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Tolls or potholes?

Feasibility study for toll booths to begin

By Sam Cohen

On Sept. 26 the Maine Transportation Committee authorized the Maine Turnpike Authority to conduct a study and report about the possible addition of new tolls to Maine's interstate highways.

Tolls are currently being collected between York and Augusta, a 109-mile portion of the turnpike. There is no toll on 280 miles of turnpike through the rest of the state.

The committee voted 12-1 in favor of the feasibility study, which will cost \$40,000 to perform and be completed in January.

Governor John Baldacci released a statement on his Web site following the announcement of the study's authorization. "I oppose the idea of adding tolls to Maine's existing Interstate highway system, and I can assure you it will not happen during my term in office," he said. "Before they start talking about tolls on the Interstate, we need to cut the administrative costs of operating a separate Turnpike Authority and Department of Transportation. We must find every possible efficiency in the way we manage our transportation network, and we must make sure that

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Crunchy leaves



Noelle Keyser ♦ The Maine Campus

Students walk across the crisp fall foliage to class. There are two more days of class before fall break begins. Classes resume on Wednesday, Oct. 10.

GSS researches a tobacco-free campus

By Alex Leonard

In the latest session of the student senate, a resolution was passed to create an exploratory committee on the issue of a tobacco-free campus. Another resolution to create a cap on funding for student organizations failed after much debate.

The resolution to create a committee for a tobacco-free campus was not strongly opposed, but did create some confusion among the senate. Questions were raised as to who would have the final say on whether or not the university would become tobacco-free. President William Pomerleau said that a committee would research and recommend whether to keep tobacco on campus or not, but the ultimate decision

would lay in the hands of university administration. He added that if the administration has their collective mind made up, a committee's suggestion may not ultimately matter. The resolution was passed, and an investigative committee will be selected in the coming weeks.

The most intensely discussed and debated resolution of the night was an act creating a cap on the funding for on-campus clubs and organizations. The act, sponsored by Sen. Abtin Mehdizadegan, called into question allocating funds that exceeded \$15,000. Sen. Mehdizadegan cited the \$5,112.50 given to the UMaine Tackle Football Club and the nearly \$15,000 given for Alternative Spring Break.

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Siren to sound off next week

By Chelsea Cameron

On Monday Oct. 8, the University of Maine will test its new warning system. At noon, the siren will sound at full blast for three minutes to ensure it is in proper working order. The siren will be audible across campus, but it has yet to be determined how far away it can be heard and what it will sound like.

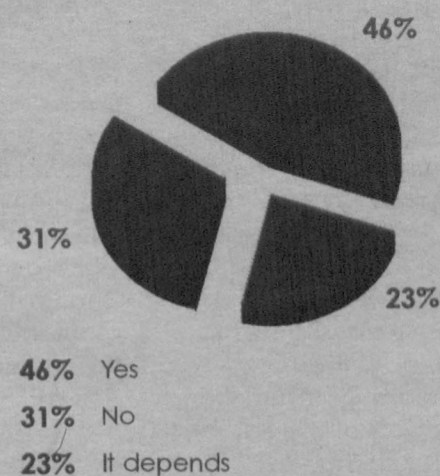
According to Joe Carr, director of university relations, this is the first part of a three-step test run of the new alarm system. It was decided to have the first test of the siren on a holiday, as it won't disturb as many residents on campus. This will be the first time the siren will be used since it was installed in September. "We need to be assured it is in proper working order," Carr said. He said it will be loud and intrusive, but necessary to see that it works.

The second part of the three-part step will be another low-volume test on Oct. 15 at noon, and every Monday thereafter for a few seconds to make sure that it continues to work. The full test, or drill as Carr called it, will happen

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WEB POLL

Do you think that student athletes should be held to a higher standard of conduct?



Whose responsibility is it to regulate public smoking? To place your vote, please visit our Web site, www.maineecampus.com

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A snowfall of savings for the upcoming skiing season

Sugarloaf and Sunday River offer student discount passes

By Kassandre Moulton

Boyne USA, which owns Sugarloaf/USA and Sunday River, is offering college students from the University of Maine and other schools a college "Maine Pass" for \$299 this year until Nov. 5. After Nov. 5, rates will increase to \$359, and after Dec. 10, \$459. To non-skiers and riders, the pass may sound expensive, but regular pass rates, can run close to \$1,000 for the highest tier.

Skiers and snowboarders who purchase the pass have the right to unlimited skiing and riding. Another advantage of the college Maine Pass is that there are no blackout days — or days when passholders cannot ski without additional payment. Blackout days usually occur during times when the mountains are most popular, such as Christmas vacation.

In previous years, the Sugarloaf and Sunday River winter sports experiences were available in a package deal known as the All For One Pass. The All For One Pass allowed skiers and riders to utilize six mountains in the Northeast for one price. All six resorts were owned by American Ski Company, which recently sold Sugarloaf and Sunday River to Boyne USA in a \$77 million deal. Before the sale, American Ski Company was experiencing difficulty, and according to Alpine News online, Boyne also assumed \$2 million in debt with the sale. This doesn't seem to bother Boyne, as the company just began large-scale improvements at both mountains. Riders and skiers will begin to see the improvements by this winter, with the addition of a Magic Carpet Service Lift at Sunday River. The Magic Carpet Web site shows pictures of these unique lift systems, which resemble a conveyor belt. Sugarloaf

will see even more changes, including renovations of the mountain's hotel, a new public transit system that runs from Kingfield to Carrabassett Valley, where Sugarloaf is located, and an increased snowmaking capacity of up to twenty percent. More details about these improvements and others can be found in the news section of Sugarloaf's Web site. Second year Construction Management Technology major, Joseph Dwyer, who has been skiing at Sugarloaf for 16 years and is a former resident of Carrabassett Valley, is excited about the changes. "I think the takeover is going to mean great things for Sugarloaf. This company has the potential to make the mountain even better than it already is."

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Joseph Dwyer
Sophomore
Construction Management Technology

While Boyne USA is a new company to many skiers and riders in the northeast, the company has strong roots in the snow sports industry. According to their homepage, Boyne USA, Inc. was founded in 1947 by a Michigan-based family. Their first resort, Boyne Mountain, was purchased for \$1. Currently, Boyne is the longest running ski management company in the industry, and owns 13 resorts, including Big Sky in Montana; Crystal Mountain in Washington state; and Brighton in Utah. Sugarloaf and Sunday River are the newest additions to the company.

There are few rules and restrictions regarding the college Maine Pass. Purchasers must be full time college students, with twelve or more credit hours. A valid college ID, such as MaineCard, must be presented at the time of the purchase. Passes can be purchased at varying locations at colleges throughout the state. At UMaine, the college Maine Pass can be bought at the Maine Bound Center, which is located behind Memorial Union.

Seven Proposed Community Governing Boards

- * York, Aroostook and Kennebec
- * Stodder, Penobscot, Balentine, Colvin and Estabrooke
- * Hart, Hancock and Oak
- * Gannett and Cumberland
- * Androscoggin and Knox
- * Oxford and Somerset
- * Patch and DTAV

Each board will consist of a president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. These members must all reside in one of the halls from within their community. The new arrangement will be voted on by campus residents on Friday.

Correcting the record

On Monday, Oct. 1, in the article "Legal troubles mar football squad" on page 20, *The Maine Campus* reported that the university was not aware of an alleged assault on a player. The player's coach and the athletic director were in fact aware of the situation and were investigating it.

In that same issue, there were two photographs which were attributed to the wrong photographer. The photo on page 6 of the Maine Bound building was taken by Chris Pappas. The photo from the Maine Attraction on page 11 was taken by Samantha Sansom.

The article "Volleyball falters in conference opener" on page 18 was written by Danielle Young.

The Maine Campus strives to be fair and accurate. To report an error, please e-mail our editor in chief at eryk.salvaggio@umit.maine.edu.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY

Healthcare for employees
noon Target
Technology Center,
Orono

Maureen Hedges from Insure Health will hold a workshop "Affordable Health Coverage for You and Your Employees."

A critical look at the US healthcare system

12:30 Bangor Room, Memorial Union
Peter Millard will give a lecture "Sicko Comes to Maine: How the US Healthcare System is Killing Us," as part of the Socialist and Marxist Studies Lecture Series.

FRIDAY

Environmental Lecture
noon Room 204,
Nutting Hall

Bruce Shindler will be hosting an environmental seminar.

Watergate conversation

2 p.m. Hauck Auditorium
Journalist Bob Woodward and Secretary William Cohen will have a conversation about the Watergate scandal. Registration is required. For more information contact the Maine Center for the Arts at 581-1755.

Iraq with Cohen

7 p.m. Hauck Auditorium
William Cohen will give a "State of Denial: The Inside Story on the War in Iraq" with guest speaker Bob Woodward.

SATURDAY

Happy Fall Break!
Classes resume
Wednesday, Oct. 10.

The next issue of *The Maine Campus* will be published on Monday, Oct. 15.

To submit your event to *The Maine Campus* community calendar, please send time, day, date, location and fee information to Heather.Steeves@umit.maine.edu, or drop it off in our offices, located in the basement of Memorial Union. Deadlines for submissions are 9 a.m. Sunday for Monday publication and 9 a.m. Wednesday for Thursday publication.

WEATHER

Orono's five-day forecast

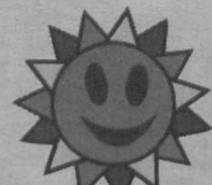
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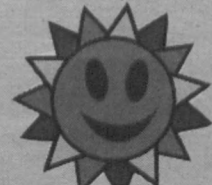
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Saturday | Mostly Sunny

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Sunday | Chance of showers

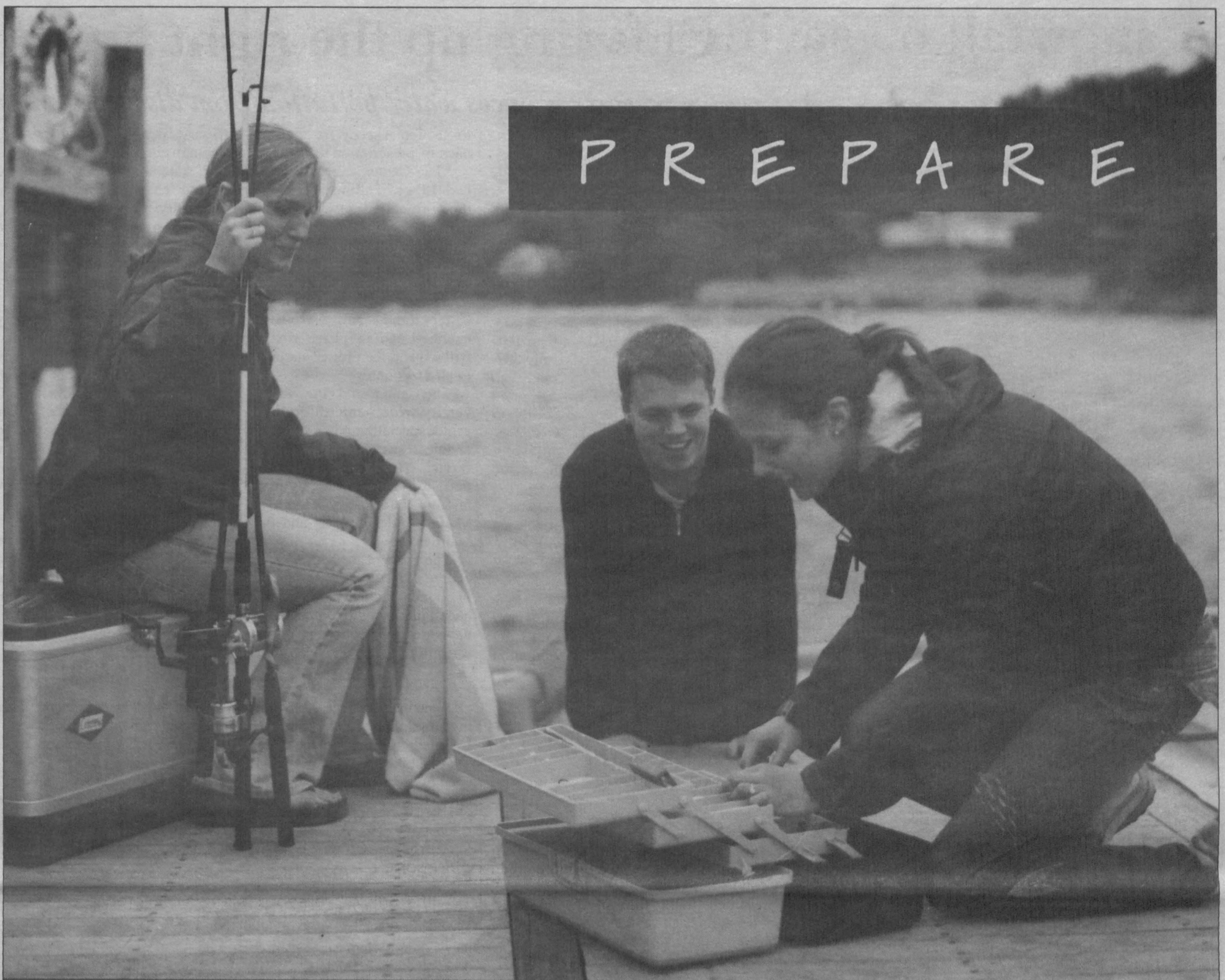
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Monday | Chance of showers

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What do you Think



Will Fenn
Second-year
Undeclared

What issue has you thinking?

The Iraq thing is always on the news. We talk about inter-mural sports: who we play, how we play them, the rivalries between the teams.

What improvements would you like to see at UMaine?

Better food. We kind of got screwed. Last year we were at Hilltop and Hilltop was closed and now we are in Hancock and Hilltop is the only one open.

What has been your best experience at UMaine?

Meeting people. Making Friends, that's what it's all about.

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Cleaning up the right way

UM research reduces water pollution from discarded pills

By Meghan Hayward

The University of Maine's Center on Aging is launching a first-in-the-nation program aimed at helping consumers get rid of excess drugs in a way that's free and environmentally friendly.

This program surfaces as a result of several decades of people being told to flush their left-over drugs. Recently, public officials have urged the public to stop flushing their unwanted drugs after more rivers, streams and even some public water supplies began testing positive for amounts of pharmaceuticals.

The program also comes from a 2004 bill passed by the Maine Legislature, creating an unused pharmaceuticals disposal program. The program could accept private funds, but no state money was set aside. This spring, the University's Center on Aging received a \$150,000 grant from the U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency for the mail-back of prescription drugs.

"The Center's grant from the U.S. EPA will allow us to roll out the project in two phases," Lenard Kaye, Center on Aging director, said. "In phase one we will distribute the mailers at participating pharmacies in the Kennebec, Penobscot, Cumberland and Aroostook counties and in phase two we will expand the project statewide to all 16 counties."

The Center on Aging is a university-wide, interdisciplinary center specializing in aging, education, research and community service. The mission of the center is to serve the state by maximizing the quality of life of Maine's older citizens and their families.

The goals of the center's project are two-fold. First to devise, implement and evaluate a mail back plan to remove unused and unwanted medications, both prescription and over-the-counter,

from residences and dispose of them in compliance with applicable state and federal laws and sound environmental policies. Secondly, to test the effectiveness of an educational campaign about the hazards to life, health and the environment posed by improper storage and disposal of unwanted medications.

The mailers will, at first, only be provided to older adults and their caregivers. Kaye said they envision a third phase which would provide mailers to all interested, regardless of their age. Recently, a bill was passed to provide state funds to the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency. These funds will allow the project to serve all ages across the state.

The pre-paid mailers will be made available to the public through pharmacies and medical clinics. Unused drugs will be put in the mailers, which will go to the Maine Drug Enforcement

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Siren

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on Friday, Oct. 19. This test includes sounding the siren at 11:55 a.m. on low volume and escalating it to full volume at noon, which will last three minutes. It will also include postings at umaine.edu and FirstClass, text messages and e-mail through umaine.txt, and a recorded message on 581-INFO. The UMaine Web site will also be updated with current information. UMaine will continue to conduct full-volume tests four times a year, as recommended by the manufacturer.

"After the massacre at Virginia Tech, President Kennedy asked us to put our heads together and devise a multi-level system," Carr said. He

also said many colleges are following a similar model and that UMaine's system is not unusual.

About 3,000 people have registered for umaine.txt, including faculty, staff and students. Carr expressed concern that more people haven't signed up. Compared to the number of staff and students, this is not a large number. He said that the first 2,000 signed up quickly, and then it tapered off. Fliers were posted on First Class, and stickers about the warning system were put on the doors to every building and on the doors of every residence hall.

"We've taken quite a few steps to get the word out," Carr said. Via e-mail, Robert Dana, dean of students said that he encouraged faculty, staff and students to sign up for the program. Leading up to the tests, there will be more public information and education pro-

grams, and that he expects more users will sign up then.

He said that the reason more people haven't signed up is possibly that people feel safe and don't think something bad could happen at UMaine, so they haven't felt the need to sign up for the program. He also said that we need to be prepared because most bad things are unexpected and the program is a comprehensive approach to safety. "It's a simple process," Carr said.

Carr said he thinks that this system will help make UMaine a safer community. The feedback he has gotten from parents and students has been positive so far. Dana said the preparation is the key to managing a crisis and full readiness is the best solution.

"We think we're on the right track," Carr said.

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"I want to promote other organizations on campus; I wanted to create an act to make everything more fair," Mehdiadegan said.

Sen. Sean Rankin said that he believed the act was a "great resolution," but that the focus should not be on large allocations to clubs, but rather on more "medium" ones such as the fireworks display scheduled for homecoming evening.

Meanwhile, Vice President of Student Entertainment Derek Mitchell argued that this act would create a "safety net," so that the senate body would be under more monetary scrutiny. Needing a two-thirds majority vote, the act failed.

President of Residents on Campus Justin Labonte announced that voting will take place Oct. 5 to determine whether or not the transition will be made to Community Governing Boards from the present Hall Governing Boards.

"The Community Governing Boards will allow for bigger and better programs and for the government

within the halls, or communities, to be more effective," Labonte said.

Voting will take place the day before fall break, causing concern for voter turn-out. Labonte called the decision "less than desirable" but encouraged voters on-campus to vote between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The latest session of student senate also provided an update on the Zipcar situation which is to be implemented by homecoming. VPSE Mitchell explained that there will be a Zipcar sign-up session on Friday, Oct. 12 in the MCA parking lot. The cost is \$5 an hour and \$55 for a day's use. The fees include regular maintenance, gas and insurance.

Mitchell also announced the candidates for homecoming king and queen. The nominees for queen are: Morgan Bickford, Ashleigh Deschenes, Ashley Hoskins, Catherine Kotredes, Hillary Leeman, Katherine Lestage, Amanda Mullen, Danielle Tardif, and Elizabeth Tyler. Those nominated for king are the following: Dan Arsenault, William Beaudoin, Rob Cloutier, Andrew Johnson, Joshua Lagasse, Brian Monahan, Steve Moran and Ross Theriault.

In his weekly report, President Pomerleau acknowledged that all 19

applicants for the Greek Grant Program would be sent letters of approval. He said that all requests met the guidelines for approval. Pomerleau also announced his candidacy for President of the Student Body in the December election.

Furthermore, Pomerleau appointed a new member to his cabinet, Sen. Morgan Bickford. Former Senator and cabinet member Ashley Wozneak resigned and as a result Pomerleau chose Sen. Bickford as her replacement.

"[Bickford] is very good about expressing her views on matters," Pomerleau said. "She's very professional and I think ... it's appropriate at this point [to appoint her]."

Other allocations that were passed at the meeting included \$375 to the Student Women Association; \$200 to Shotokan Karate Club; \$650 to Lambda Pi Eta; \$577.40 to Wilde Stein; \$400 for the FIJI Halloween Marathon; \$565 to the UMaine Cycling Club; \$180 to UMSG and \$800 to Amnesty International.

Also, the UMaine Tackle Football Club received \$5,112.50 and UMaine Forensics received \$2,004. The budget to start the evening was \$41,336.96 and after all allocations was at \$30,823.06.

Police Beat

Reckless Driving

On Sept. 20 at 8:39 a.m., Maine State Police received a call regarding a Ford pickup that was seen swerving while driving on College Avenue. A witness then saw the truck drive onto a lawn and strike a large cement property marker at the corner of Long Road and College Avenue. Both University and Orono Police responded and stopped the truck as it continued to drive north on College Avenue. The driver, Richard Estey, 20, of Bangor, failed a sobriety test and was arrested. He was transported to Penobscot County Jail and charged with OUI by Orono Police. He was also charged with leaving the scene of an accident and refusing to sign a uniform summons by University Police.

Hilltop thefts and damage

On Sept. 28 at 12 p.m., a resident of Somerset Hall reported that someone had forced entry and stolen items from their Honda in Hilltop Parking Lot while parked there from Sept. 27-28. An Alpine CD player, two subwoofers, a Dell MP3 player, and several amplifiers were removed, at the estimated value of \$1,496.

Public Safety found a Honda parked in Hilltop Parking Lot Sept. 28 at 8:30 p.m. with the driver's-side window smashed out. Nothing was taken from the vehicle. The damages were estimated at \$200.

On Sept. 30 at 3:00 p.m., a resident of Androscogin Hall reported a forced entry and theft from a Honda parked at the Hilltop lot. Between Sept. 27 and 28, two

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lacrosse sticks and a stereo system faceplate were removed. The total value of the items is estimated at \$380.

An off-campus resident reported damage to their car on Sept. 30 at 8:30 p.m. After leaving the vehicle parked for the day in Hilltop Parking Lot, the owner returned to find a dent on the rear quarter-panel.

All cases are still under investigation.

Theft in Steam Plant Lot

On Sept. 28 at 5:45 p.m., a resident of Hancock Hall reported that their Honda had been forcibly entered and an Alpine CD player had been stolen sometime between Sept. 24 and 28 at the Steam Plant parking lot. The CD player's estimated value is \$500. The case is still under investigation.

Stolen Electronics

A resident of Knox Hall reported that an iPod and \$45 in cash had been stolen from their fourth-floor room between 11:45 p.m. and midnight on Sept. 29. The iPod has an estimated value of \$300. The case is still under investigation.

A Toshiba satellite laptop was reported stolen from a first-floor room in Hart Hall on Sept. 30 at 8 p.m. On Sept. 29 the resident left campus for the evening and upon returning the next day, observed that the computer was missing. The laptop's estimated value is \$700. The case is still under investigation.

great, and it would be nice to have it fixed. If a toll booth would help that then I'm for it," he said.

Evan Habeeb, second-year new media major, agrees. "Our state is already on a tight enough budget and we use the roads for free daily. I don't drive near there so it doesn't affect me," he said.

For some out-of-state students, tolls can add up. Jimmie Connors doesn't want to pay for more tolls. "I think adding more tolls in Maine is a mistake. I am from out of state and the drive from school to home often costs me several dollars each way. Right now Maine has a modest amount of tolls compared to states like Massachusetts and New York, and I think it should stay that way," he said.

When the first phase of the study is completed in January the Transportation Committee will decide whether or not it has merit. If so the study will be continued for another 12 months and the analysis will be expanded.

"I expect most people will be mad at this but the roads in Maine need work and this will help," Whitman said. "I think people will realize this eventually."



Rachel Hirsch ♦ The Maine Campus

A Green Crab peeks its head over the surface of the water at LeMoine Beach, illustrating the first steps of early land animals as they emerged from the sea.

Evolution happens faster than originally assumed

By Dylan Riley

New research being conducted at the University of Maine is providing insight into the widespread evolutionary changes humans may be causing in other organisms. This research is being conducted by assistant Biology Professor Michael Kinnison and colleagues from McGill University.

Studying animals from Bighorn sheep to guppies, the research has revealed that animals are evolving to human changes in the environment within 200 generations. "They can be pretty dramatic [changes]," Kinnison said.

These evolutionary changes might not be entirely beneficial. This quick rate means that while a species may be able to keep up with the pace of environmental change, it may also mean that the species' gene pool is losing its diversity too fast, Kinnison said. "If we have animals dropping out like

people dropping out of a race," then there might not be enough animals to finish the race in the long run, Kinnison said.

"People are just catching on to how important these changes are," Kinnison said. The changes discovered in these species showed that those driven by human intervention appear nearly twice as fast as those driven by a natural environment, according to a press release.

"It isn't a fix-all," Kinnison said, in response to the notion that accelerating an organism's evolutionary rate might make human environmental impact less of a concern. "Animals can go extinct while adapting," Kinnison said. Exhausting that animal's genetic reserve can be too

much of a strain on its development over time.

Species harvested at a rate greater than the mortality rate have shown a significant decrease in body size, but they have also begun to mature at younger ages. This evolutionary change is believed to be prompted by over-harvesting. This has been seen in experiments on Atlantic fish, according to a study published by Kinnison and his colleagues four years ago.

Introductions of foreign crabs to the U.S. have helped snails develop harder shells to protect themselves, according to Kinnison, adding that "lots of organisms show this."

"People are just catching on to how important these changes are."

Michael Kinnison
Assistant Biology Professor

Making sure that human impact isn't evaporating animals' genetic diversity is one of the concerns Kinnison and his colleagues keep in mind. These studies can be used to show people how to measure evolutionary changes and how to maintain animal populations, Kinnison said.

While the unnaturally rapid evolutionary pace may be unhealthy for species, "some change is better than no change at all," Kinnison said.

While other research has studied similar changes, this research is the first to bring together studies of many different species. "There's a certain practicality and power in pulling together many studies in a combined analysis like this," Kinnison said in a press release. The data from the research is available as a database for other scientists to use.

Kinnison, Hendry and Stockwell's research is funded by the National Science Foundation, the Andrew Mellon Foundation and the Maine Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station.

Highway

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our current resources are being used effectively."

The study will attempt to collect information from the portions of the highway in Maine without tolls. Traffic data will be collected for I-295 from Falmouth to Gardiner and I-95 from Augusta to Houlton.

Analysis of road and bridge conditions and of possible toll plaza locations will also be a goal of the study.

According to the Maine Department of Transportation's 20-year transportation plan the state will need \$5.4 billion over the next ten years to maintain roads and highways. The state only receives \$20 million from the federal government for interstate upkeep.

Leif Whitman, third-year ecology and environmental science double major, thinks that new tolls would go a long way toward paying for the maintenance of Maine's highways. "I do lots of traveling throughout the state and I've seen parts of the highway that weren't

Drugs

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Agency where pharmacists will open some to see what types of drugs are being discarded. These drugs will be catalogued and destroyed.

"Unwanted pharmaceutical collection and measurement as envisioned by this project has a myriad of environmental and social benefits," Kaye said.

The collection of these pre-

scriptions could prevent increasingly evident environmental exposure and impacts from improper disposal, especially to the aquatic ecosystems. It could minimize accidental overdoses by people, pets and wildlife and limit opportunities for drug-related crimes and subsequent abuse. The project could also provide an alternative to drug stockpiling in homes, preclude bad drug donations and facilitate pharmaco-economic assessments of waste and prescriptions, insurance and reimbursement and dispensing policies

and practices.

"There is the opportunity for student involvement within multiple aspects of the project including research, marketing, and education," Jennifer Crittenden, research associate at the Center of Aging, said. "We are also looking for older adults to serve as community educators for the project."

Anyone interested in being a part of this project should contact Jennifer Crittenden at 262-7923 or by email at Jennifer.crittenden@umit.maine.edu.

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Campus smoking debate heats up

At the General Student Senate meeting on Tuesday, a committee was formed to study the impact of banning tobacco use on campus. The Maine Campus urges this committee and the university administration to fully weigh the impact of such a drastic action.

People are capable of making decisions regarding their own health, but on the issue of second-hand smoke, their decisions and the decisions of non-smokers sometimes conflict. A balance must be met between their rights and choices. How we best achieve that balance is up for debate.

Ultimately, the threat of a campus-wide smoking ban is an example of a breakdown of communication in our community. A regulation keeping smokers 30 feet from all building entrances already stands. If the community is not respecting this consideration, then people need take responsibility and speak up to achieve enforcement of the rules that already exist. Asking the government, student or otherwise, to provide a new regulation for us shows deterioration of our own personal responsibility.

This situation is not a crisis — in fact, in as little as three years ago, we could still buy cigarettes on campus. The University of Maine community should be trusted to regulate itself, and legislation should only be a last resort.

The above editorial is the opinion of and written by the editorial board, whose members are Eryk Salvaggio, Derek Dobachesky, Brett Sowerby, Emily Southwick, Kal Dauphinee, Heather Steeves, Nick McCrea, Pattie Barry, Rebekah Rhodes, and Adrienne Hess.

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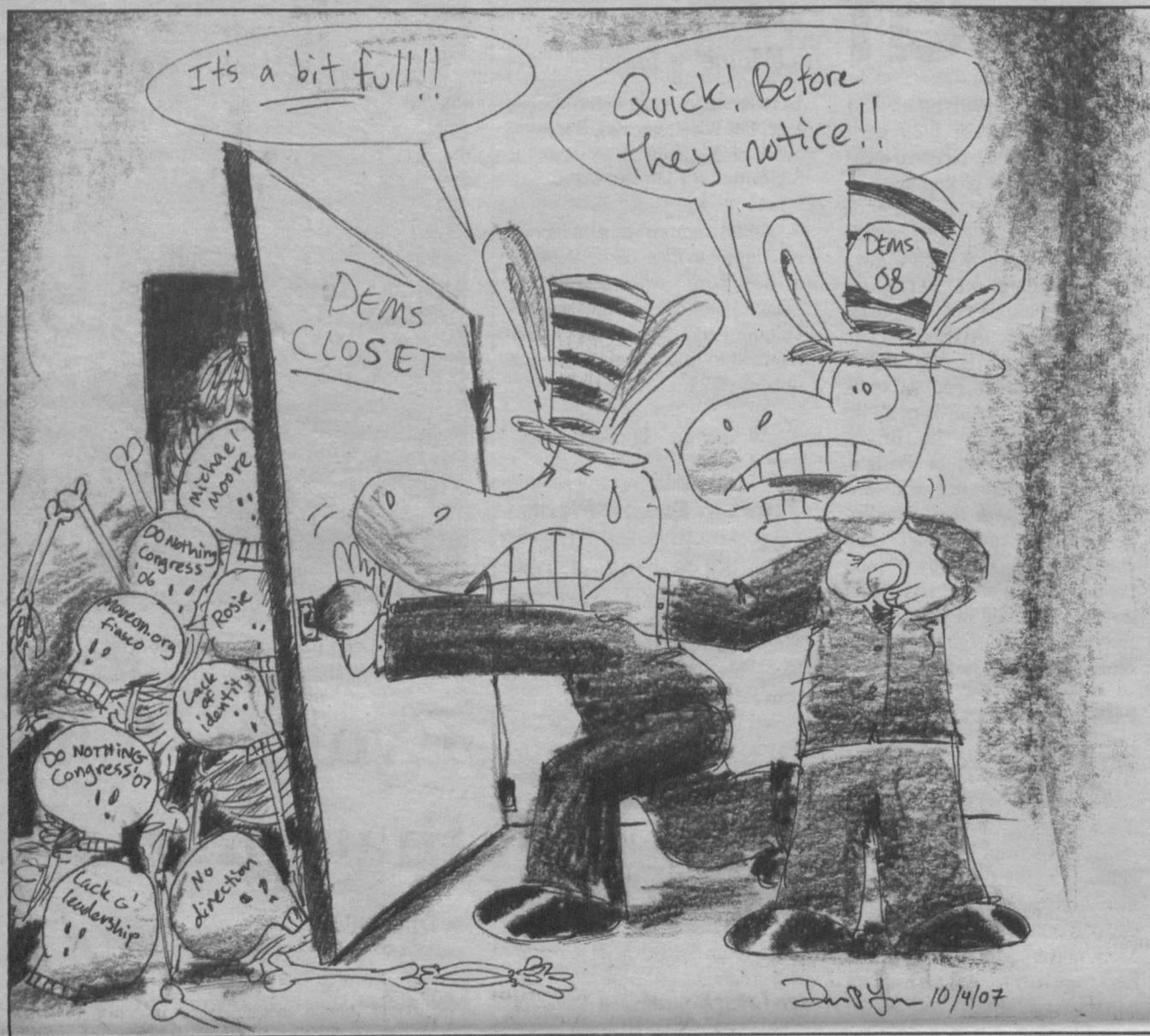
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Perspectives

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Heather Steeves

Many overlook effects of actions taken "for the kids"

It seems that we go out of our way for children. I don't mean this in the sense of "Hey, how about we put 18 years of our lives aside to bring yet another life into this overpopulated world;" what I mean is that we suppress what we want and say that it's "for the kids." By doing this not only are we losing our freedoms, but we're also making for weaker grownup-to-bes.

Let's start with violence in the media. The argument most often made is that when momma's little baby Joey watches Big Bird punch Elmo in the face that baby Joey is going to emulate Big Bird and punch his brother, friends — whoever. Had any of these parents taken a course in media effects, they would know that baby Joe would not want to punch his brother but that instead he would be afraid of some huge yellow bird chasing him down and punching him in the face.

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The age of eighteen-plus is ambiguous. I'm not saying I want to be dancing with 12-year-olds at a club, but we suppress the 18-and-under crowd as if at the age of 17 buying a lottery ticket or lighting up a Camel is going to do more damage than if you were a year older. In New Hampshire we are guilty of this too; we allow people over 18 to decide for themselves if they should risk being a pancake in the road because they didn't wear their seatbelt or motorcycle helmet. I love New Hampshire — don't get me wrong, but why only 18-plus?

Now on to the smoking issue. I could go on for days about how the US suppresses smokers with their ideologies — and I'm not even a smoker. In Maine, not only are you not allowed to smoke if you are under a certain age but, as of last year, in Bangor you aren't allowed to smoke if there is a child in your car. I guess the toxic gasses you are breathing directly into your lungs are not as bad as the fact that you are exhaling the rest into the air surrounding your child, whose well-being you are responsible for. Just say it Maine: "We hate that you smoke, stop doing it." I know you want to. You will start with the kids and then suddenly the age range moves to college kids. Not many people know that the University of Maine is supposedly going smokeless in the next year or so. No cigs allowed on campus. Years later, no one can smoke anywhere in Maine — the government starts their control at kids and works their way up.

I find that saying that we are not going to do something because it will affect children in a negative way is extremely arrogant of us. I say this because it insinuates that children are more affected by media or toxic fumes than adults. Furthermore, upon reflection you realize that in your own childhood you probably would have said, "I wouldn't be affected by these stupid movies as much as the wimpy kids of the 2000s are." That's what my history of mass media course told me anyway, thank you W. Phillips Davidson.

Frankly, I think you are afraid to admit how much the media and other influences actually affect you. It sure does make it easy to blame those kiddies.

Heather Steeves never listened to her parents when they told her to put on her seatbelt.

ROC referendum a roadmap for success

Justin Labonte

Tomorrow morning between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., on-campus students will be able to voice their opinions on the most significant Residents on Campus referendum in recent memory. The referendum concerns proposed changes to the ROC Constitution that will allow for a Community Governing Board system to be established within ROC. On behalf of the entire ROC Executive Board and myself, I urge all on-campus residents to support this referendum.

Currently, ROC operates with a Hall Governing Board system. This consists of one board per residence hall on campus. Each HGB consists of a president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, programming representative and ROC representative. HGBs are allocated a certain amount of money through ROC every semester in order to put on programs and make improvements within the residence halls. These boards have previously been advised by Resident Directors.

In the past, the effectiveness of HGBs has been hit or miss.

Some HGBs have put on fantastic programs within the halls and many have collaborated with other HGBs to put on larger, even more successful programs. However, some HGBs have been stagnant, plagued by vacancies and a lack of organization.

The proposed amendments to the ROC Constitution, among other things, eliminate the current Hall Governing Board system and establish a Community Governing Board system. Much like the changes seen in the department of Residence Life this past year, ROC will establish and recognize seven communities on campus, each consisting of two or more residence halls. Each community will then be represented by a Community Governing Board, advised by either a Community Coordinator or an Assistant Community Coordinator. Each Community Governing Board will consist of one president, one vice president, one secretary and one treasurer. Additionally, there will be one programming representative and ROC representative from each hall within the community, guaranteeing representation from every hall.

The benefits that this plan offers the on-campus student body are enormous. Increased competition for seats on Community Governing Boards will result in fewer vacancies and stronger, more organized communities. Money that would have originally gone into individual hall funds will be consolidated into larger accounts, resulting in bigger, better and more successful programming. Furthermore, Community Governing Boards will be able to work more closely with Residence Life staff to organize events geared toward students in a community, not just an individual hall. The outreach to students will be far greater than ever before.

The Community Governing Board system also makes much more sense from a logistical point of view. As the Department of Residence Life has made several staffing changes over the past year — most notably moving from a Resident Director position to a Community Coordinator position — ROC has felt the need for a change.

Residence Life no longer has the ability to provide ROC with 18 advisors for Hall Governing Boards. Without this advising, any form of hall government will be unsuccessful. Advisors have played a crucial role in communication between Residence Life and

ROC, and have aided in several successful programs in the past. With the Community Governing Board system, community governments are guaranteed an advisor, some of which will be professional staff.

Ultimately, the Community Governing Board system is a system geared for success. With the proposed changes to the ROC Constitution, students can expect to see larger, more exciting events taking place across campus. Community governments will be stronger and, therefore, better able to cater to the needs of the residents they represent. Again, on behalf of the entire ROC Executive Board myself, I urge all on-campus residents to take the time out of their busy schedules tomorrow and support this referendum.

Justin Labonte is president of Residents on Campus.

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Adam Davis

Burmese monks organize opposition to repressive regime

Beginning on the week of Sept. 23, over 200,000 Burmese, led by Buddhist monks, took to the streets to non-violently protest their unelected fascist military government. By Tuesday reports had reached the United States that Burmese soldiers were shaving their heads and posing as monks to incite violence. By Wednesday there was undeniable proof that the Burmese military was using live rounds and military-grade tear gas to bludgeon the protestors from the streets. It is now suspected that there have been over one hundred people murdered and maimed. There have also been reports of monks being burned alive.

In 2002, the US state department found that Burma's military regime was — and still is — actively using rape as a weapon of war. The Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003 passed by congress found that Burma's regime is using ethnic cleansing practices against indigenous people. Within the past two years, the Burmese regime has burned and decimated over 3,000 in eastern Burma, displacing over 1,000,000 and forcibly recruiting over 70,000 child soldiers — more than any other country in the world.

Contemporary Burma can be described as a land where the accumulation of destructive actions is growing exponentially and continually. George W. Bush has, in the past week, made approximately one direct statement in regards to Burma urging for a timely resolution to the escalating situation; Bush has supported the use of economic sanctions through the UN to bring about this resolution.

Now that George W. Bush's justification for decimating Iraq has proved to be nothing more than a seething viral infection of lies, it is very indicative for those who are observing what his actions are regarding a country that is actively murdering its politically heretical citizens. The Bush administration speaks continually of spreading

democracy — an ethnocentric view that seems to have assimilated into our culture over the past sixty years as easily as, say, pre-emptive strike — yet they shamefully take negligible action to perpetuate it in a country that is risking hundreds of thousands of lives for it.

In 1990, after the last major protests of 1988, a general election was called in Burma. The National League for Democracy's candidate was Aung San Suu Kyi. The party won a landslide vote of 82 percent. This government was never allowed to ascend; currently there are approximately 1,400 political prisoners in Burma including Aung San Suu Kyi and 38 elected members of parliament. Aung San Suu Kyi once wrote, "It is not power that corrupts but fear. Fear of losing power corrupts those who wield it and fear of the scourge of power corrupts those who are subject to it." Aung San Suu Kyi was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1991; she was unable to accept because she was, as she is now, under strict house arrest.

This comes as no surprise to those who have an understanding of Bush-Rove policy, as it now seems he will begin pursuing Mahmoud Ahmadinejad for not bending over for him. Bush will also continue to waste the fragments of tangible wealth left in this country on Iraq and Afghanistan — the US Senate just approved the use of \$150 billion of your money, Americans.

A parting thought: Saddam Hussein's pre-war military was estimated at approximately 400,000 troops. Burma's current army is estimated at approximately 450,000 and the country has received over \$2 billion in defense funding from China since 1989.

To learn more about the plight of the Burmese and how you can help visit <http://www.uscampaignforburma.org>

Adam Davis is a first-year English major.



Alicia Mullins

Gay marriage an issue of basic human rights and respect

I don't consider myself an extremely opinionated person about a lot of things. When there are debates going on about pro-this and anti-that, I usually just stay out of it. There is one issue, however, that I do feel strongly about. That issue is gay marriage.

I see marriage as a basic human right. Put simply, an adult should be able to marry another adult of their choosing and, in so doing, they should be able to have all the same rights as any other married pair, regardless of gender. It's a conclusion I've come to easily and, to be frank, it shocks and deeply offends me that any other conclusion could be come to. Especially in the year 2007.

There are a wide variety of reasons I've heard to keep marriage off limits to gay- and lesbian-identified people and each of these reasons are weak in merit. Overwhelmingly, the main reason I hear is that the institution of marriage will somehow be cheapened if gays are allowed to be a part of it.

I don't buy it. When people tell me that they are worried about the sanctity of their sacred institution, all I can do is laugh. If these people were really worried about the institution of marriage becoming less respectable, they would be organizing picket lines outside of quickie marriage chapels in Las Vegas making sure inebriated 20-somethings weren't marrying strangers. And with divorce rates being around 50 percent or more, I'd say gays wanting to get hitched is the last thing they should be worrying about.

I've also seen a lot of people manipulating the words of the Bible to back up their beliefs. What these people fail to acknowledge is that religion

and marriage are in completely separate realms. Sure, people can exchange vows in a church and in front of a priest to make their personal marriages a religious affair, but when it comes to deciding which two people are allowed to get a marriage license at a town hall, religion has to be left at the door.

The separation of church and state aside, when the Bible was written, relationships between people of the same sex had a completely different meaning. It meant prostitution and grown men having sex with young boys. The idea of a monogamous relationship between two consenting adults of the same sex didn't exist back then. The Bible has a completely different definition of homosexuality than what "gay" has come to mean in our society today. Gay rights have come a long way since then, especially in the past 50 years. To use the words of the Bible to keep gays from having marriage rights is essentially implying that gay people today can be described by those same archaic definitions, which is grossly inaccurate and insulting.

If we want marriage in this country to be something respectable again, we should leave more doors opened for people who love each other to be a part of it. We are a society that is supposed to celebrate how diverse we are, not one that puts up blockades around our institutions. Gays are being treated like second-class citizens because they don't have the same rights as everyone else. I hope I'm not the only one who has a huge problem with that.

Alicia Mullins is a fourth-year women's studies major.

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Thumbs Up / Thumbs Down

- Panties
- Fall break
- Monks
- Cinnamon Sun Chips
- David Bowie

- Plastic hats
- Only four-day weekends
- Military Juntas
- Fruit potato chips
- Ripping off The Cars

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4:15 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 4
The Bear's Den

ARTS

What's Up...
UMaine Faculty Art Show
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Peter Pan: High Flying
Broadway Musical
7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 13
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"Primitive Accumulation" and
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Socialist and Marxist lecture
series
12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 11
Bangor Room, Union

The Floating Dungeon: A
History of the Slave ship
Peace & Social Justice
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Thursday, Oct. 11
Devino Auditorium, DPC

ENTERTAINMENT

Planetarium Shows:
Ring World Omnidrome
7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 5
Wingate Hall

The X-Tra Terrestrial Files
7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 6
Wingate Hall

Style & Culture

The Second Spring

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.

~Albert Camus

By Adrienne Hess

Crisp leaves crunch underfoot as the wind whips down rows of fruit-laden trees. The sky overhead is bright blue with feathery white clouds. It smells like autumn, and hundreds of people filter to an orchard near Bangor to answer the call of the harvest.

Treworgy Family Farm is an enterprise in Levant featuring a plethora of old fashioned autumnal activities for people of all ages. Though the farm opened in 1995, the idea for it was conceived in the late '70s when Gary Treworgy worked as a merchant marine and longed to spend more time homesteading with his family.

At the top of the hill there is a petting zoo where guests are invited to hand feed grain to the friendly farm goats. Grain is not the only foodstuff available, as there is also an ice cream bar. You can pick up gourds and pumpkins for Halloween decorations. For the adventurous, there are weekend hay rides, carriage rides and a large corn maze. For the adventurer on a budget, the hay ride, fresh air and sunshine are all free, and the \$5 cost of the ticket to the maze includes a soft-serve ice cream cone.

Despite the variety of activities, however, the heart of the farm is the 1,300-tree orchard where guests are given paper bags and invited to select their own Cortland or Macintosh apples to purchase by the pound. People of all ages, from teenagers on dates to grandparents pulling small toddlers in wagons flood the orchard each fall to fill their homes with pies, crisps, cider, candy apples – and just plain old apples, a crispy, healthy, between-meal snack.

The health ben-

efits of eating apples are numerous, harkening back to the old adage about doctors. Even those who like their health specialists and cherish their annual visits may consider incorporating apples into their daily routine for a general improved sense of health and appearance. University of California Davis studies have tested favorably in the ability of apples to improve cardiac health. Cornell University had findings related to the antioxidants and anti-cancer benefits of apple munching. Apples have been claimed to fight aging, improve the appearance of hair, skin and with the high-fiber content for relatively few calories, this superfood may be just what the doctor ordered to help fight off the impending freshman fifteen.

Combine the health benefits with the current massive availability of fresh, locally grown, delicious apples and there's no time like the present to incorporate the apple as a regular part of your diet. Chop and toss into salads and sandwiches, pack for a mid-day energy boost. Of course, the potential health benefits can be doubled when coupled with a nice, easy stroll through an orchard with a bag and a friend.

Fall-tastic Apple Favorites

Microwave Caramel Apples

You Need: 1 package of wrapped caramels, apples, sticks, 2 tablespoons of milk, a microwave safe bowl, a sheet of wax paper.

Instructions: Wash apples, remove stems, insert sticks into the ends of the apples. Place unwrapped caramels in the bowl with the milk. Nuke about 2 minutes, stirring once. Swirl each apple in the bowl of caramel, and set to dry on the wax paper.

Variations: If you feel like getting fancy, you can garnish your caramel apples with chopped nuts, sprinkles, coconut, chocolate chips, or whatever else your imagination cooks up.

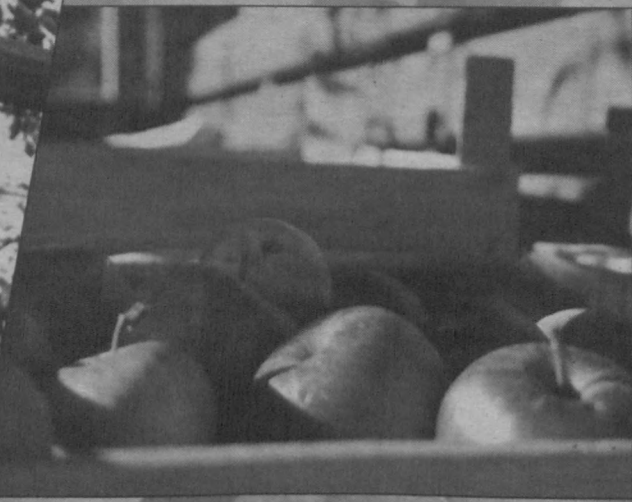
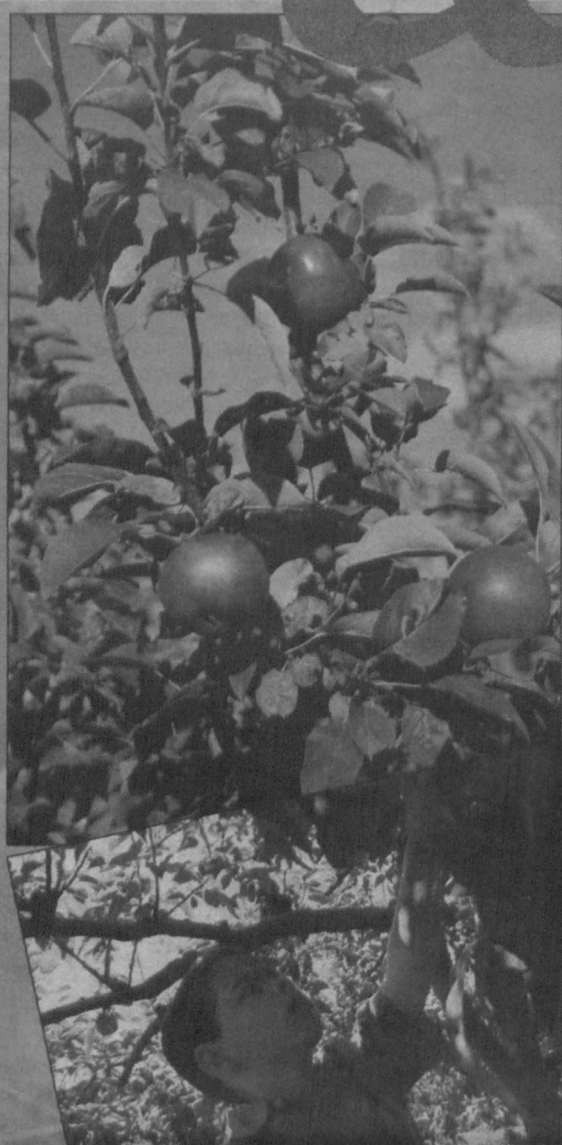
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Microwave "Baked" Apple

You Need: an apple, a microwave safe bowl, a reliable knife, cinnamon, 1 tablespoon butter and sugar.

Instructions: core apple and cut in half,

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Autumn Fruits and colors bring children and adults out to the Treworgy Family Farm in Levant. The farm, which opened in 1995, features old fashioned autumnal activities for people of all ages.

If you would like your event posted in The Maine Campus Style calendar, send time, day, date, place and fee information to Brett Sowerby on FirstClass.

Exotic entrees come back to haunt UM students

Some residents can't stomach the competition

By Brett Sowerby

Have you ever tried baby milk? What about limburger cheese? How about pickled herring? On Tuesday night in York Hall, students not only had the opportunity to try these things, they were encouraged to eat mass quantities of them.

Participants in "So you think you can eat that?" chose from several cleverly named categories in "Jeopardy" fashion. Although the contestants could choose their poison, the game still smacked of "Fear Factor."

Playing the often horror-stricken Joe Rogan was Community Coordinator Emery Bickford. Although Bickford was the front man for the event, he gave credit to Assistant Community Coordinator Andi Schofield. "We just walked through Hannaford looking for what could be fun," Bickford said. "The international food aisle was especially good."

The stage was set, the diverse food items were purchased and teams chose their names. Three teams took on the challenge: Iron Gut, Jerry's Gonna Puke and Chocolate-Covered Cheez-its. There were five categories, one daily double and, as is customary, Final Jeopardy. The witty categories were Sweet Stuff, Pickled Products, International Delicacies, Sauces, Spice and Everything Nice and, finally, Potpourri.

For some — horrible — reason, the teams all started going for the big points, knocking off the most disgusting challenges first. Kassegn Simollo took on International Delicacies, a category that proved to be the trickiest, for 500. Simollo was faced with the task of downing a large container of pâté — a brown liver-derived substance. Somehow, with copious amounts of water, Simollo was able to get it down and keep it down.

Next was Chris Ezzell, going for Pickled Products. His item was a whole jar of pickled herring. At one point during Ezzell's turn, someone in the audience yelled, "Stop eating that!" Eventually, Ezzell finished off the pickled fish and drank down the liquid left in the jar.

Christopher Calcia was given a whole can of sweetened, condensed milk. It looked vile. Cries of "Awww" went out as it poured out of the can like thick sludge. After finishing, Calcia noted, "It was kind of like pudding."

While choosing another International Delicacy, Rasika Somaweera was handed a can of escargot. After several solid bites, Somaweera called it quits, stating later, "It was the smell." His teammate, Brian Davenport took over. Eventually, Davenport had to drink the remaining brown liquid. "Each bite got progressively worse," Davenport said.

Bickford pointed out that the quart of baby formula he handed to Mike McGovern was "The closest we could find to breast milk." Keeping a façade of high spirits, McGovern pointed out how much fun he was having while someone in the audience added, "Just think of all the vitamins you're getting."

After finishing the last drop, McGovern was heard saying, "Milk was a bad choice," before vomiting into one of the supplied bags.

Hogan Marquis was given the daunting task of downing an entire tube of wasabi. It was hard to watch. "I can feel it burning in my stomach," Marquis said before disappearing for several minutes.

Jerry McManus took a page from the screenplay of "Super Troopers" when he was given a bottle of maple syrup — the fake stuff — downing the entire bottle in about 20 seconds.



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Chris Ezzell (top) had no problems downing an entire jar of pickled herring including the brine. Hogan Marquis (above) squeezes out the dreaded wasabi onto his finger in preparation of ingesting the spicy green concoction.

The Daily Double was put on the shoulders of Ben Rehimeyer. He was given two entire boxes of Swiss Rolls — the chocolate-covered Twinkie-like pastries. That was over a pound-and-a-half of processed food comprising almost 6000 calories.

The real mayhem began with limburger cheese. Somaweera, who had trouble with the escargot, was given a very large portion of the aromatic cheese. Making it about three-quarters of the way through the cheese, Somaweera, through a napkin-covered hand,

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Top 20 Albums for 10/01

- 1 **CALVIN HARRIS** I Created Disco
- 2 **EDDIE VEDDER** Into the Wild
- 3 **ATHLETE** Beyond the Neighbourhood
- 4 **YELLE** pop up
- 5 **MEDIAN** Median's Relief
- 6 **ELECTRIC SIX** I Shall Examine Everything
- Around Me That Restricts Me From Being the Master
- 7 **BLACK LIPS** Good Bad Not Evil
- 8 **ANIMAL COLLECTIVE** Strawberry Jam
- 9 **GO! TEAM** Proof of Youth
- 10 **VHS OR BETA** Bring on the Comets
- 11 **TIM ARMSTRONG** A Poet's Live
- 12 **ARCHITECTURE IN HELSINKI** Places Like This
- 13 **TALIB KWELI** Eardrum
- 14 **TELEPHONE JIM JESUS** Anywhere
- Out of the Everything
- 15 **SIMIAN MOBILE DISCO** Attack Decay
- Sustain Release
- 16 **IRON AND WINE** The Shepherd's Dog
- 17 **HOT HOT HEAT** Happiness LTD
- 18 **GRAND NATIONAL** A Drink and a
- Quick Decision
- 19 **COATHANGERS** Coathangers
- 20 **YOU SAY PARTY! WE SAY DIE!** Lose
- All Time

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Schmoes, ballads, Billy Joel and pumpkin cake

Java Jive invites Josh Hiatt and Jonah Bruce to entertain big crowd in Union's north pod

By Andy Wright

Joe Schmoie steps up on stage. Green T-shirt, glasses and jeans, with his little fender electric guitar in hand. That's the first impression Josh Hiatt sends off, but then he plugs in his guitar and you're not sure where you are.

Hiatt plays somewhere between the genres of Christian rock and acoustic. He's from Bangor, Maine and is getting married this Saturday. Hiatt threw down half an hour of pretty much all originals.

There was "We Got Plans," which started off the set and established the personal mood.

With a twangy, romantic guitar, "Closer" — a song about Hiatt's fiancée, Jasmin — hit the audience's ears. He wrote it when they were living apart from each other.

As the show continued, more people shuffled in to hear what all of the fuss was about. Along with the curious ones, some of Hiatt's family squeezed in to watch their fiancé/uncle/brother/friend play away.

Erik Jackson, one of Hiatt's band mate's songs "Riverside" was a nice change of pace in the set. It allowed for people to see what else Hiatt was capable of and how well he could cover something, even if no one else had ever heard of it.

Right after that though, it was back to the originals with "Praise," a song about temptation and how to fight it.

Then it was "Reborn," which was a mix between Christian rock and a love ballad. With the finale of his set,

Josh's family handed out some delicious pumpkin cake to the audience. Who doesn't like pumpkin cake?

Joe Schmoie II steps on stage in a T-shirt with a guitar on it and jeans. Jonah Bruce is definitely not your average Joe, though. His style is a mix of Jack Johnson and Funkadelic.

His first original was called "Blame," talking about how it was everyone's fault, his and the girl's, stating that "we're both f---ed up, and we're both to blame." Bruce was about as blunt and honest as a musician gets. He cut right to the chase; there's no beating around the bush.

The song "Easy" was hard to distinguish between whether it was about rufies or first impressions, but I'm leaning towards the latter.

Bruce seemed somewhat nervous but no less impressive. This was probably because he was used to having his band, Kyle Stewart and the Funk Force Undertow, with him.

They're straight out of Windham, Maine and are hoping to be in this year's up-and-coming Battle of the Bands. You can check them out on <http://www.myspace.com/kylestewartandthefunkforceundertow>. Long, yes, but worth the typing.

Bruce finished off his half-hour set with a three-part medley of Billy Joel songs strung together. The first was "Moving Out," followed by "You May Be Right" with "Big Shot" finishing things. Jonah and the Funk Force hope to make it to big-shot status after their performance at the Battle of the Bands this year.



Photo courtesy of <http://www.nymag.com>

Even a caveman could do it

By Kayla Riley

I can say with certainty that anyone who watched any television over the summer saw a GEICO commercial starring a disparaged caveman. The commercials' tagline was "So easy a caveman could do it," implying the low intelligence level of primitive beings. With their prominent facial bone structure and unkempt body hair, they attempted to fit into the modern world while constantly being reminded of the fact that they are cavemen, not homo sapiens. However, this fall on ABC, three cavemen star in their own sitcom and may prove once and for all that they are just as worthy as the rest of us.

The pilot began with a clever introduction, ending with the quip "We're really not that different from you, just better looking." The three cavemen are introduced abruptly in a "boys night out" situation. We have Joel, the level-headed one who's working on a dissertation and secretly dating a regular, homo sapien woman. Then there's Nick, the "guys' guy" whose lackadaisical attitude is reminiscent of a college slacker. The final caveman is Andy, who is trying to overcome a messy breakup. The three friends share a humble apartment and try their best to assimilate in to modern society.

So, is "Cavemen" a loose reference to the conflicts that minorities face in society, or is it just a sad attempt to force a 30-second commercial to stretch for 22 minutes? It presents itself as a mindless, amusing escape from reality. The interspersed pop-culture references are mildly entertaining; such as Nick's question to Joel about a certain girl- "Is she even in your top 8 on Facespace?" The personalities of the characters are somewhat trite, but a half-decent script, character development and an entertaining plotline could possibly save them. The question is, will ABC give them that?

The public reviews for this adaptation of a commercial range from "stupendously stupid and astoundingly misguided" — Derek Flint, of Hollywood Reporter — to "it might work" — Jessica Dos Santos, Yahoo TV. Overall, "Cavemen" has not been met with overly positive press. Critics are skeptical, and ABC has done notably little to promote the show. The verdict on the survival of "Cavemen" is still out, although it looks like history may repeat itself. Unless the pilot meets unexpected success, "Cavemen" may once again face extinction.

Grade: C+

Apples

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place in bowl, fill the core with butter and sugar, microwave for about a minute and a half, till soft. Sprinkle cinnamon to taste, enjoy.

Variations: The diet conscious may opt to use a splash of OJ instead of butter, and splenda (tm) instead of sugar.

Recipe Modified from <http://recipes.sparkpeople.com> and http://www.essortment.com/family/easymicrowavef_shzg.htm

Spiced Apple Cream Cheese Spread

You Need: Package of Cream Cheese, 1 Diced Apple, Shredded Monterey Jack Cheese, 2 Tablespoons of Milk, 1/4 teaspoon of cinnamon, 1/8 teaspoon of nutmeg, bowl.

Instructions: Beat ingredients together until well blended. Chill 2 hours for flavors to meld. Serve with crackers, bagels, baguette, waffles, whole wheat toast, whatever.

Variations: You can use light cream cheese, or soy variations. You can also add chopped nuts, or other fruits into the mix.

Recipe Modified from <http://jas.familyfun.go.com/recipefinder/display?id=13509>



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The Kingdom doesn't deliver

By Kyle Kernan

The issue of terrorism over the past 10 years has become one of the most heated subjects for America as a result of the attack on the World Trade Center. Since then, our sensitivity to the issue has been challenged greatly as the War on Terror, declared by President George Bush, seems to be going nowhere and our stabilization of Iraq has resulted in the loss of thousands of American soldiers.

"The Kingdom," seems to confront the issue of terrorism a bit half-heartedly as the film gives the viewer little consideration for the terrorist's reasoning beyond the film, causing the picture to feel like a gung-ho anti-terror film rather than a geo-political commentary on the feuding ideas and leadership that has overrun the Middle East.

The terrorism that occurs in the film is actually a frightening situation, as an American compound in the Saudi Arabian capital of Riyadh is bombed. Subsequently, during the initial rescue operation of the victims a much larger bomb explodes, killing nearly 100 people. The reasoning behind this attack is never justified in the film. I guess the viewer is supposed to think that terrorists go after Americans, and that's all she wrote, but the real life conflict runs deeper.

Special Agent Ronald Fleury, played by Jamie Foxx, is asked to track down the terrorist behind it. The film begins to falter even as a thriller as there is no real captivating step-by-step process laid out for the government agents to track down the terrorists. During most of the movie, we see Foxx in the United States and Saudi Arabia fighting the several political figures for the opportunity to investigate the attacks in the first place. It's awhile before we see any kind of investigation.

The team assembled by Fleury is an impressive cast, with Jason Bateman, a tech wiz, Chris Cooper, weapons expert, and Jennifer Garner, forensic scientist. Is this another "Mission Impossible" film or what? Jason Bateman emerges as a funny addition to the films waning deliberations, but the talent of Chris Cooper goes unrealized and under appreciated as he is rarely seen or heard from.

The actual analysis of the terrorist attack was not even as descriptive or on par with the tedious analysis of television show CSI, as we only briefly see each of these characters investigate in their fields of study. Jennifer Garner looks upon a body with shrapnel infused in its flesh, but whatever the meaning, the film doesn't tell me. One might think that the investigation of a terrorist attack would be more involved than a lone murder.

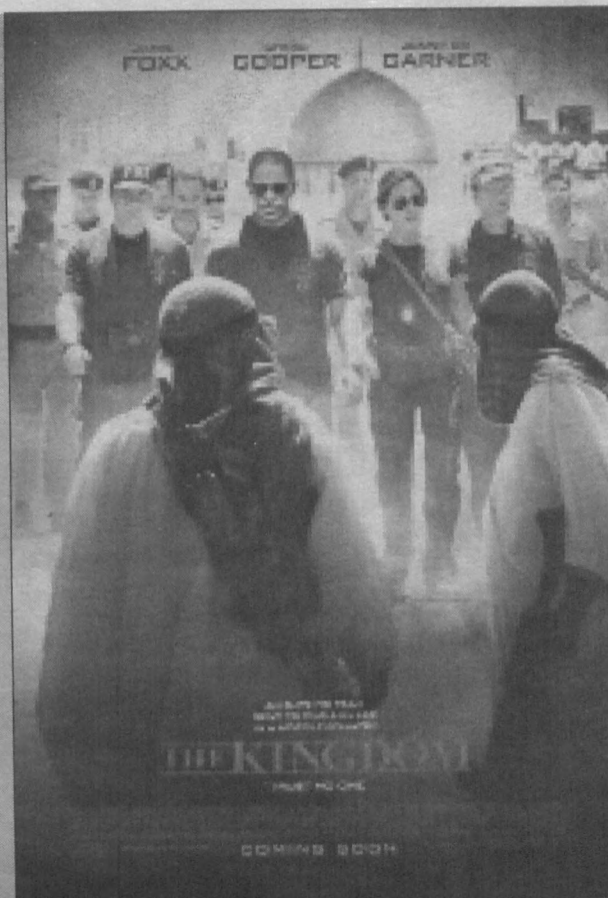


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A strong point for the film would be the relationship sparked between Saudi Col. Faris Al-Ghazi played by the talented Ashraf Barhom and Jamie Foxx's character. They work together, with feuding ideas and vantage points, both wanting the criminals to be brought to justice. Their relationship calls to mind the conflict of races from the 1968 film "In the Heat of the Night," as dueling races have to combine for the same cause.

The director's style, Peter Berg, includes tight camera angles with a hand-held camera that follows actors; this had a nauseating effect that left me with no room to breathe. Have a wide shot, for God's sake! An impressive action-set piece involves the terrorists ambushing Americans as missiles are sent into their SUVs, causing them to do somersaults. The action has no point in the film's serious overtones, but who cares, let's blow more stuff up.

Peter Berg doesn't depend too much on the facts or the view point of the terrorists behind the terrorism, and the only information picked up during Foxx's investigations mainly chronicles the horror and trauma experienced by the survivors of the attack, rather than getting a keener understanding to why these attacks even took place. All of this only dehumanizes these terrorists even more. The film is an action-thriller with little-to-no substance, but if that is what you like to see in films these days, then happy viewing.

Grade: C+

Princess Charming: she's not so great either

By Corey Bean



Once upon a time, a skinny little seven-year-old boy had strong feelings for a skinny little seven-year-old girl. They were close friends, but the little boy couldn't help himself. Finally, he decided to face his fears and tell the girl what was on his mind.

"Hey," he declared, nearly fainting from the nerves, "can I have my Power Rangers back?" To which the girl replied, "No."

I realize this was second grade, but just think about that horrible injustice for a second. If Doc Brown showed up tomorrow in his DeLorean time machine, I would want to go back to that little boy in 1995 and console him. I'd tell him that things would get better with time, provided that he become a monk. Otherwise, he was bound to get in huge amounts of horrible pain due to the horrors of the opposite sex. And he did!

That girl was supposed to tell the boy that, yes, she would LOVE to return his beloved Power Rangers. She had been thoughtful enough to clean off all of the makeup on their faces from the tea party. If there were any physical defects, she was all too happy to hear about them so that she could try to fix them, or, failing that, purchase a completely new set of Power Rangers.

But no. That has never been the case. Instead, that poor little boy has experienced countless horrifying experiences with the female sex since then. Like innocently building a sand castle and having it be destroyed by a gang of mean girls who then proceeded to rub dirt in his face. Like opening his lunchbox every day for a full school year and finding a note that said "YOU STINK." Like getting fruit punch dumped down his pants every day during recess.

Unfortunately, that young boy had to learn to live with this type of horrible mistreatment. Luckily, he managed to survive long enough to grow up and become a successful young college student with dazzling blue eyes and the body of a swimsuit model. However, despite these astounding good looks, he still manages to attract all sorts of mistreatment at the hands of evil.

And of course, there's no way for her to know what's right or what's wrong. She never took a class on this subject, and that's okay. But I would hope after 18-25 years of life she would manage to figure out a few basics. Like learning how to tell when I'm feeling happy or when I'm feeling unhappy. Like learning to never ever throw away my magical underpants. Like learning that when I want something, I want it bad, and I'd better get it. So, hand over the remote. She never learned that I like peanut butter on BOTH slices of bread on my peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

So what must we brave, selfless men do? We must forge on. Talk to your girlfriend today. Tell her that you're very upset at her seemingly apathetic attitude towards the welfare of your Legos. She may be a woman who is always right even when she's completely wrong – especially about the magical underpants issue – but she's still a person. I think she will listen, and try to understand. Finally, no more trying to have sex with me while I'm eating mud cakes.

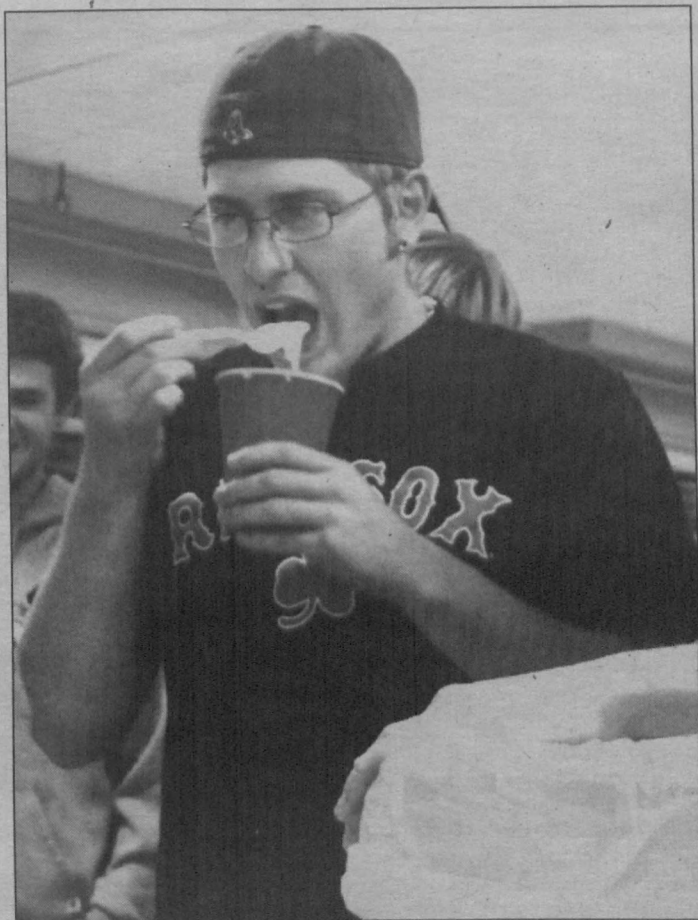
Food

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eventually tossed his cookies all over the central table.

Gasps and laughter ensued. A short recess was taken for clean-up. When the game began again, only a fraction of the original attendees returned to the freshly bleached environment. The contest continued in a similar fashion until Final Jeopardy.

Unfortunately, none of the teams could finish the delightful Final Jeopardy challenge, in fact, one of the teams vomited, disqualifying them. Therefore, the team of Somaweera, Davenport, Sirmollo, Rehmyer and Sankare – who wagered the least – walked away with the title of "winner" and a free pizza.



Rebekah Rhodes ♦ The Maine Campus

Mike McGovern tries to down an entire can of condensed milk during Tuesday night's Fear Factor-esque "So you think you can eat that" event.

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Horoscopes

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March 21 to April 20

Professional duties will take all your time and you will tend to neglect your sentimental life. This is not a good time for any kind of business activities. You are running the risk of losing a major sum of money.

Taurus

April 21 to May 20

You are advised not to get involved in challenging activities today. If an opportunity arises, don't hesitate to spend the afternoon in the company of your loved one!

Gemini

May 21 to June 21

In the morning, you will be very optimistic and will have the feeling that nothing can stand in your way. The relationship with your loved one will be excellent.

Cancer

June 22 to July 22

No matter how busy you are, don't worry! You will be in very good shape. The only difficulties that you could face will be related to communication.

Leo

July 23 to August 22

You have a good chance to succeed in domestic and business activities. The changes that you intend to make will be appreciated, but you may want to consider other opinions as well.

Virgo

Aug. 23 to Sept. 22

Today is not a very good time to meet with friends or deal with business activities. People may misunderstand your drive for a change. All's well in your sentimental life.

Libra

Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

In the morning you might run into an acquaintance whom you have not seen for a long time. You could be invited to a party.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 to Nov. 22

You will manage to make a change in your love life. In the afternoon, you will have a pleasant meeting with your friends. Give everybody a chance to speak!

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 to Dec. 21

You have big plans, and in the morning you will tend to take chances for solving several domestic issues. Your loved one will be right by your side.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 to Jan. 20

Today is a favourable time for you to make changes in your home. You may make repairs, redecorate, paint, etc. You can rely on your friends' support. Don't leave for tomorrow what you can do today!

Aquarius

Jan. 21 to Feb. 19

In the morning, you will be very busy solving some of your loved one's problems. It's time to deal with the family's financial issues! You can rely on intuition.

Pisces

Feb. 20 to March 19

You have many constructive ideas which you would like to discuss with people close to you. An older lady in the family will surprise you by offering financial and moral support.

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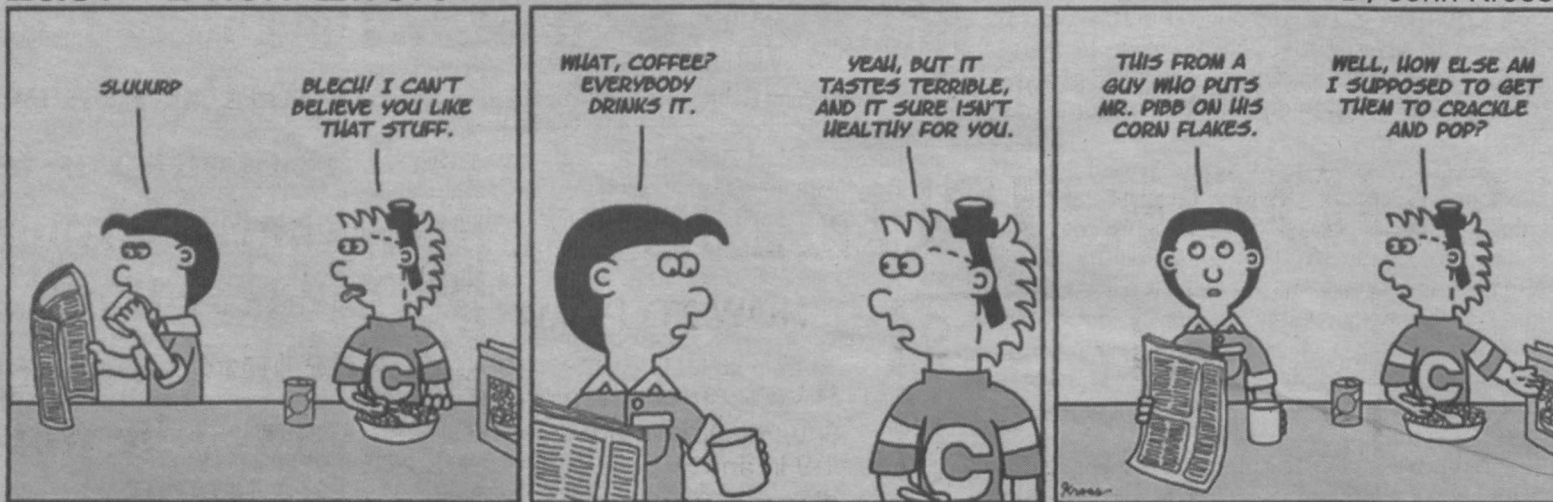
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By John Kroes



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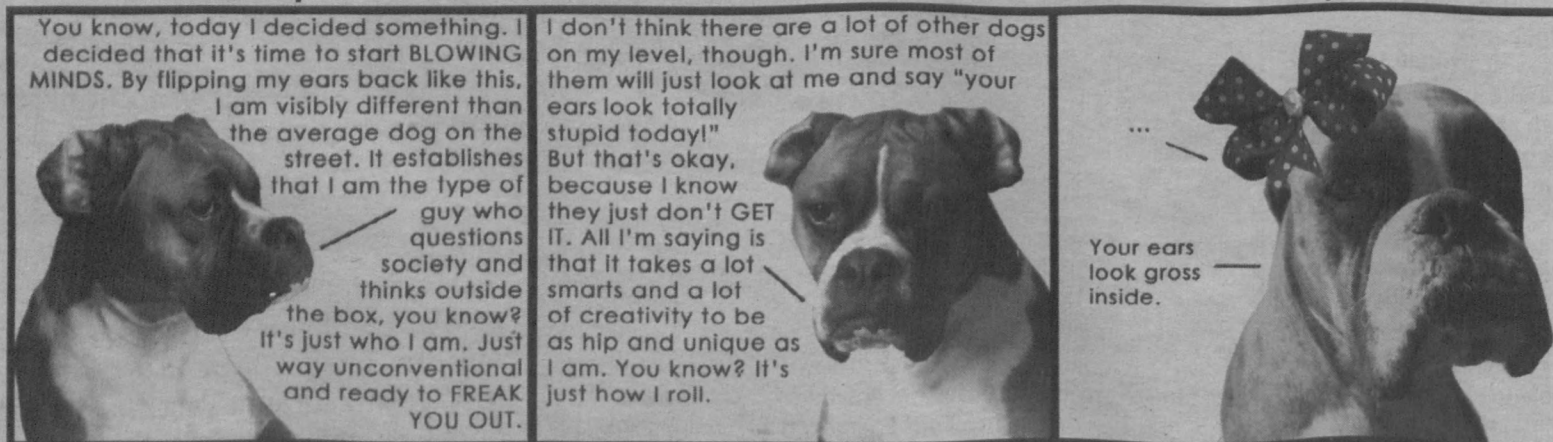
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Quick Stop At The Convenient Store

You're 19 and your friend is 21. You're driving home late one night and your friend asks you to make a quick stop at the convenience store so he can pick up some beer. Not a problem, right? Well, it could be. It is not uncommon for police to stake out convenience stores. When the police see that only the passenger goes into the store to purchase alcohol, it is a red flag that the driver is under 21 and the vehicle is often pulled over as it leaves the parking lot. Minors summonsed for transporting alcohol face a fine as well as loss of license.

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There is only one correct answer!

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A Child's Calendar

by John Updike

The stripped and shapely
Maple grieves
The ghosts of her
Departed leaves.
The ground is hard,
As hard as stone.
The year is old,
The birds are flown.
And yet the world,
In its distress,
Displays a certain
Loveliness---

The Facts of

Autumn

~ What are leaves for?

A leaf is like a miniature factory. It takes the ingredients of sunlight, water, carbon dioxide and chlorophyll to make food for itself.

~ Why do leaves fall off trees in the autumn?

In autumn, there is less sunlight because the days are shorter. Because sunlight is a crucial ingredient in the leaf "factory," the leaf is unable to sustain itself any longer. It becomes weak, breaks from the branch, and floats to the ground.

~ Why are leaves different colors in autumn than the rest of the year?

I'll bet you didn't know that leaves are really red, yellow, orange and brown all year long; we just can't see it! The intense green pigment of chlorophyll actually blocks the pigments of the other colors. You could say that the other colors are "invisible". In the autumn, red, yellow, orange and brown become visible and bright when the green chlorophyll weakens before the leaf falls off the tree.

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

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The Moonlit Road is also an online storehouse of Southern culture and folklore. Offering "cultural background" links from each story, listeners are encouraged to find out more about each stories origin.

Grab a blanket, turn off the lights and turn up the volume.

Open tryouts for scout team

Hardwood Hoopla event scheduled for weekend after break

By Dan Bartlett

The University of Maine women's basketball team will be holding an open tryout Thursday, Oct. 11 for all male students interested in playing on the squad's scout team. The women's coaching staff will run the tryouts from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Pit, which is located in the Memorial Gymnasium. Athletes chosen to participate on the scout team will be responsible for attending practices regularly to help the women's team prepare for upcoming games. For more information contact assistant coach Kelley Gibson on FirstClass or call her office at 581-3094.

Both UMaine basketball teams will preview the '07-'08 season on Friday, Oct. 12 with the Hardwood Hoopla. The event will take place from 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the Pit. The first 1,300 students will be admitted and

will receive a free "Crew Blue" T-shirt. Many other prizes will also be passed out.

Students can enter through the Memorial Gym lobby by using their MaineCards. The event will consist of a dunk contest, 3-point contest and scrimmages amongst the players. There will also be free pizza, soda and a DJ will be

Women's Basketball

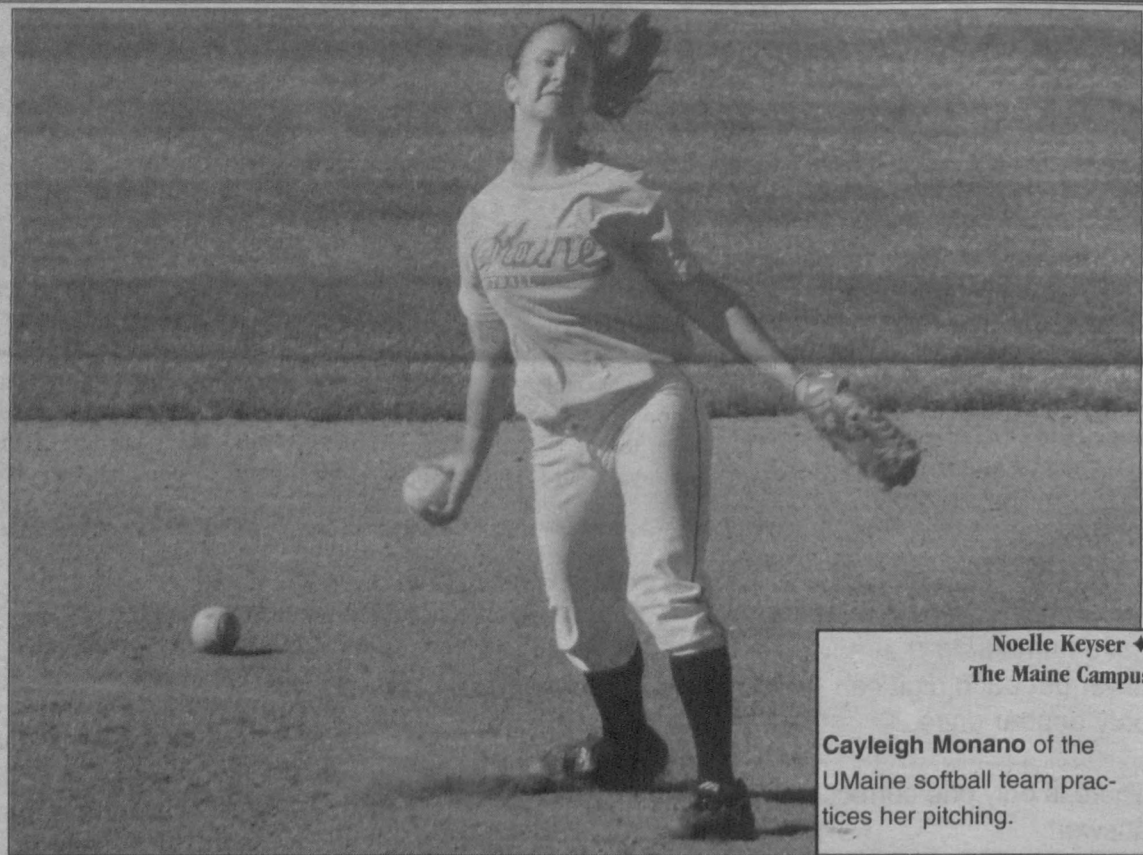
playing music. Everyone will have a chance to win a \$300 certificate to the UMaine Bookstore, a \$100 certificate to Bugaboo Creek and much more.

Students are encouraged to attend because it is a chance to meet the basketball teams. "The purpose of the event is to have students come out and feel connected to the programs," Jonathan Murphy, director of Athletic Marketing said. "It has been a while since something like this has been done."

Along with getting to know the players, the event is also a chance for students to learn about the new student sections located on the baselines of the court. Students will be encouraged to wear their "Crew Blue" shirts that they receive from the event to every home game.

"The purpose of the new student section is to be intimidating to the opposing teams," Murphy said. "The idea is to create a Cameron Crazy-esque like atmosphere." The Cameron Crazies are students at Duke University that dress in team colors and surround the basketball court in a constant stream of jumping and screaming students.

The event is being sponsored by Student Affairs, UMaine Bookstore, ROC, Class of '44 Super Fan Program, W.S. Emerson, Residence Life and Sullivan Tire. For more information, contact Jonathan Murphy, director of Athletic Marketing, at 581-4849.



Noelle Keyser ♦
The Maine Campus

Cayleigh Monano of the UMaine softball team practices her pitching.

Soccer

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scoreless in four of those games. Along with the Black Bears' continued success, the team received more good news Monday about Laura Martel.

On Monday, Martel was named the America East co-player of the week because of her

efforts against Albany. This is the second time this year a member of the soccer team has been awarded a weekly conference award. Jasmine Phillips was the other player to receive this award, which she garnered back on Sept. 17 after shutting out two teams in Buffalo, NY. Martel currently has four goals on the season, which is one more than she had all last year. She is currently ranked fourth among all active players in the America East region.

The UMaine women's soccer team will be back in action at home this coming Sunday, Oct. 7 against the struggling University of Maryland Baltimore-County Retrievers. UMBC will come into the game with a record of at least 1-7-2 and possibly worse as they will play one more game before the match on Sunday. The Black Bears only have five home games this season and encourage everyone to come and cheer them on at the game.

veterans Tedy Bruschi and Mike Vrabel able to move around and confuse the offense. They are the top defense in the league, allowing just 226 total yards per game. Keep in mind that this is without two of their most important defensive starters, who are due back soon, safety Rodney Harrison and lineman Richard Seymour.

And then there's the coaching factor, where the Patriots have arguably one of the best game planners and football minds in the league. Bill Belichick has made a reputation of attention to detail that leads to brilliant game

planning. The team has got to be confident coming into any match-up, knowing they are set up in the best possible way to win.

This raises the question — though there's a lot of season left, can the Pats be perfect? It's only been done once in NFL history, and with two huge games against also-undefeated Dallas and Indianapolis, it's too difficult to call. However, I'm fairly certain the Pats will be winning a lot of games this year, and I'm even more certain that I'm happy New England is not on the Broncos schedule.

Men's soccer to begin in-conference contests

By Kevin Bailey

In their final non-conference match of the year, the men's soccer team dropped a 4-1 decision to Rhode Island on Sunday afternoon. After their hard fought victory against Long Island University a week earlier, the Black Bears were unable to pull one out on Sunday and dropped to 2-7 for the year.

The game served as a return home for Maine coach Pat Laughlin, who was an assistant at Rhode Island last season. Having just snapped a losing streak, UMaine was hoping to create some momentum heading into the conference portion of their schedule. Unfortunately, Rhode Island had different plans as they struck early at the 6:07 mark of the first half. Danleigh Borman sent a cross though the six yard box and Kedan Crosby was able to get a head on it. The ball soared past the fingertips of Maine keeper Nemanja Kostic into the top left corner.

The Rams of Rhode Island struck again just over 10 minutes later. At 17:16, Lukasz Tumicz found an opening in the defense and ripped a shot past the keeper to make it 2-0. Assisting on the play was Geoffrey Cameron.

The Black Bears were determined to keep the game close, and they did just that by cutting the lead in half at the 26:40 mark. The team strung together some passes and worked their way up the field in an attack that culminated with a header from midfielder Thomas McCole. Assisting on the score were Dan Eggert and Pat Halligan. For

McCole, it was his second goal of the season, the first coming in last week's win over Long Island.

While Maine disrupted Rhode Island's momentum with a goal before the half, the stats showed they were still falling short of finding scoring chances. The Black Bears found themselves outshot 15-4, and had only one corner kick to the Rams' five. Maine emerged in the second half with a burst of intensity, but just five minutes into the half Rhode Island struck again. This time it was Tumicz with his second goal of the game, a header off of a 10-yard cross from Crosby. Ten minutes later the Rams put the final goal away as Greg Balicki buried a free kick past Kostic at the 61:42 mark.

Pat Halligan led the shots department for the Black Bears with three, and Alex Rickett had two. Kostic pulled off seven saves by game's end. While the loss is a disappointment, UMaine has things to look forward to. They are finally starting to get healthy, as their injury-stricken defense is back at full strength again. Also, with this game ending the non-conference portion of the schedule, the team has their America-East opponents up ahead. With solid performances against these foes, the Black Bears can climb up the standings and work toward a seed in the conference tournament.

Maine will begin its conference campaign on Saturday against rival New Hampshire at 2 p.m. The game will take place in Orono, where the Black Bears have not been defeated this year.

Football

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While UMaine has had a stagnant pass offense so far this season, Hofstra has had no problems producing points and racking up yards. Having scored 28 or more points in all four games, the Pride have averaged 412.2 yards of total offense per game with 276 per game coming through the air. They are led by senior wide receiver Charles Sullivan, who last week tied current New Orleans Saints wideout and Hofstra alum Marques Colston with 186 career catches.

Even with the 1-3 start and not so impressive statistics, the Black Bears do remain optimistic and the coaching staff has been preaching hard work, focus and patience, especially in the bye week.

"We really used last week almost in a preseason mentality [as] we went back to the basics [and] fundamentals, trying to improve our football team," Cosgrove said, whose Black Bears defeated Hofstra 21-10 at home last season. "We had what I thought were three excellent practices [where] we went out there and competed hard, practiced hard, demanded it out of the players and they responded very well and we grew as a team as a result."

While the Black Bears may have had their best week of prac-

tices in what could turn out to be a turning point for the season, they were marred by off-field issues. Assistant coach Mike Winslow resigned this past week after having been arrested for operating under the influence and senior fullback Anthony Cotrone, a key cog in the running game, was suspended for the upcoming game after being summonsed for assault.

In a week where the Black Bears refocused and grew together as a team, the controversy surrounding both Winslow and Cotrone has not deterred the focus of the team.

"I do not have enough information to make any kind of accurate statement," Farkes said when asked about the situation. "All I can say is that we are focused on Hofstra and this team is going to have a great week of practice and do what we need to do in order to go into the game ready for a great opportunity against a great opponent."

If the focus, hard work and consistency all comes together this weekend for UMaine they may find themselves in a position for their second straight win over the Pride and more importantly, just get a win.

"Hopefully we see great signs of improvement in everything we do," Cosgrove said going into the game, which will be aired on ESPNU. "If we do that, we'll hopefully be in a situation to win the football game late."

Pats

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Basically, the offense can be effective in any type of formation, which causes nightmares for opposing defensive coordinators.

Defensively, the key word is versatility. Not many teams can alter between their defensive formations on a play-to-play basis, but the Pats handle it with ease without even switching their personnel. It all comes down to the linebackers, with athletes like newcomer Adalius Thomas and

Bengals fall victim to Patriots' despotic defense

New England continues single-minded mission to demolish everything the league has to offer

By Kevin Bailey

After Monday night's performance, I have to admit – I am afraid of the Patriots. It's clear now, if it wasn't before, that New England brings a whole new definition to the term "loaded." Against Cincinnati's "high-powered" offense, the Patriots allowed just 13 points and 283 total yards, including just 57 rushing yards. Due to running back Laurence Maroney's absence because of a groin injury, the running game was supposed to struggle for the Patriots, but instead? Backup Sammy Morris stepped in and busted out 121 yards and a touchdown on just 17 carries. And, of course, the golden boy Tom Brady has another 80 percent completion average with three touchdowns, two of which landed in the hands of revived super-

star Randy Moss.

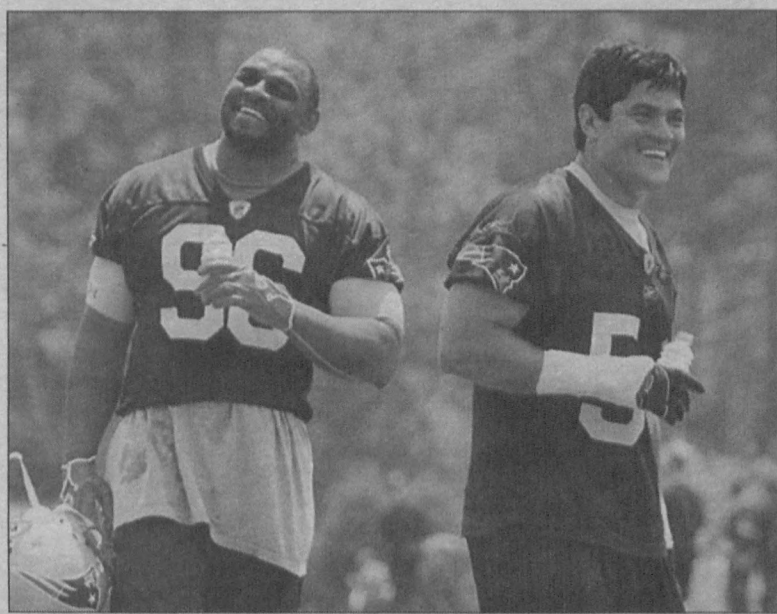
Let's just point out a few statistics from the first quarter of the season. Brady has a touchdown-interception ratio of 13-2 and a quarterback rating of 134.7, both tops in the league. He's completing a ridiculous 79 percent of his passes, while most quarterbacks are happy to hit 60. On top of that, Randy Moss is making a case to be the best receiver in the NFL right now. Project his current stats to a full 16 games and you get a season of 124 catches, 2,020 yards and 28 touchdowns. Granted, he likely won't keep that pace but broken records are certainly not out of the question.

Now don't get me wrong – I despise the Patriots. As a die-hard Broncos fan, nothing bothers me more than watching our conference rival start off the season so emphatically. But as a fan of football, I have to respect what

they've accomplished thus far. Outscoring their first four opponents 148-48 (a 3:1 ratio, by the way) the Patriots aren't just beating teams – they're embarrassing them. Through this point in the season, they've shown the league that they are without any major weaknesses for other teams to exploit.

On the offensive end, finally giving Brady a respectable supporting cast has paid huge dividends. So far the team is second in the league in both points for game and total offense. The receiving trio of Moss, Wes Welker, and Donte Stallworth has provided a whole new dimension to the passing game. To mix it up, the rushing tandem of Maroney and Morris has allowed New England to run teams down, as they did against Cincinnati.

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UMaine squad plays with conviction in NY

By Seth Poplaski

After a rough start to the 2007 season, the UMaine women's soccer team has improved their overall record from 0-3-1, to 3-4-2. They have gone 3-1-1 in the past five games. The Black Bears won their soccer match on Sunday, defeating Albany 4-0 and improving to 1-0 in conference play this season.

Laura Martel, sophomore forward for the Black Bears, led the way with two goals on Sunday. Laura Harper and Veronique Fleury each chipped in a goal apiece. Kim Stephenson and Cari Gill both had assists in the game. Fleury also had an assist to go with her goal.

The scoring started off in the eighth minute of the match when Harper took a pass from Fleury and put the ball past the Albany goalie making the score 1-0. This proved to be the winning goal, but the Black Bears were not done

there. Martel scored the second goal in the 29th minute by heading the ball into the goal off from a free kick from Stephenson, making the score 2-0. There would be no more scoring in the first half, but in the second half, the Black Bears picked up where they had left off.

Maine took a 3-0 lead in the 66th minute when Martel scored her second goal of the game, which was unassisted. The Black Bears capped off their scoring in the 88th minute when Fleury scored on a chip-in shot, increasing the lead to 4-0. Gill tallied the assist.

Jasmine Phillips, goalie for UMaine, got the win and only had to make two saves on three shots throughout the game. Along with the win, Jasmine Phillips also recorded a shutout. In the past five matches, Phillips has managed to hold the opposing teams

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Volleyball optimistic despite losses

Struggling squad looking to rebound during conference match-ups

By Danielle Young

The University of Maine volleyball team dropped to 0-2 in conference play and 1-14 on the season after taking a tough loss to Binghamton on Sunday afternoon. The Black Bears were defeated 3-1 (25-30, 30-28, 23-30, 22-30) and continue to struggle this season.

At Binghamton, junior Lindsay Allman led the Black Bears with 26 kills, while teammates Amy Lawson and Jennifer Domer added 15 and 10 respectively. Freshman Emily Root notched 17 digs and first-year Paige Tortorello recorded 31 assists. Junior Brittany Kiehl blocked a team-high six attacks for Maine.

After losing the first game 25-30, Maine battled back and took the second game 30-28. In the end, although the team was mak-

ing fewer errors, they were pressuring and attacking less. Binghamton rolled in the last two games 23-30 and 22-30.

"We just have to keep finding ways to win."

Brittany Kiehl
Junior
UMaine Volleyball

Despite a rocky start to conference play, the team is very optimistic of what lies ahead of them.

"Unfortunately we came home from our first two conference matches with losses, but we are all working on doing our jobs more consistently to make the

team better," Brittany Kiehl said after their most recent road trip. The team's success will continue to be determined by their abilities to put all the pieces of the puzzle together.

"We know how to play the game and what we can do in order to beat our opponents. We just struggle to do the right things at the right times, but that is coming and coming very soon for our team," junior Amy Lawson said.

"We're always moving forward, always striving to be successful," Kiehl said. "We just have to keep finding ways to win." Winning is exactly what the Black Bears need at this point if they hope to compete for a conference championship.

Maine will travel to Albany and UNH this coming weekend and will return home on Oct. 12 for a showdown with the Hartford Hawks.

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Black Bears hope to end struggles over weekend

UMaine travels to New York Saturday to battle Hofstra, looking to crush losing streak and controversy



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The UMaine football team makes a grand entrance onto the turf.

By Adam Clark

Coming into their bye week, the UMaine Black Bear football knew they had to start from scratch, refocus and regroup in an effort to salvage the rest of their season. Two weeks after losing a lopsided affair at home to conference rival UMass, the Black Bears look to snap a three-game losing streak this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. as they make a visit to Hempstead, New York to take on 12th-ranked and fellow Colonial Athletic Association member Hofstra.

Having lost to a BCS (1-A) opponent, UConn, and an FCS (1-AA) national runner-up, UMass, already this season, common knowledge would make one believe that the schedule would get easier for UMaine (1-3, 0-2 CAA). That is not the case, however, for the Black Bears when they face the Pride (4-0, 1-0), marking the third time this season they will face an undefeated opponent.

"Hofstra's a 4-0 football team playing with great confidence and finding ways to win football games," head coach Jack

Cosgrove said in Monday's CAA teleconference.

While the opponent is formidable once again, UMaine needs to find ways to get some consistency on offense to be able to stay in the game against Hofstra, which comes off a 33-28 victory over rival Stony Brook this past weekend.

Football

Averaging a league-low 11.2 points per game and 71.2 passing yards per game, red shirt freshman Adam Farkes, who made his first collegiate start two weeks ago against UMass, will look to get the Black Bears offense moving and over the 100-yard mark through the air for the first time this season.

"It was good to get that first start under my belt," Farkes said, who threw his first career touchdown pass and UMaine's first touchdown pass this season against UMass. "We need to improve as a football team and get better in every aspect of the game."

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Softball promising in fall matches

Tenacious Black Bears four-for-four in two consecutive double-headers

By Jeremy Levine

The University of Maine softball team hosted a doubleheader against Division III Thomas College on Thursday, Sept. 27, to open up their last home stand of the 2007 Fall Season. Coming off a tough road stint at the University of Connecticut, in which the team went up against rival America East teams UConn, UMass and Providence College, the Black Bears took the Thomas College Terriers by storm.

In the first game Maine would shutout their opponents in a 7-0 victory. Black Bears' sophomore pitcher, Jessica Ghazali, showed no mercy on the mound, throwing three hitless frames, while striking out four Terriers' hitters.

Sophomore pitcher Alexis Souhlaris would precede Ghazali's solid pitching performance with one of her own; she would punch out six in two innings pitched, allowing just one hit.

In the second game of the doubleheader, the Black Bears defeated the Terriers again, however, this time around, Thomas College allowed just one run.

Second baseman Ashley Waters would knock in the lone run of the game for the University of Maine, pounding a hard grounder up the middle to allow the speedy Alexis

Souhlaris to score from second. Cayleigh Montano finished off the Terriers in the final three innings, maintaining the 1-0 lead by fanning four, while giving up three hits.

Head coach Stacey Sullivan said a reason for their success was due to the fact that "the bats were alive and [the hitters] were able to put up some runs to support [the] pitchers."

UM	7
Thomas	0

UM	1
Thomas	0

UM	13
Husson	0

UM	8
St. Joseph's/LI	0

On Saturday, Sept. 29, UMaine played their second doubleheader, this time around against Husson College and St. Joseph's of Long Island.

Against Husson, the Black Bears' continued their offensive power surge, outscoring and shutting out the Eagles in what would turn out to be a

lopsided 13-0 victory. The pitching performance was electric and overpowering for Maine, as the Husson Eagles faltered at the plate.

The Black Bears softball team would end their day with yet another win, their fourth straight shutout, this time around the victims would be St. Joseph's College.

Third-year pitcher Jenna Balent was spectacular in her four-inning stint for the home team, stunning the Golden Eagles' batters with a four-hit, ten strikeout gem. "She has looked solid so far this fall. We keep reinforcing to her that she is a leader for this team on the mound," coach Sullivan said of Balent. "I have been pleased with what I have seen so far, but for all the pitchers to be successful this year the key will be gelling as a staff and pushing each other to be better."

The Black Bears were just as overwhelming at the plate as they were on the mound, putting up a total of eight runs against the Golden Eagles' pitching staff.

Cayleigh Montano would relieve Balent in the fifth inning, completing the shutout with a concrete no-hit, two-inning outing.

With the fall softball campaign completed, the Black Bear softball squad is set to play a Blue vs. White inter-squad game on Thursday, Oct. 4 at 3:30 p.m. at Kessock Field.

Rugby punishes Bates

By Sean Sullivan

The University of Maine men's rugby team improved to 3-0 on Sunday, decisively beating Bates College in Lewiston, Maine. Although the UMaine boys came out a little slow, giving the Bates team two early tries, they were able to quickly get back on track and continued their usual dominance.

With momentum-changing tackles from club president Tony Purpura and vice president Eric Anderson, Maine quickly took over. They were able to tie the game 12-12 by the end of the first half with two tries from rookie Ben Reichl. UMaine really picked up the tempo in the second half, showing Bates that this was their game. Rocco Andreozzi would add two more tries with beautiful conversions to the Black Bear's total, giving them the 24-12 lead. Four drop goals would seal the deal for the visitors, giving UMaine the 36-12 win.

After the match the players were happy to have overcome the adversity facing them this week.

"Our team was still recovering from injuries received in prior games, so we had a light week of practice which may have contributed to us coming out flat in the first half," Reichl said. "But we rallied back in the second and were able to play some tough UMaine rugby."

Reichl was also quick to credit the team's coaching staff with another job well done.

"We have a knowledgeable coaching staff that provides us the

"We have a knowledgeable coaching staff that provides us the opportunity to be successful day in and day out."

opportunity to be successful day in and day out. So far we have shown that we are the top team in the East," he said.

Next week UMaine will return home to face a tough University of

Ben Reichl
Sophomore
UMaine Men's Rugby

Farmington team. The Black Bears are raring and ready to go, focused on continuing their success.

"Bates showed us that we can't go into these games lightly. But we answered the call and came back with a strong second half and put those guys away," Reichl said.

The game is set for 3 p.m. this Saturday, Oct. 6, at Lengyel Field.