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Wednesday rally restores stolen pride flag

After vandals tear down pole and original banner, UMaine students, dean stand behind LGBTQ community



By Michael Shepherd and Chris Chase
MEC Staff

The University of Maine's Pride Week kicked off Monday afternoon with the raising of a rainbow-colored flag on the university mall, a symbol representing the LGBTQ community.

Less than 24 hours later — sometime between 8 p.m. Monday and 9 a.m. Tuesday — the flag was cut from its hoist and the steel flagpole was bent, nearly to a right angle. By 1 p.m. Tuesday, the flagpole was repaired.

At noon on Wednesday, members of the LGBTQ community and the Wilde Stein Alliance for Sexual Diversity raised a second flag on the new flagpole during an impromptu ceremony arranged on short notice.

Nevertheless, the second ceremony was attended by roughly 100 individuals and was covered by local news organizations.

The flag is raised for one week each semester — in the fall for Coming Out Week and in the spring for Pride Week.

Jeff Stott, vice president of Wilde Stein, said the theft's effect on campus diversity could be damaging.

"We talk about this being a tolerant campus, but what are freshmen going to take away from seeing the flag stolen?" he said. "It has become a pattern. This shouldn't be a new thing to people."

Amanda Kenney, a fourth-year journalism student and Wilde Stein member, said the theft may not be an attack on the LGBTQ community, but is disturbing nonetheless.

"All it takes is one person to be an asshole," she said. "Someone could have been drunk. It's not necessarily an agenda."

Stott said the pole, flag and hoist were worth approximately \$550. It

was not clear as of Tuesday afternoon if Wilde Stein would have to foot the cost of a new flag or flagpole. UMaine police are investigating.

According to reports in The Maine Campus, the flag was last stolen in November 2009 after being raised in protest of that month's people's veto of a state law signed by then-Gov. John Baldacci that would have allowed same-sex couples to marry.

Then, the flag was found attached to the Beta Theta Pi fraternity sign and returned to Zachary Knox, the president of Wilde Stein at the time.

These events have done nothing to dull support for the LGBTQ community, judging from the size and mood of the crowd that attended the second flag raising.

"It was really awesome to see everyone here under such short notice," said Meghan Genovese, president of Wilde Stein. Genovese raised the flag the second time and felt it was an important demonstration of solidarity.

"I think re-raising it shows that we are not going to be affected by hostility," she said.

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Amy Brooks • Photo Editor

Wilde Stein members held a second pride flag rising. The original flag flew for less than a day before vandals tried destroying the pole and removed the flag. One supporter carried a sign that read "They can take our flag but they can't take our pride."

French Island blocked after train jumps track

None injured in Tuesday accident

By Michael Shepherd
Editor In Chief

OLD TOWN — Seven cars of a 33-car-long train derailed in Old Town late Tuesday morning, causing severe damage to the tracks and blocking road access to and from French Island for three hours.

No cars tipped over completely, but wheels came off of the track in two places — on a bridge over the Penobscot River and on Howard Street. Front Street, Bosworth Street and Howard Street were closed by police.

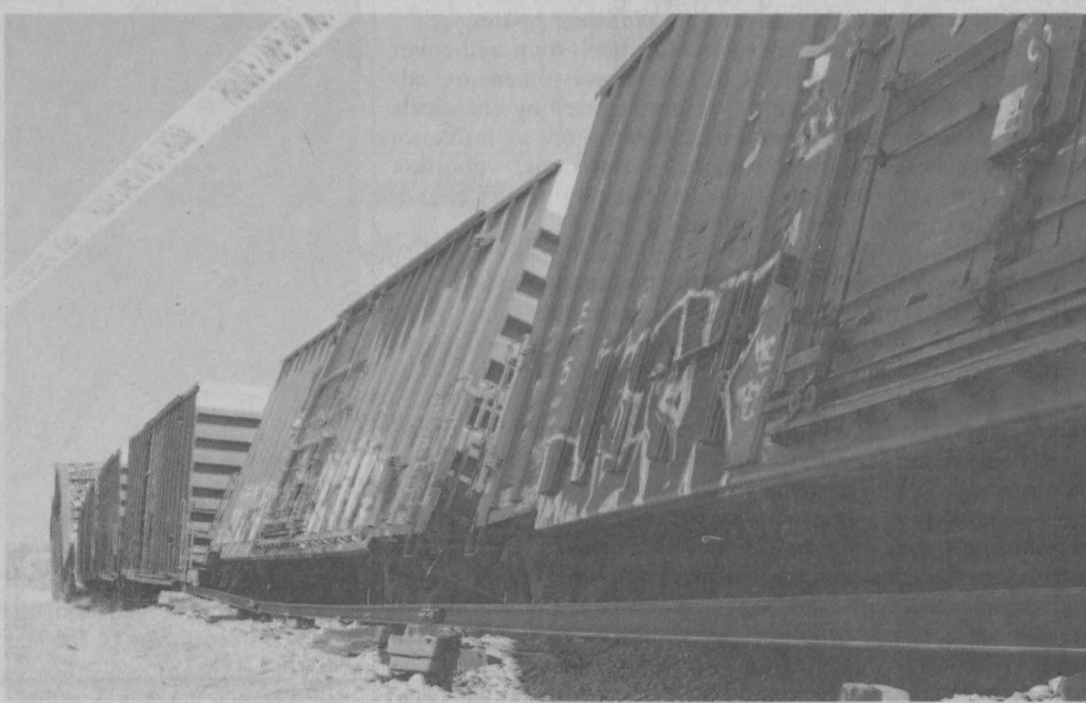
According to a Bangor Daily News report, both Front and Bosworth streets had been opened to the flow of traffic as of Tuesday evening. Four cars remained blocking Howard

Street Wednesday morning, awaiting a crane Pan Am was sending to upright them.

The train was traveling from the northern Penobscot County town of Mattawamkeag to Waterville and was carrying paper, according to Nancy Scarano, the executive vice president of Pan Am Railways, the Massachusetts-based company that owns the train and tracks.

A statement from UMaine spokesman Joe Carr said as of 2 p.m., Old Town police reported progress in clearing up the incident. Front Street, normally a one-way street, is now open for two-way traffic, allowing access to residences on French Island. Two railroad cars were separated, opening the street to

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Two cars of a 33-car-long train derailed late Monday morning, blocking all three roads from Old Town to residential areas on French Island.

Michael Shepherd • Editor in Chief

Class of '11 planning UM venue

Amphitheater gift being designed

By Matthew Soucy
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine Class of 2011 Council has begun initial planning to build an amphitheater on Lengyel Field opposite a softball diamond with an estimated capacity of 1,000, according to the class council president.

"The class council in our sophomore year began debating on what would be a good idea for our class gift," said Class of 2011 Council President Joel Martin. "We had a list of many ideas, but we kept going back to how the university could use a good entertainment area outside."

Hoping to change the perceived lack of adequate outdoor entertainment areas, the council thought the idea of an amphitheater around Lengyel Field would help solve the problem.

"Members of the council are looking for an organic design that will blend in with the surroundings as if it has always been there, perhaps built into a hill," Martin said. "This amphitheater will ideally be the solution for the current lack of midsize venues available on campus."

Martin said the amphitheater

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Debt approval bill may impact low-cost student loan agency

By Beth Kevit
Asst. News Editor

Proposed state legislation could cause trouble for the Maine Educational Loan Authority, which provides loans with one of the lowest interest rates for students.

A bill proposed by a state senator could require citizens to vote on any debt Maine accrues and although the bill specifically excludes MELA, it leads the way for similar legislation that could require its debt to also be approved.

While no taxpayer money has ever funded MELA, voters could incorrectly believe the authority's roughly \$15 million average yearly debt was helping deplete state coffers, potentially leading to a vote not to approve the debt.

A vote not to approve MELA's debt would require it to give up the state's backing, which the authority uses as insurance against default to attract investors.

LD 1153, "An Act to Regulate the Bonded Indebtedness of the State," proposes that voters must approve the debts of Maine agencies before they can issue

more bonds. If enacted, this legislation, proposed by Sen. Mike Thibodeau, R-Waldo, would require the state treasurer's office to alert voters of "the total estimated cost of debt service that will be paid over the life of the bond per person based on the State's population from the latest Federal Decennial Census."

Simply put, this bill would require State Treasurer Bruce Poliquin to tell voters how much money state agencies are liable for so that, in the off chance that any of those agencies should fail, Maine citizens would know how

large a potential bill they could foot. Once voters had that information, they would have to either approve or deny potential debt.

Thibodeau's bill contains an exemption that bodies dealing with student loan bonds, such as MELA, would not be affected.

Despite this stipulation that MELA would be exempt from voter approval under the bill, Shirley Erickson, MELA's executive director, suspects future legislation will reverse that opinion.

"It's our understanding that Gov. [Paul] LePage is going to submit legislation that would put

MELA under voter approval," Erickson said in a phone interview Wednesday.

According to an April 6 press release, LePage "has notified the issuers of tax-exempt private activity bonds that voter approval will be required before additional bonds can be sold" but made an exception in MELA's case since it needs to acquire funding before the November election.

"In future years," according to the press release, "MELA will need to work with the Legislature

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Football fight videos hit web

No disciplinary action taken after UM, Husson athletes scuffle at Orono bar

By Michael Shepherd
Editor in Chief

A series of altercations in March at Orono's Bear Brew Pub involving a number of current and former University of Maine football players has led to no criminal charges or university disciplinary action, despite two videos of an incident ending up on YouTube.

Two student eyewitnesses speaking under condition of anonymity said they saw three separate altercations involving certain current and former UMaine and Husson University football players on March 25.

"You know who they are. They wear the gear. You see them around campus. They're football players," one of the eyewitnesses said.

"There is a clear difference when they are [at the bar] and when they're not," the second eyewitness said.

UMaine football Coach Jack Cosgrove wrote in an email that he has not seen either video, but was "aware that a situation happened."

"[Husson] Coach Sean Murphy and I have spoken about the matter and both teams have been addressed," Cosgrove wrote. "Obviously, we want all of the young men in our programs to support each other as student-athletes. We feel confident that this will remain a one time occurrence."

According to the first eyewitness, the first altercation was partially captured on the two videos. The other eyewitness described the development of the incident as "a mosh pit of football players in the middle of the dance floor."

The first video shows a number of people pushing and shov-

ing each other in the middle of the pub's dance area with bouncers attempting to restore order. Only indistinct yelling can be heard.

The video ends with DJ Caliber, who was playing music that night, advising people to leave the bar.

"5-0 is coming, so I suggest you all disperse and get the f-- out unless you all want to get arrested," he said.

Kelley Syphers, the Bear Brew's general manager, said the Husson football team frequents the pub more often than UMaine's. She said there is often confrontation when they mingle. "It's usually only when the rivalries are here, so if Husson football comes up and UMaine is here, it's definitely edgy," Syphers said. "Whenever they are here, security is on their toes."

The second video shows a similar situation, but with bar owner James Bence standing on top of the bar yelling at patrons, pointing his finger toward a door. Nothing Bence said is understandable and efforts to reach him via email were unsuccessful.

"They just wouldn't stop," Syphers said. "There wasn't even fists thrown. It was literally a lot of talking and pushing and there were so many of them."

Then, she said Orono police were called.

Capt. Josh Ewing of the Orono Police Department said at the time of one of the March 25 altercations, Orono officers were on the scene responding to another issue when dispatch received the call.

"A fairly large group of people came out one of the side doors and stated they were leaving," he said. "At the same time, another group came out the front

doors and those two groups kind of squared off with the officers in between. The officers ultimately ordered everybody to leave."

According to Ewing, "20 to 30 people" were involved in the incident outside. He said the situation was "too volatile" to identify or press charges against anyone. No charges were issued.

"The officers were just able to contain it and get people to leave without trying to make any arrests, which would have made the situation worse," Ewing said.

He said he and a detective have viewed the YouTube videos of the situation, but said the tapes were "too disjointed" to be suitable evidence for a case.

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General manager
Bear Brew Pub

people inside of a bar, there's often going to be confrontations," he said. "Unless we can narrow it down and identify them, we're not going to pursue this."

UMaine Dean of Students Robert Dana said university officials have looked into the incident.

"We did speak to the coach down at Husson to make sure there was no ill will," Dana said in a phone interview Tuesday night. "I believe the situation is resolved."

Athletic Director Steve Abbott wrote in an email that he and Dana did not deem team members' actions to be harmful enough for discipline.

"Their actions are covered by the same student code of conduct that applies to all our students here. Student athletes must also comply with our athletic code of conduct, as well as their team-specific rules," Abbott wrote. "Disciplinary action can be imposed under any or all of these three sets of rules. In this case, the Dean of Students and I did not believe that action was necessary under our various codes, so the matter was referred to the team."

On March 25, there were four security staff members working at Bear Brew — double the normal staff, according to Syphers. The eyewitnesses said those workers were outsized and overwhelmed by the situation.

"The bouncers aren't big enough," one said.

Syphers said there has only been one fight at the Bear Brew in the past six months and said, on the whole, such incidents are not an issue.

"Normally, the boys are really well behaved, actually, especially the UMaine team," Syphers said. "The fact that they come every Thursday night, both in the past six months and there's only been one incident in six months — I think they do really well."

Five members of the UMaine football team thought to be identified in the videos did not respond to email inquiries by press time.

Revolutions tied to colonial past

Speaker links Europe to Middle East

By Chris Chase
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine's School of Policy and International Affairs sponsored a lecture Monday exploring the history behind the ongoing unrest in several Middle East and African nations, titled "Engaging the Muslim World."

Juan Cole, a professor of history at the University of Michigan and a well-known commentator and expert on Middle Eastern history, led the discussion. Cole is the author of two books about the Middle East and has been featured on numerous broadcast programs, such as ABC Nightly News, Nightline, The Rachel Maddow Show and The Colbert Report.

Cole's lecture centered on recent events in the Middle East, particularly in Tunisia and Egypt.

"I want to talk about how I think we got to where we are," Cole said.

"The background to the modern Middle East is a background of European colonialism," he said. "Most Americans are never told this in high school and then most college courses are electives. So we get to be adults and most of us don't know about the Europeans having ruled the Middle East."

Cole explained the background of France's role in the rule of Algeria, which eventually led to a bitter struggle for independence.

"To get rid of the French in Algeria, it cost about half a million lives — if not more — and a 10-year struggle," he said.

This involvement is what paved the way for future problems as European ideas and laws completely different from indigenous traditions had invaded Middle

Eastern societies.

"It's not so hard for an American to understand what it's like to be a Middle Easterner, in the sense that we also have a colonial background, which we found really annoying after a while and we got rid of them," he said. "That's what being an Arab was like in the 20th century."

European governments were the cause of several recently overthrown regimes, according to Cole. Parliamentary governments tied to a monarchy tended to be the established system, and often this system held negative outcomes for the citizenry.

Eventually, peaceful revolt and revolutions led to the end of European rule in the Middle East. The remaining governments made literacy and industrialization important goals and tried to counteract the negative impacts of European rule.

However, these governments deteriorated into the ones recently overthrown. Tunisia's government was an example of a single powerful dictator, Zine El Abidine Ben Ali. His wife, Leila Trabelsi, became an economic powerhouse, using mafia-like tactics to obtain vast amounts of wealth.

"By 2006, the U.S. embassy in Tunisia wrote back to Washington that its estimate was that 50 percent of the economic elite of Tunisia was related to the president by blood or marriage," Cole said. "Behind the scenes, the economy was being hollowed out."

Egypt had a different problem with recently ousted President Hosni Mubarak, mainly in that it did not seem like he would ever

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GSS recognizes 2 new orgs

Cyber Security Team, Improv In Sanity added to ranks

By Christopher Crosby
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine Student Government recognized two new clubs and issued one allocation in a shorter-than-usual meeting of the General Student Senate on April 12.

The meeting was shortened when the senate agreed to issue paper reports for executive, committee and community association members. Much of the senate was noticeably absent from the meeting, with several senators reporting illnesses.

The Cyber Security Team received final club recognition from GSS. The group's role on campus is to provide information assurance education on system networks.

The 10-member group researches malware and probes UMaine servers to test security defenses against domestic and international hackers. President Sean Edwards said the group meets and operates a "sandbox" test where they

hack into the UMaine system to test preparedness against an outside attack.

Edwards said the club is accessible to people from all disciplines.

"Security isn't just a computer science topic — we want to get more people involved," he said.

To date, the group has spent \$2,965.01, according to documents provided to senate.

Improv In Sanity received final club recognition. The group of 12 to 14 active participants teaches and performs improvisation skits for university and community members.

According to club President James Skrabak, the group differentiates from other acting clubs on campus because they focus solely on improvisation and not other aspects of theater.

GSS also approved an amended allocation to the Student Women's Association for \$1,402 to host its third-annual production of the Beautiful Project, held from April 18-22. The purpose of the event, ac-

cording to co-chair Mary Callaway, is to empower women through creativity, health and respect for their bodies.

Issues the group will cover include how women are adversely affected by chemicals in makeup, how to influence policy decisions, abortion and debunking beauty stereotypes.

The allocation was amended to withdraw funds for T-shirts, arts supplies and printing (\$547) from the group's office budget. It will cover film rights (\$300), refreshments (\$100), tent rental (\$330) and promotional giveaways (\$125).

Senators also denounced the vandalism to the flagpole raised by Wilde Stein, an organization that raises awareness of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues. The flag, raised Monday to commemorate the beginning of the group's Pride Week, was apparently stolen at an undetermined point later that night.

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Haley Johnston • Asst. Photo Editor

Assistant to the Vice President for Administration and Finance Kathleen McIntyre said she was "appalled" by acts of "vandalism" to two of the university's blue building signs reported. Further investigation by staff members of The Maine Campus revealed the marks to be dirt and chalk.

2 aid programs could be slashed

Federal budget cuts may reduce TRIO funds by 13 percent

By Beth Kevit
Asst. News Editor

A \$25 million cut to the budget of the Federal TRIO Programs, which prepare potential students to both enroll in and succeed at higher education institutions, could result from a vote in Washington, D.C., today.

Students who benefit from TRIO funding may have low incomes, may be first-generation college students or may fall into both categories.

At the University of Maine, 3,918 students benefit from TRIO programs.

"They're our most at-risk students and if we're going to break the cycle of poverty, they need to get an education," Karen Keim, associate director of the Maine Educational Talent Search and the Maine Educational Opportunity Centers for UMaine said.

Talent Search and EOC programs nationwide may stand to

lose the most funding through this cut. Grants that fund those programs are up for renewal, making them the likely target for budget cuts.

If the \$25 million cut, which is equivalent to 2.9 percent of TRIO's total funding, were split evenly between the two programs, each would stand to lose approximately 13.2 percent of their budgets.

"We're trying to create a middle-class feeling for these kids that otherwise wouldn't have it."

Karen Keim
Associate Director
METS, MEOC

That means Talent Search could lose 61 programs and EOC could lose 124 programs nationwide.

Talent Search could lose nearly \$19 million and EOC could lose roughly \$6 million in funding.

If the cut were spread evenly throughout TRIO, every program would see a more moderate dip in funding.

"It takes us back to just over the 2003 funding level" for TRIO by about \$1 million, said David Megquier, director of METS and MEOC for UMaine.

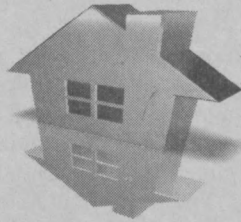
Keim stressed that these two programs could bear the brunt of this budget cut purely by chance. They happen to be approaching the end of their funding, and unfunded programs are often the first to receive cuts.

Talent Search runs early-intervention programs that target students in grades 6 through 12 who otherwise would be unlikely to attend college. Students served by Talent Search have an 8 percent chance of earning a bachelor's degree by the time they are 25 years old unless they take advantage of TRIO's help, according to a METS fact sheet.

In 2010, 89 percent of high school seniors involved with

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Up 'til Dawn fundraiser returns to UMaine

Students gather to write letters, raise awareness for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

By Jennifer Vincent
Features Editor

The last two athletic courts of the Student Recreation and Fitness Center appeared to be both post office and playground on Tuesday night as students addressed fundraising letters to support St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at Up 'til Dawn — a student-led fundraiser returning to the University of Maine campus for the first time in three years.

St. Jude is a world-renowned hospital facility for the treatment and research of childhood cancer and other catastrophic disease. It is unique because it does not deny treatment to any child based on inability to pay — all costs not covered by insurance are paid by St. Jude.

As a result, the organization's daily operating costs total approximately \$1.5 million. Since the hospital's founding in 1962, the survival rate for the common childhood cancer acute lymphoblastic leukemia has risen from 4 to 94 percent, partly due to the research conducted by St. Jude which is openly shared with the international medical community.

"They don't turn anyone away, even based on inability to pay. That's so important, especially for families without insurance. They're already going through so much and don't want to worry about how to pay a bill. St. Jude takes care of that," said Malinda Merrill, a graduate student studying early literacy and the executive director of the Up 'til Dawn organization on campus. "St. Jude does so much research and shares it with hospitals all over the world — even hospitals in Maine are using St. Jude protocols."

The Up 'til Dawn student group has 10 active members and more became involved in the week prior to the event. It began as a project of the Early Childhood Organization (EChO) and evolved into its own group.

"I was contacted by Allison Kemon, who is our St. Jude representative in Boston," Merrill said. "She got my name from someone on campus and we spoke for a while about St. Jude's mission."

The board is made up of students from a variety of academic focuses including elementary education, psychology, nursing and political science. Merrill is proud of the work accomplished by this group and looks forward to a larger group next year.

"I'm not aware of the group that was here be-

fore and I'm not sure how that went. It's been great pulling together members from all different organizations around campus and we're so lucky to have found the recreation center to hold our event," Merrill said. "It's been great that our members have worked so hard to get out in the community and raise awareness and get sponsorships."

Local businesses — including Texas Roadhouse, Metropolitan Soul, Subway, Jason's Pizza and Bagel Central — donated food and prizes for the event.

Up 'til Dawn events are based on donations of time, not money. Participants are asked to bring the names and addresses of people they know to the event, where St. Jude provides prepaid envelopes and form letters for the students to address.

"It feels more personal than saying: 'Here's a check.'"

Kara-Beth Farrell
First-year psychology student

Though they are encouraged to send 50 letters, just 15 names give them admission to a room of games and free food as well as entrance into raffles for prizes like gift certificates or a signed UMaine football; 35 letters earns a T-shirt, while those who wrote 50 letters at UMaine's event were entered to win an iPod Touch or iPad.

"The letter gives information about St. Jude and if they are interested they can send back a form to receive more information about the organization or to make a donation," Merrill said.

The atmosphere at Up 'til Dawn was light-hearted with games like Monster Pong, a giant Jenga game and an eating contest taking place throughout the night.

"We have lots of food that's been donated — cotton candy, popcorn. The theme is to be a kid, save a kid. There will be lots of games for people to participate in and a competition in teams of four to get the most tickets from the games and receive a prize," Merrill said. "Throughout the night we will show videos from St. Jude. The awareness is a big piece of this as well."

Attendance at UMaine's Up 'til Dawn did

not meet the organizers' original expectations, but they maintained a positive attitude about the event.

"There are a lot fewer people here than we expected — about 70 or so," said Michelle Georgia, a third-year biology student who has been elected as Up 'til Dawn president for the next academic year. "The timing right before finals hurt our turnout and it was a challenge to get this back out on campus and let people know what St. Jude is."

Allison Kemon is the St. Jude representative for Maine, New Hampshire and Northern Massachusetts. She said it is often challenging to introduce Up 'til Dawn on a campus for the first time and that she looks to expand the event in coming years.

"The size of UMaine should also be taken into account," Kemon said. "We hope this becomes a tradition on campus and something students look forward to every spring."

Georgia agreed that there is potential for Up 'til Dawn to gain popularity at UMaine.

"We will definitely be doing this again next year and we'd like to see more people here, with their addresses ready, prepared to have fun," Georgia said.

Kara-Beth Farrell, a first-year psychology student, came to Up 'til Dawn with a goal of writing 100 letters. As she addressed her envelopes, she admitted that she had not heard of St. Jude before reading about the event on Facebook. She said she preferred the idea of donating time and resources to a cause.

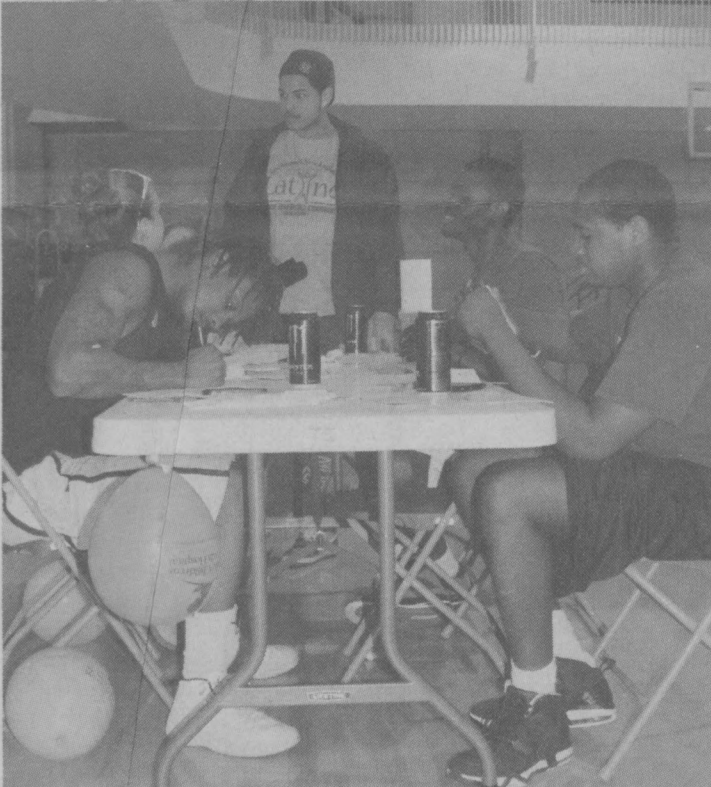
"It feels more personal than saying: 'Here's a check,'" Farrell said.

Farrell said that her new connection to St. Jude might inspire her to join the Up 'til Dawn organization next year.

Committee member Maridawn Lamb, a fourth-year biology student, anticipates that experience and better timing will make Up 'til Dawn a success next year, adding that the group is open to suggestions from students on how to improve the fundraiser.

She speculated that holding it before spring break might help the group to avoid "philanthropy season."

"The most important thing, I think, is to talk about the kids," Lamb said. "They are so young and completely at the hands of cancer. There needs to be more awareness."



Amy Brooks • Photo Editor

Students came to the Student Recreation and Fitness Center Tuesday night to take part in the Up 'til Dawn event hosted by St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Students came together to "unite to fight children cancer," participants wrote letters to patients in order to earn tickets to participate in games and enter drawings. Proceeds earned during the event will go to cancer research.

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METS both graduated from high school and enrolled for college in the fall. In that same year, 94 percent of students who had been involved with METS in high school completed their first year of college study and returned for a second year, which is higher than average retention rates.

Keim said METS students are taken on college tours each year they are involved with the program. She said families often cannot spare the time or money to help these students develop a "college consciousness," such as knowing which type of college or university would fit their needs or knowing what they would like to study.

"We're trying to create a middle-class feeling for these kids that otherwise wouldn't have it," she said.

METS serves at least 850 students each year in schools across the state. Money allocated to the program is used to pay staff costs, such as salary and travel expenses.

"To cover the whole state, we pay a fortune in travel," Megquier said.

The potential \$19 million cut to Talent Search programs nationwide scaled down to Maine's program would take a significant percentage out of the budgeted \$680,000.

MEOC assists 8 percent of unemployed people in Maine further their education. The program is mandated to serve

"We teach them how to get a college education ... how to stay in school."

Karen Keim
Associate Director
METS, MEOC

2,250 people each year. According to Keim, it served at least 3,250 people last year.

MEOC's individual budget is normally \$510,000; scaling down the potential \$6 million nationwide cut would eliminate a large chunk of that funding.

Combined, METS and

MEOC aids 69 percent of all students served by TRIO in Maine. Both programs provide application fee waivers, state school tuition deposit waivers and test fee waivers. Each of those expenses, ranging from \$40 to \$150, can be a hardship to TRIO students, Keim said.

"It's like dropping someone in a foreign country without an interpreter," Keim said, describing these particular students' difficulty navigating the pitfalls of financial aid. "We teach them how to get a college education ... how to stay in school."

Today's scheduled vote will determine which portions of TRIO's budget will be cut. Keim urged all students — not just the nearly 4,000 UMaine students who directly benefit from TRIO funding — to speak against this cut by calling their senators and representatives in Washington.

"Programs that work — like this — and make such a change in people's lives need to be supported," Keim said. "If we don't call, our low-income students lose their vocal advocates."

The Capitol Switchboard number is (202) 224-3121.

Pride from A1

"I feel now that this is the best thing that could have happened," said Lindsey Miller, a Wilde Stein member who gave a speech to the crowd.

With far more people and media attention for the second event, many were trying to see the positive aspects of the crime.

"They can take our flag, but they can't take our pride," Miller said.

Kenda Scheele, senior associate dean of students, also gave a speech to those present. She called the theft of the flag a "sad and unfortunate" event, but was pleased by the rapid, supportive student response to the crime, saying she felt it was typical of UMaine's community.

"The turnout didn't surprise me," she said. "We don't marginalize anyone. When the chips are down, we come out and support everyone."

Even with the rain and cold, support for the LGBTQ community seemed to only grow out of adversity.

"It's definitely larger this time," said Marissa Lopez of the crowd, which she characterized as a sign of support and acceptance among members of the UMaine community. "I think we're done with the closets."



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Kenda Scheele, senior associate dean of students, helps raise the pride flag Wednesday afternoon. Scheele addressed the crowd of supporters saying the one thing that people will not tolerate is the intolerance that vandals showed.

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Train from A1

access by one car at a time.

Old Town Deputy Fire Chief Steve O'Malley said the accident occurred around 11 a.m. No injuries or signs of hazardous material leaks were reported.

"This isn't a horrible wreck. The problem is that this train is 33 cars long and it has successfully blocked every entrance to French Island," O'Malley said at the time. "That's our only issue right now and we're trying to keep it that way."

Some parts of the track were severely damaged in the accident. Wooden railroad ties were ripped out of the ground in some places. According to Scarano, damage totals have not been assessed yet. The

company will repair the tracks as soon as possible, she said.

"Generally, we work very quickly," Scarano said. "Everything is upright, so that saves a lot of time."

O'Malley did not rule out lack of rail maintenance as a cause of the derailment when asked, but said winter weather conditions and recent rains could have contributed as well.

"Spring does present a problem sometimes with the thaw," Scarano said. "It's too early to tell."

Scarano said data from the locomotive's train event recorder must be downloaded and processed to determine the cause. The device, similar to an airplane's "black box," records data about operation of train controls and the locomotive's performance. Track inspectors

will also examine the track's damage.

"It takes a bit to assess the damage," she said.

According to the Kennebec Journal, two Pan Am derailments happened within a 24-hour period earlier this year. On Feb. 5, a single locomotive traveling to Waterville from Readfield jumped the track in Belgrade while returning from assisting with a 20-car Readfield crash that morning. No body was injured in either accident.

"There was quite a bit of a washout, with a lot of mud and ice over the rails," Scarano said of the Readfield crash to the Augusta newspaper. "If it's strong enough because of the weather we've had, it will lift a locomotive up."

Jesse Scardina contributed to this report.

Amphitheater from A1

could be used for concerts, plays, orientation events and just about any other performance taking place on campus. The council believes the amphitheater would create a strong venue that fits perfectly into the UMaine campus.

"When holding many events

at the university like orientation, concerts, performances or even campus activities, a good outside venue would be a nice addition," Martin said. "We discussed how this could become a reality and decided to approach a civil engineering capstone group to work on this for their project, and they have since given us a ton of great information to make this a reality."

Martin described that a capstone group of four students took the challenge.

"Our Engineering Liaison Adrienne Fine mentioned it to her civil engineering class as a possibility for a potential capstone project," Martin said. "The civil engineer capstone group Eclectic Design has been hard at work this past year putting together all the information that is needed to go out and request grants."

The council has set a five-year plan to construct the amphitheater, beginning with fundraising and ending with the completed construction of the building. According to Martin, early estimates for the cost of the project are between \$80,000 and \$100,000 and the council hopes to begin construction by 2013.

"We have been spending the majority of this past year fundraising and promoting 2011 activities and working on our upcoming senior week, which is set to begin on April 25," Martin said. "Fundraising will be based in grants and donations from either Class of 2011 members or members in the community."

Martin said no outside contributors from the community

have stepped forward yet but the project is still in the early stages of development. The council will attempt to use space within the amphitheater as a way to tempt donors. This could mean advertising space or having a section named after the donor — whatever works to create the revenue necessary to begin the project.

"Once we secure 80 percent of the funding, we are allowed to begin construction of the amphitheater," he said. "We have design ideas set from the capstone group and we are using them for promotion of the gift."

Martin said once the capstone information is officially completed and approved, the council will create a website for the project that will be attached to the Alumni Association website.

In order to raise money for the event, the council sent letters asking for donations from the family members of students who will graduate this year. The council will use the proceeds from Senior Week and other activities already hosted to bolster the amphitheater fund.

Class T-Shirts, hoodies and steins are all being sold to support the class fund, which can be purchased through the University Bookstore. According to Martin, this is the beginning of the process.

"Our goal for this year has always been to begin to promote the class gift idea and to get others to start thinking about it," Martin stated. "Once we graduate, we will take all the information and designs created for us by the engineering group to begin fundraising efforts."

GSS from A2

In a "fit of passion," Sen. Alex Ortiz said the battle for civil rights for all groups continues and quoted Martin Luther King Jr., saying, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

"Even here, at an institution for higher learning in one of the most progressive states in the country, we are faced with bigotry and hatred," Or-

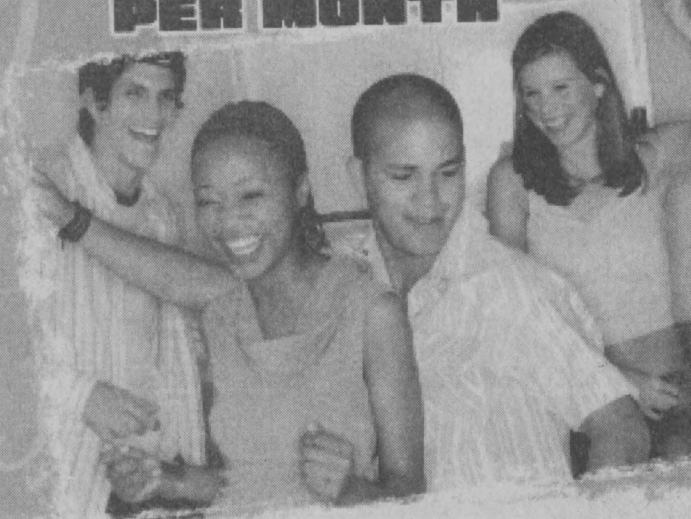
tiz said.

"The message was clear: You are not welcome here," he said. "How long will it be until someone decides you are not welcome here?"

Another flag was raised in a second ceremony Wednesday before a crowd of more than 100 individuals.

In other GSS news, Brunton nominated Joseph Marquis, a first-year Honors student, to the Fair Election Practices Committee. Senate will vote on the nomination April 26.

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leave power, even making plans to continue rule of the country under his family's name after his eventual departure.

"Not only could you not get rid of Mubarak but it was very clear that he was grooming his son to take over after him," Cole said.

The recent changes of power began with the demonstration of a young Tunisian man named Mohamed Bouazizi who was relegated to selling vegetables during the economic downturn. After enduring months of harassment at the hands of local police, the events came to a peak when police stole some of his merchandise.

Bouazizi traveled to the local office to gain reconciliation, where he was repeatedly turned away. In outrage, he purchased a can of gasoline and lit himself on fire in front of the office.

This event catalyzed the Tunisian revolution.

Within a few weeks, hundreds of thousands of citizens erupted in protest across the country, finally forcing Ben Ali to step down after the military shot demonstrators.

The end for Mubarak came in a similar way. After protests, the military commander told Mubarak he would not order troops to fire on civilians.

"All of this change in the region has thrown the U.S. for a loop because they thought their problems were in the eastern part of the Middle East," Cole said. "They put all of their resources over there — Afghanistan and Iraq and so forth — and they thought, 'Well, Egypt, Yemen, it's nailed down.' And now, it's not nailed down."

Cole said current U.S. policy shows a cautious stance on events.

"They don't want to do anything that would cause the governments that are friendly to them to be overthrown and replaced by unfriendly people," Cole said. "On the other hand, if the governments do get overthrown they don't want the people to be angry at them."

"So they seem to stay one week behind," he said.

Cole answered audience members' questions, including one about Libya's situation.

"I think the Qaddafis are toast, they just don't know it yet," Cole said.

He explained Qaddafi has been upsetting the elite of his own government. In Cole's opinion, it is only a matter of time until they grow tired of him.

The issues of the Middle East may seem far away, but Cole's underlying message was that all of these issues can be tied back to European and U.S. involvement and affect us in the long run.

"These things that are happening will have an impact on the U.S., one way or another," he said.

MELA from A1

and the Governor to put a bond approval question before the voters."

The Maine Constitution, per Article IX, Section 14, mandates voter approval of any state indebtedness exceeding \$2 million.

MELA is a quasi-governmental agency. The state legislature established it in 1988 to fill a gap in the availability of student loans to supplement federally funded financial aid.

The governor appoints the members of the authority's board of directors; otherwise, MELA operates independently of the state and has never received taxpayer dollars.

MELA offers two types of loans at a low interest rate. The Maine Loan covers the full difference between the cost of a student's education and the amount of financial aid that student has already received. The Maine Medical Loan is directed toward students pursuing degrees in medical fields.

These loans are funded by revenue bonds MELA sells with the aid of Maine Educational Services, a nonprofit organization that increases students' access to loans and scholarships.

These bonds differ from general obligation bonds in that purchasers can only be repaid by revenue, which in this case comes from students' loan payments. General obligation bonds are repaid through taxes.

According to Darren Hurlburt, president of Maine Educational Services, MELA bonds are offered at varying rates of interest and maturity. These bonds are lucrative because the interest they earn is not considered taxable income.

The money obtained through these bonds is loaned out to students. When a student repays a loan, the loan payments cover the investor's original payment. A portion of the payment for the loan's accrued interest covers the bond's accrued interest. The remainder of the interest is used to pay MELA's administrative costs.

MELA's bonds are only backed by the moral obligation of the state, not

by any actual taxpayer money — the only time taxpayers would be called upon to cover the millions of dollars MELA issues in revenue bonds would be if the agency completely collapsed.

"The Maine taxpayer is not at risk at all in this, which is different from some other bonds out there where the taxpayer is on the hook," said Peggy Crawford, director of financial aid at the University of Maine. "The MELA loan is a tremendous loan for Maine students."

Hurlburt said the only situation he could think of that would cause MELA to require taxpayer funding would be a vast number of defaulted student loans. MELA must run cash flow analyses proving the authority can handle default rates as many as four times higher than expected before it can proceed with another bond issue.

"You'd have to have some significant economic crisis," he said, citing MELA's strength during the recent

2010. MELA keeps records in terms of a calendar year, while Crawford keeps UMaine's records in terms of an academic year, which accounts for discrepancy between the numbers.

Bell said UMaine students received \$1,268,801 in MELA loan funding for 2010. University of Southern Maine students received the second-most at \$977,206.

Students at the seven University of Maine System campuses received a combined total of \$2,729,927 in MELA loans.

According to Erickson, MELA has a system in place to cover shortfalls it may encounter.

"There are all these different levels of reserve funds. We'll go there first before we'd ask the state for money," she said, adding that other than the authority's capital reserve fund used as a last resort source of money, there is "approximately \$11 million available in these accounts we'd go to first be-

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**Peggy Crawford
Director
UMaine Financial Aid**

fore going to the state."

In the 23 years since MELA was created, it has provided \$263 million in student loans. In that time, the authority has never had to ask the state for money. However, Bell said MELA's record might be overlooked if voters were required to approve its debt.

"I think people would assume that the state is backing that entire bond issuance and that's not the case," he said. "It doesn't cost the taxpayers a penny."

Bell clarified that, in his opinion, the authority is "perfectly comfortable" following whatever trajectory the legislature chooses.

If voters were required to approve MELA's indebtedness in the future, voting against it could cripple the authority. The state's moral obligation backing MELA, though not yet called upon, serves as credit that bolsters the authority's ability to

sell revenue bonds.

If voters did not approve MELA's indebtedness, the authority would lose the state's moral obligation and therefore lose its image of good credit.

A statement prepared by Erickson on March 3, 2011, details the potential detrimental impact on MELA of the loss of the state's moral obligation.

"Unlike previous MELA bond issues, the Authority's 2009 and 2010 transactions would not have been successful without the credit enhancement provided by the moral obligation backing of the State. Given the continued turbulence in the capital markets, MELA will not be successful in accessing an economical form of funding this spring without the moral obligation pledge of the State," she wrote.

"If voter approval of MELA's bonds is necessary, the election process creates a great deal of uncertainty around the Authority's ability to provide the continuity of funding necessary to meet the supplemental education financing needs of Maine students and families," according to the statement. "Voters may not understand the significant differences between general obligation and moral obligation bonds."

"Because MELA doesn't have a lot of its own equity, we need the state's backing," Erickson said, describing the subsequent need to find another source of funding or credit. "We expect it would be difficult. We don't know if it would be impossible."

MELA is currently looking for \$15 million in revenue bonds to be used to fund next year's student loans. Erickson said the authority has \$5 million on hand, which means it plans to issue \$20 million in low-interest student loans. She said the authority hopes to issue loans to approximately 1,250 students.

The situation is tenuous and its outcome depends on whether LD 1153 is enacted, what sort of subsequent legislation is proposed and how Maine voters react to what they see on their ballots.

"We'll know in a couple of months if the MELA program is going to exist next year" or if it will be cancelled, Crawford said. "I hope that doesn't happen."

Police Beat

The best from UMaine's finest

Plead the fifth

A University of Maine Police Department officer saw a vehicle headed south on Munson Road at 1:46 a.m. April 10 without headlights on. When the officer pulled the vehicle over, it was evident the driver had been drinking. Daniel Sherman, 21, was arrested for operating under the influence after failing field sobriety tests. Sherman was taken to the UMPD station, where his blood alcohol content was determined to be 0.20 percent. He was transported to Penobscot County Jail in Bangor.

Juiced and reduced

UMPD was called to Estabrooke Hall at 11:47 p.m. April 8. Bradley Duquette, 20, refused to pay a \$15 taxi fare. According to UMPD Detective Bill Flagg, the taxi driver identified Duquette, who left his backpack in the taxi. Duquette was intoxicated and uncooperative, but the driver was paid. At that point, Flagg said, Duquette became argumentative and yelled at the officers, who warned him to calm down. When he continued yelling at the officers, Duquette was arrested for disorderly conduct. While transporting him to Penobscot County Jail, the officers determined that Duquette needed medical attention. Duquette's arrest was downgraded to a summons for disorderly conduct so he could be released to staff at Eastern Maine Medical Center to receive medical care. Duquette was also issued a summons for possession of alcohol by a minor after alcohol was found in his backpack.

Don't forget the toll money

UMPD received a report of a theft at 12:01 p.m. April 10. A 1998 Ford Escort left in the Steam Plant parking lot was broken into at some point between 2 a.m. and 10 a.m. April 9. A Garmin GPS, an Apple iPod, a pair of eyeglasses and a plastic cup containing approximately \$10 in change were stolen from the vehicle. The combined estimated worth of the items is \$660.

Chronic offender

UMPD responded to a report of the smell of marijuana coming from a second-floor room of Kennebec Hall at 11:31 p.m. April 11. Michael Fithian, 20, admitted to smoking marijuana. Fithian was under bail conditions prohibiting him from possessing drugs or alcohol. Since he violated those conditions, officers were required to search the room, which led to the discovery of drugs and drug paraphernalia. Fithian was issued three summonses: violation of conditions of release, sale or use of drug paraphernalia, and possession of a useable amount of marijuana. He was referred to Judicial Affairs.

Sober swerver

A UMPD officer sitting in a cruiser parked in the CCA lot at 8:54 p.m. April 11 saw a vehicle speeding and swerving down Rangeley Road. The officer spoke with the driver, Gregory Henrikson, 23, who was hurrying home. Henrikson was not found to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol; however, his license was suspended in March. Henrikson was issued a summons for operating under suspension.

Boozing for a bruising

UMPD received a report of an unconscious male in a stairwell of Hart Hall at 12:14 a.m. April 9. Officers administered first aid until the University of Maine Volunteer Ambulance Corps arrived to transport the male for medical treatment. The male, who was 19, was referred to Judicial Affairs for possession of alcohol by a minor by consumption.

Password protected

UMPD officers on patrol at 2:05 a.m. April 10 saw an intoxicated 19-year-old male banging on the west entrance door to Cumberland Hall trying to get inside the building. He was referred to Judicial Affairs.

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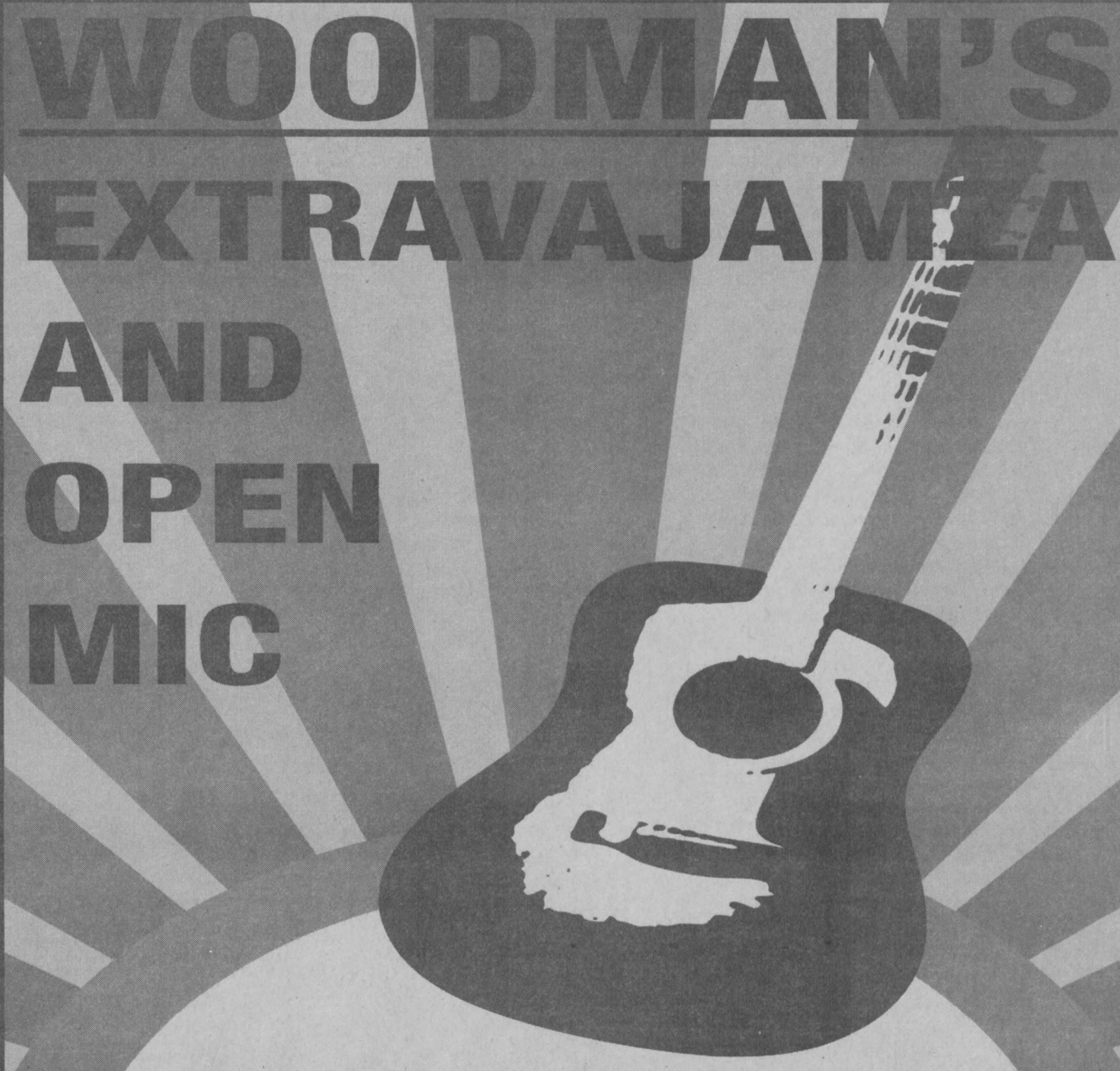


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EDITORIAL

Class of 2011 misses cue with amphitheater gift

It's difficult to imagine how a showdown between a figure skater and a gladiator would garner a beneficial result for the former — after all, triple axels don't really fare well against three warriors bearing axes. Stranger things have happened, though.

As it turns, the wiser decision for this year's graduating class of 2011 is to side with the skater rather than the savage brute when determining a proper gift to leave the University of Maine upon its departure. Thus far, the intended contribution from the class is an outdoor amphitheater to be constructed on Lengyel Field.

The class of 2011 has already employed the drafting capabilities of capstone students — who are presumably nearing the completion of a blueprint and proposal for the structure — and project the costs for the 1,000-seat, modern coliseum to be around \$80,000-\$100,000.

Such a compulsion to give back is by no means something to look down upon, but the whole idea behind an outdoor amphitheater seems almost entirely futile given a variety of factors. This is UMaine and no matter how supportive of the arts it may be as a university, the weather does not present a rational basis to compose something of such a grand caliber.

Realistically, the amphitheater could only be utilized for four months out of the year before snow, rain or cold would trigger students to head indoors. It could be used during the summer, but the amount of possible attendees significantly decreases with students away.

What we suggest is that the class of 2011 redirect their efforts toward building something that capitalizes on UMaine's primary season — winter. Perhaps an outdoor ice rink made available to the public would prove more convenient for both students and citizens in surrounding areas.

This is not a criticism of intentions, as they were obviously quite righteous, but a plea for a more thoroughly thought-out proposition. An arena can be built, in which a select few are allowed glory.

But wouldn't it make more sense, in a land of ice and grace, that something more practical be constructed to provide everyone with the ability to enjoy the splendor?

Class of 2011: Swallow your pride and let it slide.

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Readers speak: Words of wisdom from the web

Checking for Club Hockey clarity

As the vice president of the hockey club for the past three years, I'd like to make a couple of additional notes.

First off, the General Student Senate was informed beforehand of the need for this funding — all the way back in October to be exact. This was not a surprise.

Secondly, we did not ask GSS to "do everything" for us. Our players pay \$550 dues plus a \$200 deposit on team gear and jerseys at the start of the season. We raised over \$13,000 just by dues alone, plus we give the players the option of keeping the team gear if they want, in which case we keep part of their deposit.

We also fundraised approximately \$5,000 this season, which puts the total of what the team came up with at over \$18,000. The team spent just about \$27,000, so we hardly asked GSS to "do everything" for us — we didn't even ask them to do half of everything.

Ice hockey is an incredibly expensive sport. We don't receive practice facility time for free that other clubs using the fieldhouse, football field or dome might. We have to pay the Alford to use the facilities, and that is not cheap.

UMaine Hockey Club

Responding to "Group sees SG funding 'hypocrisy,'" Apr. 10, 2011

Pledging to pride

To Maine's GLBTQ community and our allies: You are loved.

Adam Sunny

Responding to "Pride flag stolen from UM mall," Apr. 12, 2011

Wind technology overblown

I would rather see research conducted for solar, tidal and hydro products.

Wind turbines are too expensive and inefficient compared to the other renew-

ables out there. The Baiyun Obo rare earth mine shows how bad the "green" wind turbines really are to the environment. The CO2 starts adding up when the ore is dug up, but wind promoters only want to talk about CO2 saved after the turbines are spinning.

I suspect the CO2 can never be made up when all factors are added up — the mining, transportation, smelting metals, plastic, etc.

Mike D.

Responding to "AEWC addition to house one-of-a-kind structural lab," Apr. 10, 2011

Kudos to Club Hockey

Good article on Club Hockey. I think hockey is such a large presence at UMaine and the fact that these kids play the sports out of enjoyment and have little to no fan support says something.

I know several players on the team and really appreciate their "compete" level. Let's think of ways to help them get more money for the program!

Shaun

Responding to "Group sees SG funding 'hypocrisy,'" Apr. 10, 2011

DeepCwind not deep enough

Dr. Dagher and friends have a good notion, but they must be sure they don't site these power extractors in offshore currents — that will interfere with the flow of scallop and lobster larvae, as well as those of other species.

I don't think the feds will give Dr. Dagher and DeepCwind the money they need until that is answered.

Ron Huber

Responding to "AEWC addition to house one-of-a-kind structural lab," Apr. 10, 2011

Dealing with Dexter and death

I'm glad to see someone else has noted Dexter has killed some innocent people. As much as I like the show, I've always been bothered by the episode in which Dexter kills a photographer who takes degrading photos of women who later turn up dead.

Solely because of a blood stain in the carpet at the photographer's studio, Dexter assumes the photographer is the murderer. It turns out the photographer's assistant was the murderer, something casually revealed in a single line of dialog before moving on to something else.

Also, I don't recall any voiceover by Dexter expressing regret — it's as if this uncharacteristic screw-up never happened.

Tom Schwab

Responding to "Entertainment hashes out definitions of good and evil, slashes ethics," Apr. 10, 2011

Oopsie with Ortiz piece

This column should not have run. The author brought up the hiring of the vice president of Student Organizations only because she was overlooked for the position.

Right or wrong, the school newspaper should not give writers a soapbox to stand on when they only want to dig up old political rivalries that have been buried for months.

Delijani even states her ideas are far-fetched when she agrees with the possible criticism that she's giving Ortiz too much credit. Although, I do agree with her — it is a pretty crazy conspiracy to think up.

Mark

Responding to "Ortiz's tricky techniques land him in SG top seat," Apr. 10, 2011

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Columnist: Patience pays off in era of convenience



Back in the days before everything was available at the touch of a button, people were more independent and resourceful, not relying on the varying conveniences available now. Going back to those basics would do a world of good.

RYANNE NASON

We live in a culture of convenience, plain and simple.

When things are not readily available, impatience runs rampant, as we've grown accustomed to having things delivered to us wherever and whenever we want them. However, patience is a valuable virtue and when living in a convenience-oriented culture, employing it over stress can be the key to longer, happier lives.

In high school, a track coach regaled my team with a story about being cut off in the McDonald's drive-thru. En route to his Big Mac, another emaciated driver beat him to the speaker, barking his lengthy order to the clerk before my coach had his opportunity.

Waiting an extra five seconds for his meal caused immense anger within this man, something he deemed worthy of disclosing to all gathered in his presence, including my coach. I often wonder if he ever considered a life of scavenging without neon-lit arches to light the way to the next meal.

Back in the days before everything was available at the touch of a button, people were more independent and resourceful, not relying on the varying conveniences available now. Going back to basics would do a world of good and be a reality check for many.

Sometimes we are far too quick to commend conveniences we are exposed to when, in reality, there are consequences that need to be considered as well.

At the price of convenience comes the ability to take care of problems in a self-reliant manner.

When planning road trips, we expect to find inexpensive hotels beside the highway, full-service gas stations to provide us with the fuel we need and numerous locations to provide us with snacks so we may gorge ourselves along the way.

If we weren't provided these services, it is highly unlikely both national and international travel would be as popular as they are today, considering the alternative to convenience would involve a lot less luxury and relaxation than we have grown accustomed to.

Everywhere you turn, it seems there are increasing amounts of innovative products marketed to make our everyday tasks easier and less time-consuming. But with new technology to make our lives more convenient also comes the retraining and re-learning processes which, at times, are too difficult for older generations to understand.

A few years ago, the gas station frequented by my father changed their payment process so patrons could pay directly at the pump. Inserting cash into the same receptacle in which gas is pumped out of was confusing for some customers to grasp. Those too stubborn to learn the complexities of modern technology either took their business elsewhere or were humiliated by their lack of comprehension.

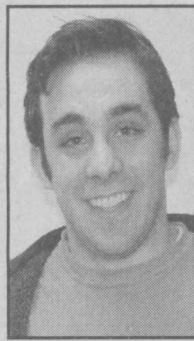
While convenience may be a good idea on the surface, a closer look at the amenities now offered reveals a darker side. When things go wrong, we are left struggling to pick up the pieces, blindly searching for how we lived prior to the lives we live now.

So drop the iPhone and the portable DVD player and try something different. By no means am I suggesting the adoption of radical behaviors, such as living your final days in the Alaskan wilderness a la Chris McCandless, but merely an attitude change.

Instead of getting frustrated when Dunkin' Donuts is out of onion bagels, be appreciative these things weren't always provided so readily.

Ryanne Nason is a fourth-year communication student. Her columns will appear every Thursday.

Romney's flip-flopping run for Republican nomination riddled with roadblocks



PETE CHRISTOPHER

POLITICAL COLUMNIST

Mitt Romney announced his long-awaited candidacy for president of the United States on Monday.

A favorite in the Republican field, Romney is going to be attacked by all sides, but no attacks will be more harsh and consistent than from within his own party.

Below are the charges he's definitely going to hear during the Republican primary.

"He laid the foundation for Obamacare while he was the Governor of Massachusetts."

It's true: While he was the governor of Massachusetts, Romney signed a bill into law similar to the Affordable Care Act that was passed by Democrats on the federal level in 2010. This was the pre-existing condition I spoke of last week.

"Romneycare" included a provision that required all Massachusetts residents to purchase health care. This provision is the "individual mandate" Republicans nationwide have been railing against and calling unconstitutional. It's the crux of the nation's health care debate.

Romney has begun to outline his defense for this charge, but with a two-pronged response. First, he says the problems faced by Massachusetts were unique to the state and his health care legislation was geared toward those problems. Then he will say something along the lines of a one-size-fits-all solution will not solve America's problems, which is why Obamacare won't work.

Whether this line will resonate with voters is another question. I tend to think people aren't going to buy it. The Republican message against the Affordable Care Act hinges on the individual mandate. There is no way his opponents will let his "unique problems" line fly.

I'm not convinced this issue will derail his campaign, but there is little Romney will be able to do to quell concerns.

"Romney doesn't know Main Street. He's a Bain Capital elitist who has never worked for anything in his life."

This is probably the biggest complaint against Romney — he comes off as an elitist who can't relate to voters.

I remember shaking his hand at the 2002 Columbus Day Parade in East Boston, not far from where I grew up. I disliked him from the moment I saw him. Maybe it was the perfect hair or the expensive suit, but he was entirely unrelatable on that route and it left a bad taste in my mouth.

If you look at his announcement video filmed at the University of New Hampshire, you can see he dropped the suit. In a continuing effort to become more relatable to voters, he'll probably be rocking the barn jacket and plaid shirt a lot more. He should keep his suit on the rack until the first debate.

In Massachusetts, Democrats used to joke about Mitt's lone flaw — his love of popcorn. Romney will have to do better than a popcorn addiction if he is going to humanize his character in 2012. I don't think he should start goose hunting like John Kerry did in 2004, but something needs to be done if he wants to repair his character.

I feel as though this is the most

important problem Romney needs to address during the primary. If he can come off as someone the voters trust, he should be able to pull off the victory.

"Isn't that the guy who said he was more liberal than Teddy Kennedy?"

Contrary to popular belief, the saying that Romney is "more liberal than Ted Kennedy" was actually not drafted by George W. Bush's 2004 re-election campaign to slander Kerry.

Rather, it was drafted by Romney's 1994 Massachusetts Senate campaign and was not used as a derogatory statement, either. They were trying to position their candidate, Romney, to the left of Kennedy, who was widely known as one of the most liberal members of Congress.

Being to the left of Kennedy may have flown in Cambridge, Mass.,

A favorite in the Republican field, Romney is going to be attacked by all sides, but no attacks will be more harsh than from within his own party.

during a 1994 Senate run, but how it will work in Hanover, N.H., in the 2012 Republican presidential primary is still unclear.

In 2008, Romney's opponents had a dolphin follow him around on the campaign trail to remind voters that he was a flip-flopper. Abortion, affirmative action, gay rights and gun control are all issues Romney has changed his stance on. The flip-flopper charge is one that won't go away, but the way Romney handles it can't be the same as in 2008.

Romney's hopes lie with the economy. If voters on Election Day say the economy is the No. 1 thing they care about, then Romney should win. He needs to ignore the moronic distractions about Birthers and the tea party and play to the pragmatist in all Republicans. He also needs to pray there are some left.

"I don't know much about that whole Mormonism thing."

Romney belongs to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It should be added that tolerance of all things different has never been a cornerstone of the modern Republican Party — just ask Michael Steele.

Many Romney advisors attribute his loss in Iowa in 2008 to religious discrimination. There are some evangelicals who will not vote for a Mormon.

In 2008, he addressed his religion problem by giving a speech that flopped, but he probably shined more light on the problem than anything else. He gave his opponents in the media and on the campaign trail something to talk about.

There was a time when Protestants would not vote for Catholics either until John F. Kennedy won in West Virginia in 1960.

So what does Romney need to do? This certainly isn't 1960 and knowing Jack Kennedy, it can be safely stated that Romney is nothing like him. Thus, I suggest he ignore it altogether and focus messages like laser beams on the economy.

If he can stay out of the mud and seem like the only adult running for president in the Republican Party, I think he can win the nomination. Call me a dreamer, but I believe it can be done.

Pete Christopher is a fourth-year secondary education student. His political columns will appear every Thursday.

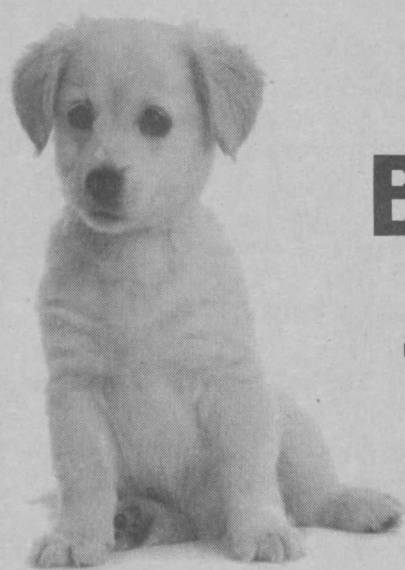
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Thumbs up / Thumbs down

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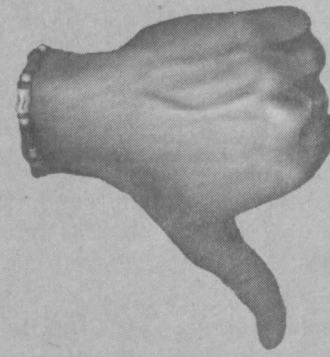
Problems

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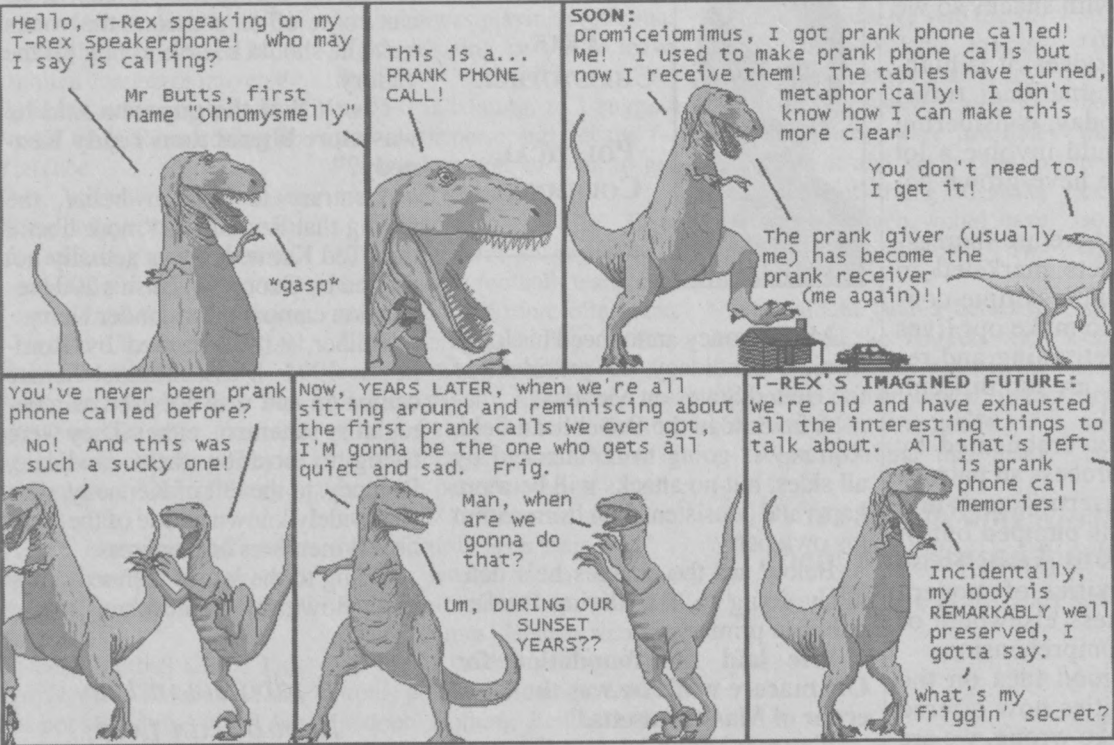
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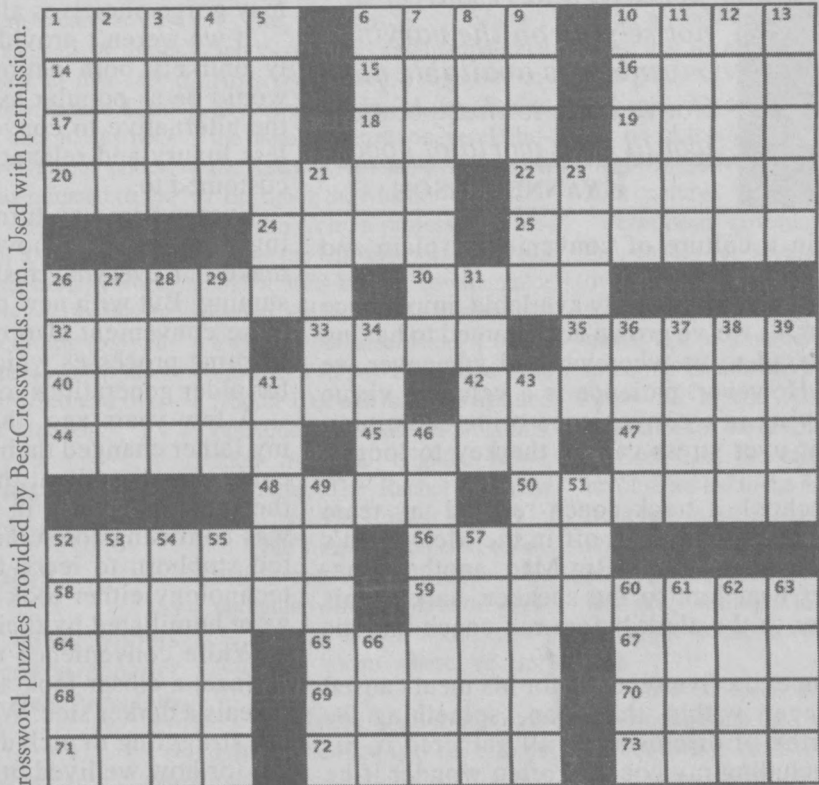
Diversions

Dinosaur Comics

By Ryan North



Crossword Puzzle



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Answer key in sports

Sudoku Puzzle

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- Each row must have numbers 1 - 9 in any order but each digit can only appear once.
- Each column must have numbers 1 - 9 in any order but each digit can only appear once.
- Each 3x3 box must have numbers 1 - 9 in any order but each digit can only appear once.

There is only one correct answer.

Difficulty level: Hard

Across

- 1- Will, old-style
- 6- Boris Godunov, for one
- 10- Fall prey to a banana peel, say
- 14- Vive ___!
- 15- Baseball family name
- 16- Size of type
- 17- Attentive, warning of danger
- 18- Diving position
- 19- Passing notice
- 20- Blank metal disk
- 22- Small flower
- 24- Silence
- 25- Naked-faced Amazon monkey
- 26- Acquire
- 30- Electric fish
- 32- Breezy
- 33- Restrain
- 35- ___-Croatian
- 40- Dexterity
- 42- Eternal
- 44- Itty-bitty
- 45- Sea eagles

Down

- 47- Arrest
- 48- Subterfuge
- 50- Emitting odor
- 52- Burger topper
- 56- Eldest son of Noah
- 58- Anew
- 59- Pre-war apartment
- 64- Agitate
- 65- Sir ___ Newton was an English mathematician
- 67- Pulitzer winner James
- 68- Invalid
- 69- Brit's bottle measure
- 70- Zhivago's love
- 71- Building wings
- 72- City in West Yorkshire
- 73- Billy ___ had a hit song with "White Wedding"

Across

- 2- Hades
- 3- Calculus calculation
- 4- Bereft
- 5- Chinese fruit
- 6- Ribbons
- 7- Slide
- 8- Hunky-dory
- 9- Expressing regret
- 10- Ghost
- 11- Seventh sign of the zodiac
- 12- Less cordial
- 13- Page of music
- 21- Theory
- 23- Cow catcher
- 26- Kiln for drying hops
- 27- Ill temper
- 28- Corner
- 29- 16th letter of the Hebrew alphabet
- 31- Abba of Israel
- 34- Salt Lake City hoopsters
- 36- Feminizing

Down

- 37- 100 dinars
- 38- Remove water from a boat
- 39- Just
- 41- Convoluted fold of the brain
- 43- Concentrated extracts
- 46- Say again
- 49- How rivers don't flow
- 51- Marseilles Mrs.
- 52- Chili con ___
- 53- Entangled with
- 54- Run of bird-song
- 55- Vends
- 57- Got wind of
- 60- Former French colony of northwestern Africa
- 61- Mild oath
- 62- Emperor of Rome 54-68
- 63- Blue hue
- 66- Sprechen ___ Deutsch?

Surgery

- ANESTHESIA
- APPENDIX
- BIOPSY
- BLOOD
- BONE SAW
- BRAIN
- CALIPER
- CANNULA
- CATHETER
- CLAMPS
- COLON
- DILATORS
- DISTRACTORS
- DRILL
- ENDOSCOPE
- FORCEPS
- GRASPERS
- HEART
- HEMOSTAT
- HOOK
- INCISION
- INJECTION
- IRRIGATION
- KIDNEY
- LANCET
- LIVER
- LUNGS
- MALLET
- NEEDLE
- OCCLUDERS
- PROBE
- RETRACTORS
- RIBS
- RULER
- SCALPEL
- SCISSORS
- SKIN
- SPECULA
- SPLEEN
- SPLINT
- SPONGE
- STAPLER
- SUCTION
- SURGEON
- SUTURE
- SYRINGE
- TISSUE
- TRACHEOTOME
- TRANSPLANT
- TREPHINE
- TROCAR
- TWEEZERS

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message.

Word Search

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Word search courtesy of puzzles.ca

Aries - March 21 to April 20 - You can make amends by taking a close friend somewhere special. Extra cash is available if you act on a hunch. Your generosity may be taken advantage of.

Taurus - April 21 to May 21 - Devote yourself to your profession. Arguments will flare up if you get backed into an emotional corner. You may be overly emotional when dealing with your mate.

Gemini - May 22 to June 21 - Don't point your finger unjustly at others. Sudden good fortune may help you cover your debts. Someone you least expect may not have your best interests at heart.

Cancer - June 22 to July 22 - Use your discipline to get what you want. You can make drastic changes in your professional goals today. Someone you live with is ready to play emotional games.

Leo - July 23 to Aug. 22 - You may be erratic resulting in an increased likelihood to make mistakes. You may be tempted to spend too much on entertainment or luxury items. Visit friends you don't see regularly.

Virgo - Aug. 23 to Sept. 23 - Try to curb your bad habits. You can privately discuss your findings with your boss. You can make money through your own creative efforts.

Libra - Sept. 24 to Oct. 23 - Don't allow personal problems to conflict with professional duties. Don't put limitations on yourself. You can make a big difference to children if you understand the difficulties they are experiencing.

Scorpio - Oct. 24 to Nov. 22 - Don't be a pest or a troublemaker today. You can finish projects early, which will bring you praise from superiors. Travel for business purposes may bring the highest returns.

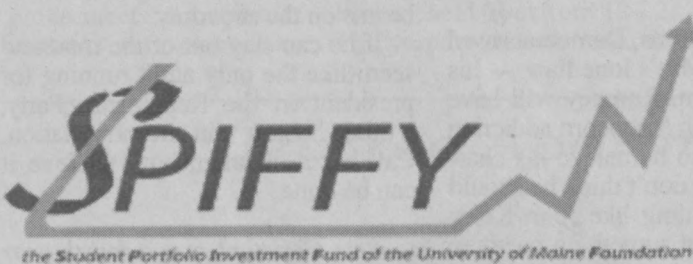
Sagittarius - Nov. 23 to Dec. 21 - Someone may be trying to damage your reputation. Romantic opportunities may flourish through travel or communication. Don't trust co-workers with important or personal information.

Capricorn - Dec 22. to Jan. 20 - Do your own thing and everything will settle down. You need an energetic outlet that will help you dissipate your anxiety. You can beautify your surroundings by renovating or redecorating.

Aquarius - Jan. 21 to Feb. 19 - Do not force your opinions on others. Avoid getting involved with married individuals. You may find that someone you live with is not content, but you can't do anything about that right now.

Pisces - Feb. 20 to March 20 - You will not have trouble getting things to fall into place. You have to know what your boss wants if you expect to do your job correctly. Plan to get together with someone special later in the day.

Horoscopes courtesy of astrology-online.com



Comp Spotlight

Top 3 Ranking in SPIFFY Investment Game:

- Ralfeg7: 84.13%
- Justin G: 25.53%
- Make it Rain: 14.16%

Neither of the Top three have made any alterations to their current holdings since last week. With five days left in the competition the leader ralfeg7 has a substantial lead. Unless some unforeseeable event happens between now and then it is looking fortunate for him.

AS A REMINDER: a trophy will be handed out to the winner at the next SPIFFY meeting. (Tuesday @ 6:00 in DPC 117)

Investment Tip

"Invest in what you understand." - Warren Buffett

This is a good quote from the Omaha Billionaire. Instead of searching for companies, in the bottom up approach, that will make you quick substantial gains. Search for companies in a top down approach. Think of an industry that focuses on slow steady growth. An example of this would be the consumer goods sector: everybody purchases and uses simple products such as cleaning products, clothing products and orange juice. These stable companies can add growth, stability and often a substantial dividend yield to your portfolio.

The Weekly Bulls & Bears

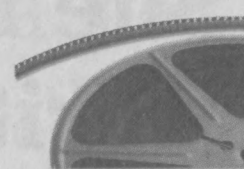
The Weekly 'Bulls' & 'Bears' describe how investors react to certain markets in a week's time. Bulls are when the Market is showing Confidence. One indicator of a Bull market is an increase in a company's stock price. Bear markets are the opposite. Bear Markets show a lack of confidence when a company's stock price is in a decline.

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| MO | (Altria Holdings grp) | .59 (2.26%) |
| KFT | (Kraft) | .65 (2.06%) |
| SCCO | (Southern Copper) | -2.44 (-6.03%) |
| EGN | (Energen) | -3.18 (-5.04%) |

Market Recap

- Sector Head Anthony Forni Pitched to buy~ \$25,000 of Abbott Laboratories (ABT). This will lower our cash position to a minimal level, which is our desired summer strategy.
- Speaker Dr Borgman and Matt Walsh, President of the University Credit Union spoke about both their respective career paths and suggestions for our own.
- SPIFFY would like to extend our gratitude to both

SPIFFY? It stands for Student Portfolio Investment Fund, and we are exactly that. A Student organized portfolio that manages over \$1.5 Million of University of Maine's Endowment Fund. We meet weekly at 6:00 on Tuesday night in DPC 117, and we are open to any undergraduate student interested in learning about the world of Investing. For more information check out our folder on your First Class.



Sharing Her Gift

By Kaylie Reese
Copy Editor

Recent University of Maine graduate Kati MacFarline's crafty talents have turned her from hobbyist to entrepreneur. Between balancing her copy editing job at the Bangor Daily News and her prospective enrollment in a library sciences graduate program, it is a wonder that she finds the time to creatively assemble her adorable, hand-crafted boxes and note cards.

"It all started as a New Year's resolution," MacFarline said. "I started out scrapbooking and I love paper crafts."

MacFarline did more than stick to her New Year's resolution. She was able to turn what she loved to do into a business.

She began making gift cards for Valentine's Day and birthdays, posting pictures of her creations to Facebook and getting positive feedback from friends. Turning her passion into a business proved to be a smooth transition.

Just a few weeks after her graduation, MacFarline's newly minted company, Fly Against the Wind, made its debut — thanks in part to

the entrepreneurially friendly internet domain, Etsy.

Etsy is a website that prides itself on being "more than a marketplace." It serves to feature and enable creative entrepreneurs, like MacFarline, who desire to turn their handmade or vintage products, art supplies, collectibles or whatever else into a profit.

Interested in buying local? According to MacFarline, there is a local shopping option on Etsy where you can type in your zip code, and they will show you products made local to your area.

"They take care of the monetary end," MacFarline said, "which makes it much easier to focus on the business — the product."

Even though she is selling her products, her primary concern is to "keep it fun."

"I usually make special orders and it is often for people I know," MacFarline said.

Her whimsical yet polite personal touch is evident by looking at her delicately embellished cardstock boxes, notecards and tags.

Take, for instance, a jungle-

Graduate turns her hobby into an online business thanks to Etsy.com



See Crafts on B3

Be careful what you post, everybody's judging you on it

Column

It's that split second before we hit the "share"



The Beat Report
By Kegan Zema

button that we become the most self-conscious. Who isn't guilty of asking that one simple question before

posting something: "What is everyone going to think?"

The hundreds of friends you've acquired flash before you as you cross-check the reactions they might have: "Will my aunt think this is crude?" "Will my high school friends think I've changed?" "Does liking this make me a poseur?"

I brought up this phenomenon in my last column, but it deserves its own few hundred words. I've spoken before on the ways in which we define ourselves through the music we listen to, but never is that process more blatantly obvious than in the wonderful world of Facebook.

People share more than just music, but a large portion of our news feeds are inevitably clogged up by people broadcasting their taste. Between YouTube videos of songs, music news, Bandcamp pages and lyrics, we are subjected to constant influx of the music our friends enjoy.

Next to every post, we conveniently get the person's name and picture identifying

Tim from work last summer with a new song by Atmosphere, Julie from physics with a Skrillex remix and Josh from high school with an old Tom Waits track.

We judge these people on their taste as we scroll along, so we know they are going to return the favor when we share our own musical discoveries or songs we can't get out of our heads.

The self-consciousness, the end result of this whole procedure, hardly fosters a generation of confident youngsters. We can't post something without it defining us, and so we limit what we share and what we like — at least publicly.

I'm more apt to tell my friends about an artist I think they might enjoy when I see them face-to-face just so I don't have to subject myself to the scrutiny of a wall post. Regardless of if I'm afraid of being castigated as a Pitchfork-fellating herd-follower or a tasteless navigator of the mainstream, I'm always going to think twice before I click "share."

Facebook forces us to miss out on the social aspects that make music discovery fun. The idea behind posting something should be to spread the word about a musician you can't get enough of — whether they're up-and-coming or dead-and-gone.

There's always those few brash friends who will post anything no matter how eclectic their taste, and they're the ones who end up turning you on to some great stuff.

See Share on B2

'Ubu Raw' promises to deliver shock and awe

Turn-of-the-century French play gets modern spin in the Pav



Haley Johnston • Asst. Photo Editor

Karl Livonius and Andrew Rasmussen rehearse during the rehearsal of "Ubu Raw," a play that will be opening Friday night at the Pavilion Theater.

By Clint Snyder
For The Maine Campus

When "Ubu Raw," a play by French writer Alfred Jarry, first premiered in 1896, the profanity of the piece caused riots in the theater. Now, theater student Karl Livonius is bringing the piece to the University of Maine, freshly adapted to shock a modern audience.

The piece presented several challenges in translation. Not only did Livonius have to translate the piece from French, but from a much older version of the language.

"Many of the jokes do not translate," he said. Livonius was forced to add material in the same style that would tantalize the modern comedic palate.

"Ubu Raw" centers around King Ubu, who has taken the crown out of contempt for the previous ruling party but turns out to be even more of an incompetent ruler. King Ubu is based on a

teacher Jarry hated during his childhood. The first draft of the play was written when Jarry was only 15 years old.

The set, currently still under construction, was described by Livonius as looking like "a paint store and a porno shop blew up at the dump."

It will consist of a haphazard pile of platforms and other materials crowned with a toilet seat throne. There are even plans in the works to include trees with testicles growing on them.

The play will utilize puppetry in a large way to help fill in the script that calls for over 30 actors. One scene in particular will have Ben Bernanke, Alan Greenspan and Timothy Geithner puppets — an homage to the satirical style in which the play was originally written.

The humor of the piece stems from its shock value. Livonius hopes the audience will not only be entertained but also find insight into the faults of society. Through this contemporary produc-

See Raw on B3

go!

Thursday, April 14

"She's Not There: My Life in Two Genders"
100 DPC
12:30 to 1:45 p.m.

American Foreign Policy and the Israeli to Palestinian Conflict
Bangor Room, Memorial Union
12:30 to 1:45 p.m.

Howard B. Schonberger Memorial Lecture on Peace and Social Justice
100 DPC
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Bret Michaels "Life Rocks Tour"
Collins Center for the Arts
8 p.m.
\$62

Friday, April 15

"Autodestruct: The Ultimate Cure for Cancer"
100 Neville Hall
6 p.m.

Legend Has it, No Future, Northern Lungs & More
Keith Anderson Building
6:30 to 10:30 p.m.

"Ubu Raw"
Pavillion Theater
7 p.m.
\$3

Robinson Ballet Live
Hauck Auditorium
7 p.m.
\$15 adults \$10 children

Inspectah Deck w/ BURNTmd and Colby Stiltz
Curva Ultra Lounge
9 p.m. to 12 a.m.
\$15 for 18+, \$12 for 21+

Saturday, April 16

Live at the MET: Rossini's "Le Comte Ory"
Collins Center for the Arts
1 to 3 p.m.
\$24

"The Mathematrix: A Play on Numbers"
100 Neville Hall
6 p.m.

"Ubu Raw"
Pavillion Theater
7 p.m.
\$3

Robinson Ballet Live
Hauck Auditorium
7 p.m.
\$15 adults \$10 children

Arborea
Old Town VFW Hall
7 p.m.
\$5

Athena Consort/Black Bear Men's Chorus Minsky Recital Hall
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
\$7, free with MaineCard

DJ Maine Event with Dollhouse 207
Curva Ultra Lounge
9 p.m. to 3 a.m.
\$10 for 18+, \$5 for 21+

She blinded me with science: Writers share topical works

Actress Jennifer Dean gives readings of plays on women in science this weekend

By Clint Snyder
For The Maine Campus

Plays about science are few and far between. With the exception of a few notables — “Harvest” and “Dr. Faustus,” to name a couple — the topic is rarely touched by playwrights and usually left to the big screen with CGI scenes, explosions and giant radioactive bugs.

However, two playwrights, one of whom is a recent University of Maine graduate, will be holding a staged reading on Friday and Saturday of their works on women in science.

Both plays will be read by actress Jennifer Dean, whose recent credits include “All My Children,” “Law and Order: SVU” and “As the World Turns.”

The first play, “Autodestruct: The Ultimate Cure for Cancer,” concerns a lab technician who tries to obtain immortality. The search takes place over eight generations of “Henriettas.”

Written by Lizzie Burns, the play raises timely ethical questions. Burns received her doctorate in biochemistry from Oxford University, combining her passions for science and art to create this work.

The second play, “The Mathematrix,” written by alumna Sarah Farnham, is about the last remaining English depart-

ment in a futuristic society.

“It inhabits a world where writers can only survive by writing about mathematics, and the pendulum of gender-dominance has swung to women,” Farnham wrote in an email.

Farnham is currently the co-chair of a poetry project in Bangor and a recently graduate with a double degree in theater and English. “The Mathematrix” is an al-

“What does American academia look like if you flip-flop the common stereotype that men rule the roost in academics, that they get all the funding and recognition?”

Sarah Farnham
UMaine alumna, writer of “The Mathematrix”

legorical play written in the same style as the better-known medieval play “Everyman,” with the main characters simply named Girl and Man.

The two characters’ occupations and mindsets foil, with Man being a metaphor for the overemphasis our society places on math and science. The play paints a unique portrait of what society could become.

“What does American academia look like if you flip-flop the common stereo-

type that men rule the roost in academics, that they get all the funding and recognition?” Farnham wrote.

Questions both of these plays raise come at a fitting time for the University of Maine, especially with last year’s announcement of the suspension of theater and many other liberal arts majors. According to Farnham, the plays are aimed at getting people to question the reasoning behind which programs are funded and which aren’t.

Both works will give audience members a fresh perspective on a variety of modern moral, ethical and scientific issues that are raised every day without much thought.

“I feel it’s much, much more important to ask questions with a performance,” Farnham wrote. “The ‘message’ is entirely determined by the individual and what you take from it, not from what I give.”

In an email interview, Dean echoed these sentiments. According to her, one of the most important things about these plays is that they ask questions without providing the answers.

“Autodestruct” will be read in Room 100 Neville Hall on April 15 and “The Mathematrix” on April 16 at 6 p.m. Admission is free, and pizza and refreshments will be provided.

When Hopesfall, sometimes one CD is all you need

Column

There are a select few

albums that have acted as the soundtrack to integral parts of my life. Green Day’s “Dookie” aroused in me a desire



Hardcore Roar
By Colin Kolmar

to immerse myself into the world of alternative music. Nirvana’s “MTV Unplugged in New York” took me over that threshold.

During my earlier angsty years, Papa Roach’s “Infest” satiated my appetite for chaos and misguided rage. Later, Rage Against the Machine’s “Evil Empire” taught me that anger can be channeled into an intelligent medium, and Linkin Park’s “Hybrid Theory” accompanied me throughout my move from Long Island, N.Y., to Saco, Maine.

Many moons ago, when I was a first-year at the University of Maine, I visited a store called Guitar Grave while I was in Portland. The place was a dump, filled with overpriced, Korean-made guitars and other useless items caked with years’ worth of dust and grime.

I had wandered in on the off chance something of interest to me had been pawned. What I found wound up being invaluable. Sitting atop a pile of CDs labeled “free” was Hopesfall’s album “Magnetic North.”

I had heard of Hopesfall through friends who were more in touch with the hardcore scene during high school. In fact, I had inherited a Hopesfall T-shirt from a friend

and wore it before ever hearing of the band. I bought the CD and immediately popped it into my CD player.

I was hooked from the beginning. The album opens with the heaviest track, “Rx Contender the Pretender,” which features Jay Forrest’s anguished, scream-singing vocals. However, the dynamic and coherent nature of the songwriting soon becomes apparent. The guitars are often driving and distorted to razor-sharp perfection. But there are times when they become ethereal and almost spacey or cosmic.

The lyrics are also otherworldly, often creating beautiful, fantastic imagery in the mind’s eye. The pure brilliance of this album cannot be expressed in words, just as the lyrics and music transcend terrestrial barriers.

At a major crossroads in my life, Hopesfall rode with me as my co-pilot. I distinctly remember spending a night out as a lowly college freshman and acknowledging the complete absence of forces around me influencing my decisions. The burden of responsibility fell on my shoulders. The prospect of pure independence thrilled me and I was infatuated with the new life into which I was thrust.

On this particular night, I was driving home early in the morning, filled with unadulterated elation. As I started my car, I was suddenly surrounded by the heavenly sound of Hopesfall’s “I Can Do This On An Island”:

“I’ll carry your head away, caught in some stereo deep blue nothing, aquatic symphony waiting. Waiting in the wake of ocean parachutes chasing me, in a one-man submarine.”

I wish I could delve into the back catalog of an artist everybody already knows about without feeling like a tool. I wish I could still enjoy some music the same way I did in high school without being embarrassed. I wish I could post whatever I want to Facebook without feeling like 554 disapproving sets of eyes were judging me on it. Now the real question: Do I post a link to this article?

Rare vinyl on sale for Record Store Day

By Kegan Zema
Style Editor

The now-internationally celebrated Record Store Day was started by none other than Bull Moose Music employee Chris Brown — naturally they’re going to do things right.

On Saturday, independently-owned record stores across the globe will be selling hundreds of exclusive finds from bands running the gamut from indie rock to metal to pop to country. A lot of it is rare, unreleased, re-issued or Record-Store-Day-only vinyl, from 7-inches to LPs to box sets.

Brown showcased some of the merchandise, in a 14-minute YouTube video. From pristine packaging to picture discs,

no matter what you’re into, what they’ve got will knock the hell out of staring at iTunes album artwork.

It’s not just about the physical music, either. At the Bangor Bull Moose, Portland indie rockers The Lucid will play a set at 2 p.m. with other performances taking place across the state.

Also, don’t forget that one of the special RSD-only releases is The Decemberists’ “Live at Bull Moose” EP, which they recorded during their performance in the Scarborough store.

Other exclusives include works by: Nirvana, Daft Punk, Television, The Flaming Lips, Dio, Death Cab For Cutie, Lady Gaga, Mastodon, Phish, The Grateful Dead, Queen, The White Stripes and many, many more.

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What happens is that the music becomes a badge of cool. Tim is trying to distance himself from mainstream rap, Julie is trying to jump on the dubstep bandwagon with her friends and Josh is trying to assert some sort of musical elitism.

I dream of a world where

music comes judgment-free, but I’m aware that I am part of the problem. My time offering thoughts in this column is almost over, and throughout it all I’ve learned that people take their music seriously because it is who they are.

I’m myself because of the music I’ve fallen in love with and the music I’ve turned my nose up at. However, there’s a certain part of me that wishes it weren’t this way.

maine campus Weekend Guide

April 14-16

Thursday, 4/14

The main event for this weekend on many people’s calendars is Bret Michaels’ anticipated show at the Collins Center for the Arts, as part of his “Life Rocks Tour.” The star of VH1’s “Rock of Love” will likely bring out old favorites like “Every Rose Has Its Thorn,” so get your tickets soon to make sure you don’t miss out on the all ages show.

To prepare for the show, head over to The Bear Brew for the Bret Michaels Preparty where they’ll be blasting Poison tunes.

Friday, 4/15

The Orono-based band “Suit Mullet” will be playing their final show at Woodman’s on Friday night. The local favorites promise a diverse set, starting at 10 p.m., covering songs by acts as diverse as The Beatles, MGMT, Tenacious D, Michael Jackson and others. Go have a few drinks and see these boys off as they go out with a bang.

Curva Ultra Lounge will be bumping as usual, but this time, they’ve recruited Inspec-tah Deck, of the Wu-Tang Clan. Joining them will be BURNTmd and Colby Stiltz to raise the intensity tenfold. Doors open at 9 p.m., and the cover is \$15 for 18+ and \$12 for 21+.

If you’re into hardcore, head over to the Keith Anderson Community Center for six local bands at this chem-free all ages show. From 6:30 p.m. to 10:30, the bands that will take the stage include: Legend Has It, No Future, Northern Lungs, Sufferer, Deliver Us and Go Time. Admission is \$5.

saturday, 4/16

The party will continue at Curva on Saturday night with DJ Maine Event spinning great hip-hop into the wee hours of the morning. He takes the stage at 9 p.m. and it costs a mere \$10 to get in for 18+ and only \$5 for 21+.

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MOVIE REVIEW:

'Arthur'

Russell Brand is annoying; no one else fares any better



Warner Bros. Pictures

By Nicole Begley
For The Maine Campus

The tagline for Arthur is, "Meet the world's only lovable billionaire."

It should read, "Meet the world's most obnoxious billionaire."

Russell Brand is Arthur Bach — a spoiled, drunken, billionaire playboy with the mindset of a fourteen-year-old and the work ethic of one as well. He is taken care of by his British nanny, Hobson, played by Helen Mirren.

His mother Vivienne, played by Geraldine James, has been absent his entire life, supporting him only financially. After she's had enough of his embarrassing antics, she issues him an ultimatum: Marry Jennifer Garner's character Susan Johnson, the rich, competent girl groomed to run the family business, or be cut off. Arthur can't live without the money so he agrees to the engagement.

There's a hitch. Later that day he literally runs into the girl of his dreams — a poor tour guide from Queens named Naomi, played by Greta Gerwig.

She is the opposite of every-

thing Arthur has ever experienced. Arthur falls in love with her carefree personality, but as strong as his feelings are for her, he loves money more. The obvious antics ensue.

Arthur is forced to rethink his lifestyle and then he has to make a choice: money or love? What do you think he chooses?

Though I haven't seen the original 1981 version, I can't imagine it's worse than this. The story has a good concept, but it is not executed well by anyone involved.

The script, written by Peter Baynham, was nothing special. The only semi-witty lines are given to Mirren. Even though she is a fantastic actress, most of her lines fall flat. Still, she is the only somewhat interesting character.

Brand is nothing special as Arthur. Forgive the pun, but he should have been billed as "Russell Bland" on this one. He is crude at some points and childish for the rest. Sure, that's what his character is supposed to be, but he still could have added a little good old-fashioned humor.

Garner usually plays charming girls in chick flicks, but in this movie she is a cutthroat

businesswoman with one goal — to acquire the respect that comes with Arthur's family name. Her acting is fine but with no depth; her character is forgettable. Meanwhile, Gerwig is like every other sweetie in rom-coms and chick flicks.

The directing is disappointing; the story moves too quickly and often there is no connection between scenes. It takes a second for the audience to catch up with the setting and the storyline when scenes change. The director, Jason Winer, is one of the comedic geniuses behind the hit primetime comedy "Modern Family," so one would think that "Arthur" would be a slam-dunk.

It was an air ball. The trailers for this movie looked hilarious so expectations were high. Unfortunately, the movie takes a nosedive about 20 minutes in and never recovers. Brand has been funny in the past and Mirren is an award-winning actress, but something missed its mark.

No sole party can be held responsible for this disaster. It was a team effort: a cocktail of disappointments.

Grade: F

CD REVIEW:

TV on the Radio

New Yorkers hit Cali and make their most funky record

By Jay Grant
Music Critic

I have always found my music preference to be seasonal. What I blast on a sunny July road trip always stands in stark contrast to the brooding tunes I play when it is pitch black at 4:00 p.m. and snowbanks are insulating my house.

TV on the Radio have always been one of my winter bands. Their metallic, urban dystopia take on electronic soul has forever had a bleak quality that is perfect for the dark, and cold time of year.

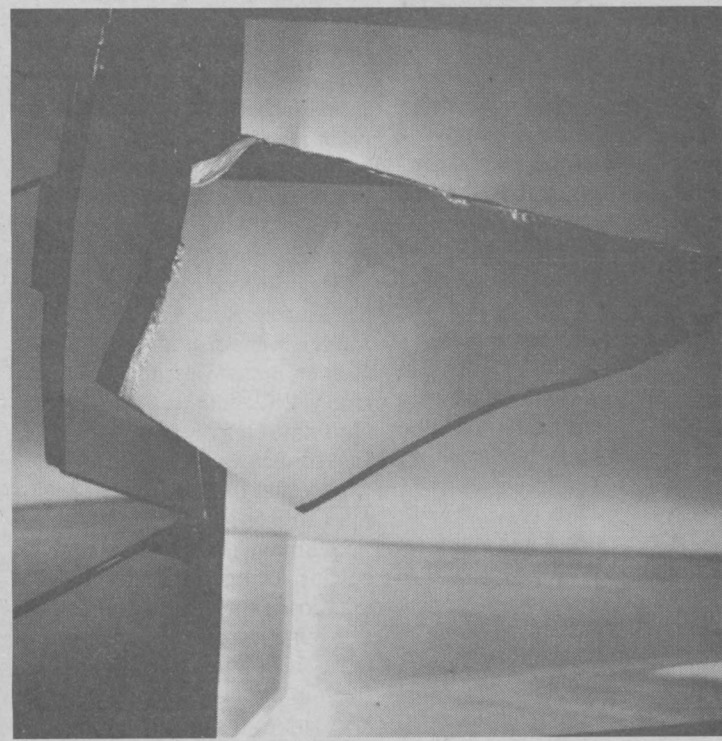
On their latest release, the band seems to have fast-forwarded their sound six months ahead, creating something much more chilled out, up-beat and sunny.

For "Nine Types of Light," TV on the Radio relocated from New York City to the West Coast. The change of climate and atmosphere clearly had a transformative effect on the band. Their exchange of claustrophobic songs by a bunch of downtrodden Brooklynites for sprawling, funky vibes is not surprising.

Perhaps funky vibes is an understatement — "Nine Types" borrows from '70s funk and old-school soul almost as heavily as a hip-hop record. As a result, the album sounds like a bunch of guys hanging out and jamming together — not a calculated effort to get in your face and make a point.

The second track, "Keep Your Heart," bears a slightly off-kilter back beat with a subtle guitar line that exudes cool. The verses of the following track, "You," keep up the same trick, the guitar coming in whenever it damn well pleases and a boom-boom-splash beat lifted from a Bronx block party.

The only thing bringing the song up to date is TV on the Radio's barrage of electronic effects. Space laser bleeps and ultra-high-reaching synthesizers take the track over, increasing as the song progresses, eventually fizzling out in a mess of fuzz.



Interscope

Even co-singers Tunde Adebimpe and Kyp Malone's vocal deliveries have moved toward funk and hip-hop. There are a couple of instances of measured, spoken-word delivery, as in the album's opening, the curiously titled track "Second Song."

More interesting is when the two explode into rapid-fire rhyme play, as with the centerpiece track "No Future Shock" or the not-so-curiously-titled "Repetition." Here and elsewhere on the album, the two are practically rapping, juxtaposed with their typical heartfelt wails.

For all of this jamming and funk, TV on the Radio are still at their best when they explode in a frenetic cacophony of brass horns, atmospheric strings and thrusting drum-machine beats along with jittery guitars. "No Future Shock" and second-half tracks "New Cannonball Blues," "Repetition," "Forgotten" and "Caffeinated Consciousness" are all such examples.

On these latter songs, TV on the Radio bring a special swagger along. They're a bunch of dudes so badass they hardly even have to try anymore — and

they know it. "Caffeinated Consciousness" even plays around with a southern blues guitar line that sounds more likely to have been lifted from a Black Keys romp than a TVOTR song.

The band also does well when they slow things down. At the heart of the record is the long and beautiful track "Killer Crane," which gently rocks like a rowboat on a lake of pianos, strings, banjo and light guitar. The song is long but soothing — a mood song by a band that usually sticks to pop surges.

Follow-up "Will Do" is a mellow, beat-heavy ode to the irrational optimism and tragic perseverance of one stuck with unrequited love. Malone sings, "I think we're compatible / I see that you think I'm wrong / anytime will do, my love."

By the end of "Nine Types of Light," fans will get the sense that a weight has been lifted off the band's shoulders. Everything is a bit lighter and more fun-loving for TV on the Radio these days.

If you are not already a fan then you have yourself a new record of funky, electronic rock for the rising temperatures and brighter days ahead.

Crafts
from B1

themed notecard with matching tags, created for her co-worker's baby shower. Each detail was precisely designed and placed.

Contrast that with a tastefully bejeweled four-inch box with green and orange ribbon tied around it. MacFarline designed this box specifically for friend's blog giveaways as a collaborative project.

"I designed this box to try and match the theme," MacFarline said.

Several more 2-by-2 inch boxes and notecards, each unique, appear to take a lot of time to make, especially considering the thought involved in personalizing each piece.

As for assembly, the time depends on the materials.

"It typically takes between a half hour to an hour [for each piece]," she said.

She has designed templates for the different box sizes, ranging from 2- to 6-square inches.

"Familiarity with the materials and utility of the supplies makes the process much

smoother," she said.

The familiarity comes from her history with scrapbooking — a hobby that frequently utilizes fancy scissors, stickers and edge punchers. Often these tools take time and patience to learn, but having a good eye for layout, as MacFarline has, is definitely a gift.

The balance between too busy and too sparse seems arbitrary when it comes to layers and embellishments, but MacFarline has got it down.

As startups often have their quirks and memorable moments, MacFarline recalled her first sale.

"My first order was a special order from Indianapolis, Ind." she said. "It was a wedding themed box."

He wanted it just a few days after the order was placed, according to MacFarline.

The 2-inch "White Rose, Wedding Ring Box" is white and green, with a fresh, white paper rose. According to her Etsy site, it is proposed to replace its common alternative: "Ditch the black velvet box for this handmade creation."

"I never heard back from

him," MacFarline said, "but I imagine it got there in time."

You might be surprised to hear that, considering the time and details which go into each piece, this box only cost \$3.50, plus an additional \$1.50 for shipping.

"I keep to standard shipping, partly to keep costs down," MacFarline said.

The pieces are reasonably priced when you consider the work that each involves. The amount of time it takes to make each piece and the materials used dictate the price. Most of what MacFarline makes is by special order, though there are ready-made pieces available for sale as well.

"One of my friends moved to Hawaii. It was fun to ship something that far away," she said.

So, with Mothers' Day and graduation right around the corner, why not keep MacFarline in mind?

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Raw
from B1

tion, he wants to expose the parallels between the bourgeoisie of 19th century France and economic and political giants of our own time.

The play will be produced in the Pavillion Theater, located next to the library. The space allows for a much more intimate experience than Hauck Auditorium, which is host to the larger

and well-funded productions on campus.

Using this space to an advantage, the production will attempt to invade the audience's space and make them a little more uncomfortable than they are used to in a typical production.

"I'm hoping to draw audiences that don't normally see plays on campus," Livonius said.

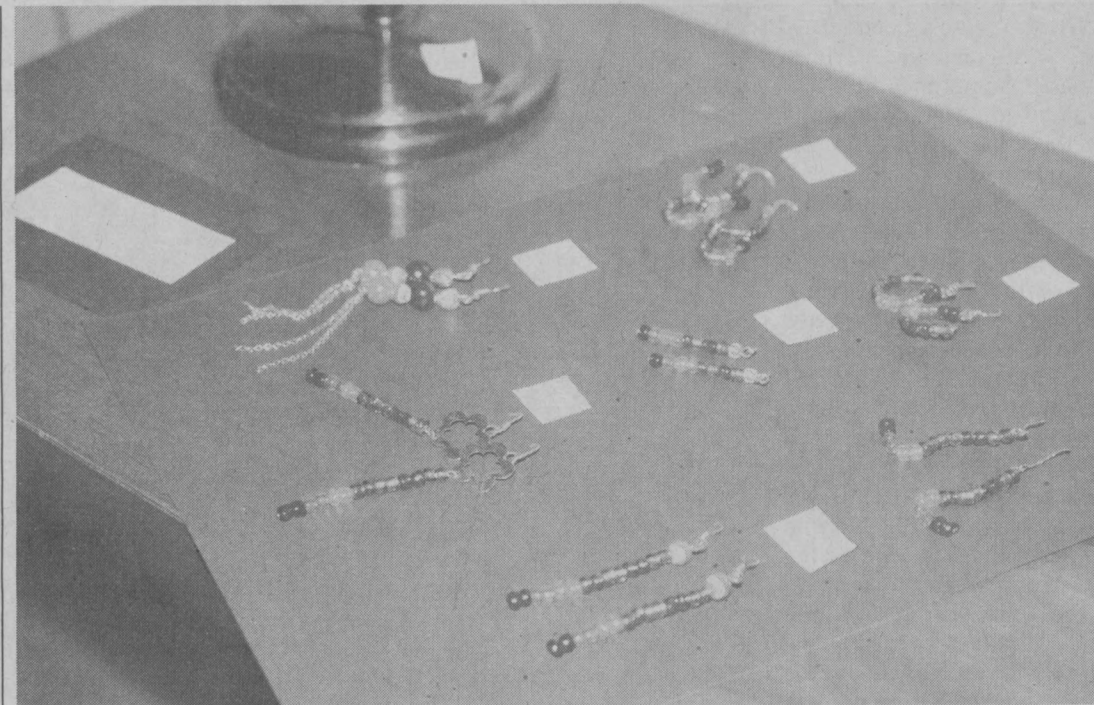
The production is part of THE 466: Stage Directing,

taught by department chair Tom Mikotowicz and offered every spring.

"Ubu Raw" will no doubt be an atypical production, which calls into question our own political and moral beliefs.

"Come one, come all with an open mind and be ready, not just to be offended, but to question why something is offensive," Livonius said.

"Ubu Raw" runs in the Pavillion Theater April 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. and April 17 at 2 p.m.



Amy Brooks • Photo Editor

The Verve held a GLBT Arts Show Tuesday night as part of the University of Maine's Pride Week. Students were able to perform and display their artwork. Brittany Lemay's rainbow-colored jewelry is pictured here.

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The best of the rest: Point guards

Jennings, Curry lead group of young signal-callers with bright careers ahead

Column



By Jesse Scardina

While 2010's MLB season was appropriately dubbed the year of the pitcher, for some reason ESPN has decided 2011 will be the year of the quarterback — even before we know if football will be played.

That's why I'm here: to correct that fallacy and rightfully name 2011 the year of the point guard.

While the certainty of NBA in the latter part of 2011 is as dicey as football, the past regular season, which took place mostly in 2011, showcased over half of the teams with potential all-star caliber point guards.

With that much talent, it may be difficult to figure out who is the best at the position in the midst of the biggest talent-boom across all sports landscapes.

That's where I come in. Starting with the select few who missed the cut, in the coming issues I will count down the top-10 quarterbacks of basketball in the game. The criteria for the rankings takes everything into account, from their play up to this season to how they blossomed this year and how much potential they have moving forward. The last one is the sticking point for me, as my primary focus is whom you'd want as your

point guard if you started a franchise right now.

The best of the rest

With that said, these six point guards have yet to grow into their own but show signs that their respective teams have no need looking for a playmaker for the next 10 years.

Headlined by second-year Milwaukee Buck Brandon Jennings, the rest include Golden State Warrior Stephen Curry, Philadelphia 76er Jrue Holliday, Denver Nugget Ty Lawson, Houston Rocket Kyle Lowry and Indiana Pacer Darren Collison.

Jennings leads this class because of his overall game as the most explosive scorer of this bunch — his 55-point total in his 12th NBA game is still fresh in my mind. After leading his team to the playoffs his first season with the help of All-Star center Andrew Bogut, the Bucks caught the wrong kind

Curry has yet to taste post-season experience but belongs to one of the most exciting and unorthodox backcourts in the NBA. Paired with super-scorer Monta Ellis, the Warriors are a threat to most teams on the offensive end, but when teamed with the also undersized Ellis, Curry's deficiencies become glaring with the scrawny 6-foot-3-inch guard.

Curry still remains the best shooter of this group, and with the exception of Phoenix Suns' Steve Nash, the best shooter amongst all point guards. Curry can also score with the best of them, dropping 30 points or more seven times this season, and 25 or more 15 times.

Curry, also along with Nash, is the only one with the touch to sniff the 50-40-90 club — the pinnacle for shooters. A quick rundown: 50-40-90 stands for at least 50 percent shooting from the floor, 40 percent from three and 90 percent

from the charity stripe. This season Curry finished at 48 percent from the floor, 44 percent from three and a league-leading 93 percent from the line.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, the Rockets' Lowry finally broke out this year, but for his defense, not shooting.

The Rockets put the keys into the hands of the 25-year-old when they traded last year's Most Improved Player, Aaron Brooks, to the Suns. Lowry grasped his opportunity with the Rockets, proving to be one of the best defending point guards in the league, possibly earning an All-Defensive Team nod this season.

Lowry put up career highs

across the board, averaging double-digit points for the first time at 13.5 and bumping his assist totals to just under seven per game. The more Lowry gets the opportunity to play, the better chance he'll have to help lead the Rockets back to the playoffs.

Unlike Lowry, who got exposure once another point guard was traded away, the Nuggets' Lawson has seen an improvement in his game since the arrival of fellow former Tar Heel, Raymond Felton. Since that trade, Lawson has posted eight games of at least 20 points, compared to only three prior to the trade.

Lawson saw a jump in every statistical category from his first year to his second, while still playing a reserves-amount of minutes. Once Lawson starts getting legitimate playing time, expect to see one of the fastest point guards develop even quicker.

Lastly, two former UCLA Bruins, Collison and Holliday, are each coming off their first, and most likely short, post-season experiences.

After a slow start for the Sixers, going 3-13, they were able to turn things around. Holliday was a vital part of that, highlighted by a 27-point performance in a win over the San Antonio Spurs, sparking a 9-2 run over their next 11 games.

Collison walked into a new situation this year after an offseason trade sent him from being Chris Paul's backup to a starting gig for Indiana. With only himself and rookie forward Paul George as newcomers, Collison helped bring the Pacers back to the playoffs for the first time since 2006.

The next installment will look at positions 10-6, which feature a couple of old horses trying to keep up.

Softball routs Husson Eagles

Allen's 3-run homer ends day for UM



Jesse Scardina • Sports Editor
Junior shortstop Jennifer Eberhardt picked up two RBIs in the 10-2 win over Husson University.

By Jesse Scardina
Sports Editor

For the second time in less than two weeks, the University of Maine softball team got the best of local rival Husson University, beating them 10-2 in six innings.

The win pushes the Black Bears to 16-22 for the season, while they sit at 6-3 in America East Conference.

Husson jumped out to a 1-0 lead after the first inning off a single by freshman pitcher Kelly Naegelin, scoring sophomore right fielder Courtney Hill.

The Black Bears took the lead in the third and didn't give it up. Freshman right fielder Dagmar Ralphs played the first runner with an RBI-double, followed by back-to-back hits by junior shortstop Jennifer Eberhardt and senior left fielder Kali Burnham.

After a scoreless third inning by both teams, the Black Bears added one more in the fourth on a double-steal attempt, scoring junior second baseman Brynne Davis.

The Eagles took that run back in the top of the fifth, but back-to-back three run innings closed the game out early for the Black Bears.

Senior designated hitter Meghan McLain led off the bottom of the fifth with her third home run of the season. Two more runs followed on four hits, highlighted by a second RBI-single by Eberhardt and one by junior second

baseman Margaret Hilton.

The game abruptly ended with one swing in the sixth, when senior first baseman Kirstin Allen launched a three-run home run, mercy-ruling the Eagles 10-2.

Freshman Kylie Sparks picked up the win for the Black Bears, going the first three innings then giving up a run on three hits. Junior Ashley Kelley went two innings, striking out four, while sophomore Beth Spoehr closed out the final inning, allowing no hits.

The Black Bears have three more games in their latest home stand with a weekend series with the University of Albany. The Great Danes sit at 14-18 and are

atop AEC at 5-1. Albany hasn't fared well away from home, going 2-9 away and 3-5 on neutral sites.

The Great Danes are led by senior infielder Gina Mason who is batting .378 with a team-leading three home runs and 17 RBIs.

Albany is also good at getting baserunners in position to score, stealing 51 bases — second in the conference to Boston University's 52.

The Black Bears counter that with only 17 stolen bases, but have three players batting over .300 in Burnham, Eberhardt and senior third baseman Terren Hall, who leads the team with seven home runs.

The three-game series starts with a doubleheader, beginning Saturday at 1 p.m.



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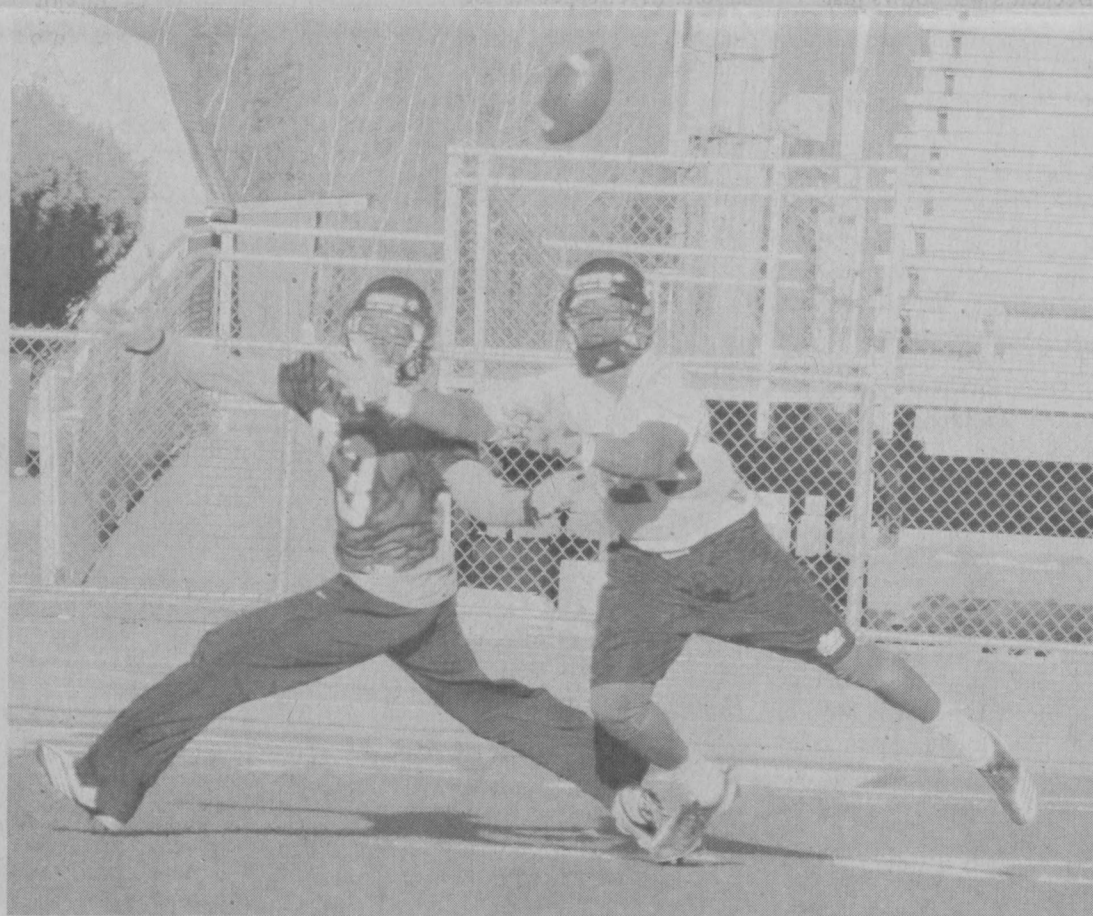
Joe Miller has been struggling with his control this season, appearing in only six games, giving up 23 runs on 22 hits.

"At times he's been struggling with command," Trimpier said. "Sometimes he has a high ball-to-strike ratio, while times he threw strikes he got hit pretty hard."

A player excelling on both sides of the diamond, freshman Fran Whitten leads the team with three home runs, while not allowing an earned run in five relief appearances.

"[Whitten] can swing the bat, play right field — we actually recruited him as a catcher. He's your typical Jack-of-all-trades. He's got a great arm, is a big kid and can drive the baseball. Being a freshman he has some quality tools that will make him a great ballplayer."

The series against the Hawks begins Saturday with a doubleheader, starting at noon.



Jesse Scardina • Sports Editor
Freshman wide receiver Derrick Johnson wrestles with freshman linebacker Troy Russell in University of Maine football spring practice.

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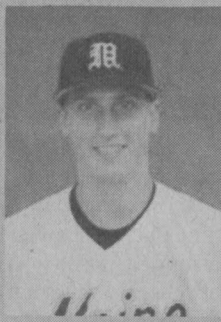
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Athletes of the Week



Keith Bilodeau — Baseball

Keith Bilodeau (Bourne, Mass. / Bourne) pitched a complete game in Maine's 7-3 win over Stony Brook on Sunday afternoon. He struck out five batters in the game en route to his team-leading third victory of the season. The complete game was the first of the season for Bilodeau.



Jennifer Eberhardt — Softball

Jennifer Eberhardt (Glendale, Ariz.) batted .625 over the weekend including a 3-for-3 day on Sunday with a walk and her first stolen base as a Black Bear. The junior shortstop drove in three runs and scored five of her own while drawing five walks in helping her to a .769 on-base percentage. Eberhardt also improved her hitting streak to five games.

Rings aside, Marino the best ever

Column



By Lucas Thomas

"The Brady 6" aired earlier this week. Absent from his fourth Super Bowl victory, the need to verbally fella Tom Brady came in the form of an ESPN documentary. I was mad and naturally I took to Facebook to express that resentment. My declaration that Dan Marino is the greatest quarterback to ever live was met with anticipated rebuttals from regional hearts who give their vote to New England's lock-flowing, model-impregnating golden boy. Allow me to state my case.

The debate over who is and who is not the G.O.A.T. can take many forms. There are essentially two camps in this debate: the side that values the accomplishments of the player through the context of team accomplishment, and the side that values individual excellence at the position. The former will mention the likes of Joe Montana, Brady and Troy Aikman. The latter will include names like Marino, Peyton Manning and Brett Favre.

The issue I've always had with arguing based on championship rings is it completely excludes 50 percent of the game of football. Unlike other major sports, football players

cannot control what happens on both sides of the ball.

So when Marino hangs 448 yards and six touchdowns on the New York Jets in a 45-51 loss, I tend to place the blame on the defensive players rather than the ridiculously productive quarterback.

In fact, not only does that argument neglect half of the game, it ignores arguably the most important half of the game. Twenty-nine of the 45 Super Bowl winners have finished with top-5 defenses in total scoring. Twenty-five of those 45 were teams that had top-3 defenses, and only five times in Super Bowl history has a team won with a defense that didn't finish in the top-

no other way to put it.

Conversely, Brady's championships have been aided by defenses that ranked sixth in 2001, first in 2003 and second in 2004. Football has always been the ultimate team sport. I'm sure there were many times in his career when Marino, fresh off an 85-yard touchdown drive, would have loved to go out and take his chances playing corner after seeing how abysmal his defenses consistently were.

So then it isn't fair to judge an individual based on the accomplishments of 53 other players and an entire coaching staff. I revert my argument back to the offensive side of the ball and look at pure ability

it's a spot foul and automatic first down. Back then Marino thrived in a passing system that actually challenged quarterbacks and wide receivers opposed to today's age of structured and systematic offensive inflation.

Defensive coordinators never worried about Miami's rushing attack, instead devoting that time to shutting down Marino in order to win, and they still couldn't — he finished his career second all time in career victories.

Unfortunate circumstances should not cloud a player's unquestioned greatness. I encourage everyone to get past the championship argument. It isn't logical, based on how the game of football works and is unfair to great players who have played but never won — are Jeff Hostetler, Mark Rypien and Jim McMahon better quarterbacks than Marino was just because they were on a Super Bowl caliber team?

When you evaluate playing the quarterback position, nobody did it better than Marino. He could put the football anywhere on the field with deep accuracy the game has yet to see again. Considering the deficiencies around him with defense and the running game, Marino's career accomplishments are only magnified and more impressive.

The fact of the matter is, if I could pick any player in NFL history to start a team — and I'm going with a quarterback with that pick — Marino is the guy I'm taking.

When evaluating quarterbacks, nobody did it better than Marino. Considering the deficiencies around him, Marino's accomplishments are only magnified and more impressive.

10 in the league. Ironically, the same people I hear argue against Marino are also quick to point out that "defense wins championships." In Marino's 17 professional seasons in Miami, he only had five top-10 defenses; the average defensive ranking of Dolphins defenses during the span of his career was 17th in the NFL. If you argue that Marino in any way prohibited his team from winning games and being successful, you are a moron. There's

playing the position. Upon his retirement, Marino had his name on every significant passing record in NFL history. A few important things to note: He played in an era when defensive backs were given much more freedom to play physically with wide receivers, and only once in 17 seasons did he ever receive the help of a 1,000-yard rusher.

Nowadays if a cornerback so much as breathes on a receiver after five yards,

produce victories. Just give it some time.

Prior to the epic 2004 season, the city of Boston was used to season after season of heartbreaks. Within the past decade, the team that took 86 years to win its sixth World Series also won a seventh and were heavy favorites to win this year before the season started. In retrospect to the

Red Sox from B6

the New York Yankees last weekend. Pitcher Josh Beckett was near-brilliant in the team's latest win, a 4-0 shutout on Sunday, allowing just two hits over eight innings with 10 strikeouts and no earned runs. Beckett's win shows just

The club knew they would have to step up last weekend against the Yankees, and they did. As long as they keep the right mindset, they are still capable of 100-plus wins.

how important pitching will be this season for Boston. If the Red Sox can find consistency within their rotation and bullpen, they'll be a lot better off, especially if they hope to have a chance in making the playoffs.

The lineup hasn't provided the production that was originally expected when the season began — highlighted mainly by newly acquired outfielder Carl Crawford who has gone hitless in as many games as his total number of hits on the season — a sad seven — and currently holds the team's worst batting average at .142 among hitters who have over 15 plate appearances. Regardless, the talent is still there, and like the NBA's Miami Heat have proved this season, talent will

will show up in the playoffs. If it's the team that controlled play and beat Montreal 7-0, they will go deep.

One certainty with this series, given all of the drama and mutual dislike between the two teams during the regular season, is that it will be the most exciting series of the playoffs.

If Sidney Crosby returns and is healthy, the Pens are the best team in the East.

Without Evgeni Malkin and Crosby for a large chunk of the season, the Penguins still rattled off 106 points. All reports indicate that Crosby will most likely play at some point in the first round. If the Pens put together the season they had without Malkin and Crosby, I find it hard to believe they wouldn't be better with Crosby's return to the lineup.

Will the Bruins choke in the playoffs like they do, well, just about every season?

I'm sure I don't have to remind all of the Bruins fans out there how the Bruins' season ended last year, but as a die-hard Canadiens fan I feel the need to remind all of you that the Bruins blew up against the Flyers last year in true 2004 New York Yankees fashion.

Or how about the previous season when the Bruins,

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les Kings suggests that the Ducks will hang around for at least the second round.

Pittsburgh is too dangerous to take lightly.

This one is simple and won't require me to say much.

The Penguins had the third-highest point total in the Eastern Conference — posting three more wins than the third place Bruins they're behind — simply because divisional winners get the top three seeds.

who were the No. 1 seed, fell apart to the No. 6 Carolina Hurricanes? I could go on but that would be mean.

My point is this: The Bruins have been one of the toughest teams in the East this season — I won't try to deny it. However, the Bruins have not traditionally fared well in the playoffs, and they were 2-4 against Montreal during the regular season.

The Bruins humiliated the Canadiens in their final matchups though, which poses the question of which team

American has a shot at Boston Marathon

By Liam Nee
For The Maine Campus

Twenty-eight year old Ryan Hall was just 6 months old when American distance runner Grey Meyer won the 1983 Boston Marathon.

Next Monday — Marathon Monday — Hall will try to end the streak that hasn't seen an American win the world's oldest annual running marathon since Meyer. For such an American race that is run in one of the country's oldest cities, it's been too long of a drought for an American to not wear the laurel wreath.

A brief history of the Boston Marathon: Established in 1897, the Boston Marathon is the world's oldest annual marathon and is one of five World Marathon Majors, including Berlin, Chicago, London and New York City.

The event averages around 20,000 runners annually and reached a high during the 100th running, when 38,000 people participated.

Hall is the current U.S. record holder in the half-marathon and was the first American ever to break the one-hour barrier in the event. At the Olympic level, Hall placed 10th in 2008 Beijing Games men's marathon, one spot behind fellow American distance runner Dathan Ritzenhein, to round out the only

two Americans who finished in the top 20.

With the Boston Marathon drawing a much lesser group of elite runners than the Olympics, Hall was able to finish third in the 2009 race, just 58 seconds shy of winning.

The truth is the Stanford University alumus has a great chance at winning, but it won't be an easy road. In 2010, Hall dropped down to a fourth-place finish at the Boston Marathon, which is the wrong way the phenom needs to go if he wants to think about winning Monday.

Just to make matters worse, the Boston Marathon's course record was broken after 22-year-old Robert Kiprono Cheruiyot completed the course in 2 hours, 5 minutes and fifty-two seconds. Cheruiyot will be back and hungry for only his career's sixth official marathon.

The 115th Running of the Boston Marathon will begin in Hopkinton, Mass., at noon. Hall will have to run the race of his life, but I believe the American will do it.

He has experience, at the collegiate, professional and Olympic levels, and with his half-marathon time being under one hour, there's no question he has what it takes to take down the Boston Marathon's course record holder en route to his own personal record.

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Regardless of rings Marino is best ever

Lack of Super Bowls should not cost Dolphin great

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Star guard McLemore eyes senior season

Sharp-shooting San Diego native looks to make offseason adjustments to improve UMaine b-ball

By Jesse Scardina
 Sports Editor

Down three, under 10 seconds remaining in the season.

Junior guard Gerald McLemore, the team's leader in three-point field goals the last two seasons, had the ball in his hands.

He missed. And just like that, the University of Maine men's basketball season was over.

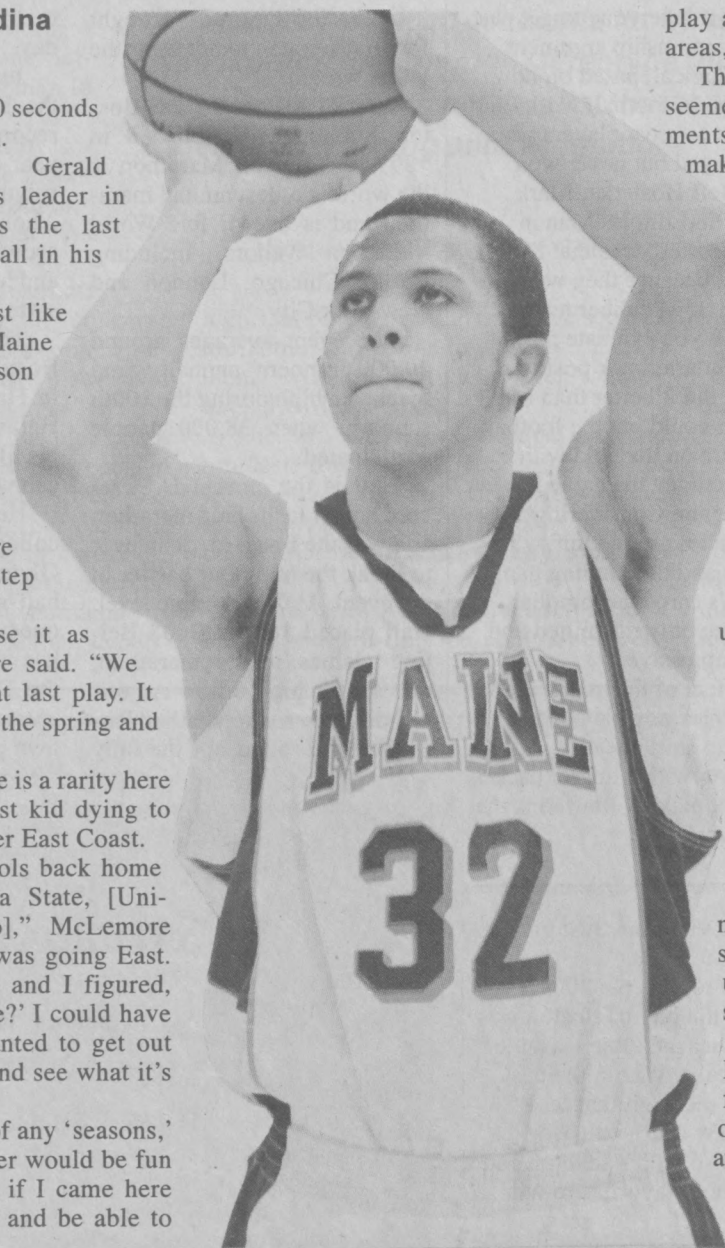
The shot is still lingering in the second-team All-America East member's mind, and will remain there until McLemore can step onto the court again.

"As players, we use it as motivation," McLemore said. "We always think about that last play. It keeps us motivated for the spring and keeps us on edge."

The San Diego native is a rarity here in Maine: A West Coast kid dying to come to the much colder East Coast.

"I had a lot of schools back home interested: Santa Clara State, [University of San Diego]," McLemore said. "My main thing was going East. [UMaine] came about, and I figured, 'what better place to be?' I could have stayed home, but I wanted to get out and meet new people and see what it's like."

"I was never a part of any 'seasons,' so something like winter would be fun for four years. I knew if I came here it would be a good fit and be able to



play and enjoy myself. I like low-key areas," he said.

The adjustment to the weather seemed easy when compared to adjustments McLemore has been forced to make to his game over the past year.

After finishing second nationally in three-pointers with 102 as a sophomore, along with a first team All-AEC selection, McLemore no longer snuck up on opponents.

"After my sophomore year, teams started keying in on me more, different defensive schemes," McLemore said. "I had to find an adjustment period. I worked on getting to the free-throw line more, bumped that percentage up and defensively, I stepped it up."

Primarily a shooter, McLemore adjusted his game to tailor not only the team's needs, but also his own.

"I want to expand on my game and get to the free throw line, definitely want to work on my mid-range game and start to push the ball up the court myself," he said.

Even though McLemore finished fourth on the team in free-throw attempts last season, there's more work to do this offseason, especially when McLemore will re-

turn as the unquestioned leader of the team.

"I'm trying to take it day-by-day," McLemore said. "We have a lot of leaders on the team. I feel it starts in the pre-season workouts. I'm not a big verbal guy. I lead by example."

During the summers, McLemore goes back to California to hone his game, often calling on his cousin — Phoenix Suns forward Jared Dudley — for a hand.

"We talk. He always says, 'No matter what it is just keep your head going,'" McLemore said. "People get stuck on statistics and accolades and he was always an underrated player."

Hoping to follow in his cousin's footsteps, McLemore would like to continue his basketball career after his time at UMaine concludes, but the 6-foot-3-inch soon-to-be-senior, majoring in communication with a child development minor, is keeping his options open.

"I'd love to keep playing," McLemore said. "But if that doesn't work out, then there's other plans, but I'm going to sit down with my family this summer and talk about it."

But before that decision has to be made, McLemore has one thought in mind.

His senior season.

File photo

Sox face uphill battle

Column

Boston, we have a problem.

Yes, there are still 151 games remaining in the 2011 MLB season, but in a matter of two weeks, the Boston Red Sox went from being this year's

"team to beat" to the league's worst, buried now deep inside the depths of the cool, damp basement of the AL East at 2-9. It's not like the club is tied for last in the league; they are last — dead last. This recent losing streak in Boston's box score has surely been an odd sight, especially after the Red Sox received praise after praise for their extremely successful offseason, with higher expectations than ever before. With another loss the 2011 Red Sox would officially have the worst start in franchise history.

This season's one instance of reassurance came in Boston's two wins — a pair of home victories over rival

See Red Sox on B5



By Liam Nee

5 top storylines for NHL playoffs

Column

There isn't a postseason in any other sport which compares to the excitement and drama of the Stanley Cup Finals.

By Matthew Soucy

Yeah, I said it. I am not just saying it to draw a reaction and keep people reading beyond the third paragraph — I believe it. April means that 16 NHL teams have punched a ticket to chase the most prestigious of all trophies: the Stanley Cup.

Here are the top five storylines heading into the playoffs, in random order.

Can the Canucks beat the odds?

It would be really easy for me to start with the Vancouver Canucks and the Chicago Blackhawks and, as I'm in no way an overachiever looking to blow you away by going the extra mile, that is exactly what I'm going to do.

The Vancouver Canucks cruised through the regular season and piled up 117 points on their way to winning the Presidents' Cup — awarded to the team with the best record in the NHL.

Chicago, on the other hand, made it into the playoffs by the grace of the Minnesota Wild beating the Dallas Stars on Sunday.

Since 2003, only one team has earned the Presidents' Cup and moved on to play in the Stanley Cup finals. The 2008 Red Wings went on to win the cup, but the other six teams combined for a 33-32 record. On top of that, Chicago had Vancouver's number in the playoffs the last two

postseasons, knocking them out with 4-2 series wins. The Blackhawks outscored the Canucks 24-8 in the third period of both series combined and posted a 5-1 record on Vancouver's home ice.

Can the Capitals and Ovie pull it together in the playoffs?

The Eastern Conference No. 1 seed Washington Capitals must prove they can shake off the ghosts of past playoff disappointments against a pesky New York Rangers team. Last year the No. 1 seeded Caps fell early to the No. 8 Montreal Canadiens.

Not to mention the struggles that one of the NHL's best players, Alex Ovechkin, has in the big games. He disappeared for the Caps in the playoffs as well as the Russian National team during the Winter Olympics and has just never seemed to get it together during the NHL playoffs.

The Caps have a different look this year and their commitment to defense has made them a team that wins the close games and doesn't leave their defense exposed to counterattacks.

Even Ovechkin, who is one of the most offensive-minded players in the game, has sacrificed stats for solid defense and wins. The question is whether he can hold up in the playoffs, unlike previous seasons.

Forget Detroit and San Jose — the Ducks are second-best in the West.

Last month, I praised the Ducks as the dark horse team to win the Stanley Cup. At the time, the Ducks were the No. 7 and had just pushed their way back into the playoff scene.

The Ducks' push never

See NHL on B5

UM baseball to face Hartford

Black Bears hit the road for last time before first homestand of season

By Jesse Scardina
 Sports Editor

Although you may not realize it — probably because they have yet to play in Orono — the University of Maine baseball season is already through midseason.

Sitting at 10-19, their record doesn't mean much, especially with the real season — America East Conference play — just getting started.

Although they dropped three of four over the weekend to their first conference opponent, Stony Brook University, the Black Bears have the mindset that they're going to return to Mahaney Diamond on April 19 with a three-game winning streak, courtesy of the University of Hartford.

"I'm going into this weekend saying we're going to take three," senior first baseman Joey Martin said. "That's my mentality. With a team like Hartford, we just need to play well. Even though I expect to win three, you can't take anything for granted — every game's a battle."

"It's been a weird season," head coach Steve Trimper said. "We obviously look at the conference seasons as the



File photo

Senior first baseman Joey Martin and the Black Bears look to take three games from the University of Hartford this weekend.

over .300 and no pitcher with more than one victory.

The Black Bears should be able to get on base, and if they do, there's a good chance they will move into scoring position. The Black Bears have successfully stolen 30 bases on 36 tries, the best percentage in AEC.

A good amount of that speed comes from two of the captains, Martin and junior center fielder Taylor Lewis.

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Joey Martin
 Senior first baseman
 UMaine baseball

major part of our season. I think in our non-conference games we're a team that has a lot of talent but a lot of young guys [as well]. We've got to make sure our young guys play more like veterans."

The match-up with Hartford is one that should greatly favor the Black Bears, as the lowly Hawks sit at 2-23-1, with only one regular batting

Martin is six-for-eight for stolen bases, while Lewis is 10-12 in swipes.

While Lewis has continued to excel at the plate, leading the team with a .319 batting average, Martin has struggled to maintain consistency, batting .275 thus far.

"I'm pretty disappointed with myself. It's been an up-and-down year," Martin said.

"One week I'll feel great and the next it won't be there. I don't think it's my approach, I think it's something mechanical — something in my swing."

Still, Martin has risen to the occasion when needed, sitting second on the team with 17 RBIs.

Lewis cited consistency with the team as the primary issue moving forward, especially with the young talent the Black Bears have.

"It's been the storyline where one part of our game's working well but we don't have the other parts," Lewis said. "We need to stop talking about it and start doing it."

"We've had private discussions, talking with [freshmen]. Once again we're young and they needed to go through their learning experiences — you can't rush that. I think it's going to be one game where it all clicks for us, everyone figures out their role and what they need to do," he added.

On the mound, the Black Bears sit in the middle of the

conference with a 6.11 team earned run average. Freshman Shaun Coughlin is currently sixth in AEC with a 3.21 ERA, on primarily in relief.

"I think we're very confident in our pitchers," Trimper said. "I think our downfall has been the amount of walks we've given up. We have some good arms, guys who can strike guys out, but we've given up way to many walks and it has cost us some wins. Down the stretch we need to cut down our walks and we'll put ourselves in a much better position to win games."

As for starters, junior Keith Bilodeau leads the way with a 3-2 record and 4.32 ERA. Bilodeau picked up the last Black Bears win, a 7-3 victory over Stony Brook, where he went all seven innings, allowing three runs on nine hits with five strikeouts.

On the other end of the spectrum, senior co-captain

See Hawks on B4

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