this number with you when you go to look at paints. Keep in mind that rooms with tall ceilings will require extra paint!"

Oh, crap. That's how to PAINT a room. This is already shaping up to be way more work than I thought. Unfortunately, there's no method of getting rich (that I've been able to discern, anyways) that revolves primarily around eating Pringles and playing video games. I smell a conspiracy.

From what I can tell, the piv-

Rambling Fool

By Benjamin Jarvela

otal part of owning a room is making sure everyone in it is aware you're there. That didn't sound hard.

So, I stole my roommate's CD player and hired a midget to play music every time I walked into a new room. It seemed to work well at first - everyone definitely perked up. Turns out, though, that people aren't too eager to talk to the guy being followed by a midget blasting the 70's disco super hit "Ring My Bell" at full volume. The results for "That's the Way (I Like It)" were inconclusive.

After firing the midget ("Is it because I'm short?" "No. It's because you're REALLY short.") and explaining that yes, in fact, there was a good reason for me to pawn my roommate's boom box, I decided to give up on trying to own a room by doing anything more than farting loudly. If that doesn't make a room yours, I don't know what does.

Even after all this, I wasn't rich. Especially after paying that midget. Stupid unions. Organized labor should have a height requirement.

They say clothes make the man, the next item on the getting-rich hit list. I saw the fanciest, most exclusive tailor I could find and demanded the best suit he could make. After hours of measuring, cutting, pinning and stitching, he created a suit fit for a king. Truly, no one has ever looked this good. Then the greedy bastard tried to make me pay for it. I tried explaining that it was for a good cause ("Don't you WANT me to be rich?"), but he seemed much more concerned with how many times he could punch me in the stomach before I actually swallowed my own tongue.

Id turnd oud dat ids fody-seben times.

Ha ha! Just kidding! The police made him stop at forty-three!

Owning the room is out. Clothes are ... difficult. Apparently, K-Mart is not considered a "premium retailer."

"But what if I WANT everything I'm wearing to say 'Dale Earnhardt' on it?"

It's not a good sign when the lady at K-Mart thinks you're the kind of person who believes the ice cubes are what keep the freezer cold.

I'm running out of options. Sure, I can keep taking all the money out of the "Send a Blind Kid to Summer Camp" jar at the gas station, but then the blind kids get mad. I can't hope for some ambitious Hollywood producer to turn my work into a summer blockbuster any time soon, either. Even Hollywood isn't dumb enough to charge people eight bucks to see a 15 second movie.

For now, it looks like I'll have to keep an eye on the fountains. Maybe I can hire a midget to help me out.




Jowls marches to the beat of a dead drummer.



"I'm sorry you don't feel well, honey, but how do you expect me to make my spaghetti without garlic?"

Jibber Jabber

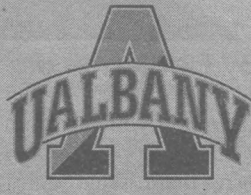
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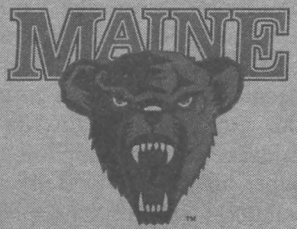
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Reach for the Stars



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANDREW GORDON
OUTSTRETCHED ARMS — Junior midfielder Gina Legge reaches in to poke check the ball away from a BU attacker.

FOES

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streak to eight games with a week-end sweep.

"It certainly should be a good atmosphere," said Moore. "We're looking forward to the weekend and hopefully stealing four points for Hockey East."

Merrimack arrives in Orono 3-3-0 on the young season, while the Terriers are 1-2-0 and ranked 19th in the country. Head coach Tim Whitehead believes both opponents cannot be taken lightly.

"I can't pretend we're not excited about the season but it is very early and we have to be very careful," said Whitehead.

UMaine will have to be extra careful with the Terriers, who are primed for a breakout weekend. Led by head coach Jack Parker, BU is currently 1-1-0 in Hockey East, while UMaine is 2-0-0.

"Coach Parker always does a good job recruiting, they're always one of the top teams in the country. We have to be prepared," said Tyler.

The game will mark the 91st meeting in the storied rivalry. The Black Bears hold a slim 42-40-8 lead in the series.

"I know whenever BU comes to town I love it," said forward Derek Damon. "The crowd loves it, the student section really gets into the games. It's always fun because of the big history UMaine has with BU."

The Terriers are led by the dangerous duo of Peter MacArthur and senior John Laliberte. MacArthur has tallied two goals and one assist this season, while Laliberte has recorded two goals. Freshmen Brandon Yip and Chris Higgins figure to play integral roles for the Terriers as well.

"Boston University always has a good crew of elite players," said Whitehead.

In net for BU will be junior goaltender John Curry, who has started all three games for the Terriers with a 3.17 goals against average and .860 save percentage. Curry will be backed by senior Stephan Siwiec.

The Black Bears will combat that tandem with their own imposing pair of netminders, Ben

Bishop and Matt Lundin.

"Our goalies are playing outstanding right now," said Damon. "You can't ask for better performances than what Matty did last weekend and Ben down at BC."

Lundin will go for his third straight shutout this weekend, after posting goose eggs against Alabama-Huntsville and the University of Massachusetts. The sophomore has posted a .33 goals against average and a .985 save percentage, good enough for a 3-0-0 record. Following right behind is Bishop with a 4-1-0 record and a 1.59 save percentage. Combined, both goalies have allowed 1.12 goals per game, the best in the nation.

Earlier this week, Bishop was named Hockey East Rookie and Goaltender of the Month.

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Derek Damon
Senior forward
UMaine men's ice hockey

"He is playing unbelievable," said Moore. "I talked to Jim [Howard] and I hope he doesn't get too worried about his records and stuff, but I don't think those will be ever touched. Bishop is playing unbelievable and has been a big lift to our team. Especially with Matt Lundin getting two shutouts, we can't ask anymore of our goalies this year. Hopefully they stay focused."

Helping both netminders tasks has been the defense lead by Tyler and assistant captain Steve Mullin. Tyler believes the reason for the success is the group's unity.

"We are just having a lot of fun out there together and we have real good chemistry back there," said Tyler. "We all click well."

Damon notes how the offense

feeds off the defenses strong performances.

"Guys natural instinct is to play well defensively and think defense first," said Damon. "When you think defense first guys are going to get a lot of chances offensively."

Defenders Matt Duffy and Travis Wight also spearhead a group known for blocking shots.

"You see one guy doing it, it's contagious and the rest of the guys are going to want to block shots," said Damon. "When you have guys who want to sacrifice themselves for the better of the team than everybody is doing well."

The Black Bears returned from a weekend sweep against Boston College and UMass-Amherst last weekend with 16 blocked shots.

"It starts with Travis Wight. He is probably our best at blocking shots," said Damon. "He is an important piece to this puzzle."

That defense will need to continue its standup play on Friday, when a young and talented Warrior team comes to town.

"Merrimack is going to be a tough opponent, they just came off a big weekend against RPI," said Damon. "They had a good power play against RPI. They had three power play goals. We are going to have to shutdown the power play."

Anchoring the Merrimack assault is Matt Johnson, who has five goals and one assist, and senior defenseman Bryan Schmidt, who has one goal and three assists.

"With Schmidt on the point, he usually gets a lot of shots through, so the forwards are really going to have to get out there and get in the lane and block his shots," said Damon.

Between the pipes will be junior Jim Healy, who has started five games with a 3-2-0 record and a 3.80 goals against average and a .800 save percentage.

"Any team in Hockey East can, at any given night, pull out a win," said Moore.

Merrimack and UMaine have met 60 times, with the Black Bears holding a 47-5 record. Over the past ten meetings, UMaine has a 9-0-1 mark with the tie coming last year at Alford.

Friday's game begins at 7 p.m., while Sunday's game will see the puck drop at 2 p.m.

Captain's Corner

UMaine hockey captain Greg Moore shares three of the team's keys for the weekend's games

1- "Back checking in our own zone, with our heads on a swivel, picking up trailers."

2- "Making sure we attack offensively after a neutral zone regroup."

3- "Protecting our goaltenders and making sure there are no second shots."



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Waning Moments

Poker woes and the Burger King playing for UMaine

By Ryan Waning
For The Maine Campus

Can someone please tell me why there is so much damned poker on my TV? It's on at least six different networks. Are there actually people out there who have so little going on in their lives that they sit down and watch other people play cards?

Also, I'm a little tired of being bombarded by ads for Web sites that teach you how to play poker but claim not to be actual gambling sites. Do you think that these people just want to teach you how to play Texas Hold Em' out of the kindness of their hearts? Absolutely not. They want to train you and make you believe that you're good enough to segue your new talents into similar success on one of their other sites. You know, one where money does change hands, mostly going from you to them. All aboard.

Speaking of useless pseudo sports on TV, has anyone caught the competitive eating on ESPN2? Do you believe that they actually have commentators on the scene? First off, what sort of cosmic bunnyhole have you fallen into as a sports broadcaster to find yourself comparing the angle entry techniques of two of the best potato-skin eaters in the world? Furthermore, what sort of insight can you really offer? "He's turning green, Bill. I really think he's going to spray any second, what about you?"

Deer season started on Saturday, and you know what that means. Pretty soon there'll be a story in the

news about two questionably inbred men shooting each other. I can't wait.

I loved NESN's coverage of the Red Sox, but can someone just get Hazel May an agent in the porn industry and get her on with her life?

While we're talking about the Sox, the one positive about having our boys from Beantown ousted so early in the playoffs is that I won't have to listen to Tim McCarver speak anymore. If Boston had made it all the way to the World Series again, this might've been the year I made the trek to one of the games so I could wait outside the media entrance and mace him. It'd actually mark the first time McCarver was able to foam without any reference to the Yankees being made.

Kevin McMahon continues to be a playmaker for the Black Bears football team, but I think he needs someone to complement him out there every Saturday. I'm not completely sure about his eligibility, but after watching him make spectacular play after spectacular play, I think that UMaine needs to think about offering the Burger King a scholarship.

Former NFL signal-caller Gary Hogeboom continues to stay alive on "Survivor: Guatemala." But in all fairness to the other players, it's not Gary's first time on a team where he is stranded with a bunch of losers. Remember, he quarterbacked the dismal Arizona Cardinals for a stretch.

Epstein's loss devastating for Red Sox

By Brian Brown
For The Maine Campus

Say it ain't so, Theo. Say it ain't so.

Twelve months after leading his hometown team to baseball's biggest prize, Theo Epstein stunned Red Sox nation Monday when he stepped down as the team's general manager. Epstein departs as one of the most successful GM's in team history and leaves the front office in disarray with the free agent period just around the corner.

Epstein has been the toast of the town since he arrived on the scene in 2002, then the youngest GM in baseball history at 28. He delivered three playoff appearances and the elusive world title in his three years at the helm of the Old Town Team.

He wined and dined Curt Schilling over Thanksgiving dinner in '03 to get the right-hander to waive his no-trade clause and come to Boston.

He lured Keith Foulke, the premier closer on the free agent market in '03, to Boston.

He had the guts to trade Nomar in the middle of a pennant race. He played a major role in ending 86 years of suffering for members of Red Sox Nation.

So why did Epstein walk away from his childhood team, the team he rooted for while growing up just down the street from Fenway Park in Brookline?

One word: R-E-S-P-E-C-T. Epstein was concerned about control issues between him and CEO Larry Lucchino. Throughout his tenure he always had to answer directly to Lucchino instead of owner John Henry.

Epstein grew tired of

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Lucchino interfering with his job as general manager. This power struggle prompted Epstein to reject a contract offer that would have paid him \$1.5 million per season, a tidy raise over his \$350,000 salary in 2005, and bolt Beantown.

So where do the Red Sox go from here? With their "idiot" centerfielder a free agent, a bullpen in shambles and a disgruntled superstar left-fielder who wants to play any place but Boston, they aren't exactly hit-

ting the offseason running.

The perfect replacement for Epstein, Assistant GM Josh Byrnes, left town earlier this week for the Valley of the Sun where he will be the GM of the Arizona Diamondbacks.

San Diego GM Kevin Towers, whom Lucchino hired when he was CEO of the Padres, is considered the leading candidate. Former Houston GM Gerry Hunsicker, San Francisco GM Brian Sabean and current Sox assistant Jed Hoyer could all be possibilities.

Where will Theo wind up next? The best guess is he will be out of baseball in 2006.

The only GM openings are in Los Angeles, Tampa Bay and Philadelphia, and Theo probably won't be pounding down the door trying to get a crack at running one of those organizations.

Maybe he has had enough of baseball and will travel the country playing his guitar.

Maybe he'll join his brother Paul and become a social worker. Maybe he'll realize he made a mistake and return to the open arms of the Red Sox and their fans.

In announcing his resignation, Epstein said he could no longer give his heart and soul to running the Red Sox and that his decision was "the right one, not only for me, but for the Red Sox."

Red Sox fans sure hope he's right. We'll miss you, Theo.

This Week In Maine Athletics

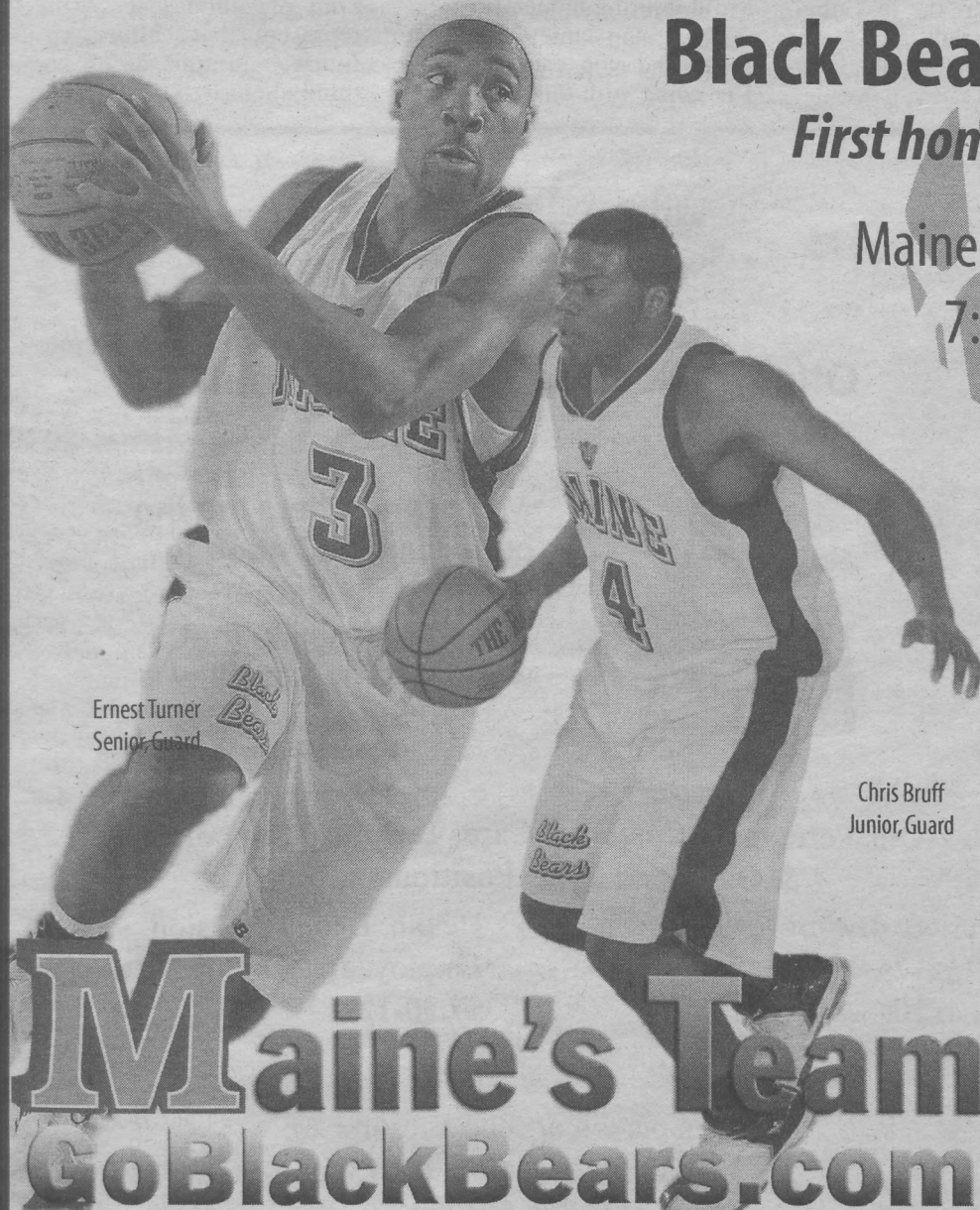
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Maine vs. U. of Cape Breton

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Volleyball

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12 p.m. - Sunday, Nov. 6

"The Pit" - Memorial Gym

Men's Ice Hockey

Maine vs. Merrimack

7 p.m. - Friday, Nov. 4

Maine vs. Boston University

2 p.m. - Sunday, Nov. 6

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UM shut out in final game

By Ryan Clark
Staff Writer

With the playoff chase over, they hoped to perhaps play the role of spoiler. But that didn't go as expected either.

Men's Soccer

All the University of Albany needed was one goal, but instead they scored three to defeat the University of Maine men's soccer team 3-0 on Wednesday at Varsity Field in Albany, N.Y.

The loss officially ends the Black Bears' season, which sees them miss the postseason for the second year in a row.

As for the Great Danes, they will enter the America East Conference tournament as the fifth seed and will take on the University of Vermont Catamounts on Saturday.

Albany's run to victory started in the first half when freshman Tufi Long received the ball via a through pass by Erik DiLorenzo.

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Once the striker got behind the UMaine defense, he beat Black Bears goalkeeper Ben Piotrowski to take a 1-0 lead. Piotrowski was making his first start of the season because their regular keeper, senior Chad Mongeon, was unavailable and missed the final game of his career due to picking up a red card in UMaine's 3-2 loss to Stony Brook last Sunday.

In the second half, the Great Danes were able to cushion their lead when Yan Gbolo managed to beat Piotrowski to extend the lead to 2-0.

The final goal came with less than 15 minutes left as Eric Zekiroski notched his second goal of the season for what proved to be a 3-0 final scoreline.

With the loss, the Black Bears finish with a 2-11-2 overall record, and they finish the season winless in America East play with an 0-6-2 mark.

The Black Bears say goodbye to seniors Adam Chenault, Kevin Forgett, Gabriel Germano, Kyle Vosmus, Ben Wilcox, and Mongeon, who played in their final contests for UMaine yesterday.

With just four teams remaining, the Black Bears are guaranteed to play two more games, one Saturday and one Sunday. With a win on Saturday against eighth-seeded Trinity, the Black Bears will advance to the championship game to face either St. Michael's, who was seeded sixth, or Providence, who was seeded tenth.

The Black Bears were the thirteenth seed out of the fourteen teams to make the tournament.

If UMaine loses on Saturday they will play in the consolation game on Sunday.

The Black Bears overall season record is now 5-1-1 and they have outscored their opponents' 122-45.

The three teams that remain in the tournament are teams that they have never played, each coming from different conferences.

This fall's season has been the most successful since the team's inception in terms of wins and how far they've been able to advance in post season tournament play.

Athletes must bear model responsibility



By Matt McGraw
For The Maine Campus

"I never wanted to be a role model." You hear it all the time, in different forms or styles, but the message is clear - "I never wanted this responsibility." The big debate constantly pops up about whether or not it's fair that athletes are looked up to as role models. Should athletes bear the burden society places on their shoulders when they are asked to be good people as well as good sportsmen?

The argument supporting an athlete's right to act as they may has many legitimate points. There is the ideology that an athlete never signed a contract to be a "morally proper person." Since this idea of being a good citizen isn't in black and white, there can be no real responsibility.

Often you will hear from athletes or their defenders that they, "Never wanted to be a role model, they just want to play a game they love." Unfortunately, with the great dividends that professional levels offer to a player, there are also great investments athletes must make.

I'm going to go back to the grade school approach of problem solving: weighing the pros versus the cons. The upsides of being an athlete include the obvious such as salaries and fame, as well as the less obvious perks, like publicity access for charity events or social programs.

Athletes are given the chance to be immortalized through their respected athletic performances, a fate that is most enviable.

Where can we find the negatives of being an athlete? They are present as well, in media attention and scrutiny, legal boundaries from the governing leagues, and loss of personal privacy. Beyond those, what diligence do athletes, to whom we offer this luxurious lifestyle, owe the general public?

My point with this idea is that athletes cannot keep running from their superstar status. To draw clearer comparisons, think of yourself as a driver out on the road somewhere. As you are driving, someone walks out in front of your car. As a driver

letes are being given this great advantage of having a car, but feel that since they never wanted the pedestrian in front of them, its perfectly fine to hit them. You can see this happening in every major sporting league.

The hockey players who feel it's acceptable to physically assault a fellow player with a stick, the basketball players who shrug it off when they are caught with street drugs in their possession, and the baseball players who use steroids like they are going out of style.

Not only are doing any of these actions outlawed by the governing sport bodies, but they are also illegal under national statutes. It becomes increasingly hard to explain to the media why it is okay for a certain hockey player to assault someone with a hockey stick and avoid jail, when a non-athlete citizen committing the same crime would face serious prison time, or how athletes will get suspended for steroid use while most regular people would be indicted for possession.

The bottom line is, when you take the responsibility of becoming a professional athlete, there is at least a minimum of respecting the rules of your sport and your government.

If our society keeps allowing this cheating mentality in athletics, the youth of today will grow up cheating, especially when you can cheat and seemingly get away clean.

The future of sports is certain to be grand. No entertainment market will ever replace the sports culture.

We have to decide what kind of athletes we want to represent that culture in the future, and start doing something about it.

If our society keeps allowing this cheating mentality in athletics, the youth of today will grow up cheating.

you never asked for this person to walk out in front of your car, but this doesn't grant you the right to drive over them. In fact, as a driver, you hold great advantage over pedestrians, with potential damage and transportation speed, therefore you also have a responsibility to avoid injuring human life.

Bring the athlete back into focus and you can see where I'm going with this. Some ath-

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playing at Bowdoin, and came ready to play Saturday.

"The best part of Saturday's game was that everyone on the team saw playing time, making it a complete victory," he said.

Grimes knew it would take a team effort to beat Bowdoin, and he felt his team played well all around.

"Tom Loring and Jon Clausen gave great support in rucks all over the field," he said. "Brian St Pierre came up huge on defense."

Forced to sit out of the play-offs due to injury, Grimes had taken over a coaching role for his team. He says his team is still improving, even this late in the season.

"We played the best rugby so far. We seem to be getting better and better."

This weekend the Black Bears will compete in the Plate Playoffs at Bryant College in Rhode Island.

Contrary to popular belief, there is no truth to the rumor that Boston Globe columnist Dan Shaughnessy is solely responsible for all famines and plagues that befall mankind.

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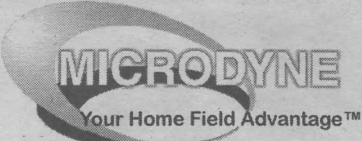
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that's averaging 45 points per game at home. Maurice Murray leads the Husky attack from the tailback position with 747 yards and eight touchdowns.

Quarterback Anthony Orio complements him with a passing game that's produced 930 yards and seven touchdowns.

Wide receiver Corey Parks may be NU's most dangerous offensive weapon, however, with 40 catches for 716 yards and five scores.

"First, you have to slow down the running game and know that they're going to do some things to get Parks the ball. We have to play solid team defense to take them out of that and put them in situations where they can't rely on their strengths and might struggle to execute," Cosgrove said.

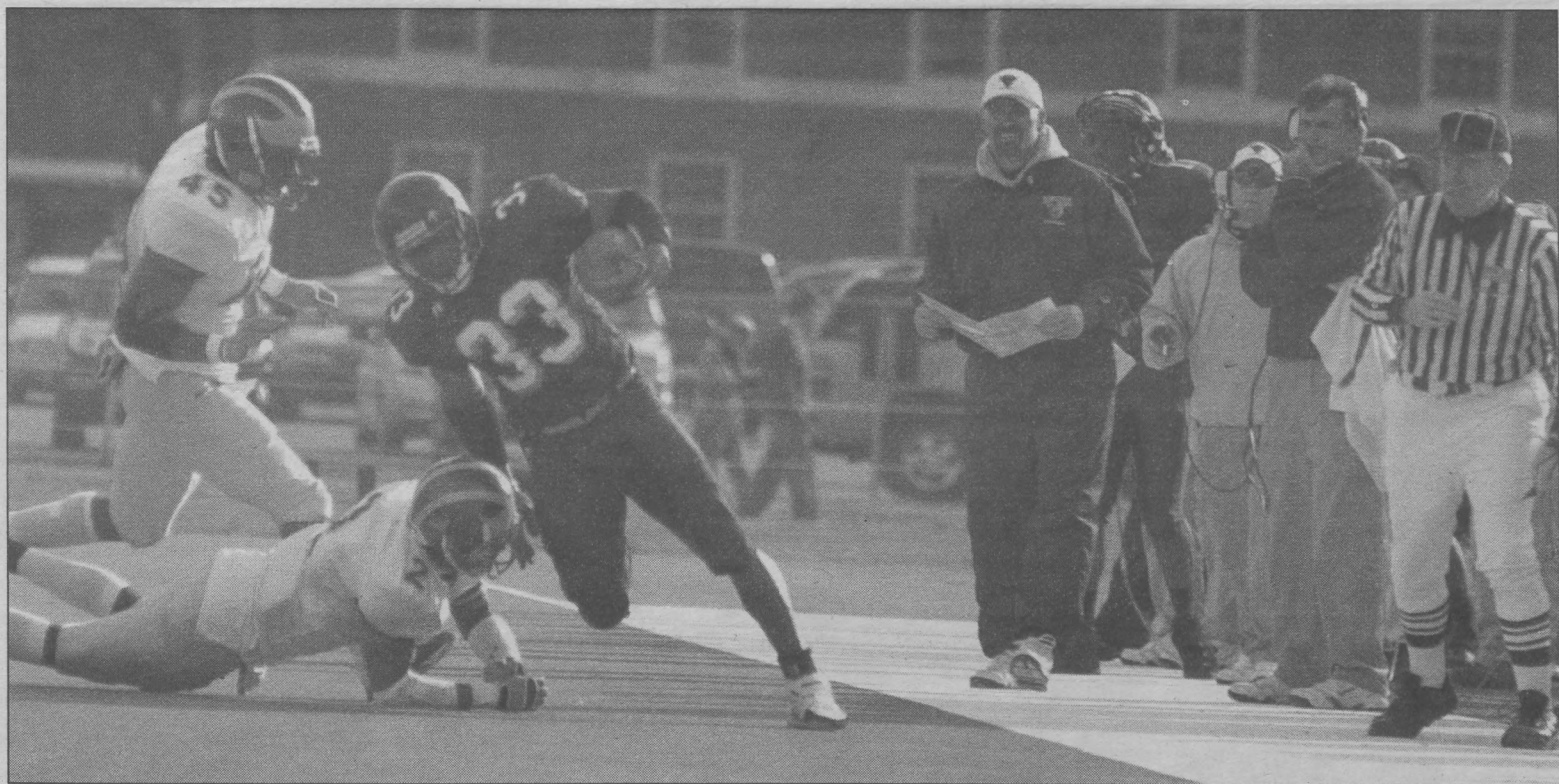
Senior linebacker Jermaine Walker leads the Black Bears' defense with 77 tackles. The co-captain had a career best 17 stops last week. Junior defensive end Mike Devito's four sacks are a UMaine high and junior cornerback Darren Stone has five interceptions to lead the secondary.

A key aspect in the Black Bears' improved play the last two weeks has been the offensive line. The unit's 10-man depth chart has six underclassmen and has played beyond its years of late. Junior quarterback Ron Whitcomb has seen considerably less pressure, being sacked just six times the last two weeks after starting the season with 31 through six games.

"Our two seniors, Ben Lazarski and Ryan Bird, have been great role models for that young unit. Ryan gets banged-up and refuses to come out and Ben makes all the right calls with the blocking schemes," said Cosgrove.

The O-line has rebounded to pave the way for 138 and 188 rushing yards in the last two contests after being stuffed to the tune of 61 and 29 by James Madison and Hofstra.

"It's still a work in progress



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANDREW GORDON

TOE THE LINE — Senior tailback Montell Owens balances himself along the sidelines, while breaking a tackle during last Saturday's victory over Delaware. UMaine head coach Jack Cosgrove and members of his staff look on.

there, but hopefully they continue to get better game after game," Cosgrove added.

A catalyst in the improved running game has been junior Arel Gordon, one of the most explosive players on the UMaine roster. Primarily a wide receiver and return specialist, Gordon, who played tailback in high school, took some reps out of the backfield in practice when the Black Bears' feature back, senior Montell Owens, and his back-up Teron Allen, were hampered by injuries prior to the homecoming game against UMass.

"A little bit of it is that there weren't a lot of backs in practice, so Arel got in there. Montell got back for UMass and ran it hard for us, but Arel also had some success. What you see now is an extension of that," said Cosgrove.

In the new set, typically run with four receivers, Gordon lines up flanking Whitcomb in a position where he can act as a blocking back, take a handoff, run a screen or a normal passing pattern. The 5'9", 170-pounder has rushed for

92 yards on 14 touches the last two games and is just 81 yards shy of setting a UMaine record for kick return yards.

"He's a physical kid even though his size isn't all that impressive. He's strong and he plays the game mentally tough."

UMaine head football coach Jack Cosgrove on junior receiver Arel Gordon

Cosgrove feels that the multitude of threats Gordon poses keeps opposing defenses off balance.

"He draws a lot of attention because of his speed and he can

really challenge a defense. He's a physical kid even though his size isn't all that impressive. He's strong and he plays the game mentally tough," he said.

UMaine's other big threat is senior wide receiver Kevin McMahan, who's hauled in eight passes of 20 yards or more with five of those going for touchdowns. McMahan has 43 grabs for 697 yards and eight scores overall.

Whitcomb, who recently moved into fourth place on UMaine's all-time passing list, has led a resurgent Black Bears' offense in cutting down turnovers and playing a more efficient brand of football. His unit will hope to take advantage of a Husky defense that ranks last in the A-10 and has allowed well over 400 yards a game.

"Ron's been playing very well. He's our trigger man and he's been very smart with the football. The protection's improved with fewer sacks and fewer people in his face, and our route running has improved so he gets a much clear-

er picture of what's going on out there."

Owens spearheads the ground attack with 516 yards and four touchdowns, averaging a healthy 4.1 yards per carry.

Be it McMahan, Gordon, Owens, Walker, Stone, or another, less heralded playmaker, UMaine will be hoping that it can continue to make things happen with the game on the line, as they did in creating two fourth-quarter turnovers against Delaware.

"That speaks to their perseverance, commitment, character and guys believing in what they're doing. We had a tough run that tested who we are and what we stand for and it also speaks to the leadership of the seniors in showing the younger guys how to persevere and play the game the right way," said Cosgrove.

A win Saturday would give the Black Bears their first A-10 road win of the season and also their first winning streak since September 2004.

"A win is a win, but two is better," said Cosgrove.

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game this weekend," said forward Heather Hathorn, who has scored a school-record 34 goals in her career. "It comes down to 90 minutes and the season could be over. We are not ready for the season to be over yet."

"For many of us this is the third year in a row being in the championship game and this year is our year."

When the two teams faced each other, earlier in the season, the game resulted in a 1-1 tie. After seeing the Terriers take a 1-0 lead in the 10th minute, the Black Bears received the equalizer in a crucial goal from senior Erin Corey as she scored the equalizer in the 69th minute.

Since the last time the two faced each other, UMaine has gone 7-1-0 including the lone loss to Binghamton. During that stretch, the Black Bears outscored opponents 18-2.

UMaine placed three sophomores on the America East All-Conference First-Team with midfielders Marie-Andree Canuel and Marie-Michele Bouchard as well as goaltender Jasmine Phillips. Senior defender Linda Consolante was also named to the First-Team.

Hathorn and senior Erin Corey received Second-Team honors.

"We're doing nothing different. Something that we emphasize is the fact we approach every game the same, and with the same mentality," said senior midfielder Angela Clark.

"Of course there is more riding on this one, especially for us seniors, but we aren't changing our tactics at all."

Should the Black Bears come out on top against the Terriers on Saturday, then as conference champions they would earn a berth in the 2005 NCAA national women's soccer championship tournament.

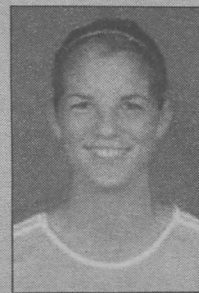
It would be the first trip to the NCAA tournament and the first conference championship in the history of the UMaine soccer program.

Black Bears earn America East honors



**America East
Midfielder of the
Year
Marie-Andree
Canuel**

Led UMaine with nine goals and three assists for 21 points



**America East
Defender of the
Year**

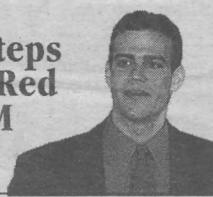
Linda Consolante
Started all 18 games and led Black Bears' defense with three goals for six points



**America East
Goaltender of the
Year**

Jasmine Phillips
Went 6-1-2 and led conference with a 0.11 goals against average and seven shut-outs

All-Conference First-Team — Midfielders Marie-Andree Canuel and Marie-Michele Bouchard; Defender Linda Consolante; Goaltender Jasmine Phillips
All-Conference Second-Team — Forwards Heather Hathorn and Erin Corey
Honorable Mention — Midfielder Natalie Berry
All-Rookie Team — Forward Christine LaBelle



UM hopes third time is the charm in title tilt



CAMPUS PHOTO BY STEVEN KNAPP

ELBOW ROOM — Members of the women's soccer team chase a loose ball during practice yesterday.

By Ryan Clark
Staff Writer

For two seasons they have earned the title of "good," but on Saturday, they will look for

Women's Soccer

another kind of a title — "America East Champions."

The University of Maine women's soccer team will look to end a two-year runners-up streak when they take on host and top-seed Boston University in the final round of the America East Championships.

"I think it will be a great game," said UMaine head coach Scott Atherley. "We tied during the regular season, and traditionally every game with

BU is tight. In my mind, the pressure is on them being the host, and number one seed."

UMaine's trek to the championship game almost did not happen as they drew 0-0 against the third-seeded Binghamton Bearcats. Two overtime periods were not enough as both teams took the match into penalty kicks.

UM VS. BU
SATURDAY, NOV. 5
1 P.M.

The Black Bears netted three goals and the stellar play of America East Goalkeeper of the year Jasmine Phillips led them past the Bearcats in the penalty kick session.

The victory saw the Black Bears advance to their third straight title game. The team is in search of their first conference crown, which has eluded them over the past two seasons.

UMaine also garnered a measure of revenge in ousting Binghamton, who defeated them in last year's championship game and handed them their lone conference loss this season.

In 2003, UMaine and BU played to a scoreless tie which saw the Terriers pick up the America East crown and a bid to the NCAA tournament thanks to a 3-2 advantage on penalty kicks.

"We are so ready for the

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Dog fight: Black Bears set to battle NU Huskies

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

After the University of Maine football team's inspired 25-15 victory over Delaware at Alford

Football

Stadium last week, it would be easy for the team to overlook the Northeastern Huskies' four-game losing streak and 1-7 record.

UM VS. NU
SATURDAY, NOV. 5
12:30

But UMaine head coach Jack Cosgrove knows all too well that funny things can happen in a league as competitive as the Atlantic-10. His Black Bears will aim to play with the same fire and passion that snapped their own

three-game skid when they travel to the Hub to challenge the Huskies this Saturday at 12:30.

"It's a different challenge for us because we haven't played off of a win in a while," said Cosgrove. "This week has to have the same sense of urgency and attention to detail as last week. We have to respect every opponent in this league."

Northeastern's record doesn't reflect how they've played at home, losing a pair of double overtime contests and taking a 56-41 decision over Towson earlier in the year at Parsons Field.

"Northeastern is going to be hungry for a win and we have to be ready to stand up to that," said Cosgrove.

UMaine's Black Hole defense is ranked 15th nationally and will be challenged by an NU offense

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CAMPUS PHOTO BY KEVIN REARDON

A-FRAMES — UMaine's men's hockey seniors lead the team through stretching exercises prior to practice Wednesday afternoon at Alford Arena.

Taking Care of Business

UMaine hosts Hockey East foes, aims to extend unbeaten streak

By Matthew Conyers
Editor in Chief

No one saw this coming. Most media pundits from Bar Harbor to Sag's Harbor had them tagged for the morgue. They were

Men's Hockey

done, dead, finished. This year was supposed to be the tough one — the one that truly tested the faithful.

But they knew better. They held the joker. And last month, they used it on every opponent that wanted to go toe-to-toe.

Oh, how silly they made them all feel.

On Friday, the University of Maine men's hockey team will usher in November and with it another chance at proving their critics wrong. It's a position the red-hot Black Bears love.

"It's a lot of fun thinking we are actually getting a little respect," said sophomore defender Bret Tyler. "We've always had a good team but people thought because we lost a great goaltender in Jimmy Howard we were going to fall off the map. But nope, and we've proved them wrong."

UMaine, who currently stands as the second ranked team in the nation in both the USCHO-CSTV poll and

MERRIMACK VS. UM
FRIDAY, NOV. 4
7 P.M.

USA Today - USA Hockey Magazine poll, enters the weekend with their highest ranking in 13 months. With a record of 7-1-0 on the year, the Black Bears kick off their second series of conference competition with Merrimack and

then Boston University on Sunday.

It is a weekend that captain Greg Moore believes the Black Bears can't take for granted.

"Obviously we're happy with the start," said Moore. "I just hope the team stays focused and isn't happy with being second in the nation."

UMaine will be hoping to extend two impressive streaks, the first of which is one of the best in the nation. The Black Bears return to Alford Arena, where they have a 17-game unbeaten streak. Moore figures that once again the Alford mystique will play its own special role.

"Our fans have been amazing this year," said Moore. "In the four years I have been here, I have never seen the enthusiasm in this building as I have seen this year."

The Black Bears will also be looking to push their current win

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Rugby advances to finals

By Riley Donovan
Assistant News Editor

The University of Maine men's rugby team had hoped to sneak out of last weekend's quarterfinal playoff game with a win.

After tying Bowdoin earlier in the season, the Black Bears did not expect to handle them 28-11 on Saturday, but they did.

The Black Bears had to win their final regular season game just to get to the playoffs, and they beat Maine Maritime 22-0. They had some luck and got a bye week when Western Connecticut forfeited in the preliminary round, which advanced the team to the quarterfinal round, where they beat Bowdoin.

Rocco Andreozzi, Anthony

Desjardins and Eric Anderson all scored in the first half to give the Black Bears a 13-0 lead. They did not let up in the second half. Stefan Scarks responded to a Bowdoin score with a score of his own, putting his team up 18-6. Freshman prop Tony Purpora was able to score his first try on a penalty crash play to put the game away 23-6.

Bowdoin would add another late score, but again, UMaine responded and Scarks got his second try of the game to make the final score 28-11.

Senior captain Mark Grims says he was very happy to see how well everyone played, including the team's younger players. He said his team had a tough week of practice prior to

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