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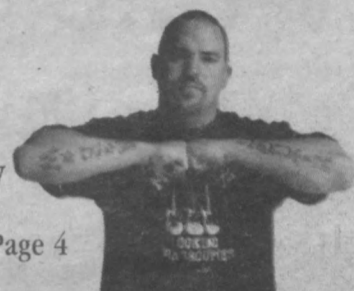
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Lice infest Cumberland

By Brian Sylvester
Assistant News Editor

An indeterminate number of people have been infected with head lice at Cumberland Hall, according to Resident Director Terry Watson. Some reports place the number of verified infections near 16, but for confidentiality reasons Watson could not provide an exact figure.

"I'm not sure of the actual number — only that there was a case of head lice in the area," Watson said, and to Watson's knowledge there have not been any reports of head lice in other residence halls.

Cumberland Hall staff are advising people who suspect they have been infected with head lice to go to the Cutler Health

Center for treatment immediately.

"I know that there's a lot of information going around," said Caitlin Dionne, first-floor resident assistant. "We're having people going to Cutler. We have bulletin boards up and a bunch of awareness stuff," she added.

Head lice, or *Pediculus humanus capitis*, are small, wingless insects that feed on human blood. They infest humans of all ages, typically young children, and are common in any area where there are large numbers of people.

Head lice cannot fly, but spread quickly by direct person-to-person contact. The most common symptom of head lice infestation is itching of the scalp, caused by the louse biting through the skin.

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There have not been any reports of head lice in any of the other residence halls.

Terry Watson
Resident Director
Cumberland Hall



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

SO MUCH FOR THE AFTERGLOW — The bar at Ushuaia glows for the last time Friday night.

Ushuaia carries on without alcohol

Under-21 clientele flock to dance club on first night without liquor license

By Tony Reaves
News Editor

More than 350 paying customers filed into Ushuaia on Saturday night. It was the club's first night operating without a liquor license.

The District Court recently upheld a denial of Ushuaia's license to sell alcoholic beverages, and on Nov. 13 the Orono Town Council again denied

Ushuaia a license on the recommendation of their lawyer and the District Attorney's office. On Nov. 17, Ushuaia's provisional liquor license, which was intended to last through the appeals process, expired.

The lack of alcohol on-site didn't faze guests who packed the club Saturday night, nor did it discourage those aged 18 to 20 from paying a \$10 cover charge for the Soul Saturdays

18-Plus Dance Party. Guests 21 or older still pay \$4, a price difference that used to account for younger guests who could not buy alcohol. Bouncer Travis Cowing said the club plans to keep prices where they are for now.

"We didn't want to discourage over-21 customers," Cowing explained.

According to Gray, 354 customers entered Saturday. He said 233 of those

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Fake IDs ruining it for everyone

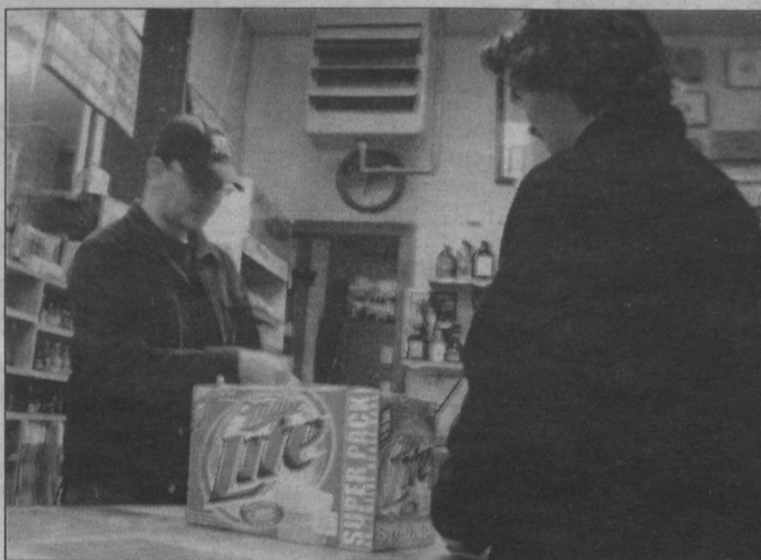
Emphasis on catching false IDs irks legit out-of-state students

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

Every college student has been in this situation, whether it's at a convenience store, a bar or just buying a ticket for an R-rated movie. Waiting in front of a counter while a worker inspects a driver's license or other form of identification can be one of the most nerve-racking or annoying experiences any young person can endure.

Many out-of-state University of Maine students aren't even getting to that point, as a number of area businesses are no longer accepting non-Maine identification as proof of age for alcohol and tobacco purchases.

"I'm fed up with places not



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ROSE COLLINS

THE REAL DEAL — Ben Sweeny, a fifth-year UMaine student, gets carded Sunday night at Burby & Bates. The store has never been in trouble for selling to minors.

accepting my New York ID. I'm of age and need to ask others to buy cigarettes or liquor. That isn't fair," said Jessica Cancel, a 21-year-old New York native majoring in early

childhood development and child education at UMaine.

Among the local businesses no longer accepting out-of-

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Protesters oppose new operations at G-P mill

By J. Astra Brinkmann
Production Assistant

Members of We the People have marked Dec. 1 their calendars as their last chance to send in their appeals objecting to the license transfer of the biomass boiler at the former Georgia-Pacific mill to Red Shield Environmental, LLC.

We the People, a self-described "community-based ad-hoc non-profit group," based its concerns on the importation of out-of-state construction and demolition debris, or CDD, to feed the boiler, as well as the boiler's inability to burn fuel cleanly.

According to a paper issued by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, the boiler experienced "difficulties meeting the carbon monoxide (CO) license limit when the

nitrogen oxide (NOx) limit limit was being met." It was shut down in the spring of 2006 due to the ambiguous state of the mill's ownership.

Now that Red Shield has purchased the facility, it plans "to operate the boiler to produce steam for electrical generation to be exported to the local utility."

Red Shield has also drafted a five-part plan to get the boiler back up and running, but in the meantime has requested a temporary increase of CO emissions until it has been tweaked. The boiler will be operating for eight months in order to gather information about the it's status. This is where Deborah Gibbs, a founder of We the People and former candidate for the Maine Senate, has problems with the process.

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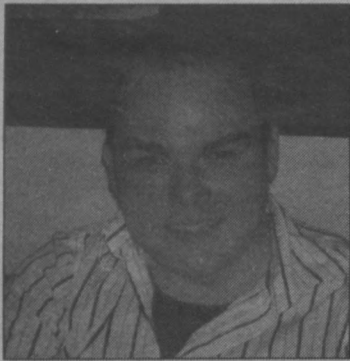
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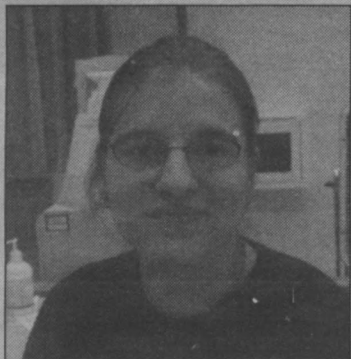
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change it."

Anna Pederson
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"Fair and Balanced ...
unlike other
news organizations."

Paul Groce
Political Science



"The Andrew Gordon
Free Press."

Sarah Potvin
Sociology and Spanish

Vice presidential candidates face off in first-ever televised SG debate

Eryk Salvaggio
Copy Editor

The Maine Channel hosted the first-ever live, televised debate between Student Government nominees. General Student Senate candidates Sean Rankin and William Pomerleau on Friday afternoon. While filmed just an hour before the "Mouthguard" program, where debaters can challenge each other to a round of boxing, neither senator threw any punches.

Moderated by Andrew Eldridge, student senator and executive producer of the Maine Channel, the debate was conducted as an informal dual interview, with phone lines open for callers to provide additional topics. This included Pomerleau's handling of the chair at the previous GSS meeting, where some senators suggested he should have yielded the chair for any discussion of an election in which Pomerleau was a candidate.

"In hindsight, yes, it was a conflict of interest," Pomerleau said, adding that he still believed the meeting was handled legitimately. "Anyone with any parliamentary expertise whatsoever in student government, particularly vice president Aaron Sterling, has supported everything that I did that night," Pomerleau said.

"While the meeting was taking place, I was personally distraught," Rankin said. He stated that Pomerleau was using his knowledge to "dictate the meeting," and that calling a recess was a preferable way for the senate to determine other options. "Combined with what he has called a conflict of interest to begin with, I think it was an inappropriate display," Rankin said.

Another controversy addressed at the debate was the one-day team-building retreat to Bar Harbor that GSS paid for using money from student activity fees. Both senators voted for the retreat.

Pomerleau called it "something that was needed badly," adding that the atmosphere in the senate at that point was "venomous and personal." He noted that more senators proposed resolutions after the retreat than before.

Rankin said the retreat was "not what I expected at all." He said that less than half of the senators went, himself included, and that the more controversial members of the senate failed to attend. For Rankin, the increase in resolutions was a reaction to Eldridge's failed resolution requiring senators to pass one resolution a semester.

A caller mentioned a video by Sean Rankin, which he described afterward as a "parody of political ads." The video appears to include a student drinking from a "beer bong," and features background music with cursing. The question was whether his ad would encourage the administration to take him seriously.

Rankin responded that the administration is aware that underage drinking occurs on campus, and "educated drinking" was more important. Asked whether he had consumed alcohol while underage, Rankin responded, "I'm not denying or confirming."

Pomerleau stated that "college students drink, they did in 1950 and they do it today," saying that education on responsible drinking was most important.

Asked about the ad following the debate, Rankin encouraged students to watch the video, available on the Facebook group, "Rankin: The Right Choice," and judge for themselves. As for how it would affect his ability to negotiate with the administration, Rankin said, "I'm not here for personal gain or to make myself look good ... My heart is with the students, not the administration."

Mitchell and Pomerleau, who are running on the same unofficial ticket, also have a campaign site on Facebook,

"Mitchell-Pomerleau 2006." Students may vote for any combination of candidates on Election Day.

For platforms, Pomerleau said he and running mate Mitchell agreed on several ideas. One of them involves the use of parking fees to develop a beautification fund. The money could be spent on a project voted on by students. As vice president, Pomerleau would open up dialogue with students, including a "state of the senate" address, an e-mail to students highlighting senate accomplishments. He said he would negotiate with Dining Services for lower prices.

"For dining, it's about meeting with people and saying 'no, we need to get these prices down, this is unreasonable,'" Pomerleau said, concerning Dining Services.

"[The food services] are not adequate. The price is not adequate and in some instances the quality is not adequate. And we are really fighting hard as a group, as a committee, and as individuals, to change how Dining Services conducts itself and really services the students," said Rankin, a member of the senate committee dealing with student services.

Rankin said he believed "the mentality that the senate has gotten into is repetition," saying one of his goals as a vice president would be to make it more relevant to students. He said he talked to 200 students and almost none of them could even name a student senator. "Senate needs to promote an image, and senate needs to get more involved with the student body. Because we're working for them, and they need to be our guides," Rankin agreed that a better system of getting information to students was necessary.

The Maine Channel, channel 42 on campus, has scheduled repeated showings of the debate. It is also available on YouTube, by searching for "UMaine VP Debate."

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Budget cuts hit administrative level to UMaine faculty's relief

By Brian Sylvester
Assistant News Editor

Early last week, Terrence MacTaggart, chancellor of the Board of Directors for the University of Maine System, circulated an e-mail to all UMS employees informing them of a series of administrative budget cuts. The cuts, totaling \$2.7 million, all came from the administration budget for the system, rather than from any of the individual campuses. These cuts included getting rid of five full-time positions and five part-time positions. The move has garnered applause from some members of the UMaine faculty and staff, but with some reservations.

"The chancellor made the cuts himself to his existing budget," said John Diamond, treasurer for the UMS Board of Trustees. "There were some other initiatives that had been established and when Chancellor MacTaggart arrived this summer. One of the things he wanted to do was look at the ways where we could prioritize and save money at the system office level without hurting the individual universities."

In the past several years, there has been a prevalent perception among UMS employees that the system was spending more money on its own administrative budget and,

consequently, reducing the amount of money available to the individual campuses.

"Faculty numbers have been decreasing since the '90s due to state budget cuts," said James McClymer, vice president of the faculty union. "The recent cost savings validates what AFUM has been saying for years; the system has been growing at the expense of the campuses, where all the meaningful work is done."

Under its previous chancellor, Joseph Westphal, there was a concerted effort at the system level to centralize administration. "Over the last few years, there have been some projects that have been adopted at the system level to benefit all of the universities of the system," Diamond said. He cited PeopleSoft as an example of a centralized project that benefited all of the UM campuses. "The decision was made to centralize... because it would be more cost-effective in the long run."

McClymer disagreed with these motives. "Some board members want to centralize many things, ostensibly to save money, but I believe to gain greater control," he said. He also criticized the end result of that centralization.

"The centralization movement ended up being more expensive than its proponents

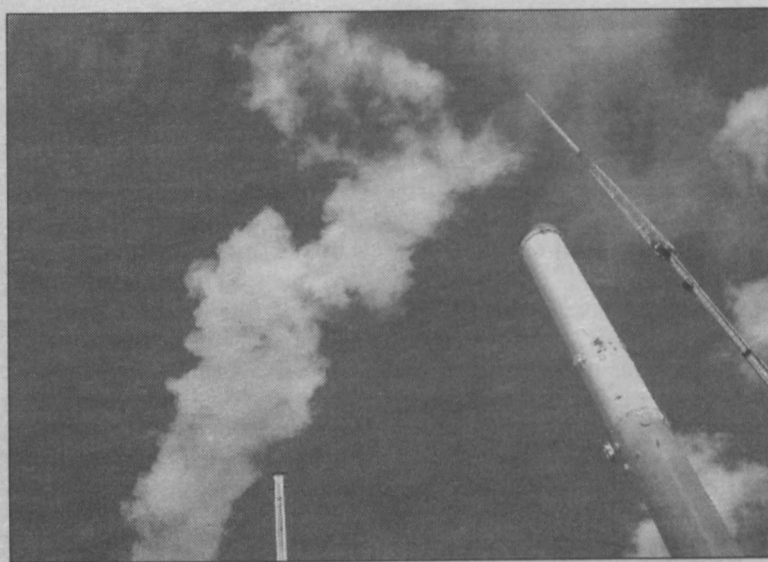
realized, less responsive and less able to deal with the nuances of how each campus responds to its students and their needs."

According to McClymer, MacTaggart appears to agree. "MacTaggart believed in decentralization and allowing each campus to be the best it could be. I congratulate Chancellor MacTaggart and the Board for having the courage and ability to make these changes."

MacTaggart's budget cuts will not substantially impact the UMaine campus, but they could end up giving UMaine access to more budget funds for campus projects. In theory, the money saved by cutting the administrative budget will be re-invested into the individual campuses in the system.

"I fear, however, that the money will just get swallowed up in a series of ongoing UM budget cuts," McClymer said. McClymer voiced some concerns about the ongoing budget problems at UMaine which have led to cutting faculty positions.

"I think investing in people is key. It is the faculty that teach, advise and mentor, do the research/scholarship and interact with the greater community," he said. "Restoring many of the positions is necessary if UM is to remain a quality university."



CAMPUS PHOTO BY LAURA GIORGIO

BOILER POINT — Steam billows out of the biomass boiler shortly after it was installed.

MILL

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"The surrounding communities are guinea pigs... We don't know the effects [of the increased CO emissions] until later down the road," Gibbs said.

CO emissions, as described by the Environmental Protection Agency, can lead to serious health effects. "People who breathe levels of high CO can develop vision problems, reduced ability to work or learn, reduced manual dexterity... At extremely high levels, CO is poisonous and can cause death."

Students William Matthewson and Megan Lytle see many problems with the boiler's operation; most of

them deal with the lack of public knowledge on the topic. "The boiler is less than two miles away from campus, and it has a direct effect on students," Lytle said.

Gibbs believes that the boiler is part of a much larger issue. As of a meeting held Monday, Nov. 13, We the People is working on procedures to define ambiguous terms, like what comprises out-of-state trash.

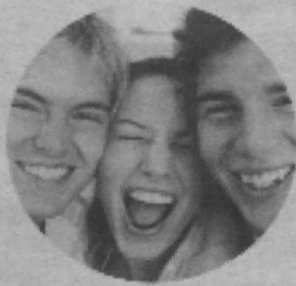
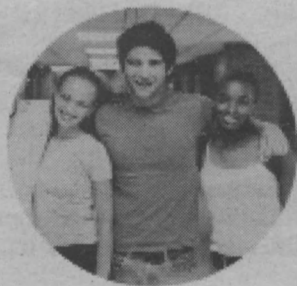
Whether or not the Board of Environmental Protection will address the grievances of We the People depends on the standing their submissions receive. The group has been discussing the issues relating to solid waste management since 2004. For more information on We the People, see their Web site at <http://wethepeople-maine.com>.

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UM research professor helps combat frog-killing fungus

By Emma Potvin
For the Maine Campus

What do a cow's stomach, a rainforest canopy, and a puddle have in common? They are all places where a classification of fungus known as chytrids can be found.

In 1997, when poison dart frogs started dying at a zoo in Washington, veterinary pathologists didn't know why. They requested the help of the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, which in turn sent a letter to UMaine research professor Joyce Longcore asking if she would help.

Longcore found that the skin of the dying frogs contained the *Batrachochytrium dendrobatidis* fungus, a member of the chytrid group.

"There are over 1000 known species of chytrids, and probably 10 times that which haven't been isolated. Only one species affects amphibians," Longcore said.

Longcore succeeded in isolating the fungus into pure culture. "That was my major contribution to this whole process actually," she said.

In December of 2004, Longcore was invited to Panama City to study a dying frog population.

One day, Longcore accompanied her graduate students into the field. She photographed a particular frog in its natural habitat, and brought it back to the lab for testing.

"When we got the [news] that the Broad Institute was going to do the sequencing, I chose to give them the frog that I had taken pictures of," Longcore said.

Timothy James of Duke University extracted the DNA from Longcore's samples. The genetic code of the fungi was then sequenced by the Broad Institute's Fungal Genome Initiative Team.

The Broad Institute is the result of a collaboration between MIT and Harvard. Its genome sequencing platform—a pioneer in large-scale genome sequencing and analysis—serves as the flagship of the international Human Genome Project, according to <http://www.broad.mit.edu>.

Longcore said they chose to use the panama frog because they knew that it was genetically "as far as we could get" from a yellow-legged frog that they were sequencing in California.

The genome sequence was recently released to the public. It consists of more than 20 million base pairs.

Sequencing work provides a way to study the development of the disease and learn more about this particular fungus.

Longcore said that the *Batrachochytrium dendrobatidis* fungus appears to reproduce asexually and that there is very little genetic variance. The South American fungus is very similar to the Californian fungus.

There are still a lot of questions to be answered. Where did the organism evolve? Is its spread recent? Or has the climate changed, causing something existing to become more varied?

Now that the genome has been sequenced, scientists may be able to answer these questions.



POLICEBEAT

By Alisha Tondro
Staff Reporter



Thriftway break-in

On Nov. 14 at 1:53 a.m. a front room, motion-triggered alarm was tripped at Thriftway. When the officer arrived, he found the lower half of the front door shattered. He entered and searched the store but did not find anyone. The officer found an ice machine by the front door that had been broken as well. Near the ice machine, the officer found an empty bottle of E&J Brandy. The glass for the ice machine is very thick and it is possible that someone tried to break the glass, throwing the bottle at the machine when the glass did not break. The security video did not show anyone entering the building and there are currently no suspects. If anyone has information regarding the break-in, please contact the Orono Police Department.

Robbery at Ampersand

An officer received a report of a robbery at Ampersand on Nov. 15. The call came in shortly before 9:00 a.m. when the owner noticed a man put things into his backpack. When the subject noticed the owner watching, he began putting these items back onto the shelf. He then tried to exit the building, but the owner and another employee managed to detain him by blocking the exit. When the police arrived, the subject was identified as Karl Livonius, 22, of Orono. The officer checked Livonius' backpack and found nearly \$40 worth of merchandise still inside. Livonius was summonsed for theft and given a trespass warning and told not to return to the location.

Tequila and Dr Pepper

On Nov. 11 at 2:35 a.m. an officer on duty at Orchard Trails noticed two male subjects sitting outside Building 2. One of the men held a clear bottle containing a dark liquid. The other man had a beer can sitting beside him. As the officer approached, the young men stood and started to walk away. The young man with the bottle started dumping the liquid out and the officer stopped him. He was identified as Samuel

Stahl, 19, of Millinocket. Stahl told the officer that the liquid was Dr Pepper, but the officer was able to smell alcohol within the bottle. The officer found a half full bottle of tequila and a two-liter bottle of Dr Pepper in Stahl's backpack. Stahl was allowed to keep the Dr Pepper, but the tequila was seized. Stahl was summonsed for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor. This was Stahl's third alcohol offense.

Minor issued warnings, summons

On Nov. 12 at 1:36 a.m. an officer on patrol on Elm Street saw a male subject holding a beer can. When the young man saw the officer, he dropped the can. When the officer confronted him, he said that he was old enough to be drinking but he didn't have his ID to prove it. The officer warned the young man and he produced his ID. Lee Hoagland, 20, of Plymouth, Mass., was warned for not providing his correct name and date of birth. He was also warned for not producing proper ID when asked. Hoagland received a summons for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor. Hoagland reportedly cursed at the officer as he walked away.

Headlight violation leads to alcohol summons

On Nov. 11 at 10:40 p.m. an officer pulled a car over for having its headlights off. The driver was identified as Michael Carr, 19, of Falmouth. The officer asked for Carr's license and registration and warned him about the headlights. The officer then asked if there was alcohol in the car and the passenger said yes. Carr was issued a summons for illegal transportation of alcohol by a minor.

Party leads to summons

On Nov. 11 at 11:52 p.m. police received a noise complaint on Hillside Road. When an officer arrived at the corner of Crosby and Hillside, a group of people quickly went into the apartment and turned off the lights but continued talking loudly. The officer knocked on the

door until someone came out. The tenant, Leah McKay, 21, of Orono, was warned about the noise. As this officer issued the warning, another officer was at the back of the apartment and saw a young man exit from a back door carrying alcohol. The young man was identified as Michael Powers, 20, of Portland. Powers was issued a summons for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor. McKay was issued a summons for furnishing a place for minors to possess or consume alcohol. McKay was also given a warning for disorderly conduct for the noise.

Minor tries to hide beer can

On Nov. 12 at 12:24 a.m. as officers were assisting the fire department with a fire alarm problem at Orchard Trails, an officer noticed a young man with a beer can walking across the parking lot. When the young man saw the officer, he tried to hide the beer can on the trunk of a car. The officer approached the young man and identified him as Douglas Joerss, 19. When asked how much he'd had to drink, Joerss denied having any alcohol at all but eventually admitted to drinking. Joerss was summonsed for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor.

Minor drinking vodka and Gatorade

During a routine patrol through Orchard Trails on Nov. 12 at 1:52 a.m. an officer saw a group of people walking out of Building 10. Within the group, the officer saw two young women holding bottles containing liquid. As the officer approached, these young women attempted to hide the bottles. The young women were identified and both received summons. Emily Bennett, 19, had been holding a Nalgene-type bottle. Bennett originally said that the bottle contained Gatorade but gave the bottle to the officer. The officer could smell an intoxicating liquid and prompted further for the contents. Bennett admitted to having put vodka into the Gatorade. Bennett was summonsed for illegal possession of alcohol by a minor.

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LICE

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Repeated scratching of the infected scalp can lead to skin sores and infection. Lice are generally considered more of a nuisance than a real medical risk. They do not spread disease.

They can spread from person to person through infested clothing, hats, pillows, sheets or any other item that has come into close contact with the head

or body of someone with a head lice infestation.

Getting rid of the head lice requires treatment of all the people in the infected area. This will include treating clothes, bedding, outerwear and other products that are exposed to infected persons. Clothing should be washed in hot water (130 degrees Fahrenheit) and non-washable articles should be dry-cleaned or sealed in an airtight bag for two weeks. All carpets and upholstery should be vacuumed carefully. Soak combs and

hairbrushes in rubbing alcohol or Lysol for one hour.

There are many different kinds of treatment for the scalp and hair of those with head lice. However, it is not necessary to use any of these treatments unless one is actually infected. Head lice infestation is easy to diagnose, as the insects can be seen on the head of an infected person, typically close to the scalp, behind the ears, on the top of the head or the back of the neck. Treatment is available at Cutler Health Center.

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Page Farm Museum to offer wreath workshop

By Laila Sholtz-Ames
For the Maine Campus

It's clearly Christmastime when pine wreaths are seen hanging on house and office doors. This Nov. 28-30 the University of Maine's Page Farm and Home Museum is offering UMaine students and community members a chance to try their hand at making their own wreath. Deborah Smith, owner of the Smith Farm Greenhouse in Dover-Foxcroft, is teaching the workshop, which will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. all three days.

While this is Smith's first time teaching at the Page Farm and Home Museum, this workshop has been around for many years. Patricia Henner, the director of the museum, said the wreath-making workshop has been offered for about 10 years.

It is the first time the workshop has been offered three nights instead of two.

The workshop costs \$15 and covers all supplies, including wire, materials, greenery and instruction. Henner is hosting the event, and said she hopes to provide people with the chance to take home their very own homemade wreath. She said it is well-attended, with regulars coming

back every year.

Henner also stressed the importance of registering early, because they have space for only about twenty to twenty-five people each night. The museum will be providing plenty of decorations for people to use, but participants are welcome to bring any extra decorations they might want to add to their wreath.

This way, participants are given the chance to create a personalized wreath that is unique and beautiful. Henner said that while people are encouraged to use natural decorations, sometimes people bring items such as old ornaments from their grandmothers.

If anyone is unable to make one of the three workshops and wants a wreath, they can purchase one starting Nov. 17. The price for purchasing a large, hand wrapped, decorated wreath is \$15. A percentage of the proceeds will support the non-profit Page Farm and Home Museum. Participants can pay with cash or check at the door. Henner has offered to deliver the wreaths to local buyers and will give each the chance to choose their own ribbon color.

For more information on the workshop or to order a wreath, contact Patricia Henner at 581-4100.

Professor proposes NAFTA changes

By Amanda MacCabe
For the Maine Campus

A proposal to redistribute wealth among the three NAFTA countries was put forth by philosophy professor Michael Howard on Thursday as part of the Socialist and Marxist Lecture Series.

Howard's lecture, titled "A NAFTA Dividend: Fair Trade, Immigration, and Ending Poverty in North America" summarized how portions of wealth could be redistributed between the people of Canada, Mexico and the United States to help end poverty. A NAFTA dividend "could have a positive effect" on the economy of North America, Howard said.

The North Atlantic Free Trade Agreement is a partnership between Canada, Mexico and the United States, and is based on the European Union model.

Howard proposed two options for redistributing wealth: a basic income tax that would provide a sum of money to everyone, or a negative income tax that would be provided to those who fall below a specified poverty line. "Inequality is growing, national-

ly and internationally," Howard said. He believes providing people with an extra source of income would help lessen the gap between rich and poor.

To illustrate his proposal, Howard compared how a similar system would work among the countries of the European

would be harder to put in place.

The proposal suggested three funding possibilities: phasing out agricultural subsidies, which would take money that has already been taxed and redistribute it; a resource-use tax, such as a gas tax, or an income tax, which would take money directly from income.

"We can arrange things differently," Howard said. "If people are in need we have a duty to help them."

Howard said that the current immigration issue the United States is facing results from inequalities of wealth and the opportunities for employment here in the United States. He said that fences and strict immigration policies would not stop the flow of immigrants into the country as long as there are strong incentives to migrate. A redistribution of wealth from Canada and the United States to Mexico could give people who would cross the border illegally the means and funds to stay in their home country.

Howard's lecture was based on a paper that he recently published. He recently returned from South Africa, where he have the same presentation.

"If people are in need we have a duty to help them."

Michael Howard
Professor of Philosophy
University of Maine

Union. The EU already has a common system of currency, adopted by 12 of its 25 members, and fluid open borders between countries.

"The NAFTA countries do not have the degree of monetary integration of the EU," Howard said during his Powerpoint presentation. Because the three North American countries do not have a common currency or open borders, a plan like this



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How Bazaar



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JEWEL TIME — Junior Sabrina Wirey browses the items at Friday's Holiday Bazaar.

Weather forces AGR safety program indoors

By Meghan Hayward
For the Maine Campus

Students passing through Memorial Union on Friday received a lesson outside of the classroom. University of Maine Public Safety and the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity teamed up to bring safety education stops to the campus.

The stops were originally supposed to be set up at Munson Road, College Avenue and Rangeley Road, and were to take mere seconds of motorists' time. However, due to the rainy weather conditions, the event was moved inside the Union.

"Ultimately, we want students to come back in one piece and have had a safe and great Thanksgiving," Police Chief Noel March said.

The partnership between AGR and Public Safety developed during a dinner Noel March attended at the fraternity on Nov. 6th.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity members and police officers passed out bags of goodies.

"The bags contained a lot of AAA information about the holiday season and tips on driving

safely," Derek Nenerplante, AGR president, said.

Public Safety purchased 2,000 first aid kits to hand out to motorists. Gilmore said all of the kits were distributed and the message was well-received.

According to AAA, Thanksgiving break marks the highest vehicle accident rates among college students. AAA anticipates that more than 37 million people will be traveling at least 50 miles from home during this time.

March said Public Safety's main reason for doing this is to educate students on buckling up, traveling reasonable distances behind the car in front of them, and being aware of changing weather conditions. They hope this will help students travel with confidence and become better defensive drivers. AAA offers some safety tips as well, including getting proper rest and trying to travel primarily during daylight hours.

AGR funded the printing of the road safety fliers. The University Credit Union provided the bags, and Public Safety donated the mini first-aid kits.

"We see this event as an inexpensive venture and hope

the end results are the big payoff," March said.

While this marks the first time the university has held a driver safety education event, it could be a recurring affair. AGR has expressed interest in more community involvement and Public Safety is willing to team up with the fraternity again. Keith Gilmore, live-in advisor to AGR, is interested in supporting other efforts that keep UMaine students safe throughout the year.

Spring break may be another ideal time to educate students. March said spring break is a time when students travel long distances, sometimes outside the United States, and voyages this far are not as safe today as they were 10 years ago. Whether they will attempt to stop student motorists again is undecided.

All the tips Public Safety and Alpha Gamma Rho provided to students came from both AAA and the NHTSA Web site. NHTSA is the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Anyone interested in more information can visit the Web sites of these organizations at <http://nhtsa.dot.gov> and <http://aaa.com>.

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state identification are The Big Apple and Webber in Orono as well as Irving-Mainway in Old Town. Clerks at the stores couldn't answer specific questions about the policies, though eliminating out-of-state IDs entirely cuts down on the possibility that a store could be fined for furnishing liquor or tobacco to an underage buyer with a fake ID.

Fines could reach hundreds and sometimes thousands of dollars — potentially crippling levels for small businesses. Of course, under state law, businesses can refuse to accept any identification they deem inappropriate.

"The reason we put so much weight on checking ID is because Maine state law is strict and is enforced," said Lyndsy Shuman, a front-end shift leader at the Broadway Hannaford in Bangor, which does accept out-of-state and military identification.

Last August, the Maine Attorney General's office and Department of Health and Human Services announced a

joint effort with the Maine Sheriff's Association to crack down on underage alcohol sales. Meanwhile, nationwide, fake IDs are becoming easier to procure, as any search of the Web turns up hundreds of sites with faux driver's licenses for sale.

"Lately, it has been a lot more out-of-state fakes purchased online. We've confiscated more so far this year than in years past," Ushuaia owner Alex Gray said. As of early November, the club had 46 police incidents; 41 percent of those were related to confiscated fake identification.

As local businesses look to protect themselves from the ever-increasing population of fake IDs, some honest out-of-staters are being left out in the cold. One option is purchasing a Maine non-resident identification card, available at the Bangor DMV at a cost of \$5. Many of the 1,876 non-Maine students in Orono either don't know about the option, or don't find it necessary.

"I'm not planning on staying here for the rest of my life. I love the school and that's why I came here, but I'm not going to get an ID from here if I'm not planning to stay very long," Cancel said.

"I didn't even know that was an option before I read about it on FirstClass. I usually just use my [Massachusetts] ID, or if it's a place that has traditionally given me a hard time, my passport," said Bethany Downs, a 21-year-old senior.

One of the businesses where Downs experienced a lengthy delay was local supermarket Hannaford.

"My friend and I were held up for 15 or 20 minutes in a

grocery store line over a six-pack of Mike's. I ended up late for my afternoon class," she said.

While an inconvenience, the delay is a result of an on-duty supervisor system that allows Hannaford to continue accepting out-of-state forms of identification.

"Anything that's not a Maine license of identification requires at least a shift leader's approval," Shuman, a 23-year-old non-degree graduate student at UMaine, explained. "Shift leaders are trained to take their time evaluating out-of-state IDs and we have every right to quiz the customer about their birthday or address."

Hannaford cashiers pass a test on various forms of identification once a year in order to sell tobacco and alcohol. It isn't just out-of-state IDs that are scrutinized, however.

"As strongly encouraged by state law, we reject any card that has any deformities. We look for alterations in text like holes or scratches and any creases or discoloration," Shuman said.

Burby & Bates in Orono is another establishment that accepts out-of-state identification. The store has never been hit with a violation for selling to minors, which owner Patrick Wheeler said makes them the only liquor store in Maine that can make such a claim.

"We ID everyone," said Jeff Seney, the store's general manager. "No one works alone until they've been here at least two months, and before that there's always a supervisor teaching what to look for."

Burby's rules are similar to Hannaford's in that creases and deformities automatically disqualify an ID regardless of its state. The establishment also features a black light for checking authenticity, and sometimes employs Facebook to check a suspected faker's age after they've been turned away.

Seney acknowledged that Burby's has a leg up on businesses that refuse to accept out-of-state IDs near a college campus. That proximity makes it infinitely more important for the store to enforce identification regulations, however.

"If a fake gets through, word gets out fast. We can't afford to take that risk," he said.

While several businesses have shown out-of-state IDs the door, there are still enough willing to do the extra work required to follow the law and procure business from out-of-state students. Still, the inconvenience can be an annoyance.

"I have to tell my friends to buy cigarettes for me like I'm a little kid trying to hide smoking from my parents or something," Cancel said.

Thus, out-of-state students are taking their money elsewhere. Well-trained clerks at rival businesses have been more than happy to accept their IDs.

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FIGHTING BACK

Rape Aggression Defense class gives power back to women

By Mae Walters
For The Maine Campus

The recent attempted sexual assault at the University of Maine reminds students that any college aged woman is at risk. But according to the opening presentation for the Rape Aggression Defense program, "Fear will diminish when a plan of action is prepared."

RAD is a class designed for women who want to protect themselves from possible assault. "The whole thing behind this is teaching you that it's OK to fight back," said Officer Deborah Mitchell, who has been a RAD instructor for many years. She said she has used some moves from the class during her police work.

The first class addressed myths about rape and covered safety tips, like how 90 percent of self defense is awareness of your surroundings. Then it got down to the nitty-gritty: how to avoid getting hit or grabbed, and how to hit back if necessary. The objective is to stall the aggressor until you can make a break for it.

"The things we're taught are really simple but very effective," RAD student Jennifer Willette said. She is in her fifth year at UMaine, majoring in secondary education and women's studies.

"We do everything together," Officer Mitchell emphasized during the first class. "No one's on the spot."

"I would have loved taking this in high school," said Jenna Redman, a kinesiology and physical education major. Redman plans to take the RAD

Instructor course so that she can teach self-defense classes in the future, perhaps as a high school extracurricular activity.

"I feel a lot more self-confident," said Sara Patstone, a fourth-year education major. "I want all women to know."

Students' reasons for taking the class were varied. Willette thought about RAD after doing a term project on sexual assault for Women's Studies. "My boyfriend pushed me to do it," she said of her decision to take the class, "I wouldn't have done it without him."

Patstone had planned to take the class for a long time because she thinks self defense is something every college woman should know.

Redman's success with Tae Bo in high school encouraged her to take the course. She said she has been in situations where self-defense would have been useful.

"When I was 15, someone tried to break into my house when I was alone," Redman said. "Two guys drove into my driveway, parked on my lawn and just started fighting. They saw me and I locked myself in the bathroom. They came inside and I could hear them trying to get in the door. I called my mom, but they ended up leaving because my dog scared them away."

None of the participants cited the assault as their reason for enrolling, but according to Willette it "did make me glad I was taking [the class]."

Although the last RAD class had 26 pupils, this time only four people



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FEMME FATALE — Officer Mark Coffey and Monica Bushey, both of the University of Maine Police Department, practice sparring at the Rape Aggression Defense class in DTAV on Thursday night.

enrolled. "I think it's mostly because people don't know about it," Willette said. Several women expressed interest, but didn't enroll because of scheduling conflicts.

RAD courses are offered exclusively to women. A male can only participate if he has police background or has a special reason for taking the course. The students agreed that this is necessary for safety reasons, and because women who had been abused might not be comfortable with a man raising a fist to them.

However, some students voiced that men might benefit from self-defense training as well because a physical assault could happen to them, too.

The last remaining class is a simula-

tion. The students will put their knowledge to the test in a safe, controlled setting in which a trained RAD person will play the role of the aggressor. The goal is not to pulverize the assailant, but to use RAD techniques in order to escape.

While the prospect of a simulation seemed daunting at first, students were excited by the end of the course. "Now I have tools," Patstone said. "It's a great confidence booster."

Willette agreed. "The chances of me fighting back are a lot better."

RAD classes will be offered again in the future. Because the class only meets four times, persistent attendance is encouraged so students can follow the progressive material.

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were 18 to 20 years of age. Gray said this is lower than average but higher than he expected this weekend.

Gray said his main customer base has always been the 18-20 crowd. He said the club will continue to make money, but the new rules will change the way his club does business.

In the past, Ushuaia has attracted large, expensive acts. Gray said alcohol sales helped to make them financially possible, and that in the future there will be fewer concerts.

Ushuaia will keep to smaller shows, according to Gray. "It will definitely make a very dark campus," he said, adding that the club has traditionally brought a range of acts more diverse than the University of Maine typically sees.

Next Friday, Maine's Sparks the Rescue will be playing at Ushuaia, and Gray said tickets have been selling well. The band performed at Bumstock last spring

and has a large statewide following.

Gray said making his establishment alcohol-free will make Orono more dangerous in the long run by increasing house parties, where there are no trained bartenders to monitor alcohol consumption or bouncers to throw out bad guests. The General Student Senate echoed this sentiment last Tuesday when they passed a resolution supporting Ushuaia and condemning the town council.

"This is not a student-versus-town issue," said Catherine Conlow, Orono Town Manager. She noted that even if the council had agreed to reissue Ushuaia's liquor license, it would have been denied by the state, which has the final say in issuing licenses.

Conlow said the council denied the liquor license not only because of the state's legal requirements, but to look out for the best interests of Ushuaia's clientele. She said the town's granting a liquor license would say "that if you go to Ushuaia, the town is reasonably sure that you won't be subjected to violence or threats to safety."

According to Conlow, council members couldn't make such a

statement in good conscience.

Gray said many intoxicated Ushuaia guests "pre-game," or drink at home, before going to the club. Often they drink immediately before going so that the alcohol doesn't affect them until they have passed the bouncer. Gray said the club tries to stop pre-gamers when they are detected.

Due to the club's 450-person capacity, "We've been turning away as many people as we let in," Gray said. The club has recorded more than 70,000 patrons since the town's initial license denial on Jan. 10, he added.

Gray said business has stayed strong because of increasing freshman class sizes and this fall's opening of nearby Orchard Trails. Business has been so strong, he was able to increase the cover charge for under-21 customers to \$10.

Still, Gray said he's not completely sure of the club's future. "People have been consistently making offers on the facility," Gray said.

Style editor Pattie Barry contributed to this report.

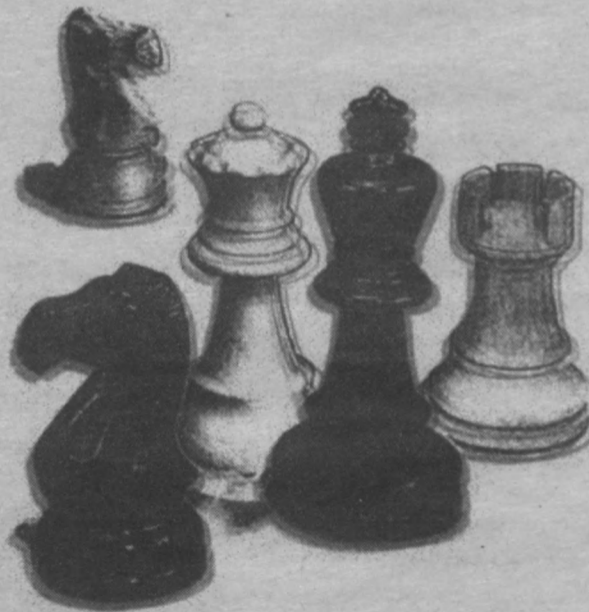
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Editorial

Students get word of lice too late

Don't assume that kid scratching his head in class is just confused about question No. 4. Over the weekend, The Maine Campus became aware of a head lice outbreak in Cumberland Hall. According to RAs in Cumberland, staff knew about the lice as early as Thursday.

Why wasn't the student body informed immediately? Cumberland is beside Stewart Commons, which feeds half of the students on campus. Anyone who has crowded into a tight Stewart Commons lunch is at risk.

Lice aren't a serious health risk, but getting rid of them is no picnic. Not only do you need to treat an infected person, but all their clothes and bedding must be washed.

Look, lice happens. Our Patient Zero probably has a sibling in kindergarten or a dog without a flea collar. But imagine the embarrassment if lice broke out across the university. UNH would love it. The student body should have been informed of the outbreak and of precautions against lice.

Many stores alienate out-of-staters

August's joint effort by the Attorney General's office and the Department of Health and Human Services to crack down on underage alcohol sales has led many local businesses to start refusing out-of-state IDs.

Even with an influx of fake IDs sold online, it is unacceptable for businesses to do this. By not accepting out-of-state IDs, businesses like The Big Apple, Webber and Irving-Mainway have alienated customers who do not live in Maine, whether they are students or not.

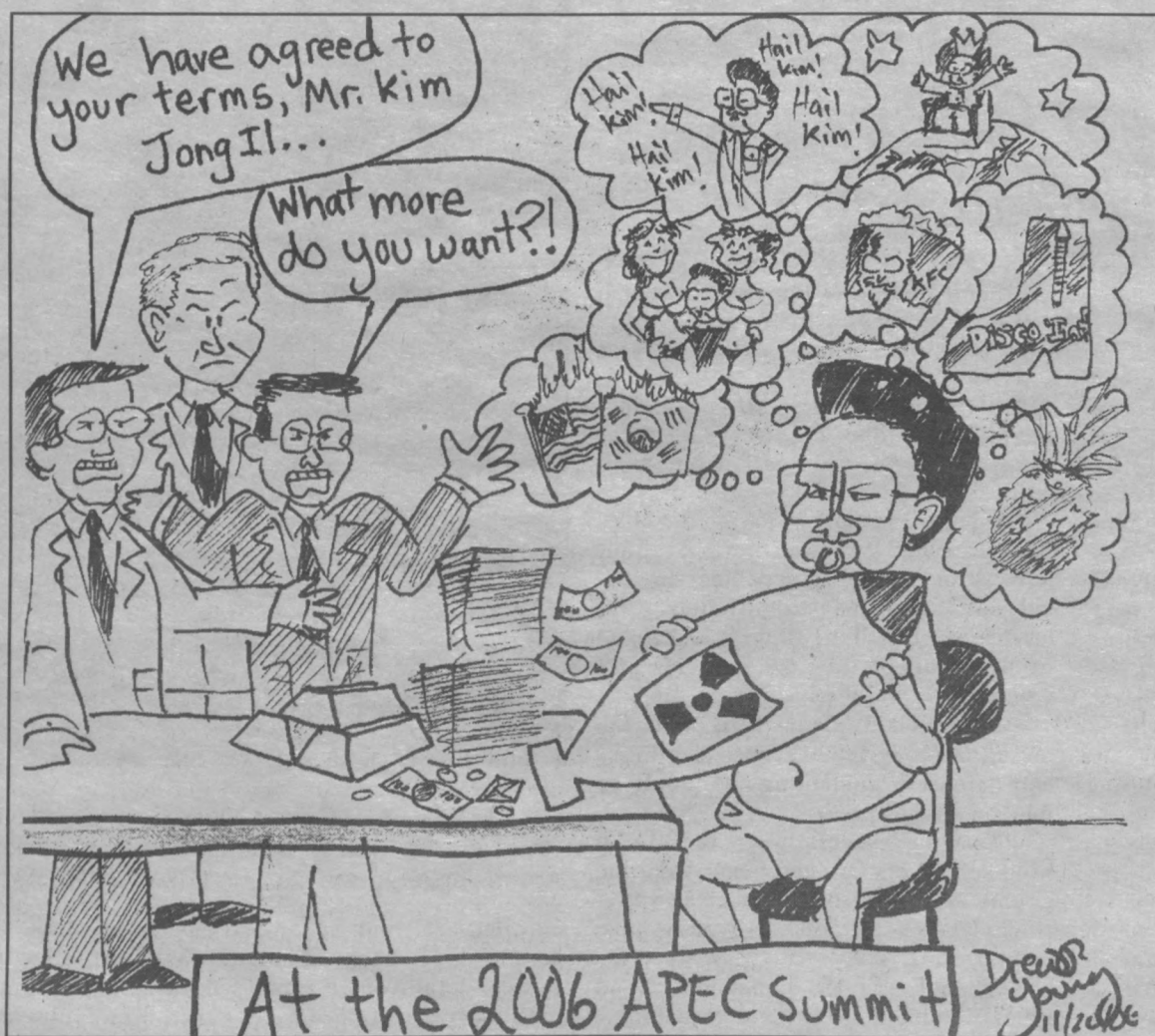
The solution is not to restrict these IDs, but to make sure that employees are well-trained in discerning the real from the fake. Other stores, like Burby & Bates in Orono, have not revised their out-of-state ID policies and will pick up business from a customer base that is not being served elsewhere. Burby & Bates has never been hit with a violation for selling alcohol to a minor, either.

Local businesses stand to profit from investing a little more effort into employee training instead of discriminating against out of state customers.

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Turkey can wait

Take time to turn off appliances before break

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Ah yes, Thanksgiving: the oft-forgotten holiday between Halloween and Christmas. A time for families to get together and be ignored by drunken husbands, brothers and fathers watching football. A time to give thanks for the 50-inch plasma TVs on which we watch football. A time for people to reflect on the good things in their lives and give a little bit of thanks, or sit around and wallow in self-loathing — whichever works for you.

What am I thankful for? There's a loaded question. I only have a 42-inch TV, a wicked bumper. I don't have much self-loathing to wallow in either. It looks like this may not be the holiday for me. However, not all hope is lost for me to enjoy this holiday. All of you can make this a Thanksgiving to remember. Exciting opportunity, isn't it?

When you depart for your familial gatherings, or whatever gathering you may be attending, it would warm the cockles of my heart if you all took a step to conserve some electricity while you are away enjoying the break. It might even warm me down in what Denis Leary termed the "sub-cockles:" the liver, spleen and maybe even the colon. Mmm — a nice warm colon. Now that is something to be thankful for.

Here's a list of things you can turn off or unplug: First, shut down the computer. There's simply no reason to leave it on. Will you be using it? No? My point exactly. Second, unplug your alarm clock radio, toaster or other electrical equipment that will be sucking energy while not in use. If everyone does this, not only will the university save a boatload of money, but we will take a huge step toward reducing air pollution. Third, turn the lights off. They also will be serving no purpose in an empty room.

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Dreaded Black Friday

Christmas shopping begins, retail employees cower

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas — and it's not even Thanksgiving. By now, people should be familiar with Black Friday as the kickoff for the holidays, but the "Christmas creep" has retailers decking their halls before Halloween.

These retailers are trying to drum up the Christmas spirit, or at least the gift-giving spirit, earlier every year. Their goal is to take advantage of sales spikes in the fall by putting customers in the holiday mindset. The theory is that when a customer finds a great gift, they'll buy it at full price rather than

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wait for holiday sales, not taking the chance that it will sell out. To instill this holiday frame of mind, stores are being filled with decorations, displays and holiday music in October. Customers may be irked by this blatant commercialism, but the real victims of the creeping

Christmas are the retail employees.

Salespeople have it rough from November through the end of January — the dreaded return season. With the early arrival of Christmas, this hellish period is only getting longer. If you think you are annoyed at hearing "Jingle Bell Rock" in stores beginning in October, imagine hearing such delightful songs for four to eight hours a day. Next year I'm sure we'll be groaning by September.

I say 'we' because I happen to work in a little store best See FRIDAY on page 9

Letters to the Editor

The greatest of all molecules

I find Eryk Salvaggio's diatribe "Taste of Treason," Nov. 16, against fructose to be tremendously insulting to honey bees, and demand that he issue a public apology. While I agree addition of sugar to foods as disparate as ketchup and tomato

sauce is absurd, I strongly urge Mr. Salvaggio to check his facts prior to casting aspersions on one of, if not the, greatest of all molecules.

To wit, Mr. Salvaggio's statement "Glucose, the natural cane sugar..." is incorrect. The main carbohydrate extract of sugar cane (and

sugar beet) is sucrose, a disaccharide composed of one glucose unit and one fructose unit. Acidic conditions in the stomach cause the breakdown of each sucrose molecule into one molecule of glucose and one molecule of fructose. Since

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FRIDAY

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known for 99-cent bargains and performance fleece, where holiday shoppers are truly crazy people. Especially Canadians. Sorry, but it's true Canada. You come down by the busload hunting for good deals. While handling bargain-hungry customers can be trying enough, some of them don't quite grasp the concept of currency. "Sorry ma'am, you are in America now, despite what some geographically challenged people think about Maine. I cannot take your funny Canadian cash. Move along."

Mostly, people make a huge mess, throwing clothes around like it's their personal closet, or rather, how I throw clothes around in my closet. Customers will pillage a table of clothes that I have just finished folding while I stand two feet away, jaw dropped. They'll argue about prices as if they could haggle their way to a better one. Returns and exchanges are a joy to look forward to as well. I really love to hear the story of how little Bobby is not so little this year and his new favorite color is pink, all while 30 disgruntled people are stuck waiting in line. That kind of thing is what we retail employees deal with. But soon, it will be pure pandemonium.

Black Friday brings forth the primal sensibilities in all shoppers. There is a bargain out there and they must have it,

even if it means waiting in line at Wal-Mart at 3:30 a.m., something I did once with my friend and her mother. People were vicious. Someone tried to cut in line and there was almost a riot. Someone said there were socks inside for 40 percent off and there was almost a riot. People will lose their minds for any kind of deal, and the feeling is contagious. It may have been the sleep deprivation, but when the doors were ready to open, I was ready to take someone down if they tried to cut in front of me.

I can understand the determination of shoppers. I remember how elated my friend and I were when we got the last of the new Harry Potter jellybeans. But whether you're part of the hoard of people insane enough to get up at 5 a.m. for bargain shopping, or just fighting the crowds in the next coming weeks to get your shopping done, remember how the employees feel. We've been trying to keep the holiday spirit since Halloween, which is hard when we're facing crazed, annoyed, clueless shoppers. We're doing our best to help you have a happy holiday full of perfect presents for your loved ones, just so that your Christmas can be a little brighter.

OK, who am I kidding? We only do it for the money, a fraction of the net gain our employers are making from their ploy of two-months-early Christmas. Just try to be nice. Santa is watching.

Alissa Dow is working at 5 a.m. this Friday.

TURKEY

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Fourth, well I cannot think of anything at the moment. Maybe you could come up with an idea to warm my cockles on your own. Please try.

In addition to shutting off your electricity vampires, as they are sometimes called, try recycling. Less energy is used to recycle paper, tin, glass and other materials than creating the same products from virgin materials. It also saves those resources for future generations. That just sounds swell.

I can feel the warming sensation already, and it feels good. On the other hand, leaving all of your electricity-sucking devices

on for the weekend will help warm the entire globe and then we will all be warm together. We can lounge around on the new ocean front property here in Orono. That might sound nice, but by then we will all be too old to enjoy it anyways. Hence, the best course of action would be to take part in my cockle-warming activities this week. You never know, doing something to benefit everyone might just warm you in all the right spots, too. It is at least worth a try.

Just for the record, I'll be one of the drunk guys watching football, but at least I will have some warm cockles. Have a swell Thanksgiving everyone!

Joshua Parda is a student coordinator for the Green Campus Initiative.

LETTERS

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sucrose is "...the natural cane sugar humans have used for millions of years" humans have also been digesting fructose for these millions of years (in fact, sugar cane extract itself has only been used in Western cultures since the 11th century — it had been common in parts of Asia previously — and, until the last 200 years was primarily only available to the wealthy. I would also check into just how many years homo sapiens have actually been around).

For a human to reach a toxic dose of fructose would require ingestion of absurd quantities. Would Mr. Salvaggio suggest a ban on ethanol, which has a

much lower toxic threshold?

Fructose is the predominant carbohydrate in honey and in fruit. Honey bees pollinate flowers and are integral to fruit production. By demeaning the output of bees' labor (and they are busy!) Mr. Salvaggio belittles them. Does trash talking a species unable to respond to this baseless attack make Mr. Salvaggio feel like a big man?

I demand Mr. Salvaggio apologize to honey bees, and strongly suggest he register for my organic chemistry class (CHY 252) so that he can be educated to avoid this type of poltroonish calumny in the future.

I shudder to think what his misconceptions about "organic food" must be!

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PS3 to send gamers to the poorhouse

Sony and online sellers take advantage of enthusiasts

JOEL CRABTREE



OPINION EDITOR

A blitzkrieg of angry shoppers mobbed Best Buy, Wal-Mart, Target and other retail outlets all weekend, and it wasn't even Black Friday. The Playstation 3 and Nintendo Wii were released on Friday and Sunday, respectively, and lines upon lines of gamers waited outside for hours — even days — to get their hands on the next-generation consoles. However, many of these "gamers" were simply wolves in sheep's clothing, waiting in line not for a gaming system, but instead to make a quick profit.

As reported widely on the news, people are selling Playstation 3s and Nintendo Wiis for thousands of dollars, oftentimes double the market value. Although it is a smart business move and can earn people a decent chunk of change for seemingly little work, the reselling of next-generation consoles on eBay is undermining the original intent of the systems — for gaming.

It is creating an unnecessary middleman for those who are actually interested in buying and playing with the system. This increases the price for people who are actually interested in the Playstation 3 and Nintendo Wii as a gaming system, and at the core of the situation, Sony and Nintendo are responsible for this price jack-

It's common for a company to release its product for maximum exposure. Toy stores, for example, could not keep Tickle-Me-Elmo in stock in 2001. The Elmo craze, though, was not fully created by Tyco, but spread through word of mouth. The gaming industry has taken a slightly different approach.

In a Nov. 11 New York Times article, "Next-Gen Gaming Consoles to Hit Stores," Sony was reported as having only 400,000 Playstation 3s ready for the Nov. 17 launch, which had already been delayed twice.

In an article by Sam Kennedy on lup.com, he compares the launch of the Playstation 2 and the Playstation 3. They follow a similar and somewhat scary pattern. The Playstation 2, like the Playstation 3, had only 400,000 units ready for its launch, and both had at one time promised to have 1 million units ready.

By having only 400,000 units instead of the promised 1 million — or an estimated 4 million like the Nintendo Wii — Sony has allowed for its sys-

tem to sell for more money, ideally making a greater profit.

What gamers are up against, in a nutshell, is two organizations trying to make money off of them. The first is Sony, the second is the sellers on Ebay. Between these two money-hungry packs of wolves, the odds are against many gamers to get a Playstation 3 — and the odds are even more unlikely that those who do manage to get one will pay a reasonable price.

Nintendo and Microsoft have avoided this by making their systems more available and lower-priced for launch. This, as Sony might learn, will benefit the systems in the long run. Although people are talking about the Playstation 3 right now, the other two next-generation consoles may win out in the end.

But the good news is that there are alternatives. Fans can stick with Playstation 2, which still has a lot of good games to offer, or, if they feel inclined to get a next-generation console, pick up an Xbox 360. It's reasonably priced and you won't have to wait in line for days. The only event worth that wait is a new "Star Wars" movie — and they're not making those anymore.

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Cell phones deteriorate society

Unavoidable eavesdropping causes nausea at Governor's

HEATHER STEEVES



FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

suggestion to the companies of Crackberry and other such devices: warning labels. I love warning labels. If I were to write one for the common cellphone it would probably go something like; "WARNING: highly addictive. Will cause people to give you the finger in traffic, the cashier to 'ahem' you many times and make everybody in the restaurant stare at you."

I don't care what shirt you

tried on, who hooked up

with whom or how much

UNH sucks. We know —

the latter, anyway.

Really though, is it necessary? How obnoxious is it in the middle of your nice dinner that you're paying a little over \$6 plus tax for to hear the

incessant ringing, the brief apology and then the incessant chatter which usually follows the "Oh, I'm at Governor's, where are you? Oh that's cool. I like have to get to my gyno appointment can I like call you later? Okay love you b----." Now you're pissed because the perpetrator of this social faux-pas has interrupted your liver and onion dinner special.

Cell phones aren't really the problem; it's the majority of people who abuse them like cocaine. I don't care what shirt you tried on, who hooked up with whom or how much UNH sucks. We know — the latter, anyway. Cell phones have their place; the glove compartment, for instance.

My friends and I thought up an idea: what would be great is if police would enforce cell phone abuse as they do the lack of seatbelt use in some states. In some states if you get pulled over for something and the officer also sees you aren't wearing a seatbelt, they tag on an extra fine. I say if you get pulled over and an officer sees that the phone has affected your driving, they should tack on an extra \$200 or so for irresponsible cell phone usage. You are, after all, endangering my life.

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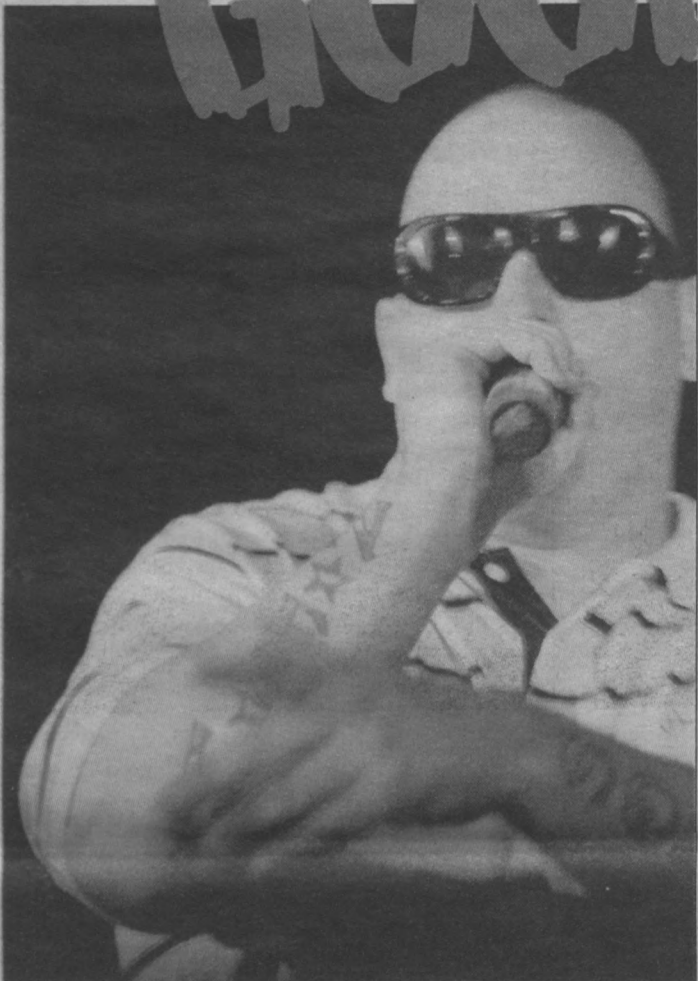
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Ushuaia gets a

GOOD RAP



LEADER OF THE 'NEW SOUTH' BUBBA SPARXXX BLOWS UP CLUB'S LAST BAR NIGHT

By J. Astra Brinkmann
Production Assistant

Say what you want about Bubba Sparxxx, but don't say Maine doesn't love him. Ushuaia, on what may have been its final night serving alcohol, drew a nearly full house of hip-hop thrillseekers Friday night. Revelries kicked off a little slow around 9 p.m. as dancers and a DJ supplied eye and ear candy. By 12:30 a.m., the scene was bustling with excitement for the father of the Ms. New Booty Contest, Bubba Sparxxx.

Bubba rewarded his audience with songs picked from his older, less commercial albums, as well as his infamous ode to the female derriere, "Ms. New Booty," not once, but twice. The crowd loved every moment, either moving their bodies or mouths to Bubba's lyrics and thick, buzzing bass. Sasha Levasseur said she "loved how he was representing Maine," which Bubba did in numerous shout-outs.

All of the openers added unique flavors to the mix, setting the stage for Bubba's grand entrance. They shared an



Booty dancers entertain on stage
between acts.

unfortunate common theme: Their sets were too short. Kojax opened the night with a self-inflating track repeating the name of his promoter, Queen City Entertainment, energizing the crowd.

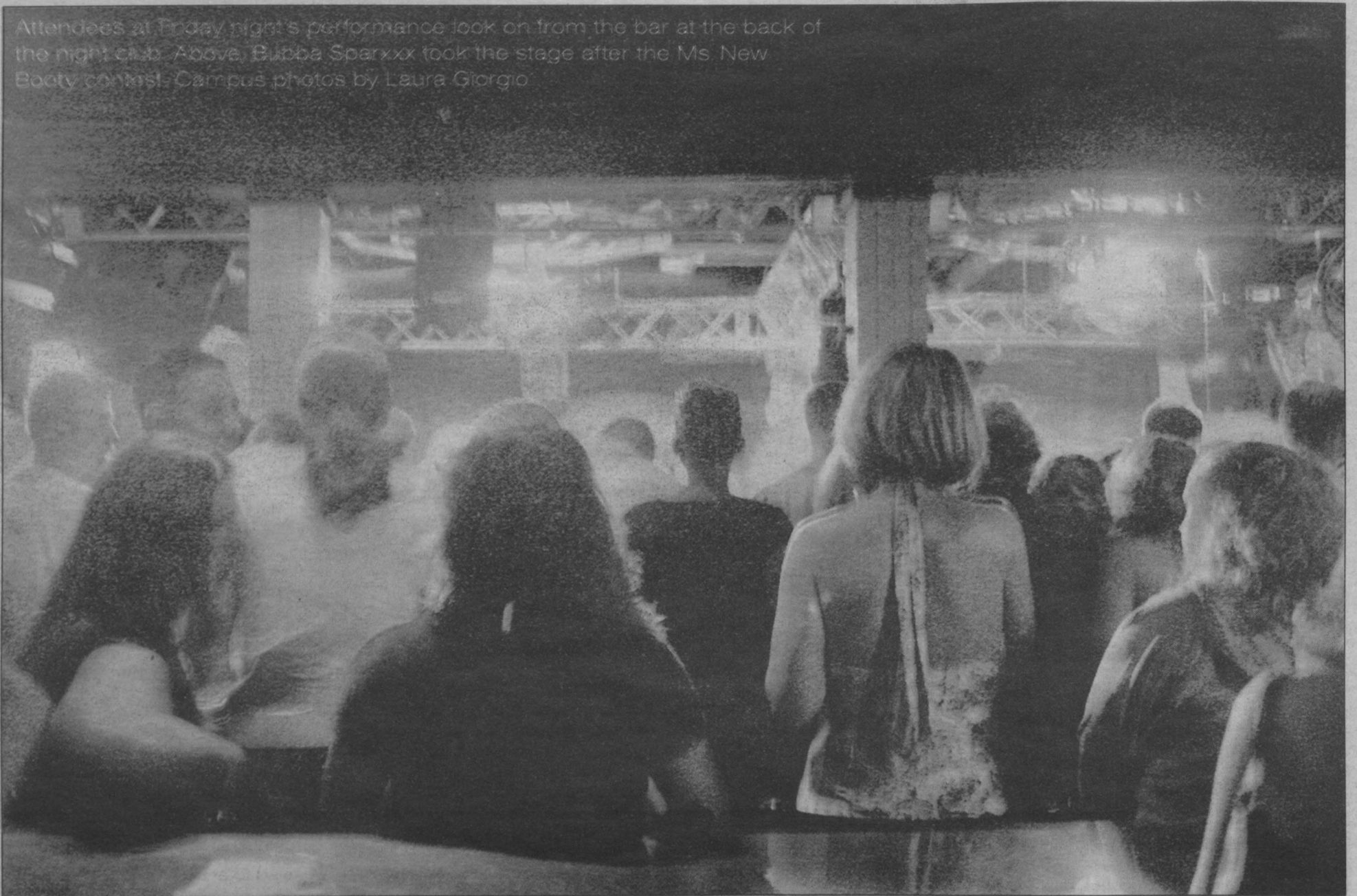
Boss's style followed the same chorus format, but his main song revolved around satirizing and glorifying Maine, his home state, with catchy "A-yuh's." The DJ spinning between sets was entertaining, but it was disappointing to have less time devoted to the live acts concertgoers went to see.

3 Deep Entertainment, a posse deeper than the trio their name would suggest, upped the ante when they erupted on the stage with a powerful stage presence. Style-wise, the group evoked memories of Wu-Tang and spewed lyrics filled with ghetto references. It was a sight and sound most Mainers do not get to experience, but for Ushuaia's swan song, it fit the bill.

After 3 Deep, the Ms. New Booty contest took the stage. The contest, which University of New Hampshire

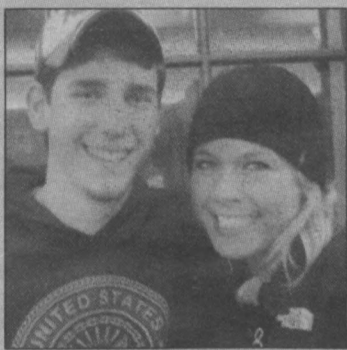
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Attendees at Friday night's performance look on from the bar at the back of the night club. Above, Bubba Sparxxx took the stage after the Ms. New Booty contest. Campus photos by Laura Giorgio



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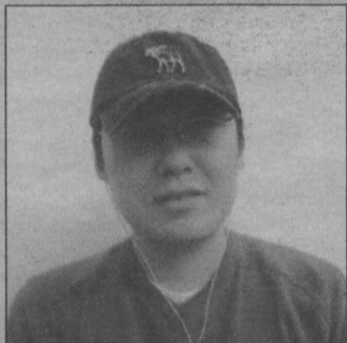
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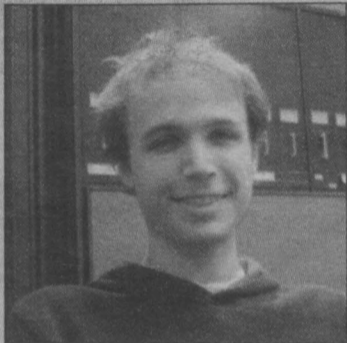
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Brand New sensation

Long Island emo band's time for the spotlight is long overdue

By Tyler Irish
For The Maine Campus

Mention the name Dashboard Confessional to nearly anyone and I am sure you will get a response, but not as many are familiar with the Long Island-based band Brand New.

Why hasn't Brand New kicked up as much dust? Only heaven knows. Perhaps it is their unwillingness to produce the radio-friendly pop-rock record like so many bands today. Ask any Brand New fan what it is about them they love so much, and I'm sure they'll mention the killer hooks, the sharp one-liners, the entrancing riffs, and above all, the wit. Brand New is not about stupid music, and that is

perhaps why this band has developed such a great underground following.

Brand New consists of of lead vocalist and rhythm guitarist Jesse Lacey, lead guitarist Vinnie Acardi, bassist Garrett Tierney, and

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drummer Brian Lane. The band has recently been performing with Derek Sherman of the Reunion Show. In a recent interview the band confirmed that he would continue to complete their sound, or as Acardi said, “sonically annihilate the world.”

Brand New's first full-length

album, “Your Favorite Weapon,” earned them both a resilient name around the Long Island scene and a huge cult following. After listening to a few songs from “Your Favorite Weapon,” the band's musical influences and desires begin to appear. “Jude Law and a Semester Abroad” became their first single and remained an audience favorite. Other songs such as “Seventy x 7,” “The No Seatbelt Song,” and “Soco Amaretto Lime” continue to be screamed back at the band louder than Lacey can sing.

Their second Album, “Deja Entendu,” considered by many to be one of the decade's breakthrough rock releases, revealed

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MOVIEREVIEW



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“Casino Royale”
Nov. 17, 2006
Sony Pictures

Bond has returned. This time, it's with actor Daniel Craig in an entirely revamped version of the franchise, with “GoldenEye” director Martin Campbell back at the helm.

Campbell did not return to the franchise after Pierce Brosnan's first portrayal of the character in 1995, most of which turned out to be spectacularly awful. “Die Another Day” was a new low for the franchise, leaving fans wanting a return to the old days of Bond, the days when he did not take a backseat to special effects and superstar actresses like Halle Berry. That is exactly what this latest film, “Casino Royale,” set out to do, and it succeeds.

In this installment, Craig faces a complete retooling

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“Stranger than Fiction”
Nov. 10, 2006
Mandate Pictures

Harold Crick lives his life with watch-like precision. He goes to bed at the same time every night, and when he gets up in the morning he brushes each tooth the same number of times, keeping count in his head. He is surprised to find, one morning, that he is the subject of a new novel being written by author Karen Eiffel. He knows this because he can hear her narrating his life in his head. This becomes especially disturbing when her narration takes an ominous tone.

“Little did Harold Crick know that the events of the day would lead to his eventual death.”

Eiffel is planning to kill off Crick by the end of her book.

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Playing with ‘gusto’

Guster, Pete Kilpatrick Band play solid sets

By Zach Dionne
Copy Editor

Partying with a bottle of champagne after a show may seem like the rock-star thing to do. Ryan Miller, guitarist, lead singer and multi-talented instrumentalist of Guster, opted for a tall green bottle of sparkling mineral water, lounging in a comfy red seat in the Maine Center for the Arts after their long-awaited performance at the University of Maine Thursday night.

“It was a really good tour,” Miller said. The show on Nov. 16 was the finale of their fall outing. When asked how the UMaine show compared to other college shows, he said “it felt a little more serene,” citing the large gap between the fans and the band as the source. Miller also described the set as “seamless.”

The Pete Kilpatrick Band opened the night with a half-hour set. The Portland-based group

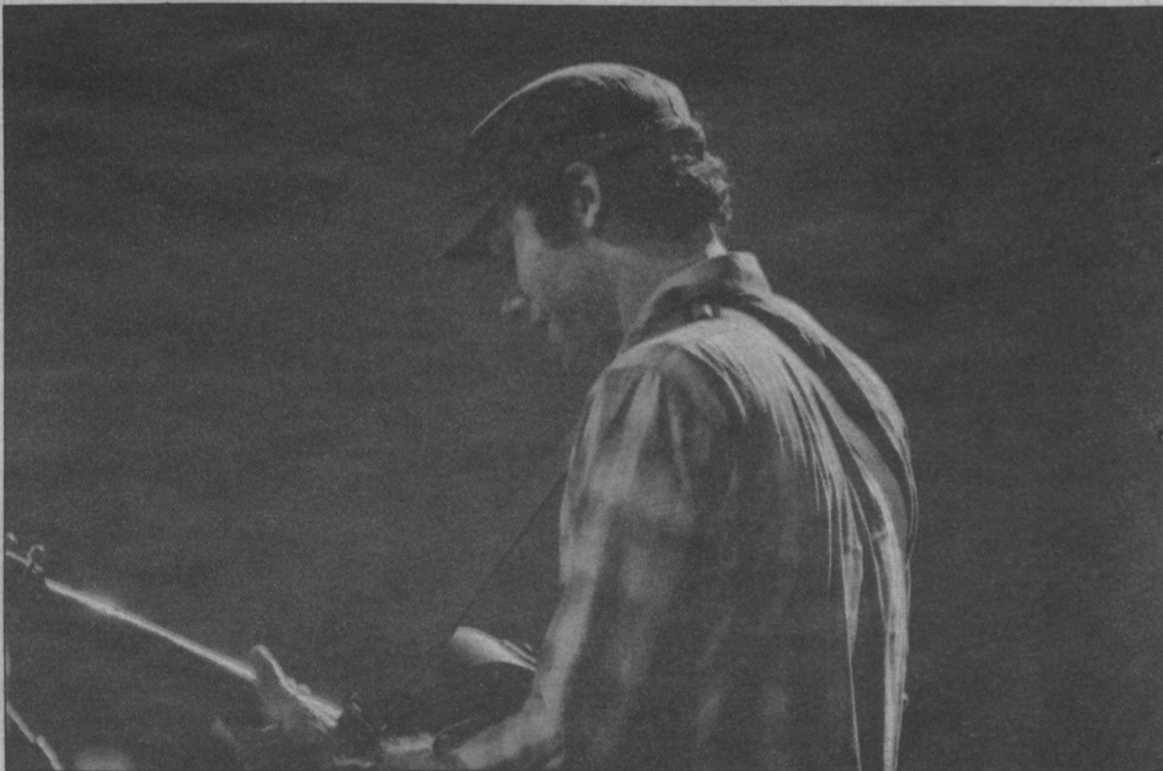
offered a soothing, mellow brand of rock, featuring an enthusiastic acoustic-wielding frontman. A saxophone solo was one of the highlights of their set.

Guster graciously took the stage promptly at 9 p.m., dishing no extended Guns N' Roses-esque wait for the crowd. They launched into “Demons” and continued the night with a fantastic set that included classics like “Amsterdam,” “Great Escape,” “Happier,” “Airport Song,” “I Spy” and of course “Fa Fa” and “Barrel of a Gun,” for the band's 19-song set.

Guster's sound was spot-on, noticeably different in the increased fullness and cohesive maturity on the new songs. Equally fun were the old tunes, as most of the crowd bobbed their heads and sang along at full volume.

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What's my name?



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LIME LIGHT — Pete Kilpatrick, of the Pete Kilpatrick Band, opens for Guster on Thursday night in the Maine Center for the Arts. The two bands played to an almost-sold-out crowd.



Lead singer Ryan Miller and guitarist Adam Gardner

Beyond college band

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Watching the group switching instruments and duties after nearly every song is a captivating experience, especially considering the band's simple origins.

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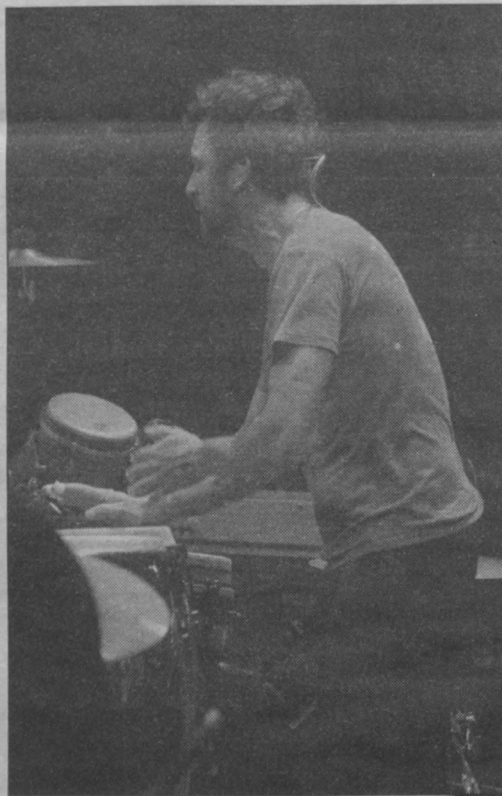
"I think it was fun," said Joe Pisapie after the show, a boyish grin spread across his face. Pisapie recently became a full-time member of Guster after several years of touring with the group. He contributed to writing and recording on their new album, "Ganging Up On The Sun," a job formerly reserved for the original three members of Guster.

Cuts from the new, critically acclaimed release included "Satellite," "The Captain," "Ruby Falls," "C'mon" and "The New Underground." Guster also played "Center of Attention" and "What You Wish For," songs that the Maine Steiners and Black Bear Vocals, two a capella groups on campus, cover in their own repertoires.

For a few songs early in the show, Miller encouraged the audience to move toward the stage and fill the empty space. This way, fans at the MCA saw the best of both worlds; a calm atmosphere to enjoy Guster in, and for a while — until fans were forced to return to their actual seats — a true rock concert vibe for those who crowded and condensed inches away from the band.

Guster began well over a decade ago as Ryan Miller, Adam Gardner and Brian Rosenworcel jamming on two acoustic guitars and a bongo drum. For their last album, "Keep it Together," a traditional drum kit was brought in, and the usual instrumental experimentation continued. Watching members of the group switching instruments and duties after nearly every song, seeing Miller frequently play bass or take a seat at the electric piano for "Manifest Destiny," is a captivating experience, especially considering the band's simple origins.

"I was just thinking about all that tonight," Miller said, speaking of the changes over the band's roughly 15 years together and their transition from "this weird college band" to their current form. When asked if life in Guster is still as exciting as it was for three college students playing open-mic nights at Tufts, Miller responded, "I think it's really satisfying."



Adam Gardner, Ryan Miller and Joe Pisapie. Above, Brian Rosenworcel plays the drums with his hands.

CDREVIEW

Badly Drawn Boy
"Born In The U.K."
Oct. 16, 2006
Astralwerks / EMI

Badly Drawn Boy, born Damon Gough, released "Born In The U.K." under EMI mid-October. The album was Gough's way of writing his autobiography — you guessed it — growing up in the U.K. The lyrics are mostly Gough's memories and observations. The title track ends with Gough singing, "Then you see the Union Jack / And it means nothing/ But somehow you know/ That you will find your own way/ It's a small reminder every day/ That I was born in the U.K."

The songs sound quite the same. The only one that significantly differs from the others is the very first track, "Intro/Swimming Pool, Pt. 1." It's half singing, half spoken word. The talking over music sounds out-of-place in this album, where the lyrics already sound conversational and don't need to be dulled down.

"Degrees of Separation" is one of

the highlights on the album, although the introduction reminds me of the first middle school concert band practice I ever had. The lyrics read, "We figure out the past through photographs/ They took while we were young/ Even though there's no way out, we'll find one." There is something honest and identifiable about those lines. Other than that, this track sounds just like every other one on the album. In other words, there aren't any striking songs on this album, just a few that are a little better than the rest.

The album is for the most part overly repetitive and simple, not to mention a huge disappointment compared to BDB's earlier works, which feel less vacuous. Its only saving grace seems to be Gough's occasional crafty line and his rhythmic singing, although this also tends to make his songs predictable. In words as simple as Gough's fleeting melodies, this album doesn't work.

—Abbey Greslick

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"Stranger Than Fiction" is an interesting movie that becomes a moral tale about facing death and one's responsibility to art.

Will Ferrell plays Crick against type, making him into a sort of bland everyman, and leaving some of the film's biggest laughs to the supporting cast. While "Old School" and "Anchorman" established Ferrell as a comedic giant, this film will establish him as a

strong dramatic actor as well.

Fans of Charlie Kaufman films, "Being John Malkovich" and especially "Adaptation" will find the comedic merging of reality and fiction familiar, albeit more accessible.

"Stranger Than Fiction" doesn't contain the strongest laughs or the most jarring drama available in theaters right now. Those distinctions belong to "Borat" and "Babel" respectively. What "Stranger Than Fiction" does offer is a tremendous mix of both, and is probably the safest bet for the moviegoer who wants a film that is both thoughtful and entertaining.

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of the series. "Casino Royale" explores the British secret agent's very first mission, thus making expectations of him in the role all the more significant. He does a commendable job finding the exact combination of human and humor that makes the Bond persona.

Eva Green also shines as the latest Bond girl. It would not be a stretch to say that she is one of the best Bond girls ever, easily ranking above any of the ladies to appear in the last three films.

Right from the start, the film begins with the new Bond theme "You Know My Name," by Chris Cornell, a song far more suitable than Madonna's "Die Another Day," which, even if you did like the song, you have to admit it did not fit the Bond franchise. The opening title, based on a card game, is a refreshing change from the last three films, which began with digitized girls and digitized Bonds running around shooting digitized guns.

The film really begins, to use the old cliché, with a bang. Opening with a parkour-based scene, which is a sport of French origin where individuals attempt to move over obstacles such as buildings and statues in the most direct manner possible by adapting their movements to climbing, running and jumping. Bond chases down a traceur, a player in the

sport of parkour, through a construction site. Any fans of "District B13," released earlier this year, saw what parkour is first hand and know exactly how exciting this sport can be. It is no different in this film.

The action in this film is greatly improved compared to previous Bond outings. Whereas in the last three pictures we were greeted with an action scene involving Bond grabbing an Uzi and just shooting for the sake of shooting, this film relies less on big bangs and more on hand-to-hand combat and the occasional chase sequence.

Still, the action sequences in this film are more raw than fans might be used to. Drowning people in sinks, smashing faces through mirrors, and using a nail gun to double as, well, a regular gun, may seem out of place for the classic hero. It does, however, make sense for the character, as he has always been resourceful and uses whatever objects he has around him to get the job done.

The most thrilling scenes of the film are actually the card games. They are magnificently done, and they are probably the most riveting card game sequences to be shown at theaters in years.

"Casino Royale" is actually entertaining — something that has been missing from the franchise in recent years. While slightly more violent, 007 fans will be pleased that "Royale" has brought back the humor and excitement of the older films.

—Anthony Crabtree

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CLUB

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student and attendee Josh Trainer described as "amusing," was one of those things that looked better in the flashy fliers than in real life. After twenty minutes of parading and grinding, an unprovoked hair-pulling attack supplied the evening's unnecessary violence and incited the crowd to cheer distastefully. Bouncers quickly broke up the fight and kicked the attacking girl out of the club. Perhaps if the contest had not gone on for so long, the crowd might not have been celebrating an otherwise appalling event.

Assistant manager, DJ, bartender and occasional janitor Balakw Cleary did not see the fight as a setback to the show, noting that the aggressor was not local. "The girl that got kicked out was unlike the clientele that we have day in and day out. Our staff dealt with it very well," Cleary said.

DJ Styles, an assistant manager for Ushuaia who was onstage at the

time, agreed. "If that was the biggest incident of the night, then it goes to show what really goes on [at Ushuaia]. It's going to happen no matter where you go. When you mix music, people and alcohol, you don't always get the best result."

"I remember being 22 years old and looking for something to do and how important live music is to the area."

Sean Smith
Founder of Queen City Entertainment

For the next six months, there won't be any alcohol in the mix. Ushuaia owner Alex Gray said of the town's denial of the club's liquor license, "I think this decision shows the distance between the council and the student body."

Gray said he plans on keeping Ushuaia open for the immediate future, as a large demographic for

the club is the 18-21 age group. He noted that there is a problem with "pre-gaming," where patrons drink before they come to the club.

Ushuaia will still host shows, but will have to sacrifice some concerts that would be impossible without the support of the bar. Sean Smith, founder of Queen City Entertainment and coordinator for the Bubba Sparxxx show, said he would do anything he could to continue working with Gray, and supported his efforts to keep the club open.

"I remember being 22 years old and looking for something to do and how important live music is to the area," Smith said.

Cleary expressed concern that, with Ushuaia's bar closed, there will no longer be a safe place for students to consume alcohol.

"I hope that [the community doesn't] need something tragic to show how it will affect them," Cleary said.

Style editor Pattie Barry contributed to this report. For more about the revocation of Ushuaia's liquor license, see Page 1.

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substantial growth by the group. Any adolescent weaknesses that filled the first album were nearly stomped out. "The Quiet Things That No One Ever Knows" was the first single released, followed by "Sic Transit Gloria ... Glory Fades," another cult favorite. "Deja Entendu" confirmed Brand New's pliable resilience among

the music community; they were not falling to the repetitive doom of other rock bands. As Lacey said, "We are growing, and we respect our fans enough to know that they are going to grow also. We would be cheating them to give them the same record again."

Buried in rumor and hopes, their third album, "The Devil and God Are Raging Inside Me," promises larger growth for the band, and has become one of the most awaited albums of the year. In recent reviews it has been com-

pared to the likes of Pink Floyd's "The Wall" and U2's "War."

The University of Maine has the privilege of receiving Brand New on the verge of their new album. You do not want to miss this show. Brand New is known for putting on an energetic live performance. According to their current tour schedule, the show at UMaine will be one of the first shows after the album's release date of Nov. 21. This means brand new Brand New music for everyone.

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Cancer

June 22 to July 22

Now is the time to ask those questions you've been dying to ask. Query the weather on why it always rains on weekends or ask badgers why they look so unhappy.

Leo

July 23 to August 22

When your teacher asks you why you're always late to class, tell him the truth. It's not because you're sleeping in - you're styling your beautiful mane. He'll let you go because he's a Leo too.

Virgo

Aug. 23 to Sept. 22

Don't let opportunity boss you around. Apathy is way cooler and has better fashion sense. You don't even have to bow down and answer the door when it comes to visit.

Libra

Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

It's probably been a long time since you've seen the tooth fairy. Trick her into visiting you by buying a pair of broken dentures and placing a tooth under your pillow every night.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 to Nov. 22

CIA tryouts are today in the Multi-Purpose Room. Bring your darkest sunglasses, a black suit, your best undercover impression and pom-poms.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 to Dec. 21

A beautiful individual whose kisses taste like ice cream will ask you to marry them on a rainbow today. The sun will be shining, and you will live happily ever after, singing with the animals in the forest.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 to Jan. 20

If you hold your breath for long enough, you will pass out. Luckily, you do not get the same result when you hold your elbow, so do it all you want.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 to Feb. 17

Indulge your hidden desire to press all of the buttons in an elevator today. Don't get off until the last stop, and when you do, don't ever look back.

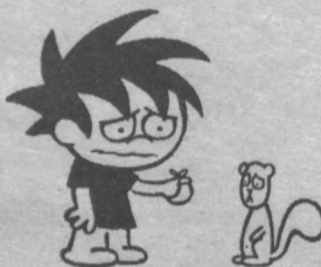
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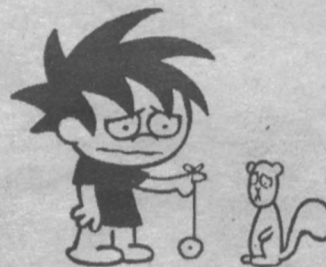
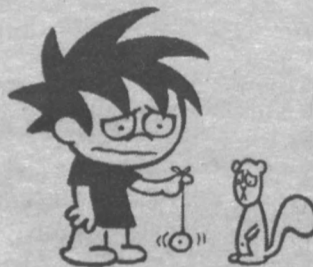
This week, you will get to hang out with someone who really needs to shave. It's okay, though, because he feels really warm when he sleeps on you. Don't be sketched out; he's a friendly family pet.

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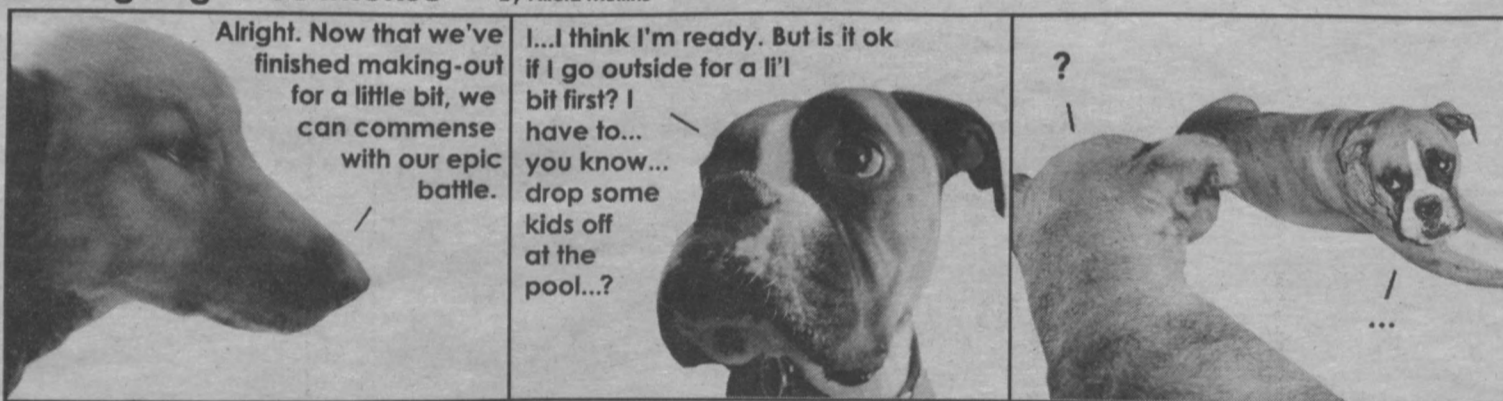
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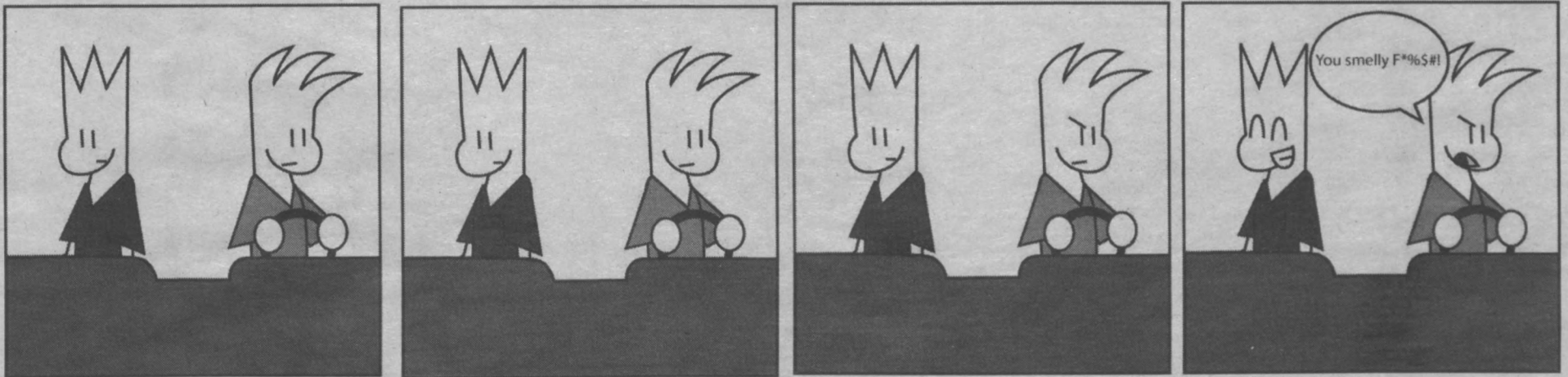
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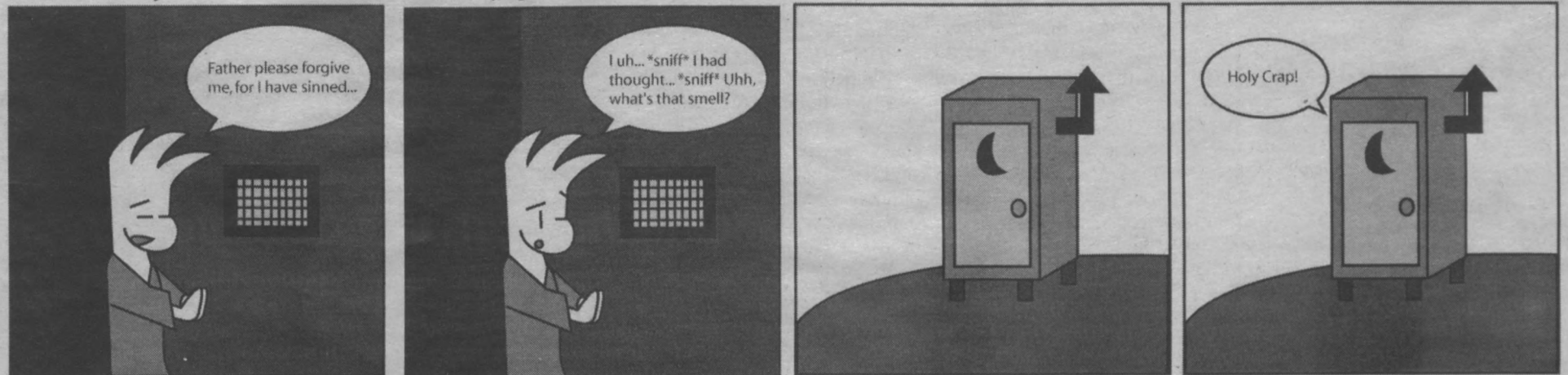
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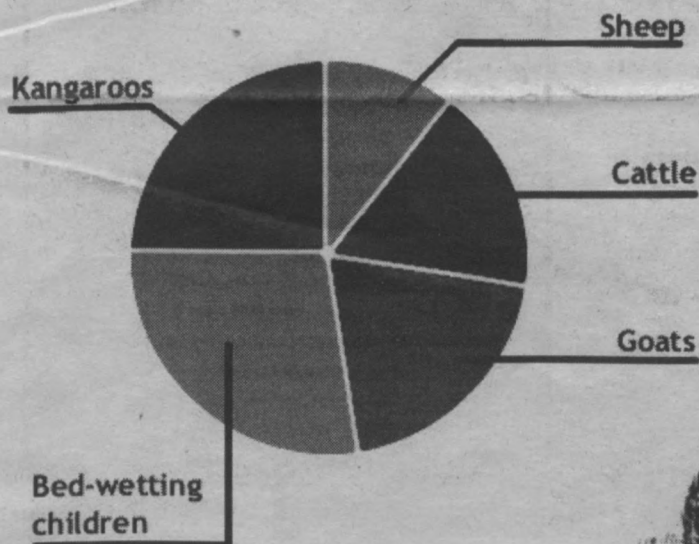
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Three Stars

After each UMaine hockey series, The Maine Campus selects three outstanding players from the weekend's action.



Joe Rooney
BC

The Eagles' leading scorer notched the game-winner in overtime and also tied the game at 3-3 with a nifty tally late in the third period.



Brian Boyle
BC

The Eagles' captain assisted on the game-winning tally and brought his club back to life with an opportunistic goal that made it 3-2 midway through the final period.



Mike Hamilton
UMaine

Hamilton played his best game of the year, and perhaps in a couple of years, scoring a goal while generating several grade-A chances and drawing two penalties.

Scoring Summary

BC	1	0	2	1	4
UM	1	1	1	0	3

First period — 1, UM, Michel Leveille 11 (Simon Danis-Pepin, ted Purcell) 17:10 (4x4). 2, BC, Nathan Gerbe 6 (Brian Boyle, Dan Betram) 17:51 (pp). Second period — 3, UM, Mike Hamilton 2 (Leveille, Soares) 11:47 (pp). Third period — 4, UM, Leveille 12 (Billy Ryan, Rob Bellamy) 2:59. 5, BC, Boyle 5 (Joe Rooney) 7:14. 6, BC, Rooney 3 (unassisted) 14:04. Overtime — 7, BC, Rooney 4 (Boyle, Benn Ferriero) 4:08.

ALFOND

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their second straight home defeat. Trailing 3-1 with 15 minutes to go, the No. 7 Eagles were energized by an opportunistic goal from captain Brian Boyle.

In a matter of 19 minutes, the Eagles achieved something that hadn't occurred since 2001.

"I'm glad we're the team that ended that," said Boyle.

"That's definitely not a stat you want to be part of," said UMaine netminder Ben Bishop. "No one is proud of that."

Although clearly upset with the Black Bears' second difficult defeat, UMaine coach Tim Whitehead addressed the end of the streak as a positive thing.

"We've walked that fine line very strongly when we've had a lead in the third period for five years," said Whitehead. "But in many ways this is a good thing. I'd rather lose that lead now because down the stretch it's a reminder that you have to close it out."

The Black Bears drop to 8-2-1 with the tight loss and 3-2-1 in Hockey East competition.

The Eagles, who came in with an inconsistent 6-3-1 record, were elated with the game's results.

"You don't come up to Maine, trailing by two in the third period and beat them — it doesn't happen," said BC goalie Cory Schneider. "It was great to see our team show some resolve and come back."

After recording his second goal of the game, captain Michel Leveille and the rest of the Black Bears looked to have the game in hand. The Eagles saw otherwise.

"You guys know about the stats; all I know is we lost and it's unacceptable to let them come back with three goals," said Leveille.

The loss will unquestionably drop the Black Bears from the top spot in college hockey's rankings, a title they have held since the middle of October.

"There were some breakdowns defensively," Bishop said. "Maine in the past has always been a defensive-minded team and when you get away from that in the third period with a two-goal-lead it's unacceptable. That should never happen. We just have to look in the mirrors and figure out what we're doing wrong."

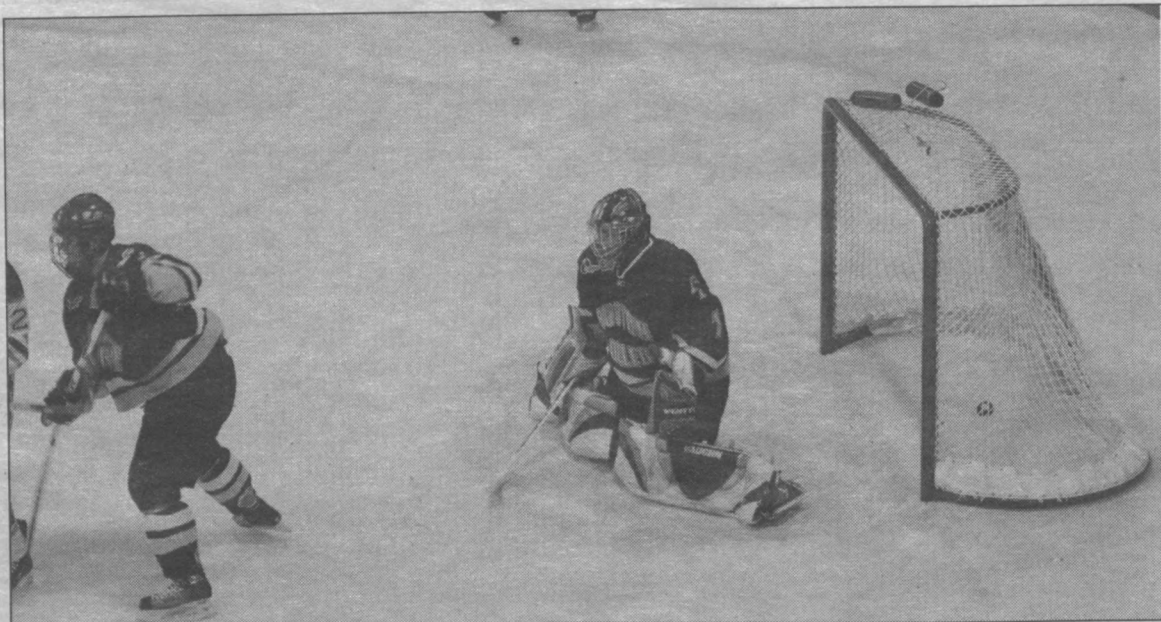
Of all the breakdowns, the biggest and most glaring came at 4:08 of the overtime period. With a display of sheer speed, Rooney, the Eagles' leading scorer, broke in free on Bishop and sent a sharp pass into the back of the net.

"I went down the left side and Benn Ferriero went down the right to just try and spread them out," Boyle explained. "That left Joe with a one-on-one play. It was all Joe after that. It was a spectacular individual effort. He realized it was a one-on-one play and he made the most of it."

"That was the prettiest goal I've seen all year," said Boyle.

Ferriero and Boyle assisted Rooney on the decisive tally.

"I just kind of dropped it and took off towards the net," said Boyle about the drop pass he gave Rooney. "He bailed me out. If that didn't go in and we ended up tying, I would've put a lot of blame on myself for that last goal."



The winner was Rooney's second goal of the night, as he also knotted the score at 3-3 at 14:04 of the third.

"Wait 'till you see him this year, he will be up there as far as goals are concerned," said Boyle. "He's got tremendous offensive skill. He's one of the top players in the league, absolutely no question. Playing with him makes it a lot easier. They way we play off each other is a big thing."

Rooney registered the game-tying goal after backhanding a high shot over Bishop's stick side shoulder. Again it was Rooney's speed that beat the Black Bears.

"You don't come up to Maine trailing by two in the third period and beat them — it doesn't happen."

Cory Schneider
Goalie
Boston College

"I think we were getting a little too anxious to score a goal," said Bishop. "He walked through most of our entire team and that should never happen."

The score came barely seven minutes after Boyle had started the rally with an easy tally off a mistake. Defenseman Matt Duffy misplayed a puck directly in front of the net and the long-reaching, 6-7 Boyle capitalized on the play.

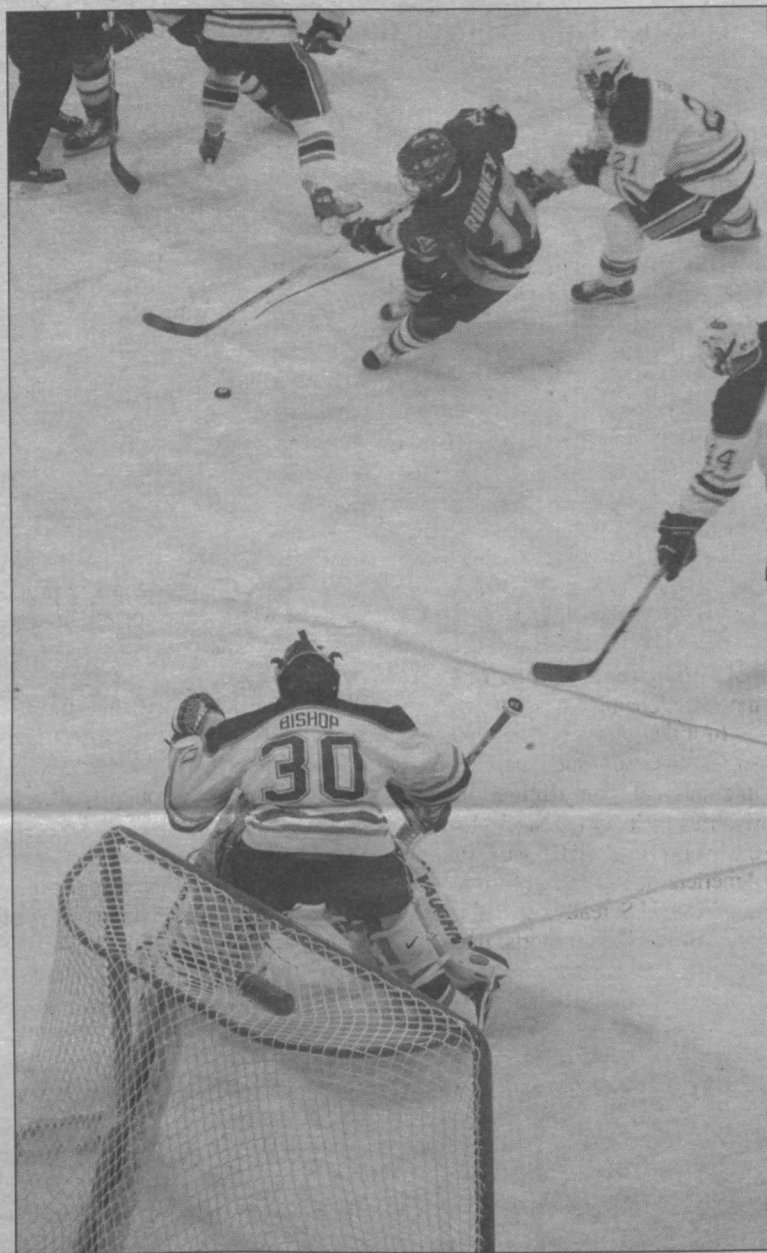
"They just put it on net and the puck was there," said Mike Hamilton, who scored the Black Bears' second goal. "I don't know if Duffy knew Boyle was right behind him. He went to turn and he kind of missed the puck. Boyle just tipped it and it went right in."

Boyle's goal gave the Eagles, who trailed 3-1 at 2:59 of the third, all the momentum they needed to get back into the game.

"I don't think it's a lack of playing hard, it's a lack of focus," said Leveille. "We're making little, little mistakes that end up in the net."

The captain had willed the Black Bears to the lead with two goal and scored his second on a play that saw him jump the boards and break in on a big rebound. But after that the Eagles woke up.

"Once they scored that third goal, I kind of sat back as a



CAMPUS PHOTOS BY MATT SWARTZ

SIEVES — TOP — BC goalie Cory Schneider reacts a second too late as a UMaine shot sails into the net. ABOVE — The Eagles' Joe Rooney streaks in on Ben Bishop.

spectator," said Schneider. "Our team played fantastic. We were rolling three lines and outworking, out hustling them."

UMaine recieved its second goal and what looked to be the eventual game winner when Mike Hamilton buried a tape-to-tape pass from Josh Soares on the powerplay. The goal came at 11:47 of the second period.

"We got to bounce back. Two losses at home in a row is definitely something uncharacteristic of a Maine hockey team," said Hamilton.

The squads were deadlocked at the end of the first period after tallies from Leveille and Nathan Gerbe. The Eagles tied up the duel at 17:51, just 41 seconds after the Black Bears scored. Leveille's goal came on another beautiful shot. This time it was a slapshot from the point in a 4-on-4 situation.

UMaine will now head to Vermont Saturday with their

first two-game losing streak of the season in tow.

The loss has provided the Black Bears with plenty to focus on during the next week of practice.

"All our mental mistakes seem to end in the net," said Leveille. "We got to figure this out. We have to play as a team and make sure we all collapse in front of Bishop and help him out."

The Black Bears have to do a much better job of protecting Bishop, who finished with 28 saves.

"We need to create that bubble and not only focus on the puck but the other teams' sticks," said Leveille. "That's something we will have to work on all week and the rest of the year."

The UMaine-Vermont showdown is set to begin at 2 p.m.

"We will bounce back strong here — that's our only choice right now," said Whitehead.

Nothing beats a rivalry

Appreciating OSU-Michigan and UMaine-UNH

By Matt McGraw
For The Maine Campus

Rivalries are the lifeblood of the regular season. They epitomize importance and excitement. There is no better way to end a regular season than with a match-up of bitter rivals. There is no doubt in my mind that long-standing rivalries in sport provide the most defining moments in sports history. In a way, they're the personification of sport. They allow an otherwise meaningless game to be brought to life. Rivalries are where we show our medieval roots: village against village, legend versus legend, the quest to build an empire.

It only takes a few games between rivals to see the difference. Every play matters, fans don't leave early and stakes are high regardless of playoff implications. The need to win is heightened when you face your enemy. The players are desperate. The fans are desperate. It is an amazing atmosphere to be a part of, knowing that the next three hours will stand as a lasting memory.

These kinds of games are special because the average regular season game doesn't create this type of atmosphere. When Merrimack comes to town, it just doesn't mean the same as when UNH or BC do. When the Red Sox lose to the Jays it is just a loss, but if they lose to the Yankees, for 24 hours, the Yanks are the world champs.

In a day and age where western sports have lost the importance of international competition, internal rivalries pick up the slack. Look at the World Baseball Classic. After the American team was eliminated, no one in the U.S. really cared about the competition. Other sports, like football, are forced to develop their own rivalries since international rivalries aren't an option. While soccer matches between England and France have much more history, the Cowboys and Redskins rivalry in the

'70s and '80s represents an entire era for American sport.

This weekend's Ohio State versus Michigan game is a perfect example of a rivalry hitting its peak. In the court of public opinion, Ohio State just won the National Championship, barring a rematch on Jan. 8, 2007. Fans from all over the country were interested in the winner of this game. Fans who have never even visited the upper midwest had their reasons for who to pull for. New OSU fans admire the way Jim Tressel handles himself as a sideline general. Some wanted Troy Smith to have a big game and win the Heisman over that "pretty boy" Brady Quinn. Some Michigan fans popped up because their parents were born in Michigan. That rivalry gave average fans a reason to watch college football, something that an OSU-Northwestern match-up failed to do.

College football serves itself well by saving its rival weekend until the end of the season. It ensures there will still be meaningful games in November, something to look forward to even if the playoffs are out of reach.

The game of the weekend for me, however, was the UMaine versus UNH football game, and I'm proud to say I was around for this rivalry. The setup was perfect: senior day, Whitcomb going for records, Ball already breaking them, the proverbial match-up of defense vs. offense. Even though the Black Bears were already eliminated from playoff contention, this was by far the most exciting game I witnessed all year. This kind of rivalry makes me proud to be a fan of the University of Maine's athletic programs. Although it was my last college football game here at UMaine, I know this rivalry will stay strong in the years to come, and that fans will continue to embrace rivalry matches as the special games they are.

Knights roll by Bears in title joust

By Adam Clark
For The Maine Campus

The stage was set. The underdog versus the powerhouse playing on the biggest stage in football: West High School Field in Manchester, N.H.?

UM	0
NE	29

Of course, it wasn't the Super Bowl or the Rose Bowl. It was the Northeast Independent Football League championship game.

In the first-ever New England Bowl on Saturday afternoon, the University of Maine tackle football club's inaugural dream season came to an end as the west division champion Northeast Knights cruised to a 29-0 victory to capture the NIFL title.

The Knights, who finish the season 9-1, won all three meetings with the Black Bears this season, two by way of shutout.

In the first quarter, the Knights took no time getting on the board. After just four plays, the Black Bears found themselves down 6-0 as the Knights marched fifty-five yards for the early touchdown. After a Brett Davison interception, the Knights scored another quick touchdown and added a two-point conversion to make it 14-0.

Turnovers, the Achilles heel for the Black Bears all season, proved to be the downfall once again in the title game. After fullback Matt Littlefield coughed up the football on the next two UMaine drives, the Knights added two more touchdowns to make it 27-0.

With the score 27-0 ten minutes into the game, the Knights, with an all but insurmountable lead, put it into cruise control. The UMaine defense, which has been stalwart all year, held the Knights' number-one rated offense scoreless for the rest of the game.

However, the UMaine offense could not muster up anything against the Knights' stingy defense.

"They wouldn't let our running game get going," said player and coach Eric Whitman, who missed the first series of the game after being



CAMPUS FILE PHOTO

TOUGH ENDING — Kevin Williams, seen here earlier this season, and the Black Bears fell short of their New England Bowl championship goal.

struck in the head on the kickoff and coming up dizzy. His team's offense was only able to muster 50 yards of total offense and six first downs.

The Knights put their final points on the board in the third quarter as they sacked Black Bear quarterback Brett Davison in the end zone to record a safety.

"The fact that we played for a championship and won a division title in our first year was no small task."

Eric Whitman
UMaine tackle football club

"The fact that we played for a championship and won a division title in our first year was no small task," said Whitman. "I am very proud of the guys and what we accomplished."

With the NIFL season wrapped up, UMaine finished their inaugural campaign with a 5-5 record. However, for 10 players and possibly three more Black Bears, the sea-

son is not over yet as they have been selected as all-stars and alternates to participate in the NIFL's version of the Pro Bowl.

On Dec. 2, in Manchester, the NIFL All-Star game will take place as the East takes on the West. Those representing the Black Bears on the East squad are Brett Davison, Eric Whitman, Gil Cyr, Frank Vickerson, Rob Laverdiere, Kevin Williams, Tony Poulin, Dan Sprogis, Matt Littlefield and Drew Linkletter. In addition, Ron Dube, Dylan Veilleux and Kevin St. Pierre were selected as alternates for the East squad.

While UMaine ended the season with a tough loss, they remain optimistic and upbeat about next season.

"We have the majority of our team returning, people who got hurt last year and hopefully will be recovered, and we will be preparing for next season shortly," said Whitman.

With Rob Laverdiere, Kevin St. Pierre, Drew Linkletter, Frank Vickerson, Travis Romano, and Ron Dube all graduating, there are spots open for next year if anyone is interested. For more information, contact Eric Whitman via FirstClass as the Black Bears prepare to defend the NIFL East Division Championship.

Reed returns, paces UMaine to win

Men's basketball nets first win of season in convincing fashion

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

Rumors of the injury and demise of Kevin Reed seem to have been somewhat exaggerated. The senior guard shook off the rust of last year's medical redshirt and Tuesday night's frightening knee injury to lead the University of Maine men's basketball team to its first win of the season, 79-60 over St. Francis College Saturday in Brooklyn, N.Y.

UM	79
SFC	60

Reed exploded for 30 points, including eight three-pointers, as the Black Bears led most of the way to improve to 1-3 on the season. The 6-2 Massachusetts native left Tuesday night's loss to Idaho State with what appeared to be a severe knee injury. He was evaluated as day-to-day by UMaine doctors but showed no signs of injury Saturday, play-

ing a team-high 33 minutes and grabbing nine rebounds in addition to his scoring binge.

The Black Bears were energized by a change to the starting lineup. Senior Chris Bruff was inserted at forward in place of classmate Olli Ahvenniemi. Bruff responded to the new role with an efficient 3-of-5 shooting for eight points and picked up three rebounds despite being limited by four fouls.

Ahvenniemi pulled down two rebounds and made his only shot for two points in 13 minutes off the bench. He also picked up four fouls and was held without a blocked shot for the first time this season.

UMaine had three other scorers in double figures as Philippe Tchekane Bofia, Jon Sheets and Junior Bernal all chipped in 11. Sheets reached double digits despite shooting only 1-of-7 by drawing a multitude of fouls and shooting 8-of-9 at the line.

St. Francis, led by Robert Hines' 18 points, led 9-6 early in the first half. The Black Bears used a field goal from freshman Mark Socoby and back-to-back treys from Reed and Sheets to seize control. UMaine extended the edge to 30-20 and held it for a 39-30 halftime advantage. Reed had 19 of his 30 points in the opening period.

The Terriers drew no closer than four points in the second half as the squads traded scoring runs. Each time St. Francis closed the gap within striking distance, UMaine responded with scores of its own to push it back to double digits. Each of Sheets' eight free-throw makes came in the final two minutes to help the Black Bears ice the win.

UMaine's home opener takes place Wednesday night at Alford Arena against Vermont's College of St. Joseph's. Tip-off is set for 6 p.m.

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Rock ... Paper ... Scissors ... COOT

A new game invented by UMaine students is sweeping campus



By Derek Dobachesky
Copy Editor

University of Maine students interested in a new, unique outlet for their competitive tendencies — and not afraid of a little bit of mud — need look no further. Cootball, a new sport recently given club recognition by the General Student Senate, has arrived on campus.

Cootball was founded in the fall of 2005 by UMaine students Daniel Bishop, Tom Coady, Adam Perron, Dan Lawson and Zach Von Hasseln. The idea to invent a new game dawned on them after finding a mini soccer ball in the woods in Bridgton, Maine. Then

they purchased a squash racket from Goodwill and proceeded to develop the rules of the game.

To begin, a player called the "coot" is selected by players, touching their noses and saying "not it," until one remains, who becomes the coot. The coot selects a defender and proceeds to play "rock, paper, scissors, shoot" with the other players. Winners form one team and losers the other. When half the players are on one side, the rest join the other team. The players then form a triangle with their water bottles, in which the coot has to stay.

Gameplay begins with the two teams lining up around the triangle with their backs to the coot.

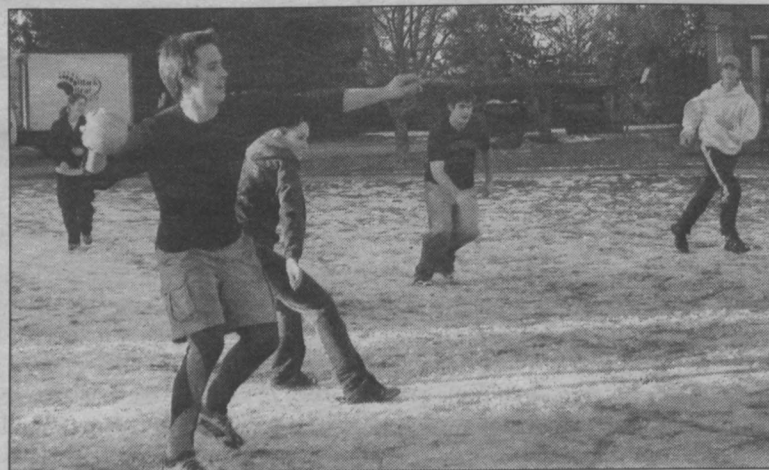
The coot then hits the ball outside of the triangle with his "coot-stick" — the name given to the squash racket the coot uses to defend himself from the ball — and the game begins. Players can dribble the ball with their feet and pass it with their hands but, like in ultimate frisbee, cannot run with the ball in their hands. The object of the game is to hit the coot with the ball. When a player hits the coot by throwing the ball, his team scores one point, and if he kicks the ball, two points. The first team to score three points wins.

The general consensus seems to be that one of the most appealing aspects of the new sport is its egalitarian nature. Daniel Bishop, co-founder of the sport, said that

one way cootball stands out from other sports is "the fact that you can play as hard as you want — we have different skill levels and it doesn't really affect the game." Another interesting aspect of the game that has garnered attention is its name.

"Cootball is named for the coot, who is in the middle of the triangle ... and is named so because they are like a crazy old man," said Gabrielle Berube, a third-year UMaine student and regular cootball player.

Cootball games occur on Sunday at 1 p.m. at Lengyel Field. Students interested in playing can either show up or contact Daniel Bishop, Tom Coady, Adam Perron or Dan Lawson on FirstClass.



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SHOOTOUT — TOP LEFT — Katelyn Benedict and Daniel Bishop shoot to start a game. ABOVE — Zachary Von Hasseln tosses the ball during a game on Stodder quad.

Barker puts down Tigers

Bracey Barker poured in 21 points, grabbed seven rebounds while adding three steals and two blocks to pace the University of Maine women's basketball team's 69-63 win over Princeton yesterday.

UM	69
PRN	63

UM	60
MTS	87

The senior led UMaine in scoring in all three games this season and the Black Bears improved to 2-1.

Women's Basketball

In a back-and-forth affair that featured 11 ties and 13 lead changes, Barker, who earned Subway Classic All-Tournament honors, scored six points during a 7-0 UMaine run with 5:33 left in the game to put the Black Bears on top for good.

Senior Ashley Underwood had her best game of the season, chipping in 15 points and handing out six assists. Amanda Tewksbury contributed nine points, while Tiffany Colon provided a solid punch off the bench with eight points and eight boards.

Earlier in the weekend, the Black Bears suffered their first setback of the season, 87-60 against Middle Tennessee State. Barker had a team-best 15 points and Kris Younan added a career-high 13, but the Blue Raiders' Chrissy Givens and Amber Holt each had 23 points to earn the victory.

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Game Balls

Offense: UNH's Chad Kackert, who scored the game winning touchdown in OT.

Arel Gordon of UMaine for tying a school record with 17 catches and going over 100 yards in total offense for the ninth time in 2006.

Defense: Alex Goyins — the Black Hole's emotional leader all year came up big in his final game, stopping Ricky Santos twice at the goal line and making a key interception.

It was over when: Kackert scored in overtime

Record breakers: Ron Whitcomb set the school record for touchdown passes with 68 but fell short of the passing yardage mark. **Matt King** was half a sack short of the UMaine record as he had 12.5.

AGONY

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But it was too far away for me to see for sure," said Cosgrove.

Even if Kackert had gone out of bounds, the Wildcats would have been in prime position for a chip-shot field goal and the three-point win. UNH caught the Black Bears off guard with their overtime play calling, leading them to first and goal.

"You go into overtime against an outstanding offensive football team and you're always worried about David Ball. They were smart, they came out running," said Cosgrove.

Senior Arel Gordon forced overtime with an electric touchdown grab with 8:08 remaining. Gordon turned around a UNH defender to haul in a breadbasket loft to knot the score at 13-13.

"Ron put it exactly where it needed to be, right at the numbers," said Gordon, who tied a single-game record with 17 grabs during the game. The scoring strike also moved Whitcomb into sole possession of first place on UMaine's all-time list.

The Black Hole would go on to force UNH to punt two more times in the game, but the momentum yielded no points.

"After Arel's touch, I thought we had it. We had all the momentum. It's hard losing like that," said King, who finished an All-America caliber season with 12.5 sacks, half a sack short of the school record.

The loss overshadows an inspired performance by the Black Hole defense, which held UNH scoreless in the second half. Santos didn't have a touchdown pass and Ball, the all-time leader in touchdown catches, had just five grabs for 60 yards.

Senior Alex Goyins, UMaine's emotional leader all season, stepped up in his final game with several game-changing plays. With UMaine trailing 13-6 in the third, and UNH knocking on the door, Goyins



CAMPUS PHOTO BY ANDREW GORDON

RUNNING ROOM — UMaine quarterback Ron Whitcomb heads for daylight during Saturday's battle for the Brice-Cowell Musket at Alford Stadium.

stopped Santos inside the 1-yard line on two successive plays to force a turnover on downs.

"They did it back-to-back. We thought they'd be running with Santos. Matt King had closed off the back side, so he cut back and ran into me," Goyins said.

On the next drive, Goyins intercepted Santos in UMaine territory and returned it 18 yards before being brought down by a shoestring tackle that saved six for UNH. Goyins led the Black Bear with eight tackles in the game.

Unfortunately, UMaine's offense failed to cash in on the numerous opportunities in the second half. UMaine had a 13-play drive in the third quarter turn up nothing, settled for field goals on two lengthy first half drives and missed another field goal try late in the first half.

"Sometimes, you just can't drive forever," said Whitcomb, who finished the day 28-of-36 for 202 yards with a touchdown and an interception.

"They'd win a couple money downs in a row, but when it got close we kept the ball in front of

us and kept them out," said UNH defensive captain Brendan St. Peter.

The biggest test was on fourth-and-one at the UNH 26-yard line. Cosgrove bypassed a potential game-winning field goal try and Teron Allen, who hadn't been stopped for a loss all season, was tackled behind the line to give the Wildcats the ball.

"Sometimes you just can't drive forever."

Ron Whitcomb
Senior quarterback
UMaine football

"I've always felt that you go for it on fourth-and-one. You have to get it done, to make it," said Cosgrove.

Earlier in the game, Santos rushed for a pair of touchdowns to put UNH on top 7-0 and 13-6. His one-yard plunge on the

game's first drive was set up by a botched punt that saw the Black Bears nearly block the kick before UNH's Matt Henry pulled it back and raced up the sideline for a 41 yard gain.

"That's why he's back there," UNH coach Sean McDonnell said of Henry. "He's poised and you can trust him with the ball."

The second, a five-yard scamper, capped the Wildcats' only sustained drive of the day.

"I'm happy to get out of here with a win, to beat a good Maine football program a few years in a row," said McDonnell.

Though the Black Bears end their season 6-5 and out of the playoffs for the fourth straight year, the squad made important strides in 2006. They posted the first winning record in two years and finished second in the Atlantic 10, the highest since 2002.

"It was frustrating. You go down to UMass and Rhode Island, you think you're a better team and you do things to show that, but you get washed out. It's tough to swallow, but you move on and hope the younger guys can take it in and make it better," said Whitcomb.

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ment appointed Balaguero interim head coach. The search for the new head coach started the moment Evans stepped down.

The naming of Balaguero to the interim head coach position comes just six months after the Nottingham, England native arrived in Orono. Balaguero elected to come to UMaine after Evans asked him to take the role of assistant coach. He previously served as a head coach at Virginia Intermont College. During his time at the NAIA and junior college level, Balaguero posted an impressive record of 79-27-6. Much like Paul Stoyell and Bill Livesay, who took over for Tom Reynolds after those disastrous seasons and few lean years, Balaguero has a difficult task in front of him. The Black Bears' 0-17-0 mark is arguably the lowest point in the program's 43-year history.

Still, there is reason to believe that it's possible. After two mediocre years, Stoyell, thanks to the recruiting of Livesay who had just left the

program, led the Black Bears to four straight seven-win seasons and three Maine State Series championships. In fact, the Stoyell years might be one of the brightest parts in the program's history. From 1970 to 1974, a pair of prized recruits, Stoyell and a well-rounded group of athletes delivered the program one of its best four years in history. Now, the same task is ahead of West Virginia alum and All Big East First team selection Balaguero.

The two-time NJCAA All American and National Junior College Player of the Year at Champlain College replaces Evans, who was hired in 2000. Evans spent four years as an assistant before taking the reins. In 2003, Evans led the team to its first postseason appearance in 10 years after recording a 7-8-4 mark.

News of the resigning came as a surprise to many of the players.

"I was actually pretty shocked at first," said forward Jimmy Velas. "Things had been tough throughout the year but no one was expecting this."

Balaguero echoed the same sentiment.

"Obviously it's disappointing to see Travers leave like this," said

Balaguero. "But he felt the season was putting a strain on him and his family. When you invest that much in something and you go through that it's very difficult."

Balaguero doesn't deny the season wore on Evans.

"I think I speak for the entire team, when I say I would like to see Dan [Balaguero] take over"

Jimmy Velas
Junior
UMaine men's soccer

"It was a very tough season and he took the brunt of it," said Balaguero. "Travers was a good guy all around. He really cared about the program and the players. But there is no doubt that this year affected him. It would affect anyone."

"I think the team is just ready to move on from the disappointing season," said Velas. "We respect his decision and hope all the best for him."

In the long run, Velas believes

Travers ultimately came to the decision because he was concerned with the direction of the team.

"I don't think he would've made the decision, if he didn't think it was to going benefit the team," said Velas.

As far as the search for a new head coach, Velas says there is only one route to go.

"I think I speak for the entire team, when I say we would like to see Dan take over because he is comfortable with the players and has the connections with so many recruits for next year," said Velas. "He brings confidence and a very positive attitude to the table and this will help the program get out of the slump we have been in."

While Balaguero is pleased to have this opportunity, he can't help but feel for close friend Evans.

"Obviously, I want this job," said Balaguero. "But this is not how I wanted it. I'm obviously a bit disappointed that Travers had to leave like this. We had a good relationship."

Still, he is not shy about his desire to lead the Black Bears to the promise land or in this case to the postseason.

"I want to help steady this ship," said Balaguero. "All I care about

right now is this program. I want the best for Maine soccer."

If he does get the position, Balaguero is ready and wants everyone to know that this program can improve.

"Although we just finished a tough year, the spirits on this team are fine," said Balaguero. "I firmly believe that it's going to be alright. Everyone is rather positive. We know we need to rebuild and are excited about that."

In the long run, Velas says this could be the best move for the team.

"Hopefully this will move the program into a position where we can succeed," said Velas. "Travers wanted the best for the team and hopefully something positive comes from it. I think that it was better that it happened now because the new coach needs to settle in with the team."

Already the program is pointed in the right direction. Instead of 3.5 scholarships like they had this year, the team will have 5.75. On top of that, Balaguero has several experienced transfers coming to the school who should make an immediate impact. Both are encouraging signs for a program that is more than ready to shake its loser title.



Agony of defeat strikes again



Wildcats stun UMaine in OT to retain Musket

By Matt Williams
Sports Editor

ORONO — Same story, slightly different ending. For the University of Maine football team, the ending wasn't quite different enough, as the Black Bears swallowed yet another bitter pill in a 19-13 overtime loss to No. 10 New Hampshire Saturday on Morse Field at Alford Stadium.

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"It was harder last week because that was the ender," said UMaine quarterback Ron Whitcomb. "This week's tough because no one let up for one second. We gave everything we had and for it to end like that, it always hurts. It's tough to swallow; we'll probably think about it for the rest of our lives."

For the third time this season, No. 22 UMaine lost despite considerable advantages in total yardage and time of possession. Saturday, the Black Bears held the ball for 41 of 60 minutes and outgained the vaunted Wildcats offense 323-250.

The Black Bears had their collective hearts torn out by a last-second loss for the second straight week, losing a game they should've won handily to deliver New Hampshire the fabled Brice-Cowell Musket for a fourth straight year.

"Double ouch. It's really the same game as last week," said UMaine coach Jack Cosgrove.

Ricky Santos' attack was no match for the top-rated Black Hole defense. When it got to overtime, though, the Wildcats came alive since they started at UMaine's 25-yard line.

"I didn't want it to go to overtime. We're not, statistically, very good in the red zone and you're giving an outstanding offensive team great field position," Cosgrove said.

After Devin McNeil missed a 40-yard field goal try on UMaine's overtime possession, Santos took over. The All-American had two keepers to run UNH inside of the Black Bears 10-yard line. The next play saw freshman Chad Kackert appear stopped in the backfield before he sidestepped UMaine's Bruno Dorismond and raced into the end zone for the season-ending score.

"All I remember is seeing a giant D-lineman in front of me. He disappeared so I started running," said Kackert.

The Black Bears weren't convinced it was



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BIG TIME GRAB — ABOVE — Arel Gordon hauls in a 22-yard score that tied the game and forced overtime. **RIGHT** — Alex Goyins shouts after intercepting Ricky Santos.



indeed the game-winning touchdown, but the officials lent no credence to the Black Hole's arguments.

"I thought our guys had him, and then I actually thought he stepped out of bounds, but I guess he didn't," said senior captain Matt King.

"It's too far away for me to see. Our guys said he stepped out. New Hampshire probably made the call by celebrating, and that's smart by them because the ref just let them celebrate, game over."

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Black Bears surrender lead, victory

Five-year streak snapped as Eagles shock the Alford

By Matthew Conyers
Editor in Chief

ORONO — Prominently featured every week in the University of Maine men's ice hockey game notes is a statistic that most people around the state love talking about. This week it was located on page four and reads:

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When taking the lead into the third period, the Black Bears have been unbeaten in the last 115 games. For not only the team, but the fans, the streak is a source of pride.

Next week, the note will need some copy editing.

In a shocking turn of events yesterday, the Black Bears surrendered three unanswered goals to lose 4-3 to Boston College in overtime. With just 52 seconds remaining in the extra frame, the Eagles' Joe Rooney sent UMaine to

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CRASH COURSE — UMaine's Derek de Kastrozza collides with BC's Carl Sneeo during yesterday's game.

Men's soccer head coach resigns post

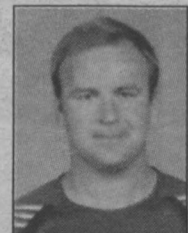
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In 1965 and 1966, the University of Maine men's soccer team experienced back-to-back winless seasons. Saddled with consecutive 11-loss campaigns, the program, in only its fourth year of existence, had nowhere to go but up. As far as the university was concerned, the next few years would make or break the program.

Now, 40 years later, the team has returned to the same crossroad.

On Thursday, UMaine announced the resignation of men's soccer head coach Travers Evans after seven years at the helm. The

announcement comes nearly a month after the squad completed their first winless season since 1966. Citing personal reasons for the decision, Evans surrenders the post after going 22-80-13 at UMaine. The departure of Evans, a 2003 America East Coach of the Year winner, now opens the door to the future, or in this case, assistant coach Dan Balaguero. After Evans sent an email to the team to alert them to the news, the athletic depart-



Evans

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