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Black Bears finish season two wins shy of school's third national title



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

AGONY OF DEFEAT — Members of the UMaine men's ice hockey team rally around goaltender Ben Bishop after their season ended Thursday night at the hands of Wisconsin in the Frozen Four.

By Matthew Conyers
Editor in Chief

MILWAUKEE — For the third time in five years, the University of Maine men's ice hockey squad saw their season end in heartbreaking fashion at the Frozen Four.

Thursday the Black Bears were dispatched 5-2 by eventual national champion Wisconsin in their 10th Frozen Four semifinal and third under head coach Tim Whitehead. The Badgers, riding the emotions that only a home

state crowd can provide, denied UMaine their sixth title appearance and finished the squad's season one game too early.

"Sometimes life doesn't go your way," said forward Keith Johnson. "I am just so proud of this team for getting this far. A lot of people wouldn't have thought we would get here."

The defeat, a first for Whitehead in the Frozen Four semifinals, was tough for the Black Bears. After a season full of ups and downs, the Black Bears

were unwilling to declare the season over.

"It's really a tough pill to swallow," said junior forward Josh Soares. "To be here again and not

**More coverage of
the Frozen Four in
the sports section**

have that opportunity to play in the National Championship is just a tremendously tough feeling. We've had a real up-and-down season with some great highs and

some real lows. A lot of people counted us out throughout the whole season. I think we have shown a lot of character this year."

Playing just an hour from their campus in Madison, Wis. the No. 1 seeded Badgers refused to disappoint the hometown crowd. Anchored by a complete performance from the entire roster, Wisconsin skated to their first National Championship appearance in more than 15 years.

"You got to give credit to Wisconsin; they prepared well for

us," said Johnson.

Despite the Badger-bias in the Bradley Center, the Black Bears had several opportunities to spur the tide. However, they were finally unhinged at 12:26 of the third period when Ben Street delivered a devastating knockout punch. With UMaine having just pulled to within one at 7:37 of the third, Wisconsin stormed back and watched Street whack one over the shoulder of freshman Ben Bishop.

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Residents approve ROC change

Graduate students banned from elected positions after vote

By Brian Sylvester
Staff Reporter

The on-campus student body approved a referendum amending the Residents on Campus constitution to ban graduate students from being elected to the executive board.

According to the unofficial results, which will become official on Tuesday at 5 p.m. if no complaints are filed with

the Fair Election Practices Commission, 187 students voted in favor of amending the ROC constitution, and 94 students voted against it.

The amendment, sponsored by ROC Vice President Justin Labonte, a first-year journalism major, changed Article V, Section III to say that only undergraduate students will be eligible to serve as elected officials within ROC.

The change, according to Labonte, is intended to prevent a possible lack of funding from Student Government, which would occur if a graduate student were to become president of ROC.

Student Government has a long-standing policy of not providing funding for clubs and organizations on campus

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Edwards to speak at graduation ceremonies

By Brian Brown
News Editor

Former U.S. Senator and vice-presidential candidate John Edwards will be the featured speaker during the University of Maine's 204th commencement exercises on May 13.

Edwards represented his home state of North Carolina in the U.S.

Senate from 1998-2004 before seeking the democratic nomination for president in 2004. After failing to secure the nomination, he was selected by John Kerry to be his running mate. Edwards made an appearance at UMaine during the presidential campaign.

Edwards is currently out of

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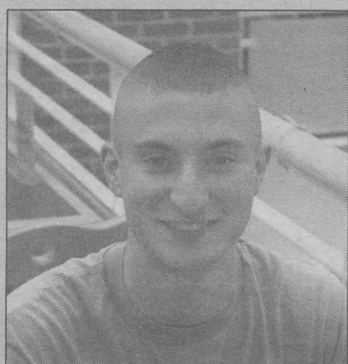
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What is your favorite
Springtime activity?



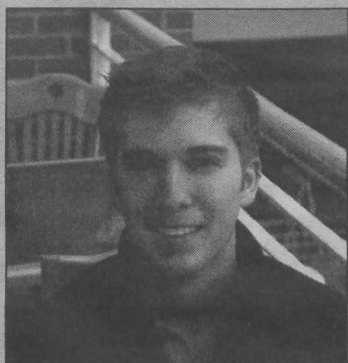
"I like baseball games because it reminds me of winter going away. It's relaxing."

Matt Shinberg
Journalism
Freshman



"I like running and being outdoors to get fresh air."

Jason Nance
Mechanical Engineering
Freshman



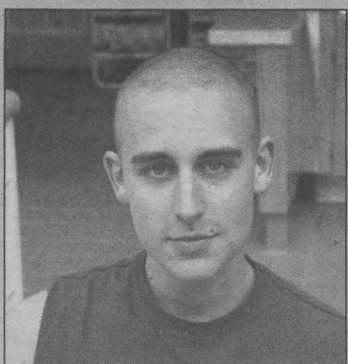
"Gardening, because I like getting my hands dirty."

Jordan Schroder
International affairs
Freshman



"Hanging outside in the sunshine. It's refreshing."

Koreana Chanterelle
Psychology
Freshman



"I like to play lacrosse in the spring because that's what I played in high school and that's what I always do."

Rob Paradise
Landscape Horticulture
Freshman



"I like going to the beach because even though it's still cold I like taking a walk by the ocean. And in the springtime no one is on the beach."

Hali Sirois
Chemistry
Senior



"Ultimate Frisbee, because it's the best game ever."

Cristina Greszler
Electrical Engineering
Junior



"Eating soft-serve, twist ice cream from Dairy Queen on a cone."

Teresa Barrett
Nursing
Freshman

THE MAINE CAMPUS

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Monday

Living in a Stepfamily

A three-part series to address what a stepfamily is, what's involved in building a strong couple relationship, and what stepfamilies can do to be successful. Registration required. Admission fee. 6-9 p.m. off-campus 307 Maine Ave, Bangor. For more information, contact Louise Kirkland at 942-7396.

Tuesday

Engineering Lecture

Ultra high-speed communication systems using millimeter wave frequency; a Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Distinguished Alumni Lecture. 10 a.m. in Hill Auditorium of the Engineering and Science Research Building.

Author Van Reid

An afternoon with the author of

the popular series of novels featuring the Moosepath League. 3-4:30 p.m. in the Special Collections room of Fogler Library. Admission fee. For more information, contact Gretchen Gfeller on FirstClass.

Wednesday

Teacher Talk

Brown bag discussion open to all faculty, instructors and teaching assistants, offered by the Center for Teaching Excellence. 12:10-1 p.m. in the Walker Room of Memorial Union. For more information, contact Gail Agrell on FirstClass.

Voices of Honduran Women

Reflections on a service learning course, part of the Women in the Curriculum and Women's Studies Program Lunch Series. 12:15-1:30 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge of Memorial Union.

Sexual Diversity

Challenges for teaching and advising. 3-5 p.m. in the Bumps Room of Memorial Union. For more information, contact Gail Agrell on FirstClass.

Outdoor Soccer

Teams play outdoor soccer with six players. Modified high school rules are used with the exception that no side tackling is permitted. 6-10 p.m. in Memorial Gymnasium.

Submitting information

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

EDWARDS

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politics and is the director of the Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

"We look forward to welcoming Sen. Edwards back to the University of Maine," said UMaine President Robert Kennedy. "His experience in national politics, combined with his current work at UNC's Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity give Sen. Edwards unique perspectives on issues that are important to members of our community. Commencement is always a memorable event, and having such an accomplished speaker will make this

year's all the more noteworthy."

Edwards is a native of Robbins, N.C. He was the son of a millworker and became the first member of his family to graduate from college when he earned his bachelor's degree in 1974 from North Carolina State University. He earned his law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1977 and spent the next 20 years working at a private law practice. In 1998, he unseated incumbent Sen. Lauch Faircloth to earn his ticket to Washington D.C.

This year's commencement will be held in two separate indoor ceremonies both at Alford Arena. For the past 10 years, Alford Stadium has been the primary location, but five of the ceremonies have been forced inside because of inclement weather.

Graduates from the College of Business, Public Policy and Health, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and the Division of Lifelong Learning will receive their degrees at the 10:30 a.m. ceremony. The afternoon ceremony, which begins at 2:30 p.m., will be for graduates from the College of Engineering, and the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture.

A total of 1,750 UMaine students are expected to receive degrees at the ceremonies.

Edwards joins Maine author Stephen King, Govs. John Baldacci and Angus King and U.S. Sens. George Mitchell, William Cohen and Susan Collins as commencement speakers. He is the first speaker in recent history without ties to the university or Pine Tree State.

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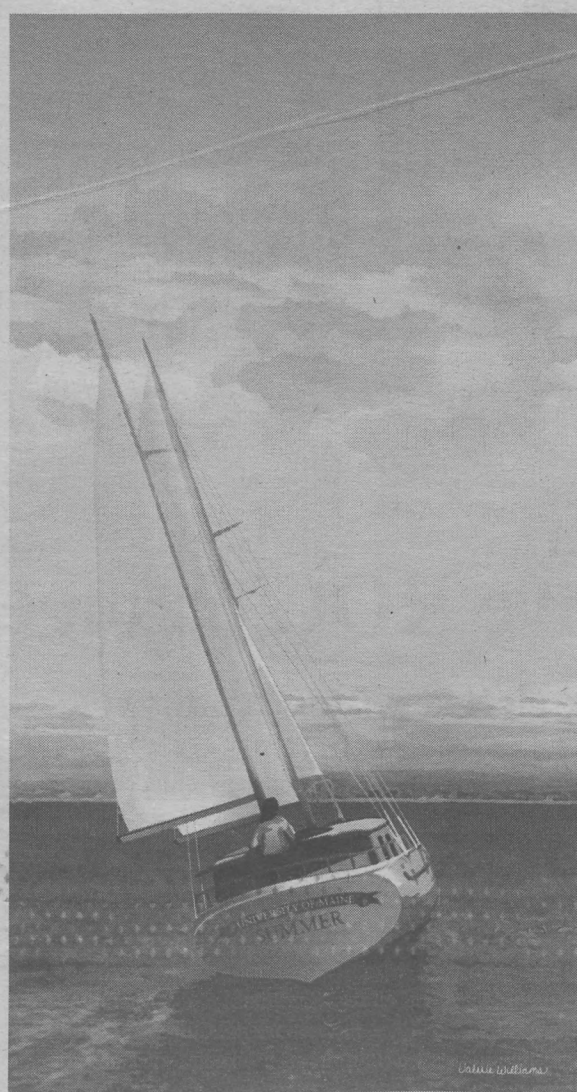
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FrozenFour '06: Milwaukee's Beasts



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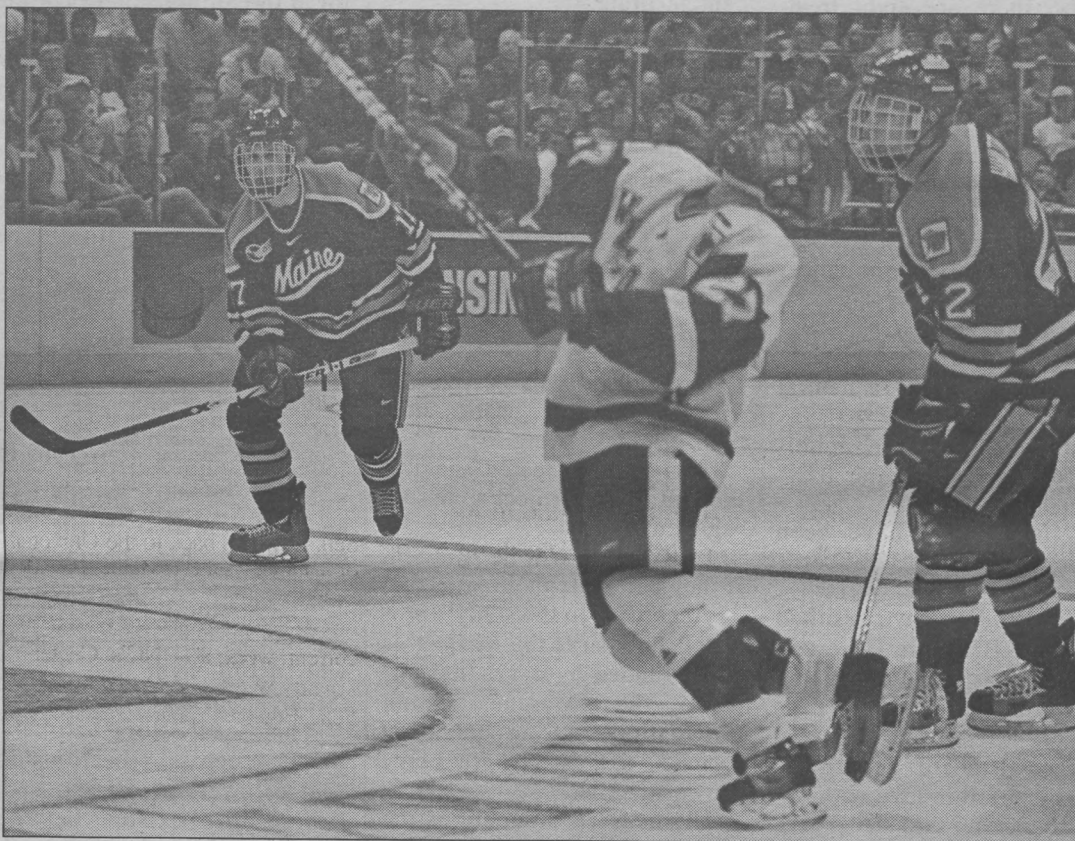


CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

(Left) Brett Tyler is held to the ice by a Wisconsin defenseman.
(Above) Keith Johnson and Travis Wight of UMaine and Robbie Earl of Wisconsin battle for the loose puck.



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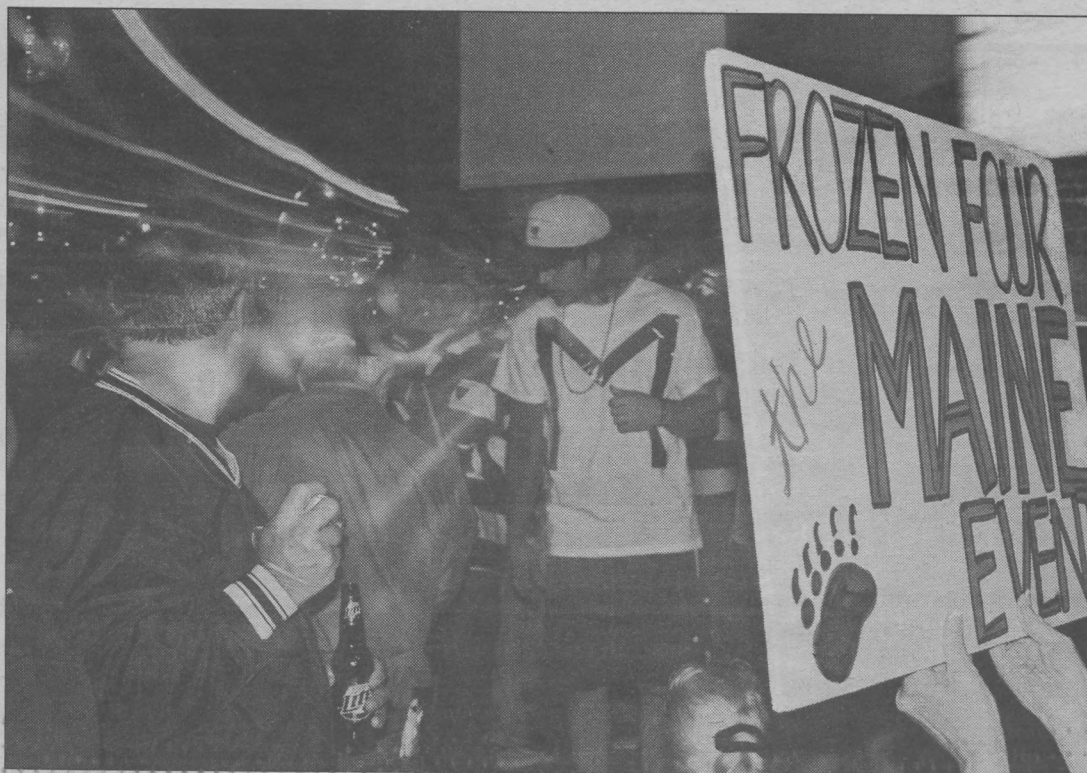
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(Left) Christopher Bahl, Matt Dube and Hans Paul Breton of the Naked Five prepare before Thursday's game outside the Have A Nice Day Cafe in downtown Milwaukee.
(Above) Mike Hamilton trips up Wisconsin forward Ross Carlson as John Hopson looks on during the second period.



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANDREW GORDON

(Above) Coach Tim Whitehead shakes hands with Captain Greg Moore upon the team's return to campus on Friday.
(Left) Fans cheer and eat at a pep rally before the game, with the Maine Pep Band playing in the background.



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

Study uses cranberries to fight stomach ulcers

By Emma Potvin
For The Maine Campus

Cranberries may turn out to be more than just a Thanksgiving side dish.

Graduate Student Alicia Fedan and her adviser Mary Ellen Camire, professor of food science and human nutrition, are conducting a pilot study aimed at determining if the cranberry capsules used to fight urinary tract infections can also inhibit *Helicobacter pylori*.

H. pylori is a bacteria responsible for stomach ulcers, and it also causes an inflammation of the stomach lining known as gastritis.

According to a pamphlet put out by the Center for Disease Control, there are eight treatment regimens approved by the Food and Drug Administration currently on the market to treat *H. pylori*. However, the condition has a high recurrence rate.

Prolonged infection with *H. pylori* may also contribute to gastric cancer, which "is the second most common cancer worldwide," according to the CDC pamphlet.

Fedan believes a new remedy is needed, preferably a natural one.

"You can't stay on antibiotics for the rest of your life," said Fedan.

Similar studies have been conducted using cranberry juice.

These studies have resulted in inhibited *H. pylori*. However, no study has yet tested the effectiveness of cranberry capsules.

"When I heard about this study, I just fell in love with it," said Fedan, who said she enjoys both microbiology and food science.

Fedan is currently looking for volunteers who exhibit signs of *H. pylori* infection to participate in the study.

Symptoms include upset

stomach, ulcers and excessive burping.

Participants are first tested for the *H. pylori* virus using a non-invasive breath test.

The subject first creates a baseline sample by holding their breath for four to five seconds and exhaling into a testing bag.

The subject is then asked to drink a solution containing a substance that will react with the *H. pylori* bacteria.

After 15 minutes, the subject repeats the breath test. If the subject is infected with *H. pylori*, their second sample will contain an increased level of carbon dioxide.

According to the CDC pamphlet this test is 94 to 98 percent accurate.

Fedan said a test like this done in the doctor's office would cost upwards of \$100.

If the test results are positive, the subject is eligible to participate in the study.

They will be asked to take a cranberry capsule or a placebo three times a day for six weeks.

Fedan hopes to find 60 *H. pylori*-positive subjects for the study.

Participants will be retested for *H. pylori* three weeks after their original testing.

They will be tested again at the end of the project's capsule regimen.

Participants will be paid \$50 if they complete the treatment.

According to the study's proposal summary, the project is being funded by a \$22,000 gift from the Marcus Urann Foundation, an organization formed to assist cranberry growers.

Urann is an alumnus of the university who founded the Ocean Spray cranberry cooperative.

The cranberry capsules, which normally cost between \$5 and \$20 per 100 capsules, are also being donated.

Professor helps with gourd research

By Ali Shareef
For The Maine Campus

Fragments of a gourd discovered nearly 10 years ago off the coast of Peru by a crew headed by a University of Maine professor have been recently verified to be the oldest found in South America.

Daniel Sandweiss, now dean and associate provost for graduate studies and professor of archaeology, was excavating a site at Quebrada Jaguay in Peru when it was discovered.

Radiocarbon tests of the charcoal found on the floor near the gourd fragments showed that the gourd was approximately 8,500 years old.

After Sandweiss published the initial findings in "Science" magazine in 1998, he was contacted by Bruce Smith, a curator at the Smithsonian Institute, for further testing of the gourd fragments.

Smith wanted to determine if the fragments found were of domesticated or wild gourds, Sandweiss said.

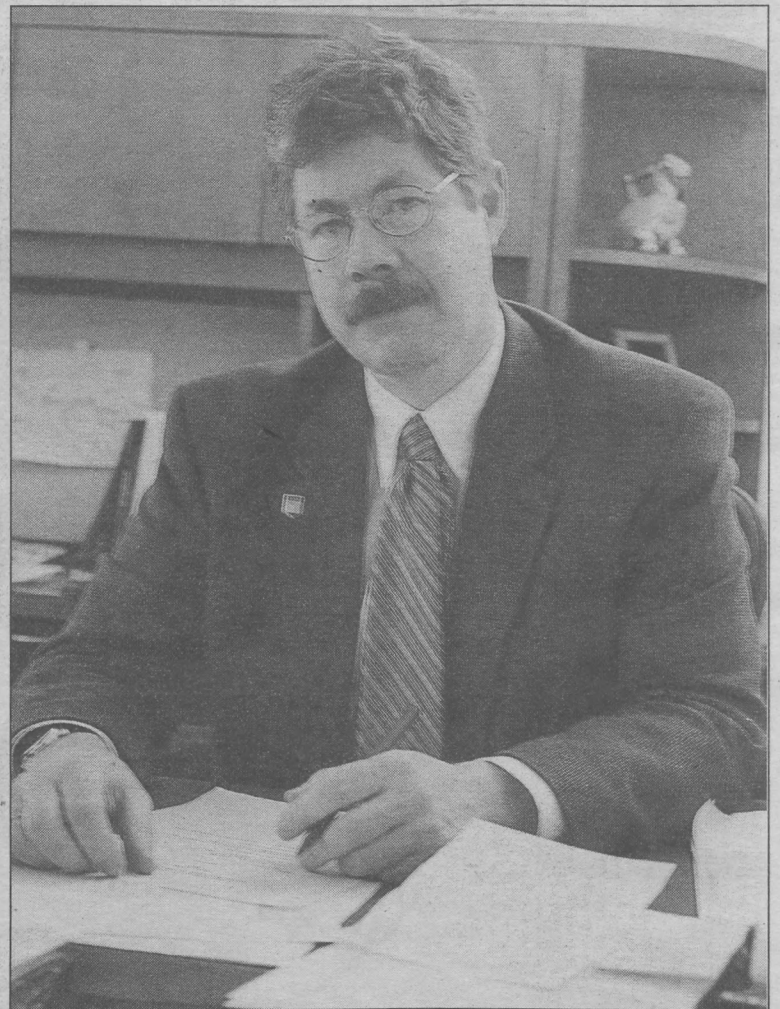
Precise DNA testing linked these fragments with gourds domesticated in Asia.

Also, using extremely precise carbon dating methods, Smith was able to verify that the gourd fragments were between 8,395 and 8,445 years old, making them the oldest yet found in South America.

"The main use people have had for gourds over the ages has been for containers," Sandweiss said.

These gourd fragments are the marks of ancient people who lived near the Pacific Ocean about 8,500 years ago.

Their ancestors probably traveled across precarious ice bridges over the Bering Land Bridge that existed between Siberia and Alaska during the



CAMPUS PHOTO BY SANDRA KLAUSMEYER

MAN OF DISCOVERY — Daniel Sandweiss sits at his desk in his office. He was part of the crew that discovered fragments of the oldest gourd in South America.

ice ages and brought the seeds of these gourds with them, Sandweiss said.

The origins of all gourds are African, but they diffused eastward and many different civilizations used them.

However, researchers were stumped by how the gourds arrived in the New World.

Findings presented by Smith, Sandweiss and others conjectured that the Asian origin of gourds proved the initial introduction of gourds to the

Americas was through early immigrants.

"None of the possible ancestors of humans are in the New World," Sandweiss said.

Sandweiss has worked on excavation sites in Peru, Cuba, Honduras and Guatemala.

"I love it," Sandweiss said.

He spends one to two months of his summer each year working at excavation sites in Peru.

"There are few things more exciting than working on a dig."

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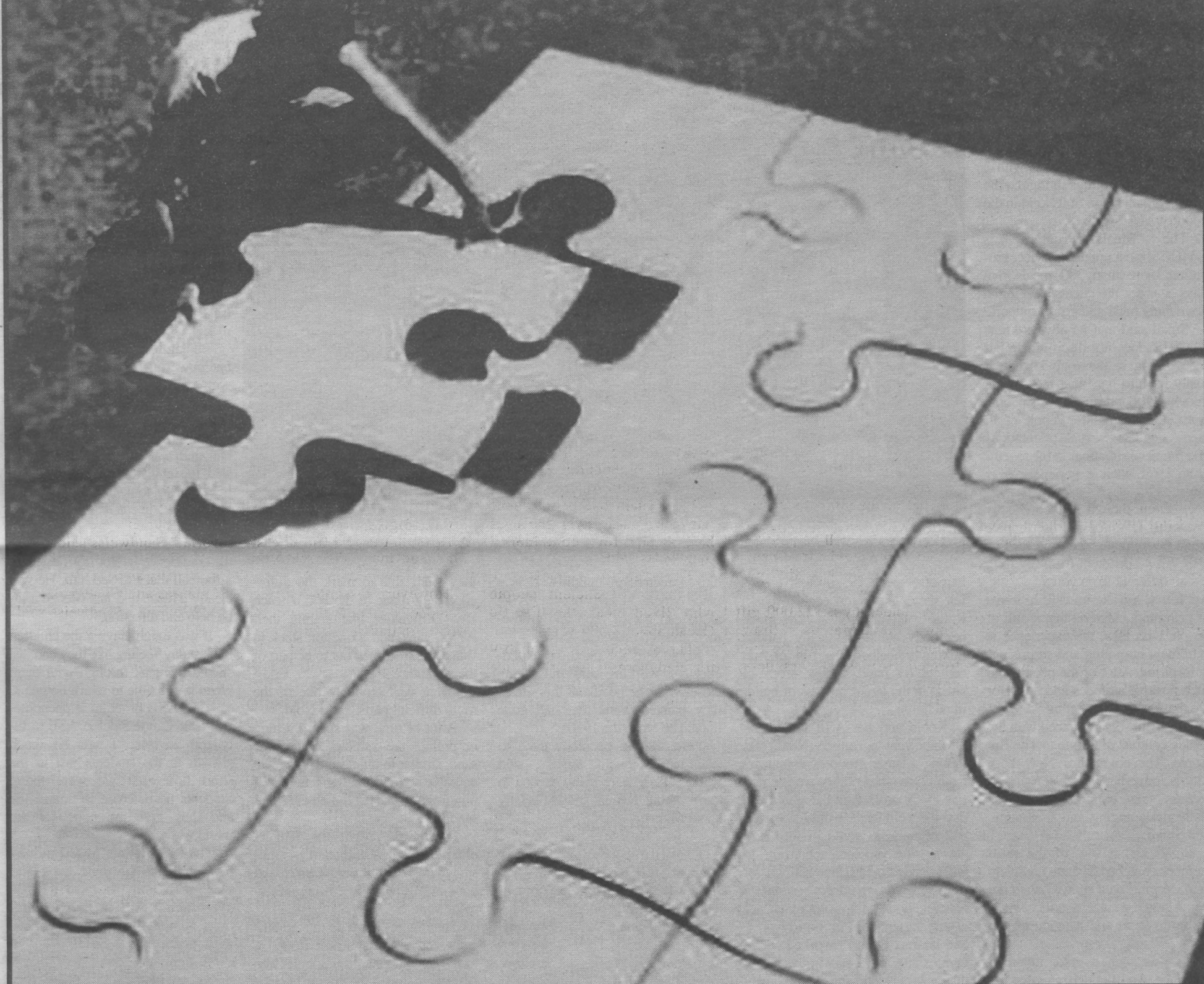
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UMaine students striving to make a difference

By Khela Kupiec
Assistant News Editor

"You took your Spring Break to be here with us? Why would you do that?" Many of the clients found it hard to believe that Matthew Small and his fellow Alternative Spring Break team chose to spend their vacation serving meals in a soup kitchen for those infected with HIV rather than serving volleyball on a Florida beach.

"It was surprising at how surprised other people were that students actually wanted to do something to make someone else's day a little better," said Small.

Gay Men Health Crisis is a misnomer for an organization assisting with the prevention and management for people of all demographics, serving over 15,000 clients with a \$27 million annual budget, the largest organization of its kind in the country, says Small.

The "Meals Program" is GMHC's most popular service, providing more than 300 meals five days a week to clients seeking a nourishing meal and group support.

Small said that he always knew that HIV does not discriminate but by working in the soup kitchen it really hit him hard that the disease knows no bounds and affects people from all walks of life. People of all races, genders, sexual orientations and financial situations came together to share their experiences over lunch.

"Even though I theoretically knew that HIV doesn't discriminate I had never really seen the face of HIV. It's no different from my face. It's no different from yours."

"It was a wake-up call. In terms of being in a cafeteria that is full of people with HIV, the experience is extremely humbling and surprisingly inspiring. A lot of the people had such positive attitudes and a joy for life that I wasn't expecting."

The team was also faced with the drastic contrast of Orono to The Big Apple. The poverty of New York City is immediately evident, and to witness such extreme poverty is really discouraging and frustrating, said Small.

Small and a few of the team members watched as three homeless men sleeping on a subway staircase were startled awake by police walking up to them and banging on the metal railings.

"It was such a cold, inhuman exchange. And I understand that the officers have a job to do, but it's very hard to see people treated as less than human."

During the rest of the trip, the team volunteered helping AIDS Walk New York. A fundraiser held this year on May 21 to "change the course of the epidemic." In 2005 there were 45,000 walkers and they raised over \$5.8 million.

GMHC provides free testing for HIV as well. Six of the ASB team members chose to get tested, and learned what it is like to be faced with such an experience together. Small said it made him realize how dangerous it is that the University of Maine does not offer free testing, charging \$50 at Cutler.

"There are enough barriers to getting people tested. That shouldn't be one of them," said Small.

New York-Yonkers-Habitat for Humanity

After hauling the first 80-pound



HELPING HANDS — Melissa Robie and Ashley Adams, members of Alternative Spring Break, mix cement at a Habitat for Humanity site in Yonkers, N.Y.

bag of cement, the successive bags felt more like a ton each. Melissa Robie was surprised at how much her body could physically handle, mixing wheelbarrows full of wet cement by hand, a few drops of sweat in the larger process of building a home.

Robie and her ASB team took UMaine vans to Yonkers, New York, joining a larger group of volunteers from across the country working on five to six projects in the area. Each day the volunteers would wake up and organizers would divide them among the projects according to what needed being done and where.

A few team members worked on concrete houses that went up cheaper and faster than the typical post-and-beam. Others worked at a Duplex site four years in the works that was a week and a half away from having its first family move in. They worked on the inside painting and cleaning. On the outside they dug irrigation lines, using pickaxes to chop away at the frozen ground.

The city is another far cry from UMaine, a community of gangs where it is not safe to walk outside. Yonkers has been in disrepair in previous years but it is on its way up, says Robie. High schools have Habitat Clubs which deliver lunches and dinners to volunteers, demonstrating how big an influence the organization is in the area.

During the nights the team slept in sleeping bags in a small cement church basement with 18 other students from Notre Dame College in Ohio. They played "ice-breaker" games, reflected on the day's events and gave one another backrubs to ease sore muscles.

One day during the week the team worked for Brush With Kindness, a Habitat affiliate-senior

citizen recreation building. It is a place where elderly people living alone can go for food and amusement to keep busy and active.

Robie said she liked the experience of working and interacting closer with the people at this site as they painted walls that had gone unpainted since the 1970s.

"The elderly people wanted to teach us all their life lessons," said Robie. "They were really excited to know about Maine and especially about Maine winters."

Florida-Sarasota-Oscar Scherer State Park

In a stark contrast to Maine winters, the last group of ASB members took their helping hands to sunny, 70-degree Florida. They camped out in a state park, taking an environmentally-minded volunteer approach during the morning, and helping out at a local YMCA after-school program in the afternoons.

Around the park they were known as "the Maine kids." "What are the Maine kids up to today?" they would ask," said Christine Nold. The park was a popular destination for retiree volunteers from around the country who come back year after year, creating a bond with one another and a community of RVs. Many of them were tickled to have young students work alongside them. One street within the community was made up entirely of retirees from Maine, dubbing their row of RVs "Maine Street." Jean and Marlene, two retirees, from Lewiston, spent one morning making the team breakfast.

The park supplied vehicles and tools as they worked to clear away invasive plant species such as Rosary Pea and Caesar Weed. Their efforts were visually rewarding as

they were able to mark the difference they made at the end of each day. Difficulties like getting their ATVs, vans, and a one-ton stuck in "sugar sand" turned out to be part of the adventure.

"That was probably one of the more difficult parts," said Nold.

A lot of time was spent pushing or pulling the vehicles out of the sand, similar to quicksand, a vehicle could be up to its axles in a matter of minutes if it was parked on the sugar sand.

During the night the rangers often stopped by the team's campsite, taking them on night hikes and once even inviting them on an alligator hunt.

The rangers got a tip that an alligator was spotted in and around a local pond and swimming hole. The ASB team joined the hunt to capture and release the alligator elsewhere.



CIRCLE OF FRIENDS — UMaine student J.D. Lloyd plays with area children during an Alternative Spring Break service trip to Sarasota, Fla.

They used red-lit flashlights that would not scare the reptile away but were unable to make a catch that night.

For many of the members, the most challenging part of their trip came from how they spent their afternoons.

Through No Child Left Behind, a federal program, all the state schools are required to undergo intensive testing; if a school performs poorly certain privileges such as recess are taken away. This seems to hit children from lower income families the hardest. Many do not have the resources or the time to help their children.

The team joined up with a local YMCA program for 200 children grades K-5. They decided to spend their time with the children playing outdoors to give them a chance that they were often denied through No Child Left Behind.

"We played football a lot," said Joseph Lloyd. "Tag was also really big."

Many of the kids seemed to attach themselves to the males on the trips, possibly hungry for a male role model, said Nold.

Benjamin Braley made a short but powerful bond on the last day with a boy that appeared to be ostracized from the rest of the children. He did not appear to have the social skills to join the group playing football and was clearly upset. Braley said the child only needed a little help and he took the time to teach the boy how to catch and toss a football.

"I could see his face light up with the confidence he got from catching a football that I tossed him. He was clearly athletic and just needed a little help and direction."

It was tough leaving the children the last day, feeling like they had just started to break through with them when it was time to return home.

"The ASB program is phenomenal," said Laurie Sidelko, ASB faculty trip adviser. "I saw so much growth in the students just in the short time that we were there. Students never cease to amaze me and they give me hope for the world."

The ASB teams raised money for the costs of their trips and were also able to raise a little over their costs to make donations to the places they worked with, according to Sidelko.

"I definitely don't feel like I missed out on the spring break party scene," said Lloyd.

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Talk focuses on choosing the right shoe

By Sandra Grace
For The Maine Campus

Michael Muzyczka of Sportshoe Center came to the university recently to discuss a topic that affects nearly everyone on campus: how to select an appropriate pair of walking shoes.

The lecture, titled "If the Shoe Fits, Wear It...or Should You?" was given in the basement of Cutler Health Center. It focused on running, walking and cross training shoes as well as how to select the most appropriate shoe for your foot and gait type.

"A majority of people who buy athletic footwear have no idea what they're buying. If you're wearing the wrong shoe for any activity, you are likely to eventually cause injuries," Muzyczka said.

Most of the talk was devoted to running shoes.

"Primarily, all the money goes to research and development for running shoes," said Muzyczka.

"The technology trickles down from there. After a top-of-the-line running shoe is supplanted by a newer model, the shoe's technology will be adapted to basketball shoes, walking shoes, etc."

How do you know which shoe is right for you? It depends on your biomechanical need, according to Muzyczka, which means it is dependent on the angle and motion of your foot gait.

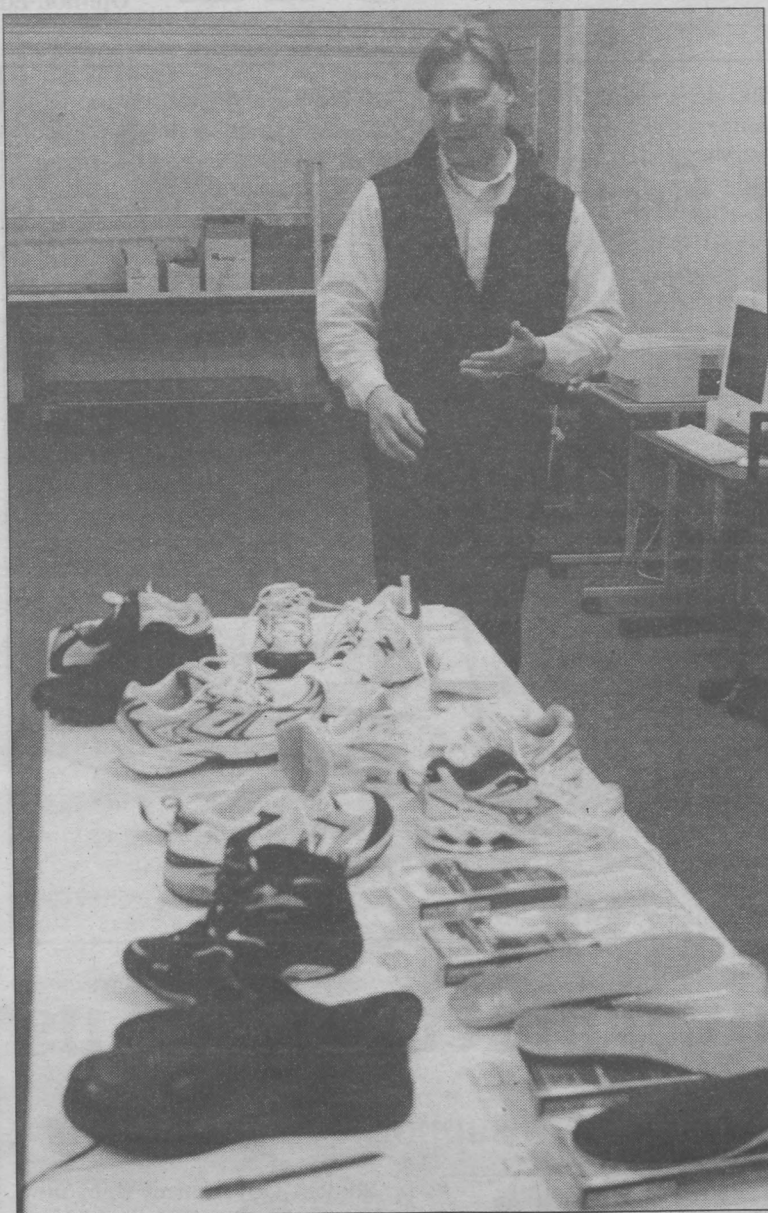
There are three basic types of shoes, and each type accommodates a certain biomechanical need: motion control shoes, stability shoes and cushion-neutral shoes.

Motion control shoes are designed for the severe overpronator. Pronation occurs when the foot rolls inward between the hitting of heel and toe to the ground.

"Most people pronate," said Muzyczka.

"It's usually a matter of to what extent do you pronate."

Motion control shoes help with overpronation because they have a perfectly straight last, which is how a shoe is put together; the basic shape and structure of the shoe.



CAMPUS PHOTO BY CORMAC OCALLANAIN

SHOES, SHOES, EVERYWHERE — Michael Muzyczka of Sportshoe Center presented a lecture on how to choose the right pair of shoes.

The straight last helps keep the foot from rolling inward too much, as well as reduces wear on the inner part of the shoe.

They are the heaviest, most dense shoes available and can be purchased for any activity.

They are not designed for use with orthopedics.

The second type of shoe, the stability shoe, makes up 90 percent of the market.

Stability shoes have a semi-curved last, which allows for flexibility only in the forefoot. Stability shoes are good for mild to moderate pronators, Muzyczka said, which is the category most people belong to.

"You can easily recognize the stability shoe in stores

because it has two different colors on its side," Muzyczka said.

The gray area is called the median post, and it will help you keep your foot straight.

The third shoe type is cushion-neutral, and should only be worn by people who are biomechanically sound. That is, by people who have a high arch, run heel to toe, and perhaps supinate, roll foot outward, slightly if anything.

The cushion-neutral shoe has one solid color on its side.

"In general, your feet will tell you if a shoe feels right," Muzyczka said.

"A pair of shoes should feel good when you try them on in the store, not after they've been broken in."

UM students develop new berry-based treat

By Brian Sylvester
Staff Reporter

Five members of the food science club at the University of Maine have taken their creation, Yo Bon Berry Bites, to the Institute of Food Technologists Student Association's 2006 Product Development Competition, and have become one of the six national finalists.

The students, Jennifer Jordan, senior food science and nutrition major, James Perry, senior molecular biology major, Jason Bolton, senior food science and nutrition major, Shari Baxter, second year doctoral candidate in the food science department and Kristi Crowe, who is finishing her graduate thesis in the food science department, have been working together with faculty advisor Denise Skonberg on this project throughout the academic year.

They will all travel to Orlando, Fla. this summer to participate in the IFT Product Development Competition, representing UMaine in that competition as finalists for the first time.

Their product, Yo Bon Berry Bites, is "a dark chocolate covered, calcium-fortified blueberry frozen yogurt novelty product," according to Shari Baxter.

The bon-bon-like treats have been specially fortified with both calcium and antioxidants, serving as a healthy alternative to other high-end desserts.

The product was initially developed as part of a food science course in product development, after which two of the students from that class, Bolton and Jordan, brought the project to the food science club.

Crowe, Baxter and Perry joined their cause, and submitted the product to the IFC Competition.

Out of a pool of roughly 20 submissions, the UMaine team's product was selected to undergo a second, final round of competition, to take place during the IFT's annual conference.

"This is an exciting accomplishment for our department," said Crowe.

This is the first time a team from UMaine has entered the finalist competition, although there have been submissions to the competition in the past.

As part of their product research,

the group will be holding a 'sensory evaluation' on the April 20, in the Consumer Testing Center on the first floor of Hitchner Hall.

The public is welcome to attend the evaluation, which will take place between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., although those wishing to sample the product are encouraged to come early or make an appointment beforehand.

"There has been a huge response," said Baxter, indicating that these evaluations often do not draw so many people.

The group hopes to test the product among their target audience, 30-to-50-year-old women, who would theoretically benefit the most from the calcium enriched treats.

The students emphasized that while this project has been a great deal of work, it has also been a positive experience.

Baxter and Jordan both intend to pursue careers in the product development field and look upon the project as hands-on experience for future jobs.

"There's nothing like first-hand experience," said Baxter. "This is actually the third [product development] team I've been a part of."

But beyond the strictly practical applications, the competition and the group work have been fun.

"It's a good time," said Perry. "Everybody is really enjoying working on it so far."

The competition includes preparing data on the product itself, potential marketing, packaging and target sales groups.

Team members will face stiff competition and a battalion of questions from leading industry experts in the food product development field.

When asked whether they would pursue privately developing the project after the competition, the group mentioned some tentative plans.

"There has been interest expressed," Perry mentioned.

Baxter cautioned that it would be necessary to seek outside funding before that sort of development of the product could be explored.

Members of the public interested in participating in the sensory evaluation are encouraged to contact Shari Baxter on FirstClass in order to get more information and to schedule an appointment.

Roc

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that are headed by graduate students, primarily because it is only funded by the undergraduate activity fee.

According to ROC president Erin Tripp, the funds that are allocated to ROC are used primarily to pay for office expenses, office salaries, and for projects like the annual Quebec trip and the campus movie channel.

"It's not that we're trying to exclude people," Tripp said. "If we lost the funding, we wouldn't be able to do a lot of what we do."

With the amendment in place, graduate students will not be eligible to run for vice president or president of ROC, the only elected positions on

the ROC executive board.

The amendment was proposed by Labonte on March 1 and passed with a majority of the ROC representatives voting in favor of the change.

"I'm disappointed that ROC is discriminating against the very people they are supposed to represent just to appease Student Government."

Deah Wilber
ROC Representative
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There are presently no graduate students serving as ROC representatives, although there

have been graduate level representatives in the past.

The most vocal opposition to this proposal came from Dean Wilber, the ROC representative from the Doris Twitchell Allen Village and former president of ROC.

Wilber, a senior management information major, wondered if there are other solutions to the funding dilemma that would not impugn on the rights of the graduate students on campus.

"I think there are a lot of other solutions," he said, "and that ROC is just taking the easiest route."

He mentioned that graduate students who live on campus do pay fees, a portion of which are used to fund ROC activities.

However, graduate students do not pay the fees which fund Student Government, a point of

contention for many.

There have been motions to address the fact that graduate students will be paying fees into the ROC, but be ineligible to serve as elected officials.

Labonte has been working with JulieAnn Scott, president of the association of graduate students, to address the problem.

"With graduate students now unable to hold elected offices in ROC," Labonte said, "I feel that we should not be taking the money that they pay to student auxiliary services, but instead, either return it to them or have them create their own fund."

Wilber expressed dismay at the results of the election.

"I'm disappointed that ROC is discriminating against the very people they are supposed to represent, just to appease Student Government."

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John Edwards to bore grads

The university announced last week that former vice presidential candidate John Edwards will address the 204th graduating class.

Edwards will be the first person in the past ten years without a connection to the state or university to address the graduating class at Maine's flagship university.

Such dignitaries as Govs. John Baldacci and Angus King, U.S. Sen. Susan Collins, former Secretary of Defense William Cohen, former U.S. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, and Maine Superior Court Justice Andrew Mead have all addressed the university's graduating class.

The choice to bring in Edwards is a step away from the true role of a commencement speaker. The university would have been wise to bring in a speaker with ties to the state and the university. There is no better way to motivate the next crop of UMaine alumni than to have them hear from another UMaine success story.

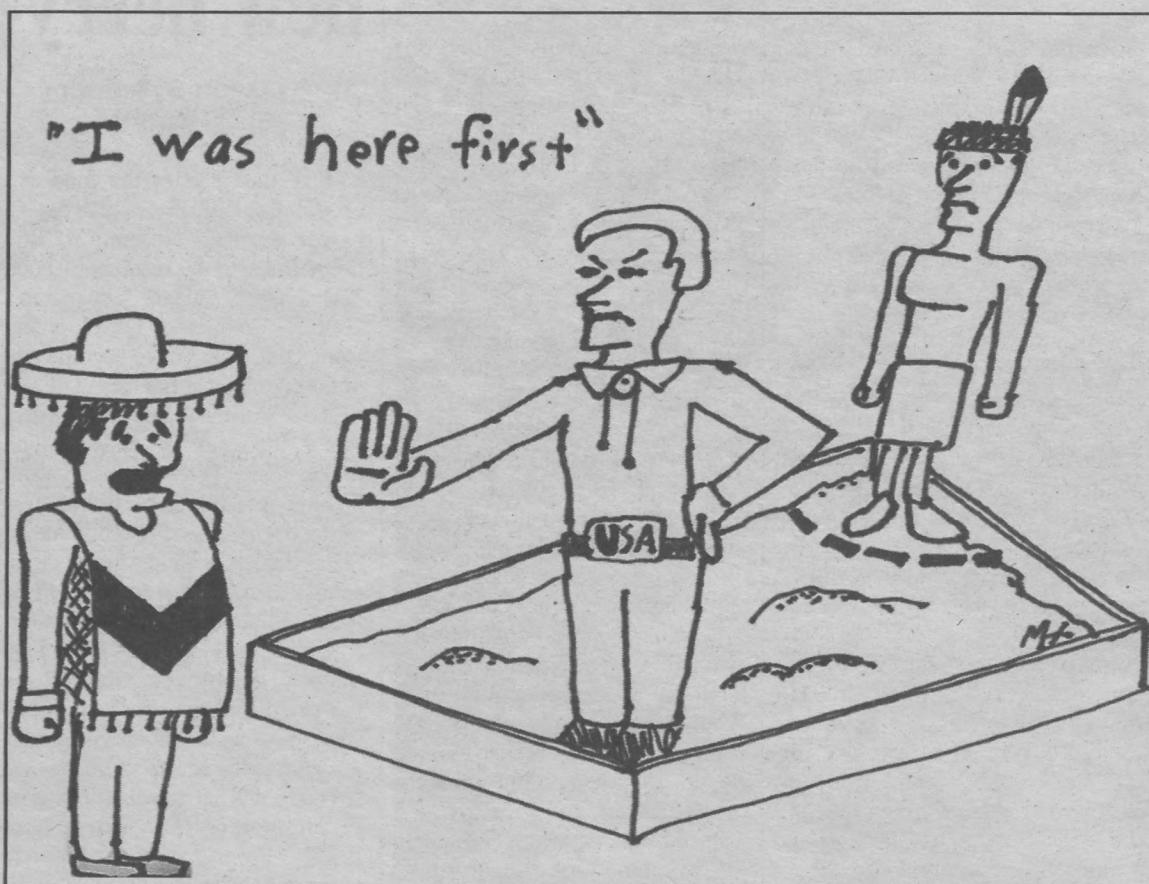
Students lose interest with campus events

Last Friday the Campus Activities Board put on its Late Night at the Union event. While the rain can be blamed for the less-than-bustling turnout, the frequency of events on campus may be a larger factor.

Every week the UMaine campus hosts about a dozen free events for students. Last week, Campus Recreation sponsored an event on how to buy the right shoe. While we do not wish to undermine the amount of time and effort that goes into planning these events, we feel that the sheer volume of these functions is counterproductive.

Events happen so frequently on this campus that students don't seem to notice them anymore. Events that are traditionally large, such as homecoming and winter carnival, get lower turnouts because they aren't special anymore. They would have higher turnouts if they were perceived as being important.

These events are designed to promote safe, chem-free events on campus. However, many students may require a stiff drink to get through them.



Student Government needs us

Now is the time for UMaine to support campus leaders

It's been a tumultuous few weeks for Student Government here at the University of Maine. During the recent referendum on the \$10 student activity fee increase, several students complained over what they said was misleading wording on the ballot question. On the same day the Fair Elections Practices Commission ruled in favor of Student Government during a hearing on the ballot, student body president Brigham McNaughton resigned amidst allegations of sexual misconduct.

It's during times like these that the students cannot lose sight of the fact that it is Student Government. The people running the show are not career politicians. This is not Washington D.C. and the U.S. Capitol. The leaders are students

BRIAN
BROWN



NEWS EDITOR

and they are here to get an education, just like everyone else.

While the leaders of Student Government get paid, the vast majority of them, mainly the senators in the General Student Senate, are not compensated for their time. They endure GSS meetings of two hours or longer simply because they have a desire to make the campus a better place for the rest of us. Sure they might not be perfect, but none of us are.

The rest of the student body needs to rally and support

Student Government right now. There are virtually no aspects of student life that it does not play a role in. Countless student organizations around campus, from Residents on Campus to the Cookie Club, would cease to exist if not for the financial support from Student Government.

The change in leadership following McNaughton's departure from office will help Student Government better serve the students. President Adam Kirkland and Vice President Aaron Sterling are the two most senior members of Student Government presently at UMaine. They have the connections and, more importantly, they are in the organization for the right reasons, to serve the students.

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Let these people in Immigrants made America great

RYAN
CLARK



STAFF REPORTER

Maybe the old adage, "In order to know where you are going, you have to know where you have been," is becoming more true.

What I mean by this is one word that has a lot of people in America up in arms - immigration.

Not too long ago, this country was full of immigrants. The last time I checked, these people were called our ancestors. It's through immigration that the United States achieved its true identity. After all, we are the only country in the world that does not have a 'true' people.

Although this country has 'true' Americans, let's remember that those people were driven out by, well, immigrants. Since 1492, the New World, the Americas or whatever you want to call it, has been flooded with immigration. These people who immigrated have gone on to do things in this country that people from their previous country did not think possible.

America's early immigration has made this place into what it is today - a society that almost fears what it once was. Lately, immigration has become a hot topic since the announcement of the Guest Worker program. This program allows someone to come to the U.S. and work for an extended period of time. Once they are done, they go back to their native land.

The program is a good idea, but still, is it warranted? I do understand that one of the many problems with immigration is healthcare. The common question is, "Why do I, an American citizen, have to pay for a foreign person's healthcare?"

Here's a question. Why do I, as an American, have to pay for the healthcare of other Americans? This is not an issue about health-

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Letters to the Editor

Hartwell's homophobia

Michael Hartwell's opinion on April 3 brought to life many questions that need to be answered before I can take his opinion seriously. When reading his opinion about

Nature vs. Against Nature, I couldn't help but wonder why he is homophobic regardless of what is considered "normal" by heterosexuals? Although he is heteronormative, which I can respect, I'm not quite

sure why he chose to single out the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people of the world? He could have further masked the bias by

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SUPPORT

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While they might not be perfect, Student Government officials and senators deserve the support of the student body. They need to walk a fine line between being an elected official and a plain ol' student. Sometimes they need to make difficult decisions. For example, when Vice President of

Student Entertainment Derek Mitchell made the call to ax Bumstock, he pulled the plug on a decades-old tradition because he felt it was best for the students. That's what Student Government is supposed to be doing, and they should have our support. During a time like this, it is vital for them to know they have the backing from the student body behind them.

Brian Brown is a senior journalism major.

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care but an issue of people who deserve to make something of themselves.

Two years ago when a hurricane wrecked my hometown, there was damage beyond belief. Something that was also beyond belief was that my uncle said that when it came to having repairs made, he would rather have an immigrant do the work than an American. He didn't list money as a reason because, I will put it to you like this: This man can afford to put the cheese on his Whopper at Burger King. His reasoning was based on the notion that immigrants work harder because they want to strive for a better life by any means necessary — even if that means cleaning up hurricane debris.

People in this country often complain about others wanting to get something without work-

ing for it and how we need to get rid of that mentality. Yet when there are people who have a good work ethic who aren't American, people want to get rid of them.

I do understand that with immigration comes an issue of more people and who is going to pay for them to be here. Granted, these people may not start off contributing to society right away, but they will over time. It may not be directly through them, but it will be through their children and grandchildren. Who would have thought that the descendants of immigrants would make a country great?

Can you imagine a country founded by immigrants going on to do things like put a man on the moon or develop from poverty into an economic superpower? Someone did. They were called our ancestors. They were also called something else: Immigrants.

Ryan Clark is a senior journalism major.

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using big words such as hegemony or subverting dominant paradigm to basically explain the cultural argument to support homophobia or fuel the oppressive battle against us. It may smell like a rose, but it is still a pile of cow manure.

One of the questions that I have is why he is singling out the gay community in his opinion? That often stereotyped community only exists in urban ghettos, close-knit social groups, voting issues, political rhetoric or in the cultural war between the GLBT citizens and the Fundamental Christian citizens. Not every member of that community, including myself, fits the media stereotype or wants to destroy social institutions. We live under the same roof in a great country that also has a history of oppression. If he needs some insight on oppression and bias, perhaps he can ask Ryan Clark what's it's like to be a person of color and live life representing the stereotypes of the whole African American community. Perhaps Hartwell could try to represent his side of the fence — the stereotyped heterosexual male — on their masculine flaws. I would love to read his opinion about absent fathers and why they help to create children and then leave the parenting responsibility to the mother? That is an opinion I would like to read from a heteronormative perspective.

Thomas Hudgins
UMaine class of 2000

A Piece of Pi

On Monday, I anxiously picked up a Maine Campus, as my chapter had recently held our annual Mr.

Fraternity fundraiser in the Union. I searched the paper to find only a picture of one of the contestants, and nowhere did the caption accurately mention that Alpha Omicron Pi put on the event. The photographer at the event took many pictures and I must say I am also disappointed that the picture chosen was probably not the best one available. It is my understanding that members of the Greek community write articles frequently and are usually rejected, despite being promised a spot in the paper, due to lack of interest from readers or because more important news was in the paper. Who else wasn't compelled by the circus article?

Articles written recently for Chi Omega's Bowl for Wishes and Alpha Omicron Pi's Mr. Fraternity Pageant, events that both raise money for charity, were declined, allowing the Maine Campus to more often describe the "negative" side of the Greeks. Perhaps some of your readers would like to know that 78 percent of donations made to this campus by alumni are Greek alumni. This money does not just benefit the Greek community, either. Ever heard of the Buchanan House? Positive information about Greeks would increase interest and potential membership, providing this school with more alumni support. My Greek experience increased my involvement with community service and the campus community as a whole. With the state of support from students, I'm inclined to give directly to my chapter in the future. I hope the brothers of Sigma Chi realize how fortunate they are to get a piece of the "pi" this week, since it is rarely on the menu.

Kelly Gendron
President of Alpha Omicron Pi

The role of the second in command

All vice presidents should be prepared to take over

Is it right to pursue a job fully knowing that you will not follow all of the required duties within its description? This week, The Maine Campus broke the story about the allegations levied against the former president of our student government. The overall story presented last week was that Brigham McNaughton resigned to avoid an impeachment proceeding that was foreseen as nasty, long and unproductive, and also to avoid working with Student Government members who would not be able to look beyond the image that such an allegation portrays.

With the original president gone, a natural shift occurs that is warranted by the constitution of Student Government bestowing upon the vice president all of the executive privileges of the presidential position. However, it seems that something unnatural has occurred; the vice president refused the position. What was the explanation? According to The Maine Campus, he never wanted it in the first place. In fact, Aaron Sterling, vice president of Student Government Inc. was quoted in an article last Thursday as saying, "Throughout my recent history in Student Government, I have tried to make it absolutely clear that I did not wish to be president of Student Government. I ran for the vice presidency because this is the position I wanted, and where I

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FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

felt I could best serve the undergraduate student body."

Such a sentiment does not serve the student body; in fact, it is a complete waste of the role of vice president. Despite all ignorance regarding the organization of any governing entity, it is

"Why did he bother to campaign for this position if he cannot accept the potential responsibilities that are associated with it?"

almost common sense that one of the responsibilities of the vice president is to assume the role of president in the temporary or permanent departure of the elected president. Why did he bother to campaign for this position if he cannot accept the potential responsibilities that are associated with it?

There are many positions on campus that are available to those who wish to serve the student body without requiring the responsibility that Sterling wanted to avoid. One of the primary expectations of actively pursuing a certain job is that one knows that they are qualified for it and they are prepared to perform all of the duties that are brought forth in the job description. If the applicant disregards the information and pursues the job anyway, they run the risk of exposing themselves as having wasted the time of the employer. If hired, they risk being a detriment to the people that they are working with or serving.

Aaron Sterling should have known when running for the vice presidency that it requires accepting all of the duties that belong to such a role. Anybody with higher integrity would have known that shirking such duties is a betrayal to the student body, the very unit that elected him and thereby placed its trust in his word that he would act as a vice president should. Perhaps Mr. Sterling should have submitted his resignation to follow that of Mr. McNaughton's. It would have been okay, though. Bill Pomerleau would not have had a problem remaining president pro tempore.

Christopher Sweeney is a senior biochemistry major.

Alarming behavior pollutes UMaine

Environmental harm is easy to stop with a little effort

As someone who's concerned with the fate of this planet, I'm writing to inform you of some easy decisions you can make to help conserve energy and be nice to the planet that your children and their children are going to have to live on for the next few centuries, if we last that long. The following are a few simple things that you can do to help save the environment.

First of all, don't litter. That's it, folks. Don't throw those stupid little mint wrappers outside the dining commons doors, don't throw that McDonald's bag out the window and don't leave your crap at the beach, especially if your crap includes Styrofoam. Don't buy Styrofoam, period. The man who invented Styrofoam did so by accident. He was trying to invent new materials for war and instead serendipitously created the Devil's packaging material. If you insist on buying disposable items, buy paper ones and recycle them.

Another thing you can do to help reduce waste is make a compost pile. Something like this is not hard to maintain, though it's not feasible for those of us who live in an area where we can't readily dump food and dirt anywhere we please. Here are the details: Find a space on the ground. Dump your organic waste there. Wait a few years

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and voila! You have fertile soil and you haven't contributed to the waste problem. While we're on the soil topic, please avoid the use of pesticides altogether. Read "Silent Spring" and you will understand.

If you can't make a compost heap, start smaller. Take two milliseconds to turn the water off when you aren't using it. My biggest pet peeve is standing in the bathroom watching someone kill five whales and a blowfish by letting the water run on full blast for the five minutes it takes them to brush their teeth. Do me a favor and don't let the faucets drip, either. Letting them drip for hours is just as bad as having them on all the way while you brush your teeth.

We college students seem to like easy things, so here's another one: Recycle. When you go to buy beer at the grocery store, take the five minutes to put your old cans in the recycling can crusher. On top of the easy factor, here's some more motivation: You get money back! So take the \$4.65 you

make from the 93 empty cans of Busch beer lying around and go buy some porn or something.

The last suggestion I have is also something you can do at the grocery store. When you buy only one or two items, politely say, "No thanks, I don't need a bag," instead of wasting one that you didn't need. Please. I beg of you. Now, if your cashier is a few clowns short of a circus, they may try to throw the extra bag out. If they pull this trick on you, make a loud outburst. There is a reason you're not asking for a bag and it's not so that they can waste it for you.

There you have it. The next time you are about to contribute to destroying the environment, think twice. The next time you consider buying that Hummer, shoot yourself immediately. You probably don't have the brain cells to think twice about that one. The things I have suggested require little effort and can help make this planet a healthier place. There are some of you who I hope will never have children — I do have faith in Darwin — but for those of you I've hoped will have children, keep passing on the good will and hopefully we'll be able to save this planet for generations to come.

Emma Wojtal is a sophomore psychology major.

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Chamber Concert
Part of the Performing Arts
season
7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 11
Minsky Recital Hall

Symphonic Concert Bands in
Concert
Part of the Performing Arts
season
7:30 p.m.
Thursdays, April 13
Minsky Recital Hall

Collegiate Chorale in Concert
7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 15
Minsky Recital Hall

THEATER

"Boston Marriage" and
"American Buffalo"
Starting 7:30 p.m.
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Saturday April 15
Hauck Auditorium
\$6 for one show, \$8 for both;
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ARTS

Author Van Reid
of Moosepath League Series
3 p.m.
Tuesday, April 11
Special Collections Room
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Poetry Reading by Mary
Caponegra
Part of the New Writing Series
4:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 13
Jenness Hall

The works of photographer
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Fernstock and five landscape
paintings
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
through April 8
University of Maine Museum
of Art
Norumbega Hall, Bangor
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"The Marx Brothers: Duck
Soup"
Part of the MPAC Film Series
7 p.m.
Thursday, April 13
110 Little Hall

"King Kong"
7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.
Wednesday, April 5
100 DPC
Friday, April 7
Bangor Room

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Part of the River City Cinema
Series
7:30 p.m.
Friday, April 14
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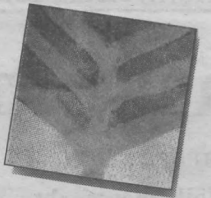
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they have a new
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BLENDED, NOT STIRRED

By Andrew Knapp
Staff Reporter

The margarita – an alcoholic beverage that was created in the mid-20th century – is fast becoming a staple in American restaurants.

In territory formerly ruled by the martini or daiquiri, the margarita is now king. A concoction of tequila, orange liqueur and lime juice, the drink offers a versatility that allows eateries to establish unique mixes according to their cultural persuasion. From the Italian sophistication of a wild berry margarita at Olive Garden to the down-home simplicity of a "Legendary Original" margarita at Texas Roadhouse, specialized spins make it today's most beloved mixed beverage.

The mode that offers such creative license in mixology is ice – and a blender.

The margarita's bartending leniency led to my own experimentation. With a simple recipe as a base, anyone can do the same. But first, before you can understand the madness that is the margarita, a comprehensive overview of its components is vital to make informed choices.

Tequila – the margarita's main ingredient – wasn't popularized in the U.S. until the 1990s, yet the mysterious liquor is now mainstream among bar clientele. Real tequila consists of at least 51 percent of the sweet fermented juice from the blue agave plant, a cactus-like plant growing in Mexico. The Mexican government demarcates tequila authenticity by stamping a distiller's NOM number onto the bottle. If your bottle doesn't have an NOM, it's not tequila.

Plata tequila is a silver, clear liquid that is shipped across the border immediately after it is distilled in Mexico and bottled by American distributors. As a result of aging in oak barrels, gold tequilas are darker. However, caramel food coloring is added to create the illusion of age in many cheap gold varieties.

Jose Cuervo's price tag is about \$20 at any local supermarket or liquor store. For recipes calling for extra ingredients beyond fresh-squeezed lime juice, like strawberries or bananas and blended ice cubes, cheap tequila such as El Toro, at about \$15 per bottle, will be sufficient.

The second ingredient, orange liqueur, adds a hint of another citrus flavor just below the bite of lime juice. Triple sec is a clear liqueur made from fermented exotic orange skins that are sun dried, reconstituted in distilled water and then triple distilled. Choice of liqueur can change the overall drink's flavor drastically. Opt for the lower-alcohol-content, 42-proof varieties to work well with the delicate tequila flavor.

Your best bet is not to splurge for this component. Allen's and Llord's triple sec, about \$5 for a fifth, will be sufficient. Cointreau, a super premium 80-proof orange liqueur from France, is made of orange peel oil blended with neutral spirits and sugar. Grand Marnier is an infusion of orange liqueur and cognac. At \$35 per bottle,



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Frozen
margaritas offer
versatility,
creativity for
bartenders of
all skill levels

The Basics:

2 cups solidly packed frozen whole strawberries, or 2 cups your favorite fruit, mix and match for versions like strawberry-banana

Thaw berries in microwave. Puree in blender. Pour into separate bowl.

2 1/2 cups cubed ice

3 ounces limeade from concentrate, thawed

1 shot orange liqueur

2 shots tequila

1/2 squeezed lime

1 dash lime zest

My secret ingredient. The zest yields a concentrated, intensely perfumed lime flavor, just as good, if not better than the juice itself.

1/4 cup superfine sugar, optional

2 lime slices for garnish

In order, combine ingredients in blender. Pulse until ice is coarsely chopped. Add pureed strawberries or fruit of choice. Blend until smooth. Pour kosher salt, sea salt or sugar into medium saucer. Take two hurricane-style margarita glasses and rub rims with lime. Dip rims into salt or sugar to coat. Pour margarita mixture into glass. Garnish with lime slice. Welcome to Margaritaville.

Makes approximately four servings.

both French versions create a distinct orange flavor.

Lime juice is vital. Do not use a sweet-and-sour mix. It boasts nothing but unoriginality and bland, lackluster flavor. But squeezing dozens of limes can be time-consuming and expensive. For a satisfying compromise, combine frozen limeade, freshly squeezed lime juice and a dash of lime zest when making a frozen margarita.

Ice is the primary constituent of a frozen drink. But it can be taken for granted. Buy cubed, not crushed, ice. It blends more easily into a slush of desired consistency. Crushed ice also melts more rapidly and dilutes your beverage.

Fruit-flavored liqueur is only for lazy bartenders. Substituting liqueur for real fruit produces nothing but a watered-down, dull drink. Plus, it's adding something that doesn't belong in a margarita. And don't think you're getting less alcohol by using real fruit. Recipes requiring strawberry liqueur call for less tequila. However, the marriage of real fruit and tequila is one of the most soothing medley of flavors – truly the most satisfying orgasm for the palate.

This is where the margarita's versatility enters

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Maine Masque puts on two productions

By Zach Dionne
Copy Editor

The Maine Masque, the University of Maine's entirely student-run theater group, will be presenting not one, but two plays each night from April 12-15.

The two plays are "Boston Marriage" and "American Buffalo," both penned by playwright David Mamet. "Boston Marriage" takes place in a Victorian home and tells the tale of two upper-class women dealing with potentially relationship-shattering love affairs. "Marriage" features Rebecca Bailey and Starsha Schiller, as well as Nadiya Dragan, a Ukrainian graduate student at UMaine.

"American Buffalo" is a story of three men who experience trials in their friendship after a failed attempt at robbery. The cast consists of Dustin Sleight, Joshua Snowden and Matthew Bessette. Both plays feature Mamet's trademark style of rapid-fire dialogue.

"These two shows were chosen because, despite their differences in style and setting, they illustrate the same idea," said director Allen Adams. "They are

about two very different groups of people who use very different methods to achieve the same goal: material wealth, comfort, that sort of thing. Yes, they are two very different shows, but at their core, they address the same concepts."

Adams feels that both plays address the concept of the "American dream."

Each play will last about 90 minutes, meaning that theater fans choosing to enjoy both plays will be in for a night stretching from roughly 7:30 to 11:00.

"It's a long-ish night, but it'll be a worthwhile one," said Adams.

With two plays, each set in different places, being performed each night, a unique and practical set is necessary.

"Our set is based around three movable platforms. Basically, what we have is a double-sided set on wheels," said Adams, praising set designer Justin Elie for his ingenious design and construction. "He's done a heck of a job finding a workable balance between form and function."

When asked about the original

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THEATER PREVIEW

WEBMONKEY

Students swap their gear at UFlipIt.com

By Tony Reaves
Copy Editor

Unloading your stuff at the end of the semester can be a hassle. The FirstClass forums are free, but how many people will see what you're selling? If you want more eyes you can try eBay, but they charge you to list and no one across the country is going to buy your furniture. The answer may have come in the form of the innovative uflip-it.com, a free online marketplace for college students.

The idea came to creators Greg Soroka and Jarrad Lewis in 2004 when they were students at the University of Maryland. The two were frustrated knowing there were potential buyers at their university looking for the gear they were trying to sell. Rather than post fliers all over campus, the two imagined a sales network for students that operated on both their school and the national level.

Soroka calls the Web site, "a place where individuals connect based on their wants and needs." On one hand, it's a free, college-only eBay where users need .edu e-mail addresses to buy or sell anything. Unlike eBay, students don't pay to post items and the site takes no commission

from sales. Banner advertisements and vendors pay for the site, as Soroka explained.

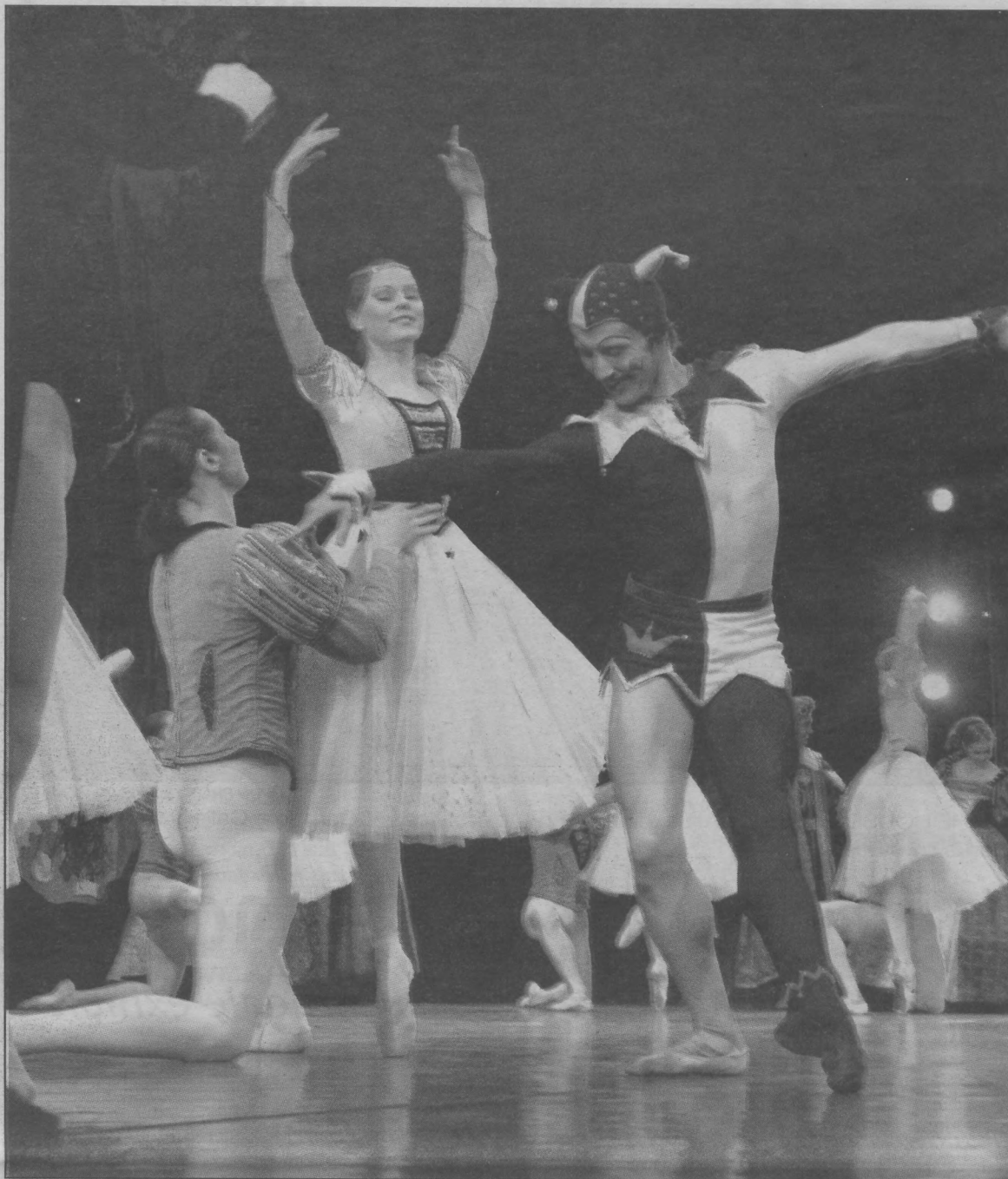
"We went through as we were building the site and found a bunch of retailers that sell clothing, sneakers, anything that was a product we liked that we thought other college students would like," Soroka said. "We made sure that they were verified so nobody gets ripped off, and we allowed them access into the site." Many of the vendors, such as MovieGoods, already do a lot of business on eBay.

However, some cater to a darker side of college life. One vendor, K and J writings, sells term papers and will actually write individual papers for \$10 per page. UFlipIt does nothing to stop these sellers and even has individual sections for research papers and essays on the site's main menu. The essays have disclaimers pretending they're only for reference.

One item, called "Custom Original Term Paper" says in its disclaimer, "Plagiarism is considered unethical and very naughty," later adding, "This paper as far as I am concerned is for assistance-reference purposes only." Students

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Shall we dance?



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANDREW GORDON

GRACE AND CHARM — Dancers spin on stage during the performance of "Swan Lake." The MCA was filled with over 1,000 people for the Friday night event.

MCA comes alive in 'Swan Lake'

By Rose Collins
For The Maine Campus

In the ballet world, it's easy to say, "Oh, they look pretty, I wish I could move like that." However, an audience can never fully understand how difficult it is to perform such daunting tasks. In the world of ballet, nothing is ever good enough — legs always could be lifted higher, turns can always be cleaner and feet more turned out. The performance of "Swan Lake" at the Maine Center for the Arts on Friday is a prime example of what kind of technique is required to perform such a masterpiece.

The story of "Swan Lake" is about Prince Siegfried, who falls in love with the Swan Queen, Odette, who was transformed into a swan by an evil sorcerer, and shall remain so until she is rescued by the love of a man. The prince becomes tricked when

he declares his undying love for Odette's evil twin Odile. Soon after realizing this, the Prince runs back to the lake, battles the evil sorcerer and is reunited with Odette.

Dancing the role of Odette and Odile — played by the same dancer — is no mindless game. A dancer has to be technically advanced and far superior to all of the other dancers and complete 32 fouettes. To help in understanding what a fouette is, just imagine spinning around on the tip of your toes 32 times while not falling over, and making it look easy. Mind you, this is no simple task. The dancer from the Russian Ballet Company who played Odette and Odile brought life to the character.

It's easy to just throw on some feathers, flap your arms around and pretend to be a swan. It takes more

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Starting Line to rock out Ushuaia

Pennsylvania band riding success of album 'Say It Like You Mean It'

By Zach Dionne
Copy Editor

On Wednesday, April 12, fans of Drive Thru Records' pop-punk-emo band The Starting Line will be in for a treat when they grace the stage of Ushuaia.

Making a stop in Orono on a long string of American tour dates, the Starting Line will bring labelmates Hidden in Plain View, alternative indie group Gatsby's American Dream, and Cartel, a pop-punk act on The Militia Group records.

The Starting Line, a young four-piece hailing from Pennsylvania, are currently riding the success of their two major-label albums and one EP. Their debut album on Drive Thru Records, "Say It Like You Mean It," instantly shot the group into a successful career, including extensive tours and festival appearances. The group's sound ranges from upbeat,

happy punk to slower, more serious songs like those heard on the acoustic "Make Yourself at Home" EP. The Starting Line were able to capture a culmination of their styles on their 2005 release, "Based on a True Story."

"Story" displays the group with crisp, tight production, a variety of moods, and more lyrical explorations of relationships, life and love. With the singer, Ken Vasoli, doubling as bassist for the group, the two guitarists, Matt Watts and Mike Golla, are free to carve catchy, intricate dual-guitar riffs that supersede the usual all-power-chord fare of pop-punk bands.

Looking at setlists from the current tour, The Starting Line should bring a great headlining set to Ushuaia, with a healthy mix of tunes from each of their full-length albums, including several rare songs

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Friday Night At Carnegie Hall



CAMPUS PHOTO BY KEVIN REARDON

IN THE HOUSE — Student Art exhibition on the first floor of Carnegie Gallery features works by student artists.

Too cool for school

Students get their art on at Carnegie exhibit

By Eryk Salvaggio
Staff Reporter

Early Friday evening, Carnegie Hall opened its doors for its last Student Art Show and Awards, considered the highlight of UMaine's student exhibitions. Overflowing with students, faculty and supportive community members, the event is easily a highlight of Orono's cultural landscape as well.

The work was spread out over Carnegie's two floors, with more than 100 pieces in various media being shown, ranging from two-dimensional work to sculptural work, as well as new media and multimedia pieces.

One of the first and most engaging pieces was an installation work by Nathan Stevens called "From Me to You." Set up in the corner of the gallery was a mock-up of Stevens' work space, with a desk, laptop, and bulletin board covered with photos of his girlfriend, Anja Ipsen, residing in Germany. Stevens sat in a desk chair, writing a letter to Ipsen on small strips of paper which were being sliced into thin strips by a shredder suspended on the wall. The eventual goal, Stevens said, was to write a letter that could cover the entire distance from Veazie to Eckenforde, Germany, and then to release it via homing pigeon, which would carry a stream of paper behind it as it flew across the ocean. Aside from the poetic value, Stevens also joked that this method was cheaper than the postal service, saying that the overall length of paper would be 3,413 miles, or 1707 rolls of computer paper. He's holding off on the bird for now.

Yeshe Parks presented two collage pieces in oil, incorporating texts from what appeared to be dictionaries and old books. "Deteriorating Daydreams" and "Uranographer" share themes of debris and fragile humanity, both incorporating the image of light bulbs as a paradoxical symbol of progress and landfills. Parks won three awards at the award ceremony later that evening. Another installation piece by Parks, "Family Ties," consisted of vials of blood-red liquid suspended by caged balloons.

In photography, Heather Jovanelli showed an untitled photo, which also won an award that evening. The photo appears to be the shiny bay door of a steel transport truck, surrounded by clouds, which were reflected perfectly over the steel, effectively camouflaging an industrial locker in blue skies. Another series of photographs by Kevin Reardon, the "Nightclub" triptych, told a story in three elegant and vaguely anachronistic frames that evoked a Wes Anderson film filtered through a culture of indie rock videos.

Payson Welch presented two new media works, a digitally manipulated photo and a digital video, "Mixed Feelings" which looped on an iMac screen. Other mixed media works included "Idol and Ideal," by Matthew Johnston, which appeared to be a weasel surrounded by steel wire. His other piece, titled "We're Going to Sleep in the Wind Tonight, in the Wind Who is Laughing Wildly" in a nod to early 80s industrial band Laibach, is a pile of tattered clothing filled out by an invisible man, complete with Starbucks cup with a dollar inside. The piece is disturbingly easy to miss, by placement

or by design, evoking the invisibility of the homeless on multiple levels.

As mentioned, this is likely to be the last student art show in Carnegie. With the opening on May 5 of Lord Hall as the new campus arts hub, most shows will be presented there. It was also the last show that will be presented with James Linehan as chair of the art department. Linehan was presented with a portrait of himself as a porcelain Bobblehead sitting on top of the new Lord Building. The sculpture was created by student artist Heidi Crahen.

Reaction to the show was almost unanimously positive.

"All of the work here is great, and having all these students out to see it is great," said Owen Smith, a professor of art here at UMaine.

"I believe that more opportunities on campus for students to display art would be good for both artists and the whole campus, but I'm happy with the amount of opportunities I've had so far," said Matthew Johnston. Artist Sarah Cormier disagreed. "Usually the only time students' artwork is on display is during certain shows at Carnegie Hall," she said, adding, "The art department building isn't a place where most of campus would be walking through."

With the variety and quality of work on display at Carnegie Hall for the student art show, it would appear we would have plenty of talent to justify shows in a more public and centered location on campus, such as smaller series of rotating, high-profile solo or group art shows at the Union or Fogler Library.

The Student Art Exhibition is on two floors of the Carnegie Galleries through May 6.

nights with a steady stream of four or five favorites from "Say It Like You Mean It."

The show will be for all ages and doors will open at 8 p.m. Tickets will run at \$17, which may seem steep compared to

the average local show price. Keep in mind, however, that The Starting Line are a quality band, multiple-time Warped Tour alums, and should bring a great live show for the students of UMaine.

CDREVIEW

"Show Your Bones" Yeah Yeah Yeahs Interscope Records

The Yeah Yeah Yeahs' "Fever To Tell" was something that confused a great number of people. This album was hard to fit into a mainstream category. The single "Maps," an MTV2 mainstay in 2004, led off an album of mainstreamed art rock, punk and noise.

Almost two years later Karen O, Brian Chase and Nick Zinner have come out with a second full-length album on Interscope records. "Show Your Bones" starts in an upbeat fashion with its first five songs, and each one could be a contender on a modern pop chart. The next three keep the tempo up and the mood feeling pleasant. Finally the album finishes with three somber tracks that bring you back down to reality



and demonstrate a much more personal side of the band. Like all albums, this one has its highs and lows ranging from the perky "Way Out" to the haunting "The Sweets."

"Show Your Bones" is a much different album than their first, because it is clean and well produced. Although this album loses the raw underground sound that the first album captured so well, the sheer development and progression of O's vocals, Chase's drums and Zinner's guitar fashion an album that contains a sophisticated mix of different textured sounds.

"Show Your Bones" isn't the product of a band selling out; this one can stand on its own without having to be propped up by the band's reputation. All in all, this is an album that works well and is worth owning.

—Kevin Reardon

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idea of performing two plays in an evening. Adams had plenty of comments.

"It is a novel concept. I wanted to do something different, something that none of us had the opportunity to do before. The ultimate intention is to learn from the experience. To be honest, a college campus is likely the only place where you can get away with something like this. To sum up, [the Maine Masque is doing this] because taking chances is what the theatre is all about."

Auditions were held at the beginning of March and the actors have worked diligently since their selection for their roles. Time has been an issue, but the premise of the Maine

Masque being an entirely student-run group has provided the motivation for the production to stay on track.

"The cast and crew have been phenomenal to work with; they have invested plenty of their own time outside of our scheduled rehearsals," said Adams. "Also, I could not have done this without [assistant director] Brianna Geary's help. Having [her help] is huge, especially when dealing with as ambitious an undertaking as this."

"American Buffalo" will open the performance on April 12 and 15, while "Boston Marriage" will open on April 13 and 14. Both plays will be performed back-to-back, each night, so theater-goers have the option of seeing both plays in one show, or going multiple evenings. Admission is free for UMaine students. For those without MaineCards, admission is \$6 for one show or \$8 for both.

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and a brand new song. The group has generally been closing their

Spring Fling ends with Late Night

By Eryk Salvaggio
Staff Reporter

Motorized toilets knocking riders into walls as a hard rock soundtrack blasts your ears. Hawaiian dance parties empty save for me, the DJs and an inflatable man-sized ape. Disembodied heads with stained blue teeth bounced in time to "Baby Got Back." The only proof of its reality, once your sandy candy high has ended, is the cold, plastic mug with your face superimposed over a pixelized Mulholland Drive. Once again, Late Night at the Union has taken fun to surrealistic extremes.

At the Union on Friday night, from 8 p.m. to midnight, students were treated to all of this, free of charge, care of Campus Activities and Events. This is the second of these events this semester, the other event held at the field house alongside the Sophomore Owls' Battle of the Bands. The showing this time around attendance was lower than the previous event, leaving some events almost empty for stretches of the evening. Which is a shame, as some of the events were well-executed and clearly the product of a good effort by Campus Activities staffers, but none of that could overturn bad weather and a flurry of other

Friday night activities on and off campus.

The Bear Pub was the site of "Say What!?" Karaoke, which was like regular karaoke, only the songs were completely randomized in an effort to make singers look like fools, which is actually a lot like

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regular karaoke. Later in the evening, the band Innocent Noise played some hard rock, as I watched people take advantage of the opportunity to ride motorized toilets while safely ensconced within an enormous balloon. The end effect was eerily similar to any "Xtreme" sports show with music, only this was — I'll repeat — people driving around at low speeds on motorized toilets.

There were crowds at certain parts of the evening, mostly after 10 and usually hovering around the

colored sugar and test tubes that left peoples' mouths stained in patriotic washes of red, white and blue. Music videos called "Bobblehead Videos," where people superimposed their faces to old school hip-hop tunes were a popular attraction. People weren't quite able to keep their heads still, resulting in rap videos where your own head was inexplicably sailing across the sky.

Lastly, no Late Night at the Union would be complete without free stuff. This time around, you had the options of photo mugs, postcards of you and your pals digitally superimposed over Hollywood landmarks, and street signs with messages of your choice. The staff of that table was under siege for the entire four-hour period.

One problem with the event was that navigating your way around could be tricky. Bringing all the events to a more centralized location might have benefited everyone, particularly the Hawaiian Dance Party. It seems to me that anything in the Multi-Purpose Room may as well be located in outer space. But that's small potatoes. Despite low turnout, I'd still say this was an interesting diversion from most late nights at the Union, where challenging people to a motorized toilet race doesn't usually make you any new friends.

WMEBSPOT 'Funeral Party' runs the gamut from goth to glam

By Erin
McNamara
Copy Editor

Professional, casual, fun, creepy, silly and then some, WMEB program director Mary Holt can wear just about any hat you throw at her with style. Her weekend show, "The Funeral Party," is a fabulous example of her varied tastes and talents. Her silly, upbeat on-air persona belies the show's name, proving that a Funeral Party is still a party, and somebody's got to have a good time.

Holt plays a variety of "depressing songs by depressing bands," including the ever-popular Dresden Dolls, who she knows personally. A lot of her music choices

reflect her personal taste, as they do with most DJs — she plays The Dresden Dolls because she knows them, just as she plays a lot of piano music because she plays the piano. Her selections run the gamut from goth rock, electronic and new wave to glam and piano music.

For the last two and a half years, Holt has been spending two to three hours planning these 10 to midnight shows, going to the studio early to plan the flow and style of the evening, maybe setting a theme for her show that night, like songs with the same name, or about the same subject. She says her varied choices stem from the fact that "I'm excited about music and I want people to hear it."

This is part of what led to her job as the program director, in which she reviews requests by aspiring DJs to run a show and approves them. As she put it, she "decides who goes on air and

makes sure they follow the rules." This job and her involvement in the station in general have really sparked her interest in radio as a career field. With aspirations of going into promotions for small record labels, Holt's experience here has put her well on her way to that goal. WMEB is entirely self-run, without assistance from any outside agency or group.

Holt said that some of the most rewarding moments on her show have been when people have called in to tell her that she has really sparked their interest in a band, or just to give her props for a job well done and an awesome show. As a DJ and station manager, she says that she has learned a lot about different styles of music, and her varied show set reflects that. The "depressing variety" she plays is definitely worth a listen, so remember — Mary Holt hosts a "Funeral Party" from 10 p.m. to midnight every Saturday.



CAMPUS PHOTO BY CORMAC O'CALLANIAN
NIGHT SPRITE — WMEB music director Mary Holt selects songs during her Saturday night show.

UFLIPIT

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getting any ideas should remember that UFlipIt works through school e-mail addresses, and that IT administrators can see subject lines like "Item won: Custom Original Term Paper."

Like anything on the Web, UFlipIt has potential for good and evil uses. If you can't find the couch of your dreams on the FirstClass forums, UFlipIt lets you search for couches being sold at specific schools like Husson or Colby.

UFlipIt's interface is clunky and difficult. You can search for specific items by school,

but you can't browse everything that's for sale at the University of Maine. Searches are slow, there is a high vendor-to-student-seller ratio and the site certainly isn't geared toward academic needs; the "textbooks" section carries 35 items while there are 485 under "neon signs" and "cigars and hookahs" boasts 229.

Still, Soroka and Lewis have a great idea with potential to be far more than a den of academic dishonesty, and to be fair, the term paper writers brag that they've been operating through eBay for years. Since it's free anyway, there's no harm in listing your books and household items on UFlipIt; just have the decency not to sell your class papers.

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than that to really bring life to the character. In productions that are well produced there should be no visible difference between the acting and the dancing. In shows such as "Swan Lake," it is very common for dancers to destroy new point shoes within one or two performances. To dance any of these parts in this show takes huge amounts of dedication, both mentally and physically.

Overall, the Russian Ballet Company has done a fantastic show, and was far better than previous years' shows, including "Romeo and Juliet," which had been performed last year.

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the playing field. Whether it's strawberries or bananas, you can't go wrong. Follow this recipe, replacing each cup of fruit with your idea of what would make a far-out margarita, and you'll best anything a bartender or waitress can place on the coaster in front of you. Summer is approaching, but spring is already blooming with opportunities for flavorful spins on fruity margaritas. Anyone can become a trailblazer on the margarita frontier.

To say it all through the lyrics of Jimmy Buffet, put some "...booze in the blender, and soon it will render ... that frozen concoction that helps [you] hang on."

Top 3 Commercial-Grade

With bars trending toward the margarita faster than any other drink, I analyzed some of the most popular Bangor area restaurants' specialized takes:

1. Chili's has the best strawber-


ry margarita in town. Aficionados can always spot an all-natural margarita from the amount of strawberry seeds. Chili's concoction has the most seeds of any in the Top 3. And at \$5.79 for a fairly sizable portion, it's the best deal. A margarita glass contains about 10 ounces of liquid. Chili's use of a tall, pilsner-looking glass means more margarita for your buck.

2. Margarita's Mexican Restaurant offers such a spectrum of margaritas full of color and flavor. Their strawberry version takes on too much of the strawberry liqueur or mixer flavor that is used as a substitute for natural berries in many bars. In their "Heavens to Margatroid," flavors of seven different alcohols give it distinction above any. Don't let the liquor make you leery, however. It's palatable for any of the lightest taste buds. Margarita's nachos and salsa, coupled with this drink, indeed will send you straight to heaven. And at \$6.25, it's a relatively inexpensive trip.

3. If you're not allergic to peanuts and wish to brave the waiting lines at Texas Roadhouse, their

margarita lineup is worth it. The Roadhouse is one of the only local chains to offer a strawberry-banana margarita, my personal favorite and specialty. It's made with 99 Bananas liqueur, not real bananas. And at \$8.25, it's not a cheap basket of fake fruit. But the portion size of 18 ounces is larger than Margarita's. The restaurant claims use of a "top-secret" sweet-and-sour mix. Most restaurants will utilize a mix for its ease of use, but it's not something to brag about. The margarita may seem out of place when tabled with a 22-ounce rib-eye. But after all, it is Texas — the next best thing to Mexico.

Avoid: Uno's Chicago Grill. After ordering a frozen strawberry margarita, the waitress handed me a watery drink with ice cubes. I reminded her of my original choice, and she returned with the same drink after the bartender threw it in a blender and added a strawberry. When you've had a real margarita, you know it. This wasn't it. And at \$5.79, I would've rather stayed home and made one myself.



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Horoscopes

By Julianne Siegfried

Aries (March 21-April 19)

You have spent a lot of time worrying about others, Aries. It is time to think about yourself. Pamper yourself today; everyone needs a little self-indulgence now and then.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Classes will offer a good distraction, Taurus. You have a lot going on right now but you cannot hide behind that diversion forever. Immerse yourself in other tasks today but keep thoughts on that growing issue in the back of your head; you will need to think about it again soon.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

You are a little on the tightly-wound side, Gemini. Everything needs to be done in a particular way in order for it to be acceptable today. Those close to you will feel the biggest effects of this; try to give them a break.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

You have a lot to do, Cancer. At times it may seem you will never get everything done or that you may have to sacrifice in one area or another. Stay with it, and if you get a chance, treat yourself to something nice.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

A dilemma is on the horizon, Leo. Watch your propensity to spend money, for now is a time to save and not splurge. This will help dramatically in the week to come.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Things are not going your way in the romance department, Virgo. However, do not judge by what you immediately see; we often see much clearer and are able to work things out when we take a step back.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Don't ignore your gut when it tells you to deal with a situation, Libra. Friendship is an important part of life and issues surrounding friends need addressing.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

This is neither a good day nor a bad day, Scorpio. You will experience a little of both; but when you feel yourself getting down, know that it won't take much to perk you back up again, so take the necessary steps to make that happen.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

It's not a typical Monday for you, Sagittarius. Everything will go your way and you will be in the best of moods. Keep your optimism. The only downer is it will be so great that it will pass quickly.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Emotional concerns cannot be fixed with a credit card, Capricorn. Rather than going to the mall to air out your frustrations, face them head-on and whole-heartedly. You won't regret it.

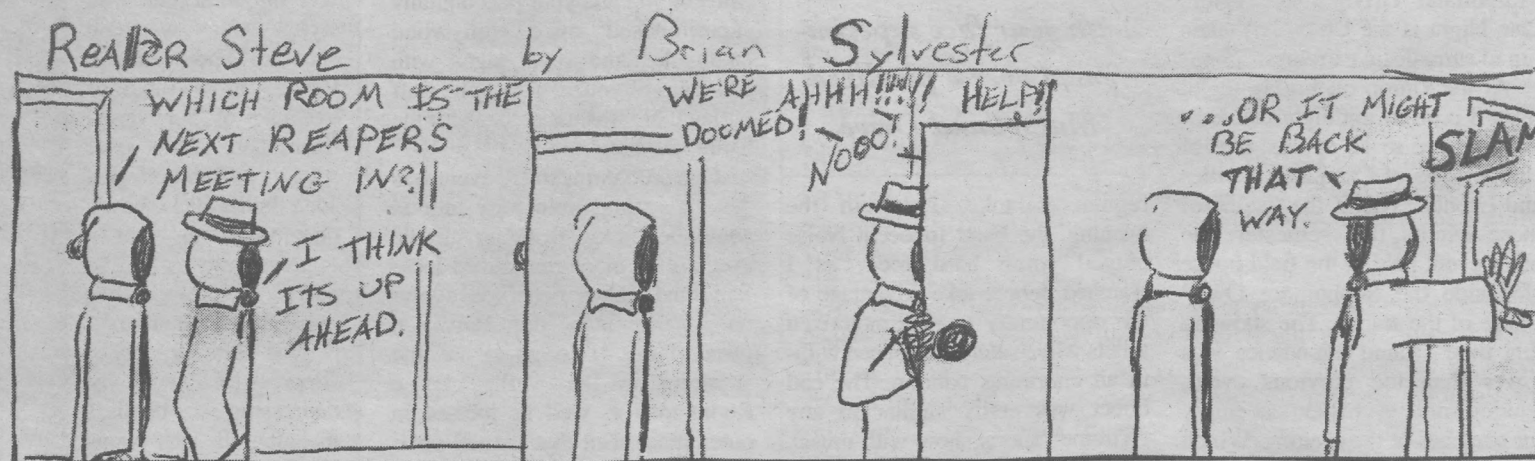
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You cannot fool anyone with your ambitions in the classroom, Aquarius. Though you are a driven person, determined to succeed, you should not use that as a cover to deal with issues closer to the heart.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

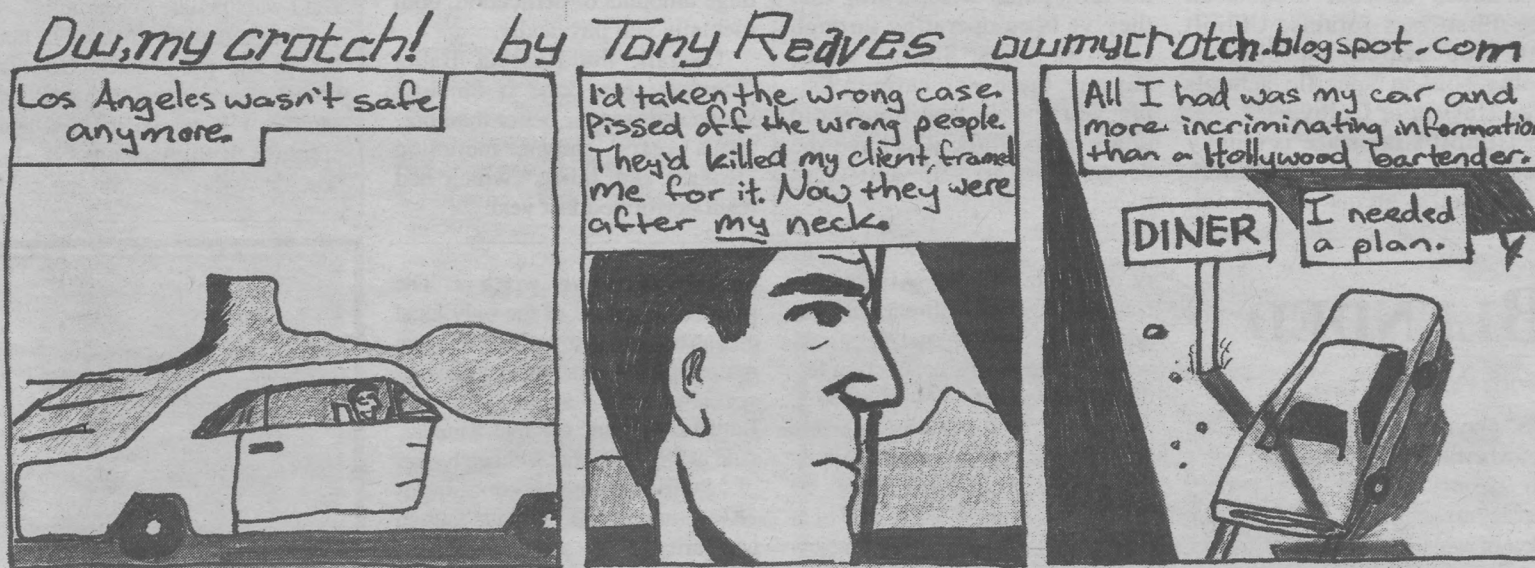
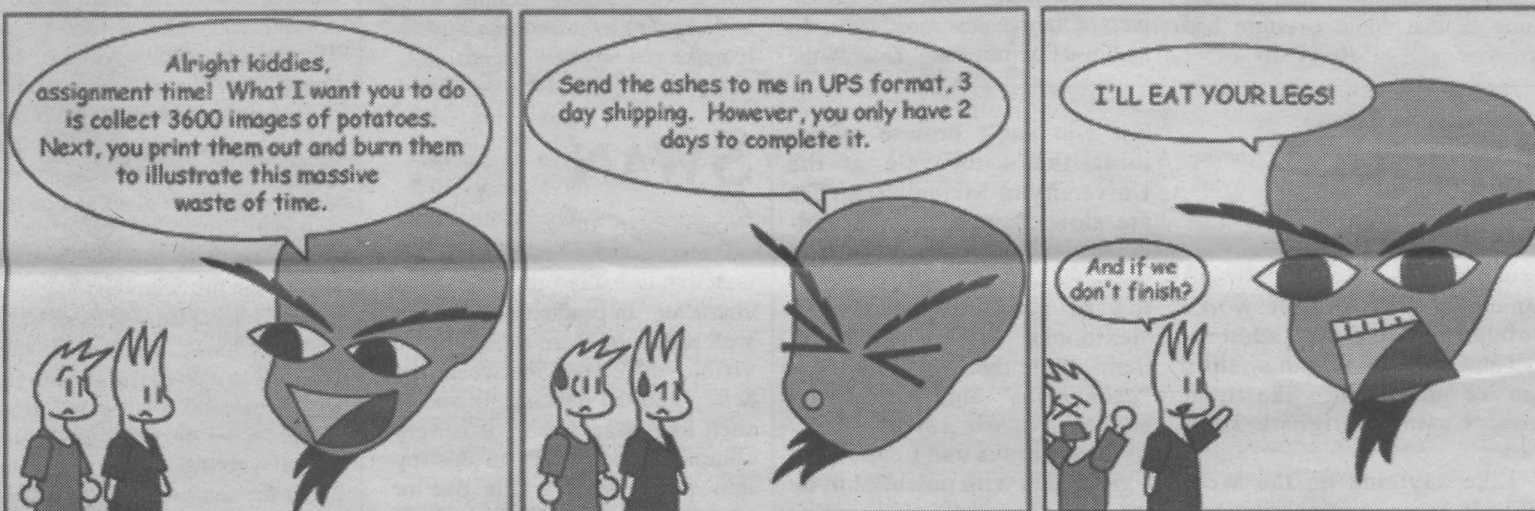
You need to stand up for what you believe in, Pisces. Don't get pushed around, especially by those who are close to you. If you let someone walk all over you, they will think that this behavior is acceptable and try to do it in the future. Don't let them.

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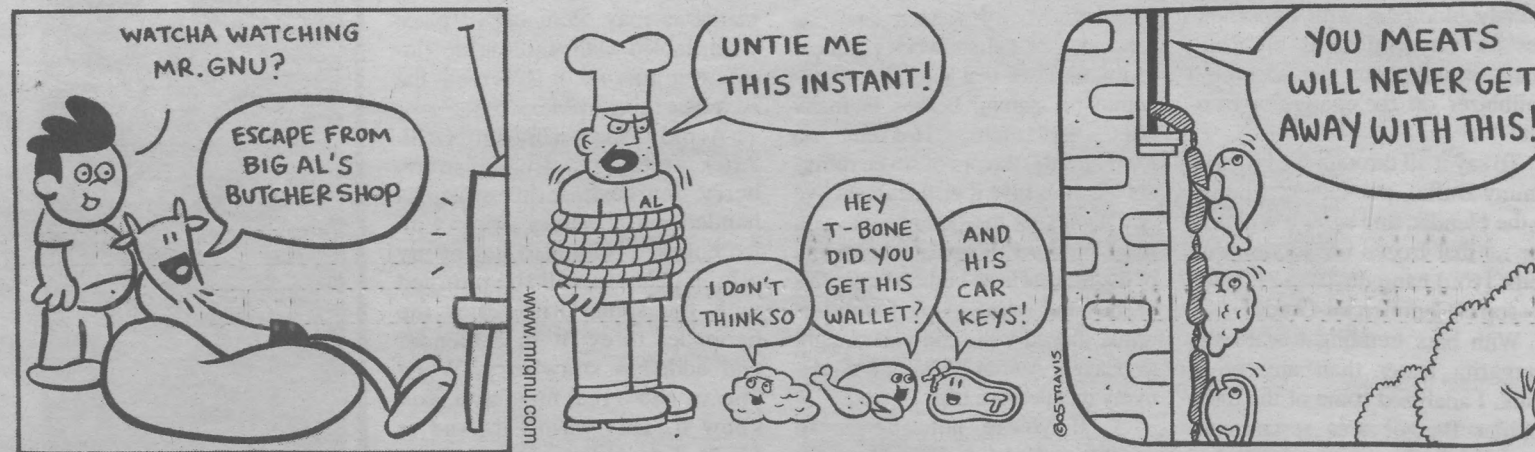


Momentary Dementia - Seems Reasonable

By - Steven Lindquist



Mr. GNU By Travis Dandro



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How do you decide to have sex with someone when you're torn between fear of disease and a need for closeness?

Female, First-Year

Dr. Caron's Answer: I would like to point out that a couple can be close or intimate without putting each other at risk for a disease. Affection and playfulness do not necessarily imply sexual involvement. In terms of sexual involvement, certainly it's hard to have a good time or enjoy yourself if you're afraid of catching a disease. Recognize that there is a continuum of behaviors you can engage in - ranging from safe to unsafe sex practices. It's helpful to take time to determine your exact position regarding the level of involvement you are comfortable with and to examine issues around protection. What are your limits? For example, "I will only have sex in a committed relationship," or "I will have intercourse only with condoms," or "I will only have sex with protection, i.e., condoms, and only after I've gotten to know my partner over a period of time." It's a lot easier to choose what to say to your partner if you've already determined what your limits are. And following through on your decisions means being able to talk about them: It's important to talk to your partner about what feels right for you. Other practical suggestions include: talking with your partner about their sex history, examining your partner's genitals for signs of infection, washing before and after sex, using a condom, and making an appointment for

both of you to have an STI check-up. You will enjoy your sexual relationship more once you both have a clean bill of health.

A student from St. Bonaventure wants to know ...

Is it normal for a person in a relationship to masturbate? Male, First-Year

Dr. Caron's Answer: Yes. Masturbation seems to be one of the most widely practiced and least talked about sexual behaviors. And it isn't just "beginner's sex" that kids do until they're ready for the "real thing." Men and women, boys and girls, people with a regular partner and those who are single, heterosexuals and non-heterosexuals, all masturbate. While some may believe that single adults are more likely to masturbate, the 1994 Sex in America survey found that adults with a partner are more likely to masturbate than those who did not have a partner. The researchers concluded that masturbation is "not an outlet so much as a component of a sexually active lifestyle." Some people worry that if their partner masturbates, there must be something wrong with their relationship. However, there appears to be no relationship between frequency of masturbation and frequency of sex with one's partner. In fact, some studies have found that married people who masturbate have greater relationship and sexual satisfaction than those who do not.

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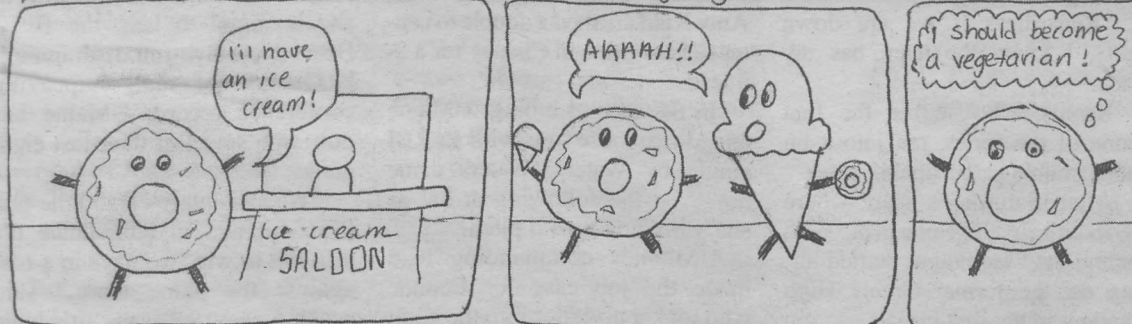
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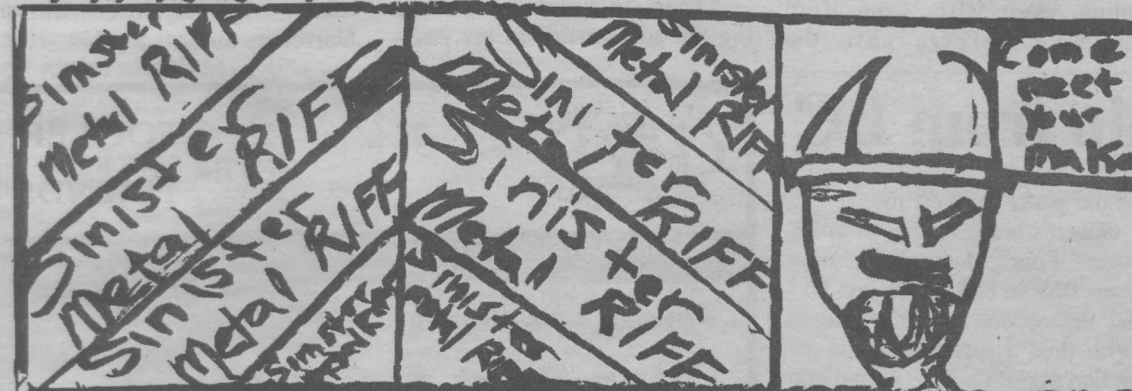


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UM perfect in conference after openers

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

Inclement weather in the Baltimore area that postponed Saturday's University of Maine and University of Maryland-Baltimore County double-header couldn't stymie the momentum the Black Bears have gathered as of late.

Rather, the juggernaut that has become the UMaine baseball squad rolled on, sweeping the Retrievers in three games over the weekend to run their record to 17-9-1 and a perfect 3-0 atop the America East conference.

Senior pitcher Scott Robinson shined in both squads' conference opener on Friday, striking out 16 batters en route to a 9-4 victory.

UMBC led 4-3 after the fifth inning, but the Black Bears put up four runs in the sixth to take command. The rally was sparked by Joe Hough's third triple of the season that cleared the bases and added to his school record total.

The Black Bears won both of Sunday's games, belting six home runs on the day in 16-7 and 6-4 victories.

In the nightcap, UMaine needed 10 innings to outlast the Retrievers. With the bases loaded, Danny Menendez ripped a double down the left field line to give the Black Bears a 6-4 advantage, and Troy Martin slammed the door in the bottom of the inning.

The Black Bears open their Mahaney Diamond schedule with four games next weekend against America East rival Stony Brook.

UM 6
UMBC 4

UM 16
UMBC 7

UM 9
UMBC 4

Black Bears sweep away hapless Catamounts

By Ryan Clark
Staff Reporter

ORONO — With the bases loaded, a Kristie Hawkins single gave the University of Maine softball team a 3-2 win over the University of Vermont on Sunday at Kessock Field.

UMaine's matinee win coupled with two 7-0 victories against the Catamounts on Saturday gives the Black Bears their third sweep of the season. The sweep also keeps them in first place in America East. UMaine improves to 23-12, 5-1 AE while Vermont drops to 10-16, 1-5 AE.

"I really just tried to focus on the ball and not on what was going on around me," Hawkins said. "It's really good for us to know that we can come and blow out a team and also being able to come back and win a game as well."

Softball

Before Hawkins' game-winning hit, the Black Bears clawed back from a 2-0 deficit to tie the game at 2-2.

In the bottom of the seventh, Erin Provost led off with a single to left field. Provost advanced to second with a sac bunt by Ashley Waters.

Then with Brittany Cheney at the plate, Provost stole third base. Once the senior from Peru, NY was at third, Vermont head coach Pam Childs made the tactical decision to intentionally walk Cheney and Molly McKinney with one out.

"I was actually pretty surprised but I mean they were trying to load the bases for the bottom of the order which has been hitting," Cheney said. "For me it was just, they were kind of bailing me out on that one."

After the bases were loaded, Vermont's Aimee Kern, who came on in relief in the fourth, struck out Tara Vilardo.

UVM 2
UM 3

UVM 0
UM 7

UVM 0
UM 7



CAMPUS PHOTO BY KEVIN REARDON

TAKING OFF — Brittany Cheney tries to steal second base (background) as the Vermont first baseman eyes the action at home plate (foreground).

The move by Childs almost paid off until Hawkins hit a single to shallow center field to give UMaine the 3-2 win.

Besides the performance the Black Bears received from Hawkins, they were also led by Sarah Bennis who, despite giving up two runs, struck out 13 batters for her 13th win of the season.

"Today we really had to earn the win and it was a good team win," Bennis said. "My mindset is always just to try and keep the team in the game."

"Regardless if we are down early, I know the team has my back."

Bennis, who started the first game of the series, ran into a bit more trouble in the finale.

After Saturday's start where Vermont's first hit came in the sixth inning, the Catamounts started hitting off the former Greely High standout in the first inning.

Vermont was able to put something together in the third inning when RBIs from Kern and Kate DeForge gave the

Catamounts the 2-0 lead.

Although UMaine cut the lead to 2-1 in the fourth, the Black Bears tied the game at 2-2 in sixth when a sac bunt by Courtney Gingrich was misplayed by the Vermont infield.

Saturday was a different story as Maine used an offensive barrage to score two runs in the first inning en route to a 7-0 in their first game.

With runners in scoring position and one out, a McKinney sacrifice bunt brought Waters home for the 1-0 lead. In the following at-bat Amy Kuhl crushed a double to center field to drive in Cheney for a 2-0 lead.

In the second inning, UMaine added two more runs with an RBI single by Waters. Waters came home on the following at bat as she scored on a wild pitch.

UMaine's commanding lead made the job easy for Bennis, who took a no-hitter into the sixth until DeForge hit an infield single.

"They did a good job of making the adjustments to my pitch-

ing compared to the first game," said Bennis when comparing her two starts. "It was just a matter of feeling out for one another and seeing what works."

In the second game, UMaine was powered by reigning America East Pitcher of the Week Jenna Balent as she pitched a four-hit shutout for another 7-0 win.

Balent struck out seven batters as Maine's offensive surge was led by Cheney and Kuhl, who combined for six RBIs. Two of Kuhl's RBIs came in the fifth as she homered to help the Black Bears cap a five-run, fifth inning.

Outside of their improving conference record, UMaine has now won seven of their last eight games.

"We absolutely earned the win [Sunday] and in conference it's difficult to win two days in a row against the same team," said coach Stacey Sullivan. "It's huge for us to win three games at home now that we are going on a tough road trip against Boston University and Albany."

Badgers snatch championship from BC

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

MILWAUKEE- If it had to be someone other than UMaine, at least it wasn't a bitter rival.

The University of Wisconsin claimed the men's ice hockey national championship with a 2-1 victory over Boston College Saturday night at the Bradley Center.

Badger Tom Gilbert's power play goal with just 10:28 remaining was the difference-maker. Gilbert walked into the slot and beat Eagle goalie Cory Schneider with a low wrist shot, sending the decidedly pro-Wisconsin crowd into a frenzy.

"Joe Pavelski made a great pass to me, and I just buried my head. I knew the puck was going to go in," Gilbert said.

Remarkably, the Badgers claimed the school's sixth national title without ever leaving their home state. They won the Midwest Regional in

nearby Green Bay before moving on to the Frozen Four here in Milwaukee. Wisconsin extended the WCHA's championship streak to five and became the first school in NCAA history to claim both the men's and women's ice hockey titles in the same season.

"The hardest part was watching the girls win a National Championship and then waiting two more weeks for us to have a chance to do that," said Gilbert.

The Eagles' comeback bid was hampered by a boarding call on captain Peter Harrold with just over three minutes left. BC killed the penalty but had trouble gaining possession and setting up in the final minutes.

"We gave them far too many power plays. You give them that many and you're going to get burned sooner or later," Harrold said.

A wrist shot rang off the post behind Badger goalie Brian Elliott, who finished with 22 saves, but that was the closest the Eagles would come to send-



ing the game to overtime.

Gilbert's heroics were set up by Frozen Four Most Outstanding Player Robbie Earl's goal just 1:17 into the second period. Adam Burish fired a pass toward the net that Earl tipped home as he slid into the net, erasing a 1-0 Boston College lead. Deadlocked 1-1 entering the third period, momentum hadn't sided with either team and it was anybody's national title to claim. Midway through the third, Gilbert did.

Briefly, the Eagles silenced the partisan crowd when Pat Gannon lit the lamp in the first period. Undaunted by Schneider's 37 save performance, Wisconsin manufactured two unanswered goals to claim the championship.

"In a close game where you don't get rewarded with goals and assists very easily, you have to be patiently persistent. These young men stayed with it and the difference in the game was a specialty team goal and quite a shot by young Tommy," said Wisconsin coach Mike Eaves.

BC 1
UW 2

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ASK

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Not this time around. It couldn't be possible right? I mean, how many times can the postseason gods sucker-punch Black Bear head coach Tim Whitehead?

Well, guess what, I now know the answer: three and counting.

That's what makes this visit to "What if" land even harder. I had come to truly appreciate and believe in several parts of the Black Bear machine. How could I not? The team was filled with tons of generally great stories.

First off, there's Ben Bishop, the mammoth man-child who had the unkindest of tasks coming into the season. His job: Replace arguably one of Orono's most popular sons, Jimmy Howard. As if unfazed by the task, Bishop paved the way for his own legacy. Along the way, it was hard not to root for Bishop. He instantly brought a much-needed Midwestern style to the ice. He was bubbly, he was easy-going and most of all a great ambassador for the team. His gentle, almost kid-like approach to hockey will only help the Black Bears in the future.

Next up: Josh Soares, the quiet junior with a lethal scoring touch. Throughout the year, Soares has continually proven that he was one of the best scorers on the team. More importantly, though, he racked up more than 40 points while possessing one of the best "awe-shucks it wasn't me" attitudes in the league. See, Soares is the type that enjoys deflecting attention away from himself and onto others. The only problem is that he deserves all the attention possible. He is, after all, the Black Bears' most consistent story.

The warm and fuzzy stories don't stop there either. There's the fiery Michel Leveille, the often overlooked Jon Jankus and surfer-boy Travis Ramsey. All of whom are automatically likable and easy to root for.

But perhaps my favorite story out of the whole bunch involves the man who steers the ship: Whitehead.

In my opinion, the New York native has quickly become the latest version of Phil Mickelson pre-2004. And I mean that in the kindest and best way possible. Whitehead is a winner in every sense of the word. You need not look any further than his three Frozen Four and two National Championship appearances to see that. However, he has been saddled with agonizing defeat after defeat in the postseason. In his five tremendously successful seasons with UMaine, Whitehead has seen each season end in its own heart-breaking way. Not because of coaching or talent. No, it's all because of fate. A simple reason, but it's all I got. Other than fate, how could a guy so genuine, so true, keep losing the big game?

In the end it is stories like these that make me look back on the season, and ask what if and why?

What if Bishop stops that fourth goal? What if Michel Leveille doesn't pinch in on the power play? What if the Black Bears score first?

These are the questions that will continue to plague my mind no matter the season or the year. I know that. I just have one request. Can I skip my trip to "What if" land next season? I mean, it's my senior year after all.

FINISH

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"It was just a killer; I really thought we were going to come back right there," said Bishop. "It was just an unfortunate goal. They got three whacks at it. Usually when a good team has three whacks on the third time it is going to go in. They made no mistake. They put it upstairs."

"Coach has been saying it all year: If you get in front of the net good things will happen and that was exactly what [Street] did on that goal," said assistant captain Steve Mullin. "The puck was bouncing and it went through a couple guys' feet. It was just right there for him to lift it over Bishop. Our season has been like that: huge swings of momentum back and forth. Unfortunately that one went against us and we weren't able to recover."

Johnson, who was on ice at the time of the score, felt the Black Bears had too many men deep on the play.

"We got all the forwards caught low and our defenseman tried to pinch," said Johnson. "We really can't take those chances."

Only 57 seconds earlier, UMaine managed to climb their way back into the game when defenseman Mike Lundin ripped a wrist shot over the left shoulder of Hobe Baker finalist and Badger netminder Brian Elliott. On the ensuing play senior captain Greg Moore, who received the puck from a Soares dump in, fed a crossing pass to Lundin at the top of the high slot.

"When we scored that second goal of ours there was no way in my mind that this game was going to end in a loss for us," said Mullin. "I absolutely thought we were coming back and going to take control."

"All of a sudden we are forging a classic Maine comeback," said Whitehead. "But any time we started to gain some momentum they countered right away."

After the game assistant captain Michel Leveille discussed how much of a massive hit the fourth Wisconsin tally truly was.

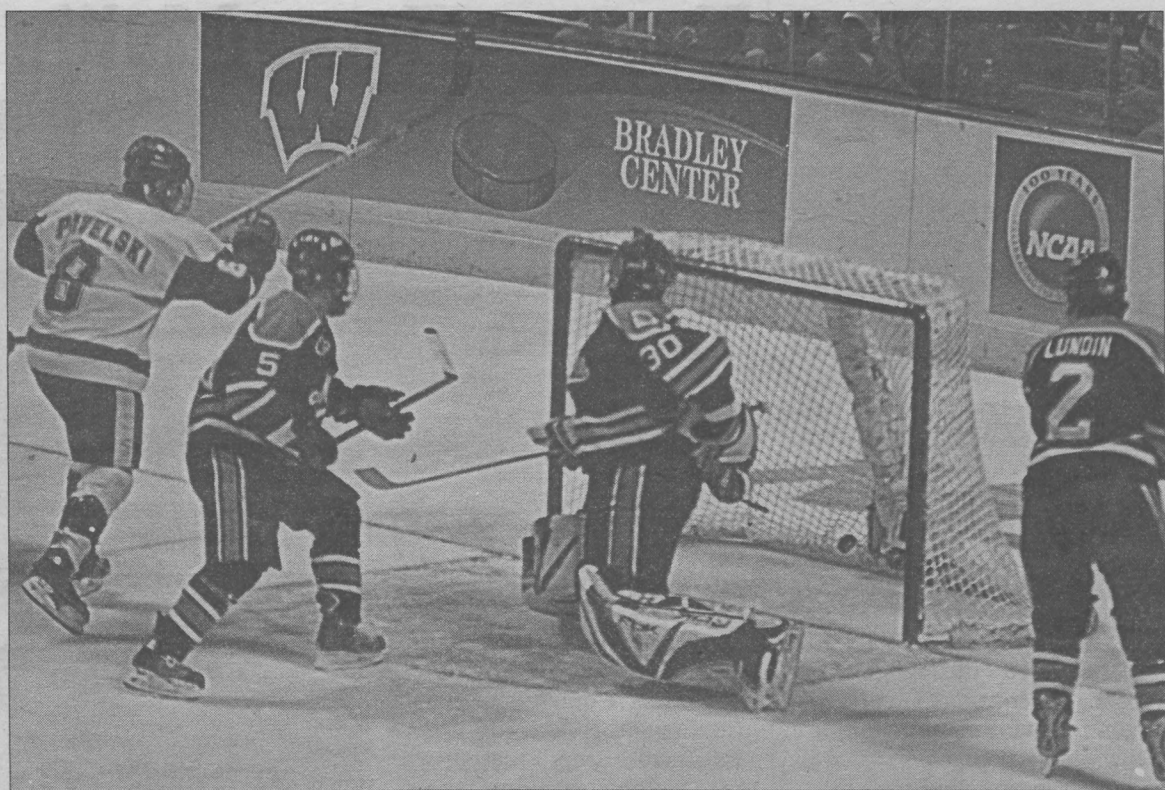
"It was really disappointing, after Mike scored that goal I really thought, 'this is Maine hockey, we're coming back,'" said Leveille. "It just broke our leg. Down by two it's a totally different game."

"We worked hard to get back in the game; we did everything we could to make it 3-2 and they found a way to chip in another goal," said Soares.

With the two-goal cushion in place, Wisconsin looked to Elliott to shutdown the Black Bears for good. Bending but refusing to break, Elliott stonewalled UMaine for the remainder of the game en route to 32 saves. The junior got plenty of help from a defense and offense that smothered the Black Bears' transition game.

"They are a well-coached team," said Johnson. "Coach Eaves is a great coach and I really think he stressed clogging the neutral zone because he knew we had a good transition game. At the same time I think we still had our chances to win the game."

"They definitely did a lot of



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

BACK BREAKER — Ben Bishop, Travis Wight and Mike Lundin watch as the puck hits the back of the net in Thursday's Frozen Four showdown between UMaine and Wisconsin. The goal quelled hopes for a Black Bears' comeback.

things right to disrupt us," said Mullin. "I don't really know what to say about it. They got on us and were able to get at us in our own end."

Bishop also touched upon the Black Bears breakout.

"It was really disappointing. After Mike scored that goal I thought, 'this is, Maine hockey, we're coming back.'"

Michel Leveille
Assistant captain
UMaine men's hockey

"I think they did a good job with it, but there was so much room behind the nets that I thought I had a little more time than I did," said Bishop. "A couple times the puck started bouncing and led to a couple misfortunate plays."

"They did a great job," said Soares. "One of the problems was how fast the boards were. We had trouble coming out to play the puck because of that. I think they did a good job of forechecking us. They had some good puck movement from their defensemen to their forwards."

The Wisconsin counterattack was also in full force at the start of the second. After watching the Black Bears regain the control of game with score nodded at 1-1, the Badgers' Ross Carlson broke free of Leveille at the far blue line and rushed in for an odd man rush on Bishop at 4:18. The tenacious move by Carlson surprised the Black Bears who were on the power play.

"It was one of those plays where I go to the blue line and I don't know if I have to play it safe or not," said Leveille. "Obviously I want to play aggressive on that play but the boards were so alive that I couldn't keep it in. The guy played well, he just got it by me."

Carlson having just barely eluded Leveille proceeded to deke out Bret Tyler, the lone defender back in the UMaine zone, and race in for a 1-on-1 with Bishop.

"He was in the slot and he kind of turned around to take a slap shot, I really didn't think he was going to shoot because he was all alone," said Bishop. "I thought he was going to fake the shot and try and get me to go down and then go around me. But when he did take the shot, I just missed it. I thought I had it. It just beat me."

Several of the Black Bears cited the shorthanded goal by Carlson as a pivotal point in the game.

"That's the price you have to pay," said Johnson. "We have a very offensive power play that's really been key for us. But at the same time we take chances."

"We had the crowd out of the game. With that goal they just got back in the game and the place went crazy," said Soares.

The shorthanded goal was the second one that cost UMaine in the postseason. In the Hockey East Semifinals, Boston College scored a huge shorthanded goal on their way to a win over UMaine. As well, in the second half of the season the Black Bears have had several shorthanded goals hurt them.

"I didn't really foresee it becoming a problem ever," said Mullin. "It was always 'oh they scored a shorthanded goal, it's a bad break.' It has now happened time after time and when it comes down to big games those are the goals that are really going to swing momentum. They are extremely tough to recover from."

The shorthanded goal may not have hurt as badly had UMaine registered a mark on the power play where they went 0-for-7.

"That's hockey sometimes," said Johnson. "We had one of the better power plays all year and we just couldn't capitalize tonight. If we capitalized on one of those power plays it could have been a different game. We had the chances but we didn't get the bounces."

In the first, Wisconsin opened

scoring with a goal by Adam Burish. The score saw Robbie Earl grab a loose puck in the UMaine zone and quickly send it over to Paveliski. With Bishop positioned perfectly, Paveliski elected to dish it over to Burish who bounced it off Black Bear Travis Wight and into the net. The goal came at 10:11.

"They had a lot of jump in their legs, which didn't surprise me," said Whitehead. "For them to come out flat in their own building would've been a shock. Given what we were up against to get out of the period 1-1 was actually pretty good."

UMaine evened it up at 17:37 of the period when Leveille rifled a point shot from the high slot that went off Badger defender Olinger's right skate. Bouncing freely the puck trickled through Elliott's legs. On the play, it looked as if Johnson may have also gotten a piece of it.

The Badgers' two other goals came from Robbie Earl. The first, which put Wisconsin up 3-1 at 8:16 of the second, came on the power play off a 2-on-1 one-timer. Earl tapped the puck in stick side on Bishop after the pass from Paveliski. The final goal was notched by Earl as well. Delivering the final nail in UMaine's coffin, Earl hammered the puck into an empty net at 18:16.

Although he surrendered four goals, Whitehead had high praise for Bishop who had 34 saves.

"I thought he was great, like he has done all year he showed that resiliency and determination," said Whitehead. "He was able to make some big stops when we were forging that mini-comeback."

The Black Bears finished the year with a record of 28-12-2, two victories shy of 30 wins and UMaine's elusive third National Title.

"Right now it's tough to start looking at the future already, but with Maine hockey it doesn't matter what year it is, year in and year out we are going to be in that tournament and contending for the National Title. I don't think anything will change for next year."

UMaine vs. Wisconsin

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UW	1	2	2	5

Scoring Summary:

First period — 1. UW, Adam Burish, 9, (Joe Pvaelski, Robbie Earl) 10:11. 2. UM, Michel Leveille, 16, (Matt Duffy) 17:37.

Second period — 3. UW, Ross Carlson, 11, (unassisted)

04:18 (sh). 4. UW, Earl, 22, (Burish) 08:16 (pp).

Third period — 5. UM, Mike Lundin, 3 (Greg Moore, Josh Soares), 11:29. 6. UW, Ben Street, 10, (Carlson, Jack Skille) 12:26. 7. UW, Earl, 23 (Josh Engel) 18:16 (en).

Goaltenders:

UM, Ben Bishop, 59:10; L, 4 GA, 8-11-15=34.
UW, Brian Elliott, 60:00; W, 2 GA, 7-19-6=32.

Attendance: 17,691

SPECIAL

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went 0-7 with the man advantage. They succumbed to tenacious Wisconsin penalty killers who amazingly never allowed a goal in the postseason. Going back to the WCHA tournament, the Badgers' penalty kill was a perfect 36-for-36.

"Specialty teams are so huge in college hockey. Our forwards are doing an awesome job on the penalty kill, throwing a monkey wrench into their breakout. It's huge," said Badger defenseman Tom Gilbert.

UMaine's power play was off balance throughout the night. Wisconsin never allowed them to establish a rhythm or a flow, and scarcely conceded as much as letting the Black Bears set up in the offensive zone.

"They held the neutral zone so we had a tough time carrying the puck into the zone," explained UMaine captain Greg Moore. "We had to dump it in, and they were anticipating that and beating us to the puck."

Whitehead felt that the sheer number of power-play opportunities and how closely they came together may have worked against his Black Bears.

"It seemed like every time we got one, the top unit was tired. Towards the end I almost didn't want the power play. It was bizarre," he said.

When UMaine was able to get some semblance of flow, Wisconsin took away the points and perhaps Maine's most dangerous weapon, Michel Leveille.

"They pressured pretty good up high and took Levis' shot away there," said junior Keith Johnson.

It was that pressure at the point that led to Carlson's goal, as he stole a loose puck from Leveille near the blue line and streaked down ice, making a nifty move around sophomore defenseman Bret Tyler before burying it between Bishop's legs.

"We definitely had our chances, but Elliott's a good goalie and he made big stops," Johnson said. "You've got to give credit to Wisconsin, they prepared well for us."

Adding insult to injury, Frozen Four Most Outstanding Player Robbie Earl cracked UMaine's typically air-tight penalty killers with a power-play tally just a few minutes after Carlson's shorthanded score. Though the Badgers were only 1-6 on the night, Earl's 22nd of the season made it 3-1 and parked momentum on Wisconsin's side for good.

Coming into the game, logic dictated that if the Black Bears drew seven power-play opportunities, they'd probably win. Out on the ice, it was a different story as that which had carried them all season was nowhere to be found.

On just one night, they were unable to execute on special teams and that's what cost the 2005-06 incarnation of UMaine hockey the chance to do something truly special.

Unsung Hero: Mullin shines in final contest

By Matthew Conyers
Editor in Chief

MILWAUKEE — With 18:27 left in the third period against Wisconsin and the University of Maine down a man, assistant captain Steve Mullin made arguably the biggest defensive play of the game for the Black Bears.

The problem was that it didn't end up mattering much. The Black Bears went on to lose the game 5-2 and the play, a marvelous shorthanded stick save with the net wide open, only managed to prolong UMaine's agony for eight more minutes. In the closing 10 minutes, Mullin's save quietly became an afterthought. How could it not? The Black Bears' season was over. Mullin's save didn't spark any dramatic rally. Nor did it stall Wisconsin's momentum. In the end it was just another chapter in the Steve Mullin story.

But that's how Mullin's career has gone.

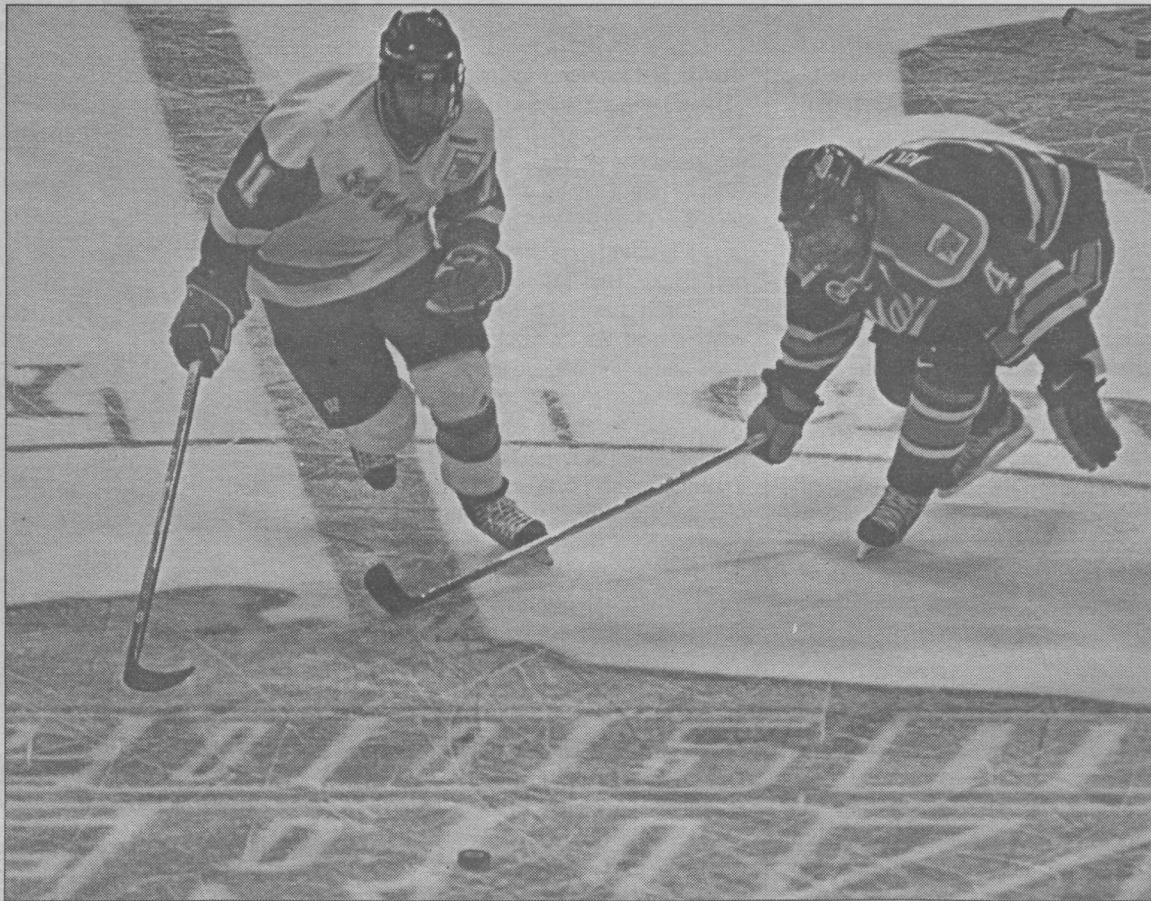
From the start, the likable defenseman from Cartwright, Manitoba, always drifted away from the limelight. That was his style. He wasn't flashy, or exciting, he was just Steve. He got the job done. He was vanilla. Over the span of his career Mullin registered a mere 16 points. Heck, he hasn't tallied a goal since his sophomore year. Steve Mullin is no Matt Carle.

He is however the definition of blue collar and workmanlike.

Thursday marked Mullin's 101st straight game. Dating back to Jan. 31, 2004, Mullin has spun the wheels for the UMaine defense. He is the Black Bears' Cal Ripkin, their Gordie Howe; their iron horse. And he wouldn't have it any other way.

On Thursday, only moments after playing in his last collegiate hockey game, Mullin refused to comment on his own career. Instead, he wanted to talk about his teammates.

"These guys have been through so much this year. Through it all our faith hasn't wavered in each other. We all stuck together," said Mullin. "It's been a pleasure for me to play with these guys. I've never been prouder to play for a team than I was this year."



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

STEADY AS SHE GOES — Defenseman Steve Mullin played in UMaine's last 101 games and was arguably the team's most reliable and underappreciated blue liner in that stretch.

Mullin's stick save came when the game was still on the line, like many of his most memorable plays. See, Mullin is the best when the game is on the line. In the eyes of many Black Bears fans, as well as head coach Tim Whitehead, there is no one more reliable and constant. He doesn't take a lot of penalties. He is always in great position. And he never, ever puts himself above the team, which was clearly evident after the game on Thursday.

Despite the loss, Mullin was already looking to the future for the Black Bears. Even if it wasn't going to be on the depth chart.

"These guys have a lot of good things coming in the next couple of years and I wish them the best of luck," said Mullin. "I am just sorry I can't be back."

Mullin, who is always willing to offer his words of encouragement and advice believes the returning Black Bears must never forget what it took to get to the Frozen Four.

"Don't take it for granted," said Mullin. "You get here and some of the young guys may

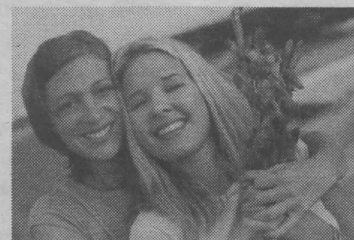
think it's an easy thing but there is a lot of work that goes into this. It's not just we will get into the NCAA's and start winning. It's a season of preparation and hard work. It's very, very tough."

Like any great leader, Mullin is what he is because of those around him and he is quick to acknowledge that fact. Mullin departs UMaine with one of the most successful classes in school history. Joined by Jon Jankus, Travis Wight, John Hopson, Derek Damon and Greg Moore, Mullin has managed to leave an

undeniable mark on UMaine.

"Wow, it's a great group," said head coach Tim Whitehead. "You go right down the line with the seniors, they were fabulous. Each guy brings their own unique, special presence to the team."

In the case of Mullin, his presence was felt often with overlooked plays that never managed to make it to the game report. That was what he brought to the Black Bears. And for some reason, one would have to believe that he wouldn't have had it any other way.



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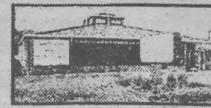
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UMaine's All-American Boys

Moore's monster senior season earns First-Team recognition

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

MILWAUKEE - When Greg Moore was named captain of the University of Maine men's ice hockey team last April, few predicted he had this in him. Then again, when the Black Bears stood at 5-4 in Hockey East play on Jan. 1 and he had just 16 points in 18 games, even fewer saw it coming.

Greg Moore Career Statistics

	G	A	Pts.
2002-03	9	7	16
2003-04	15	8	23
2004-05	14	9	23
2005-06	28	17	45
	66	41	107

But then the captain took his team on his back, leading the Black Bears on a second-half tear they rode all the way to the Frozen Four. Moore was rewarded for his efforts Friday night, named an East First-Team All-American by the American Hockey Coaches Association.

"All the recognition I've gotten throughout the year has meant a lot to me," Moore said after Thursday night's semifinal loss to Wisconsin.

The 6-1, 207-pound forward developed into one of the nation's purest scorers, finishing fourth with 28 goals and adding 17 assists for 45 points. His goal total was the second highest by a UMaine player in this century.

He was the first Black Bear to earn First-Team All-America honors since 1999.

"I've definitely exceeded my own expectations," said Moore. "I couldn't be happier with how this season's panned out for me. Obviously, the one thing I wanted was a championship for our team, but I'm still happy people have recognized me."

Lisbon's favorite son, Moore was the only player in the country to make the top 10 for the

Hobey Baker award, and be one of the 18 nominees for the Hockey Humanitarian award, given to college hockey's finest member. Moore's leadership on and off the ice and involvement with Maine youth hockey programs earned him that nomination.

Perhaps more valuable than his play on the ice was Moore's leadership in the locker room. His steady hand guided the Black Bears through some turbulent times, especially when many left them for dead in late January.

"Greg Moore's probably the best captain I've ever played with. He's just a great guy," said junior Keith Johnson.

Moore leaves behind a legacy of hard work and responsibility. He was one of UMaine's most reliable players in the defensive end and never took a shift off. His desire and will to win were relentless, even in the bleakest of moments.

"I just think our senior class was hard-working, every night and every day at practice we left it out there," Moore said. "Some of the comebacks we had in some of the games this year, the heart and character some of the guys showed, I'm sure the lowerclassmen will feed off of that."

UMaine had an up-and-down season, jetting out of the gates with an 8-1 start before stumbling with a pair of three-game losing skids and some off-the-ice controversies in the next two months. Aided by Moore and his classmates' calming presence, the Black Bears went 14-3-2 down the stretch to secure their eighth straight NCAA tournament berth and 10th Frozen Four.

"We've had a lot of ups and downs but they [the seniors] always stuck with it and kept us focused," said Johnson. "That's the main thing we take from them, and it's our job to carry that on next year."

"Greg Moore's been kind of a mentor for me all season long," concurred freshman goalie



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

ETCHED INTO HISTORY — Greg Moore became UMaine's 16th First-Team All-America honoree, and first since 1999, on Friday night.

Ben Bishop. "I've learned so much from this senior class; I'm going to miss these guys a lot."

Moore concludes his career a member of UMaine's 100-point club, netting 66 goals and 41 assists for a 107 total. Legendary Boston University coach Jack Parker called him "one of the better forwards to play in this league in a long time."

Set to graduate with a degree in kinesiology and physical education in May, Moore's NHL draft rights are owned by the New York Rangers. He attended a Rangers' prospects' camp last summer and was well-received. His dominance at the college level this year should only increase his chances of a long, productive professional career.

In the waning hours after Thursday's loss, in the bowels of the Bradley Center, Moore said his senior class was happy with their careers and proud to have been in two Frozen Fours. He said, "It's tough to be over it, but I'm just looking forward to," and then he paused, before adding, "I'm not really looking forward to anything."

That's the pain talking, though.

After the sting of the end of a banner career and as fine a senior season as a Black Bear has played in recent memory wears off, Moore will no doubt be looking forward to embarking on an NHL career. UMaine fans around the country are already looking forward to rooting on another First-Team All-America alum in the pros.

Leveille beats injury to grab honor, mulling return next season

By Matthew Conyers
Editor in Chief

MILWAUKEE - Throughout his entire career at the University of Maine, assistant captain Michel Leveille has had his fair share of surprises.

Michel Leveille Career Stats

	G	A	Pts.
2003-04	6	34	40
2004-05	12	12	24
2005-06	16	24	40
	34	70	104

So many, in fact, that it's almost become old hat. Whether it be a near season-ending injury or 20 game scoring streaks, the Frenchman from Levis, Quebec is used to it. Sometimes he even expects it.

That's what makes Friday's East Second-Team All-American honor even more surprising. Leveille didn't see it coming. In fact, neither did many media pundits or talking heads. Leveille's spot on the squad was unpredicted and unanticipated. Not that he didn't deserve it; Leveille certainly earns every accolade given to him.

Surprising was the fact that Leveille, a prolific scorer for UMaine, earned the honor after nearly seeing his season go up in smoke. In January, Leveille went down with a potentially devastating knee injury. The incident occurred against Boston University on Jan. 11 and kept him



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

POINT MAN — Michel Leveille's 40 point season earned him a place on the East Second-Team All-America squad. He can graduate in May, but has a year of eligibility remaining.

out of the lineup for four games. But like several Hockey East foes have learned, sometimes you just can't hold Leveille down.

Wearing a knee brace for the remainder of the regular season, Leveille tore up the ice and ran his point total to 40. With a goal Thursday in the Frozen Four semifinals, Leveille helped strengthen his All-American case. At the same time, he also provided NHL scouts a reason to look into his career.

The 5-9 junior center, who has 33 goals and 70 assists, is currently undrafted. The offseason, however, could change that as free agent offers may pour in.

As to whether or not he will jump to the professional ranks, Leveille said he is still undecided.

"As of now, I don't really know," said Leveille. "I am graduating in May. I got enough credits but I still have the possibility to come back. I got another year of eligibility. But if I

don't have any decent offers there is no point for me to leave."

Still licking the wounds of a heartbreaking defeat against Wisconsin, Leveille feels there are plenty of reasons for him to stay in Orono.

"Coming back would give me a good opportunity to be the captain and be the leader and hopefully be as good a leader as Greg," said Leveille.

Not to mention a chance to finish the story the proper way: with

a win in the Frozen Four.

"It would be great to take the team back to the Frozen Four," said Leveille. "And this time win it all."

To do that, Leveille said the team must remember that the past only goes so far.

"I am one of those guys that doesn't live in the past," said Leveille. "That's what you have to do. You got to learn from it and then generate some motivation then move on. What is in the past is in the past."

If anything, the future Black Bears might be forced to take something from Wisconsin's books.

"They really played their system to a tee," said Leveille. "You got to give them credit. You need a winner and a loser. They played better and were the winners."

Clearly undecided either way, Leveille is confident in UMaine's future. In fact, he seemed rather excited and optimistic at the idea of bringing the Black Bears back to the promised land. According to Leveille the squad already has one of the most important parts of the puzzle in Ben Bishop.

"He's a young goalie and has a great future in front of him," said Leveille.

There is one crucial aspect, however, that Leveille has failed to acknowledge. Any team with a returning forward named Leveille has a darn good future ahead of them.



Frozen Over, and Out



BEGINNING OF THE END — Ben Bishop and Travis Wight look on as Wisconsin's Robbie Earl and Joe Pavelski celebrate the Badgers' first period goal in Thursday's National Semifinal at the Frozen Four, which UMaine lost 5-2. The puck ricocheted off Wight's pants and into the net. CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

Power Outage: UM's special teams
nowhere to be found in Milwaukee

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

MILWAUKEE — In the week leading up to the Frozen Four, every player on the University of Maine men's hockey team talked about doing something "special."

All that seemed appropriate, since it was stellar special teams that had propelled the Black Bears to college hockey's biggest stage, the Frozen Four. But in the end, the third best power play in the nation and No. 1 penalty kill all but abandoned UMaine.

The Wisconsin Badgers completed a special teams hat trick— netting power-play and shorthanded goals and shutting out a potent UMaine power play— en route to a 5-2 victory in the National Semifinals at the Bradley Center Thursday night.

"It [special teams] is probably the only reason we're here, able to get to the Frozen Four," said UMaine coach Tim

Whitehead. "It's a bit ironic that that's what cost us tonight."

Perhaps the deepest cut was Ross Carlson's shorthanded goal that broke a 1-1 tie early in the second period. Rule No. 1 for winning a game on hostile ice is not allowing a shortie, but as it did all season, the power play giveth and the power play taketh away.

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"We lived on the edge on the power play. We give our guys the freedom to make plays under pressure and sometimes it bites us," Whitehead said.

"It meant a lot for us to get that shorthanded goal and keep

rolling," said Carlson.

UMaine's power play was drastically improved this season, operating at 21.9 percent as opposed to a dismal 16 percent the last two years. Much of that success, though, came from employing four forwards on the top two units. The lack of a second defender, in part, led to 12 shorthanded goals that always seemed to come at the worst times: in the Frozen Four, in the Hockey East Semifinals against Boston College, and in pivotal regular season games against New Hampshire, Providence and Boston University.

"We had trouble recognizing some situations. The puck would be at the blue line and we wouldn't have enough guys back to protect the net," said freshman goalie Ben Bishop.

That high-risk, high-reward strategy didn't pay off Thursday, as the Black Bears

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Sometimes, you just can't
help but ask, "What if?"

By Matthew Conyers
Editor in Chief

MILWAUKEE — As I write this piece, I sit barely an arm's length away from some of the best sports journalists in the country. To be specific, I am occupying a four-foot work space in the Frozen Four media work room. For all I care though, it could be Disneyland or Wisteria Lane. Location no longer matters to me.

Commentary

Not after Thursday, anyway. Once again, I have taken up residence in the land of "what if," a place where heartache and disappointment are blended together into one of the cruelest concoctions. The land of "What if" isn't a regular destination, either. For most of the year it doesn't even exist, instead it prefers to hang in the distance, waiting patiently for its next visitor. Sometimes it will wait whole years or longer for your visits. But don't worry, it knows you're coming. In

fact, most of the time it's well aware of arrival and departure dates.

Just take me for example. I am almost always camping out in Question Mark Lane around the first week of April and the third week of October. Sometimes I even throw late June in there for good measure. As far as the travel agents in "What if" land are concerned, I am about as sure a bet as you can get. And this April was no different.

After months of waiting, I returned to that familiar place where failed power plays and missed baskets play center stage. I guess I should have seen it coming.

Only two weeks ago, my beloved UConn Huskies had fallen victim to the Cinderella bug. At the time though, I took it in stride. I had another team still kicking around. I said, "don't worry Matt, the Black Bears will get it done." In my mind, the UMaine men's ice hockey squad had just come too far to discover misery again. Not this year.

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