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Vareen brings Broadway to UMaine

Tony-Award winner and theater superstar brought his one-man performance to the CCA

By **Derrick Rossignol**
News Editor

Despite being 65 years old, entertainer Ben Vereen is as young as they come, in terms of energy and vivacity. Saturday night, he showed his passion for life and musical greats in a one-man show, “Steppin’ Out with Ben Vereen,” at the Collins Center for the Arts. The term “one-man show” is actually misleading, as the Tony Award-winning singer, actor and dancer was accompanied by a four-piece band of piano, drums, upright bass and congas for an evening that saw Vereen paying tribute to Broadway, Frank Sinatra and Sammy Davis, Jr. After a quick introductory

video clip that showed some of Vereen’s career highlights, like his starring role in the musical “Pippin” in the early ’70s, he walked on stage, smartly dressed in a suit, a tall top hat, a cane, Converse sneakers and a smile. After the applause died down, Vereen joked, “Thank you very much. Good night. I’ll quit while I’m ahead.” Before launching into his performance, Vereen indirectly explained his cane, saying he had surgery on his knee a couple weeks earlier and got a staph infection from the operation. That didn’t stop him from putting on a big smile and dancing as he sang “Magic To Do.” Vereen’s voice had a dramatic Broadway

flair, but not too much so as to detract from his pure vocal talent, and his dance moves were simple — indicative that he was more agile in his heyday than in his advanced age. Vereen expressed his appreciation for the people of the Bangor area who he saw greeting members of the military who were departing to go overseas. “I don’t want to applaud you, I want to give you a standing ovation,” Vereen said. “I saw my troops getting ready to go

“I come from a place called Brooklyn, NY,” Vereen said. After brief applause, he singled out one audience member and asked, “Have you seen my hubcaps? We’ll talk later.” He also talked about his first audition for a musical, doing impressions of other auditioning hopefuls, singing a snippet of “Blue Skies” and revealing that he got the part. Vereen then sang a medley of Broadway hits, switching between bombastic vocals and near-spoken word when the situation called for it. During a soft section in one of the songs, the audience started clapping, and Vereen light-heartedly responded, “Thank you, but I’ll tell you when.”

Before singing “Jesus Christ Superstar,” the title song from the musical he won a Tony Award for his role as Judas Iscariot, Vereen talked about how he got the part. “I was living in Berkeley, [Calif.], and I got this telegram from ... You remember telegrams?” he asked the audience. He continued to say the telegram was from theatre director Tom O’Horgan, who wanted Vereen to audition for the role. Vereen bought a record of the play and rehearsed to it, but when he showed up at the audition, the pianist played the song in a different key than Vereen had rehearsed, so he said, “Excuse me, that’s not

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Small student showing at Democratic Rally on Tuesday

By **Zach Connerly Marin**
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Maine’s heavy-hitter Democrats gathered Tuesday to speak to students about the need for involvement in the political process. Congressman Mike Michaud, George Mitchell and Emily Cain — district representative for Orono — were just a few of the speakers at the event, which took place in the Wells Convention Center at the University of Maine. Only four students showed up to the event. The speakers pretended not to notice. Paul Davis, Penobscot County Democratic Committee Chair, hosted the event. He began telling the audience a story about a different convention, when he met a senator from Wisconsin. Upon telling the senator that he was from Maine, the senator remarked, “Oh, you have that crazy idiot governor.” Davis continued with LePage digs for several minutes and proceeded to define what a Democrat is before introducing Michaud. Michaud told members of the audience that he came to speak about student loans. “There are some who look at education as a

cost,” said Michaud. “I think of it as an investment. Michaud said that he was met with difficulties to get colleagues to agree on education budgets. Michaud moved on to other topics, such as research and development and renewable energy, and praised the University of Maine on its success in these areas. “We have to do everything we can as a country to help veterans and their families,” said Michaud. He also wants every soldier in America to be covered head-to-toe in American-made gear and is pushing for a bill to give the Army a contract with New Balance for warfare footwear. Three of New Balance’s production factories are located in Maine. Michaud closed his speech by telling students, “This is your future. Your future will depend on what the outcomes of this election will be.” Janet Mills, former Attorney General of the State of Maine, spoke next. She began by commending students for their work in 2008 to defeat an anti-same-day voter registration bill. She went on to condemn Maine Secretary of State Charlie Summers.



Sergio Afonso • Staff Photographer
District 2 House Democrat Mike Michaud talks to a crowd of democrats at Tuesday’s Democratic Rally at the Wells Conference Center.

“[Charlie Summers] must never become a United States senator in this country,” Mills said. “Remember it was he who wanted to take away your right to vote.” Mills threw out some chilling statistics. According to her, one million students wouldn’t qualify

for Federal Pell grants under the Romney-Ryan plan. Pell grants are one of the largest sources of funding for students in postsecondary education in the United States. According to Mills, 14.1 percent of Maine people live below

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Rights to gay marriage back on the ballot

Lauren Reeves
Assistant News Editor

As the November elections approach, some Mainers are hopeful for the passage of Question 1 to support marriage equality throughout the state. On Election Day, voters will decide whether gay marriage will be legal in Maine. Voting “yes” on Question 1 will overturn the current ban on same-sex marriage. As the days until the election wind down, it’s crunch time for Leslie Beliveau, the campus organizer for the Mainers United for Marriage campaign. She has been working around the clock to get students involved in the campaign. While she mainly works on the University of Maine campus here in Orono, she also works with the University of Maine at Machias as well. On Monday and Tuesday nights, you can find Beliveau in the Multi-Purpose room in the Memorial Union working with volunteers who are phoning Mainers across the state to spread the message to vote “yes” on 1.

Beliveau said she has been happy with the turnout and reports she has around 25 consistent, returning volunteers. She also has a volunteer recruitment team to help increase the number of volunteers as much as possible. Voter registration drives will be held every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union until the elections, allowing most students the chance to register to vote. Out-of-state students have the right to register in the state in which they are enrolled in school. Beliveau is encouraging our out-of-state students to vote here: “We need all the votes we can get.” If registering on a Wednesday doesn’t work for you, same day registration is also available. If you live on campus or in Orono, you can vote in UMaine’s Multi-Purpose room on the lower level of the Memorial Union. Prior to this year’s elections, Beliveau said she had been a silent supporter. Although she supported same-sex marriage for her state,

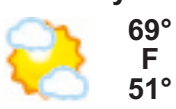
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Abbott’s future still in question as focus remain on this year

Athletic director’s 2-year appointment runs up in June; wants to stay aboard

By **Jesse Scardina**
Editor in Chief

Even with just eight months left on his tenure as the University of Maine’s athletic director, Steve Abbott couldn’t tell you his plans for next year. There’s too much left to do right now. During his tenure, he has overseen renovations — including recent construction projects for several sporting facilities — but the biggest, looming problem still isn’t solved: what to do with the Memorial Gym.

“I haven’t talked to the president about that. We’ve really been focused on this year and things we’re working on,” Abbott said. “I’m enjoying the job.”

Abbott was appointed as the athletic director in August 2010 after former AD, Blake James, took an athletic administration job at the University of Miami. In March 2011, former UMaine president Robert Kennedy gave Abbott a two year position that began on June 1, 2011.

During his time here, the Harvard College and UMaine alumnus has seen through the ongoing renovations to revamp Alfond Arena and the construction of the Mitchell Batting Pavilion, the new batting cage for the baseball team, but one of the projects he is most looking forward to is on the horizon.

“One of the most exciting things about taking this job was the opportunity to work on the Field House,” Abbott said. “I’m determined to see those projects get completed soon. I think we’re on track to do that. It would personally be very difficult to leave this spring if those weren’t in a position to be done.”

Plans for construction on the Field House are up and running, but plans for what to do with the Memorial Gym, which houses most of the athletic administrators and coaches, as well as the home court for men’s and women’s basketball, otherwise known as the Pit are still in the works. Talk of restoring the Pit and the Memorial Gym has hit a snag due to the difficulties in the architecture of the building.

“The biggest thing we have to do, and we need to get started immediately, is the Memo-

rial Gym project,” Abbott said. “That’s going to dominate our attention. It’s the home for all our teams. It’s the practice and administrative center for all our teams except baseball and hockey.”

In addition, Abbott helped stabilize the Colonial Athletic Association, which provided football with a conference home for the coming years. Abbott stressed the amount of work done by himself, football head coach Jack Cosgrove and

and they work with us,” Abbott said. “The upside of this type of engagement is its involvement with the whole campus. It gives us the opportunity to publicize the school. The downside of not doing it is those extreme cases of isolation where your athletics department doesn’t reflect the values of the institution.”

Filling the roles

To help stabilize the progression of the athletic department,

“I haven’t talked to the president about that. We’ve really been focused on this year and things we’re working on. I’m enjoying the job.”

Steve Abbott
UMaine athletic director

UMaine president Paul Ferguson.

It’s with that approach that Abbott hopes to see more problems resolved. Both he and Ferguson have made a conscientious effort to incorporate the athletic department with the rest on the campus. Abbott said the president is hoping to obtain more engagement across the campus.

“There’s a theme that the president has pushed us on and that’s engagement,” Abbott said. “It’s developing because of the emphasis, and that emphasis starts with the president and his vision for what his quality of life for students should be here on campus. He believes all our students need a diverse, rich experience and athletics is one of those rare opportunities to bring the whole campus together.”

Abbott stressed this commitment to work with the rest of the university. A number of national examples this past year have shown what happens to an athletic department when it starts integration.

“It’s very important with athletics that we’re not isolated. We need to be a part of the whole experience here and we need to work with everybody

Abbott has hired Seth Woodcock as an associate athletic director for development, who helps with the fundraising and to bridge the gap with other administrators.

“I’m what you’d call the senior fundraiser. I’m the major gift guy for athletics,” Woodcock said. “I build relationships, execute the fundraising plans of the athletic department. It’s like wearing every hat in development.”



File Photo

University of Maine athletic director Steve Abbott plans on returning after his 2-year appointment finishes in June. No formal discussions have been had as he and UMaine president Paul Ferguson are focusing on this year.

Mitchell lectures UMaine students on sustainability for the future

Dodge Tucker
Special to The Maine Campus

On Tuesday in Hauck Auditorium at the University of Maine, former senator George Mitchell delivered a lecture called “A Call to Arms for a Transition to Sustainability.”

Upon first sight, the setting appeared like the stage that Steve Jobs used to introduce new Apple products: The background was dark against the spotlighted podium in the middle of the stage with a projection screen in the background; however, various plants and decor suggested that this presentation was about something more down to earth than the newest iPhone.

The definition of sustainability is related to using a resource so that the resource is not depleted or permanently damaged. This notion of sustainability is becoming a more important topic relating to our lives and the environment because if we continue the current rate at which we are depleting resources, there will be nothing left for future generations.

The lecture opened with Pamela Matson, a decorated researcher and Dean of the School of Earth Sciences and the Goldman Professor of Environmental Science at Stanford University. Matson gave a brief background of her research work on many different aspects of sustainability, consisting of climate change, agricultural sustainability and human well-being.

To show how important this really is, she used the three-legged stool to demonstrate the three parts of sustainability: economy, environment and social well-being.

“This is the most critical challenge of the 21st century,” Matson said, describing the importance of meeting the needs of people today and in the future, as well as sustaining the life support systems of the planet, not limited to just food but also climate change.

Currently, our life support systems are not being met. There are between 1 and 2 billion people that are illiterate, have inadequate

shelter, no safe water or sanitation and no electricity. Our life support systems are also being degraded with air pollution and climate change.

The big question that Matson raised was, “What will it take for a transition to sustainability?” To answer the question, she introduced three main points that are needed: new knowledge, tools and approaches; linking knowledge to action; educating leaders and the public on how we can come closer to reaching the ultimate goal of our planet being sustainable and avoiding the imminent risk of having nothing as we look ahead into the future.

There has been an enormous amount of research on sustainability that has improved our understanding of it, but a substantial disconnect remains between knowledge and action. Matson explained that having all of this information does not necessarily mean people will automatically change their ways to suddenly begin to live sustainably.

Mitchell, who is one of the most widely recognized and inspirational leaders in Maine, understands the importance of sustainability for the future of people and the planet. He raised an interesting point about influential people in our world who deny the existence of climate change, describe it as a hoax and think that there is nothing we should do about it.

“Those who oppose action on global climate change almost invariably retreat into the comfortable assertion that we’re not 100 percent sure, that there are still some scientists saying that climate change is not a real thing and demand that before we take corrective action we have 100 percent certainty. Well of course we all know that by the time we have 100 percent certainty, the consequences will be so severe and irreversible that we will not be able to deal with them.”

Mitchell went on to say that we do not have 100 percent certainty in almost all areas of our lives, including major decisions

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UMSG recommends raising activity fee

By **Liam Nee**
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine General Student Senate passed an act to recommend an increase of the UMaine undergraduate student activity fee from \$45 to \$50 per semester to the UMaine board of trustees, voted in favor of allocating funds to the division of student organizations for a year-long stimulus recognition system to reward successful and progressive clubs, and also ap-

pointed its 35th and final senate seat during its Sept. 25 meeting in the Memorial Union’s Bangor Room.

The resolution of the act to recommend an increase of the undergraduate student activity fee to the UMaine board of trustees, which must be approved of by the board before anything happens, states, “given inflation and increased monetary requests of University of Maine Student Government Inc. an increase in activity fee will further enhance

student life on campus.”

According to the resolution, an increased activity fee would improve areas, including student entertainment programming; funding for frequent community-based initiatives on campus; more adequate funding toward clubs, boards, organizations and community associations on campus; and “further enrich[ing] the student experience and the breadth and depth of the scope of their mission.”

The increase alone could raise

student entertainment’s budget by \$12,000, making way for bigger and better shows here on campus. Vice President Helmke reminded the student body that this act could help avoid situations, such as “when a club works hard and comes to us at the end of the year and we can’t help them [due to a lack of funds].”

Vice President for Student Organizations Sarah Porter spoke on behalf of the act to add an incentive program to better promote club and organization progress and advancement. The resolution states a total of \$2,800 will be used for “Clubs of the Month” and “Club of the Year” by division awards. The act passed, but not after more than 30 minutes of debate amongst members of the senate, highlighted by the most popular argumentative response from the body: “We shouldn’t be ‘giving away’ this money.”

UMSG, Inc.’s Division of Student Organizations will now award \$100 to each Club of the Month winner from September to March, totaling \$700; \$200 per each eight divisions’ Club of the Year, totaling \$1,600; and \$500 to the overall Club of the Year. Clubs will only be allowed to spend award money on —office expenses, advertising and correspondence expenses, equipment and on-campus events.

Second-year undergraduate student Jake Dumas was sworn-in as the 35th member of the GSS at the beginning of the meeting, thus satisfying the body’s full capacity. A waiting list has been introduced to aid in any possible replacement periods the senate may experience if one of their 35 members is forced to leave his/her seat for any reason.

The financial policies of

UMSG, Inc. were updated, following a unanimous executive budgetary committee report and no objection in the GSS. In the act, which states the update “will bring the Financial Policies up to date with current precedents,” three amendments were included. The first states that any club cannot request over \$1,000 outside of their budget without sending either their president or treasurer to personally address the EBC

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and GSS. The second and third both discontinue allocated monies spending for parking or tolls and apparel that will not stay within the organization.

An act was passed to amend the standing rules of the UMSG, Inc. and GSS to allow for the creation of a new position: Representative to the Graduate Student Senate. According to the GSS, the two bodies currently lack a clear line of communication in regards to initiatives and activities planned and executed by each body and this act would “increase cooperation.”

Both the Deaf Culture Club and Adventist Christian Fellowship club were granted preliminary recognition from the GSS.

The Deaf Culture Club’s purpose is to “educate the public and to help those who are interested in exploring deaf culture, including sign language, current events, and history.” Club president Paige Pendarvis spoke on behalf of the new organization. The group has not decided on a meeting day, time and location.

The Adventist Christian Fellowship’s purpose is to “build Christian fellowship as a chapter of ACF that honors God and nurtures the spiritual lives of students at the University of Maine.” Club president Michael Brown spoke on behalf of the new organization.

In other new business, two groups, the Equestrian Team and the International Affairs Association, were awarded allocated funds of \$1,950 and \$2,300, respectively.

The Equestrian Team’s vice president spoke on behalf over the group, stating the group raises around \$4,000 to \$5,000 a year on their own. EBC’s report was 6-1-0 ought to pass before being passed by the GSS.

International Affairs Association president Justin Lynch spoke on behalf of his group’s motives to attend five Model U.N. conferences this year. EBC’s report was 8-0-0 ought to pass before being passed by the GSS.

In executive reports, President Protzmann stressed the importance of senators relaying student concerns back to GSS meetings once again, stating UMSG, Inc. and GSS need to “be the stewards

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Vereen from A1

the song.” The pianist turned out to be Andrew Lloyd Webber, the composer of the musical.

Part of Vereen’s set was devoted to a tribute of Frank Sinatra, during which he sang classic Sinatra songs, like “I’ve Got You Under My Skin” and “The Lady is a Tramp.”

“Young people must know on whose backs they’re standing,” Vereen said of Sinatra’s importance to modern music.

After a passionate performance of “My Way” to conclude the tribute to Sinatra, Vereen left the stage. A video of Vereen’s appearance on “The Mike Douglas Show” played. Vereen was singing a Sammy Davis, Jr. song when Davis Jr. surprised Vereen so much that he stopped singing and gave him a long hug. The clip faded out and transitioned into Vereen and the band playing the last few seconds of the song.

“I have lived enough in Amer-

ica to be ‘colored,’” Vereen said. “I have lived enough in America to be ‘black.’ I have lived enough to be ‘negro.’ Now, I’m ‘African-American.’”

Vereen then talked about how Sinatra opened the doors for African-American performers like Davis and himself. Then he started his section of Davis songs, saying, “Sammy gave us great songs like this. Now see if it touches your heart,” and sang “Once in a Lifetime.”

He also talked about how Las Vegas is “Disney World for adults.” “[Vegas used to be] run by some cool cats like Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis, Jr.”

Vereen also said “Sammy Davis [Jr.] would come out and play every instrument in the orchestra, then he’d dance for you, then he’d do impressions of some white people.”

After declaring his “love, admiration and respect” for his backing band, he performed a song with each of them that featured only his vocals and their in-

strument. He performed “Misty” with his drummer, who ditched his sticks and used his hands; “My Funny Valentine” with the upright bass player; “Somewhere Over the Rainbow” with possible relative Aaron Vereen on the conga; and “At Last” with his pianist.

To cap off the evening, Vereen talked about an accident he was in 20 years ago.

“In 1992,” he said, “I was driving and a tree jumped in the middle of the road and hit my car.”

He sustained serious injuries and was told it would be years before he walked again, but he was on his feet in just a few months.

“It was your prayers that pulled me through,” Vereen said. “It was your prayers that made me want to get back on stage.”

He then gave an emotional performance of “For Good,” from the musical “Wicked.” Just when it seemed Vereen was on the verge of tears, the song was over. He thanked the already standing and applauding crowd and left the stage.



Jesse Scardina • Editor in Chief

Living legend Ben Vereen lit up the Collins Center for the Arts Saturday night, singing some of Broadway’s biggest hits.



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Yes on 1 from A1

she admits she was not involved in the campaign. Back in 2009 a voter repeal on same-sex marriage was voted down in a close race, 53 percent to 47 percent. Former Governor John Baldacci signed a bill into law that would allow same-sex marriage in Maine. After signing the bill, the law would have taken effect 90 days after legislation adjourned it. However, the day after Baldacci signed the bill, a campaign was started to repeal the bill through voter referendum.

Although polls reported the vote would be in favor of same-sex marriage, there was a poor voter turnout. Less than 50 percent of the student body at UMaine voted in 2009. “We need a higher turnout,” Beliveau said. This time around, Beliveau has stepped up into a leadership role to ensure equality in Maine. “I’ve put way too much of my heart and soul into this,” Beliveau said. “I think about all the families who will be able to live a little bit easier lives,” if the vote passes.

“I’m asking students to join the

team,” Beliveau said passionately about the campaign. She urges students to join the movement and take action as a supporter. “Thirty-six days is not a lot of time,” she said of the days nearing the election.

Beliveau admitted she is not into politics by any means, yet “in a way it’s the perfect job,” she said. Beliveau graduated from UMaine last year with a degree in psychology and minor in peace and reconciliation studies. She assures that students don’t have to know about politics to get involved.

When asked what makes this issue so important, Beliveau paused for a minute, as she thought about everything that has made this campaign relevant to her life. She replied by saying she hopes to live in a “world where you don’t have to be ashamed of who you are [...] and for people to be able to celebrate love.”

“It’s hard for me to run into the opposition and [have them] tell me I’m wrong,” Beliveau said. “It’s about love, family and commitment.” Beliveau urges students to vote “yes” on Question 1 Nov. 6 to allow every Mainer across the state to have equal marriage rights.

politician, commended the Sustainability Solutions Initiative, which has been actively trying to figure out the complex connection of human well-being and environmental protection, on their work with this issue.

Mitchell called for action, and his strong and persuasive tone filled the room with energy. In closing, he illustrated the balancing act between needs of the people and the needs of the global ecosystem and how truly serious this dilemma really is.

Mitchell from A2

we make: “We act on less than 100 percent certainty. We act on instinct and reaction, even with a limited amount of knowledge. We have to make a better case to all of our fellow citizens that these global threats, while they may reach their peak of diversity in the future, they demand action now.”

Mitchell, a well-spoken, clearly well-informed and opinionated

Abbott from A2

search started in July, and they have yet to find a suitable candidate.

“We continue to put more emphasis on running the business aspects of the department, and this individual will help work with us in our efforts to look for different sources of revenue and help with marketing,” Abbott said.

The responsibilities for the No. 2 person in charge is to focus on operational and finan-

cial details.

“I hope the person will be available to help with nuts and bolts of operations of the department,” Abbott said.

Regardless of what his future holds, Abbott said he would love to come back as the athletic director, but he admitted that nothing is ever permanent — especially in athletics

“The one thing about working in athletics is we’re all interim. We need to constantly assess and prove ourselves,” Abbott said. “Regardless of the length of the contract, we always have to perform.”



Sergio Afonso • Staff Photographer

Paul Davis kicks off the Democratic Rally with introductions and statistics Tuesday morning at Wells Conference Center.

Democrats from A1

the poverty level. That number has increased under Paul LePage.

Mills closed saying we have 42 days to put our state back on track.

George Mitchell, a former Maine senator, titan of state and national Democratic politics, and former Senate Majority Leader, took the podium.

“Why am I a democrat?” Mitchell asked, saying it is a hard question to answer. “My answer always is, it’s difficult to summarize in a few sentences what our country is founded on.”

“In America, no one should be guaranteed success, but everyone should have a chance to have it,” said Mitchell.

Mitchell touted the Democratic Party.

“Particularly in the last cen-

tury, the Democratic Party has worked hard,” Mitchell said. For example, the Democratic Party opposed child labor laws. Mitchell said that everyone in the Republican Party opposed child labor laws as being communist. The same phenomenon happened during the proposals of Social Security and Medicare. But none of these programs are communist, said Mitchell; they’re just common sense.

Mitchell returned to the topic of same-day voter registration and bills to prevent voter fraud.

“I think it’s one of the most shameful episodes in American history,” said Mitchell. He believes we are inflicting far too much collateral damage on voters to make removal of fraudulent voters worth it.

Concerning educational funding, Mitchell believes that, “when everyone is lifted up, everyone does better.” It is for this reason that the Mitchell fund ex-

Police Beat

The best from UMaine’s finest

By Derrick Rossignol
News Editor

Apology not accepted

University of Maine Police Department received a report at 1:15 a.m.Sept. 23 of a student who was struck by a vehicle. The victim was leaving a party at the PIKE house and walking toward Oxford Hall. As he crossed the road, a northbound vehicle turned right and struck him. The driver yelled, “I’m sorry,” and drove away. The victim sustained a bruise on his right leg and was assessed by UVAC, but was not transported.

Lifted lifter

UMPD received a report of



theft at 4:57 p.m. Sept. 23 at the New Balance Student Recreation and Fitness Center. The male victim, 24, reported his bag, which contained his glasses, keys and phone, as missing from the male locker room. The theft was suspected to take place between 4 and 4:30 p.m. There are no suspects. The value of the stolen items is estimated at \$200.

Buds and suds

UMPD received a report of an alcohol offense at 1:15 a.m. Sept. 22 on the third floor of Cumberland Hall. Officers were dispatched and two male students, both 19, were referred to Judicial Affairs. One female student, 19, was transported by UVAC to St. Joseph’s Hospital and was re-

ferred to Judicial Affairs.

ists. Mitchell said that UMaine has the largest number of Mitchell scholarship recipients.

Mitchell believes that the Republican Party has abandoned its commitment to the environment. We have to be concerned about the environment because it affects us all.

“If Republicans are elected ... it will be dangerous for the world in terms of the environment,” said Mitchell. “We have a long way to go in terms of leadership and caring for the environment.

Toby McGrath, State Director for Obama For America, spoke next. McGrath appealed to the University’s students.

“It’s intimidating to speak after Senator Mitchell,” McGrath said.. “For you students here, you have a very clear decision on healthcare.”

Were Romney to be elected, he would repeal Obama care.

“The President has invested in renewable energy,” McGrath said. “Romney wants to subsidize the oil companies.”

Romney wants to give money to the wealthiest people and put the debt on students’ shoulders.

“You getting an education should not make you bankrupt,” McGrath said.

He continued, saying, “We can’t let the Republicans screw up the Democratic ticket.” He mentioned that \$400,000 in attack ad funds is now sitting at media stations around the state. Karl Rove put these funds in place with the sole purpose of using them to thin the resources of Democratic campaigns.

“Have people in this room knocking on doors,” McGrath said the way to win the election. “We need a Mainer talking to a Mainer. We need students talking to other students.”

Leslie Belmont, campus organizer for the “Yes on 1” campaign, spoke briefly about the importance of LGBT rights.

The event took an amusing turn when Davis called Nicole Brown, Penobscot Valley Organizer for the Maine People’s Alliance, to the podium. A few members of the crowd said that Brown wasn’t scheduled to speak.

“You’re not speaking, are you?” Davis said.

“I guess I am now,” replied Brown.

Brown said that the MPA hasn’t endorsed any candidate this year who doesn’t support Fair Share Economy. She then called on students to become actively involved in registering other students to vote.

Matt Dunlap, former Maine Secretary of State, spoke about how he came to be Secretary of State. He graduated in 1987 from UMaine, where he ran across a student who had fallen behind in loan payments and was forced out of the school at the end of the semester, just before she could take her final exams. Dunlap then petitioned to create an emergency scholarship for students in a similar position and worked his way up in politics from there.

Dunlap said he thought he was out of politics after the election of Governor Paul LePage. However, he continues to be active because he believes the atmosphere in Augusta has changed for the worse.

“I have never been more upset than when I saw, on official letterhead from the Secretary of State, a letter telling students to unregister to vote in Maine,” said Dunlap, referring to the attempt in 2011 by Charlie Summers to intimidate hundreds of college students into not voting.

Dunlap believes that if you are 18 years old or older, you have the right to vote. The law agrees with Dunlap.

Ryan Tipping-Spitz, candidate for Orono’s Maine House District 19, spoke briefly on what issues matter to him. He believes in affordable healthcare, clean water and air, and a fair economy.

Emily Cain, current House Representative for District 19 and a candidate for Senate District 30, was the final speaker for the event.

“We must work together. Talk to our friends, talk to our neighbors, say, ‘I am a Democrat because I believe that [Maine can do better.]’” Cain said. Cain asked for help to reduce economic anxiety.

Cain criticized the Maine Republican party for their actions.

“The amount of unprogress done in the past two years is frightening, but we can take it back,” Cain said.

No-show smoker

UMPD received a report of marijuana odor at 9:39 p.m. Sept. 23 coming from a room on the third floor of Androscoggin Hall. Officers were dispatched and knocked on the door, but the female resident did not answer and the officers left. Officers followed up on Sept. 24 and no contact was made. The student was referred to Judicial Affairs.

Make your mark

UMPD received a report of criminal mischief at 7:28 p.m. Sept. 22 at Fogler Library. “DNA” was written on a sticker in the first floor bathroom. The cost of clean up is estimated at \$25.

Ding dong ditch

UMPD received a report of trespassing at 5:58 p.m. Sept. 22 at the Chi Omega house on College Ave. A sister of the sorority heard a beating on the door and saw three college-age suspects running away. There are currently no suspects.



Jesse Scardina • Editor in Chief

New associate athletic director for finance Seth Woodcock takes in a rainy UMaine football game. Woodcock is in charge of fundraising for the athletic department.

UMaine SG from A2

of change this university needs.” Protzmann said he and USMSG, Inc. Director of Communications Sen. Ferguson are collaborating ideas to create a new senate logo. Also, Protzmann stated that Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Robert Dana has \$10,000 set aside for grants up to \$1,000 aimed at students looking to pursue projects to benefit the university.

After receiving emails from both Dana and Student Affairs, Vice President Helmke is bouncing around ideas of implementing a program that educates students about the candidates in the upcoming election. Also, Helmke reiterated his plans to restart the Old Town taxi voucher program that former Vice President Caleb Rosser initiated last year.

Porter reminded the body that the organizations conference is on Wednesday, Nov. 30 at 3:30 p.m. in the Donald P. Corbett Business Building. Porter also hinted at a new alternative to FirstClass that would likely be replacing the collaborative client

software sooner rather than later.

In periodic reports, Representative to the Board of Trustees, Sen. Buttarazzi spoke upon the board’s latest meeting held at the University of Southern Maine in Portland last week. Buttarazzi said there was plenty of discussion and disagreement on the collective bargaining agreement, but speaking about it was as far as the board went. Buttarazzi also said plans for a Bennett Hall elevator system, to provide easier access for those who are physically impaired, is still in the works.

Sen. Robert “Jackson” Pineau, representative to the faculty senate, went to the faculty senate’s first meeting on Sept. 26. Pineau said members are in the process of enacting a plan to install cameras inside Raymond H. Fogler Library, with the hope that it would reduce incidences of graffiti tagging. Also, Pineau said UMaine President Paul Ferguson will soon implement phase one of the Blue Sky Plan, the university’s new five-year strategic plan.

The election timetables for both executive and GSS positions were released. Nomination forms are already available in

the Student Government office and campaigning has officially begun. All nomination forms are due to the Student Government office on Oct. 4 by 12 p.m. There will be candidate meetings in the Wade Center on Oct. 11, followed by a debate for executive candidates on Oct. 15. Election day will be held on Oct. 25 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on FirstClass.

For those confused by how seats are filled temporarily before election time in October, President Protzmann explained: “Basically, the way we left off last semester was [former President] Anthony Ortiz was a senior when he ran [for president during] the fall elections for 2011-2012 year. His term would have ended this December, but given he was a senior and obviously graduating, his position must be filled. The order of senate basically folds to the [president] pro temp[or]e] who’s third-in-line in succession behind VP. We had a special election for [president] pro temp[or]e]. Myself and Sen. Mark Brunton both ran for it, and I won that election. Essentially, my term is until December, fulfilling the rest of Anthony’s tenure.”

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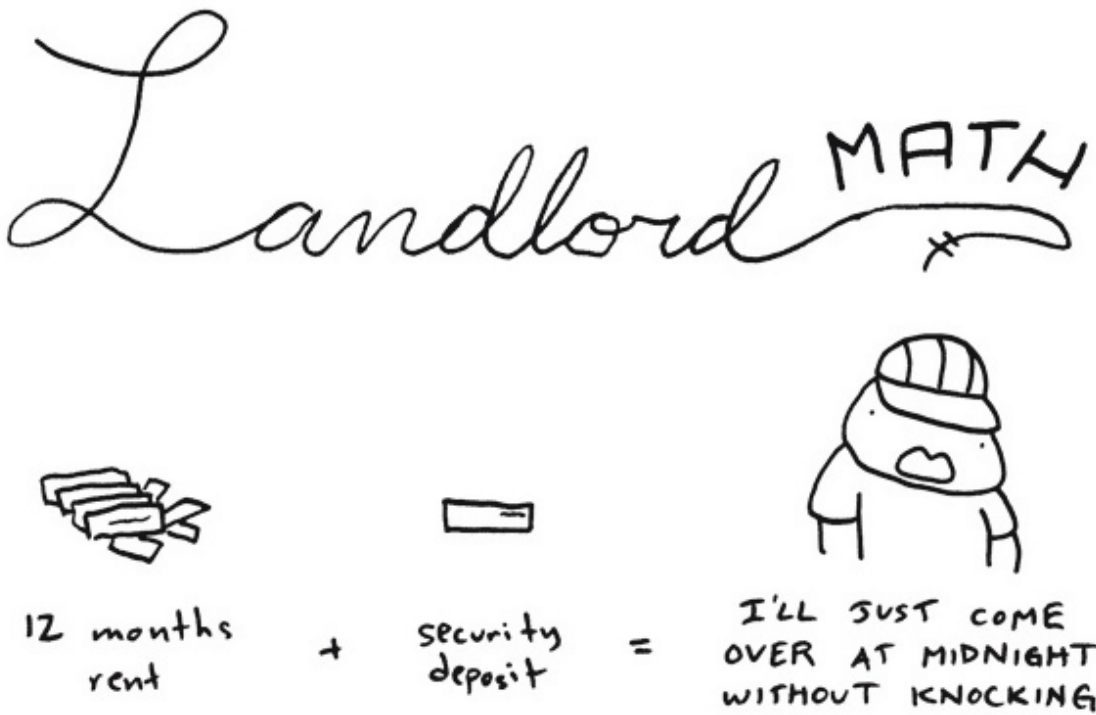
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- EVITA
- FAME
- FANTASIA
- FUNNY FACE
- FUNNY GIRL
- GIGI
- GODSPELL
- GREASE
- GYPSY
- HAIR
- HELLO, DOLLY!
- HIGH SOCIETY
- HOLIDAY INN
- JAILHOUSE ROCK
- LA TRAVIATA
- MARY POPPINS
- MOULIN ROUGE
- MY FAIR LADY
- NEWSIES
- OKLAHOMA!
- OLIVER!
- PAL JOEY
- SHOW BOAT
- SILK STOCKINGS
- SOUTH PACIFIC
- STATE FAIR
- SWEET CHARITY
- SWING TIME
- THE MUSIC MAN
- TOMMY
- TOP HAT
- WEST SIDE STORY

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters will spell out an additional Movie Musical!

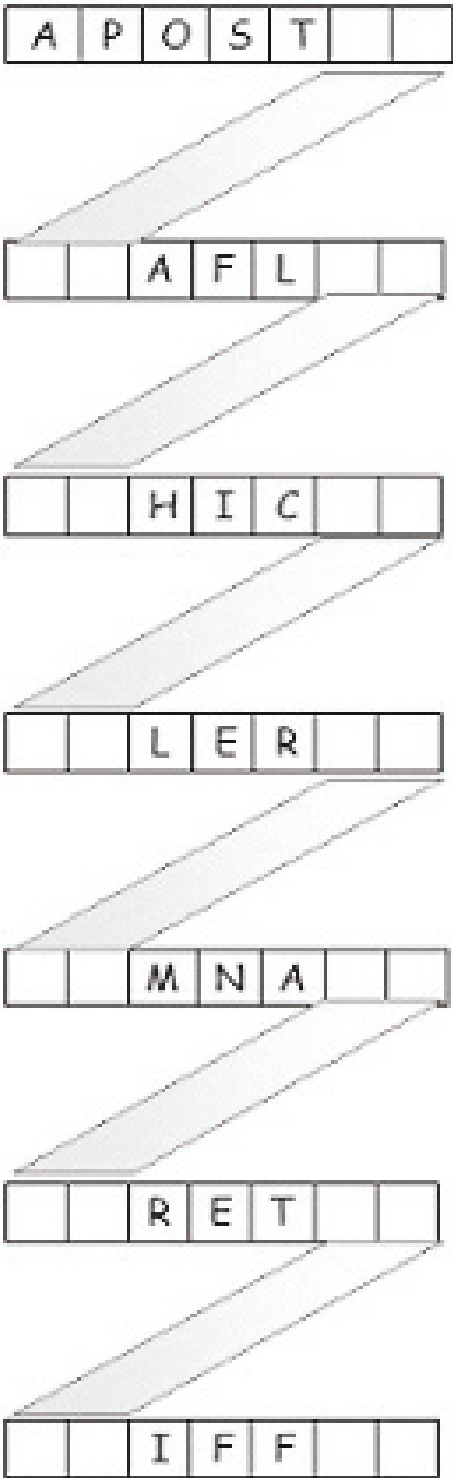
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Zig-Zag

First complete the 7-letter word at the top of each diagram. Then use the last two letters of the first word as the first two letters of the second word.



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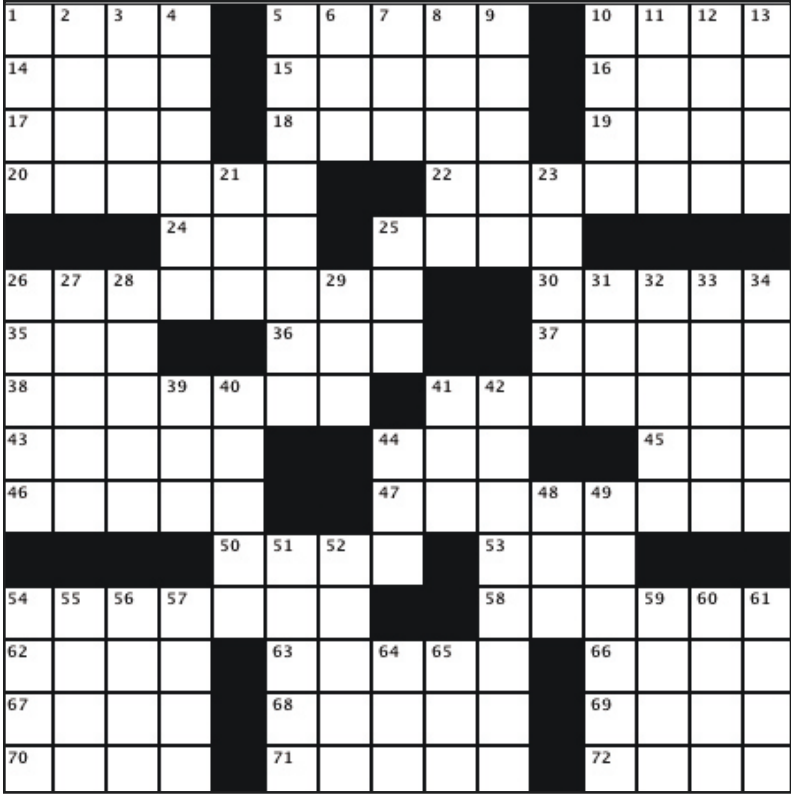
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There is only one correct answer.

Difficulty level: Easy

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Crossword Puzzle



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Answer key in sports

- Across**
- 1- Invitation letters;
 - 5- Give merit;
 - 10- Boxer Max;
 - 14- The Stooges, e.g.;
 - 15- Stroll;
 - 16- Dominion;
 - 17- Coup d'___;
 - 18- Forest makeup;
 - 19- School founded by Henry VI;
 - 20- Italian sausage;
 - 22- Make sure;
 - 24- Vietnamese New Year;
 - 25- Essay;
 - 26- Complete;
 - 30- Spells;
 - 35- ___ du Diable;
 - 36- HST's successor;
 - 37- ___ Kick Out of You;
 - 38- Ripens;
 - 41- Macaroon flavoring;
 - 43- Got up;
 - 44- Nav. officer;
 - 45- Keats work;
 - 46- Principle;
 - 47- Leans;
 - 50- Weapons;
 - 53- Nasser's org.;
 - 54- Office head;
 - 58- Ray of "Good-Fellas";
 - 62- Lots and lots;
 - 63- Hawaiian greeting;
 - 66- Monetary unit of Thailand;
 - 67- Nobleman;
 - 68- Reform Party founder;
 - 69- Exclude;
 - 70- TV award;
 - 71- Twilled fabric;
 - 72- Swank;
 - 4- Edible tuber;
 - 5- Innate ability;
 - 6- Armed conflict;
 - 7- Enzyme ending;
 - 8- Actress Wither-spoon;
 - 9- Prescribed amounts;
 - 10- Author Harte;
 - 11- Car;
 - 12- "The Time Machine" people;
 - 13- 1996 Tony-winning musical;
 - 21- ___ Brooks, filmmaker responsible for "Blazing Saddles";
 - 23- Moral principle;
 - 25- Driving aid;
 - 26- Draw a bead on;
 - 27- Raucous sound;
 - 28- Attack;
 - 29- NFL scores;
 - 31- Swelled head;
 - 32- Chemically inactive gas;
 - 33- Chopin composition;
 - 34- Fills to the gills;
 - 39- Employ, utilise;
 - 40- Label anew;
 - 41- MSNBC rival;
 - 42- Kiss;
 - 44- Frozen Wasser;
 - 48- China's Chou En-___;
 - 49- Asimov classic;
 - 51- Harvests;
 - 52- 1957 hit for the Bobettes;
 - 54- Boy or man;
 - 55- Mighty mite;
 - 56- Standard;
 - 57- Hardy boy;
 - 59- ___-shanter (Scottish cap);
 - 60- Lean;
 - 61- ABA member;
 - 64- Eight-time Norris Trophy winner;
 - 65- Pig;
- Down**
- 1- Numbered rds.;
 - 2- Mex. miss;
 - 3- Antidote holder, maybe;

Answers: Apostle, Leagier, Ethical, Allergy, Gymnast, Stretch, Chiffon

EDITORIAL

Whether for or against, use your right to vote

As November 6 approaches, all students should keep in mind that progress is not inevitable, and as one might have said at the time of the Married Women’s Property Acts, the Missouri Compromise or the Hyde Amendment, by no means have we fulfilled our potential for social reform.

It can seem a daunting task — being asked to play a political activist, helping to advance a policy change as a gift for future generations and as a gesture of gratitude to previous ones. On Election Day each year, we are all conveniently afforded the opportunity to perform our civic duty in an entirely painless manner, and in nearly as little time as it takes to hit the gym, catch an episode of your favorite medical drama, or flip through a Facebook friend’s new album of wedding photos.

In fact, for all Mainers, setting aside a segment of our day to stroll down to the polls the first Tuesday in November could mean a boost in images of nuptials blowing up your newsfeed, as well as a host of happy families celebrating their long-awaited recognition throughout the holidays, if we go out en force and answer “yes” on Question 1: Do you want to allow the State of Maine to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples?

In 2009, by a small margin, a people’s veto struck down a bill signed by former Governor John Baldacci that would have brought equal marriage rights to same-sex couples in Maine. Advocates for the No on 1 campaign — then the proponents of marriage licenses for gay and lesbian Mainers — were devastated when their efforts to uphold Baldacci’s bill proved just shy of enough.

That was the last time the question of marriage equality was on the ballot in Maine, and unsurprisingly, University of Maine students voted in favor of parallel rights. However, only 46 percent of students actually showed up to the polls in 2009. This is nowhere near as abysmally low a turnout as last year’s, when just over 10 percent of UMaine students eligible to vote in the State of Maine actually did so. It is still more embarrassing that 2010 was a year when the first question on the ballot was one of whether to allow same-day voter registration to persist as a practice, surely a maneuver by Republican Party members to undermine the young liberal vote.

Thankfully, our shamefully low voter turnout two years ago did not mean we were robbed of our same-day registration. Thus, any UMaine students who could have voted in 2009 but were part of the 54 percent that didn’t, or were a member of the staggering 89 percent of the eligible student body that chose not to vote in 2010, can now redeem themselves by taking advantage of the extremely accessible registration options on campus, and can do so on the very day of the election if they so choose.

This call to arms for all crusaders of equality encompasses not only in-state students, but also out-of-state students who want to be a part of casting out intolerance in the state that’s home to your Alma Mater, hopefully prompting still other states to follow. Registration is available every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union from now until Nov. 6.

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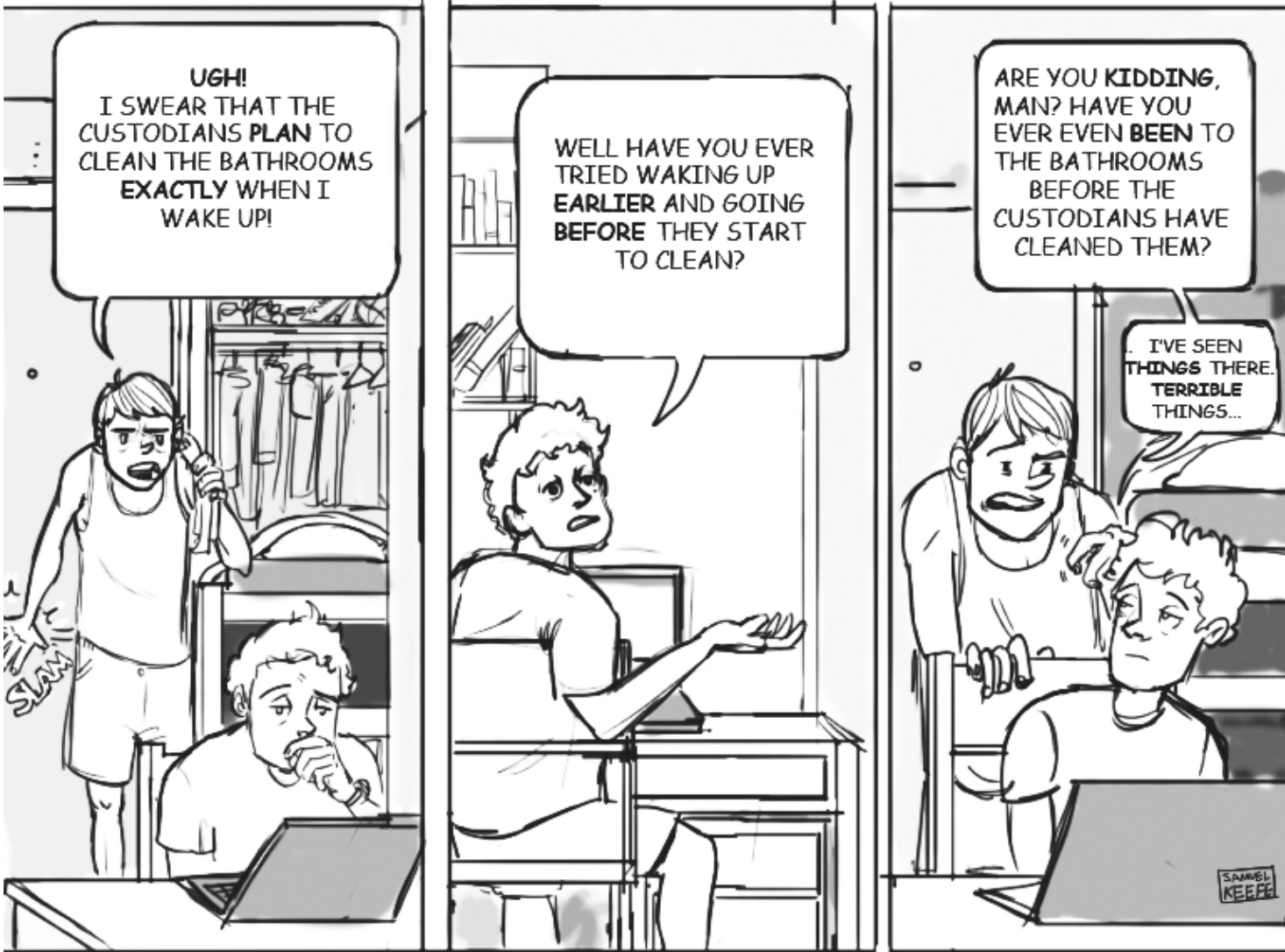
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Opinion



Student Loan Forgiveness: Not the Solution

Logan Nee

On Friday, the Department of Education reported that 9.1 percent of borrowers whose payments kicked in during the fiscal year 2012 defaulted on the loans from previous year, which ended Sept. 30, 2011. That percentage is up from 8.8 percent in the prior year and 4.6 percent five years earlier. This is just another sign of the staggering student loan debt fiasco facing 1 in 5 households throughout the country.

The start of reform on the student loan front started with Rep. Hansen Clarke of Michigan’s 1st Congressional District, when he introduced the Student Loan Forgiveness Act of 2012 last winter. This has currently been deferred and probably won’t make it to the House floor for a vote, but the idea of simply eliminating student debt — adding to the already gargantuan federal debt — in order to help students find a career in this struggling economy, sparked a wave of support.

As a high school student who applied to 10 schools and only got admitted to one, I was forced to make the right decision. There isn’t an issue of facing massive debt because the University of Maine does a great job at trying to keep costs to a minimum. Some students, however, feel as if they should be bailed out for their bad decisions.

An alternative to simply slashing student loans debt aimlessly is to lower interest rates on current loans. President Barack Obama campaigned for months this year on a provision to keep student loan interest rates from doubling. Despite some initial opposition from the Republican Party, Congress overwhelmingly approved a 1-year extension of the low rates.

Presidential nominee Mitt Romney has also historically supported the effort to lower interest rates on student loans — at least temporarily — until conditions in the job market recover. Romney’s idea of a voucher system for secondary education is outlandish and unrealistic, but the already privatized higher-education market is a different story. I don’t agree with Romney on much, and he obviously had no trouble paying for college during his glory days, but he made some reputable comments last March to a student in Ohio.

Romney told the student, “Make sure you get the education you want for the cost you want. Make sure you can get your degree in four years — or less...work hard...recognize that college is expensive.” This is about as far as I can go without blasting Romney on his vice presidential candidate’s budget — which proposes to cap

Pell Grant spending — but I do agree with the fact that we need students to reassess their self-entitlement to higher education.

This doesn’t mean a fully qualified, credible student should not be able to attend the college of his or her choice, but naive high school students across the country who need to realize their boundaries. If you want to major in family and child studies — no offense to family and child studies majors — at an out-of-state public university, such as UVM, for \$49,135 per year, be my guest. But don’t go whining to the federal government after graduation when you can’t find a job that can pay back the \$200,000 debt you accrued.

It infuriates me to hear stories about students who are jobless after getting out of college — a place where they spent some of the best years of their lives — wondering why they weren’t served a career on a silver platter after graduating. I hate to break it to you, but the economy is currently unforgiving. And if you don’t want to put in the effort to make sure you have a job after graduating, no one should be paying back all your debt so you can venture into an entrepreneurial career. You must suffer the consequences for four years that weren’t taken seriously.



On the flip side, many

students work multiple jobs throughout college, trying to make ends meet, so that they can make a difference in a profession that may not have much financial yield. These are the students we can afford to “forgive,” but it’s extremely difficult deciphering between the two. Cutting all students’ debt by a specified amount, no matter what their situation is, is not the solution.

It’s an issue of lack of information. In order to combat these student debt issues, we need to start at the beginning of it all by acquiring more reliable guidance counselors in our schools. The more I think about my college selection process, the more grateful I am for having an overall useless counselor who allowed me to apply to schools completely out of my range. Not only did it bring me to UMaine — where I could flourish in academics and athletics — but it also put me ahead of those who will be drowning in debt after leaving school.

That being said, for those high school students who are getting ready to apply this fall — if it’s worth it to you, go for it. Just make sure you have no regrets.

Logan Nee is a third-year economics and political science student

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Religious freedom still issue in America

The idea of religious freedom was one that motivated the creation of our nation. The importance of said ideology cannot be denied. However, the cries for personal religious freedom have been turning to cries for personal Judeo-Christian freedoms and nothing more. The implications of this drastic and non-secular movement are unpleasant for those of us who do not participate in a Judeo-Christian religious group.

The religious or non-religious beliefs of any one person can drastically affect how one is perceived by others. Unfortunately, the change in image is likely not caused by a person's actions, but by a person's choice to believe in a God that does not rule over Catholicism or, even worse, no God at all.

In a Gallup poll done recently, about 50 percent of Americans said they would vote for an extremely well-qualified atheist for president. As for a well-qualified Muslim, the number was slightly higher, but still hovered around 50 percent. This implies that half of all Americans would ignore the qualifications of a candidate to instead focus upon their personal belief system. Instead of voting based on what would seem to be the most important criterion — the ability to

run a country — half of Americans wholeheartedly admit to having a strong bias against those who do not practice the “proper” religion. To go further, six states in the U.S. have laws — albeit old — to prohibit anyone who denies the existence of God from holding public office. The state of Arkansas goes a

The religious or non-religious beliefs of any one person can drastically affect how one is perceived by others

Jeri Cosgrove

step further and legally prohibits an atheist from serving as a witness in any court.

Perhaps most affected by religious discrimination are Muslims. Those who practice Islam have been unfairly categorized by a large group of Americans, many of whom practice a religion that reminds you to always “love thy neighbor.” The discrimination was amplified and reached its peak following the Sept. 11 attacks and continues to this day. When the anti-Islamic film “Innocence of Muslims” was released by a pro-Catholic movie studio, practitioners of Islam reacted violently world-

wide. American response was unfortunate, and obviously biased.

While violence is not the proper way to react, Americans seemed to condemn all Muslims, and did so without even understanding the implications of the horrible film. The violent reaction, while unnecessary and horrible, is not unlike the reactions provided by extremist pro-life men and women who murder abortion performers or bomb their clinics. It appears we forget that these are often religiously motivated acts of violence, yet we are wholly able to condemn those who practice a less Westernized faith.

Understanding is key in order to achieve real growth and equality. The religious freedoms promised to us by our forefathers are the most important freedoms we are given. But we must understand that this is applicable to all, not only to the majority. Those with less popularly practiced faiths, those with less publicly approved faiths and those with no faith, all deserve the freedoms they were promised.

Jeri Cosgrove is a third-year English student

Democrats can't let what happened in 2010 happen in 2012

Remember the 2010 general election? Well here's a history lesson for those of you who don't: Independent candidate Eliot Cutler finished a close second to Paul LePage, but neither candidate managed to secure even 40 percent of the votes. Why? Because Democrat Libby Mitchell confounded the whole scene by taking home a useless 20 percent.

The issue I had with the election is that Maine is a blue state: Wouldn't it make sense for us to have the democrats choose the governor since they are the majority? If Mitchell had dropped out, I doubt very much that 20 percent of the faithful democrats who voted for her would have voted in the surly Paul LePage. Here's the bottom line: Mitchell knew she wasn't going to win. If she had dropped out, Cutler would have taken the election by a landslide.

With the November general elections looming, we have potential for the exact same scenario to repeat itself a mere two years later. In the race for Olympia Snowe's senate seat, we have three options: Democrat Cynthia Dill, Independent Angus King or Republican Charlie Summers. Dill and King better figure out who's got the best shot very quickly, or Summers will have the election in the bag because of a split in the democrats' vote. I think King is the better candidate, but Dill insists that she's not going to lose or drop out.

I'm about as liberal as they come, but I am so very proud of Olympia Snowe for her services to Maine and our country dur-

ing her term in the Senate. The woman has always advocated for her state and we took for granted her tremendous influence in Congress. Whoever her replacement is, Maine is losing because we are losing Olympia Snowe. I voted for her, and I would vote for her again in a heartbeat.

First of all, if you're a Republican, thanks for reading. Second, Charlie Summers is not a viable replacement for our beloved Olympia Snowe. At best he would be another generic Republican Senate seat. In 2011

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Daniel Bowman

Summers supported disgusting legislation which would have taken away Maine's right to register to vote on the same day as an election. I don't care what your political party is; this is a sneaky and ridiculous maneuver. People have the right to vote. The only reason a few Republicans supported the bill is because they thought fewer votes from the flip-flopping Democrats.

Cynthia Dill seems like a nice enough lady, but on paper her “progressive” agenda is just another democratic vote in the Senate. My biggest concern is that Dill doesn't have any significant experience with budgeting

or money. She's a lawyer and a college instructor at Southern Maine Community College. I love that she'd support gay marriage and women's rights, but frankly that's not a big enough gain for me to vote for her.

King had her and Summers beat from the start in polling. Now, however, Dill is gaining a frightening momentum. King also spent eight years making mistakes as Maine's governor. I was in seventh grade when King sent Apple a check for \$37.2 million so that all of Maine's seventh and eighth graders could have school-issued laptops. It was a pricey investment, but I knew how to use a computer before many of my peers because of King. King is criticized as the “king of spending,” and by that account I suppose he is.

But I'm more comfortable having a senator with an extensive background in government and one who wouldn't try to weasel me out of my right to vote because I forgot to register. Snowe is leaving Congress because it is gridlocked in partisanship and petty power struggles. By her own logic, another independent in the Senate would be a sign of bipartisan progress.

It's a tragedy that we're losing Olympia Snowe as our senior senator, and I hope her replacement will do as much for Maine as she has. Democrats need to stop splitting their votes between themselves and independents, or we will have a repeat of the 2010 election and Charlie Summers will take the race.

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By Derrick Rossignol
News Editor

Tony Award-winning, Emmy-nominated entertainer Ben Vereen has done a lot in his long career. Recently the ever-positive actor, singer and dancer took time to talk to The Maine Campus about his interesting life, how he has dealt with diabetes and “Steppin’ Out with Ben Vereen,” a touring one-man show that stopped at the Collins Center for the Arts on Sept. 29.

Ben Vereen: King Derrick! Ah, wow! Nice to be talking to you, my king.

Derrick Rossignol for The Maine Campus: It’s nice to meet you, too. How are you doing?

BV: I’m doing fantastic. I’m so looking forward to coming up to Maine.

MEC: And we look forward to having you.

BV: So what would you like to know? What can I tell you about?

MEC: You’ve been performing in some capacity for basically your entire life, so what’s it been like watching entertainment change over the course of your career?

BV: Everything changes: It’s the way of life. It’s called evolution. So this business has changed, of course, and I’ve been blessed. ... [A]nd I thank my audiences for this, all my lovely audiences there in Maine, for allowing me the privilege of carrying on in this journey and watching this evolution as we watch things change. Things are different in the ’60s, ’70s, ’80s, ’90s and now the 2000s. ... [W]e have as a people ... been through this change. Now, we watch video. When it first began, there was no video. Now there’s video, now there’s iPads, now there’s iPhones. There are these things that have evolved that you ... [H]ow old are you, my king?

MEC: I’m 20 years old.

BV: Twenty years old, you’re a puppy. [Laughs.] But look at all the things that your life will see. It’s the same thing with me when I was 20 [years old]. When I was 20, I was just getting out of school. I was just in my first production, and I’ve watched as, my God, we’ve gone to space! We’ve gone to so many places as a people, and this business has changed miraculously. Look, when I was growing up — when I was 20 — there were only three or four channels on TV. Now there’s 5000. [Laughs.] Now we got plasma TVs; now you can watch TV in your hand. My God! [Laughs.]

We’re a closer world than we were then. In those days, they had a show called “Star Trek” — all right? — and Captain Kirk would stand and the door would open. Nobody ever thought we’d be able to walk in the grocery store and the door would just be wide open for us, but today we do. In those days they had a flip phone and he’d say, “Beam me up, Scottie.” Today, we have cell phones in our hands. [laughs] It’s a wonderful life, son. It’s a beautiful human mind that has the ability to manifest that which it visualizes. There’s something within us all that keeps us reaching and evolving and evolving and evolving and evolving.

MEC: You’ve done Broadway, movies, TV, you’ve sang — so do you have a favorite kind of work that you do?

BV: It’s called employment. [Laughs.] I love what I do, and I thank my audiences for allowing me to give them the light that they are themselves. I’m just a reflection of them, I like to think, and I’m so thankful. I’m in gratitude, and gratitude is a lovely place to be, son. My king, as long as you stay in gratitude, the universe sees your gratitude and gives you more, and I’m so thankful. I love every aspect of what I have the privilege and the honor to be a part of. I love the stage, I love TV, I love films, I love recordings, I love speaking. I love just being ... in service. That’s what we’re doing, you and I: We’re in service to the public.

MEC: So over the course of your long and varied career, you’ve been on shows like “The Carol Burnett Show,” “The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air” —

BV: Wow, you did your homework. [Laughs.] I’m sorry, go ahead.

MEC: Oh, yeah. So being on these shows, you’ve worked with



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Broadway legend Ben Vereen showcased his skills at the Collins Center for the Arts on Saturday night.

a bunch of great people, so who are some of the favorite people you’ve had the pleasure of working with?

BV: Oh, you’ve mentioned them: Carol Burnett, Sammy Davis, Jr. ... [In] the show that I’m doing [for tour], I pay tribute to those who have helped me along my way, and the show is sort of a precursor to a bigger show I’m doing called “Last of the Showmen” — a soon-to-be-released “docu-musical” that chronicles Vereen’s life —] where I pay tribute to all of the people who have come along and touched my life.

My God, Jackie Gleason. My God, Carol Burnett. My God, you mention them, I’ve been there. I did a show with Milton Berle ... Milton Berle! “Mr. TV” who gave us TV from the very beginning. He was the first variety act on TV; he was my opening act. Joan Rivers, she was one of my opening acts. I’ve been in the presence of ... oh God, what’s his name? There’s so many! [Laughs.] I was in the audience of Charlie Chaplin. You see how special this journey has been? I have shook the hands of kings and queens and duchesses and you name it. It’s been an amazing journey.

MEC: It sounds amazing.

BV: Oh, it’s been amazing, it’s been unbelievable. My book’s going to be a best-seller, I know it. [Laughs.]

MEC: As part of this amazing journey you’ve been on, during a darker portion of it, you were diagnosed with diabetes in 2007 —

BV: I have to stop you right there. It’s not a darkness: it was an awakening. You see, a lot of people look at diabetes, and — you’re right — [the diagnosis is often referred to] as a dark period, and it is a dark period for those who do not awaken to their truth. When I was diagnosed with diabetes in ’07, I went through the same thing, my king.

I was going through the same thing, going, “Oh my God, my life is not going to be the same. How am I going to live with diabetes? Oh my God, I have diabetes. They’re going to take my leg; they’re going to take my liver. What do I do, what do I do? I spoke to my doctor and said, “What am I going to do?” He said, “You can handle this,” and I said, “What do you mean? It’s diabetes, it’s a killer, a disease...” and he says, “You have control over this.” He said, “All you[’ve] got to do is take your medication.” They put me on insulin. Then he said, “All you[’ve] got to do is exercise and watch your eating habits.” I said, “That’s it?” and he said, “Yeah.”

You see, the wonderful thing is that it evolves, and you have a greater and a better life and a wonderful way to shine your light for other people who are living with diabetes to see. And we’ve got to let people know: Yes, I live with diabetes. We’re so quick to hide and not talk about it because it’s a shameful thing ... No! No, you are an example of the most

high because you are living with something society says is a killer, but no, you’re living! If you don’t do the right things, [then] yes: You’ll have amputations, you’ll have heart failures, you’ll have those sorts of ugly things.

But if you do the right things, if you work with somebody ... work with your doctor. You don’t have to sit in front of that TV all night. Get up and walk around the block! You don’t have to sit down at the table and eat the whole cake. You can eat a slice of the cake and say, “Hmm, that tastes pretty good.” You don’t have to drink all that sugar. drink some water. [Laughs.] See? It’s easy. And that way, we’ve pushed the darkness of diabetes away and we begin to live in the light.

MEC: You know, that’s a very positive and beautiful outlook you have on that. It’s really nice.

BV: You know something? It beats the alternative.

MEC: Definitely. So now, to talk about the show that you’re going to be doing here, I know it’s a one-man show, but what sort of things are you going to be doing on stage?

BV: Well, as I said, I’m paying tribute to those who’ve helped me along in my career. I’ve had the chance of being in their shadow. People like Sammy Davis, Jr., Frank Sinatra, Tom O’Horgan. So it’s an evening of that. It’s a precursor, as I said, to a show called “Last of the Showmen.” I’m bringing four fabulous musicians who are amazing, and we’re going to have a good time, so to all the people, come on out and have a ... good ... time.

I’m thankful to my audience because, one: I’m not on a hit TV show. I’m on “How I Met Your Mother,” yes; but that’s not a current show [of mine]. I don’t have a hit record like my godson Usher. He’s out there singing and he’s got thousands of people coming to him. But my audiences come out to see me and I give praise and honor to them, so the show is dedicated to them.

MEC: So how long have you been touring this show, and how has it been received?

BV: They’ve been fantastic and I’ve taken the show all over. I’ve been to Hawaii, I’ve taken it to Australia, I’ve gone across the United States, developing it and shaping it and shaping it and shaping it, and boom: here it comes. Boom, here it is! [Laughs.]

MEC: Have you ever played in Maine before?

BV: I’m sure I have in one lifetime or another.

MEC: I’m out of questions, so I just want to thank you for your time. I appreciate it.

BV: Oh, I appreciate you, my king. You have a blessed day, and I look forward to meeting you and seeing that wonderful energy that you have for the universe.

MEC: Thank you very much.

BV: OK, my king. Have a blessed day. Bye.

Some seasonal pumpkin brews surpass others

Column

It is officially pumpkin season: that wonderful time of year when thousands of helpless gourds are mercilessly filleted by delighted children and nearly every beverage under the sun has “pumpkin spice” added to its title. Beer, as evidenced by the glut of pumpkin brews now crowding store shelves, is not immune to this orange menace. However, some pumpkin beers are better than others — some of them are rather good, too. Having done some dedicated research on my own, I enlisted my roommates to act as a taste testing panel for a set of unique pumpkin beers.

Before rushing to the results, I must provide a disclaimer: Among hardened beer aficionados, pumpkin beers, or seasonally spiced ales, are commonly regarded as a neighbor who goes overboard with the seasonal decorations, i.e., as impressive as they are, the novelty wears off after a few minutes. But as a beer enthusiast and college student—not an aficionado—I say, “oh, fill the steins to dear, old Maine.”

Up first was Fat Jack, a double pumpkin ale from Samuel Adams. It pours a dark russet color, with a foamy beige head and clocks in at 8.5 percent alcohol by volume, or



The Hop Report
By Ezra Juskewitch

“ABV.” Fat Jack is part of Samuel Adams’ small batch series, and because it boasts 28 pounds of pumpkin per every 31 gallons on its label, the tasting crew expected this brew to be overflowing with delicious pumpkin goodness. Sifting through the layers, we found a rich, toasty, biscuit and malt base; hints of the pie spices such as cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, allspice and ginger; even hints of vanilla and brown sugar. But overall, very little pumpkin flavor was found, which actually makes a lot of sense: Pumpkin has very little flavor of its own. Overall it was the most drinkable, but also the most forgettable, in the lineup.

Next we tried Smashed Pumpkin, by Shipyard Brewing Co. Smashed Pumpkin is Pumpkin Head’s boozy big brother and was the strongest pumpkin beer we tried at 9 percent ABV. Crystal clear, amber-orange colored, it has a lingering cinnamon finish, accentuated by its fantastically high alcohol content. While the cinnamon and clove spiciness overpowered the molasses and breadly vanilla notes, which made this beer a little imbalanced, no one seemed to mind. The panel of tasters repeatedly returned to this beer as the benchmark because of its caramel and spice notes, and also for its alcohol content.

Imperial Pumpking, by Southern Tier, had the lowest alcohol content at a flat 8 percent ABV, but it was the most intense beer we tried. The aroma was big, spilling out of the glass in big vanilla and candied pecan notes. The flavors were equally immense, dominated by toasted brown sugar,

gingerbread and graham cracker. Taking a sip, one taster said, “I’ve got it: Jelly Belly buttered popcorn.” This exclamation was so accurate that the group found it impossible to taste anything else in the beer afterwards. More dessert than beer, it was difficult to get past its sweetness. The panel tended to shun this beer, especially after the Jelly Belly comment, but if you enjoy sweeter beers, this could be a winner for you.

Long Trail’s Imperial Pumpkin was the darkest, most roasted tasting and the most understated of the group. At 8.6 percent ABV, the combination of roasted malt and nutmeg combined to give this beer a noticeably bitter aftertaste at first, especially in contrast to the Imperial Pumpking. Dark caramel in color, without much of a head, we noted that the flavor was more like blackstrap molasses or a pumpkin pie with a slightly burnt crust — a welcome contrast to a very sweet bunch of ales. It did mellow as it warmed up, but the consensus was that this beer might have played it too safe, or just too close to the roasted end of the spectrum.

The tasting crew was struck by the diversity of this narrow flavor style and also by the alcohol content. But tasting is easy, compared to brewing. Brewing a pumpkin beer is difficult because its fate rests in the magical balance between sweetness and spice. If you like pumpkin lattes, pumpkin bread, pumpkin coffee, pumpkin donuts, pumpkin cookies or have a thing for gourds, then give one of these brews a taste “while supplies last.”

Just don’t try them all at once.

Boogie Down Productions rap about real street life

Column

In the late ‘80s, hip-hop was clean. The lyrical content was usually positive and profanity



Trip Down Memory Lane
By Josh Deakin

nal Minded,” in 1987.

The overall theme of “Criminal Minded” was violence, as is evidenced in the song “9MM Go Bang.” One of the more popular songs from the record, its first verse depicts a story about someone gunning down a crack dealer. These were fairly heavy lyrics, compared to Run-DMC’s rhymes about Adidas. Although “9MM Go Bang” was a big song for Boogie Down Productions, the most important song of the album is a track by the name of “South Bronx.”

“South Bronx” is an angry response to Marley Marl & MC Shan’s track, “The Bridge,” which claimed that hip-hop’s roots came from Queensbridge public housing in Queens, NY. The rivalry is considered one of rap’s first “beefs.” Unfortunately, like most hip-hop feuds, it ended in tragedy. DJ Scott La Rock was gunned down in 1987 after trying to settle a dispute with Boogie Down Productions collaborator D-Nice.

After the death of Scott La Rock, KRS-One reformulated his lyrical topics. For Boogie Down Productions’ second record, it would focus on social issues. After changing record labels to Jive Records, their sophomore album, “By All Means Necessary,” was released in 1988 and was eventually certified gold by the Recording Industry Association

Social from A10

Frank dove into Facebook and its dilemma with online games. She then pulled up a slide of Farmville, a popular online game playable through Facebook. “Allowing Farmville access will let it pull your profile information, photos, your friends information, and other content that it requires to work,” Frank said, quoting Farmville’s Terms of Use. She told the audience she used to play the game Words With Friends until six months ago, when it changed its application permission. “Why do you need my content data in order for me to play scrabble?” Frank asked.

Games weren’t the only aspects of online networking that Frank grilled. Even status updates were cooked — specifically mobile updates.

“If you post a mobile upload status saying you’re at the Red Sox game in Boston, guess

where that means you’re not? Sometimes you don’t mean to give this information away; it just happens because of status updates. I don’t [have] to guess where you’re going to be, you told me. ... This is really scary when we start thinking of some of the stalkers and offenders that live out there,” Frank explained.

Frank also mentioned Mark Zuckerberg’s Facebook profile getting hacked three times in the last 18 months: “If the man who invented the thing can’t keep it safe, how do you think you’re going to keep yours safe?”

Calling it a “digital footprint,” Frank made it clear that everything we post online is there forever.

“Online has changed everything. Images that people might have only been able to show one or two people are creating damaging reputations. Your digital footprint is creating a reputation for [yourself] and that’s what’s happening online.”

Frank told the audience a true scenario of two students at

tion of America.

For this record, KRS-One dubbed himself “the teacher” and immediately addressed the death of his friend on the first track, “My Philosophy.” In the song, KRS-One talks about his personal beliefs and what hip-hop means to him.

That first track sets the tone the rest of that album, and for the rest of his career. Boogie Down Productions’ shift in style opened them up to a wider audience, earning them more sales as a result. Between 1988 and 1990, Boogie Down Productions put out three gold-certified records. Unfortunately, their last record, “Sex and Violence,” didn’t stack up to the rest and never reached gold status.

After the release of “Sex and Violence,” KRS-One decided to drop the name Boogie Down Productions and began to release records under his own name. Technically speaking, there was no break up. Since Scott La Rock passed away, KRS-One was the only member in the group. After dropping the Boogie Down Productions name, KRS-One has had a successful solo career. He has released 12 albums under his own name. The most recent album, released January 2012, is called “The BDP Album,” an obvious homage to Boogie Down Productions.

Plymouth State University. A couple videotaped themselves having sex. Later, the couple broke up. The man thought the woman was cheating and decided to post the video to Facebook, which isn’t illegal. Friends of the man argued with friends of the woman on Facebook, an issue the university ended up having to deal with, which created seven or eight separate criminal investigations to address. What resulted from the posting of a consensual video that went further than was originally thought, includes harassment, stalking and criminal threatening.

“You have to think of the audience that’s seeing this kind of information. ... People are looking at this site [Facebook]. Whether it’s law enforcement, judicial officials [or] future employers, site after site you’re starting to see people losing positions, losing jobs. Football players [are] losing scholarships who, because of the things that they’re saying, they’re now being held accountable for,” Frank said.

CD Review: Chris Robinson Brotherhood - ‘The Magic Door’

Black Crowes frontman delves into long, psychedelic jams

By Stephen Lemont
For The Maine Campus

Chris Robinson Brotherhood released their second album, “The Magic Door,” earlier this month. That in itself may seem pretty unremarkable because it came right after their debut album, “Big Moon Ritual,” was released in June.

Robinson, who leads the band, is best known for his work as frontman and vocalist for southern rock band The Black Crowes, whose hits include a high-energy interpretation of Otis Redding’s “Hard to Handle,” the ballad “She Talks To Angels,” and the fan-favorite “Remedy.”

The Crowes are currently on an extended musical break. The hiatus has allowed Robinson to form a band that allows him to explore musical directions that might not necessarily gel within the confines of the Crowes’ usual, in-your-face, distortion-filled southern rock.

Both albums were recorded and produced at the same time by Robinson’s Silver Arrow Records. Brotherhood finds Neal Casal, renowned multi-instrumentalist, solo artist and former member of Ryan Adams & the Cardinals, in a position where he can truly flourish. Along with Robinson’s trademark emotive vocals, Casal and Adam McDougall, the most recent keyboardist for the Black Crowes, are the bread and butter that really make the band shine. Mark Dutton on bass and not-to-be-underestimated George Sluppick on drums round out the lineup.

Performing live over 100 times in 2011, the band has formed a strong chemistry. The music is laid-back, southern-doused blues, soul and rock ‘n’ roll, with a heavy dose of psychedelia. Robinson’s progression should come as no surprise, if you listened to The Black Crowes’ 2009 album “Before The Frost...”

Robinson has used his latest band as a chance to catch his breath from the heavy-hitting approach originally taken by The Black Crowes. The sense of urgency is mostly suppressed, with



Silver Arrow Records

the exception of the opening track, a cover of Hank Ballard’s “Let’s Go, Let’s Go, Let’s Go,” which is surely a go-to tune in their live repertoire, as it has all of the tools needed to prep a crowd for a grand old time.

Most tunes played by Chris Robinson Brotherhood stretch out the sound, deeming them unsuitable for commercial radio airplay.

The clearly high point of the album is the third track, “Vibration & Light Suite.” Clocking in at just under 14 minutes, it is also the longest offering. It begins with upbeat, delay-heavy guitar work comparable in sound to that of U2. Sluppick’s driving, rhythmic hi-hat carries the energy into an absolutely blissful, disco-esque transition that fans of the Grateful Dead’s late-’70s sound will find especially appealing. The track draws heavily on soul and disco influences, but doubles as a fast-paced rocker. Casal is in fine form throughout, and his guitar work really shines. A second guitar softly adds an echo-clad wah-wah pedal effect. A breakdown around the 5-minute mark leads into a darker, urgent frenzy, featuring guitar play that is reminiscent of Heart’s “Barracuda” and Led Zeppelin’s

“Immigrant Song.”

By minute seven, the song ascends from the dark tonality with the band loosening up the groove and spreading out the landscape, trading off chances to solo between the guitars of Robinson and Casal, and the distinct textual supplementation of McDougall’s keys. At about the 10-minute mark, melody gives way to psychedelia. The instruments fade away and the rest of the track sounds like a cross between the Grateful Dead’s live staple “Space” and the multitude of sound bites used throughout Pink Floyd’s various records. Sounds of ocean waves and drops of water, vehicles in traffic, insects buzzing and an ominous gong eventually give way to the sounds of birds chirping as the volume softly fades away.

Overall, the album is not quite as impressive as “Big Moon Ritual.” Perhaps “The Magic Door” would have benefited by being offered as a single, two-disk album. At the very least, Robinson’s newest side project takes the sting out of the Crowes’ current hiatus.

Grade: B

Film Review: ‘House at the End of the Street’

Cheesiness maintains genre’s norm, still decent horror flick



FilmNation Entertainment

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For The Maine Campus

I love horror movies, so it seems fitting that I chose to review the new suspense thriller “House at the End of the Street,” starring Jennifer Lawrence, Max Thieriot, and Elisabeth Shue.

As with all horror movies nowadays, “House at the End of the Street” proved to be a nice blend of mediocre writing, slow to nonexistent character development, awkward slices of suburban life and tense, jumpy scare tactics. It follows Elissa, played by Jennifer Lawrence, and her mom Sarah, played by Elisabeth Shue, as they move to a new town from the inner city streets of Chicago. They move in next to the house at the end of their street, where a girl murdered her parents.

We come to find that the girl’s brother Ryan, played by Max Thieriot, is still living in the house where his parents were murdered. Ryan is shunned by the townspeople for he is seen as somewhat of a freak. Elissa, who accepts a ride home from Ryan on a rainy night, decides to give Ryan the benefit of the doubt. Eventually Elissa and Ryan become romantically involved, against her mother’s wishes. As the plot thickens, chaos ensues.

The rest of the plot outline is more or less “by the book” as far as scary movies go, so I won’t bore you with the details. However, the double twist will

keep you on the edge of your seat. The initial plot twist might seem fairly predictable to those versed in classic horror movie themes, but I think it’s safe to say that everyone will be pleasantly surprised by the double twist that this movie delivers.

High-quality acting is never something that should be expected in a horror movie. With that said, Lawrence’s performance was satisfactory. She played her role as well as anyone could have. Lawrence’s character is a singer, and I was once again pleasantly surprised to see that she can in fact sing. Fortunately Lawrence, who already has “The Hunger Games” under her belt, isn’t trying to break into the movie business by doing cheap horror movies Jennifer Aniston in “Leprechaun,” for example.

Shue’s performance as a worried, paranoid mother was darker but quite similar to her breakthrough role in the ‘80s hit, “Adventures in Babysitting.” She played the role convincingly enough and ended up being more badass than she initially seemed. Thieriot’s performance was decent. He wins you over with his quiet charm and sad puppy dog eyes. You can’t help but have sympathy for him.

Besides the name of the movie being too long — I almost need my inhaler to get it all out — there was nothing else really wrong with it. In fact, I was fairly impressed. From the title, it is definitely pull-

ing from Wes Craven’s classic 1972 thriller, “The Last House on the Left,” to help garner buzz. It also had many echoing aspects from some classic, and not so classic, horror movies from the past such as “Psycho” and “Sleepaway Camp.” One thing I will say for this movie is that some interesting camera techniques were used that very much added to the intensity.

The predictability of the plot wasn’t too big a disappointment. We’ve long since passed the days where plot is an integral part of the horror movie process — Alfred Hitchcock had that one on lockdown. All plots need now are scream queens and creep factors, which this movie had in abundance. The movie makes no leaping strides in its genre, but instead serves its purpose as an on-the-edge-of-your-seat scary movie with a seemingly transparent plot that will give you the adrenaline rush you need. It’s a nice change from the recent string of crappy scary movies that have been coming out lately.

Overall, it was a good movie in a really terrible way, like any good scary movie should be. If you like jumpy horror movies that make you scream and cling to the arm of the person sitting next to you, then I would wholeheartedly suggest that you see this flick. It’s worth it.

Grade: B

Verve’s early albums stronger than ‘opus’

Column

A recent blog post on NME.com, the website for the U.K.’s leading music magazine, serves as a tribute to The Verve’s seminal album, 1997’s “Urban Hymns,” and live blogs its finest moments.

For one reason or another, The Verve is one of the biggest and best bands of all time in Europe -- not the borderline one-hit-wonder they are in the U.S., thanks to “Bitter Sweet Symphony.” I typically put a lot of stock in England’s popular music because I find they generally have better taste than Americans, but in this case I disagree.

The album has been grossly overrated, I think. It’s a fine record, with songs like “The Rolling People,” “Lucky Man” and the aforementioned hit, but it has plenty of stretches that are bland and uninteresting.

The popularity of this album makes people forget that “Urban Hymns” is actually a toned down version of the group. Their first two albums were trippy, reverby epics, a shadow of which is seen in their most popular release. The album they ought to be most recognized for “A Storm in Heaven,” their 1993 debut that is both deli-

cate and massive, always expansive and exciting.

Let’s do what NME blogger Matthew Horton did for “Urban Hymns” and give “A Storm in Heaven” the attention it deserves: here is a real time diary of listening to the album.

1:21 - We’ve already been put through an explosive guitar jab, a similarly crunchy but delicate riff and another epic explosion that leads to reverberated vocals, wailing, “Hello, it’s me, it’s me...” in “Star Sail.” You can tell this album’s going to be a real trip. This album will only provide a fraction of the experience if played through low-quality equipment because it occupies so much sonic space that iPod earbuds won’t cut it.

4:19 - After the first few seconds of “Slide Away,” all worries of a structureless, Pink-Floyd-gone-wrong noise-fest are dispelled when a propelling bass and consistent drumming give the song both aim and plenty of room to wander. The big and small moments sound like they’re being performed in the mystical cave pictured on the album cover.

8:42 - “Already There” is the most serene moment of the album thus far, and it’s doubtful anything will eclipse it. It’s a nice cool down from the sheer size of the first two tracks. Not to say “Star Sail” and “Slide Away” aren’t awesome, but if the whole album was big noise, your ears would get tired. Even the louder moments of this track come off as gentle because of what they are sandwiched between.

16:12 - I hope you didn’t turn

up the volume to hear the end of “Beautiful Mind” because if you did, “The Sun, The Sea” will hit your ears like “Little Boy.” It opens with a huge blast of deep guitar that’s almost metallic in tone. It quickly returns to this album’s signature vibe that lies between innocent and adventurous.

21:52 - What I said before about the serenity of “Already There” is wrong: “Virtual World” has it beat, but it’s a less interesting track, so I’ll use this time to mention two key tracks from The Verve’s early days that didn’t make this album. “Gravity Grave” and “One Way To Go” would have been the best two tracks on the album if they were included, but they were instead put out on various releases prior to this album. Both are 7-plus minutes, and are both the catchiest and most psychedelic things the band has ever committed to recording.

44:51 - The album’s closing track, “See You In The Next One (Have A Good Time),” like its title suggests, comes off like it should be over the closing credits of a cast reunion TV special. It’s an almost cheesily predictable ending, but it kind of works in context and really brings the album to a finish.

A lesson to be learned from “A Storm in Heaven” is that debut albums are important to listen to because they often represent what a band aimed to be before record labels and critical opinion got involved. I’m not determining whether or not those formative influences are good or bad, but it’s fun to see a group in its infancy, still figuring out what it wants to do with itself.

Riverfest from A10

greet the stars, who posed for photos and signed autographs for the kids who withstood the rain. The duo returned to Old Town, the location of their first performance together at Riverfest 2010.

In addition to the UMaine marching band, the Woodsman team also paraded at Riverfest and members of the UMaine men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams helped as volunteers for the event.

“They were a big help,” May said.



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Pop duo Karmin pictured riding in the Old Town Riverfest parade.



Campus Culture

Comedians Birbiglia, Black to play at UMaine



By Derrick Rossignol
For The Maine Campus

Hot on the heels of the Sept. 23 Gabriel Iglesias show, Student Entertainment announced today that comedians Michael Ian Black and Mike Birbiglia will perform in the Collins Center for the Arts on Oct. 24 at 7 p.m.

Birbiglia has starred in three Comedy Central specials and is currently touring a one-man off-Broadway show, "My Girlfriend's Boyfriend," which won the Lucille Lortel Award for Outstanding Solo Show.

Black, an often-deadpan comic known for his various sketch groups and TV series, recently published two books: "America, You Sexy Bitch: A Love Letter to Freedom," which he co-authored with Meghan McCain, and a memoir called "You're Not Doing it Right: Tales of Marriage, Sex, Death, and Other Humiliations."

Tickets will go on sale Oct. 1 and will be available at the CCA box office or online at collinscenterforthearts.com. Tickets are \$20 for students and \$35 for the general public. More information is available on the Facebook event page.

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Standup comedian Mike Birbiglia will join fellow comedian Michael Ian Black at the Collins Center for the Arts on Oct. 24.

Weather bothers Riverfest, fun still had

By Jesse Scardina
Editor in Chief

Although umbrellas lined Main Street in Old Town, marking at least a thousand spectators, the 16th annual Old Town Riverfest was a success.

"Obviously the weather was not good," said Carol May, a coordinator on the Riverfest Committee. "But we still had a good turnout and a great numbers [of spectators] for both Friday's fireworks and all the events on Saturday."

May said only two or three companies backed out of setting up their tents, but with the majority of support coming through the community, Riverfest was never in any doubt

because of a couple showers.

"People come out for these things," May said. "Unfortunately, they didn't linger and stay around as long as they may have, but this is a community event."

After Friday night's fireworks, the Riverfront Park

champion Old Town High School softball team and the University of Maine marching band all strolled down Riverfront Park.

"The UMaine band is always anticipated," May said. "They often do a performance after the parade, but they had to leave because of the [UMaine] football game."

Noonan and Amy Heidmann, his fiancé and musical partner waved to fans from an antique red convertible.

"It's always important to come home," Noonan told the Bangor Daily News. "And plus I hadn't been home in a while, so it was an excuse to come home and hang out."

Hundreds of fans waited to

See Riverfest on A9

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Carol May
Coordinator on the Riverfest Committee

transformed into a village of tents featuring food and arts and crafts. At around 10 a.m. Saturday morning, the parade switched everyone's attention from Riverfront Park to Main Street, where pop duo Karmin, — featuring Old Town's own Nick Noonan — the state



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The University of Maine marching band partook in the parade during Old Town's annual Riverfest on Saturday.

Investigator Frank warns of cyber dangers

By Eric Berard
For The Maine Campus

Social media has gained explosive popularity since the dawn of Myspace, giving its users access and connectivity toward friends, family and strangers. Yes, strangers, who potentially carry access to a person's content data they post on social media websites. Special Investigator Jennifer M. Frank came to the University of Maine on Wednesday to talk with students, faculty and parents on how things have changed.

Frank works for the U.S. Department of Justice and is stationed at Plymouth State University. Frank said that a lot of the time, her job requires her to look at Facebook.

"People are looking at this site," Frank said. "Whether it's law enforcement, judicial officials or future employers, if you think employer's aren't checking these sites, you seriously need to re-evaluate."

Her unique presentation, "The Many Faces of Facebook," was given in the Bangor Room in the Memorial Union. Frank started by comparing old with new: "I want you to think of what college students are using today versus what their parents might have had."

"We're taking an old-school generation and trying to make it fit for new-school," Frank said. Frank cited a recent study that surveyed high school and college students, asking, "What's the number one device you use more frequently than any other to get online?" Cellphones, MP3 players and gaming systems all came before the computer.

"Less than 16 percent of the time, college students are using the computer to get online," Frank said. "I ask parents, 'When was the last time you checked your kids history on their cellphone?'"

Frank challenged the security of cellphones, MP3 players and gaming systems in particular. She went on to ask the audience if anyone had an antivirus program for their phone, gaming system or MP3. "They make them, but we don't think about that. We think about protecting the computer, but we never say, 'I should get an antivirus program for my cellphone,'" Frank said.

The presentation wasn't limited to Facebook: Frank brought up other websites, such as Twitter, Chatroulette, Google+, Google Maps, Classmates, Skype, Yearbook, even Club Penguin — Club Penguin, interestingly, is a social networking site



Special investigator Jennifer M. Frank lectured the audience on privacy issues with social media in a lecture called "The Many Faces of Facebook

for kids ages 5 to 7.

"I'm just going to put it out there," Frank said. "They say one in every 16 people on Chatroulette is naked. I spent an hour on the site; it's a pretty accurate statistic."

Frank specifically talked about the maps feature on smart phones. Citing a news page during her presentation, Frank explained how Apple keeps a passive log of users' GPS locations at all times since June 2010.

"When you turn off your GPS on your phone, you're literally just turning it off for the maps feature. The GPS still exists in

your phone. That's how police track you when you make a 911 [call] and you don't know where you are," Frank explained.

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Almost time for the puck to drop at Alfond

The Black Bears look to return to the NCAA national tournament and improve upon last year's successful season

Joe Sturzl

Sports Editor

The University of Maine men's ice hockey team is ready to roll.

Coming off of their first appearance in the NCAA national tournament since 2007, the Black Bears were hoping to get back to the Frozen Four, a feat they last accomplished in 2007. However, the Black Bears fell to the defending champion University of Minnesota-Duluth Bulldogs in round one of the National Tournament 5-2, and their dreams were put off for another year.

After the 2011-2012 campaign with a record of 23-14-3 and 15-10-2 Hockey East and losing five top-tier players to the National Hockey League, this year's squad will have to look to their returning players and a talented freshman squad to fill the roles of the departed. The likes of Matt Mangene, Spencer Abbott, Will O'Neill, Brian Flynn and Ryan Hegarty will be tough to replace, but the team must move on. Senior forward and co-captain Joey Diamond thinks this year, the Black Bears will have to find success playing a different kind of game.

"I don't think we're going to replace them. We're going to be a different team this year, we're going to have to win some games — low scoring games, grind out games. There are a lot of roles everyone is going to have to accept this year and that's the kind of team we're going to have this year," Diamond said.

Head coach Tim Whitehead

could not have agreed more.

"Our goaltending is as strong as it has been since 2008 when Ben Bishop left. We're going to have to play a different style; we might not be as dynamic on offense, but we will be better defensively. You can win in different ways, and you play to your strengths each year."

With injuries to the team in the preseason, most notably sophomore forward John Parker, some of the defensive players have had to take offensive roles, including co-captain senior defenseman Mike Cornell and fellow senior defenseman Nick Pryor. Diamond and fellow senior forwards Kyle Beattie and Adam Shemansky will help lead the Black

Bears offensively in Parker's absence. Diamond led the Black Bears in goals scored last year, with 25. Add in his 22 assists, and Diamond had the third-

highest amount of points with 47. Beattie and Shemansky were sixth and seventh in points scored respectively and will have to do their duties as senior members

and take the lead of the offense.

Shemansky is up for the task. "We have to set our goals high if we want to be successful. Getting to the national tournament

is always one of our goals. We feel if we stick to our systems and play consistent we have a team capable

See Hockey on B4



File Photo

The University of Maine men's hockey team is getting ready to get the season underway, welcoming Quinnipiac University next weekend.

Football falls to Villanova in the conference opener



Jesse Scardina • Editor in Chief

The University of Maine football team couldn't combat Villanova University, falling 35-14 in their first conference game of the season.

Charlie Merritt

For The Maine Campus

In a Colonial Athletic Association battle, Villanova's used its efficient offensive attack to outscore the Black Bears 35-14 on a rainy Saturday afternoon at Alfond Stadium.

UMaine falls to 1-3 and 0-1 in the as junior quarterback Marcus Wasilewski completed 31-of-53 passes for 409 yards and a touchdown, but also threw two interceptions and the offensive line allowed seven sacks limiting Maine's offensive drives.

On the other side of the ball, UMaine couldn't slow down the balanced Villanova, which improves to 4-1 and 2-0 in conference. Wildcats running back Kevin Monanagi piled up 192 yards and two touchdowns on 30 carries, while quarterback John Robertson completed 11-of-16 passes for 128 yards and

two touchdowns with one interception and added 86 yards of his own on the ground. The Villanova offense gained 442 yards on the day with 314 of it coming on the ground.

"Anytime you can run for 314 yards it's a pretty good day," said Villanova head coach Andy Talley.

Villanova would open the scoring up quickly using five offensive plays to score the game's first touchdown. The drive would end with Robertson lofting a beautiful pass over the left shoulder of wide receiver Norman White for the 27-yard touchdown. White would finish with four catches for 51 yards.

"They continued to stack the box allowing our receivers to beat them one on one," said Robertson.

UMaine would be quick to answer though as Wasilewski strung together three great

plays. First, Wasilewski hit wide receiver Derrick Johnson on a crossing route for a gain of 20 yards, on the next play Wasilewski did a great job to avoid the Villanova rush and find running back Ricky Stevens down the sideline for a gain of 45 yards. Wasilewski would finish the drive selling a great play-action fake allowing him to roll out and finish the run himself. After the Brian Harvey extra point the game was tied at 7-7 with 11:23 left in the first.

"We matched their fast start with one of our own, but couldn't keep the pace," said UMaine head coach Jack Cosgrove.

Villanova would be quick to answer themselves after a ball tipped off of Maine's receiver Maurice McDonald hands before being intercepted at mid-

See Football on B3

HOF inductees honored



Jesse Scardina • Editor in Chief

The five members of the University of Maine Hall of Fame class of 2012 were acknowledged at half-time of the UMaine football game on Saturday.

BC, BU, UMass-Lowell favorites in Hockey East

Joe Sturzl

Sports Editor

The Hockey East Conference has always been known as arguably the toughest conference in college hockey. When the final national poll was released, Boston College, University of Massachusetts Lowell, Boston University and the University of Maine were ranked in the top 15. Boston College was ranked No. 1 after winning the national championship. The national champion has come from Hockey East four out of the last five years, with Boston College having won three.

UMaine will definitely have their work cut out for

them, as they were picked to finish fifth in the Hockey East coaches' poll released Sept. 25. For the fifth year in a row, BC was chosen to finish first in the conference with 90 points. The defending national champions are returning 19 players from last year's squad. The most notable players from the Eagles' team are senior goaltender Parker Milner, who won the Frozen Four Most Outstanding Player award, and Hockey East Tournament MVP sophomore forward Johnny Gaudreau.

Finishing second and third were UMass Lowell and BU, with 74 and 73 points respectively. UMaine rival University of New Hampshire finished fourth with 63

points, while UMaine grabbed the fifth spot with 56 points. Rounding out the rest of the conference were Northeastern University and Providence College tying for sixth, Merrimack finishing eighth, the University of Massachusetts placing ninth, and the University of Vermont being voted tenth.

Every year there seems to be a team that catches people off-guard by jumping out to the top. Last year it was UMass Lowell, and UMaine head coach Tim Whitehead expects a similar situation will arise this season.

"Nothing will surprise me anymore, every year someone

See Hockey East on B3

UMaine goalies look to shine this season

Juniors Sullivan, Ouellette will spearhead duties in net

Joe Sturzl
Sports Editor

Goalending is a unique position to play in any sport that requires it. As a goalie, you are the last line of defense, and counted upon if the opposition manages to infiltrate first-line defenders. Whether you are playing soccer, hockey or handball, it is a huge responsibility to keep a keen eye out for the ball or puck. It's an important job, and that is why the University of Maine men's ice hockey team has three goalies on the roster — to make sure the fortress is protected.

Junior goaltender Dan Sullivan led the Black Bears both in games played and in minutes on the ice. With a save percentage of .909 and 894 total saves, Sullivan will be a large part of the Black Bears' plans to defend the goal. Fellow junior goaltender Martin Ouellette also saw a fair amount of playing time last year, with a .871 save percentage with 315 minutes in goal. It will be up to Sullivan and Ouellette to help freshman goaltender Matt Morris get used to the system.

Sullivan has confidence that

he and Ouellette will be able to provide great help to the defense while showing Morris the Black Bear way.

"I'm having fun every day, I'm working hard every day, it's a little bit of a different makeup as far as last year. We had a senior goalie putting me and [Martin Ouellette] under his wing, so to speak," Sullivan said. "We have a freshman goaltender coming in who is a great goalie, he has a lot of potential. He is a great a great guy, too, on and off the ice. It's a great pleasure to work with him. It's a great mesh of personality and work ethic. We all get along extremely well. It's been a lot of fun so far and I can't wait to get going."

With goaltenders playing a different role **from** most players on the team, one would think their offseason activities would differ. But Sullivan says that he and his fellow goalies tend to keep similar schedules and activities compared to the other players.

"Personally, I like to take a good bit of time off from getting on the ice. I'll be training off the ice, getting work. I do a lot of racket sports, actually. I

play a lot of squash to keep the feet going and for the reaction and competitive nature," Sullivan said. "A lot of guys will play golf; some players will play more than others. It doesn't differ too much between players and goalies, I know [Ouellette] gets on the ice more than I do. I'll use synthetic ice as well. It's like a plastic, make-believe ice surface. It's a little tougher to skate on, but there is no maintenance."

The summer is also a great time to clear the mind and set goals for the upcoming season.

"Summer is a great time to mentally refresh and recuperate. It takes a toll mentally — being in the grind, being focused, and being dialed in all the time — so it's good to pull back on the reins and just dial it out for a little while," Sullivan said.

Who will be the toughest team to beat remains to be seen; even Sullivan couldn't provide an answer to who will be the hardest to stop.

"I don't know, honestly."

Look for Sullivan, Ouellette and Morris to lead the Black Bears in net this season against some tough Hockey East competition.

Soccer unable to come up with win vs. BU, UMBC

Jesse Scardina
Editor in Chief

The University of Maine women's soccer team wasn't able to pick up a win on its two-game road trip, falling to Boston University on Thursday before tying **with** the University of Maryland Baltimore County.

The Black Bears' record sits at 5-4-2 on the season and 1-1-1 in America East Conference play.

On Thursday, the Black Bears weathered the storm in the first half by the Terriers, keeping the scoreboard at zero while BU fired off five shots to UMaine's one.

Eventually the Terriers broke through with a goal in the 67th minute by junior midfielder Kylie Strom. It was Strom's first goal of the season.

Just 1 minute later the Terriers would double their lead after senior defender Jessica Morrow crossed in the corner kick, finding junior forward Madison Clemens for her fourth goal of the year.

BU finished with an 8-1 shot advantage over the Black Bears, as the Terriers improved to 6-5-1 on the season and stay undefeated and in first place in conference.

Sunday afternoon, the Black Bears fell behind again, this time to the Retrievers, midway through the first half. After UMBC was awarded a penalty kick, senior forward Rachel

McKee buried it past freshman goalie Lauren Swant.

However, the Black Bears would tie the game just **1** second before halftime as freshman forward **C h a r l e n e** Achille found a perfect time for her first **c o l l e g i a t e** goal.

Fellow freshman forward Eve L'Abbe was awarded the assist.

After regulation couldn't find a winner, the Black Bears and Retrievers still couldn't break the tie after two overtimes, as UMaine and UMBC picked up their second and third tie, respectively.

UMBC sits at 1-8-3 on the season and 0-2-1 in America East.

The Black Bears return to Orono on Oct. 4 when they host America East rival the University of Hartford. The



File Photo
The University of Maine women's soccer team ended up going winless in two away games over the weekend.

game is scheduled to start at 3 p.m. UMaine then finishes out its regular season with two away games followed by two home games, all against conference opponents.

Strong freshman class looks to contribute

Joe Sturzl
Sports Editor

When two incoming freshmen have already been drafted into the NHL and another has been selected to play in the first annual All-American Prospects game, the team they are playing for looks to have a bright future ahead.

This year, the University of Maine men's ice hockey team has what many teammates and coaches have been calling an "elite" class of freshmen. This class is highlighted by forward Devin Shore of Ajax, Ontario; defenseman Ben Hutton of Prescott, Ontario; and forward Will Merchant of Eagan, Minn.

Shore was selected in the second round, 61st overall by the Dallas Stars, while Hutton was taken in the fifth round, 147th overall by the Vancouver Canucks.

Before UMaine, Shore was part of the Junior A hockey league Ontario Junior Hockey League, playing for the Whitby Fury. Shore scored 36 goals and tallied 54 assists in 64 games for the Fury last season.

Hutton played Junior A hockey last season as well, splitting time between the Kemptville 73s and the 2011-2012 Central Canada Hockey League champion Nepean Raiders. Hutton scored 16 goals and gained 40 assists.

Merchant played in the first annual All-American Prospects game on Sept. 29 in Buffalo, N.Y.

Junior goaltender Dan Sullivan pointed out Shore as a player to watch, and even compared him to a recent UMaine hockey great.

"I really like [Devin Shore], he has great vision and is a talented guy. All of our freshmen are talented, that's why we recruited them. I think you can expect a lot of [Shore] and I'm looking

forward to it. A very good offensive-minded guy," Sullivan said. "He reminds me of Gustav Nyquist with his vision and ability to elude players. He is pretty slippery out there."

Shore was flattered, but made it a point that his job was to help the team in any way possible.

"My biggest goal is to help my team get its best chance to win every night. It's fun to go out and win hockey games in a rink like this. It can be blocking a shot, winning a face-off, sometimes scoring points, but just doing whatever I can to contribute," Shore said. "I want to go into this year like any other year. I just want

"Yeah, they've been unbelievable. They've really bought into everything we've been preaching. They are very skilled and highly talented and I have no complaints."

Mike Cornell
Senior defenseman UMaine men's hockey

to play my game, help contribute. The biggest motivation for me is to help the seniors leave with something to their name. We have a great group of seniors. I want them to win something more than I want to win something myself."

Shore also pointed out that he wants to represent UMaine well while wearing the jersey.

"I went here on my visit, I saw a game. I said I have to play in front of this crowd, the coaches are great, and they made it an easy decision. I like the campus, and hockey is number one here. It's an honor to put on this jersey," Shore added.

Team captains have also praised the class so far in the preseason.

"Yeah, they've been unbelievable. They've really bought into everything we've

been preaching. They are very skilled and highly talented and I have no complaints," said captain senior defenseman Mike Cornell.

"They've been great. They have really impressed us throughout captain's practice and they have really excited us to see how they will do [in the first game]," added captain senior forward Joey Diamond.

Other freshmen to look out for include Maine's own Kyle Williams, a defenseman from Bowdoinham, Maine who played junior hockey for the New Hampshire Monarchs, as well as defenseman redshirt Bill Norman.

The other freshman forwards include Conor Riley, Steven Swavely and Ryan Lomberg. These players are ones that have had a year or more of junior hockey, which head coach Tim Whitehead says will be a tremendous help this year.

"We've got some elite freshmen coming in. [Will] Merchant, [Devin] Shore, and [Ryan]

Lomberg are all true freshmen coming right out of high school, which in hockey is difficult. In college hockey, most guys have played one, two, even three years of junior hockey. Having said that, being a true freshman, it's tough, and we don't want to put too much pressure on these guys to try and do too much right away," Whitehead said. "Kyle Williams, Steven Swavely, Connor Riley — these are guys who are a year older, and should be able to help out. This is the strongest group we've had in a long time."

With support from the current captains and optimism from the coach, this group is sure to be a helpful part of the team for years to come. The scary part — for other Hockey East teams, that is — is that they will only be getting started this year.

UMaine goes 1-1 over weekend, wins AE opener

Joe Sturzl
Sports Editor

The No. 24-ranked University of Maine field hockey team's six-game win streak came to an end Sunday after splitting a pair of away games. UMaine won their first conference game of the year on Saturday, beating the University of Vermont 3-1. The Black Bears lost on Sunday to the University of Massachusetts 4-2. The games move their overall record to 7-5 and 1-0 in America East.

On Saturday, UVM scored first during minute 11 of the first half when senior midfielder Alana Izzo scored her third goal of the season to put the Catamounts up 1-0.

UMaine sophomore back Annabelle Hamilton tied the game later on in the half with

her fourth goal of the year, off an assist from sophomore forward Holly Stewart.

In the second half, UMaine freshman forward Cassidy Svetek took over the game, putting the Black Bears up for good with two second-half goals. Her scores at late in the game gave UMaine a 3-1 lead that they would not relinquish.

At UMass on Sunday, the Minutemen scored the game's first three goals, and the Black Bears were unable to come back.

UMass senior midfielder Kim Young opened up scoring, putting one in the goal just over 30 minutes into the game. This was Young's seventh goal of the year, and would be the only scoring of the first half.

The second half was scoring-heavy, and UMass wasted no time putting another goal into

the net. Senior forward Nicole Cordero scored to put the Minutemen up 2-0 under 40 minutes into the game.

UMass scored the third goal of the game at the early in the second half, with freshman midfielder Noralie Weusthuis scoring.

The Black Bears finally got on the board when freshman midfielder Nicole Sevey scored with over 50 minutes played, but UMass junior forward Lindsay Bowman responded 4 minutes later to seal the game up at 4-1.

UMaine scored once more with less than 2 minutes left to play when Holly Stewart scored to make the final tally 4-2.

UMaine's next game will be at home against conference foe Fairfield University on Oct. 6 at 1 p.m.



File Photo
The University of Maine field hockey team went 1-1 on their recent road trip, moving their record to 7-5.

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Which NHL teams are legit after 4 weeks

A quarter into the season, separating the real from the fake

Column

With the fourth week of the NFL season coming to a close, there are many teams off to surprising starts. Some are overachieving while others are shockingly under .500.

Although it's still early, this is the time when fans can ultimately tell what kind of season it's going to be for their team. However, there are organizations that I expect will turn their seasons around and others I see going down.

First are the New England Patriots. The Pats are off to a 2-2 start and haven't exactly been the team we're used to seeing in recent years. Losing tight end Aaron Hernandez didn't help them, but they have enough weapons to overcome this start.

Although they played terribly against the Cardinals, they still had a chance to win at the end and the Ravens' loss could have gone either way as well. I look for the Pats to get back on track and have another deep playoff run.

Another team we're used to seeing on top is the Pittsburgh Steelers. They're also off to a 1-2 start this season. They lost to the Broncos the first week, bounced back against the Jets and then dropped a close one to the Raiders. The Steelers haven't had anyone rush for over 50 yards yet, which is scary. It can't all be on quarterback Ben Roethlisberger and if this continues it could hurt them in the long run. Despite their troubles on the ground, I see the Steelers turning it around as well.

The Denver Broncos are another team at 2-2 this season. They're another team I see turning it around — Peyton Manning just needs more time to mesh. He's still a little rusty, as we saw when they played the Falcons. As long as Manning keeps improving, the Broncos should be fine. Their two losses have come against two good teams and have both been by only six points. The team just needs to get the lead

early instead of playing from behind the entire game.

The last team I see going back to their winning ways is the Green Bay Packers. I feel like the only thing I need to talk about is their game last week against Seattle. They shouldn't even be 2-2, but that's another story. I see the Packers coming back with a vengeance and ultimately winning the NFC North.

Let's stay in the NFC North and talk about the Detroit Lions. I'm on the fence about this team. I don't know if I could say that they're going to turn it around, but at the same time, they're not a bad team by any means.

The problem in the NFC North is that the Packers should win the division with the Bears right behind them. That may end up leaving the Lions on the outside looking

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in by the end of the season.

The New Orleans Saints and Carolina Panthers of the NFC South are also on middle ground with me. The Saints are off to a 0-4 start while the Panthers are sitting at 1-3.

Don't write the Saints off yet, they still have Drew Brees, but they've also lost to three teams I thought they should have beaten easily, one being the Panthers. I do think the Saints can turn things around but I feel like the hole they're in could be too deep. I wouldn't be surprised to see them go 8-8.

The Panthers have lost to the Buccaneers and the Giants. They were killed by the Giants and if their defense doesn't improve I don't know if they'll turn it around either. This is why I'm on the fence. One week they look great, the next it's like a different team. Their offense is very good but I don't see them carrying the team all year. They can't put up huge points every game. The defense needs to step up.

There are other teams so far this season that are a lot better than we anticipated. Let's start with a team that I expect to continue with their success.

The Seattle Seahawks stole

a win last week, that's for sure. But that may have been just what they needed to keep their success going. I know they have a rookie quarterback, but these days that doesn't matter much. I think Russell Wilson can lead this team to a playoff spot. As far as winning the division, I don't think the 49ers will allow that just yet.

There are two teams that have been winning that I'm on the fence about: the Buffalo Bills and New York Jets. I still see the Pats winning the AFC East, and I think one of these teams will continue winning and another will fall despite their 2-2 starts. Both teams make you wonder if they have enough offense. I still believe Mark Sanchez is going to have a couple more bad games and eventually Tebow might get his chance.

Then you have the Bills, who are just as inconsistent and haven't beaten any really good teams yet. They handled the Browns and Chiefs and were embar-

rassed in week one by the Jets. One of these teams will go back to their losing ways.

I definitely love the underdog and a team that shocks the whole world, but the Minnesota Vikings and Cincinnati Bengals are not it. Both are off to 3-1 starts, but they are both in tough divisions. The Vikings will finish third or even fourth in the NFC North and the Bengals will be third behind the Steelers and Ravens in the AFC North. If one of these teams does continue winning, it will be the Bengals.

Lastly we have the Arizona Cardinals at 4-0. Sorry, Cards fans, but they're not going anywhere this year. The 49ers will win that division and the Seahawks will come in second. Perhaps the Cards will be OK, but that's all they'll be. Kevin Kolb has played well but they still might have a quarterback controversy later and not enough weapons on offense. Their defense is decent but I don't know if they can keep it up all year. It reminds me of last year when the Bills got off to a 3-0 start and everyone was raving about them, and they ended up finishing 6-10. The Cardinals will share a similar fate.

continue to stay atop the Hockey East standings. BC and BU will definitely be at the top as well. Watch out for a surprise team to possibly rise up in the standings. My pick for a surprise team is going to be Merrimack. They return 18 players from last year's fifth-place squad, and even though they were voted to finish eighth and lost all-star goaltender Joe Cannatta to graduation, they still have plenty left in the tank with junior forward Mike Collins and junior captain defenseman Jordan Heywood leading the way to push for a high-ranking playoff spot in the Hockey East playoffs.

Dan Sullivan

UMaine junior goaltender, men's ice hockey team

Whitehead pointed out that UMass Lowell will be added to the top of the list as a team to beat in Hockey East.

"My buddy [head coach Norm Bazin] at [the University of Massachusetts Lowell] has done a fabulous job and they return their goaltender and a great group of upperclassmen, so they are going to be very tough to beat," Whitehead said.

UMaine expects to contend for the Hockey East Championship and will have a challenging road to travel if they want to get back to TD Garden and beyond this year. Look for UMass-Lowell to con-

prove their standing, even with the losses of Matt Mangene, Spencer Abbott, Brian Flynn, Will O'Neill and Ryan Hegarty. They will have to play a more defensive game, but if they get the right pieces in and get roles established early, they will have a chance to contend at the top.

UMaine begins their Hockey East season with a weekend series at Providence on Oct. 26 and 27 at 7 p.m. The Black Bears' first conference home game will be against defending national champion BC the following weekend, on Nov. 2 at 7 p.m.

NFL image tarnished following ref fiasco

Column

Fans of the National Football League have grown accustomed to turning on their TVs

on Sunday and enjoying the action on the gridiron. The action fans have always craved has been plagued this year by the NFL's decision to use replacement referees in wake of the professional referees going on strike.

The strike was regarded as a minor issue leading up to the season as the league assured fans and teams alike that the competitive nature and enjoyment of the game would not be compromised. The NFL was not keen on the idea of catering to the terms and conditions the striking referees were looking for, essentially deciding they could find a cost-efficient way to replace them.

Though the concept seemed reasonable, the league overlooked the necessity for qualified officials who could interpret and enforce the rules properly. The incumbent referees were experienced from working at the professional level for many years, while earning the respect of players and coaches. Those



By Joe Duball

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intangibles were not something the replacement referees could obtain overnight, a fact that became evident quickly.

The NFL's opening weekend came and went without any major incidents, but it was clear the game was not going to be the same and the overall quality of play was in jeopardy. The following week was when the issue came to a head, as the inexperience of the replacements showed through misjudgments and an inability to control the game.

The NFL had not only lost part of its identity with the use of replacements, but they also lost viewership from their fans. The expectation has always been for the league to produce the best football possible for its fans, but that was impossible to do with games being dragged out by official reviews and on-field skirmishes.

The league continued to add fuel to the fire by pledging to help get the replacement refer-

would have to budge at some point, but they did not expect it would come with such a humiliating scene as what happened in two nationally televised games last week.

Last Sunday night's game between the New England Patriots and Baltimore Ravens further exemplified the inability of the officials to control the game as tempers continually boiled over without any penalties. The referees had no respect from the players, so they allowed the players to control the game.

The last straw came in the closing seconds of last Monday night's contest between the Green Bay Packers and Seattle Seahawks, where chaos hit a new high. The referees displayed their unprofessionalism and lack of understanding for the rules when calling and reviewing the jump ball that decided the game. That game became the story of the week and ultimately led to the league caving to the refs to restore the good name of the NFL.

While it could have been a lot worse, this experience shows the stubbornness within professional sports when it comes to money,

and a disregard for the people who provide that money: the fans.

The NFL is a multi-billion dollar corporation that was unwilling to spend the extra penny to provide what they had always promised, and it is something that players, coaches and fans will not soon forgive or forget.

want to give them credit where credit is due," said coach Cosgrove.

Villanova continued to put pressure on the Black Bears as they scored on their first possession of the second half. Robertson had two big scrambles on the drive, barely escaping the Black Bears pass rush, but moving the sticks both times he did. He would finish the drive with a 10-yard scramble giving Villanova the 28-7 lead.

"Offense, defense, and special teams all clicked today," said Talley.

UMaine tried to keep the pace, but a string of incompletions and four first-half sacks forced the offense to stall.

Villanova went back to their workhorse Monangai who would punch one in from thirteen yards out to give round out the first half scoring and give Villanova the 21-7 lead going into halftime. UMaine was never able to establish a running game as Stevens had eight rushes for 35 yards at halftime but wouldn't touch the ball again as UMaine tried to gain big yardage through the air to make up for the deficit.

"We got beat by a better football team tonight and I

Villanova defensive back Eric Looper put the game out of reach with 13 minutes to play in the fourth quarter. McDonald finished with 93 yards on ten catches.

Villanova would capitalize on the turnover as they marched down the field before Monangai punched in his second touchdown of the day from four yards out giving the Wildcats the 35-7 lead with 10:40 to play.

UMaine would add one more score as Wasilewski hit wide receiver Arthur Williams on a quick bubble screen; Williams made a quick move and out raced the Villanova secondary for the 69-yard touchdown putting the final score at 35-14.

"You're never going to play a perfect football game," said Wasilewski. "I'm proud of the way we finished, and if we're about anything, we're about finishing, and we never put our heads down and kept battling."

UMaine will travel to the University of Delaware and Towson University in consecutive weeks before returning home on October 20th to face off against New Hampshire.

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gets into the top four that no one expects. Last year it was Lowell, the year before it was Merrimack, and before that it was somebody else. You just keep going down the line — Vermont, Providence, Northeastern, they've all had their moments up there and it gets tougher and tougher every year," Whitehead said. "The universities in our league are pouring a lot of money, time and energy into their college hockey teams and it gets more and more competitive here and we're very proud to be in this conference."

Whitehead also believes that the preseason polls and rankings don't mean much to the team.

"You've only got 10 coaches voting and they have to vote for somebody. We've lost a lot of scoring; on paper we probably don't look that strong, certainly from an offensive perspective," Whitehead said.

Which team will be UMaine's toughest opponent to beat in the conference was a topic of debate among the coach and players, but the usual suspects of BC, BU and UNH were consistently mentioned at the top of everyone's list.

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of doing that,” Shemansky said. “With experience our players will get better. It’s hard losing guys but every team loses guys and we can’t use that as an excuse. We have a good team this year and we’re confident that we’ll be able to make it back [to the tournament].”

A large part of whether they can continue the success of last year’s team will not only be the current players stepping up, but getting the new and younger players to accept the system. The team captains have been put in charge of that task and Whitehead is proud of the job they have done leading them so far.

“They’ve been doing a tremendous job, as I knew they would. There is great confidence in these guys, as well as our entire senior class. I really like how the seniors who are not captains are stepping up. They have been fabulous. These guys have been

real supportive of the freshmen coming in. Two or three leaders are not enough in hockey, you need seven or eight guys to step up and lead, and I know this class is ready to do it,” Whitehead said.

The freshmen have shown improvements and have been picking up the game very well at the captain’s practices as well.

“They’ve been great. The seniors have done a great job molding this team in September. Starting Sept. 15 we’ve been able to get on the ice a couple hours a week, which we’ve done, and we’ve been really impressed. They’ve been well-schooled in their practices with the captains and they’re executing a lot of the fine points in the game,” Whitehead said.

Diamond, Cornell and senior defenseman Mark Nemec have been named the captains for this year’s team, and are impressed with the team so far.

“This fourth year, this is the most impressed I have been with this team, in the way we

are practicing, the way we are competing in practicing. So we’re really excited,” Diamond said.

“I know we take great pride in coming back in shape. Unfortunately we only have a couple practices before we get going, but I feel like the guys

I’ve been trying to take a page out of [their] book and put my own spin on it. I’m fortunate enough to have Joey Diamond with me as well. Amongst [the three captains] we’ll be able to figure this thing out,” Cornell said.

Under the leadership of the

University of Nebraska Omaha and Army. The Black Bears’ tournament-opening game will be against Notre Dame, who will be joining Hockey East in 2013.

The Hockey East will be competitive as ever this year, with perennial conference leaders Boston College, Boston University, and the surprise success story of last year University of Massachusetts Lowell looking to maintain the top spots. BC won the national championship and UMaine took out BU in the Hockey East Tournament. UMaine, BC, BU and UMass Lowell represented the Hockey East in the national tournament last year. But UMaine rival University of New Hampshire was voted ahead of UMaine in the coach’s poll, Merrimack College is returning 18 players and the University of Massachusetts is returning 25 players. Outside of the BC, BU and UMass Lowell, this conference is a mystery and will be a tough one to navigate through, according to Whitehead.

“As always, UNH and Maine in every sport will be a great rivalry. We’ve also had tremendous rivalries with BC and BU and that will continue. BC will be the heavy favorite with their goaltender returning and so many talented players there. BU will be a team to contend with. The rest of us will be chomping at the bit to get home ice. As always it is going to be a very challenging season,” Whitehead said.

Whitehead assured that UMaine will be ready for its opener against Quinnipiac on Saturday.

“We can’t wait to start. Quinnipiac is a great opponent. To play one of the top teams in the [Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference] is going to be a great way to start the season.”

The Black Bears will start the season off with a weekend home series against Quinnipiac on Saturday Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. and the University of New Brunswick on Sunday Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Alford Arena.

“It’s hard losing guys but every team loses guys and we can’t use that as an excuse. We have a good team this year, and we’re confident that we’ll be able to make it back.”

Adam Shemansky
UMaine senior forward, men’s ice hockey team

are dialed-in and ready,” Cornell added.

Cornell went on to say that he has been lucky to have the captains who came before, and will use the knowledge he gained from them to lead this team.

“I’ve been fortunate enough to kind of have this similar role and been lucky enough to have great captains since I’ve been here.

captains, the team looks to be ready for the season opener against Quinnipiac University on Oct. 6. UMaine will also be participating in a preseason tournament called the Ice-Breaker Tournament in Kansas City, Mo. UMaine will be travelling out to play the tournament on Oct. 12 and 13, participating against the University of Notre Dame, the

University of Maine Sports Briefs



Women’s ice hockey
picks up first win of the year

The University of Maine women’s ice hockey team won their first game 4-0 over Dalhousie University of Halifax, Nova Scotia on Sunday afternoon.

Sophomore forward Katy Massey scored the first goal of the game 2:45 into the first period, and was assisted by freshman defenseman Kelsey Mac-Sorley.

Junior forward Brienne Kilgour and sophomore forward Jennifer More teamed up to assist freshman forward Shawna Lesperance 13:03 into the first period to give the Black Bears a 2-0 lead.

UMaine went up 3-0

in the first period when Kilgour recorded her second assist of the game 14:52 into the first period when she assisted freshman forward Abbey Cook.

Senior forward Britany Dougherty assisted freshman forward Jillian Langtry 9:20 into the second period to give UMaine a 4-0 lead, which would remain the score for the rest of the game.

Black Bear goaltenders senior Kyle Smith and red-shirt freshman Meghann Treacy split time in the goal, with Smith recording one save in 31:12 of playing time while Tracey recorded eight saves in 28:48 out on the ice.

The Black Bears out-shot Dalhousie 35-9 in the contest.

UMaine travels to Quinnipiac University to open NCAA play on Oct. 12 at 5 p.m. Their first home game will be against UConn on Oct. 20 at 2 p.m.

Cullenberg, Conner named top performers

UMaine cross country runners junior Kelton Cullenberg and senior Corey Conner were awarded the America East top performers of the week on Sept. 25. Both Cullenberg and Conner were the overall winners at the home meet on Sept. 21 against UNH. Both cross country team’s next race will be on Oct. 7 as they travel to Stanley Park in Westfield, MA for the New England Championships.

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Scores around the conferences

Football

All games Sept. 29

CAA

FOOTBALL

UMaine	14	Richmond	37
Villanova	35	Old Dominion	45
Delaware	14	William & Mary	35
UNH	34	Georgia State	3
Rhode Island	8	Towson	22
Bowling Green	48	LSU	38

Field Hockey

AMERICA

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Sept. 28

Albany	1	Brown	3
BU	2	Fairfield	1
Fairfield	2	Albany	3
UNH	3	Louisville	1

Sept. 29

Maine	3	Drexel	3
Vermont	1	UNH	2
		UMass	4
		Maine	2
		BU	2
		UConn	3

Sept. 30

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Women's Soccer

AMERICA

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Sept. 27

Albany	4	UMaine	1
Stony Brook	1	UMBC	1
Binghampton	0	Vermont	1
UNH	0	BU	2
Hartford	4	UNH	0
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		Stony Brook	2
		Binghampton	1

Sept. 30

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UPCOMING GAMES

THUR. OCT. 4

Soccer
vs. Hartford, 3 p.m.

SAT OCT. 6

Field Hockey
vs. Fairfield University, 1 p.m.

Football
at Delaware, 3:30 p.m.

Men's Ice Hockey
vs. Quinnipiac 7 p.m.

SUN OCT. 7

Cross Country
at New England Championships
12 p.m.

Men's Ice Hockey
vs. New Brunswick 4 p.m.

MON OCT. 8

Field Hockey
vs. Brown, 12 p.m.

THUR. OCT. 11

Soccer
at Stony Brook, 7 p.m.

FRI. OCT. 12

Field Hockey
vs. BU (Played at Harvard), 7 p.m.

Men's Ice Hockey
vs. Notre Dame (Played in Kansas City)

Women's Ice Hockey
@ Quinnipiac, 5 p.m.

SAT. OCT. 13

Women's Ice Hockey
@ Quinnipiac, 1 p.m.

Men's Ice Hockey
vs. Notre Dame
@ Ice Breaker Tournament Kansas
City, MO

Football
@ Towson, 7 p.m.

Men's and Women's Cross Country
XC National Pre-meet
@Sawyer State Park Louisville, KY

SUN. OCT. 14

Women's Soccer
vs. UNH, 1 p.m.

Field Hockey
vs. Northeastern , 2 p.m.
played @ UNH

THUR. OCT. 18

Women's Soccer
vs. Albany, 3p.m.

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