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## Ray of white



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UMaine's bike trails were covered in snow after Monday's storm.

## Making the call to cancel

*In stormy weather, Joe Carr is UMaine's 'snow man'*

By Meghan Hayward

Many students wonder how the University of Maine decides to call a snow day and what influences the decision-making process.

Joe Carr, director of university relations, said on any day where snow is involved, he communicates with facility staff and the president of the university in regards to the condition of roads and the campus itself.

In accordance with the university's inclement weather policy, the final decision about whether to cancel or postpone daytime classes must be made by 6 a.m. After

the decision is made, Carr records the message on 581-SNOW, sends a text message through [umaine.txt](http://umaine.txt), and posts to the spotlight section on [www.umaine.edu](http://www.umaine.edu). Carr also said decisions about evening classes will be announced by 2 p.m.

"This is not a decision that is taken lightly, because class time is valuable, and the university is not like public schools. For example, there are no make-up days built into the schedule," Carr said.

While every effort is made to try to preserve the class schedule, Carr said there are times when conditions

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## Spreading AIDS awareness

*Candlelight vigil, display gets message of caution to students*

By Kathleen Dame

University of Maine's Peer Education and Wilde Stein groups recognized AIDS Awareness Day on Friday, Nov. 30. Three panels from the AIDS Memorial Quilt were on display, on loan from the NAMES Project Foundation through an Eastern Maine AIDS Network (EMAN) grant.

A candlelight vigil was held on the university mall at 5 p.m., complete with guest speakers and a moment of silence. Dean of Students Robert Dana, as well as a representative from EMAN spoke.

In the Union, students could visit a display in the Spirit Room, which featured facts and statistics about the AIDS virus, as well as information on testing and prevention.

Counseling Center & Peer Education Program graduate assistant, Nicole Rozanski, explained that the events served to promote the "Know Your Status" campaign, which GLBT and Peer Education services combine to coordinate.

The groups chose Friday to hold their events, instead

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## Election results

*Pomerleau takes a second term*

By Heather Steeves

William Pomerleau, President of the General Student Body (GSB), won 375 votes on Monday winning his seat for another term. Sen. Sean Rankin received 267 out of the 743 total votes.

Pomerleau was pleased with his re-election and said that he plans to support the Zipcar program, student lobbying at the state level and increasing Student Government's visibility. He would also like to address the issue of faculty and staff parking. According to Pomerleau, blue parking passes can park in most lots but students are more restricted. He said he would like to see parking try to benefit the students more. He also plans to establish a scholarship which will go to a student leader and lobby for tax-free text books.

Steven Moran, Vice President of the GSB, said he is also happy to be re-elected. He ran without competition.

"I'd like to think of it as a vote of approval for myself," Moran said. "It's not as much of a glory job. I like to hope that it's a voice of approval for the job that I'm doing."

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## Writing them off

*13.6 percent just say "no one"*

By Heather Steeves

This year's student body presidential elections consisted of two candidates, but write-in candidates won about 13.59 percent of the student vote. Last year, write-in votes consisted of only 2 percent of total votes cast.

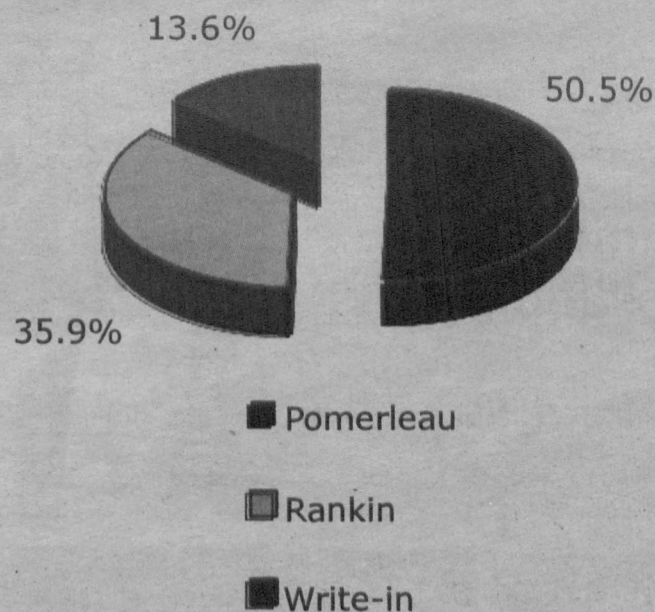
One-hundred-and-one votes went to write-in candidates. This includes 28 in which the voter did not submit a name. According to the FEPC Chair Jonathan Charette, "Since no person contacted the FEPC chair prior to the deadline, according to the executive timeline, no votes will be counted toward write-in candidates."

The deadline for filing with the FEPC is one week before the election.

"There are people who submit these ridiculous write-ins just to spite. The problem really is just apathy. A lot of students don't care about politics," said William Pomerleau, the president of the General

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## Election Results





## Presidential write-in votes

Joseph Audette – 8  
Justin Labonte – 6  
McLovin' – 6  
Stephen Colbert – 3  
The Mullet – 3  
Mickey Mouse – 3  
Boob Sweat – 2  
Nick Hubbard  
Joe Camel  
Your mother  
Sam G. Cohen  
**CANCEL SCHOOL ON A SNOW DAY!!!!**  
Nicholas Hubbard  
Billiam the Snowman  
Wenis  
None of the Above  
Dan Arsenault  
Neither of them. Seriously. Come on now.  
Radioactive Man  
Matthew Czigler  
Ron Paul  
Michelle Morneault  
Gabrielle Berube  
Conlogue  
Gimbala Sankere  
Phil Diagle

Mike Maberry  
Jeff Black  
Paws the cat  
Benjamin Bishop  
Ashleigh Briggs  
Pete Janarelli  
Joshua Legasse  
Katrina Costa  
Mudkip  
Scott Macdonald  
Derek Mitchell  
Benjamin Benwell  
Svenson McGee  
Jason Gardner  
Britney Fox  
Tim Rickter  
Ricky Bobby  
Alexander Leonard  
Eryk Salvaggio  
Paul Curtis  
Chelsea Tanguay  
Dan Freebird  
Trogdor the Burninator

28 write in ballots were submitted blank.

## Elect

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He said that he would like to promote student lobbying, including taking busloads of students to the state Legislature to address student ideas and concerns. He also plans to create a meet-and-greet breakfast every two weeks for students to meet their senators.

Sen. Sean Rankin, who ran against Pomerleau, lost by a margin of 108 votes. "I think the wrong candidate won. My goals were to see the betterment of Student Government, and I do not see that happening under Bill's leadership," Rankin said. "Whoever was the lesser of this election really got shafted in a sense, because weather had never played a factor on elections before. I think there's going to be some changes done to the elections in the future that might prevent such a low turnout."

There had been controversy over the FEPC debate in which the candidates wrote 15 of their own questions. Pomerleau said that he thought the election was balanced.

"[Rankin] could have asked me various questions outside of 'what is your favorite animal?' and that didn't happen and, it isn't my fault," Pomerleau said. Pomerleau admitted to knowing people involved in running the debate. "The comments about cronyism and whatnot: I've been president for a semester, vice president for a semester before that. I have to know the heads of many organizations; We have to work together, and when you work together, you develop relationships."

## Write

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Student Body. "I don't really see it as a slight against me or [Vice President Steve Moran] or Student Government, honestly, I just feel that students just don't care ... There are always people that have to say and criticize, even if it's a lack of information. But they have a right to do it. They have a right to their opinion. I'd sit down with any of them."

Moran, who ran unopposed, agreed. "I wish instead of throwing away that vote they might convince a friend of theirs to run, even if it is a week before the deadline, submitting their name as a viable write-in candidate."

The amount of write-in votes received may spur some changes.

"It's pretty remarkable. I also think those students are really sending a message," said Vice President of Student Entertainment Derek Mitchell. "I've actually submitted a resolution to change the FEPC guidelines to allow write-in candidates to declare up to 5 p.m. the day of the election."

The resolution also proposes that there be a committee to run a mandatory debate between the candidates. The Debate Committee would be made of campus media groups. "I think that makes it, one, much more transparent, much more clearly ethical, and secondly, I think that has the potential to expose it a lot more," Mitchell said. This resolution was sent to committee and will be voted on by the senate next Tuesday.

### THURSDAY

#### Invention Protection

**12:30 p.m.** Student Innovation Center  
Students receive information on the numerous issues that start-up companies face with IP protection.

#### Religion and Art

**4:00 p.m.** Carnegie Hall  
By Pamela Dunphy candidate for master's degree in liberal studies.

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### FRIDAY

#### "Test Everything"

**5:30 p.m.** Lord Hall  
The Art Department's 2007 Senior Art Exhibition.

#### Page Farm and Home Museum Holiday Party

**6:00 p.m.** Page Farm and Home Museum  
Featuring caroling, holiday crafts, and a visit from Santa; all ages welcome.

DEC 7

### SATURDAY

#### Boulder Bash

**9:00 a.m.**  
Maine Bound Adventure center  
Join Maine Bound for their annual bouldering competition. Prizes awarded to men and women in a variety of categories. Registration is required for this event.

DEC 8

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.

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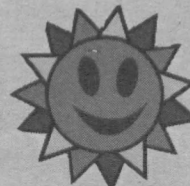
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## WEATHER

### Orono's five-day forecast

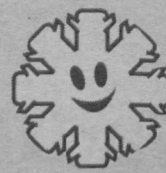
Thursday | Sunny

**23** **13**  
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Friday | p.m. snow

**31** **21**  
high low



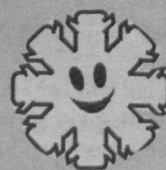
Saturday | Mostly cloudy

**33** **13**  
high low



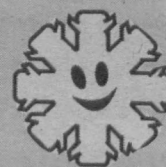
Sunday | Some snow

**24** **20**  
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Monday | Some snow

**31** **17**  
high low

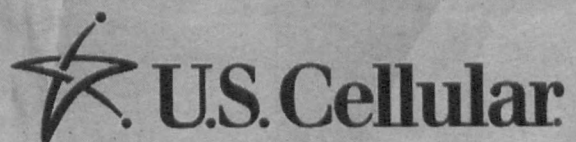




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# GSS reconfirms vice presidents

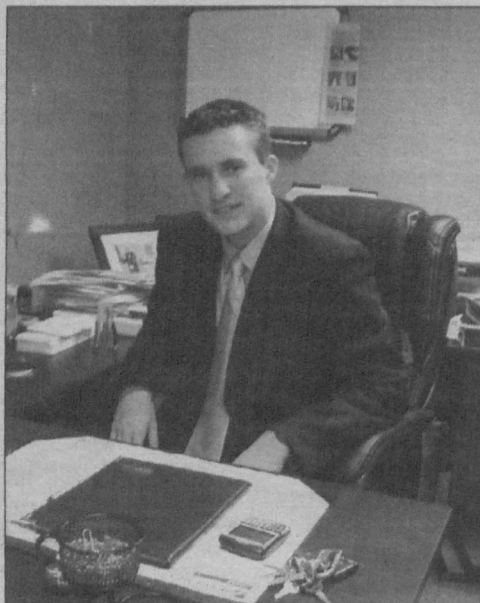
*Pomerleau keeps original VP's in place*

By Heather Steeves

At Tuesday's session of the General Student Senate the three current vice presidents were each unanimously reconfirmed by the Senate for another term.

President of the General Student Body, William Pomerleau, nominated Derek Mitchell as vice president of student entertainment, Matthew Bennett as vice president of student organizations and Anh Do as vice president of financial affairs.

Mitchell, the Vice President of Student Entertainment, was asked by Sen. Ross Wolland with sarcasm, "How can you expect us to believe you when you tell us you're going to bring us a concert?" He was referring to the cancelled My Chemical Romance show this fall. "This semester was rough for Student Entertainment. I don't think it had anything to do with my being in charge of it. I think we made a difficult band decision and that band made some further difficult



William Pomerleau - Photo by Samantha Sansom

decisions with regard to electing to terminate a performance contract however, I'm glad I had the experience in Student Entertainment from the past to know how to fall back on that and how to really recover the student money as soon as possible," Mitchell said.

Mitchell plans to continue the Zipcar program, bring in MythBusters for a lecture and book a large-scale concert for next semester. Other plans include starting a program to bus students to concerts that may be harder to bring to Maine. "There are a number of

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## Snow

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make it impractical to hold classes.

"To some extent the decision is based on a significant degree of the condition of the roads, parking lots and what will happen to people once they get to campus," Carr said.

One variable in the decision making is that one-third of UMaine students live on campus.

"We have 4,000 students living on campus and a similar number at least live very close," he said. "The overall majority of students are able to travel to campus quite easily."

The university recognizes that commuters have a longer distance to travel. This group of people includes students, faculty and staff members. Carr said it is difficult to make decisions because of the large group that must drive to get to campus.

The policy states there is no rule against a professor who decides to cancel his or her class even when school is still in session.

Laura Lindenfeld, assistant professor in the Department of Communication and Journalism canceled her class on Monday because she felt the roads were unfit for her students to be traveling on. Lindenfeld said that if she had held class she would not have punished students who did not make it to the class.

"While I wouldn't penalize a student for not attending a class session due to road conditions, I might offer an alternative on-line class to make up for what was missed," Lindenfeld said.

Carr said that this particular storm was different because of the length it lasted. He said that snow did not start until after 6 a.m. on Monday, when the president had already made his decision.



Eryk Salvaggio ♦ The Maine Campus

Students throw a snowball fight for the first snow day of the semester.

"Since the snow hadn't arrived the president's thought process was that there would be time to get some classes in on Monday before conditions really deteriorated to the point where it was no longer practical," Carr said. "We were all aware that at some point during the day a decision to pull the plug on the rest of the classes would have to be made."

As a result of the storm's length and the rate at which snow was falling, the facilities staff needed more time to create safe driving conditions on campus, which led to a delay in classes on Tuesday.

Carr said there was a glitch in communicating to students which involved umaine.txt, with US Cellular members not receiving the text about the postponing of classes.

"We are trying to determine the details so it will not happen in the future," Carr said.

Carr strongly encourages people to seek information about the university's class schedule through 581-SNOW, umaine.txt, FirstClass and the spotlight section on umaine.edu as opposed to television. He said media organizations are under stress and get a lot of information at once and it can be difficult to get everything on the air.

"By using UMaine tools you are sure to get an accurate answer to class schedules," Carr said.

## AIDS

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of Saturday, Dec. 1, the office AIDS awareness day, because "we wanted as many students as possible to be able to attend," Rozanski said. "If we had done it on Saturday, not as many students would be able to see the panels."

The panels, displayed in the atrium of the Union, hung from railings above the University Bookstore. Below, Wilde Stein and Peer Education representatives managed a table with information about the project.

Rozanski said the panel display was a success. "We've gotten a lot of confirmation from students," she said.

"I think people are aware of the activities happening," Sierran Lucey, GLBT services coordinator, said. "We hold these events so all students are aware that HIV affects everyone, and that it does happen on our campus."

Sophomore Emily Chavis, a public relations officer for Wilde Stein said, "We're hoping we can prevent it [AIDS]. You should always be aware of your status."

Chavis, who helped supervise the Wilde Stein and Peer Education table, said, "I've given out a lot of free condoms." Many students asked about what free AIDS testing are being offered.

Lucey said people were curious about testing. "I have had many students ask where to go to get tested since the event, including directly following the event," she said.

Lucey said "Many who came chose to speak when the floor was opened up. These people shared personal stories and voiced concerns about HIV/AIDS."

The groups will be holding a "Know Your Status" dinner in mid-April.

"Hopefully, by doing little things," Rozanski said, "we can show people that this happens all year long. We want students to consider and get tested for AIDS."

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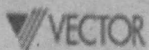
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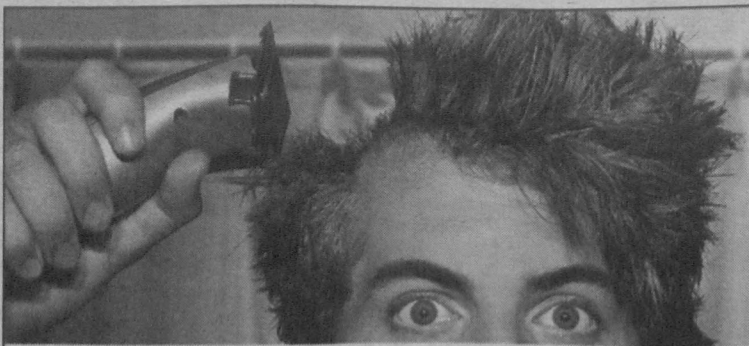
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## Frozen fraternity

Damages estimated at \$1,900 were reported by Alpha Gamma Rho on Dec. 1 at 1:15 p.m. Overnight, the heat in the residence decreased to 60 degrees. When residents went to investigate why the furnace had shut off, they found the drain hose of the sump pump outside the building had been taken off the ground and placed into the oil tank, causing water to be pumped into the oil. Public Safety is asking assistance from anyone who has information about this vandalism.

## Dirty laundry

A fire extinguisher was discharged in the basement laundry room of Androskoggin Hall on Dec. 1. At 1:21 a.m., it was reported the room was found with the washing machines and floor covered in chemical powder. The fire extinguisher has not yet been located. Estimated damages are \$300.

## Busted

A Resident Assistant of Oxford Hall reported underage drinking at 10:38 p.m. on Nov. 30. The two residents of the third-floor room, Jeremy Pooler, 18, of Orono, and Benjamin Myers, 18, of Orono, admitted to providing a place for minors to drink. All four non-student guests admitted to drinking alcohol inside the room. Pooler and Myers were charged for furnishing a place for minors to consume alcohol. The four guests from Castine, Benjamin Louis, 19; Joseph Dussault, 19; Jason Endsley, 19; and Joshua Mcallister, 19, were each charged with possession of liquor by a minor.

## Marijuana in dorm room

Public Safety was called to Penobscot Hall to investigate a strong odor of marijuana on Dec. 2 at 12:38 a.m. An officer determined the odor was being emitted from a first-floor room, knocked on the door, and asked the resident to hand over the marijuana and smoking device. Seth Boulduc, 19, of Orono, turned over an orange pill bottle containing marijuana and was issued a summons for possession of marijuana.

## Exit sign damage

An RA reported the emergency exit sign of the northwest stairwell in Hancock Hall had been pulled off the wall at 12:15 a.m. on Dec. 2. At 2:30 a.m., it was reported that the exit sign of the first-floor north hallway had also been pulled off the wall, damaging the fire alarm wiring as well. Estimated damages are \$150 for the first sign and \$250 for the second.

## Clarinet caper

On Dec. 1, a student reported that her black Buffett clarinet had allegedly been stolen from a storage closet in the Class of 1944 Hall sometime in November. The clarinet is valued at \$1,500.

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## GSS

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musical acts that students ask us to bring every year that unfortunately, budgetarily [are] completely out of our league," he said.

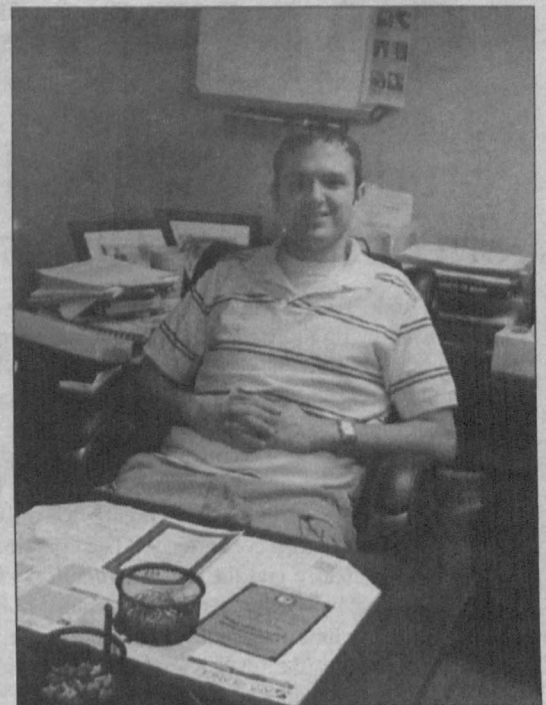
Matthew Bennett was sworn in again as Vice President of Student Organizations.

"I'm thrilled, I'm really excited about it. I have felt a little bit conflicted about staying on because classes this semester have been really intense and I felt like I wasn't here as much as I wanted to be. But I got my job done, I'm excited to have more time to do it next semester," Bennett said. Part of his plan for the upcoming semester will be to have meetings with the presidents of student organizations.

Anh Do, the vice president of financial affairs will also be returning for another term. "I'm very excited, and I'm looking forward to next semester. It is a great team," Do said.

The senate entered executive session where they evaluated each person in their position. Each executive member is assessed on their competence, quality and quantity of work. The senators vote on a scale of one to five of how the person is fulfilling the role.

According to President Pro Tempore, Justin Labonte, the senate feels "generally, pretty good" about their executives. Each person evaluated will be given the report. Last year there was an error and they did



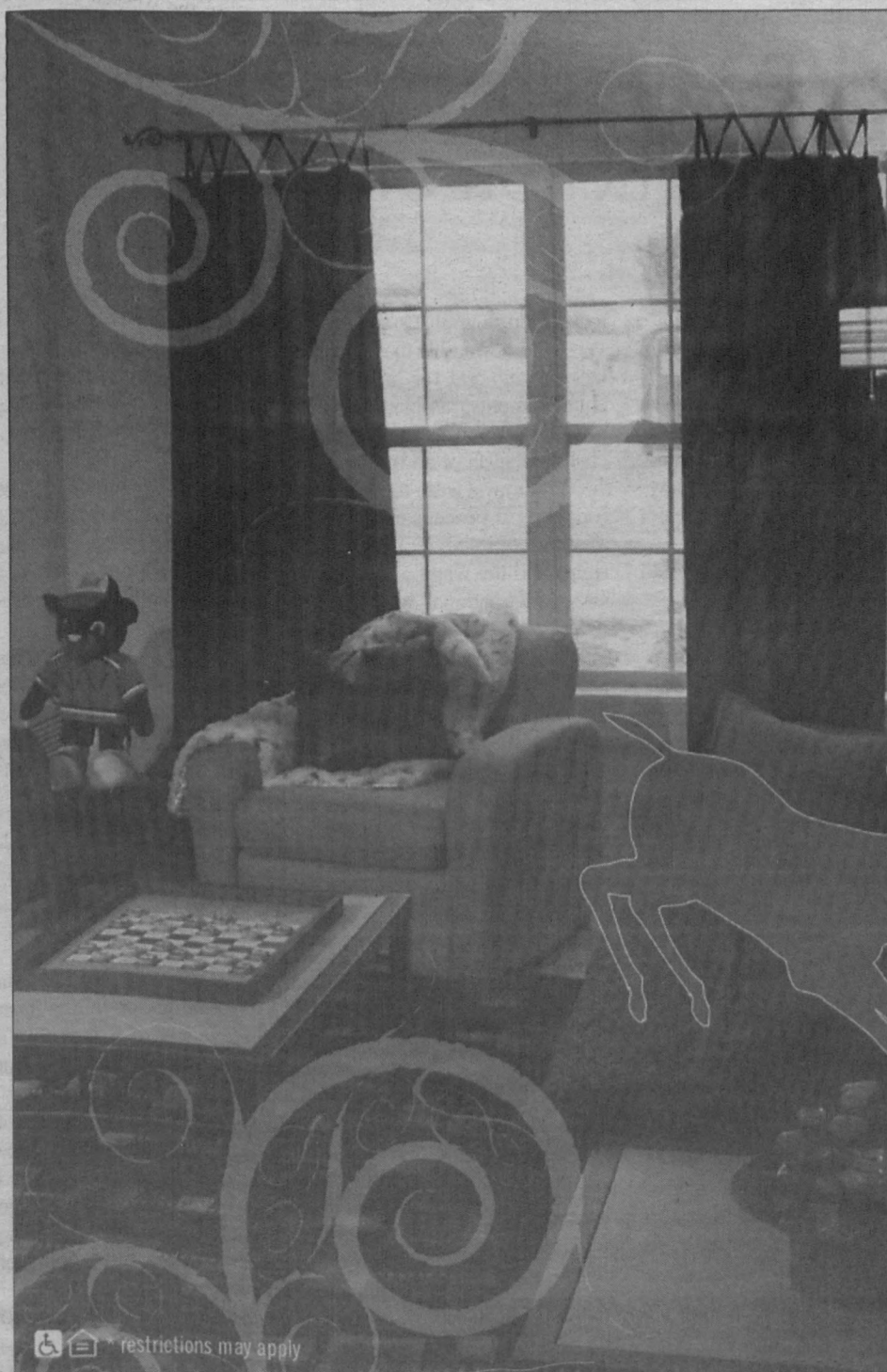
Steve Moran - Photo by Alicia Mullins

not receive the evaluations.

A resolution sponsored by Moran to create 5,000 yearly planner books to students at no cost passed unanimously. The company, University Directories, would get local advertisements to cover all expenses.

Other allocations included \$2,500 to International Student Association for an international dance festival, \$1,279 to Alpha Kappa Psi for a business conference, \$1,943.50 to the American Institute of Chemical Engineers for a competition, \$325 to the George Cunningham Chess Club, \$350 to Pagan Campus Organization, \$378.16 to FEPC, \$123.84 to the Senior Skulls Society, \$549 to Mock Trial and \$875 to Men's Volleyball.

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## Students and locals should share Orono

The Orono Town Council is proposing a new ordinance disallowing more than three unrelated people to share a rental unit in response to complaints from local non-student residents. This is a significant decrease from the original maximum of five tenants.

At the same time, the council is hearing proposals for a new development similar to Orchard Trails to be built on Park Street with direct marketing towards students. Is this just a wild coincidence? The combination of the new ordinance and the new apartment development encourages students to move into these housing units, essentially hiding them away from the community, and may lead to the further segregation of students from other Orono residents.

With arguments that college students ruin the family environment of Orono, it is no surprise that Orchard Trails is recessed hundreds of feet from the main road, literally hiding it from view.

Not only would students be forced to move into predominantly "student ghettos," their separation from the community will eliminate the small-town feel. The ordinance would also affect the cost of local renting units, taking money away from local landlords.

This ordinance similarly mimics the FYRE program the university began this year which separates first-year students from the rest of the college community by forcing them to live in specific dorms.

With these changes, students are no longer given as much freedom when choosing where they want to live. The lack of community interaction alienates students from the residents in the town, creating an unfriendly and disjointed environment.

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# Perspectives

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2007



Derek Dobachesky

## Dr. Ron Paul's diagnosis for the destruction of America

Recently, I received an invitation on Facebook to join the cause "Ron Paul: Hope for America" from a friend of my brother's from my old high school.

This irked me on several levels. First of all, I completely resent being invited to applications. Every time I receive one, I immediately block that group from contacting me ever again. In addition, my brother's friend clearly does not understand my political views at all. I list my views in my profile for a reason — and they are not libertarian.

On an entire host of issues, Paul's libertarian positions would spell disaster for this country of ours.

First of all, on foreign policy, the one area that attracts more support for Paul than any other, Ron Paul labels his views as "non-interventionist" and calls for an immediate withdrawal of all of our troops from Iraq. He also supports cutting off all foreign aid and withdrawing from the United Nations and NATO.

I would describe his philosophy on foreign policy as waiting until the fox is in the chicken coop; he will not do anything to protect

America until it's already too late and we've been attacked. While it's admirable that he calls for Congress to explicitly authorize all wars and for our country to abstain from many foreign entanglements, his plan for peace does not recognize that peace must be actively built and secured. It does not spring from non-chalant neglect of all foreign affairs.

Withdrawal from the UN is precisely the wrong direction to go for peace. If peace is to be created, it will be through establishing a system of international law, where the reckless abuse of human rights and the wanton waging of aggressive wars are met with a strong international response of sanctions of one form or another, as is the spread of weapons of mass destruction.

On economic issues, Ron Paul is even worse. The doctor from Texas supports outright elimination of the U.S. Department of Education. According to the Department of Education's Web site, it "[provides] more than \$80 billion a year in grants, loans and work-study assistance." Without that aid, many college students

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I would just like to comment on the University of Maine needing an Armageddon-like blizzard to cancel classes. Anything short of that, and "UMaine Classes are scheduled as planned." Who decides this anyway? I have expensive snow tires, and my car was still out of control and I was going all of 15 mph. Luckily, I did not have any exams, but what about those who did and didn't have the luxury of expensive snow tires? I saw numerous cars sliding around the road. It was a mess. This is not anything new; UMaine classes are almost always in session during snowstorms, even substantial

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ones. To further admit that this choice did not make any sense, they cancelled class-

es after noon on Monday.

As Carlos Mencia would say, "Da Da Duh!" If little white things are falling from the sky at a massive rate, it is probably a snowstorm. If it's snowing a little, fine. But days like Dec. 3 are not safe for most commuters, and I cannot see how this is not recognized to begin with, and then is three hours later. After nearly going off the road twice and nearly being run over by a huge plow truck, I would like to thank UMaine for giving me these extra three hours of education. Thank you.

Seth Toothaker, an off-campus University of Maine student



# PetroChina fueling Darfur genocide with its unprincipled investments

Amanda MacCabe

In the first week of November, PetroChina surpassed Exxon-Mobile as the biggest company in the world — the only company that can brag its worth exceeds \$1 trillion. PetroChina saw its stocks skyrocket on the Asian market and do exceedingly well on the New York Stock Exchange as well. As the common proverb goes, success comes with a price. The price of PetroChina's wealth has, thus far, been the deaths of more than 300,000 Sudanese in Darfur.

The southern portion of Sudan is home to a proven 1.6 billion barrels of oil. PetroChina's parent company, the state-owned China National Petroleum Corporation, buys up approximately 80 percent of this black gold. Thanks to China's heavy investment, Sudan's economy has become one of the fastest growing in Africa. The construction of office buildings in Khartoum is evidence of this, but the profits generally do not expand far beyond the city limits into the impoverished country where they are so desperately needed.

The government-backed, and ultimately Chinese oil industry-supported genocide in the Darfur region of western Sudan is often mistakenly thought of as Muslim-Arab north versus the Christian and Animist African south. Although there are elements of the religious-ethnic divide that has stirred tension in the country since its borders were drawn, the real conflict has its roots in the allocation of resources. The mainly tribal southern and western sections of Sudan are not seeing the economic benefits that PetroChina's yuan are bringing to Khartoum.

Sudan had essentially been in a civil war since its independence in 1956. Only now has the civil war turned from rebel groups fighting government forces to heavily armed, government-backed militias committing genocide in the Darfur region. It is because of the money pouring in from PetroChina's

investments in Sudanese oil that the Janjaweed — which means devil on horseback — can carry out these atrocities against the people of Darfur.

The Janjaweed are, at this moment, attacking villages and burning them to the ground. They are bounding the wrists of men, women and children and burning them alive. It is estimated that nearly 3 million people have been displaced from their homes and relocated to internally displaced-persons camps along the Sudanese-Chad border, only to be attacked again by the ruthless Janjaweed militias. This is nothing shy of ethnic cleansing at the hands of the Sudanese government.

Sudan may seem far removed from the University of Maine, but in a world that is being tied closer and closer together there are small actions we can take to create ripples that may lead to a

solution to the Darfur crisis. Fidelity Investments was one of the largest shareholders in PetroChina's oil stocks. Although they sold a substantial portion of these stocks at the beginning of the year, even a small investment in genocide is far too

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much.

UMaine offers employees the option to place their retirement money with Fidelity, along with several other investment organizations. Fidelity should be urged to cut all ties with PetroChina to show the Chinese government the world will not turn a blind eye as they prop up murderous regimes in Africa and assist in the first genocide of the 21st century. The state of Maine has divested their retirement plans from all companies that hold stock in PetroChina, and UMaine should follow their example.

More information can be found at [savedarfur.org/divest](http://savedarfur.org/divest) and [instantkarma.org](http://instantkarma.org).

*Amanda MacCabe is a member of Pennies for Peace.*

any assistance the federal government might provide to improve the lives of its citizens. The inherent flaw with his laissez faire capitalist ideology is the same on all counts: there are simply areas in which the free market is not effective and thus government intervention is necessary.

Another area is global warming. Ron Paul, apparently caving to his far-right capitalist ideology yet again, denies that humans contribute to this phenomenon and has claimed on "Real Time with Bill Maher" that there are "reputable scientists on both sides of that argument." The prospects for federal action on this issue under a Ron Paul administration are nonexistent.

A Ron Paul presidency does not instill me with "Hope for America"; it instills in me a fear for America. I urge you to oppose his presidency as well, especially those of you who are voting in Maine's Republican caucuses on the weekend of Feb. 1-3, 2008.

*Derek Dobachesky hates freedom, the U.S. Constitution and prosperity.*



Alicia Mullins

# Harsh Reality: Why taking "a shot at love" is bad for your health

Let's say you have a guy friend who wants to tell you all about his love life. He says he's in love with a girl he has known for just two weeks. The girl isn't in love with him yet, but he insists that by the end of the month she will come around. They have an open relationship ... kind of. She can date other people, but he cannot. She wants to play the field without worrying that he'll meet another girl.

In addition, the girl makes him compete in a series of challenges against the other people she is dating so she can weed out the ones that "aren't really there for her." If he can eat a boiled cow penis in under 2 minutes, the chance of her loving him back will greatly increase.

I don't mean to let down your friend or anything, but this situation does not sound ideal to me. In fact, it sounds like the makings of an abusive, unhealthy relationship with an ill-balanced power dynamic.

However, that's not what the stars of reality dating series like "I Love New York 2" and "A Shot at Love with Tila Tequila" are telling us. They would argue that the contestants face these obstacles in order for the girl to know who can love her best. Essentially, the more hoops each contestant jumps through, the more likely he is to be her true love.

The hoop jumping, though, only goes one way. One girl calls all the shots, and the men and women who long to love her scramble to make her happy, but at their own expense.

I'll use an example from an especially dramatic episode of "A Shot at Love with Tila Tequila." Tila, a bisexual woman, has both men and women vying for her attention. At the end of the episode she needed to eliminate one woman and it was down to

Brandi and Vanessa, two girls who strongly disliked each other. Tila eliminated Vanessa, who reacted by physically attacking and beating Brandi. As soon as the cast and crew were able to pry the two girls apart, Vanessa was immediately taken off the set. Moments later, Brandi, in a fit of tears from being assaulted, decided to leave the show. She told Tila that she loved her but that "she just can't do this anymore."

It made sense to me that Brandi wanted out. A reality dating competition is stressful and demeaning enough to a person without throwing assault and battery into the mix. However, I was shocked to see Tila react by yelling at Brandi, saying that she shouldn't walk out on her after "putting her through" that ordeal. The fight became something that happened to Tila instead of a crime committed against Brandi, and for some reason no one recognized that. Not even Brandi, who came back a day later to apologize to Tila for walking out.

Reality dating shows are reprehensible social experiments filmed for our entertainment. Producers set up rules for the contestants to live by — rules that aren't accepted in actual reality because they are harmful — and people line up all over the country to be a part of them.

In true reality, if your friend was pursuing a relationship at the expense of his own dignity, beliefs and physical and emotional health, you would consider him strong for walking away. That kind of submission is characteristic of ownership, not love — no matter what MTV or VH1 tells you.

*Alicia Mullins does not have love for New York.*



Samantha Edith Hansen

# Frugality fundamental in the fight to protect our environment

Over the course of the next two weeks, emissaries from nearly 190 countries will be meeting in Bali to discuss a replacement treaty for the Kyoto Protocol, which expires in 2012. Nearly all of the attendees agree that more drastic steps must be taken in order to prevent the worsening of droughts, flooding, extinction and various other natural disasters in the coming decades as the planet's temperature rises. The United States' delegates have the difficult job of explaining why we are the only industrialized country which never signed the Kyoto Protocol. As much as that galls me, it is not the particular issue I wish to discuss. The actions of the United States government hopefully represent the wishes of the majority of the people, so I am resigned, for now, to remain in the minority.

However, there is one side of climate change I think many politicians worldwide have been dancing around that needs to be addressed: individual sacrifice. The fact of the matter is the spread of American capitalism is also the spread of the classic American dream: the freedom to pursue what we desire. This middle class dream cannot be met by everyone in the world. It is simply impossible because the resources do not exist for it.

Our opulent lifestyle, which some point to as the reason for the spread of anti-Americanism, is usually admired and desired by even our political adversaries. The Chinese, especially in recent decades, have seen the rise of just such a middle class lifestyle. One concrete effect of this is the rise in oil prices. We cannot allow every family in the world to drive a car. Not even an electric car. Remember, electricity is also generated from the burning of fossil fuels.

What is the solution then? How can we encourage the spread of economic freedom and democracy without putting an impossible strain on the planet? The answer comes in a single frightening word: frugality.

By no means am I about to suggest that we should all grow our own vegetables, give up on technology

and revert to medieval standards of living. I am suggesting that we re-examine how we apply our materialism. For example, look at the products in your bedroom: your mattress, blankets, pillows, furniture, etc. When you paid for them, you also paid for their transport from the factory to the store. How many of those products were crafted in some distant Asian or European country? Why? Does that mean there is no one in Maine who knows how to make blankets or beds? Do we have no trees here, no land able to grow cotton or flax plants? Just because something is cheap doesn't mean it isn't opulent.

Frugality means examining what you really need in life. It also means sharing, a word we apparently only teach to five-year-olds nowadays. What can you give up, as an individual, to help alleviate the problem? Off the top of my head: meat! Stop eating meat! The animals we raise create pollution and suck up resources that could be more efficiently used to grow other foods. Imagine your life without meat. Would it really be that devastating of a change? One thing that frightens me is our culture's association of meat with masculinity. You know who doesn't eat meat? Clint Eastwood. Neither does Alec Baldwin or Tobey Maguire. That's right, Spiderman doesn't eat meat!

It is so easy to blame a human problem on a non-human entity, but it really doesn't make sense and is ethically unsound. True, our government could do much more to fight global climate change, but the more constructive point is, so could we. The government did not cause global warming, and neither did the world's corporations. When you get down to the marrow of it, both of those fun-to-blame entities are built of people just like us. I would propose a small change to the American dream: The freedom to pursue what is right.

*Samantha Edith Hansen thinks that even though Spiderman doesn't eat meat, Batman could still beat him in a fight.*

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— especially those from low-income families — would suffer from a lack of opportunity to receive a quality education.

Now, Ron Paul supporters will most likely respond "But privatizing education will result in lower prices for everyone!" Well, the plain and simple response to this is that private corporations don't have much of an incentive to provide affordable, quality education to a large volume of young Americans. In fact, their incentive is to do just the opposite: maintain a steady flow of laborers dependant on the low wages they would like to offer — and, by the way, Ron Paul wants to eliminate the federal minimum wage. Even if the costs of education went down, the quality would also go down and cater to providing just that sort of labor.

On health care, the FDA, OSHA and a whole host of issues, Ron Paul wishes to wage an all-out assault on



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Chamber Jazz Afternoon  
Concert Series  
4:15 p.m.  
Thursday, Dec. 6  
The Bear's Den

Symphonic Band Concert  
7:30 p.m.  
Thursday, Dec. 6  
Hauck Auditorium

Euphony  
Maine Chamber Singers  
1 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 9  
Minsky Recital Hall

## ARTS

Senior Art Show  
5:30 p.m.  
Friday, Dec. 7  
Lord Hall Gallery

Happy Birthday Emily  
Dickinson  
Poetry Reading  
Featuring UMaine Professors  
4 p.m.  
Monday, Dec. 10  
University Bookstore

A Legacy of Collecting: the  
Vincent A. Hartgen Years  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
University of Maine Museum  
of Art  
Norumbega Hall (Bangor)  
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## PARTY

Page Farm and Home  
Museum Holiday Party  
Caroling, crafts and Santa  
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
Friday, Dec. 7  
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Museum

## ENTERTAINMENT

Planetarium Shows:  
Black Holes  
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Black Holes  
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Saturday, Dec. 1  
Wingate Hall

Mars Invasion  
2 p.m.  
Sunday, Dec. 2  
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on FirstClass.

# Who Rings Our Bells?

By Casey Hill

Though you may not take notice every single day, if you walk this campus on a regular basis I'm sure you've heard — on more than one occasion — the bells chime from atop Alumni Hall. Every hour of every day, passersby are graciously reminded of the time by the appropriate number of tolls, which is always preceded by the traditional hourly marker of Westminster — the little ditty that plays just before the clock strikes. At three specific times

*"Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:  
The year is going, let him go; Ring  
out the false, ring in the true."*

Alfred Lord Tennyson

throughout each day, the clock does more than just toll. At 8:05 a.m., 12:05 p.m. and 4:05 p.m., anyone within range is able to hear the chimed version of a given song. It could be anything from the Beatles to The Sound of Music. It all depends on the particular taste of Rick Winter. He is the only man who knows how to operate the bells and make them chime the way they do, a job that isn't as easy as one might think.

Winter has been an employee at the University of Maine since 1992. Though he just recently retired from University Relations in the Marketing Recruitment department, he still makes frequent visits to campus to check over the bells and make any changes. He came to be the behind-the-scenes operator of the bell chimes when he met the man who originally installed and maintained the first set of bells in the '50s. That was back when there were actual bells in the bell-tower and were mechanically operated, complete with wheels and gears. Eventually, Winter was taught how to work this system. Then, in 1994, Winter was asked by the

president of the university at the time, Fred Hutchinson, to do some research on getting a new electronic system to replace the old mechanical one. His research paid off, and a new computerized system replaced the original one — which now rests at the Page Farm Home Museum on campus. The bells are still operated

on the same computer today.

The computer that rests on the third floor of Alumni Hall doesn't

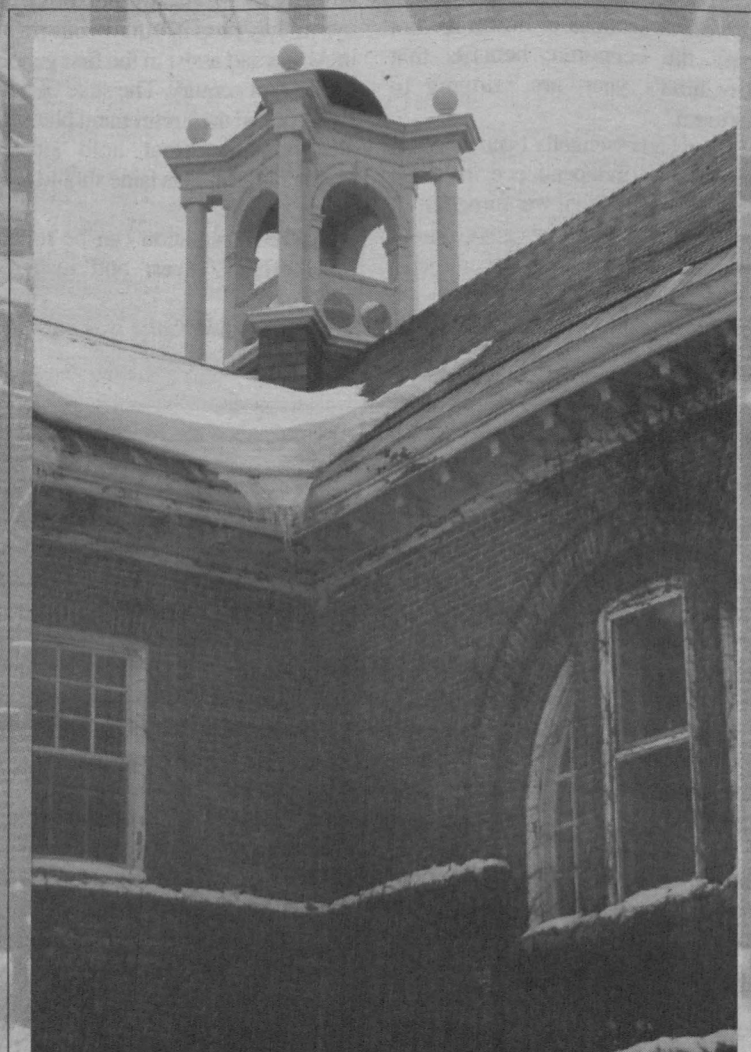
just play a chime arrangement of any given song, it plays exactly what it's given, just as any computer or CD player would. "You can play anything on there. Someone could play Godsmack if they really wanted to," Winter said. In order to get the songs in a "chime-able" form, Winter has to send audio files to Schulmerich, a company in California that specializes in taking any song of any genre and arranging it specifically for chiming purposes. This is not exactly an inexpensive feat. A contract with Schulmerich runs anywhere between \$10,000 and \$12,000. Not only do they arrange the music and then send it back to their clients, if the song is under copyright, the company must obtain the legal rights to reproduce it, which can be very time consuming. However, as of yet Winter has not had any problems with this particular company.

There are about five different CDs with songs that have been arranged for the bells. "There are twenty songs that are programmed to play randomly at prescribed times," Winter said. "The Stein Song" I believe, plays every Friday

and Saturday, and then the other songs are just picked based on my taste or mood at the time ... and I do get periodic complaints. People in Lord Hall, for instance, say they are too loud. I had one man complain about hearing the song "Summertime" in November. Winter only reprograms the songs about four times every year, so if a song happens to be playing that is a little out-of-season, it's only because he hasn't gotten around to switching the tunes.

As of right now, no one else can do what Winter does as far as operating and maintaining the bells. He has had a couple of people express a degree of interest in learning, but nothing about the bells has been

taught to anyone yet, and, since his retirement two weeks ago, Winter isn't quite sure how much longer he'll keep the position as bell-operator. He said that before he came here, the bells were inconsistent. They would ring off and on over the years, and for a few years, they didn't ring at all. Campus would not be the same without the hourly toll or the upbeat chime of a random song. Even though it may not be appreciated or even noticed all the time, it would really change the whole of UMaine if suddenly the bells stopped chiming. It creates a welcoming, cozy feeling that is part of the campus.



Adrianne Hess ♦ The Maine Campus

For Whom the Bell Tolls. Bells sound from atop Alumni Hall with songs chosen from the eclectic taste of Rick Winter.



# WMEB

## Top 20 Albums for 12/6

1. **Bonde Do Role** - Marina Gasolina [EP]
2. **Radiohead** - In Rainbows
3. **Sigur Ros** - Hvarf-Heim
4. **Bonnie "Prince" Billy** - Ask Forgiveness
5. **Why?** - The Hollows [EP]
6. **Cars And Trains** - Rusty String
7. **Letters\*** - Letters\*
8. **Holy F—** - LP
9. **The Hives** - The Black And White Album
10. **Broken Social Scene Presents: Kevin Drew** - Spirit If...
11. **Para One** - Epiphanie
12. **60 Watt Kid** - 60 Watt Kid
13. **I, Colossus** - I, Colossus
14. **Katy Perry** - UR So Gay [EP]
15. **Grizzly Bear** - Friend [EP]
16. **Prints** - Prints
17. **Minipop** - A New Hope
18. **Monster Bobby** - Gaps
19. **The Owls** - Daughters And Suns
20. **The Forms** - The Forms

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Tyler, from the comic strip "Boxer Romps," respectfully requests that you get your pets spayed or neutered

It doesn't make me any less of a man

## Coens connect with 'Old Men'

By Kyle Kernan

Grade: A

No other film this year is more somber, cold, and morally objectionable than Joel and Ethan Coens' "No Country for Old Men." The Coens' latest opus is adapted from Cormac McCarthy's book. The Coen Brothers' interpretation of the novel is an almost exact literate reflection of McCarthy's hard, unflinching vision of 80s West Texas. The vast and hot desert is as unsympathetic as the criminals who dwell in it. The Coens' genius speaks for itself as they

rehash McCarthy's Western vision into vintage Coen filmmaking: a film-noir classic that reminds us of how great movies can be.

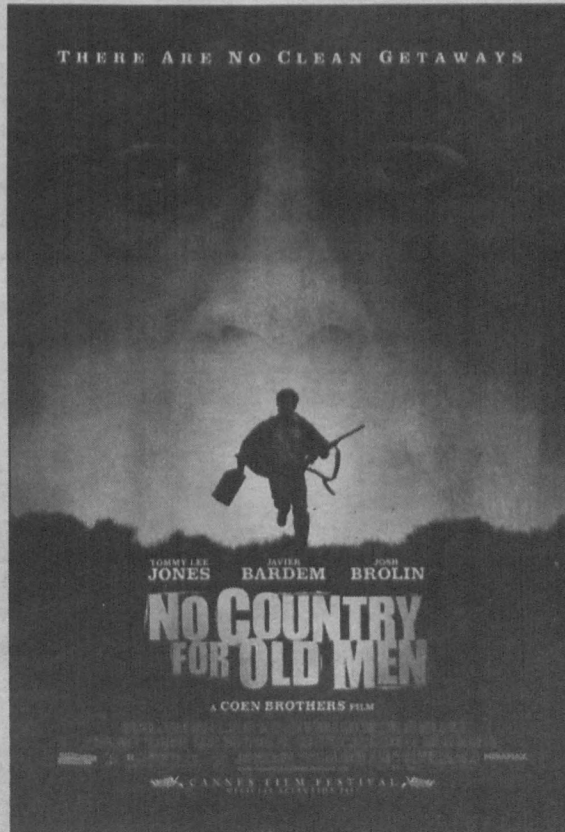
The story chronicles welder and ex-Vietnam veteran Lewylen Moss, played by Josh Brolin, who uncovers a satchel full of money surrounded by shot-up SUVs and dead Mexicans while he is hunting for antelopes. Having a young wife and trailer to come home to, he takes the money. Soon he is tracked down by an assortment of criminals, including a psychotic expert killer, Anton Chigurh, played menacingly by Javier Bardem.

The film embodies an eerie, if not unsettling, portrayal of evil, as this ruthless assassin rids whoever crosses his path with no remorse or sympathy. He finds truth in the fact that if you cross his path, you are meant to be killed. The only thing that may save you is a coin toss, but you would have to be lucky for him to be that gracious. The killer carries a cattle gun, which is a device that shoots compressed air out of a hose. He uses this device on his victims and impales locks out of doors and on people too. In one scene, posing as a police officer, and wielding the gun on his side, he politely asks a man to get out of his car. He prods the hose to the man's forehead killing him instantly. He did not want to foray the vehicle with blood.

Tommy Lee Jones gives the film a much needed reprieve from the violence and carnage as he plays the wise and melancholy Sheriff Ed Tom Bell. He follows Chigurh's string of crimes and tries to ease Moss's concerned wife as he follows her husband's trail. Sheriff Bell stands for all of us who endlessly contemplate evil's profound hold on the world, as it walks in many forms. The entire film carries with it a nihilistic message. Its message is that sometimes, the most we can do to fight evil is to remain diligent and strong. The Sheriff, Moss and his wife Carla Jean realize this quite tragically.

The film's pacing is superb as the camera

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## SEX (ONCE IN A WHILE) IN ORONO

By Hillary Leeman

Right off, I think I should apologize to all my faithful readers. I feel bad that I gave you a taste of my rapier wit, harsh criticisms and straightforward “big-mouthiness” and then left you wanting more for so long. I guess you could chalk up the two-month lack of articles to a two-month dating drought. It’s been a rough semester — with several Thursdays spent looking for

that cliché Mr. Right-Now and lots of Craigslist postings, Facebook stalking and performing the “It’s Raining Men” dance in search of the proverbial Mr. Right.

All I’ve really found so far is Mr. Too-Cool-for-School, Mr. Do-You-Have-An-Older-Brother?, and the oh-so-familiar Mr. Wow-That-Was-Awkward. I may be exaggerating when I say this, but I can’t even count the number of boys I’ve met lately where I was left

wondering who was supposed to be more masculine. After our first date, one guy told me that the song “Bubbly” by Colbie Caillat reminded him of me. I was flattered at first, until I read the actual lyrics in his AIM profile. Guys, for the record, any song that contains lines like “every time I see your bubbly face, I get the tingles in a silly place” reeks of insincerity and lameness. It is not okay to quote it anywhere, especially in full view somewhere like Facebook.

Wait a minute! We only went on one date — to Denny’s — where I kissed you on the cheek and said that I’d call you. Why are you putting me in your AIM profile and changing your Facebook status? I was pretty sure of at least two things: that it was a

date, (not an engagement party) and that you had testicles.

It’s not really about the testicles; it’s more about grasping for some indication that you have a bit of testosterone pumping through your veins. That certainly is a desirable component when settling on a suitable partner in crime. I want a guy that isn’t afraid to be a man, in most senses of the word. Except when it comes to extreme risk-taking — that’s where I draw the line. You have to be able to protect me, but you can’t protect me if you pick a fight with the 300-pound bouncer that called me cute.

As far as other manly qualities are concerned, maybe I want a guy that likes sports. Maybe I would like it if you

showed some interest in getting into my pants. And maybe I would be okay with you hanging out with your friends instead of watching “Sex and the City” with me.

With that said, why do I feel like I’ve only come across two types of guys? There are the men’s men, who you couldn’t pull away from the Patriots game for a million dollars, All-You-Can-Eat chicken wings, or even a sexy Carmen Electra lap dance. These guys are ridiculously faithful to their friends, sports and all things masculine. It’s like pulling teeth to get them to show interest in you. I mean, you’re a girl, so they at least have to like that you have boobs! But no, these are the guys that would rather go out to a bar

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Nicholas Chiumenti ♦ The Maine Campus

The University of Maine Steiners performed Tuesday night during Java Jive in the North Pod.

## Campus Crooners Woo

By Andy Wright

Tuesday night, Java Jive was arguably the most packed it has been all semester. Everyone seemed to be there to see the two student groups. Who wouldn’t want to come see a large group of men and women who can sing with impeccable ease and strength? Tuesday night, it was The Maine Steiners and Renaissance, two acappella groups full of talent in all areas of stage art.

Renaissance was up first, stealing the stage with their beauty and power mixing for one impressive outcome. Kicking off the show with a classic, Alicia Keys “Fallin’” carefully composed to suit and sweetly caress the audience’s ears. That, mixed with a delicately placed increase in snowfall created a warm feeling in everyone having the pleasure of listening in. Just as things were quieting down is when the girls kicked it up a notch and kept the audience perched at the edge of their seats with K.T. Tunstall’s “Black Horse

and a Cherry Tree.”

Renaissance also pulled some interesting surprises out of their goody bag of talents. They not only had beat boxers and singers in their group, they had a girl who can play the vocal trumpet. During a cover of “Let it Be” by The Beatles, after a vocal solo, the claps subsided and the crowd lulled. There was another sound that had taken hold. It took a moment for everyone to determine just exactly what it was. Had Renaissance scouted out a trumpet player to help them? No, it was simply a mouth and a microphone.

Soon enough, it was time for The Steiners. Not to be outdone by a bunch of beautiful women and their singing and mouth trumpet, these guys brought the comedy. With banter back and forth between the members of the group. They were so excited to be performing in front of college kids, four-letter words were flying everywhere. It wasn’t all just props and pranks. These guys

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# This Week in SeX

*When in doubt, get another condom*



By Eryk Salvaggio

Modern science has given us a special gift: no longer do we have to use leather, tortoiseshell or ill-fitting balloons to protect ourselves from sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

While our ancestors were willing to go that far to avoid pregnancy and disease, modern Americans are only using luxurious latex condoms in one out of every four sexual encounters, according to Trojan Condoms. It might be time to correct some myths on condom use.

First off, condoms are about more than pregnancy. Condoms have been shown to reduce your risk of HPV, HIV and almost

every other nasty STD you’ve heard about. In a rather closed community like the University of Maine, where STDs can travel like sore-covered lightning through the sexually-active student population, using a condom will allow your college years to be remembered without the aid of uncomfortable genital itching.

Let’s tackle the neurotics who use not just one but two condoms — the safe-sex equivalent of putting on two pairs of glasses. While there are no studies showing an official result of the double-wrap, there is ample anecdotal evidence that the friction created by latex-on-latex action can cause breaks in the condoms, rendering the whole operation useless.

If you’re one of those men who can’t look at a condom without imagining tiny spores of disease making their way through the condom on a microscopic level, there are a few facts that may put your mind at ease. The AIDS virus, compared to the holes in a condom, may as well be a kitten trying to walk through a wall.

If you have images of Chinese factories hastily manufacturing condoms and motor engines on the same rusty conveyor belt before shipping them directly to your local dealer, you’ll be happy to know that condoms are actually tested by the FDA. If more than four in any batch of 5,000 fail a test, they destroy all 5,000 in a blaze of latex shame.

The reasons condoms aren’t 100 percent effective is partly because people don’t use them properly. Inappropriate use of a condom is less fun than it sounds, unless you count putting a condom over a shower head and waiting for the results. When it comes to sexual uses, a few basic issues come up on a regular basis: heed the expiration dates and don’t leave your condoms out where the sun can hit them. Not only does it make a condom porous, it’s totally tacky.

Anyone who bothers to read a condom box will be able to casually dismiss the mysterious warning against “petroleum-based lubricants.” Many of you might have dismissed this concern, since most of us aren’t planning

to introduce gasoline to our bedroom.

However, oil-based lubricants are a code word for everything from Vaseline to baby oil to hand creams and mineral oil. Make it easy: don’t use lubrication unless you have to. Many of you probably don’t need it — not that there’s anything wrong if you do — but if you have to, make it water-based, like KY jelly. If it washes off your hands easily, it’s probably water-based, but feel free to Google it to make sure. If you get some petroleum-based products on the condom, get a new one.

The other most common source of breakage is: teeth. It’s less sexy than one might imagine: you may not think of this, but don’t tear open the package with your incisors. You’re just asking for trouble.

Women: it’s a sad fact of life, but if you’re in a relationship with a man, don’t expect him to know what to do with a condom. That includes having one. If you think you want to make that move, carry a condom with you. If you’re in a relationship where

that move happens often, there’s absolutely no shame in having one handy, no matter what gender you are. Using a condom every time is the most important part of using a condom effectively.

Finally — learn how to put them on. Here’s a hint: roll it on. Don’t unroll it and then put it on. When you think “condom,” don’t think “sock;” it’s just plain wrong. If the condom isn’t unrolling properly, the best practice is to get another condom.

If the news reports can be believed, it seems that there should be one more piece of advice I need to give. Nicolae Popovici, a 43-year-old Romanian man, I wish this had reached you in time: Do not glue a condom onto your penis, no matter how much money you think it will save you. If you do this — you can probably guess this by now — take the condom off and put on a new one.

Basically, you should always have about 100,000 condoms in your room. Make use of the free condoms on campus while you can, available at the Cutler Health Center.





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## Orono

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with their own gender to talk about cars, sports and beer all night. On the other end of the spectrum, there are the guys that quote songs by Colbie Caillat or N\*Sync and become smitten so quickly,

you'd think that someone slipped some love potion in their Smirnoff Ice. I don't pretend to know what caused this over-expression of emotions and slightly feminine behavior, but it's more than a little weird.

So where are the ones in the middle? The guys that watch sports but don't mind talking to

me about other stuff, even if it's only during the commercials? The guys that tell me I'm cute, but don't write a song about it? And what about a guy that will comment on my dress, but secretly wishes I was naked? Do these guys actually exist? Oh sure, but they probably already have girlfriends.

## 'Old Men'

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envelops the viewer into the reality of the situations, with steady camera shots where the actors show the actions on screen without the camera presenting it. Little to no music is present throughout the film, which makes for a more surreal experi-

ence for the viewer, as you feel you are with the actors as the actions takes place.

The film's themes of greed and how the good combat against evil make prevalent themes in Coen pictures. Another theme is how the stark imagery of the landscapes and settings connect with the conflict of the characters. The forlorn backgrounds of desolate, morbid landscapes mark their films with an eerie presence. They give off

an unsettling perspective of lands without end, where peace and safety from evil are nowhere to be found. This is beautifully crafted in the gaping desert of North Dakota in the Coen's Academy Award winning "Fargo." If you are an avid film-goer and have been deprived of entertainment as well as profound meaning in films all year, "No Country for Old Men," is your ticket.

## Java Jive

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had the talent to back up their sexy statements. Making all of the girls in the room flutter an inch off the ground with their rendition of another Beatles song "Black Bird" and an original by Seth Grondin, called "Bitches".

This is one of the song titles that was much funnier to say "when [they're] at an elementary school," asking the kids to please not go home and ask mommy what that word means.

Finally, the all-male group of singers and beat-boxers did a medley of Pearl Jam's "Better Man," TCP's "Yeah, I'd Like to F— You too!" and "Breakfast at Tiffany's" by Deep Blue Something. The crowd went wild

with all of the "seamless transitions," as described by one of the singers, as he was singing the songs.

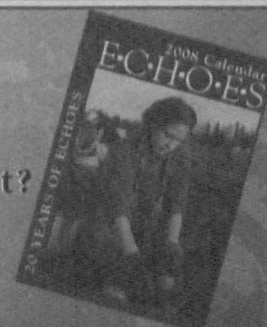
To hear more of The Maine Steiners head over to Umaine.edu/steiners. You can also pick up their CD at the University Bookstore, but honestly one needs to hear them live. It's not just about the singing, these guys are all about the showmanship.

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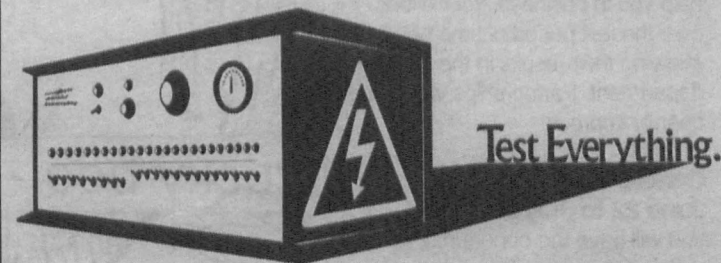
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## Horoscopes

### Aries

**March 21 to April 20**

In spite of the difficulties that you could be facing, you will manage to complete an important work in which you have invested a lot of time and money.

### Taurus

**April 21 to May 20**

You will finally manage to solve a long-postponed financial issue. Today is a good time for business. You have good chances to complete activities that you have initiated a long time ago.

### Gemini

**May 21 to June 21**

Before noon you will have contacts with important people who could help you in business. Your efforts over the last period of time will start showing their results in the financial department. Partnerships will consequently improve.

### Cancer

**June 22 to July 22**

You will have the opportunity to make a short trip with a group of friends. You are advised to take the invitation. Don't mind the expenses! You deserve to relax and certainly need to rest more.

### Leo

**July 23 to August 22**

You will have original ideas worth implementing. In order to succeed in your undertakings, you have to work hard and accept the support offered by friends.

### Virgo

**Aug. 23 to Sept. 22**

You will manage to solve a sentimental issue. The relationship with your significant other will be excellent, and you two have good chances to succeed in everything you do together.

### Libra

**Sept. 23 to Oct. 23**

You are capable of adapting to new situations and making adequate decisions quickly. You can tackle serious business or family issues.

### Scorpio

**Oct. 24 to Nov. 22**

You will have the opportunity to prove your talent and creativity. Intuition is your best friend. You will have a great afternoon in the company of your loved one and family.

### Sagittarius

**Nov. 23 to Dec. 21**

You may have a hard time today, with a lot of problems to solve at work and at home. You have valuable and original ideas which will be very useful in your professional activities.

### Capricorn

**Dec. 22 to Jan. 20**

Today you will have the opportunity to make major changes in your love life. Business partnerships are also favoured today. In the afternoon, you will meet important people.

### Aquarius

**Jan. 21 to Feb. 19**

You may safely make business investments today, for you will be capable of making inspired choices. You can successfully tackle difficult financial problems.

### Pisces

**Feb. 20 to March 19**

After a rather difficult period in your sentimental and social relationships, you are back in business.

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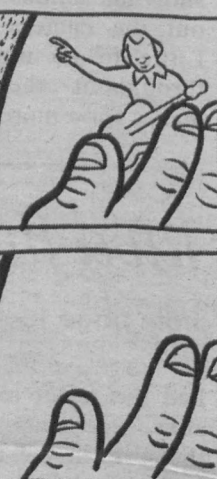
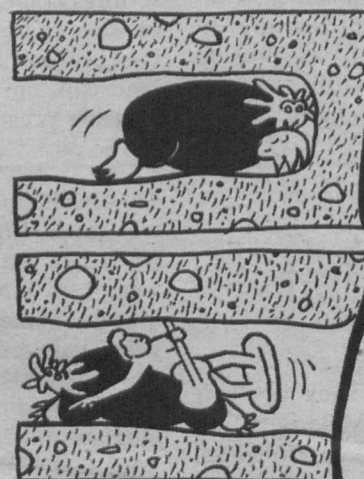
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By Travis Dandro



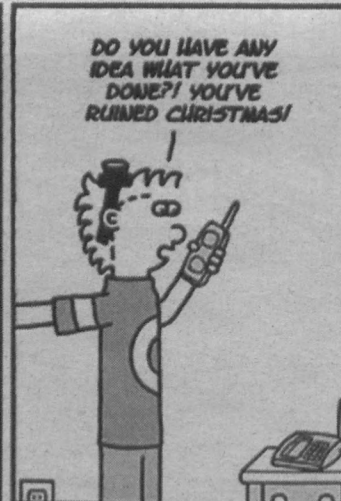
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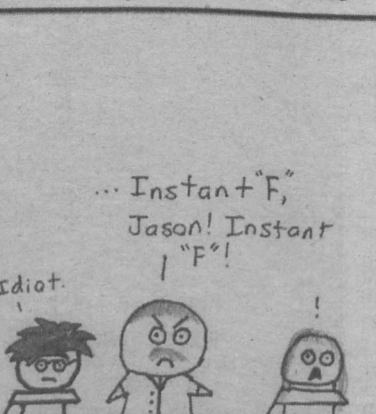
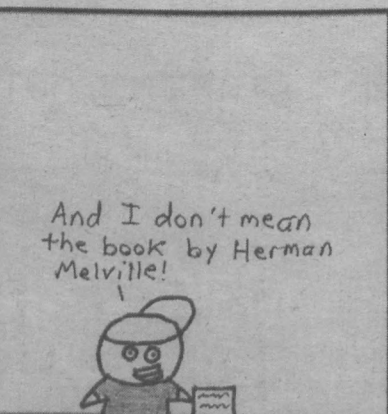
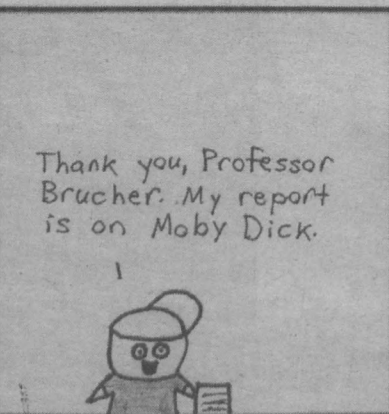
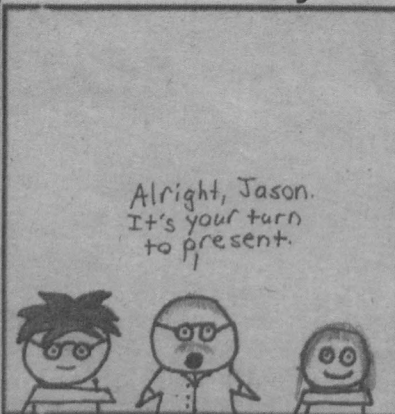
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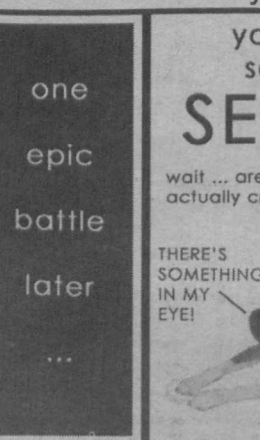
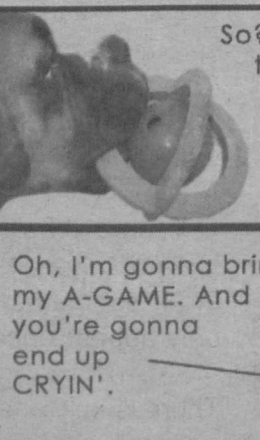
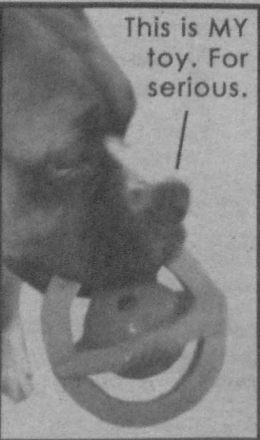
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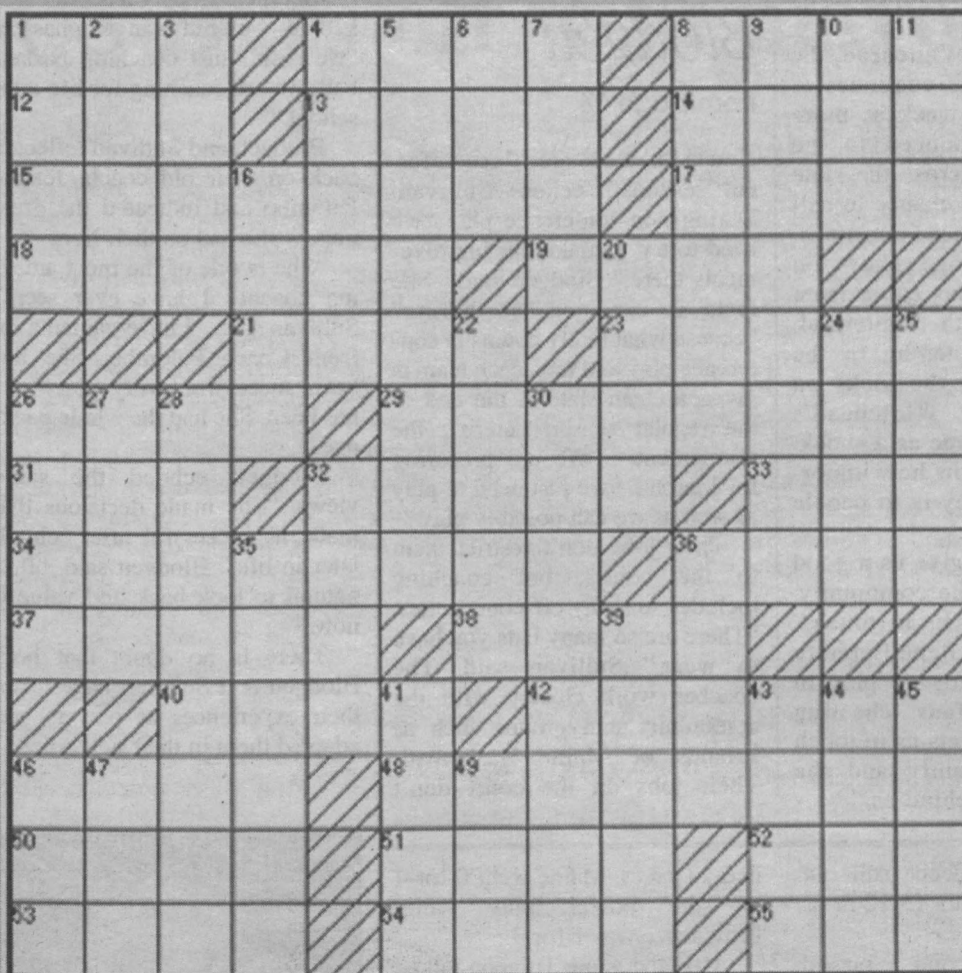
Boxer Romps

By Alicia Mullins



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## ACROSS

1. South American wood sorrel
4. A tributary of the Colorado River
8. Swedish rock group
12. Male sheep
13. Muslim leader
14. Bounces over water
15. Rapidity
17. Bird genus
18. Remove salt
19. The forward section of a theater mezzanine
21. Shag rugs
23. Stacks
26. Moving quickly and energetically
29. Land turtles having clawed elephantlike limbs
31. Anger
32. Pools
33. French for "No"
34. Half-diameters
36. An edible mushroom
37. Stalks
38. Rail bird
40. Quick
42. Gave an affirmative gesture
46. Overly nice person
48. Take again
50. Attached to an elevated structure
51. The 9th letter of the Greek alphabet
52. Linear unit
53. Matures
54. 1 1 1 1 1
55. Prefix meaning "Before"

## DOWN

1. Towards the mouth or oral region
2. Coarse curly-leaved greens
3. Latin for "Love"
4. Like a young female
5. Mimics
6. Skeletal muscle
7. From pentane (Chemistry)
8. Opus
9. The back line at each end of a tennis court
10. Bits Per Inch
11. Volcanic mountain in Japan
16. \_\_\_\_ Grant, actor
20. Selects
22. Infections
24. Employee Stock Ownership Plan
25. Monetary unit
26. Gentlemen
27. Hind end
28. Explain again
30. Sound with resonance
32. Disorderliness
35. Pictures
36. Villains
39. Dicot genus
41. Threesome
43. Dispose
44. Chieftain
45. \_\_\_\_ te = remove
46. Used especially in paints or adhesives
47. Cloth
49. Long period of time

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## Hanukkah

### Facts

#### What were the Maccabees also known as?

*Chashmonaim. They were known as Chashmonaim, or Hasmonean in English. They were called that after the town of Chashmona.*

#### Which of Matisyahu's sons was the leader?

*Yehuda. Yehuda was the original Maccabee, or 'hammer.' Shimon later became High Priest as well as nasi (leader, but not king).*

#### What were the Maccabees looking for in the Temple that they needed to use right away?

*Oil. They needed pure olive oil to light the menorah. All of the oil had been spiritually defiled except for one small flask.*

#### What prayer is said during the lighting of the menorah?

*Haneiros Hallahu. Maoz Tzur is said AFTER the lighting.*

#### What modern day country were the 'Greeks' based in?

*Syria. After Alexander the Great's empire split up, 'Judea' flipped between two parts of the former empire, one based in Egypt under Ptolemy and one in Syria under Antiochus. It was against Antiochus IV that the Maccabees rebelled.*

#### On what day does Chanukah start?

*25th Kislev. It begins on the 25th day of the month of Kislev, usually in mid-December according to the common calendar.*

#### In which direction do you light the menorah?

*Left to right. The candles are placed in the menorah from right to left, but they are lit from left to right.*

#### How many sons of Matisyahu (also called Mattathias) fought the Greeks?

*Matisyahu was an elder of the Jewish town of Modi'in. When the Greeks tried to force the Jews to sacrifice to the Greek gods, Matisyahu refused - and slew the first Jew who betrayed his religion to do so. 'Follow me, all of you who are for God's law and stand by the covenant!' All those who followed him and his five sons (Yehuda (Judah), Eliezer (Elazar), Yohanan, Yonatan, and Shimon) formed a guerrilla army.*

#### How many lamps did the menorah in the Temple have?

*Modern 'Chanukiahs' or menorahs have eight plus the shamas for the eight-day lighting. But the original menorah had seven.*

#### How many days does Chanukah last?

*It is eight days long as the oil miraculously burned for eight days instead of one day.*

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## Whitehead

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The idea for the show was a result of the athletic department and Whitehead. Using a format that has worked in other schools across the country, they hope for the same success. UMaine has done this sort of thing before; they just never aired live. The point is to give fans more Maine hockey and an insight to the players, coaches and their daily routines. The hope is that the Tim Whitehead Show will lead to an interest for other teams such as basketball or football in upcoming seasons.

"It's more of an informational session for fans. Not just about Black Bear hockey but also what else is going on with the athletic department,"

account executive Mark Fields said. "How else fans can get involved, Monday night insiders, what's going on here at the Bear Brew. Here before the Tim Whitehead Show, fans can come out and actually break down film with coach Whitehead upstairs here at the Bear Brew Pub."

The show is broken up into six eight-minute segments. Mahoney opens with some non-hockey chat, followed by a recap of the previous weekend and any comments from Whitehead or the team. The players get their chance to introduce themselves to their fans in the third segment, with questions from Mahoney about the sport, their hometowns and anything else. The fourth segment prepares the audience for the upcoming games the next weekend. The last two are devoted to audience call-ins, but they will take a call that

comes in prior to the reserved segment.

According to Whitehead, the number of callers continues to grow with each week as more people are introduced to the show. Any fan across the state or nation has the chance to call in and ask Whitehead questions. During the second show on Nov. 12, a nervous caller from Texas spoke with Whitehead. He had been listening to the show online. By the looks on Mahoney and Whitehead's faces, the call came as a shock. It just goes to show how important Maine hockey is to people across the nation.

"It's going to give us a good atmosphere for the community. It's going to get us in touch," first-year player Glenn Belmore said. "We have to; we play in front of 7,000 fans, cheering behind us. So it gets us in touch with the community and the people that are behind us."

## Blodgett

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almost like there are "three different seasons," echoes Sullivan. During non-conference play "we need to try to make our improvements there," Blodgett said. She feels it can get "so boring" because what really counts is conference play and then each team is given a clean slate at the end of the regular season entering the tournament. "We are preparing for March ... we just need to play as well as we can possibly play."

Their jobs don't restrict them to the courts, but coaching includes so many off-court duties. "There are so many hats you have to wear," Sullivan said. The coaches work closely with the community and groups such as Friends of Maine Basketball. Their jobs on the court don't

restrict them to only teaching basketball, but Sullivan emphasizes "we aren't just coaching basketball, we are coaching for life after school."

Blodgett and Sullivan reflected back on their old coach, Joanne Palombo and indicated the great impact she had on their lives.

"She is one of the most amazing coaches I have ever seen," Sullivan said. "I have gained a lot from Coach Palombo. She has been successful every place she has been. She had the whole package."

Blodgett echoed the same views. "She made decisions that made us successful after school, later in life," Blodgett said. "It is natural to look back and value it now."

There is no doubt that both Blodgett and Sullivan have taken their experiences as players and adapted them in their new roles.

## Hockey

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Madelene Eriksson assisted on the play. Providence scored once more with 1:48 to go. UMaine would go on to lose by a score of 7-2.

UMaine goaltender Genevieve Turgeon was busy throughout the day and compiled 58 saves. Danielle Ciarletta of Providence College tallied 17 saves.

On Sunday, in the final game of the series, Turgeon moved up to fifth on the university's all-time single season save list. Turgeon's season total of 489 surpasses Amy Oliver's 1997-1998 season total of 487.

In the first period, Providence got on the board quickly with an Erin Normore goal off a pass from Sarah Feldman. Providence took a 2-0 lead just 59 seconds later when Kathleen Smith laid the puck in the net unassisted. UMaine had opportunities in the

period, but Providence still outshot the Black Bears 13-12 in the period.

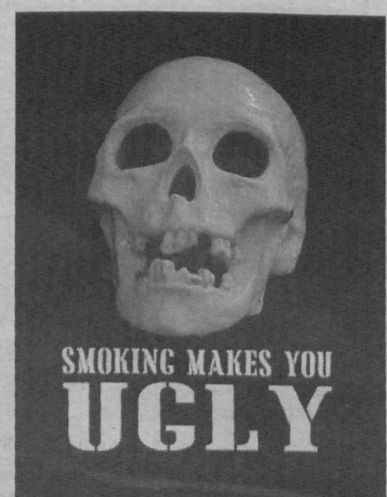
In the second period, Providence continued scoring when Feldman took a pass from Beach. The Friars outshot Maine 11-5 in the period.

In the final period of the game, Providence added one last power play goal 1:28 into the period on Smith's second goal of the game. The Black Bears would lose the contest in a shut-out. Turgeon totaled 38 saves and Ciarletta tal-

lied 24 saves. Maine went 0-for-4 on the power play while Providence was 1-for-3.

After the game Turgeon talked about what her team needs to do to end its struggles so far this season. "We will have to create a little more offensively, work harder in our defensive zone and also be more consistent as a team."

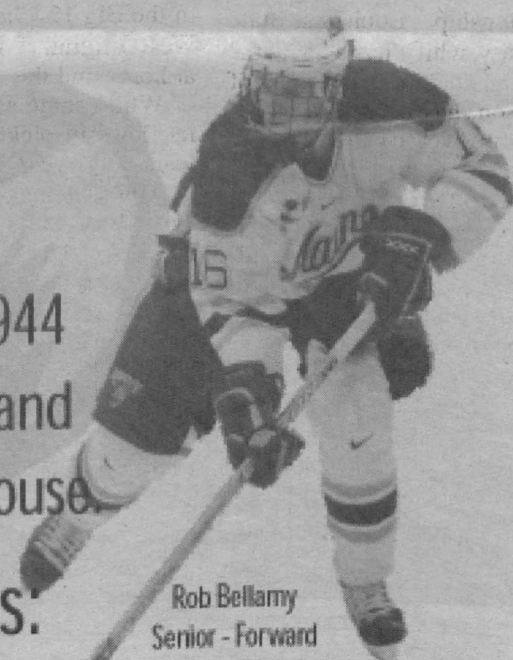
Next weekend, the Black Bears play an away game at nationally ranked St. Lawrence University. Maine will return home on Jan. 20 for a game against Northeastern.



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Alfond Arena - 7 p.m.



# BCS faces off with playoffs

By Adam Clark

Should there be a playoff? Are the most "deserving" teams in the Bowl Championship Series? It is that time of year again in college football and this year has been like none other.

College football is a sport that spurs controversy year after year. Unlike other sports, it does not have a playoff system. So, unless there is a year like 2005 when the University of Southern California and Texas both went undefeated and were the top two teams in the country, then there is bound to be debate on who should be in the championship.

According to [www.bcsfootball.com](http://www.bcsfootball.com), "The Bowl Championship Series (BCS) is a five-game arrangement for post-season college football designed to match the two top-rated teams in a national championship game and to create exciting and competitive matchups between eight other highly regarded teams in four other bowl games."

Using three resources – the USA Today Coaches Poll, Harris Interactive College Football Poll and an average of six computer rankings – all components are weighed equally and averaged together for a team's ranking in the BCS Standings.

This season, for the first time in its nine years of existence, there will be a team with two losses in the BCS National Championship. Louisiana State University, which has been at the top of the standings for most of the season, has been in a whirlwind for the past two weeks. After heading into Thanksgiving weekend in first, the Tigers lost in triple-overtime to Arkansas and slid to seventh in the standings. A week later, they had to deal with rumblings that their head coach was heading to Michigan to coach his alma mater. Today, however, after

winning the SEC Championship, they moved to second place in the BCS standings and snagged the final spot.

Standing on the other side of the line of scrimmage will be the No. 1 team in the BCS, the Ohio State Buckeyes. After going through a non-conference and Big Ten schedule, the Buckeyes were left for dead after losing at home to Illinois. However, after defeating Michigan and receiving a lot of help this past weekend, they are back on top and go to the BCS National

*While some say the BCS has its flaws in picking the top two teams, this year they got it right.*

Championship for the second straight year.

A lot of help this past weekend, you say?

Going into last weekend, it appeared Missouri and West Virginia, the top two teams in the BCS, would win and head to New Orleans for the National Championship. Both teams fell short. Missouri lost to Oklahoma in the Big 12 Championship and West Virginia fell to Pittsburgh at home and the chaos began.

While some say the BCS has its flaws in picking the top two teams, this year they got it right.

You can make the argument that Ohio State played a soft schedule. They have the 44th toughest schedule in the country, but it's not their fault. Yes, they could have played tougher opponents, but they didn't. Their only blemish came at home to an

explosive Illinois team that is headed to the Rose Bowl.

Switch to Louisiana State University: the Tigers have two losses, both coming in triple overtime. They also play in the toughest conference in the country where there are no weeks off. Further, they beat Virginia Tech 48-7 in the second game of the season and the Hokies are ranked third in the BCS Standings.

Who are the other teams that are worthy of being in the BCS National Championship?

Virginia Tech is ranked third, but they shouldn't be in the game because the ACC Champions fell to LSU early in the season in a lopsided affair.

Oklahoma won the Big 12 Championship, but both of their losses came against unranked opponents.

The two hottest teams are Georgia and USC, but they have their flaws as well. Georgia didn't even win its division and USC lost at home to Stanford, a perennial Pac-10 punching bag.

There is also Hawaii out of the Western Athletic Conference, a non-BCS conference. They are undefeated, but they only beat one ranked opponent and their strength of schedule ranks 114th.

With all that said, the BCS National Championship has the two best teams playing. Does that not mean I think there shouldn't be a playoff system? The answer is no. There should be a playoff system of some sort. Should we get rid of the Bowls? No. Bowls are a tradition in college football and have been around for over a half-century.

So, as the regular season wraps up and the holiday and Bowl season begins, sit back and enjoy. A year from now we will be back to square one, wondering who should be in and who should be out.

# Bears weather out demanding schedule

By Dillon Bates

It has been said that during tough times, you get to see what your team is made of. Your most difficult moments are also your finest. The University of Maine Women's Basketball team certainly hopes this holds true. The Black Bears, in the midst of a long, arduous road trip against some tough competition, have lost their last five games, including two heartbreaking losses to Harvard and William & Mary.

The young team, under first-year coach Cindy Blodgett, exemplifies the term "rebuilding year." With a remarkable amount of individual talent, the Black Bears have not been allowed the time they need to fully meld together as a team, due to being thrust into a difficult early season schedule against powerhouse programs. However, the inexperienced team has already shown their tenacity, hanging tough against high-profile competition.

In the midst of an eight-game, month-long road trip that includes such notable competition as Big East teams Massachusetts and St. John's, as well as the ACC's Boston College and Miami, the Bears' schedule won't get any easier for a long time to come. This past Sunday, UMaine still couldn't catch a break, despite playing hard against a high-powered Fairfield University squad, who so far is looking like a tournament-bound team.

Fairfield took full advantage of home-court from the gun. The Stags came out firing, scoring the first points of the game 17 seconds in. Fairfield

then proceeded to shoot 47 percent for the rest of the first half, compared to just 36 percent from UMaine, and opened up a commanding lead. By halftime, the Stags had a 39-21 advantage.

UMaine, led by sophomore guard Amanda Tewksbury, who scored 12 points in the contest, seemed revitalized in the second half. They shot 52 percent from the floor, and 75 percent from beyond the arc. The UMaine bench outscored their Fairfield counterparts 29-19.

However, the Stags lead from their first half proved to be insurmountable, and the teams ended up ultimately trading buckets for the duration of the second half. The Stags would take the contest 76-54.

With the loss, the Black Bears drop to 1-6, and Fairfield improves to 6-1. Although the scoreboard shows a masterful Fairfield victory, what the Black Bears should take from the contest is their ability to rally at halftime and improve in the second half of the game. Perhaps most notable for UMaine, their bench proved it could contribute to the game. Led by Tewksbury, who was the high scorer for her second straight game, the Black Bears showed their ability to hang in against nationally notable competition.

The Black Bears will continue the toughest road trip of the season on Saturday, Dec. 8 at the University of Massachusetts. The game will prove to be another match-up with a large-conference foe and another opportunity for Blodgett and her young team to see, and hopefully show off, what they are made of.

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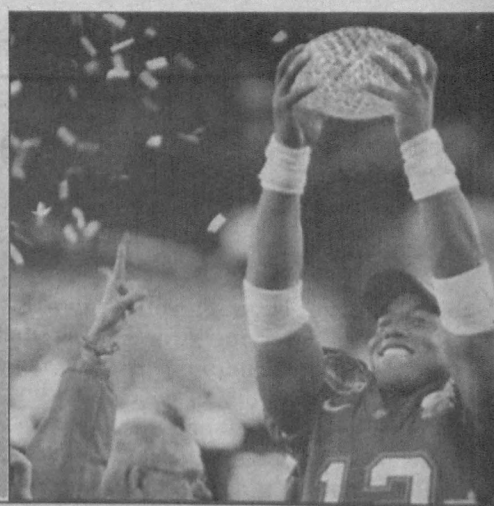


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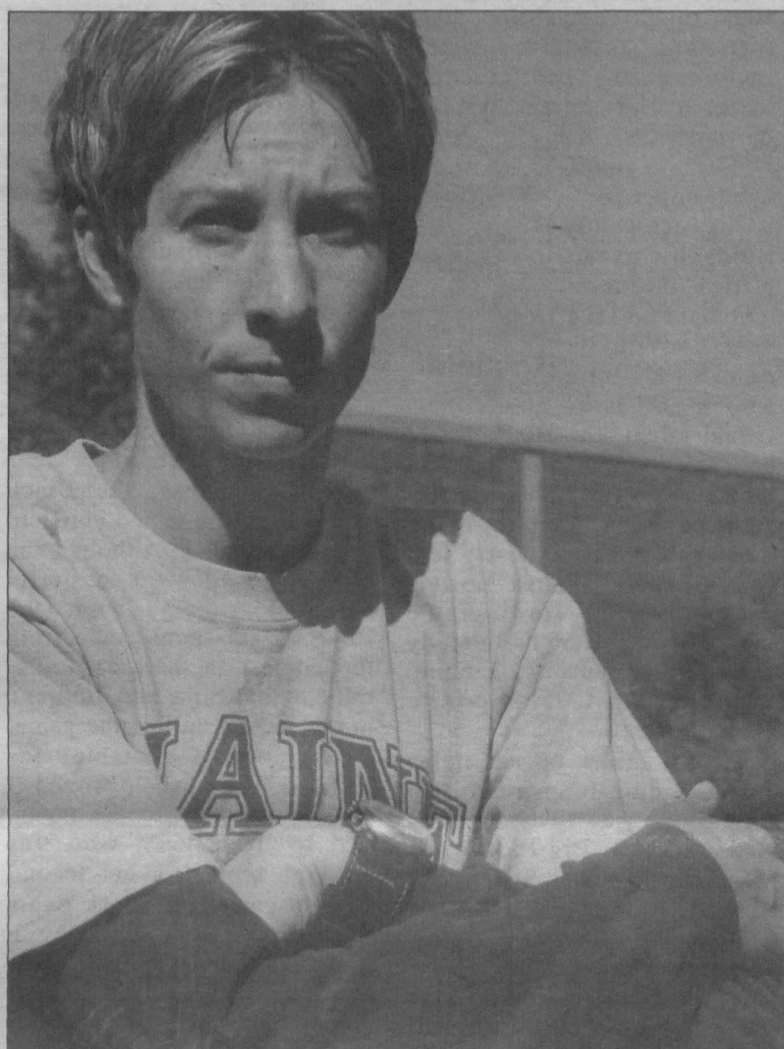
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## Blodgett, Sullivan bounce back at the Alfond Arena

Former Black Bear greats return to University, lend experience to help boost women's basketball program



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Former WNBA star Cindy Blodgett returned to UMaine this season to guide the women's basketball team.

By Danielle Young

It has been more than 10 years since Cindy Blodgett and Rita Sullivan first played together for the University of Maine women's basketball team. Today, they reunite on the basketball court, not as players, but as part of the new coaching staff for the same team they suited up for a decade ago.

Cindy Blodgett is possibly the most notable basketball player in the history of Maine basketball. From 1991 to 1994, Blodgett led Lawrence High School to four straight Class A state championships and is Maine's all-time high school basketball points leader with 2,596 career points. In 1994, she was named Miss Maine Basketball.

Her career at the University of Maine was just as impressive: from 1994 to 1998 she led the Black Bears to four straight NCAA tournament appearances and led the nation in scoring her sophomore and junior years, averaging 27 points per game. She finished her career as a Black Bear with 3,005 career points and broke 20 school records.

After graduation, the Cleveland Rockers selected Blodgett as the No. 6 overall pick in the WNBA draft. She spent time in Cleveland, as well as three seasons with the Sacramento

Monarchs.

Rita Sullivan played for the Black Bears from 1991 to 1995, during which time she served as a two-time team captain and earned four letters at Maine. She graduated in 1995 with a degree in journalism. After graduation, Sullivan worked as a staff writer in the editorial department of the NBA from 1999 to 2001. Later, she worked as manager of basketball commu-

**"We aren't just coaching basketball, we are coaching for life after school."**

Rita Sullivan  
Assistant Coach  
UMaine Women's Basketball

nications for the WNBA from 2001 to 2003. This past June, she graduated from the Muscular Therapy Institute in Boston.

In May, it was announced that Cindy Blodgett would be returning to her alma mater to coach the women's basketball squad. It was evident that Blodgett wanted to return to Maine, but it was as simple to her as "the job was open." Blodgett had spent the previous two seasons as an assistant coach

at Brown University. After pursuing the job, and later landing it, she contacted her old teammate, Rita Sullivan. Sullivan had been in Boston when Blodgett contacted her and the rest is history.

Today Sullivan serves as an assistant coach on Blodgett's coaching staff.

This is Blodgett's first head coaching position, and one could imagine the transition from assistant coach to head coach would be a challenge, but not for Blodgett. "It's much more comfortable for me," Blodgett said. "The assistant coach does a lot of stuff for the head coach and at times hopes the head coach will take some of their suggestions." The biggest difference Blodgett sees as a head coach is that she's the one that "gets the final call."

With Blodgett's return to Maine, the basketball program has seen a revival and the attendance at Alfond Arena has risen drastically. Coming off a season full of controversies, the women's basketball team is looking to get back on track.

"We are really trying to make improvements each day in practice," Blodgett said.

With the way that their schedule is set up with non-conference play, conference play, and it is

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## 'Tim Whitehead Show' a smash

UMaine hockey coach uses Voice of Maine as forum for UM hockey

By Candace Daley

Fans of University of Maine men's ice hockey have a new way to get an insider's look at Maine's favorite team. The Tim Whitehead Show kicked off on Nov. 5 at the Bear Brew Pub. Larry Mahoney of the Bangor Daily News leads the discussions on the show that airs live every Monday night from 7 to 8, on 103.9 WVOM, The Voice of Maine.

"It's something else to put on the air Monday nights that will draw people to their stations when maybe Monday night might be a quieter night for local programs," associate athletic director for external operations Joe Roberts said. "It gives them something the state of Maine will get on board with because the state of Maine gets on board with UMaine hockey."

Mahoney, one of the top college hockey experts in Maine and New England, has followed UMaine hockey for years. He and coach Tim Whitehead spend their hour together talk-

ing about the past games, upcoming games and the team.

"This radio show is a great development for us because we call ourselves Maine's team, yet we've never been [broadcast] across the state," Whitehead said. "So what Leader Field Sports and Blake James have

**"It's a great way to advertise the team and tell what's coming up."**

Tim Whitehead  
Head Coach  
UMaine Men's Hockey

been able to do for us is opening up the university sports teams, not just hockey but also all the teams across the state. It's just absolutely monstrous and I've had so much positive feedback from alums and communities all over the state especially the southern part of the state where

there's so many people. The population is so large and yet we've never reached out there. So this has been just a great development."

In the show's debut broadcast, Whitehead and Mahoney discussed Greg Moore's professional debut, and guest hockey players, senior Travis Ramsey and freshman Josh Van Dyk. Every show will have two players on as guests, one upper-classmen and one rookie. The show will also keep up with current events with former players.

"I think it's a good thing to have the show. I mean, this year we have a very new team as everyone has seen," junior defenseman Simon Danis-Pepin said. "We have a lot of freshmen and it gives the opportunity for them to learn about new freshmen. Also, it's a great way to advertise the team and tell what's coming up and get a recap on the weekends for people who haven't heard of it."

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## Friars outmatch UM

Providence takes two from struggling Bears

By Danielle Young

The University of Maine women's ice hockey squad dropped a pair of road games this weekend against Providence College. The team's record falls to 1-14-2 overall and 0-6-2 in Hockey East play.

On Saturday, the first game of the series, the Providence College Friars took the early lead on an Alyse Ruff power-play goal assisted by Amber Yung. The Friars dominated the first period but only came away with one goal. Providence outshot UMaine 20-4 in the period.

In the second period it was Alyse Ruff again scoring on an Amber Yung pass just 4:48 into the period. The Friars kept the pressure on and scored their third goal just four minutes later when Katy Beach scored the first even strength goal for Providence. The

onslaught didn't stop there. The Friars added to their lead at 11:32 into the period when Jean O'Neill tallied an unassisted goal. This gave the Friars a 4-0 lead.

UMaine finally got on the board 13 seconds later when sophomore forward Abby Barton scored her first goal of the season

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off a pass from Jenna Ouellette. This ended the scoring for the second period. The Friars outshot the Black Bears 23-8 in the period.

In the final period, Providence added to their lead. Jean O'Neill scored her second goal of the game

5:57 into the period. Less than three minutes later, the Friars went up 6-1 after Brittany Simpson scored on the power play. UMaine's Jennie Gallo got one of those goals back when he scored 15:45 into the period. Teammate

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