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Anti-abortion group angers with images

Genocide Awareness Project promotes pro-life with 'shock value' posters on mall, traveling truck covered with similar photos



Paul Perkins • Photojournalist

Darius Hardwick (left) and Joseph Marquis, a second-year nontraditional student, exchange words in a heated discussion on the University of Maine mall.

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Alesha Coffin @lesh709
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Kat Ray @yeahtoast1367
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More GAP photos • A3

By Beth Kevit and Paul Perkins
MEC Staff

The Genocide Awareness Project, a photo exhibit organized by the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform, set up a display on the University of Maine mall early Monday morning, coming back to campus for much of Tuesday.

The display, which was arranged in front of Stevens Hall, included large-scale, graphic photos depicting the purported effects of abortion, as well as images of genocide and the Holocaust, surrounded by a fence.

The group likened abortion to genocide in what some students referred to as a “shock value” campaign.

Frank Diorio, a GAP member, was one of the speakers at the demonstration.

“It’s America’s Holocaust: 4,000 babies a day get butchered. ... It’s the crucial issue of our time,” Diorio said.

Howard Segal, a UMaine history professor who talked at length with Diorio, said he wasn’t impressed with the group’s efforts.

“Most people are not in favor of abortion, but what’s always paradoxical is the huge number of people who are against abortion but seem to lose any interest in the welfare of the mother and the baby if and when the baby is born,” Segal said.

Darius Hardwick, the center’s Midwest regional director, engaged students in discussion in the late morning, leaving them with varied emotions.

“It is not your body. I reject that assumption ... it is inside your body ... you have a baby inside you ... you’re not allowed to kill that baby,” Hardwick said on Monday as he argued with students, a statement that set the tone for the day.

“[A fetus is] a human being. ... The question is, are we going to grant [them] rights?” he said later as he stood on a small stool to be heard above the crowd. “We have killed more babies in America than Hitler did.”

Amanda Rivers, a second-year social work student, saw the display when she walked out of a morning class.

“I’m so glad that they’re here,” she said.

Rivers said she always knew she was pro-life but didn’t understand the extent of her commitment to that mindset until she saw the photos, which she described as “graphic.”

“I came out of class and just did the walk around and honestly started crying,” she said.

Her views on abortion were cemented after she spoke with a GAP protester, and she said she doesn’t believe there are any circumstances in which abortion is a moral decision. She now describes herself as firmly anti-abortion.

“I am now. One-hundred percent,” she said.

She said she understands why students gathered around Hardwick to argue with him.

“These people, hell yeah they’re pissed off. ... They’re pissed off that they’re forced to realize this is real,” Rivers said. “They’re going to scream and they’re going to go off, but you can’t take it personally.”

But Rivers seemed to be in the minority, as students continued

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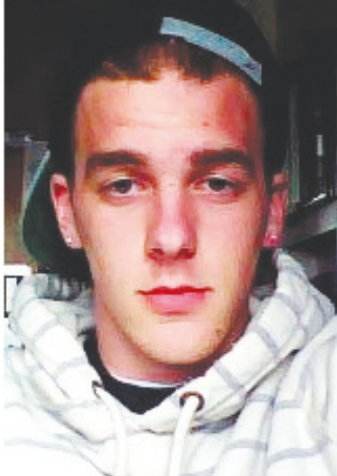
UM student dies in single-car crash on Rt. 2

Police say high speed rate caused early-morning Old Town accident

UMaine is offering support to campus community members affected by Dodge's death.

The UMaine Counseling Center is available to speak with students and may be reached at 581-1392.

The Employee Assistance Program is available to speak with faculty and staff members at 581-4014.



Dodge

By Beth Kevit
News Editor

A University of Maine sophomore died early Tuesday morning after a high-speed car crash on Main Street, also known as Route 2, in Old Town.

Timothy James “TJ” Dodge Jr., 19, of Rockland, was a second-year psychology student residing in Kennebec Hall. Old Town police Capt. Kyle Smart said the accident, located approximately half a mile north of the town line, was reported at 5:15 a.m.

Smart said there is no indication Dodge’s death was a suicide

in response to rumors circulating regarding the nature of the crash.


“He was traveling north on Main Street at what we believe was a high rate of speed, left the right side of the road and struck a tree,” Smart said.

Dodge is believed to have died on impact. The Old Town stretch of Route 2 up to the Regency Trailer Park was blocked to traffic until about 10:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Pam Dodge, TJ’s mother, remembered her son’s love of sports and theater, saying he had won “99 million awards for that stuff.”

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DEP head can't quell ire over landfill



Haley Johnston • Photo Editor

Ralph Coffman of Old Town voices his objections to comments made by Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Patricia Aho during a public meeting on Wednesday. The meeting was held to address the community's growing concerns over the expansion of the Juniper Ridge Landfill, located on the Old Town-Alton town line.

By Jamison Cocklin
For The Maine Campus

The state’s chief environmental protection officer did little at a public meeting on Wednesday night to allay escalating concerns surrounding the state-owned Juniper Ridge landfill, which straddles the Old Town-Alton town line.

Maine Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Patricia Aho was on hand at the request of the Juniper Ridge Landfill Advisory Committee to give an overview of the DEP’s public benefit determination, a decision made by the department in January that approved a partial expansion of the landfill, which is operated by Vermont-based Casella Waste Systems, Inc.

She also came to Old Town in order to address public and municipal concerns surrounding the bill, L.D. 1911, a recently proposed piece of legislation that proposed passing ownership of the state-owned landfill to Casella.

Unfortunately for the 20 or so residents who chose to attend the meeting, Aho declined to answer

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Senator has path to student presidency

By Brittany Toth
Local Editor

The University of Maine Student Government General Student Senate filled the president pro tempore position during its meeting on Tuesday, leaving a senator in line for the student body presidency at this academic year’s end.

Sen. Chris Protzmann, a third-year new media student, was voted to fill the position, beating out Sen. Mark Brunton, a nontraditional student pursuing a double major in political science and sociology.

Assuming he holds his position as president pro tempore, Protzmann will become the student body president in the fall until regular elections are held. Current President Anthony Ortiz will graduate in May.

“I want to see this opportunity as not just a place to have someone fill out Ortiz’s term, [but] as a new opportunity for a new exec board to bring fresh, new ideas to Student Government,” Protzmann said.

As president, Protzmann said he plans to look at how Student Government affects the university as a whole. He wants to re-brand Student Government and have more outreach toward students and faculty.

“One of the things I want to do is work more closely with administration, Residence Life [and] Auxiliary Services [to]



Chris Protzmann
General Student Senate
President Pro Tempore

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Mixed feelings abound in rise of e-textbooks

By Lauren Abbate
For The Maine Campus

The popularity of e-books has been rising in recent months.

According to a Pew Internet and American Life Project Survey, between December 2011 and February 2012, the number of Americans reading e-books increased from 17 percent to 21 percent of the population.

The increasing prevalence of e-books is reflected in the use of electronic textbooks on college campuses, resulting in mixed feelings between professors and students.

Currently, it is left up to a professor's discretion whether or not e-textbooks are used in the class. Many professors already use online programs including Aplia, a service that offers instant grades on assignments; Blackboard, which allows students to post assignments and professors to post reading material in a central location; and MyMathLab, which provides online learning programs for math courses.

Still, in college bookstores nationwide, e-textbooks ac-

count for approximately 2 percent of inventory, according to Richard Young, auxiliary director of the University Bookstore.

The bookstore at the University of Maine is in line with this figure with an inventory of 1 percent. Yet Young says the bookstore is embracing this digital trend.

"If there is a textbook that has a digital option, we offer it to the professor," Young said.

Political science professor Richard Powell uses the online education program Aplia in his American government class. Aplia gives Powell's students automatic access to an online version of the textbook once the program is purchased.

"I would love to use online books ... the e-books that are being put out right now are really good," Powell said. "With [e-books] you have links to video and audio and other resources embedded in the text."

It's this diversity of content that keeps Young excited about e-textbooks.

"Digital textbooks are al-

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Sergio Afonso • Staff Photographer
Tyrus Steinman and Peter Colesworthy, both third-year University of Maine students, read a book off a Kindle Fire.

Raising the Flag



Christie Edwards • Staff Photographer
University of Maine Dean of Students Robert Dana, Bex Hickman, and Wilde Stein president Evan McDuff (right) raise the pride flag to kick off the start of UMaine's LGBTQ Pride Week on Monday. **Full story online at mainecampus.com.**

OHS could house more int'l students at UM

By Anne Chase
For The Maine Campus

Orono High School will continue housing international students on the University of Maine campus next year.

There are currently 18 international students attending OHS, nine of whom live on campus. Next year OHS may welcome 15 to 20 students from around the world.

Nine students from the Hunan Province in China are now housed in one wing of Somerset Hall. OHS Principal Jim Chasse said that when the program was smaller, exchange students lived with host families. He said finding host families is "fairly challenging in a small town."

Chemical-free Gannett Hall was considered to house the students, but the number of students involved in the program

did not justify reserving an entire wing.

"It doesn't make sense since they haven't reached that capacity yet," said UMaine Senior Associate Dean Kenda Scheele.

All international students from OHS have a host family with whom they stay during weekends and vacations.

"One thing we have to overcome is the academic schedule," Chasse said.

The academic break schedule for the university varies from that of the state's public schools. Most dorm buildings close during winter and spring breaks, creating a challenge for the international students because their classes are still in session.

OHS international coordinator Mackenzie Grobmeyer, a UMaine alumna, has been in-

strumental in the program. She lives in Somerset Hall with students and coordinates programs for them.

"She's been great," Chasse said. "She's sort of a residential director. That's been key to the program."

There are no restrictions on which campus activities the students are allowed to attend, unless there is an age limitation on the event.

"Any activity on campus that is free to students is free to them," Scheele said.

However, according to Scheele, the students tend to "be more involved with activities at the high school."

So far, Chasse said there have been no issues with the high school students living on campus.

"It's been a spectacular year. They've integrated into activi-

ties on campus, and they are very well-behaved," Chasse said.

If any issues were to arise, the students would be subject to the university's student conduct code.

One of the program's goals is to bring additional culture to the community and the school. "Compared to when I graduated high school, our students are going into a much more global economy," Chasse said.

OHS has been talking with schools in Chile, Spain and Russia about the possibility of becoming sister schools. If the program continues to grow, Chasse would like to send OHS students to their sister school in the Hunan Province and others as they expand.

"The ultimate plan is to have many countries on campus," Chasse said.

'Bond of brotherhood' key to restoring fraternities' reputation

By Chris Chase
State Editor

Though Sigma Nu's recently announced five-year suspension has gained attention, it isn't the first time a University of Maine fraternity has faced trouble.

Leaders of other fraternities that have fallen on hard times in the past two years say maintaining the bond of brotherhood is key to successfully restoring a chapter's reputation.

Sigma Nu's suspension came after an investigation into an incident where University of Maine police found two underage girls, ages 17 and 18 from Winslow, intoxicated at the house on March 18. The girls were evaluated by Orono and Old Town paramedics, then transported to Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor for treatment. The fraternity was also suspended in 2003 after violating university policy.

They're the second UMaine fraternity to be uprooted this academic year.

In September 2011, Pi Kappa Alpha, known on campus as PIKE, faced its own set of problems with code violations at its College Avenue house. Brothers were forced to move out while the house underwent repairs. They moved back by November.

"It's a huge adjustment," said PIKE President John Armstrong. "It's a tough situation for any fraternity when you lose that core area."

Armstrong said one of the biggest challenges was keeping the fraternity together and finding a common meeting place to replace the one they had. Luckily for them, some of the brothers managed to get an interim house for the period when they had lost their own.

"Although we couldn't all live in one house, it was still our house," Armstrong said.

The fate of the PIKE house was complicated for a long time. "With our situation, we bat-

tled several ups and downs," Armstrong said, adding that the fraternity frequently was close to having the building meet code, only to be told it would still be awhile longer.

The adversity only brought fraternity brothers closer together, according to Armstrong.

"We were put in a position where we could have easily failed," he said. "When we finally got the OK from code [enforcement], it was an amazing, amazing feeling."

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President
PIKE

And in April 2010, UMaine's chapter of fraternity Sigma Chi was placed on disciplinary probation for more than a year after Joshua Gilmore, then a second-year economics student, went missing for eight hours along the banks of the Stillwater River in Orono after a fraternity initiation activity that was later labeled as hazing by the university.

Sigma Chi leadership said they faced their problems by maintaining communication with the campus community about what had happened in the face of media coverage and rumors circulating campus.

"The fraternity was completely honest about the incident and tried to correct any misinformation that people, including the media, had received," Brian

McCarthy, president of Sigma Chi, wrote in an email. "We foresaw that rumors would come up about what happened, but we knew that rumors are just that: rumors."

After the incident, McCarthy wrote that the fraternity to make sure a similar situation couldn't happen again.

"We examined and refined our operations to find any 'gaps' and filled them in as best as we could," McCarthy wrote. "Also, brothers made a presentation to the Inter-Fraternity Council explaining what happened, and what they could do to not get caught up in the same type of situation."

Mary Madden, a UMaine professor and a researcher for the National Collaborative for Hazing Research and Prevention, said a lot of the issues that come up for fraternities, such as underage drinking, are not isolated to fraternities alone.

"It's not only fraternities and sororities," Madden said. "Any time you get a group of people and you introduce alcohol, you can get poor decision-making."

Madden feels many times a partial cause of problems for Greek Life is its status as a well-known student organization.

"It's more visible oftentimes if it happens in a fraternity or a sorority," she said.

Other areas often feature underage drinking but don't get the attention fraternities do, Madden said.

"You could probably find a party with underage drinking at a private residence on most nights during the week," she said.

Madden attributes a lot of the incidents, both inside and outside fraternities, to the college environment and the natural process many students go through when growing up.

"College is the first time a lot of students have freedom," Madden said. "Students are going to make poor choices and hopefully learn from them."

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ued to cluster around Hardwick at a corner of the display and seemed more agitated and offended by his presence.

Paige Pendarvis, a second-year nursing student, also did not know GAP would be on campus. She was one of the students engaging Hardwick in conversation, saying a woman's right to make choices regarding her own body is paramount.

Pendarvis didn't describe herself as either pro-life or pro-choice, saying instead that she believes a decision should not be forced on a woman in any situation.

"I'm personally not saying that it's one way or another, but each woman gets freedom of choice over her own body," she said. "It's not in accordance with what this country stands for, that a woman doesn't have a choice."

Caleb Rosser, a fourth-year political science student and student body vice president, said GAP's methods were crude.

"While I understand the importance of free speech, I feel like there are more civil ways to go about expressing an ideology position," Rosser said. "I acknowledge their right to free speech ... but there are other ways to debate issues civilly."

At one point, Hardwick likened abortion to slavery in an attempt to prove his idea that one human being has no superiority over another.

"It is not my civil right to own a black man and I can't kill a black man because he's black," Hardwick said.

"Yeah, but you don't have a black man inside your body, do you?" asked Jason Harris, a third-year political science student, drawing laughter from a number of surrounding students.

Former University of Maine student James Fields said many of GAP's image choices were confusing.

"In particular, the pictures of black men hanging from trees and concentration [camp] victims are not only emotionally provocative ... but completely irrelevant," Fields said.

Approximately 100 feet away, Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students Robert Dana stood with Senior Associate Dean Kenda Scheele for Monday's flag raising that marked the official start of UMaine's Pride Week.

"I came out to raise the pride flag," Dana said. "We've heard from a good handful of students who are concerned and upset and feel confronted by the situation."

"We've had a long history of anti-abortion protesters on campus," he continued. "This is a bigger display than we've seen before. ... It's always jarring."

At least one person felt so confronted that a harassment complaint was filed with the University of Maine Police Department. At about 11:56 a.m., UMPD Sgt. Robert Norman arrived to take down Hardwick's information in order to follow up on that complaint.

"We've had no problem at all," Norman said. "This [the protest] was already cleared through the University of Maine."

According to university policies, an event likely to draw more than 200 people at one time needs to fill out an event management form. In an email, Dana wrote

that GAP did not have to fill out this form. He wrote that GAP had received prior permission to be on campus and was sponsored by the student group Life Support.

Calvin Mako, president of Life Support, did not want to comment before the group met as a whole. The meeting was scheduled to occur after press time.

Leslie Sneddon of Richmond, the center's Northeast regional director, confirmed that GAP was hosted by Life Support.

"We want to show you the humanity of the child and the inhumanity of abortion," Sneddon said. "Words alone cannot convey the evil that abortion is."

Sneddon said she hopes women who are in their late teens and early 20s would take the message to heart since college students make up a significant percentage of those who opt to have abortions.

"I'm here because I've had four abortions. ... I know that I've been forgiven [after becoming religious]," Sneddon continued. "I just want to let other women know that it's not just a 5- to 7-minute operation. It's with you for the rest of your life."

On Tuesday morning, a group of students formed a human chain around the display and in front of Roy Spears, a GAP member from Arizona, who was speaking to passersby. Alesha Coffin, a member of the line, repeatedly told others that the people in the line were not there due to pro-life or pro-choice sentiment but because they took issue with the arrangement of the display.

According to police records, UMPD received four reports of harassment and one report of disorderly conduct regarding the display on Monday. UMPD also received a report of trespassing from the GAP members after a male spectator went behind the fence that blocks access to the photo display.

UMPD received four calls related to the display on Tuesday. One was a report of disorderly conduct, and another was an unfounded complaint of erratic vehicle operation in which the complainant said GAP's large van cut him or her off while driving. The other two were information calls, meaning the caller did not file a formal complaint. One of the two information calls was to inform UMPD of a bare-breasted woman on the mall.

"One of the females took her top off and was saying something," said UMPD Detective Keith Mercier.

Mercier said no charges will be filed as the result of any of the 10 complaints related to the display.

"Pretty much everything was unfounded," he said.

GAP visited the University of Southern Maine on Wednesday and Thursday. Students there planned a carnival to offer a distracting activity for those hoping to avoid the display.

"We want to give people something else to do," Timothy Zabihaylo, a USM senior history student and an organizer of the carnival, told The Free Press, USM's student newspaper. "They want us to get riled up, break the law so they can sue the college. But we're not going to rise to their bait."

USM police officer Jeffrey Soper told The Free Press that no "significant incidents" related to the display had been reported as of noon on Wednesday.

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Robert Dana
Dean of Students
University of Maine



Paul Perkins • Photojournalist

Top: Darius Hardwick shouts to University of Maine students as they pass in front of graphic images. Hardwick, Midwest regional director for the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform, the group that created the Genocide Awareness Project, attempted to engage students in discussion. GAP was on campus April 9 and 10.

Left: Jason Harris, a third-year political science student, engages in a debate with members of the Genocide Awareness Project on the University of Maine mall.

Below left: Caleb Rosser, student body vice president and a fourth-year political science student, stops to look at a number of graphic images displayed by the Genocide Awareness Project on the University of Maine mall.

Below right: UMaine students gather for a LGBTQ pride flag raising to mark the beginning of Pride Week. Approximately 100 feet away, the Genocide Awareness Project displayed graphic images to represent aborted fetuses. The events were unrelated.

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any specific questions regarding the public benefit determination, citing a pending appeal on the issue that goes before the Board of Environmental Protection on May 3.

“I cannot speak to the nature of those questions at this time, due to the pending appeals that currently stand before the state,” Aho said.

To this, Aho was accused by residents of “front-loading” her appearance before the committee.

Most in attendance deemed the meeting a disappointment by claiming the information Aho shared was nothing new.

“She denied my questions, she denied the facts, and she chose to answer others’ questions and not my own,” said Paul McCarrier, of Stockton Springs, as he stood before committee members pleading with them to take further action in the matter. “She lied to you people and she lied to this entire room.”

But for Aho, who made her first appearance before the com-

mittee since she took her current post as the DEP commissioner in Feb. 2011, the meeting was an opportunity for her to get caught up on the public sentiment surrounding the landfill debate.

“These meetings are about the continuing efforts that need to be made to ensure Maine’s solid waste management policies are consistent,” Aho said early on in the meeting. “And it is important to maintain a dialogue aimed at addressing these issues and making sure that if there is a change in ownership, all the necessary steps will be taken and all the reviews will be made.”

Advisory committee member Ted Shina said an invitation was extended to Aho with the hope that a new conduit would open for addressing his committee’s grievances with the state.

The Juniper Landfill Advisory Committee was established in 2004 by the state legislature to act as a liaison between the public and the parties involved with the facility’s operation, but its members have repeatedly cited how powerless and ineffectual it is in

dealing with both Casella and the state.

Wednesday’s meeting was largely a recap of some of the broader issues confronting the landfill’s opponents and what they contend is the state’s inability to properly address them.

On April 9, both the house and the senate postponed a vote on L.D. 1911, sponsored by Sen. Barry Hobbins, D-Saco.

The bill was tabled after lawmakers disagreed over the finer points of the plan. Some legislators claimed there simply was not enough time left in the legislative session, which adjourns on April 18, to work out the complexities of such a hotly contested issue. Rep. Bob Duchesne, D-Hudson, told the Bangor Daily News earlier this week that the bill is “dead.”

The legislation would have authorized the executive branch to negotiate the terms of a transfer in ownership in addition to terminating the operational agreement between Casella and the state.

L.D. 1911 will now have to be redrafted and resubmitted during the next legislative session.

But perhaps more contentious than the possibility of privatizing the Juniper Ridge Landfill, which opponents say would likely lessen the community’s ability to put pressure on its operations, was the DEP’s approval of a 9.35 million cubic yard expansion at the facility.

Opponents have repeatedly asked both the State Planning Office and the DEP to conduct reviews of Casella’s operations, but in recent weeks they have lobbied for the involvement of a third party.

A letter was drafted and sent to the Legislature’s Government Oversight Committee, which is currently in the process of gathering information on whether or not to proceed by sending its findings to the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability.

Residents at Wednesday’s meeting asked Aho questions that ranged from water pollution and odor issues to just how the DEP monitors the kind of waste that enters Maine from outside the state.

By law, Juniper Ridge’s obligation is to process construction and demolition debris generated only in Maine.

However, the statutory language for defining out-of-state waste remains nonexistent. This has allowed Casella to process waste generated out-of-state in Maine, thereby turning it into in-state waste.

Committee members and members of the public are convinced that Juniper Ridge is processing more out-of-state waste than anything else.

Aho greeted these concerns by acknowledging that a clearer definition of out-of-state waste needs to be established. Though she didn’t provide specifics on the DEP’s reasoning in its decision to approve an expansion at the landfill, she promised members of the community more information on the issue in the future and a continued effort to address their concerns.

Members of the advisory committee also said on Wednesday that they plan to make every effort possible to deter the

state from transferring ownership to Casella when they go before the Government Oversight Committee on May 25.

However, committee Chairman Peter Dufour said that similar efforts in the past to sway decisions related to the landfill have failed.

“We have no status in Augusta, we have little information and we have no input,” Dufour said. “Sometimes we have to ask the question, ‘Should there even be a committee?’”

For now, it remains unclear how the state’s contract would be affected with Casella if it were to privatize the landfill, at least as far as the revenues collected by the municipalities as a result of the state’s involvement with the landfill are concerned.

“There are many, many questions that still need to be answered,” Dufour said, reassuring the attendants at Wednesday’s meeting. “We’re gathering all the necessary information so we can take a united front to Augusta in May.”

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build relationships so that when we need to work with them down the road, we’ll have those kind of relationships in place so we’ll be able to foster easy programming and whatever might come our way,” Protzmann said.

By rebranding Student Government, Protzmann wants to use social media, such as Facebook and Twitter, more effectively as a way to reach out to the student body. He hopes to foster conversation with students through social media in an effort to find out how they feel they should be represented.

He plans to go to residence

hall floor meetings to talk with students and intends to make an effort to talk to nontraditional students to see what Student Government can change to better serve them.

Protzmann is also the president of the UMaine chapter of Alpha Tau Omega and plans to use his Greek Life experiences to guide him through his new responsibilities in Student Government.

“I’d like to take the leadership experience I’ve gained and put that into good use here serving [Student Government] and the student body,” he said.

Ortiz said he is “very excited” to see Protzmann take over his position.

“While I have only known him for a short time, I have al-

ways respected him as a leader and think that he will do a great job as president,” Ortiz wrote in an email.

Ortiz wrote that a good president has to have “a lot of poise” and must be able to “adjust to changes on the fly.”

“Chris has shown that he can handle that sort of pressure so I have no doubt he will succeed,” he wrote.

In other GSS news ...

A main motion was made to allocate funds to the Sustainable Agriculture Enthusiasts group. The motion would allocate \$446 for a copyright fee to show the movie “Food, Inc.” at a community potluck the group is holding

on April 17. The motion passed and the group was allocated the requested funds.

The group was asked by the Honors College to show the movie before the speaker’s presentation so audience members can familiarize themselves with the movie.

“We have been planning a potluck, meet-your-farmer event on Tuesday,” group member Laura Hackney said. “It coincides with the speaker who is coming on Thursday, who is the creator of ‘Food, Inc.’”

Also during the meeting, Sigma Phi Epsilon was allocated \$5,000 for its annual Rock Against Rape concert. The date of the concert and the band performing is still being arranged.



Kevin Bennett • Bangor Daily News
Old Town police said University of Maine student TJ Dodge was killed Tuesday after the car he was driving hit a tree off Route 2.

Crash from A1

She said TJ was always protective of his older sister and younger brother.

“He was more than willing to help out anyone who needed something,” Pam Dodge said. “TJ was the type that if he was with you, and friends were getting picked on ... he would back you up. ... No one messes with him and his friends. He was that protective.”

“When he was home, he was with us,” she added, describing a close-knit family. “Freshman year, he came home more.”

She said TJ began to spend more time at school after meeting his girlfriend.

According to his mother, TJ had once thought about studying business but settled on psychology instead due to a family history

of mental health issues.

“I think it had to do with his father,” she said. “I think he wanted to understand his father and his issues.”

Pam Dodge said a memorial page has been set up on Facebook for anyone who wants to share photos memories of TJ.

“I’m glad I’m getting this support,” she said. “There’s a lot of people who are going to miss him.”

She announced on Facebook that TJ’s memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on April 27 at West Rockport Baptist Church in Rockport.

“Anytime we lose a student, the entire UMaine community feels the loss,” Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Robert Dana is quoted as saying in a UMaine press release. “Our thoughts are with TJ’s family and friends. We extend our sincerest sympathies during this difficult time.”

Police Beat

The best from UMaine’s finest

By Beth Kevit
News Editor

Blue goons
The University of Maine Police Department received a report of criminal mischief at 10:23 a.m. April 8. Blue paint was thrown on the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity house sign on College Avenue at some point after 11:30 p.m. April 7. UMPD recovered both the empty paint can and its lid. Cleanup is estimated at \$100.



Scale fail
UMPD received a report of the odor of marijuana coming from a third-floor room in Hart Hall at 9:09 p.m. April 8. Charles Cheevers, 19, was summonsed for possession of a usable amount of marijuana and for sale or use of drug paraphernalia. An officer confiscated the marijuana and a set of scales. Cheevers was referred to Judicial Affairs.

SoPo pop
UMPD received a report of

underage drinking in a fourth-floor room in Somerset Hall at 10:56 p.m. April 6. An officer reported finding five individuals in the room. Vukasin Vignjevic, 19, was summonsed for possession of alcohol by a minor and referred to Judicial Affairs. Nemanja Kaurin, 18, and two 17-year-old males, all non-students from South Portland, were summonsed for possession of alcohol by a minor. A 19-year-old male student was referred to Judicial Affairs for furnishing a place for minors to consume alcohol. Vodka in a Coca-Cola and a Poland Spring bottle was confiscated.

Hide your hooch
UMPD received a report that two males were locked out of their third-floor room in Androscoggin Hall at 3:41 a.m. April 7. An officer arrived to let the males

into their room. When the door opened, alcohol was reportedly in plain sight. Peter Walker and Matthew Guiney, both 19, were summonsed for possession of alcohol by a minor and referred to Judicial Affairs. The alcohol was confiscated.

Andro transpo
UMPD received a report of an intoxicated 19-year-old female in a third-floor room in Androscoggin Hall at 12:36 a.m. April 7. The University Volunteer Ambulance Corps evaluated Nicole Weaver, found her to be severely intoxicated and transported her to Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor for treatment. An officer followed up on the incident with Weaver after she was released from the hospital and she was summonsed for possession of alcohol by a minor by consumption and referred to Judicial Affairs.

“He was more than willing to help out anyone who needed something.”

Pam Dodge
Mother of TJ Dodge

E-Books from A2

lowing professors to pick and choose what resources are being used ... broadening what students are learning from,” he said. “From the bookstore’s perspective, we would like to be a resource to the [professors].”

Not all professors share this enthusiasm, however. Nursing professor Patricia Poirier utilizes a book company that offers both a print and a digital textbook to students. While the option for an e-textbook is available, she believes most students choose the physical textbook.

“I guess from my perspective I consider e-textbooks a complement, not an alternative,” Poirier said.

Professors are not the only critics of e-textbooks on campus; students have mixed feelings about converting print books to digital resources as well.

“The thing with online textbooks is that I don’t read them,” said Danielle Mokarzel, a first-year nutrition student who uses online books for her statistics and accounting classes.

“I pull up the information when I need it, so I don’t think I’m getting enough out of it. ... I’m not actually learning it,” she said.

Krista Kornchuk, a first-year journalism student, used MyMathlab for her Math 101 class and was unimpressed.

“You can’t take notes on it. You can’t highlight it. It’s

easier to have it physically in your hands,” she said.

Math professor Jennifer Tyne uses MyMathlab in her courses.

“Everyone needs to buy access to the site, then students can use just the e-textbook or purchase the physical textbook as well ... but still only limited students buy the textbook,” Tyne said. “It’s good to offer [traditional textbooks], though, because some students, mostly nontraditional students, prefer the hard copy.”

Another downside to e-textbooks, Mokarzel and Kornchuk agree, is the cost.

“It’s just as expensive [as a traditional textbook], and it expires,” Mokarzel said.

But Young disputed that.

“Digital textbooks are about 60 percent the cost of a brand new textbook,” he said, meaning they generally cost more than used print textbooks but less than a new print textbook.

To Young, availability and accessibility are still obstacles to full-scale usage.

“Right now it’s getting a [software] that is consistent across the board,” Young said, describing another hurdle e-books face to becoming commonplace on college campuses.

“It will get to the point pretty quickly where students will recognize that it makes good financial sense to invest in e-readers or an iPad or another tablet in college,” Powell said. “It will pay for itself pretty quickly in terms of not having to buy paper books.”

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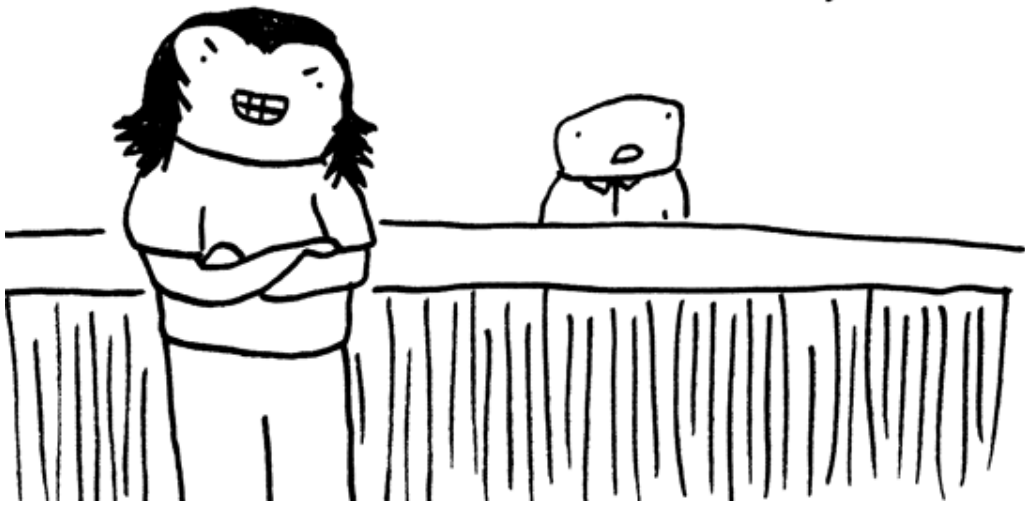
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Diversions

Toothpaste for Dinner

By Drew

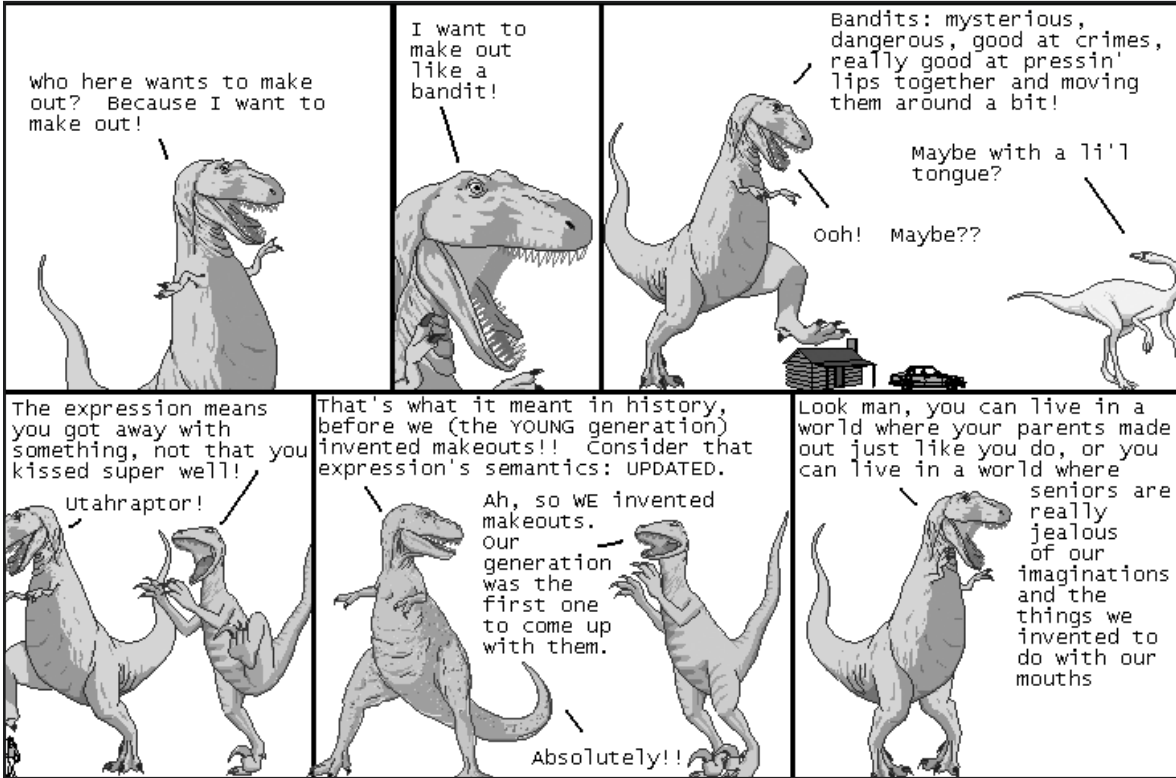
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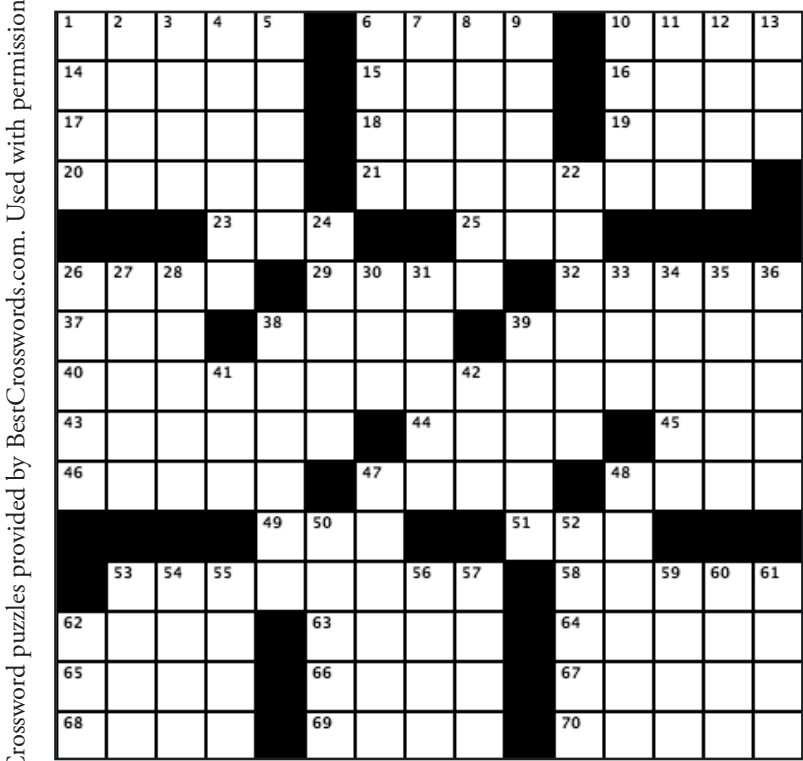
Dinosaur Comics

By Ryan North



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Crossword Puzzle



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Answer key in sports

Across

- 1- Martini's partner;
- 6- Commoner;
- 10- Horrors!;
- 14- Choreographer de Mille;
- 15- Accent;
- 16- Make-up artist?;
- 17- Chimes;
- 18- Entr'____;
- 19- Big do;
- 20- Conical native American tent;
- 21- Causing horror;
- 23- Actress Peeples;
- 25- Author Rand;
- 26- "A Hard Road to Glory" author;
- 29- Invitation letters;
- 32- Biblical mount;
- 37- USN rank;
- 38- Chip in;
- 39- Optimally;

- 40- Cause light to pass through;
- 43- Add fizz;
- 44- Caspian Sea feeder;
- 45- Edge;
- 46- Passover feast;
- 47- Old Dodge model;
- 48- IRS IDs;
- 49- Attorney's org.;
- 51- Writer Hentoff;
- 53- Highly productive;
- 58- Started;
- 62- Bunches;
- 63- Sup;
- 64- Eat away;
- 65- Decant;
- 66- Cornerstone abbr.;
- 67- Negatively charged particle;
- 68- Bluesy James;
- 69- Foot covering;
- 70- The house of a parson;

Down

- 1- All ears;
- 2- Arch type;
- 3- Break, card game;
- 4- Greek goddess of the moon;
- 5- Japanese immigrant;
- 6- Egyptian deity;
- 7- Bananas;
- 8- Snare;
- 9- Drunken;
- 10- Minnesota's St. ____ College;
- 11- LP player;
- 12- Bust maker;
- 13- Acapulco gold;
- 22- Infuse;
- 24- "L.A. Law" lawyer;
- 26- Take the role of;
- 27- Carousal;
- 28- Accumulate;
- 30- Letters on a Cardinal's cap;
- 31- Soft palate;

- 33- Son of, in Arabic names;
- 34- Approaches;
- 35- John of "The Addams Family";
- 36- Units;
- 38- Stellar;
- 39- At full speed;
- 41- Not for a Scot;
- 42- Coffee container;
- 47- Uncouth;
- 48- Breastbones;
- 50- Waits;
- 52- At right angles to a ship's length;
- 53- Scheme;
- 54- Defeat decisively;
- 55- Other, in Oaxaca;
- 56- A big fan of;
- 57- Give up;
- 59- Enter;
- 60- Brouhahas;
- 61- Branta sandvicensis;
- 62- Big brute;

Men that make you go MMMmmmmm

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CUSACK, John
DAMON, Matt
DANIELS, Jeff
DEPP, Johnny
DICAPRIO, Leonardo
DOUGLAS, Michael
DUNCAN, Michael Clarke
FORD, Harrison
FOXX, Jamie
GIBSON, Mel
GOLDBLUM, Jeff
GRANT, Hugh
GYLLENHAAL, Jake

HACKMAN, Gene
HARTNETT, Josh
IRONS, Jeremy
JACKMAN, Hugh
JONES, James Earl
LAW, Jude
MCCONAUGHEY, Matthew
MCKELLEN, Ian
NEESON, Liam
PESCI, Joe
PHOENIX, Joaquin
REEVES, Keanu
RUSH, Geoffrey
RUSSELL, Kurt
SPACEY, Kevin
STATHAM, Jason
TRAVOLTA, John
VOIGHT, Jon
WAHLBERG, Mark
WEAVING, Hugo
WOOD, Elijah

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

Word Search

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Aries - March 21 to April 20 - Don't hesitate to come right out and ask for the pertinent information. You mustn't be so trusting. Ease the anguish by offering assistance.

Taurus - April 21 to May 21 - Try not to at tempt to do something unless you are fully intent on following through with the plans. Your trendy style and unique way of doing things will entice new acquaintances. Don't blow situations out of proportion.

Gemini - May 22 to June 21 - Coworkers may not be on your side. You will be able to catch up on overdue paper work. Finish off old projects before starting something new. Invite friends or relatives into your home.

Cancer - June 22 to July 22 - Opposition is present and you should be prepared to counteract it as best you can. Emotionally, things may not run so smoothly.

Leo - July 23 to Aug. 22 - Travel in pursuit of pleasure and knowledge. Erratic behavior may confuse others, and mood swings may result in isolation. Don't let others try to create unwarranted guilt if you can't meet their demands. Keep your eyes and ears alert for any evasive or deceptive statements.

Virgo - Aug. 23 to Sept. 23 - You should be able to make major career gains if you plan your intentions carefully. Involve yourself in group endeavors. Kick your shoes off and relax.

Libra - Sept. 24 to Oct. 23 - Changes at home might come fast and furious. Make changes around your house and plan to do some entertaining. Try not to be so demonstrative. You need to spend some time getting to know this person all over again.

Scorpio - Oct. 24 to Nov. 22 - Family outings will make you feel secure and happy. You need to spend some time with individuals who have more experience than you. Make your intentions perfectly clear and find out exactly what is expected of you.

Sagittarius - Nov. 23 to Dec. 21 - Get busy putting your place in order. Try to be tolerant of the moods of those around you. Don't expect romantic encounters to be lasting.

Capricorn - Dec 22. to Jan. 20 - You can make money if you are wise in your choices. A trip to visit relatives should be rewarding. You may find yourself interested in more than one person.

Aquarius - Jan. 21 to Feb. 19 - Catch up on overdue paperwork. You would be wise to consider attending lectures that will broaden your awareness concerning your professional direction.

Pisces - Feb. 20 to March 20 - Your charm will attract members of the opposite sex. Put some energy into getting back into shape. Listen to reason. An older member of the family may need assistance. Do not be surprised if your partner doesn't understand your needs.

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Madame Mystério has ... issues.

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: Easy

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EDITORIAL

GAP gore fest brings out worst for all involved

Warning: Disturbing wordage ahead.
Words can be coined as 25-cent, they can see stars and they can cut deep. Yet few words can compete with the damage done by the Genocide Awareness Project's scaffolding of gruesome imagery temporarily erected on the University of Maine mall Monday and Tuesday.

The word "obscene" doesn't even begin to describe the photos of bloody quarters and what lay upon them.

And "insufficient" can't even come close to illustrating the dinky warning signs — declaring within their meager confines: "Warning: Disturbing Images Ahead" — which were easily overshadowed by the steeple of gore beyond.

Regardless of one's stance in the controversial abortion debate waging ever onward across the nation — GAP touts, without tact, the "pro-life" doctrine — UMaine's campus was entirely affected by the carnage.

Students were doubled over in tears; others were doubly angered by both the intensely graphic nature of the display and the unfaltering attacks made by GAP spokespeople against all sorts of cultural denominations; more still merely gaped and hurried along, attempting as best as they could to avoid the blaring offense.

Groups of middle school and prospective college students were said to be taking tours. Wilde Stein, mere feet away on the mall, were forced to raise the rainbow flag to mark the beginning of Pride Week next to a huge billboard backhandedly defacing a gay gene.

The bottom line: Life did not go off without a hitch on April 9 and 10. We all saw too much and our gazes were unfairly snagged — hijacked by debauchery, a majority had nowhere to hide. GAP's presence cast a dark shadow not just on the mall, but on the better judgment of everyone involved, and for days it seemed as if light would never return.

Shame on GAP for its crass demeanor on all counts. There are other methods to spread your creed without forcing it upon many who have already made up their minds on the issue.

Indeed, free speech does protect the ability of a person or organization to discuss ideas in public, but it certainly doesn't bestow forgiveness for abandoning basic human decency.

And while lack of decency isn't punishable by law in such a realm or mentioned in the First Amendment, affording a common courtesy to your fellow human, no matter their political sway, is something precious. GAP repeatedly abuses the trust of the public by desecrating the unspoken expectation of free speech — have at least an ounce of decorum in your presentation.

Shame on student organization Life Support for inviting the project to our campus. This was not a decision made in the best interests of fellow scholars; it was made to evoke knee-jerk violence rather than discussion. The student body is owed an apology for having their university foundation of peaceable discourse demeaned by Life Support's "guest."

Shame on all those who fed the mayhem by yelling and engaging, full of malice, with the members of the GAP circus. Such clash is what they thrive on; it's why they came. The best way to fight back in cases such as these is to carry on and remain quiet.

Sometimes silence is the most effective weapon. GAP knew that, utilizing images. Students should have realized that and refused to let the vulgarity get to them.

And lastly, shame on this paper and all the other media that could have provided more prominent coverage of this event's coming to campus before it happened. We all could have been more prepared, and better notice should be pursued if another instance arises.

No one was left unscathed by GAP's maltreatment. Everyone has a wound to cater to and treat. Let's hope this mending time will bring us back together and lead us to the high ground, moral or otherwise.

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Storm isn't over: Santorum considers other options

The race for the Republican presidential nomination finally ended Tuesday when Rick Santorum suspended his campaign. Santorum's announcement means the inevitable has become reality: Mitt Romney will oppose President Barack Obama in November's general election.

Santorum didn't say why he's leaving the race. Some have suggested his daughter Bella's illness — she has Edwards syndrome, a genetic disorder whose sufferers only live to the age of 10 at a 1-in-100 rate, and was also recently hospitalized with pneumonia — led Santorum to throw in the towel.

Pragmatists believe Santorum realized he couldn't win and didn't want to be embarrassed by a loss in his home state of Pennsylvania, which holds its primaries on April 24. By building on the base he created in this campaign, Santorum could come back stronger in four years. Of course, people said similar things about former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee in 2008, and Huckabee declined to run this year even though he would have been a front-runner.

There are also suggestions that Santorum quit the race because he was offered something else. This is not out of the question; in 2008, when Obama had already won enough delegates to be assured the Democratic nomination, Hillary Clinton used the fact that she had won a large number of delegates to get face time at the party convention and an appointment as secretary of state.

If Santorum suspended his campaign because he was offered a cabinet post, we'll likely find out in the coming weeks. But what position might he have been offered? A column from the Washington Post late last month raises an interesting — and disconcerting — possibility.

The column's author, Carter Eskew, cites reports from his own paper that "conservatives are suggesting that, to unite the party, Romney should appoint Santorum as attorney general, John Bolton as secretary of state and Newt Gingrich as ambassador to the United Nations."

John Bolton is best remembered as the man



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POLITICAL COLUMNIST

who couldn't win Senate confirmation as U.N. ambassador because he doesn't believe the U.N. should exist. Former President George W. Bush pushed him through in a no-contest recess appointment.

In a 2009 op-ed piece in the Los Angeles Times, Bolton compared President Obama to Ethelred the Unready, "history's paradigmatic weak leader," because of Obama's diplomatic efforts in the Middle East. As secretary of state, Bolton would be the country's chief diplomat.

At least Gingrich agrees with some of the U.N.'s stated goals. However, in his

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book, "To Save America: Stopping Obama's Secular-Socialist Machine," Gingrich says "[r]edistributing wealth is not some side project at the United Nations; it is the organization's main purpose today." In a 2006 interview with the Washington Post, Gingrich called former President Bush's stance toward Iran and North Korea "appeasement." Diplomacy doesn't seem to be his main concern.

The most concerning idea is that Santorum could become attorney general of the United States. Eskew compares Santorum to A. Mitchell Palmer, another Pennsylvania native who, as Woodrow Wilson's attorney general, conducted raids against radical leftists and anarchists and generally used his power to harm political enemies.

So who would Attorney General Santorum

go after? In short, everyone.

Santorum made an anti-pornography crusade a key issue for his presidential campaign, stating that "America is suffering a pandemic of harm from pornography." He has vowed to strictly enforce federal obscenity laws, which would not endear him to the 43 percent or so of Americans who view porn online, according to The Week.

Santorum also has alienated the gay community and its allies. In a 2003 interview with the Associated Press, he compared homosexuality to polygamy, adultery and incest, and implicitly, pedophilia and bestiality. This led to an online campaign that coined a new, not-fit-for-print meaning for the word "Santorum."

In the interview, Santorum reiterated his belief that "[t]he right to privacy is a right that was created in a law that set forth a [ban on] rights to limit individual passions. And I don't agree with that." Santorum believes states should have the right to have anti-abortion and anti-sodomy laws, because individuals hold no natural right to privacy.

Civil libertarians, too, have good reason to oppose Santorum as attorney general. Earlier this year, Santorum said he hoped the U.S.

government had been involved in the alleged assassination of Iranian nuclear scientists and asserted our right to do so: "And if people say, 'Well, you

can't go out and assassinate people,' well, tell that to Awlaki. ... We've done it for an American citizen." Anwar al-Awlaki was an American citizen whose assassination last September in Yemen remains controversial.

Hopefully this discussion is academic. In order for "Attorney General Rick Santorum" to be a possibility, Romney has to win.

But if he does, we need to hold Romney accountable for his cabinet appointments. That's because Rick Santorum as attorney general is an even worse idea than Rick Santorum as president.

Mike Emery is a fourth-year sociology student. His political columns will appear every Thursday.

Readers remember T.J. Dodge



I can't believe this has happened!
T.J. was a friend of my son Michael and used to come to our house. He was always funny and polite and everyone liked him.

I'm so sorry for his family and friends. It's such a terrible loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Myork

I lived across the hall from T.J. on the first floor in Androscoggin last year and never had a single negative interaction with him, as I'm sure most could say.

It's sad to hear of his passing at such a young age and in such an undeserving manner. My condolences go out to close friends and family of T.J. — may he rest in peace.

Fjerseyshore

T.J. was very friendly, kind and always made me chuckle. He was a very good athlete — I had the honor of having him on my 4x800 relay team for states in track. He will be missed.

Uscg93

Your Aunt Holli and I love and miss you T.J. We are so proud of all your accomplishments. R.I.P.

Sean R. Jewell

T.J. was a joy to everyone who knew him. We will miss you, boy.

Simorype

T.J., you were a riot. Miss you man.

RocklandGirl

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GAP’s avowal of abortion as genocide utterly unfounded

Genocide is defined as “the deliberate and systematic destruction of a racial, political or cultural group.” On Monday and Tuesday, we saw this definition altered by the Genocide Awareness project, inappropriately and hurtfully so.

JERI COSGROVE

Freedom of speech is a wonderful thing. This freedom helps foster differing opinions that create such a diverse and interesting society.

However, compassion and intelligence are also magnificent. Knowledge is one of the most beautiful things in this world. These traits allow us to learn and grow, and create adult opinions that consider the situations, experiences and feelings of all of our peers.

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The Holocaust is likely the genocide most familiar to students. We are taught from a young age about the horrors of this event. An estimated 7-plus million people perished. Those 7 million people were living, breathing, functioning human beings. They had families and jobs. They went to school, had friends and played with toys. Even the smallest of them ate food, cried and slept.

The Holocaust was a large factor in the United States’ involvement in World War II, the deadliest military conflict in world history. The Rwandan genocide, which took place in 1994, resulted in the deaths of over 800,000 individuals.

Regardless of your opinion on the subject, abortion is not genocide.

Firstly, a fetus cannot exist outside of its mother. By

the time the fetus can exist outside of the womb, abortion is no longer legal, except in cases that will endanger the mother’s life. This fetus, if removed, would not be capable of standing, sitting or performing legitimate brain functions. A fetus is not at all the same as a grown man murdered in a gas chamber.

Secondly, a fetus is not a political, cultural or racial entity. There is not an all-encompassing “fetal group” that follows similar cultural ideals. Perhaps “life” does begin at conception — but to consider an abortion genocide classifies all fetuses as the same. Their racial, ethnic and socioeconomic differences are entirely ignored.

This creates a glaring contradiction. If the intent is to present these fetuses as living, they must all have distinct and different human qualities. Instead, we create a new group for unborn children. Instead of Jewish or Catholic, white or black, homosexual or heterosexual, they are known only as “the unborn child” or “fetus.”

Genocides are perpetrated by vile men and women. Adolf Hitler has essentially become the quintessential villain of the last 70 years. In history classes we learn of Pol Pot and the terror he inflicted upon the Cambodian people under his leadership. In 2001, the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia convicted Radislav Krstić for his role in the 1995 Srebrenica Genocide.

These are citizens who have participated in premeditated mass murder of extensively large groups of people. Women who obtain an abortion are not evil. They are women who, for whatever reason, have come to the painful decision to abort their pregnancy.

This decision, however difficult, is made because it is necessary. These women are normal human beings, put in a terrible situation. They are not headed straight to hell. They are not murderers.

Abortion is a very sad circumstance and it’s something no single person wants to experience.

But it’s not genocide.

Jeri Cosgrove is a second-year English and secondary education student.

You hurt your own cause: An open letter to the Genocide Awareness Project

ANTHONY ELKINS

To the men and women of the Genocide Awareness Project:

I declare with all manner of earnestness that I sympathize with your goals, but I am deeply disappointed and ashamed to find you are going about achieving those goals utterly the wrong way.

To define openly and unambiguously my relevant political view: I am anti-choice. I make the distinction that I am not “pro-life,” for such a term is not a mere label of self-description but an implied attack on the opposition — that its adherents are supporters of goodness and virtue, while its enemies are “anti-life” or “pro-death.”

This may, of course, seem like a tangent, but perhaps this self-definition of mine — “anti-choice” — speaks most directly to the issue I take with the tactics of your group: You treat like enemies those you are ostensibly trying to sway to your cause.

It may seem sensible to speak bluntly and fervently to what you perceive to be the apostasies or immoralities of our society, to shame them back into sensibility.

Yet in this era of multiculturalism, of pluralism, of widespread atheism, people have come to the realization that they are within their rights to turn their backs upon the moralist who stands upon the soapbox decrying their immorality, and instead hold fast to their own doctrines, unfazed by attempts to guilt them into changing their views.

If a person has put any degree of consideration into his or her own moral code, it will be defended to the death.

Therefore, to resort to idle scare tactics and implied accusations of atrocities such as genocide at an institution of higher learning is tantamount to lunacy. One does not arrive at the University of Maine without some semblance of an understanding of the civic issues that drive this country’s public policy, abortion included.

Each student you find walking this institution’s pathways will have an opinion on the matter, however vociferously they choose to express it. Of those few who honestly have no opinion on the matter, I cannot fathom it is the result of a lack of familiarity with the subject but rather deliberate ignorance of an uncomfortable topic.

Should these students be your targets for your shocking display, that is fine. But know this: You do infinitely more damage to your cause by using such incendiary images and implications against those who already have made their decisions.

For those already opposed to abortion, you preach to

the choir and gain no new adherents. For those otherwise inclined, you incite in them a fury which turns every idle pedestrian who bears proudly the label “pro-choice” into a dagger-tongued nemesis bent upon the downfall of both yourself and those of groups like yours.

By the time this publication hits presses, you will have already left campus. This is truly a shame, for if you were to take the time to covertly slip away from your demonstration and sit incognito in the Memorial Union and listen to the conversations of passersby, you would have a chance to hear what I have heard.

Perhaps you could hear the occasional kind words of one swayed by your graphic images (anecdotal evidence suggests so — I have heard none), but the preponderance of words uttered about your display will be wrathful and vitriolic.

Speak even obliquely about your organization, and you will find otherwise reasonable folk erupt in reactions of malice and spite. People hate you.

This is not the goal of a competent rhetorician. Inflaming foes against you is but folly if you wish to sway hearts and minds.

Your website claims, regarding your images, that “[t]hey represent an injustice of such magnitude that words alone fail us.”

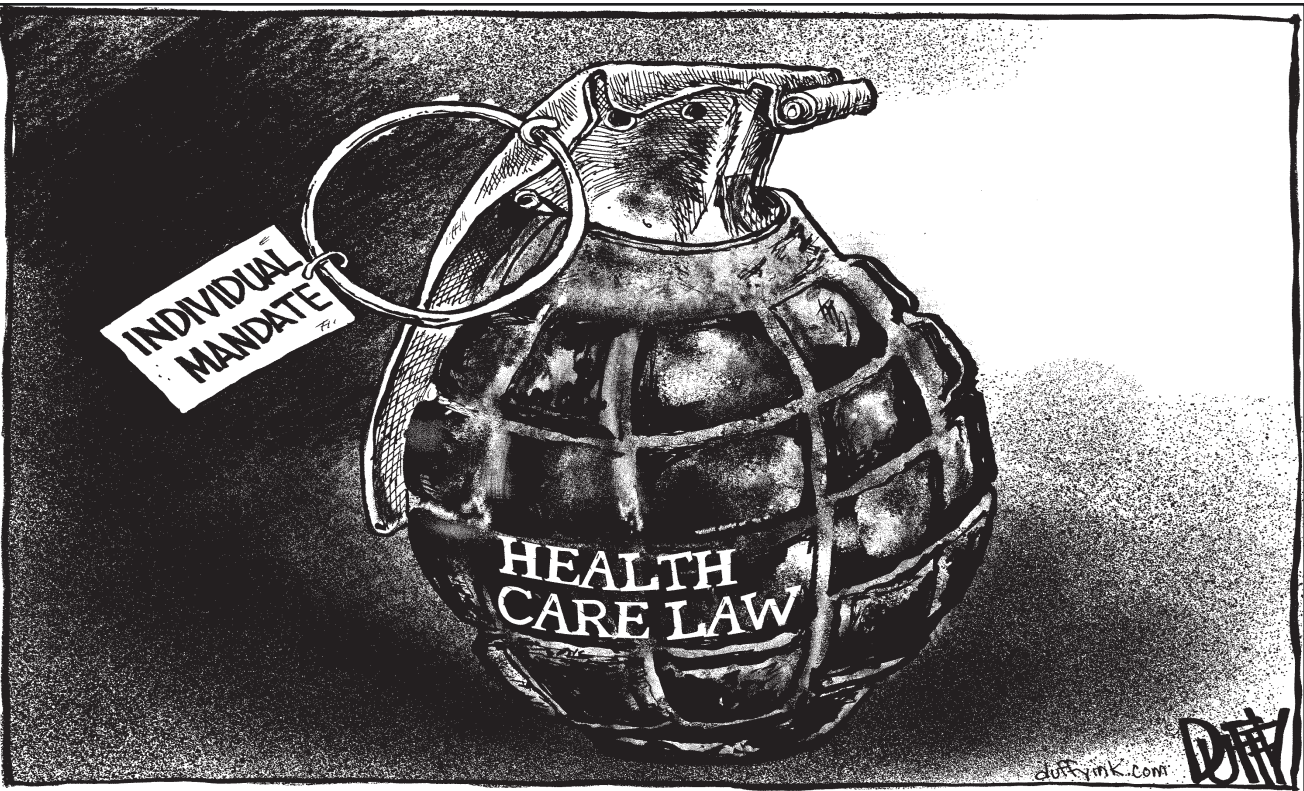
Yet everywhere I go, I find that your images have failed you: Where previously I have heard vague mutterings in support of a woman’s right to choose to abort, now I hear on every set of lips shouts of the same, enraged and invigorated and rallied against a recognizable foe. No, you have failed to understand the audience you have set out to sway, and you have damaged the cause you seek to support.

From your demonstration today I walked away weeping. I shed no tear at the brutality of your images or the starkness of your claims. But my heart broke that one day a woman will find herself in trouble, burdened by a child in her womb that she does not want.

And when she thinks of the argument for her not to abort, her thoughts will not go to the image of the loving relationship between mother and child.

They will instead go to you and your posters, and to the day that you took in hand every such woman with a difficult choice and, instead of treating them with compassion and swaying them with words of kindness and heartfelt understanding, compared them to Hitler.

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Columnist: Compose your own rubric for life by embracing exciting, sustainable methods



MACKENZIE RAWCLIFFE

Oh, April — the month of spring awakening and stressful test-taking.

Indeed, right now it’s hard to think of much beyond May 4, but that day will come sooner than you think. It’s good to be emotionally prepared, especially for the soon-to-be graduated, as the days after commencement could be a lot more stressful than what is commonly assumed.

The relief of being free from papers and professors will carry you into August at least, but once those back-to-school sales start up, you’ll begin to question your purpose in life in a far deeper and more unsettling way for the very same reason you will be so relieved in May — no more grades.

There will be no more rubrics to judge your success or advancement as a person. Think about it: every year up to now you’ve advanced — leveled up, so to speak — and have had a GPA to prove your contribution to society.

Even if your grades weren’t stellar, you had at least built-in social or athletic milestones to rate your life performance. But no more grades equals no more easy sense of self-worth. From now on you have to earn your confidence through serious self-reflection and conscious action.

Even if your lone goal is money (and the more you make and acquire is your “worth” measuring stick) it’s likely you will still get to a point in life when you are fired, faced with deteriorating health, or just suddenly have a change of heart and are right back in the same disorienting position of not knowing.

There is hope, however. Meet Mike Brown — he is from Hampden (I went to high school with him) and is now living in downtown Boston making a decent salary as an engineer. Back in August, he realized the way he was living was slowly moving farther away from the way he thought he wanted.

“I was becoming a yuppie — above-average income, living downtown, going to work, having dinner, hanging out and going to bed and then going out on the town for fun,” Mike recalls.

He was slowly changing to fit that lifestyle but it wasn’t what he was truly interested in, which is reading and being outdoors. He felt like he was becoming a one-dimensional person. So he had read about lifestyle design and started a blog — they-oungurbanprofessional.com — to document his efforts to complete an open-ended series of 30-day lifestyle experiments.

“Yeah, sure I was raised in a carnivorous family but is that really how

I want to be living?” he said. “Jury’s still out but I am figuring out what I want... Do I want to be a vegetarian? How would I know — I’ve never tried it.”

Since he began, Mike has tackled a wide variety of challenges, from living without the landfill — he built a successful, non-smelly worm compost and was able to cut his garbage down to virtually nothing — to doing one act of kindness a day or having a conversation on the T every day.

I was most impressed with the 100-item challenge where he actually cut down his possessions with a few caveats. Hygiene and shared items like his microwave didn’t count because he felt his girlfriend and roommates shouldn’t have to suffer. But he now can tell you exactly how many pairs

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of pants and shirts he has and doesn’t buy anything unless it’s to replace something else.

Some things were difficult, like a sentimental ukulele, but he realized it was really part of his “image of what I want myself to be good at,” not something he was actually using. That challenge really forced him to take an “analytical look at my life.”

He expounded: “I had been living in Boston for two years and had an overwhelming sense of settling down, acquiring stuff and all this nonsense that I didn’t need. It is really the anti-living in the city mentality. Just because I make money doesn’t mean I have to buy stuff with it.”


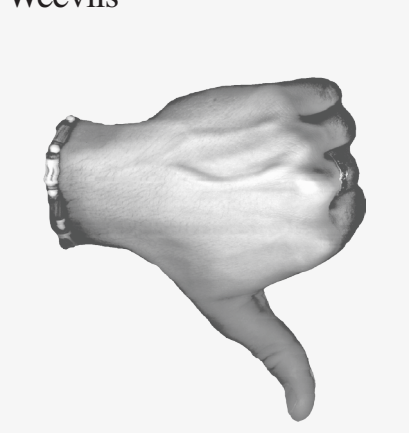
What does Mike Brown have to do with sustainability or your future?

A lot. Because changing our habits or taking an active interest in how we live our lives hasn’t been a priority lately. Our priority was the next test, the next game, graduation.

Once you graduate, you’ll have fewer excuses or external ways to measure yourself other than your paycheck, but as Mr. Brown found, that gets old pretty quickly. Doing a 30-day life experiment is cheap, easy and can permanently affect how you choose to live your life. Not all of Mike’s experiments have to do with sustainability, but taking a careful look at the effects of your lifestyle and actively trying to change your habits is the key to changing the path our whole society is on.

I encourage you to check out his entertaining blog. Ask yourself if you have the chutzpah to do your own lifestyle experiments.

Mackenzie Rawcliffe is a graduate student studying international affairs and public administration. She is the production manager for The Maine Campus.

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Comp. Spotlight

Debate over “QE3” (third round of quantitative easing) continues with the Federal Reserve as Bernanke states “the job report in March was bad, but not QE3 bad.” The decision to add more stimulus should be determined by June.

The Labor Department added 120,000 jobs in March and economists predicted there will continue to be monthly gains for the following three months. Investors are questioning the outlook for this growth prediction which can be seen with the market at its lowest of the year. Traders are also bracing for low first-quarter earnings due to the prediction.

Investment Tip

For first time investors it could be a good idea to look to your employer first. With social security increasingly becoming a growing problem, setting up a retirement fund (401K/IRA) would be a good way to start investing for your future. Many companies match contributions of up to .50 cents per dollar you invest. This investing is not only beneficial to your future but also an easy way to start investing in a less risky manner.

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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▲	SLV	(Shares Silver Trust)	1.06%
▼	GE	(General Electric)	-3.09%
▼	LYB	(LyndonBasell Industries)	-2.95%

Market Recap

Last week Spiffy member tested the program designed for the outreach program for kids and an order for 1500 ZNGA at MRKT (11.95) was placed.

The top three winners from last week’s stock game include: FinancialFlash, Scrubscrubscrub and Matthewshannon9.

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Style & Culture



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By Derrick Rossignol
Style Editor

When Old Town hot spot The Dime was open two years ago, the venue hosted Dimestock, a two-day festival that served both as a look into the local music scene and a big party for area residents and students.

When The Dime was forced to shut down due to legal and financial reasons in early 2011, Dimestock went with it.

But in fall 2011, the night spot opened its doors again, rebranded as Kingman's.

The bar has established itself as a serious music venue, hosting shows by acts both local and national, including Laserdisk Party Sex of Vermont and Helicopter Showdown of San Francisco.

Now Kingman's is bringing a new music festival to town, one that promises to be a whole different animal than Dimestock.

All Points North Music Festival is the latest effort by Kingman's owner Tim Taylor to bring music from all over to the Old Town area.

"When we opened The Dime in 2009, we did Dimestock, and now that we're back open [as Kingman's], we're trying to get that going again," Taylor said.

Although Dimestock was a success, Taylor admits the bands who played the festival weren't musically diverse, which may have kept potential concertgoers away.

"Dimestock was good ... but there was a lot of overlap as far as style, so I was trying to avoid that and have something different going on upstairs and downstairs at all times," Taylor said.

"I'd say [the lineup is] about 50 percent electronic, between the DJs and some of the bands, so we have a pretty good variety," Taylor said. "[We've] got a bunch of jam bands, obviously, but there are Phish-style jam bands and straight rock, we have some reggae dub bands and bluegrass and rockabilly with the Mallet Brothers."

The festival, which will take place at Kingman's on April 19 and 20 from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m., will have bands playing all night on three different stages.

"The upstairs stage will be the Maine Stage, the downstairs will be the Jam Stage and the Rage Stage is going to be

a DJ booth off to the side of the Maine Stage," Taylor said.

Bands are scheduled to perform all night on the Jam Stage, while other bands and DJs will alternately use the Maine and Rage stages because of their proximity to each other.

The acts booked for the festival are not only stylistically diverse, but geographically as well.

"All these bands coming in nationally from across the country kind of just got us credibility as far as being a venue," Taylor said, "and I've just been getting contacts from different booking agents all across the country trying to set up shows."

"J.WAIL, the electrofunk duo, they contacted me and were interested in doing a show around that time, and I was like, 'Well, we're looking for a headliner for ... the All Points North Festival.' And they were definitely interested in that," Taylor added.

Other national acts include Space Jesus, the stage name of Philadelphia-based EDM producer Jasha Tull, and The Hornitz, a jazz-rock band from Boston.

Taylor was sure to book plenty of local favorites as well.

"We have a handful of local bands, up-and-coming bands like Geology, Easy Company, Poor Folk and Frank and the Red Hots, of course," he said, "and the bands that aren't up here any more like Restless Grove. So [you've] got those bands and the DJs that are in town."

Also scheduled to perform are Of The Trees, Digital Bonesaw Society, Cyborg Trio, Dubstank Digital, The Running Gags, DJ Pandemic, Gorilla Finger Dub Band and others for a total of 33 acts.

If it was up to Taylor, he would have put on the All Points North Festival sooner, but it was pushed back due to The Dime's closing.

"It's something I wanted to do last year, but we weren't open and I wasn't going to throw everything together," Taylor said.

"Now that we're established again and really becoming a venue, we thought it was time again."

Taylor hopes the event will be everything Dimestock was while adding some of the national interest Kingman's has stirred up.

"It was a lot of fun when we did Dimestock and I think this year's going to be a lot better," he said.

"Dimestock was good ... but there was a lot of overlap as far as style, so I was trying to avoid that and have something different going on upstairs and downstairs at all times."

Tim Taylor
Owner of Kingman's

Schedule of Performers			
THURSDAY 04/19			
DOWNSTAIRS		UPSTAIRS	
7:00	DJ Lavish		Raw Chicken
7:30	Kinetiks		
8:00	CirKiss		Poor Folk
8:30			
9:00	Cyborg Trio		Easy Company
9:30			
10:00	Digital Bonesaw Society		The Barely Brothers
10:30	The Hornitz		
11:00			Geology
11:30	Gorilla Finger Dub Band		
12:00			The Mallet Brothers
12:30	Pandemic		
1:00	Tonas Peaks		
FRIDAY 04/20			
7:00	Skyline		Huckleberry Binge
7:30	Tranceform		
8:00	DJ Les		Bootiddy
8:30	The Professional		
9:00	Dubstank Digital		Frank & the Red Hots
9:30	Sandbag		
10:00			Restless Grove
10:30	Of the Trees		
11:00			Roots, Rhythm & Dub
11:30	Space Jesus		
12:00			Line of Force
12:30	J. WAIL		
1:00			The Running Gags

Buy tickets

Both days of the festival are **18+** and **tickets are currently on sale at Bull Moose**. A two-day pass for All Points North costs \$20 for 18+ or \$15 for 21+, and a one-day pass costs \$15 for 18+ or \$10 for 21+. More information about the festival is available on the Facebook event page and on Kingman's Facebook page.

Joyful Noise sings songs of tolerance

Pride Week event features trio of musicians performing original songs in Minsky Recital Hall

By Rachel Curit
For The Maine Campus

To kick off Pride Week at the University of Maine, Joyful Noise performed in Minsky Hall on Monday night.

Described as both "soulful" and "sassy," the performance featured three women — Lynn Deeves of Richmond, Colleen Sexton of Boston and Trina Hamlin of New York City — who played an array of instruments, from guitar and flute to maracas and tambourine.

To open the performance, Deeves sang a song called "Rise Up," pounding her feet to maintain the rhythm.

Sexton debuted her new song, "Candy Land." Even her bandmates hadn't yet heard the final version of the piece. After asking the audience if they were familiar with the board game of the same name, she then went on to describe her inspiration for the song.

Sexton married her wife last year and the topic of marriage



Christie Edwards • Staff Photographer

The singer/songwriter folk group Joyful Noise performs in Minsky Hall on Monday evening. The event is part of University of Maine's pride week.

equality got her thinking about how simple marriage would be in a place like Candy Land.

With lyrics like "State by state with hearts in mind" and

"Life, liberty and happiness or its pursuit ... all these things guaranteed ... gingerbread men have more rights than me," this personal song was a hit with the

intimate crowd.

Another original song that embodied the spirit of Pride Week was "Some of My Best Friends are Straight," sung by

Deeves. She took common phrases that many straight people say about gay people and

See Joyful on B2

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Thursday, April 12

Exhibits: "Moments Abstracted," "Vanished Into Stitches," "Slab Waltz"
UMMA
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Penobscot Theatre: "Ink"
Bangor Opera House
7 p.m.
\$35

Thursday College Night w/DJ Maine Event
Curva Ultra Lounge
9 p.m. to 3 a.m.
\$5 for 18+, free for 21+

Friday, April 13

Exhibits: "Moments Abstracted," "Vanished Into Stitches," "Slab Waltz"
UMMA
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Penobscot Theatre: "Ink"
Bangor Opera House
8 p.m.
\$35

FloNation w/The Professional, DJ Nocturnal, Dubstank Digital
Curva Ultra Lounge
9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
\$7 for 18+, \$5 for 21+

Saturday, April 14

Exhibits: "Moments Abstracted," "Vanished Into Stitches," "Slab Waltz"
UMMA
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Laser Star Stories
Maynard F. Jordan Planetarium
11 a.m.
\$4

Skylase: Metallica
Maynard F. Jordan Planetarium
1 p.m.
\$4

Skylase: Pink Floyd, Dark Side of the Moon
Maynard F. Jordan Planetarium
7 p.m.
\$4

Penobscot Theatre: "Ink"
Bangor Opera House
8 p.m.
\$35

Electro Fun EDM Saturday, Ladies Night
Curva Ultra Lounge
9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
\$10 for 18+, \$5 for 21+ free for ladies

Sunday, April 15

Pavel Haas Quartet
Minsky Recital Hall
3 p.m.

A more comprehensive list of postings is available at mainecampus.com/calendar. To submit your event, invite calendar@mainecampus.com via iCal or Google Calendar.

FILM REVIEW:

‘American Reunion’

Franchise reboot relies on old jokes, comes up empty



Universal Pictures

By Rich Flora
For The Maine Campus

It is rare to meet a college student who hasn't at least seen bits and pieces of the "American Pie" series.

However, the comedy film market has changed drastically since the movie's debut in 1999. Unfortunately, "American Reunion" plays it safe, utilizing the same raunchy, juvenile jokes and situations that made the original so popular.

"American Reunion" stars all of the original "American Pie" characters we know and love, returning home for their high school reunion nearly a decade later. Their problems are typical — continually lousy relationships, dull jobs and the thought of approaching middle age.

The answer to their problems is simple and unsurprising: let the partying commence.

The group reunites in their hometown, where shots are taken, clothing is misplaced, identities are mistaken and friendships are jeopardized.

Since high school, couples such as Jim and Michelle, played by Jason Biggs and Alyson Hannigan, have married, while others have grown apart, but sure enough, Finch, played by Eddie Kaye Thomas, still longs for Stifler's mom. No matter what has changed, coming home inspires them to reminisce about their past. They each discover what and who has changed and what hasn't, and learn that no amount of time or distance can break the bonds of friendship.

However, none of these shenanigans make much of an impression. The biggest downfall of "American Reunion" is the lack of character development. In newer comedies like "Wedding Crashers," "The Hangover" or "Bridesmaids," the characters are more complex, creating an appealing plot line.

Here, the characters are all based on partying and being juvenile.

Perhaps one of the most nostalgic-yet-annoying aspects of "American Reunion" is that the film brings back so many characters from the first film. It is fun to see the gang back in action, and it is reassuring that each character does exactly what you expect.

More importantly, the film lacks a central character. The directors tried cramming in all of the original characters without focusing on one or two principals.

But this strategy backfires, leaving too many actors with

the unmistakable air of childish jokes and situations that comprise the entire plot. From jokes about fecal matter to the all too unfortunate situation regarding the pie, there is a severe lack of substance to carry the story.

Perhaps the biggest draw of "American Reunion" is the chance to revisit these characters for the first time since the last film, "American Wedding." But it doesn't offer much beyond that.

If a viewer's primary purpose is to see how the characters' lives have come together — or, more accurately, have fallen apart — the answer is here. If you're looking to rediscover the experience of the original film, the time machine back to 1999 is broken.

On a positive note, the movie seems to intentionally feed into some of the gloominess. By nature, reunions tend to be bittersweet. It's fun and exciting to meet up with old friends, catching up and discussing new lifestyles. However, it also becomes evident how quickly time can slip away.

While the moral has potential to get a strong point across, it's tough to see it through all the hysteria and pubescent antics.

As the saying goes, some things should be left in the past, and, unfortunately, the "American Pie" ensemble is one of them.

Grade: C+

CD REVIEW:

M. Ward, ‘A Wasteland Companion’

Folkster alternates between soft acoustica, nostalgia rock

By Derrick Rossignol
Style Editor

Although most people see M. Ward relegated to Zooey Deschanel's backup in their band She & Him, he has been a pivotal figure in the Portland, Ore., music scene for years.

Some Deschanel fans might say Ward rode her to the top and she's the only reason anybody knows the man with the abbreviated first name, but it's safe to say Deschanel was the one who hopped on his musical coattails.

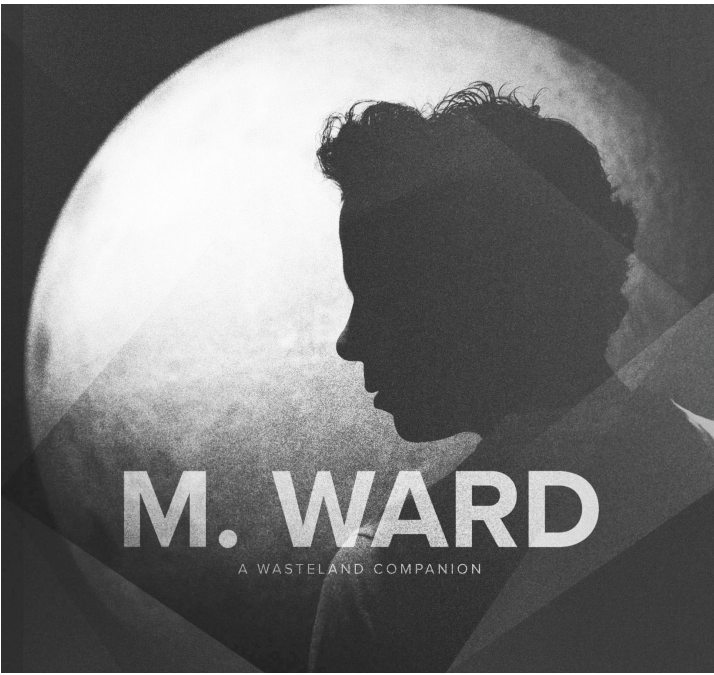
Or maybe not — Deschanel is the one who received songwriting credits on most of She & Him's tunes. Regardless, Ward has established that he is capable of not only getting by on his own, but he can do it far better alone than he can with "The New Girl."

Although his solo music is a completely separate entity from his work with Deschanel — since, as mentioned, he does little of the writing for She & Him — Ward at times borrows from the cheery yesteryear vibe of the old-fashioned Deschanel, primarily when he opts for more elaborate instrumentation.

Ward alternates between acoustic loveliness accompanied by sparse instrumentation and poppy full band tunes, both varieties sounding like they could have been written in any time since the '50s. The songs would have been relevant in any era, giving them a timelessness that ultimately makes the album more accessible to all tastes.

Ward, while an adequate singer, never lets his pipes take a song over, but with the nature of his music, you don't need a dominating vocalist — just one who can be both reserved and charming, allowing his voice to compliment the gorgeous melodies, not the other way around.

From the opening seconds of "Clean Slate," two things are established right off the bat — Ward knows his way



Merge Records

around an acoustic guitar and he knows exactly where his voice is supposed to be. He doesn't oversing, instead letting gentle falsetto warble over acoustic arpeggios and melancholy slide guitar solos.

The first track is supposed to be an introduction to a record. It should embody everything the album is trying to be, but with a disc as two-sided as this, Ward takes the first couple of cuts to lay the foundation of "A Wasteland Companion."

"Primitive Girl" is far jauntier than the previous track, with driving drums, a catchy piano line and a joyous vibe that stands in stark contrast to "Clean Slate." Again, Ward makes it clear early on that he's more than a one-trick pony.

The last minute or so of the song slows down to catch its breath before the transition into "Me and My Shadow," which reveals an angry side we haven't yet seen from Ward on this record. Drums and fuzzy guitars eventually enter the mix and almost make you forget the cutesy nature of Ward until you remember his delicate voice.

He clearly hasn't severed ties with Deschanel, who sings

a verse in "Sweetheart" and provides backing vocals here and there. The blue-eyed soul back-and-forth between Deschanel and Ward evokes much of the She & Him whimsy, like it's just two star-crossed lovers singing to each other.

"A Wasteland Companion" hits its stride right around the middle, with "The First Time I Ran Away" beginning a run of four consecutive superb songs. It will be no surprise when this track is used in a car commercial designed to appeal to the buyer's emotions and love of seeing the world, while the title track is like something a mainland version of the laissez-faire Jack Johnson would come up with.

"Watch The Show" falls somewhere between surf rock and the title track to a spaghetti western. The track seems to follow a disgruntled television studio employee, upset with all the time he has thrown away in the studio, time he could have spent on the screen instead of behind the scenes.

In a special-edition issue of Rolling Stone's list of the top 500 albums of all time, Elton John wrote that a good album is a short album. Listeners tend to get bored soon after the half-hour mark, so in the 36th minute of "A Wasteland Companion," the final track, "Pure Joy," sums up the listening experience of both the song and the entirety of Ward's latest effort.

Grade: A-

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Fransoso shines in leadership role for UM

Black Bears junior shortstop and captain has stepped up his game during baseball’s 10-game winning streak

By Charlie Merritt
For The Maine Campus

Since his days in Little League, shortstop Michael Fransoso knew he wanted to be a baseball player. The University of Maine is glad he made that decision.

Fransoso, the junior lead-off hitter for the Black Bears, is coming off a week of stellar play for UMaine. Fransoso earned America East Player of the Week after leading the team to a weekend sweep of Norfolk State University, hitting .471, scoring seven runs, drawing five walks and earning a .591 on-base percentage to go with a .647 slugging percentage.

Simply put, he is doing his job in his role as the leadoff man.

Fransoso grew up in Portsmouth, N.H., playing baseball and hockey. After watching the College World Series and developing a love for baseball, he knew he was destined to be a ball player. UMaine had to put in a little work first before they earned Fransoso’s services.

“It came down to Maine, Northeastern [University] and Bryant University,” Fransoso said. “I visited all three and this was the last visit I took. Coach offered me a scholarship right after I left and left it on the table for me to decide.”

But UMaine wasn’t finished yet.

“[Head coach Steve Trimp-er] was the one that was calling the most and made it feel like they were the ones that cared the most,” Fransoso said. “I came here and the facilities were great and the whole baseball atmosphere made it seem like everybody really cared

a day,” he said. “I was born with a bone deformation that they found in both hips. After a while from playing all those years it continued to deform and tore my labrum in my hip.”

No one would have known Fransoso was still uncomfort-

able from the hip surgery last season — he recovered from a slow start and got it going from the plate, giving him confidence entering his junior year. The Black Bears won the America East conference title last year.

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Despite their recent success, he said the Black Bears want more.

“We would love to host the America East tournament in front of our home fans,” Fransoso said. You[’ve] just got to win three games and get to the NCAA’s and it’s on from there.”

UMaine handles their business one game at a time, but they can’t help but look forward to the regular season finale.



Haley Johnston • Photo Editor
University of Maine baseball’s junior shortstop looks to lead the Black Bears back to the NCAA Regionals as a captain.

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Junior shortstop
University of Maine baseball

about baseball.

“The tradition here stands out,” he said. “They went to the College World Series in ’81, ’82 and ’83. People care about baseball here and to be a part of that is something special.”

Fransoso started at second base as a freshman and moved to the starting shortstop position the following year. As a junior, the 6-foot, 175-pound shortstop has hit .299 with 56 total bases, 38 hits and a .407 on-base percentage, while leading the team with 29 runs scored, 19 walks and 11 steals.

It all hasn’t come easy, though, for Fransoso, who had to come back from hip surgery he had in January 2011.

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fourth inning. After stealing second and a sacrifice ground out, Duncklee was thrown out at home on a fielder’s choice, after a hit by senior shortstop Brandon Nieuw. However, Nieuw was caught stealing second to end the top of the fourth.

After relatively little action through the next two innings, UMaine replaced White on the mound with senior Jonathan Valentina. White went three innings, walking two and giving up one hit.

Colby also switched their pitcher in the seventh inning, with sophomore Lucas Geoghegan replacing Sullivan. Sullivan went six innings, striking out one and walking one while allowing four runs on seven hits.

In the bottom of the eighth, Scott led off by sprinting out an infield hit, which was followed by Patzalek being hit by a pitch. With runners on first and second with two outs, Whitten hit one off the wall in left to drive in Scott with an RBI double, extending the lead in the bottom of the eighth to 5-1.

The Black Bears went on to win 5-1 over the Mules. Offensive leaders were Whitten, going one for three with two RBIs and one run, as well as Patzalek, going one for two with one RBI and scoring one run.

UMaine improves to 17-14 while Colby drops to 9-10.

University of Maine Sports Briefs



Men’s hockey announces 2012-13 captains

University of Maine men’s hockey team head coach Tim Whitehead announced that senior defenders Mike Cornell, Mark Nemec and senior forward Joey Diamond will be captains for the upcoming season.

“All three student-athletes have grown tremendously on and off the ice here at Maine,” Whitehead told goblackbears.com. “We’re confident they will provide great leadership for our team.”

Cornell is the only returning captain, after spending the 2011-12 season as alternate defensive captain. Cornell has played in 90 games for the Black Bears, notching two goals and 17 assists.

Nemec has played in 99 games at UMaine, scoring three goals and assisting on 10 others. Nemec is one of four

returning players to play in all 40 games last season.

Diamond has played in 102 games at UMaine, compiling 80 career points, including 47 points last season, good for 11th in the country.

Baseball’s Patzalek, Heath earn America East honors

University of Maine junior catcher Tyler Patzalek and freshman utility man Scott Heath were both honored by America East after the Black Bears compiled 76 runs in a weekend sweep over the University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

Patzalek was named America East Player of the Week after going 12-23 with 15 RBIs while scoring eight runs. Patzalek finished the weekend with a 1.581 on-base-plus-slugging-percentage.

Heath picked up America East Rookie of the Week hon-

ors after batting .476 while scroing eight runs and driving in seven more. In UMaine’s 32-14 win over the Retrievers on Saturday, Heath went 4-5 with four runs scored.

Track and field’s Gagne earns Performer of the Week

University of Maine track and field thrower Justin Gagne was named America East Performer of the Week after a stellar display at the Wildcat Invitational over the weekend.

The Biddeford native took second in the shot put, qualifying for the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America in the process, with a throw of 55 feet three inches. The throw was the second-best mark in school history.

Gagne also took the top spot in the discus throw with a toss of 153 feet five inches.



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The Black Bears allowed only one run against Colby College, picking up their 10th win in a row.

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Sizing up the NBA playoffs

Last spots up for grabs in both conferences

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Baseball on a roll with 10 in a row

Black Bears enter opening home series of the season against Hartford clicking on all cylinders

By Joe Sturzel
Staff Reporter

After a record-breaking weekend in Baltimore, the 17-14 (4-0 America East) University of Maine baseball team will be home to open up conference play at Mahaney Diamond this weekend against the 8-21 (1-2 America East) University of Hartford Hawks.

Playing in a larger park against a better pitching staff, the Black Bears will probably not see 76 runs in this weekend's three-game series.

"Hartford has a brand new coach, a lot of young kids, and they have a very good pitching staff, so they can't be taken lightly," said UMaine head coach Steve Trimper.

Hartford is coming off a weekend in which they went 1-2 against the State University of New York at Albany.

"They easily could be 3-0 in conference," Trimper said. "They lost 3-2 and 2-1 against Albany and then they won 6-4, so you're talking about them with their tough-luck losses and they're 1-2 where they could easily be 3-0.

"They are coming up here and are going to try and fight for their lives is what's going to happen. Teams might not do well out of conference, but once you get in conference and you've seen everybody's best pitching, anybody can beat anybody."

Hartford's pitching staff will be key in this upcoming matchup. According to Trimper, the smaller ballpark at the University of Maryland Baltimore County, along with the wind going outward and the ability to get to the UMBC bullpen early, were the ingredients to a perfect offensive storm last week. Trimper thinks a repeat performance is unlikely.

"I don't think we'll see that kind of offense. I haven't seen that in 20 years of coaching," he said. "We were just on fire, the wind was blowing out, it was a small park, coupled with the fact that we got to their bullpen early, which really helped. I think Hartford has a much better pitching staff.

"We're going to have to



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The University of Maine baseball team has won their last 10 games, improving their record to 17-14 during the early stages of America East Conference play.

earn this week's victory by bunting, moving guys around and just manufacturing runs," he added.

UMaine will be looking to extend their 10-game winning streak. The Black Bears have three hitters batting .299 or better with at least 100 at bats. Junior shortstop Michael Fransoso and sophomore outfielder Colin Gay have also started every game so far for UMaine and are among the best hitters in the lineup. Freshman cleanup batter Scott Heath has also had a tremendous impact, hitting .351 for the year with 27 hits and 12 RBIs in 77 at bats.

They will have to face the Hawks pitching staff, which includes sophomore Brian

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University of Maine baseball

Hunter and freshman Sean Newcomb. Newcomb possesses a 3.68 ERA with 38 strikeouts, allowing 26 runs on 29 hits. Hunter has two saves for Hartford, striking out 31 while allowing 17 runs on 18 hits.

Trimper made the message clear that conference wins are key to future success this season.

"Our guys are excited to play conference games," he said. "They know it is our ticket to the end of the year, it's a ticket to the tournament. They are meaningful to us.

We're just going to have to continue to win these series whether it's Hartford, [State University of New York at] Stony Brook, [State University of New York at] Binghamton, [State University of New York at] Albany, all those teams we have to play. We just try to have to win game one. Kids try to look ahead too often, but we have to concentrate on winning that first game."

The Black Bears and Hawks face off in a doubleheader on Saturday at 1 and 4 p.m. and finish off the series on Sunday at 1 p.m.

Black Bears take down Mules

The University of Maine

baseball team took on Colby College on Tuesday afternoon at Mahaney Diamond, with the Black Bears defeating the Mules 5-1.

UMaine freshman starting pitcher Luke Morrill was replaced three pitches in by sophomore Fran Whitten after being evaluated and removed from the game by a trainer.

Black Bears senior left fielder Ian Leisenheimer and freshman right fielder Heath Scott hit back-to-back two-out singles to get runners on first and third for junior catcher Tyler Patzalek. One pitch after hitting a bomb just foul, Patzalek hit a double up the middle to drive in Leisenheimer, giving UMaine a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning.

Whitten walked to start the bottom of the second, followed by a single by senior first baseman Justin Leisenheimer. Sophomore outfielder Troy Black reached on a fielder's choice that drove in Whitten to give UMaine a 2-0 lead.

Colby freshman left fielder Jason Bucu reached first when a pop-up dropped in the outfield but was picked off at first base by Whitten. Senior center fielder Nikolas Atsalis hit a single and senior first baseman Robb Arndt walked and successfully converted a double steal to put runners on second and third. Senior catcher Devlin McConnell hit a sacrifice ground-out to get Colby within one of UMaine in the top of the third inning.

In the bottom half of the third, Scott bunted to get on first. After Patzalek was hit by a pitch, sophomore third baseman Alex Calbick hit an RBI single. Whitten followed up with an RBI single, giving UMaine a 4-1 lead. Whitten was picked off at first base by senior pitcher Connor Sullivan to end the inning.

Sophomore Eric White replaced Whitten on the mound in the fourth inning. Whitten pitched three innings, striking out three, walking one and giving up three hits and one run.

Colby freshman Luke Dunklee walked to start the

See Baseball on B5

Sox 'pen a mess with loss of Bailey

Column

When Terry Francona and Theo Epstein left the Boston Red Sox last October, fans everywhere felt a sense of immediate panic, losing their trusted skipper and general manager — two vital reasons why they won two world championships.

And just when they thought their misery was over, closer Jonathan Papelbon, the franchise's all-time saves leader, left the team after becoming a free agent.

Papelbon left Boston for Philadelphia, home of one of the greatest rotations the league has ever seen with a top three that combines 13 All-Star appearances and three Cy Young awards. If this isn't the easiest team to pick up saves with as a closer — especially with respectable setup-man Chad Qualls in front of you — I don't know what is.

Papelbon was, without question, the most successful closer to ever have worn a Red Sox uniform. During his six years with the club, the 31-year-old recorded over 30 saves each season, becoming not only the first closer in Red Sox history to complete that feat in his first six seasons, but also the only to do so in MLB history. Papelbon also became the fastest player to ever 200 career saves.

In wake of Boston's transaction-heavy offseason, things began to look better for the Red Sox when the club hired former Texas Rangers and New York Mets coach Bobby Valentine as the team's next manager. Valentine wasn't the most decorated skipper to choose, but with him, the franchise accepted a combined 35 years of valuable experience he would bring both as a past player and manager. It wasn't looking too bad for Boston.

Then, one month after Valentine's arrival, Boston made its move to replace Papelbon. On Dec. 28, the Red Sox brought in 27-year-old closer Andrew Bailey from Oakland, along with his teammate Ryan Sweeney, a left-handed outfielder who spent his early career in Chicago with the White Sox.

Bailey was voted the AL Rookie of the Year in 2009, and prior to the start of this year, the New Jersey native was a two-time All-Star in his first and only three seasons. If we play the comparing game here, Papelbon would have won the AL Rookie of the Year in 2005 if it hadn't been for Detroit Tigers ace Justin Verlander, and he was voted-in to the All-Star game twice out of his first three years in the league as well.

So, with the additions of Valentine and Bailey, all was good, until a day before the Red Sox kicked off their 100th anniversary season on April 5 in Detroit. Reports of a Bailey injury had been rumored, but it was not officially announced until April 4 that No. 40 would start the season on the disabled list after needing reconstructive surgery on his right thumb. Bailey isn't expected to return until after the All-Star break in July.

And now, as the Red Sox conclude their first full week of play, we see a perfect example of what happens when plans are unex-

See Sox on B4

UM softball continues transition with new coach

By Jesse Scardina
Sports Editor

With 29 road games to start the season, the University of Maine softball team has had a tough time getting off to a hot start in the past, even if all goes well off the diamond.

Unfortunately, this is another one of those years.

After former head coach Deb Smith resigned in early September, the university was left scrambling for a new coach, with Maureen Barron — wife of UMaine women's basketball head coach Richard Barron — placed as interim head coach before Lynn Coutts was hired, two months after Smith stepped down.

With such a late start to the off-season regimen, the Black Bears have stumbled to a 7-24 record.

"We'd like to have a few more wins — I anticipated that," Coutts said. "The transition has been good with the kids. I didn't recruit them so we didn't have that time before school, so we just got thrown together. Our positive energy has been great."

The highlight of UMaine's season thus far was a three-game win streak at the end of February, followed by a 10-game losing streak, their longest of the season. UMaine failed to score more than two runs in six of those losses, which is why Coutts puts most of the emphasis in practice on hitting.

"Every week has been about hitting," she said. "[Tuesday] we worked in small groups on hitting, trying to focus a little more one-on-one time with each of them. I recorded each of their swings and had them take a look at it, try to tweak a few things."

With the long road trip behind them, the Black Bears are looking forward to playing the majority of their remaining games in front of their home fans.

"[Everyone] enjoys playing at home," Coutts said. "I don't mind going on the road, the kids are focused, but it's good to be at home. It's great to put our team out there and have people come watch us."

The Black Bears hosted Boston University in a three-game series last weekend, with the fi-

nale cancelled due to inclement weather. In the series opener, UMaine came close to upsetting the Terriers, who are currently third in conference.

"We didn't get a key hit here and there and would have liked to put the game away without going into extra innings," Coutts said. "To take BU to 12 innings and lose 2-1 was tough on [the team] but a lot of good things have happened with us and that was one of our best games, albeit one of those you still lose."

Despite going extra innings with the Terriers in their first game, the Black Bears couldn't come any closer in the second part of the double header, with BU winning 6-1.

"You try to turn the page and get in, and BU had some key hits and we made some mistakes, and you can't give a team like BU extra outs," Coutts said.

With Sunday's game canceled, Coutts used it as an opportunity for the team to still gain their workout and keep their in-season schedule as routine as possible.

See Softball on B4



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The University of Maine softball team is hosting Binghamton University in a three-game series, starting this Saturday at noon.