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Broadcast Journalism department dropped

By Jason McIntosh Staff Writer

Corroding equipment, low demand and changing technology all contributed to the Communication and Journalism department’s decision to cease offering its concentration in broadcasting for now.

The department decided late last month to stop offering three courses, electronic newsgathering, television news reporting and television news production, due to a number of factors, according to department chairman Stuart Bullion.

Steven Craig, who taught the courses with John Weispenning, said that the classes' equipment had been underutilized last spring combined with the fact that Communication and Journalism hardly had the funds to replace it heavily influenced the decision.

The fact that Weispenning left after last spring to teach at Otterbein College in Ohio helped make the argument for the suspension of the classes.

Bullion added that, with an increasing use of digital technology, rather than the mechanical, "reel-to-reel" sort of equipment UMaine broadcast majors were getting training in, the work of a film editor is becoming more of a technical task and less of a journalistic one.

The Journalism side of the department now plans to concentrate its resources on the study of journalism "with a capital, generic kind of 'J,'" Bullion said.

"What makes a journalist successful is not knowing how to run an editing machine; what makes a journalist successful is knowing how to write and how to think," Craig said.

Bullion added that students trained in a broad range of newsgathering skills have a more optimistic career outlook than those specializing in broadcasting. Especially when one of his students showed the relatively unknown University of Maine.

"There are hundreds of broadcast journalists churning out of these other schools every year, all of whom have stars in their eyes, and they'll settle for a job at Channel 2," Bullion said.

The department aims also to reallocate the resources formerly used to maintain the cut broadcasting courses into new studies and possibly courses into brand-new sorts of media that are gaining prominence, such as publishing over the Internet, Craig said.

Bullion said that options for students to receive the training in previously offered by the three courses included taking advantage of an internship or attending equivalent classes at another school through the National Student Exchange.

Craig said that there was little negative reaction to the cuts, but at least one student felt they happened somewhat abruptly.

"I can understand the reasons why they were dropped ... but I'm upset about the whole thing because they didn't give you any notice," Jill Debe, a student up until now enrolled in the broadcast program, said.

She said that she would take Bullion's advice of taking the three courses elsewhere through the NSE.

General Student Senate

Elections dominated by write-in votes

By Edward J. Davis Staff Writer

The elections for the new General Student Senate brought about a fair amount of students both on- and off-campus to vote for their favorite write-in candidate.

Although Student Government reduced the amount of senate seats from 55 to 37 for this year, at least half of the seats will be taken by write-in candidates.

Chris Bradgon addressed the situation by saying, "My attitude has sorta become apathetic about the apathy on campus, (but) there's only so much we can do."

Most of the students that voted felt a genuine need to take part in the elections.

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By Christine Thurston Staff Writer

Those students with a spare $35 a semester now have a more attractive place to work on their physiques at the newly remodeled Latti Fitness Center in the Memorial Gym.

"We had a lot of old, outdated and unusable machines, besides not having the finances to support the room," said Walter Abbott, the acting director of athletics. "Up until now we haven’t done a great deal to immediately impact the campus population."

Abbott said there has been a very positive response in the last week, with over 550 users in one day.

"Students, faculty and staff are very in tune to personalized fitness," said Abbott. "We’re an active campus."

He said there has been a great influx of both students and faculty and even older women who are becoming more concerned about health problems.

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Negotiations

Faculty contract battle continues at UMaine

By Peter Cook
Staff Writer

A contract dispute between the administration and faculty of the University of Maine System was resolved this summer, but only for a month.

Now both parties are back to square one in what has been a long process.

The trouble began five years ago when the contract for the Associated Faculties of the University of Maine expired, and no new contract was approved to take its place.

As the two parties negotiated, the faculty worked under the terms of the old contract, which many felt was unfair in its pay scale and in the health care benefits it provided.

Much controversy was made over an Interactive Television Network, which provides classes via television to rural areas in Maine.

Many of the faculty felt the network would take jobs away from the UMS and give them to professors out of state who would be given an equal chance to teach ITV classes.

The issue came to a head in November of last year. The administration made what it called its best offer, and a systemwide vote of the faculty was held.

The results came back in December; the faculty rejected the offer and negotiations began in the spring of 1995.

Protests were held outside of Board of Trustees meetings and the faculty union threatened a job action. If this had happened, the faculty would have only taught classes and counseled students. No extra meetings, such as Faculty Senate, would have been held.

A resolution was reached in May of 1995, but because of the timetable under which union contracts operate, it expired a month later on June 30.

The faculty is now “operating in terms of the expired agreement,” according to Sam D’Amico, associate vice chancellor for human resources.

He said the two parties will return to negotiations “sometime in October” and that he hopes things won’t get as bad as they did last year.

“I don’t think either party was really happy with last time,” D’Amico said. “I hope it doesn’t get that way now.”

Earl Beard, president of the Orono chapter of AFUM, said he also hopes things will be better this time.

“The union has met and discussed issues that will go into the proposal” to be made by the faculty, Beard said, but he declined to name them, saying they are essentially the same as last year’s.

“We have a proposal to give to them,” he said. He also said that last year the administration had no proposal of its own, and simply responded to the faculty’s, so he hopes they will make a proposal.

There have been no new negotiating sessions between the two parties, but the “union is ready to start” talking, he said.

Beard said the faculty is “tired of working without a contract,” and he would like to see the negotiations take place as expeditiously as possible.
Students speak out on discrimination

By Yolanda Sly
Staff Writer

Many student groups supported Maine State Sen. John O'Dea, who spoke out against the changes in Maine law limiting protected classifications in future state and local laws to race, sex, physical and mental disability, religion, age, ancestry, national origin, familial status, and marital status, and repealing existing laws which expand these classifications as proposed by citizen petition.

"Question One is targeted at gays and lesbians, but it is so poorly written that it will affect many other Maine citizens such as veterans, health care workers, those receiving workers' compensation," Alanna Conch, Bangor office director of Maine Won't Discriminate, said.

Maine Won't Discriminate is a Portland-based group trying to gain support to defeat Question One.

"(We have to) stand up in Maine and across the country and stand up for (voting against it)," O'Dea said. "Make sure this is driven out of the state."

O'Dea said that this is not just a gay issue, and that it will affect many other citizens.

"A hateful minority of people should not be able to dictate the agenda in Maine," Conch said.

The crowd approved O'Dea's speech by cheering.

Conch took the podium and began her speech by reading Question One, adding that "(We have to) stand up in Maine and across the country and stand up for (voting against it), because that person did nothing.

"Maine will not discriminate" sounds real nice, but if you read between the lines, Maine is discriminating. Vote no to Question One," James Varner, president of the Greater Bangor chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said.

Varner urged people to pass the message of the rally on to those they know. If they don't do something about this, they are part of the problem, not the solution, he said.

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November News

Vote

Maine voters narrowly defeat Question One

By Peter Cook and Kristin Nelson
Staff Writers

Question One, the most contentious issue on the Maine ballot, was defeated by a narrow margin yesterday.

The final vote, with 88 percent of the precincts reporting, was 188,514 (53.1 percent) voting no, and 166,255 (46.9 percent) voting yes.

Spirits were high at the Bangor office of Maine Won’t Discriminate as the final tallies were announced.

“We’re very enthusiastic about this,” said Alanna Cotch, of the Bangor office of Maine Won’t Discriminate. “It’s good to see that all the hard work is going to pay off.”

Cotch said that the defeat of this referendum was defeated, supporters of the bill were not.

“Actually, I’m pleased, although I would have rather seen a yes vote,” he said.

He said that this is a “hollow victory” for MWD because it is “probably not the decisive victory they were hoping for.”

Money was an issue, he added, saying that his group was proud of their strong showing despite being out funded by a 10 to 1 margin.

Madore also said that now it’s time to see if MWD will “live up to the concern for local control and let towns decide for themselves about gay rights.”

If Question One had passed, it would have limited protected classifications to the current groups under Maine’s human rights law, and would have repealed any existing laws expanding those classifications.

Accident

Fire destroys University hay barn

By Jason McIntosh
Staff Writer

An accidental, two-alarm fire resulted in the destruction of a barn on the edge of campus Saturday afternoon.

No people or farm animals were hurt in the fire, though it destroyed between 2,500 and 3,000 bales of hay stored in the building, as well as a hay trailer and a truck, according to Lt. James Lavoie of the Old Town Fire Department.

The barn was part of the University of Maine’s J. Franklin Witter Center, an agricultural teaching and research area.

Old Town, whose engines were the first to arrive, according to Lavoie, requested assistance from the Orono Fire Department and all available off-duty fire personnel when firefighters saw the building was lost, but that neighboring buildings and equipment had to be saved.

Lavoie said the hay barn’s roof was already caving in by the time the first engine arrived.

“We called for engines from Orono when we saw the potential of the fire we had,” Lavoie said.

The departments, working together, successfully prevented the fire from spreading to any other structures.

The cause of the fire has been traced to three juveniles, whose names the fire department declined to release at this time, who were playing among the bales when they tried to warn their cold hands.

“They had a metal can, they had some hay in it, and they started a little fire,” Lavoie said.

The children told the fire department that they left the smoldering can behind when they went to another building to feed the animals there, and didn’t realize their mistake until they saw smoke bil-
**December News**

**Students seeking Union expansion**

By Jason McIntosh

Staff Writer

After seemingly countless years of inactive suggestions and postponed debate on the issue, a group of UMaine students is working within a committee to spearhead the expansion of the Memorial Union.

"We want to be assured that there will be at least 50 percent student involvement on that governing committee," Student Government Vice President Chris Bragdon said. This would help to assure that the expansion would be 100 percent students-oriented, Bragdon, a member of the committee, added.

Bragdon said the students in the committee working for a new wing of the Union argue that there is a problem in the current setup, with students, faculty and other groups competing for the same rooms for studying, meetings and presentations.

Karen Newton, treasurer of The Union Board and another committee member, said that, compared to other university and college's student centers, the Memorial Union is both outdated and underused.

Bragdon said that the Union was originally intended to serve a campus of around 3,500 students, rather than the 70,000 that take classes on the Orono campus.

"This is a large exploratory committee looking at what we might add on to the Memorial Union, and also at building a new rec center," Azita Whiry, director of Institutional Planning, said.

"This talk started turning into real plans last spring," Whiry said, when those discussing building the rec center joined with those thinking about Union expansion into a single committee of between 25 and 30 people.

All of this would eventually come to a referendum vote in the students' hands, Bragdon said, but his hope that the General Student Senate will debate and draft a resolution next semester and let the students vote on the issue before the summer of 1996. Finalized plans for both the Union expansion and the recreational center would share the referendum as a single package.

A crucial point the committee must solidify before the referendum can exist is a specific pricing plan that students, if they agreed to it, would pay, Whiry said.

The referendum would likely ask students either if they favored paying a student fee to construct and then maintain the new structures, or if it would ask which of several options, if any, they would financially support.

Whiry said Memorial Union expansion proposals have reached student referendum twice before, once it was defeated, and another time it became indefinitely postponed due to budget problems.

Newton said that her optimism over the project is countered by a concern that current students won't care about something many of them probably won't see completed before they graduate.

"I'm concerned of some people not being willing to pay... simply because they won't see the outcome," Newton said.

I think once the new student union is complete, I think students will be really impressed," she said.

"I think we've come a long way since last fall, when the group first got together," Newton said.

The dual committee also includes other deans, facility staff and the campus brought about a conclusion to this case," said Laughlin.

Eleven victims of these incidents were contacted and possibly made a positive identification," said Gardner. "If the negotiations are successful, the public safety officer Chris Gardner arrived at Hancock Hall and proceeded to question Marshall about the incidents surrounding this case.

Students living in the residence halls can now rest assured that the elderly man who has been entering dorm rooms has been apprehended," said Investigator William Laughlin of Public Safety.

Alfred Marshall, 77, of Northeast Harbor was charged with one count of burglary and one count of criminal trespass on Thursday, Nov. 29.

Marshall admitted to committing the 12 cases reported in addition to four incidents that Public Safety was unaware of.

"Joint efforts between the community, the staff and the campus brought about a conclusion to this case," said Laughlin.

"It was a very quick case, a breaking point in the case came Nov. 16, when a Hancock Hall resident noticed a computer sketch of Marshall on the campus living channel while watching in the lobby of her dorm. Jill Beaurp, a first-year student, turned around to find an elderly man standing in the lobby and realized it was Marshall. She immediately contacted her Resident Assistant, who called Public Safety. Beaurp followed Marshall into the guest sitting area and witnessed him checking for unlocked doors.

"The whole thing was kind of exciting," said Beaurp.

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GSS recommends abolition of chancellorship

By Christine Thurston

Staff Writer

Despite the fact that the Board of Trustees has chosen a chancellor, new chancellor finalist, the General Student Senate voted Tuesday night to send a recommendation to abolish the chancellorship to the Commission on Higher Education Governance.

President Ben Meiklejohn, the sponsor of that and other recommendations addressed to the commission, was ecstatic and raise a silent cheer after the senate approved the resolution.

"It was unanimous," Meiklejohn said.

"That doesn't happen very often."

Many of the recommendations would downsize administrative offices such as the chancellor's office, the Office of Human Relations, the University of Maine System's Office of International Affairs and computing service positions.

Meiklejohn said he wants to make cuts in a top-heavy system. He said he believes that the university should only create new offices with permission from the legislature and that research needs to be done to decrease the $4,202,499 in system's level salaries.

Other recommendations include eliminating internal auditing and allowing each University to coordinate its own academic activities.

"These recommendations are keeping the interest of students in mind," Sen. Chad King said. "There are a couple of bits at the administration, but they are reasonable."

Meiklejohn said that the stamp of approval from the student senate would be significant.

"I'm really excited about it," Meiklejohn said. "This is a bold step for the senate."

Meiklejohn said the president of the General Alumni Association was excited about the resolution as well, and that it was long overdue that students take some initiative.

According to Meiklejohn, the alumni association has wanted to look into the administrative level finances since 1986.

The senate also passed a resolution to initiate an in-depth investigation into all Student Government recognized clubs and organizations and to send a letter to President Frederick E. Hutchinson to prevent the white pine tree in front of the Memorial Union from being cut down.

She administered plans to cut down the tree and erect a memorial in its present spot to students who served in World War II.

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VACATION, SHOULDN'T IF YOUR BRAIN IS ON YOUR TASTE BUDS?

Take further measures.

"That issue pissed me off to no end."

Bechard had a meeting toward the end of last week with Rudy Keeling, head coach of the basketball team in regards to this incident. Bechard said he requested the coach to have McDaniel write a formal letter of apology, to be published in The Maine Campus, to the campus and the community.

Bechard said the coach, upset the incident occurred, promised it would be done and that he would take further measures.

"It sounds ridiculous (the letter of apology), but what is more ridiculous is an assault on a mascot. I mean, he's a big teddy bear," Bechard added.

McDaniel's court date is set for Dec. 8.

"Bananas is the University of Maine," LeBlond said. "He is there for the sports program, blood drives and school spirit, not for his own attention."

Fire

Lowing from the barn, Lavoie said.

Lavoie said the state fire marshal will investigate the fire's cause more closely later this week.

She said that the building was not totally engulfed in flames when she arrived, and after making sure that there were no people or animals in immediate danger, she cleared the way for the fire departments' arrival.

"This investigation isn't a witch-hunt," said Sen. Scott Morelli, sponsor of the resolution.

Other business included Morelli's report that the escort service will be run out of the basement of Cutler Health Center, and King voicing concern over recreational fees going not to recreation, but to athletics.
Violations plague hockey team, Walsh

By Larry Rogers
Staff Writer

The University of Maine hockey team has advanced to the NCAA playoffs eight times in the last nine seasons, including last year when it made it to the title game against Boston University.

The Black Bears, ranked in the top 10 for most of last season, have also spent the past two seasons in the NCAA tournament and last season was Walsh's first as head coach.

Shawn Walsh was suspended for a year without pay starting Dec. 21. Walsh vowed to return as head coach after his suspension is up. Assistant coach Greg Cronin has become the acting head coach.

In December, the university and the national association decided following the conclusion of an 18-month investigation of UMaine's athletic department and coaching staff, that the hockey team had violated NCAA rules.

The report was received by the university on Monday, Dec. 18 and the school immediately sent a copy to the NCAA, which is not expected to conclude its investigation until later this spring.

Nearly all of the violations occurred between the late 1980s and 1994 and most involved the hockey team, including the use of two players on the 1993 NCAA Championship team who have been found to have been ineligible and could ultimately cost the university to vacate the title.

Hutchinson said during the Dec. 21 press conference that the NCAA violations are insignificant and considered "secondary" by the NCAA, if you add them all together they create a picture of failure within the university and a lack of institutional control.

In addition to Walsh's one-year suspension, assistant coach and primary recruiter Grant Standbrook was prohibited from recruiting off campus for six months and Cronin will be prohibited from recruiting off campus for one month, for various recruiting violations.

The report states that student-athlete compliance at the University, mainly eligibility, financial aid and recruiting, with NCAA legislation is a institutional commitment problem.

The self-report has cost the university more than $375,000, according to university spokesman Joe Carr, and that figure was met through donations from private sources.

AIDS test confidentiality a problem for Cutler

By Wendy Churchill
Staff Writer

At the World AIDS Day Summit meeting in December 1995, members of the university community urged Cutler Health Center to offer on-campus testing for AIDS.

According to Cutler's associate director of student health and prevention services, the health center is not pursuing such a program.

Dr. Robert Dana said this decision is based on recommendations from representatives of the Bangor STD clinic and Eastern Maine AIDS Network.

Dana also addressed the risk of misunderstanding the message. He said that some students may think that since they didn't test positive for the disease, it is OK to have irresponsible sex.

"That would defocus the education benefits we are trying to teach," he said. "Students should know that it is important to be tested and to educate themselves, and not to rely on testing for prevention."

Dr. Dana said that despite high costs and other risks, an on-campus testing site would carry great benefits.

"The Bangor STD clinic and Eastern Maine AIDS Network are accessible to on-campus students by bus. Both facilities charge for the tests on a scale, meaning that some may not need to pay if they meet certain criteria.

At December's meeting, some members of the peer educator program at Cutler expressed concerns about adopting a program for AIDS testing. They said they felt that, despite high costs, this would be the best way to reduce the risk of HIV transmission.

Dr. Robert Dana, (File Photo.)
• Public Safety

‘Walking Companions’ make for safer campus

By Christine Thurston
Staff Writer

Making the lonely trek to a late night class or back to the dorm may become a little safer when the new "Campus Walking Companion" program begins on Feb. 5.

Sen. Scott Morelli, sponsor of the proposal, announced to the General Student Senate Tuesday night that his efforts have finally paid off, after receiving funding from the president’s executive council.

"I’m really proud that we’ll make this campus a safe place," Morelli said. "The good thing about the escort service is that other than having more safety, we get to work with administrators."

Morelli said the walking service will take on a sort of test run this semester, with the possibility of becoming a permanent fixture on campus.

The walking service will be run out of the basement of Cutler Health Center, where a dispatcher receives calls and instructs a male and female team to the location where the escort is needed. The team will wear special jackets and carry flashlights, walkie-talkies and identification cards to assure the caller of their authenticity.

Morelli said he was somewhat disappointed that the walking companion positions will only be offered to work-study students.

"It takes away from the volunteer spirit that I wanted, but it’s better than nothing," Morelli said, adding that approximately 60 people had already volunteered time as of last semester.

At least four work-study positions (two male, two female) will be created for the service, with each student working around five hours a day, three days a week. The service will be open every evening from 7 p.m. to 12:15 a.m.

The total cost of implementing and running the program during the spring semester is estimated at slightly under $4,000.

Jackiw said that the Council On Women tries to bring about institutional change, making UMaine a more equitable place through giving recommendations on certain women’s issues.

Jackiw made reference to several “graffiti board” posters that have been placed around campus with the message, “What is it like to be a woman at UMaine?” and space for responses from passers-by.

“Many of the responses showed hostility toward women, toward feminism and toward whoever was posing the question,” Jackiw said.

Other business included the senate voting to give support to keep POS 282, Introduction to American Law.

• Student Government President Ben Meiklejohn reported that the Allman Brothers may be interested in performing at the university this semester.

• Student Government Vice President Chris Bragdon said that Memorial Union expansion plans are being designed by a civil engineering class, and on April 22, 23 and 24, there will be a referendum on the cost of the expansion.

• The senate’s final business included electing Sens. Jason O’Meara and Chad Sherritts to the empty Fair Election Practicis Committee seats and electing Sens. Chad King, Kris Mueller and James LeBlond to the Executive Budgetary Committee.
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February News

• Election

Meiklejohn, Doherty win close election

By Jeff Tuttle

Staff Writer

After a controversial campaign that featured two candidates running indepen-
dently for president and vice-president, unofficial results show that the un-
orthodox nature of these campaigns did not decrease support for Ben Meiklejohn and Dusty Doherty.

While official results will not be available until Thursday, barring any
challenges, Meiklejohn, student govern-
ment’s incumbent president; unofficial-
ly received 362 votes while Doherty
received 332 votes in Tuesday’s elec-
tion.

The ticket of James Leblond and Scott
Morelli received 297 votes.

The Leblond/Morelli ticket had ex-
pressed concern about lower voter turn-
out due to the changes in the ballot.
These changes did not seem to discour-
age voters as approximately 11 percent
of the undergraduate student body showed up at the polls.

Any degree of confusion regarding
the split-ticket was reportedly lessened
by detailed instructions printed at the top of each ballot. Chad Sherrets a member
of the Pair Election Practices Commit-
tee, answered the questions of perplexed
voters.

"There was some confusion regard-
ing the student government ballots be-
cause it’s a ticket versus individual can-
didates," said Sherrets.

Sara Silverstein, a sophomore inter-
national affairs major, did not think the
split ballot was confusing and saw no
reason for changes in the current electoral
regulations.

"As long as students are aware that
there are people running who care about diversity, then it doesn’t matter about
the logistics of the election process," said
Silverstein.

FPEC chair Chris Barstow has an-
nounced intentions to amend the guide-
lines for the next election.

"We don’t want to use this as a preced-
tent," said Barstow.

• Policy

Policy on gays questioned

By Jeff Teunisen

Staff Writer

Current Red Cross policy, regulated by the Federal Drug Administration, dictates
that a men who have had sex with other men
since 1977 may not donate blood. It is a policy that some on this campus feel may
violate the University of Maine’s non-dis-
criminatory policy.

Before an individual gives blood at any
Red Cross site, the donor must answer a
series of written questions. One of the ques-
tions reads, "For men, have you had sex, even
once, with another man since 1977?" These
men who answer yes are not allowed to
donate blood. The Gay, Lesbian and Bisexu-
al Concerns Committee at UMaine is con-
cerned with the Red Cross’ policy, one
they feel is discriminatory and should be changed.

Melissa Croteau, a spokesperson for the
Red Cross, told the committee Monday that
the Red Cross’ questionnaire is regulated by
the FDA, and essentially, the committees
concerns need to be addressed to the FDA.

Croteau said that a man can walk into a
Red Cross blood bank and say “I am gay,”
and still give blood as long as he has not
had sex with another man since 1977. A donor
cannot, however, say that he has had sex
with a man and give blood. A point that is moot
for some.

"The FDA is screening behavior," said
Croteau. "The question does not ask if you
are gay.

Members of the GLBCC agreed that be-
havior is the issue and blank categoriza-
tions of homosexuals is wrong. The GLBCC
said the question should focus on the issues
of safe sex and whether safe sex is practiced by
whomever the donor may be, whether gay or
straight.

"This is in spirit a violation of UMaine’s
classification policy," Shererin said. "We need
a wording of definition of what gay is. Take
the word queer out and put in the work
black and it becomes extremely prejudiced.
"Being black is not a behavior," Croteau
said.

But, in all actuality there is no mention of
being gay in the question presented by the
Red Cross. Sheerin later said that even though
the question does not use the word gay, the
question takes all gay men out of the blood
supply.

For most gay men who answer the ques-
tion honestly, it does.

But some members of the committee said
many gay men do not answer the question
honestly and use the Red Cross to get a free
HIV test.

"We are aware of that," said Croteau, "It
is a problem.

Croteau said the reasoning behind the
question presented to donors is to eliminate
potential risks to the blood supply before the
blood is drawn. Gay men, traditionally as a
group, have been at high risk.

But in the last few years, with education
and the practice of safe sex, the percentage of
gay men contracting HIV is declining.

"It has come to the point that the AIDS
epidemic has changed," Guy Gerbick, chair
of the GLBCC said. "It is not as dynamic as it
once was. If it (the question) was Time is
at a time, but the AIDS epidemic is different
than in 1985.

The FDA started requiring the Red Cross
to put the question about men having sex with
men in 1985 when a high percentage of gay
men were contracting the virus.

The GLBCC plans to lodge a complaint
with the university, a complaint they hope
will force some change within the university,
the Red Cross and the FDA.

Sue Estler, the director of equal opportu-
nity at UMaine said she would investigate
the issue once a complaint was filed.

Estler said she wants to "make sure what
ever happens on this campus is as non dis-
criminatory as possible." But she warned
that federal and state law supercede university
decisions. Estler used an example of fraterni-
ties, which are discriminatory by university
standards, but are not by federal law.

Also, Sheerin said he was going to file a
formal complaint with the FDA about their
policy requiring the question on Red Cross’
questionnaire. He hopes to act quickly because
a blood drive is planned on-campus in April.

By Peter Cook

Staff Writer

The negotiating teams for the Associat-
ed Faculties at the University of Maine
and the administration have reached a tentative
agreement on a contract, but the process is
far from over.

Earl Beard, Orono chapter president for
AFUM, said that a contract has been nego-
tiated between the two parties, but they
haven’t written it down.

A sample contract will be written out by
the two parties and the negotiating team will
present it to a bargaining council made up of
representatives from all the campuses, Beard
demanded.

The bargaining council will "advise the
teaching team and tell them what they think
of the contract," said Beard.

The contract will then be taken before
the faculty union’s statewide executive
board, which will either approve or reject the
contract and decide whether to put it to a
systemwide AFUM vote.

"They always put it to a vote," said
Beard, "so I anticipate it will go to a vote of
the faculty.

If the faculty approve the contract, it
goes to the Board of Trustees for final ap-
proval.

"The BOT has the last word," said Beard.
He said the board could seek advice on
whether to approve the contract from a coun-
cil made up of the presidents from the differ-
ent campuses.

"If everyone agrees, there is a contract," said
Beard.

Beard said the "bargaining council will get
together toward the end of March" after all
the campuses have come back from spring
break.

Kent Price, assistant to the Chancellor,
agrees that "there is a tentative agreement,"
but said he could not predict further on a
contract that is subject to bargaining.

Price did say that if the faculty union
agrees to a contract, he "could not second
guess what the board is going to do" in terms
of approving it.

In the past, many contentious issues have
arisen as part of the negotiations, but Beard
said this time, one of the only controversial
issues is the redifinition of domestic part-
ers.

Beard said the definition will be limited
to same sex partners and will not include
heterosexual partners living together, but
said this should not prevent its passage by
the systemwide faculty.

He also said that some faculty have taken
issue with the fact that the salary raise from
the last contract was made retroactive to Jan
1, so only half of it would actually be given.
This shouldn’t be much of a problem in
the contract’s passage, according to Beard.

Earl Beard. (Geyerhahn File Photo.)

Jennifer Doherty. (File Photo.)

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Conflict

Pro-life, pro-choice face off in downtown Orono

By Jeff Teunisen
Staff Writer

Approximately nine pro-life activists gathered outside of Jasmine’s restaurant on Mill Street yesterday at 4 p.m. to protest a fundraising dinner for the Mabel Wadsworth Women’s Health Center in Bangor, which performs legal abortions.

The pro-life activists were quickly joined by pro-choice proponents in what proved to be a very peaceful display by both sides of the controversial human-rights issue.

“This is a fundraising dinner to raise funds for the killing of babies,” Terrence Hughes, a professor of geological sciences at the University of Maine said while holding a sign that said “Bangor’s Auschwitz—Babies Killed Here.”

“The (Wadsworth) center is a place where unwanted babies are killed with the support of the state, which is exactly what Auschwitz was,” Hughes said. “We’re here to stop the killing.”

One pro-life activist held a sign that read “Abortion is the Ultimate Human Rights Violation, How many More?”

“Jasmines is having a fund-raiser for Mabel Wadsworth on Sunday, God’s day. We’re trying to uphold God’s laws,” said a pro-life protester that would not give her name.

The pro-life activists were quickly joined by people wishing to show there are two sides to the debate. A group of UMaine students and pro-choice proponents made their own signs written on white pieces of cardboard. The signs said, “Freedom to choose,” and “Keep abortion safe and legal.”

“Women have worked for a very long time to do what we want with our bodies,” Brandi Sammons, a UMaine senior said, while holding a pro-choice sign adorned with a coat hanger.

Jennifer Spingla, also a UMaine senior said she was walking to campus when she saw what was going on. She quickly made her own sign and joined the group of pro-choice proponents.

“I just want to make sure our side of the story is seen,” she said.

Although two Orono patrol cars were on the scene, they stayed back from the crowd and did not have to intervene with the peaceful protest.

Orono patrolman Erik Tall said the original complaint came from upset citizens on the street because of the abortion protest signs.

“There was some name-calling when we (the police) first got here,” Tall said. Tall said he was “just here to keep the peace.”

There was little discussion among the protesters and the dialogue between the pro-life protesters and those attending the fundraiser was little to none.

The crowds dispersed around 5:30 p.m. and everything went back to normal. Jasmine’s restaurant could not be reached for comment.
AFFIRM might dismantle social work program

"We understand that the vice president for academic affairs is considering a recommendation that the B.A. program be phased out," said Bill Whittaker, the coordinator of the bachelor of arts, social work program. Judith Bailey, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs, said yesterday at the Faculty Senate meeting that there are plans to eliminate some degrees within programs, although there has not been any concrete announcements at this time. "We don’t know the specifics in terms of a timeline," Whittaker said, "a major announcement is planned for mid-March."

The proposed phasing out of the program has come as a "real surprise" to Whittaker because the school of social works has recently been re-accredited for eight more years. Whittaker said the school has capped enrollments with 24 undergraduate students each year for the past few years. Currently there are 50 to 60 students who are social work majors, working for a B.A. in social works. The proposed elimination of the B.A. degree in the school will not directly effect students currently enrolled in the department. Students working on obtaining bachelor’s degrees will be able to finish out their degree requirements. April Stankevitz, a sophomore in the school of social works, said she was told she would still be able to get a degree, but she is still concerned. "I think it’s sad, there will be a shortage of social workers in this state."

Although the discussed cut in the department will not effect the master’s degree program, which graduates about 30 students a year, Jolene Lunney, a sophomore in the school of social works said, "Students still need a bachelor’s degree to get a master’s degree. To me, the school is losing out in that way."

If the proposed cut in the department is real, those wishing to obtain a bachelor’s degree in social works in the future must look elsewhere for their education.

Hutchinson outlines restructuring goals

Two universities that currently have social works programs are the University of Southern Maine and University of Maine at Presque Isle. But many students who wish to get a B.A. in social works have been told that there has been a cut in the number of administrators and support staff that have ties to the area that prohibit them from traveling. "Our program is small, but it has a national reputation as a high quality program," Whittaker said. "Students graduating from our program are admitted to a variety of graduate schools across the country and our faculty has a great national reputation."

Whittaker said he has been letting his students know that what the possible recommendations are. "We have to fight," he said. "We want the undergraduate program to continue."

The centerpiece of this week’s Faculty Senate meeting evoked lengthy and dedicated debate. However uncertain the benefits or drawbacks of a split spring break are, the reality of the decision to split the break will begin in the spring of 1998.

The issue divided the Senate nearly as evenly as the spring break: 19 for passing the resolution, 16 against, with two abstentions.

Ralph Townsend, president of the Faculty Senate, acknowledged the sensitivity of the issue said, "I tried to keep personal opinion out of it. There were strong, legitimate arguments on both sides."

"I’m glad to see recognition of a wider constituency," said Stuart Ballion, chairman of UM’s department of communication and journalism, "but I think we may be exchanging one win/lose situation for another."

He said he is worried that while the resolution attempts to accommodate a wider range of interest, it may not be contributing to that end.

This issue has been the focus of Student Government’s attention since the election results, and Ben Meiklejohn, president of Student Government, had a wide array of reasons developed to support his opinion that spring break should not be split.

Among the reasons he gave were: students use the spring break to hold a job, international and out-of-state students can return home more easily, university Orchestra and Singers travel and graduate students and faculty use the time for research. Meiklejohn and Dusty Doberty, the new vice president for Student Government, had one vote each but were unable to sway the majority of the Senate. Meiklejohn said he was "disappointed, especially since it was such a close margin. The fact that it squeezed by with three votes is going to look poor."

"They pretty blatantly ignored the students," he said.

A faculty member from the English department cited an informal survey of students that found a majority of undergraduates were against splitting the break. A major concern that attracted support from many faculty was that their children’s vacation will now coincide with theirs. A spokeswoman from the university staff stated that if employees were not forced to take time off from work to care for their children, the university would run more efficiently.

Kathleen March, a member of the Senate’s Executive Committee, was sympathetic with the spring break split from the child-care standpoint but abstained because the resolution did not address this.

“We still have not addressed the major issue, which is child-care," she said. The first week of the new breaks will coincide with the February break of K-12 schools, while the second week will arrive after the tenth week of classes.

Townsend is considering the presentation of a proposal at the next Faculty Senate meeting that would alternate a split break with a unified break every year.

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By Jeff Teunisen
City Editor

In front of a packed crowd of about 750 concerned university employees and students, University of Maine President Frederick E. Hutchinson announced the university will undergo a major restructuring, which will most likely affect everyone within the campus.

"We realize that these are unusual times and that we needed to make important and difficult decisions," Hutchinson said.

The decisions Hutchinson has been faced with are detailed in the document called AFFIRM, Actions to Facilitate Fiscal Integrity and Refocused Missions. In the plan, which contains 62 action items and emphasizes the streamlining of administration while maintaining quality, he calls for cuts in the number of colleagues from seven to five, the number of vice presidents from five to three, the elimination of 50 positions of a proposal at the end of last year, and in enrollment from 10,000 to 11,000 over the next three or four years while reducing the numbers of administrators and support staff.

Hutchinson said he plans to change the structure of the senior administration by eliminating the position of the vice president of Business and Finance, whose title will be changed to the chief financial officer, effective July 1, 1996.

"The position will focus on the university’s finances and less on administrative matters," Hutchinson said.

Also, the vice president of Research and Public Service will be eliminated. The responsibilities of the position and some of its support staff will be folded into the operation of the vice president for Academic Affairs.

In total, Hutchinson said this plan of combined costs, cost savings and new revenues will total $8 million, which will be used to cover anticipated expenses while improving programs and services within the university.

"It’s tragic that the state university system is no longer the same state system that it was just six years ago, that much is clear from the significant drop in state budget commitments both in dollars and in percentages in state spending," Hutchinson said. "We need their (the governor’s and Legislator’s) help and commitment to make higher education top priority again.

The AFFIRM document, which Hutchinson said is not intended to be a "core all," outlines a new organizational structure for the university’s academic, research and outreach units. In an editorial, Hutchinson proposed reconfiguring the 39 academic departments and schools into five colleges, down two from the current seven.

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AFFIRM

‘Framework for Change’ document splits colleges

By Peter Cook
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When President Frederick E. Hutchinson released the AFFIRM document, it caused a great deal of controversy on the campus.

However, it has been all but forgotten in the debate over the companion document, A Framework for Change, which outlines the changes that will be made in the structure of the University of Maine. THE DEPARTMENT'S GREATEST CHANGE TO THE UNIVERSITY IS THE DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF COLLEGES FROM SEVEN TO FIVE. THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE ARE SLATED TO BE ELIMINATED, BUT MANY MAJORS AFFILIATED WITH THOSE COLLEGES WILL STILL BE OFFERED.

Also department that will be affected is communication and journalism, which has been moved from Social and Behavioral Sciences to the College of Business, Management and Public Policy.

"Basically, the plan is to downgrade communication and journalism to a program," Vice President for Academic Affairs, said. "Stuart Beard, chairman of the department. He said the change "came as a shock" because communication and journalism has already made concessions to the university in the previous downgrading plan.

"We have already gone along by making major sacrifices," he said, "and the contributions we made were not acknowledged." He said that his department is already "doing things in the spirit of AFFIRM" because they are popular and take in more revenue than they spend.

Bullion said that the faculty within his department met on Wednesday and unanimously drafted a statement to the administration "so let them know that this is a liberal arts department."

"We are very much a liberal arts department," he said. "There is absolutely no model in the U.S. where a communication and journalism program is housed in a college like that." Bullion also said he was concerned because "there was absolutely no consultation below the level of dean" when the administration was planning the restructuring.

Earl Beard, president of the Orono chapter of the faculty union, AFUM, has also expressed displeasure with the changes.

"I think it's misconceived," he said, "the entire process is a mistake."

Beard said the administration asked for "virtually no organized faculty input," and the "process was extremely backwards, a top-down mechanism."

He said that by getting rid of faculty, the university is cutting in the wrong places.

"If we eliminate the president and academic vice presidents, then take that money and give it to the deans, the university would function for a long time," he said, "and would be able to teach students and do research.

However, Beard said, "if we elimi- nate the faculty and keep the adminis- tration, we wouldn't get anything." He added that this plan is more administrat ion than faculty based, because of the 12 vice-provosts formed by the plan, only five are deans of academic colleges.

Ralph Townsend, president of the Facul- ty Senate, said he agrees with the sentiment of wanting to save money by cut- ting administration but does not like some of the particulars of the document.

"There are parts that the university has to do, but there are also parts I don't agree with," he said.

Townsend said the university faces hard problems in funding for the long run, and this document is an attempt to address them.

"The university is trying to send a signal across the board that we have to be very tight fiscally, we have to make some hard decisions," he said. "If this plan saves $4-6 million, they would be lucky."

He said the plan "takes a large step to helping the university deal with its problems, but it won't solve those problems in the long run."

"Is this plan enough to solve the university's problems over the next three years?" he said.

According to Townsend, the Faculty Senate, under a directive from the admin- istration, will be dealing with some of the issues brought up by AFFIRM this spring but will make the major decisions in the fall at the meetings.

John Diamond, director of Public Af- fairs, said that the faculty input will be taken into consideration during a series of public meetings.

"The Framework for Change document has a schedule in it of discussions that will be held with Vice President Judith Bailey," he said.

"The process of shared governance does give the faculty input in the pro- cess," he said. "Throughout the review process, they will give the document between now and the middle of next acade- mic year."

The Faculty Senate will take part in this process, he said, "in anything that pertains to academics."

The Change document was not re- leased publicly at Hutchinson's speech but was instead delivered to the individ- ual departments afterward. It was put together by Judith Bailey, vice president for Academic Affairs.

This release, after the news media had left, leaves some faculty with words about the university's handling of the issue.

"Why did they have to hide it?" Bull- ion said. "The local media went without the full story."

"It's as good a piece of media man- agement as I've seen since the Gulf War," he said.

Diamond said the reason for this was basic logistics because they had a limited number of copies of the document.

"We felt it was most appropriate to give everyone a copy of AFFIRM as they left and have the other document to them within an hour or two," he said.

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**Health**

**Threat to blood supply worries UMaine**

By Jeff Teunisen
City Editor

The university has taken very seriously a threat by a student at the University of Maine, a threat that if true, would have detrimental effects on an upcoming blood drive.

During an interview on Wednesday, Craig Sheerin, a student, made threats that were later interpreted by some members of the university as legitimate. Sheerin said there were plans to "pollute the blood supply," on Wednesday during an emotionally-driven discussion. On Thursday, however, Sheerin recanted, and said if he had said something about "polluting the blood supply," it was due to his emotions at the time. The Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Concerns Committee and a member of the committee, Sheerin, filed complaints with the Sue Estler, head of the Equal Opportunity Office. Sheerin and the GLBBC objected to the Red Cross' questionnaire, which states "For men, have you had sex, even once, with another man since 1977?" Both Sheerin and the GLBBC were told that the university stands by Red Cross' questionnaire.

Both Sheerin and the GLBBC said people are forbidden to give blood solely because of sexual orientation. This, they argue, goes against the university's non-discrimination policy. The GLBBC plans on holding another meeting today to see where to go from here.

"My two goals are for the university to stand by its non-discriminatory policy and for the Red Cross to have a safe blood supply," Sheerin said.

Sheerin said there were no plans for anyone to taint the blood supply during the blood drive that will be held at Alfond Arena on Tuesday.

"I'm not a violent person," he said. The university has taken Sheerin's words about the pollution of the blood supply seriously, and according to Dean of Student Services, Dwight Rideout, a committee has been addressing the seriousness of the threat. He also said the university may look into prosecuting Sheerin on the matter.

When Sheerin was told that the university was looking into possibly prosecuting him for his perceived threat, he said, "I was being described as a terrorist, my reputation is being harmed."

Sheerin said that he asked Robert Dana, associate director of student health (who is on the committee addressing the issue), whether he was being described as a terrorist and Dana said he was.

Dana said he did not talk about a specific student acting like a terrorist.

"When someone is trying to threaten a community, actions like that are terroristic," Dana said. "I was speaking about circumstances that are intimidating, not about a specific student."

Bob Whelan, executive assistant to the president and a member of the GLBBC, said Sheerin's threat is "reprehensible."

"No way is he representing the gay and lesbian community at UMaine. He is acting as an individual, not a group."

Sheerin wanted to clarify that he did not, nor does he know of anyone who is planning on tainting the blood supply.

Melissa Croteau, a spokesperson for the Red Cross, said if someone purposefully donates blood with the intent of malice, they could be sued by the hospital, the physician, the recipient of the blood and the Red Cross. Sheerin wanted to realize that the Red Cross' policy discriminates against the institution, the university has a responsibility to prevent the Red Cross off campus for one year, to see if the Red Cross will do anything about the questionnaire do donors.

Croteau, similarly to what she has said in the past, said that the questionnaire is regulated by the FDA, and concerns should be focused on them, not the Red Cross.

But Sheerin and the GLBBC are not the only ones who want the Red Cross to change its questionnaire.

"If you're a heterosexual and are having unprotected sex, you're at greater risk than a male having safe gay sex," Bob Whelan, executive assistant to the president and member of the GLBBC, said. "I would hope that the FDA change their policy. In its spirit, not legally, it is a discriminatory policy."

Rideout had similar ideas. He said as an institution, the university has a responsibility to let the FDA know that some people at UMaine find the question inappropriate. He said he would like to see the question addressed "people having unprotected sex."

Rideout said the university is looking into "putting something together," to give to the FDA on the issue.
**AFFIRM**

Social work spared

By Jeff Teunisen
City Editor

University of Maine administrators and faculty have agreed on a plan that will allow the university to continue offering its undergraduate social work degree.

Last month, UMaine President Frederick E. Hutchinson proposed, among other things, to phase out the school of social work’s bachelor’s degree by the year 2001. The phasing out was part of Hutchinson’s $8 million cost cutting plan, titled AFFIRM.

But now the administration and faculty have agreed on a proposal that involves revising course sequences, reallocating teaching responsibilities among faculty, and courses in the school of social work. Cost savings will be realized by the school by leaving a faculty vacancy created by a 1996 retirement unfilled.

“All of us in the school of social work—students, faculty and graduates—are simply delighted with the decision,” said William Whitaker, professor of social work and co-ordinator of the bachelor of arts program.

“We look forward to continuing to provide the best education possible,” said Judith I. Bailey, vice president for Academic Affairs, described the faculty-initiated plan as “positive” and said that it satisfies the administration’s concern for sustaining quality with the resources available to do it.

When Hutchinson unveiled the AFFIRM plan on March 18, he stressed that it was proposed to generate campuswide discussion and that the plan’s call for eliminating schools and departmental changes were not set in stone. The decision to keep the undergraduate school of social work demonstrates that Hutchinson’s plans are subject to change. Two weeks ago the administration accepted the department of communication and journalism’s proposal to remain affiliated with other liberal arts departments rather than be folded into the originally proposed College of Business Administration, Management and Policy.

“We said at the time that we would listen to reasonable arguments,” Bailey said. “These two changes are reasonable and protect the quality and integrity of their respective departments.”

**Graduation**

friends graduate.”

But students may not be able to see all of their friends graduate.

Exercises will begin at 10:30 a.m. for the graduate school, university college, and the colleges of education, business administration and natural resources, forestry and agriculture.

The colleges of engineering, arts and humanities and social and behavioral sciences, along with the school of engineering technology, will participate in a 2 p.m. ceremony.

“I think it’s definitely too bad they’re breaking the tradition,” Lynn Whitten a senior art education major said. “There’s something about being out in the sunshine and enjoying Maine with your family.”

The university decided that the grandstand’s condition is too risky for the 10,000 guests anticipated to attend the ceremony.

“All my friends are graduating from other colleges, I want to see them when I graduate,” Amy Masdin a senior art education major said.

David Irving, a senior wildlife major said, “I think it’s pretty lousy, it should be outside.”

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May News

Union expansion results thrown out

General Student Senate reverses committees decision to investigate King, Minor

By Peter Cook
Asst. City Editor

The Joint Rules Committee of the General Student Senate voted yesterday to throw out the results of the union expansion vote and decided to recommend to Judicial Affairs that Victor Minor and Sen. Chad King be investigated for removing a ballot box from Stewart Commons. However, GSS later overruled the decision to investigate.

The outcome was read at the General Student Senate meeting last night by Jennifer Nelson, president of Residents on Campus.

“We recommend that Judicial Affairs investigate Chad King and Victor Minor for directly interfering with actions of two representative boards,” she said. Because the decision was overruled, the two will not face investigation unless an individual decides to ask Judicial Affairs to consider the case, according to Ryan Eslinger, vice president of ROC.

Nelson also said that a new election will be held next year on the same question pertaining to a new student union and recreation center.

The eight-member committee voted unanimously, with one abstention on the vote dealing with King and Minor.

King is an off-campus senator in the GSS, and Minor is a former senator and member of the Fair Election Practices Commission. The complaint against the two was made by the Student Community Project Referendum Commission.

The two were charged with “Removal of ballot box from official polling location, tampering with ballot box and possession of official ballots.”

The meeting began with an address by Kean Brown, the chair, who reminded those present that this was to determine “the validity of the vote due to activities” by Chad King and unknown parties.

Dana Canavan, chair of the SCPRC, said that his commission felt that King’s and Minor’s actions were “inappropriate” because “the students of Stewart Commons didn’t get to vote.”

Canavan added that his commission had not received any complaints about the vote.

Michael Magyar, also with the SCPRC, spoke next and told of his investigation into the matter. He outlined a timeline that he had put together regarding the incident at Stewart Commons.

Magyar said voting started late at the commons Monday because a ballot box was not delivered there. He said that the ballots taken during voting on Monday were voided because those voting were not being registered as they cast their ballots.

On Tuesday, the registration process went well, but things went wrong when the box was left unsupervised by the GSS and King took it to the GSS meeting that night.

At the end of every semester, the familiar red and white forms are passed out, and students are once again given the chance to either praise or condemn their professors.

Teacher evaluations have been part of the UMaine experience for 25 years, and according to some, are taken quite seriously by faculty and administration.

“Student evaluations are a very, very important part of the peer committee’s and my evaluation of teacher performance of faculty,” said Stanley Devino, dean of the College of Business Administration, “they are a key element in our decisions.”

Devino said that the evaluations help him to see which professors are doing outstanding work, and which are doing poor work. He said that this college uses a separate evaluation form in addition to the standard bubble sheet, which helps give them a better idea of professor performance.

“We very much focus on student evaluations,” he said, especially dealing with the teaching aspects of the course, such as how prepared

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• Conflict

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By Jeff Teunisen
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Psychology professor falls victim to cutbacks

By Ryan Robbins
Special to The Campus

Assistant psychology professor Linda Yelland steps back from the lectern and steps into the room. She turns over her last page of notes for the day. "Next time on 'Discovering Psychology,'" she says with a twinkle in her small, dark eyes, "the good-parts version of behaviorism."

After seven years of teaching psychology at the university as a graduate student, and as the last three as an assistant professor, Yelland has fallen victim to budget cuts in the psychology department. The department doesn't have enough funds to renew Yelland's contract for a full-time appointment, and having the least seniority in her department, Yelland will soon be relegated to part-time status.

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"There is some misgiving that they don't measure everything we would like to measure," he said, adding that some feel they measure a professor's popularity rather than his or her effectiveness.

Bullion said that every department's peer committee, made up of all the tenured professors in that department, is the main handler of the evaluations. The committee annually evaluates each professor and the courses he or she teaches.

He said that the comment box in the standard form is the most important part of the evaluation, because it "gives you more insight" into how a professor is doing. Unsigned comments, he said, can be deleted from a professor's file at his or her discretion.

"You've got to sign your comments. A professor's teaching quality is taken seriously when dealing with promotion and tenure," Bullion said. "I hope that students take the process as seriously as the faculty do" and not as "simply a chance to get back at a professor they don't like."

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and made him wonder how this election was being monitored.

"My hope is that the election would be run properly," he said. "The box was not being maintained."

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Sea Dog brewery seeks to grow through quality

By James Wright
Staff Writer

Sea Dog brewery seeks to grow through quality brewing a five gallon jug of your favorite beer. Co. in Bangor, gave a personal tour of the brewery, where everything from boiling the barley to bottling the finished product takes place.

The Sea Dog brewery, located at 26 Front Street on Bangor's waterfront, is home to the second highest producing brewery in Maine. If you count Shipyard as a micro-brewery, Sea Dog is the third highest producer of beer.

Sea Dog actually started in April, 1993 in Camden as a small-time operation. The facility held seven brewing barrels of 31 gallons each. Sea Dog in Bangor, which used to be an old shoe factory, opened in March of this year and has a brewing capacity of 40 barrels. Audet said that no brewery brews at full capacity. They started out at one-third capacity and are struggling to keep up with demand. This growth has allowed Sea Dog products to be shipped to places like Georgia and the Carolinas, a market that the brewers at Sea Dog are eager to enter.

The Sea Dog brewery has every aspect of the beer making process all at one site. The upstairs is home to an elegant restaurant and other conference rooms, like the River Driver Saloon next to the main lounge of the restaurant. The rest of the establishment is devoted to each of the several steps processes of making the holiest of holy concoctions: beer.

It all starts with the basic grain ingredients. According to Audet, Sea Dog beers are modeled after English style brews. The barley, which comprises about 60 to 80 percent of the beer, is imported directly from England to Sea Dog, where it undergoes a lengthy transformation process.

The barley and barley leaves are boiled down in what is called a copper kettle and turned into what is called a sweet wort. The malting process, as it is called, involves steeping the grain at 100 degrees to grow a sprout from the barley seed. The seed is then dried in order to kill the sprout and keep the valuable sugar enzymes. The sugar extract finds its way into the product.

The style of the beer determines the type of ingredients to be used. For instance, the India Pale Ale, which is sweeter than a brown ale, requires a lot more barley and hops to achieve the flavor, and therefore costs a lot more to make. Sea Dog comes in three available flavors in stores - the India Pale Ale, Old Gollywobbler, which is the brown ale, and Windjammer Ale, which is a combination of a blonde and pale ale. They also make Irish Winter Stout, which Audet calls a "really big beer" and are working on a Christmas Seasonal chili stout.

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The Mermen riding the wave to success

By James Wright
Staff Writer

The Mermen, who hail from the city by the bay, are riding a fat wave to fame and critical acclaim for their alternative "surf" music that blends hypnotizing rhythms with driving, distorted, beach-sided guitar sounds. This music, which Thomas describes as "very physical," has given his band a well-recognized name in the bay-city music scene, as well as all across the country.

Thomas doesn't exactly buy that "surf music" label altogether. Even though his influences include Dick Dale and the Ventures who sparked the whole surf thing in the '60s, this New Jersey boy feels that the music should speak for itself.

"When the music is the music that moves people for whatever reason, that's what it is. The labels come from those who write about the music than those who play it. The best reviews we get are from those who say it's surf music, but..." Thomas, who just happens to be a die-hard surfer, carries his board with him wherever the band goes, just in case the waves are calling his name.

"Our music is more related to the reality of the ocean and my own experiences rather than buying into the whole idea of surf," added Thomas.

Their first studio album, "A Glorious Lethal Sheepdog," has garnered praise from several publications, including spots on the "Best of '95" lists in both Guitar Player and Guitar World magazines. Guitar World also capitalized on the success of the album with an article about the Mermen: "Post Hendrix guitarist pays homage to surfing roots, meets rampaging, balls-to-the-wall surf guitar on this thinking man's shred album."

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King reads for library

Stephen King speaks at the Bangor Auditorium to benefit the Bangor Public Library. (Page File Photo.)

By Chris Grimm
Staff Writer

Horror writer and philanthropist Stephen King dazzled a crowd of 3,600 people with a rare public appearance at the Bangor Auditorium Friday night.

King was greeted with a standing ovation after being introduced by his wife, author Tabitha King, "For those of you who don't know, he writes too," she said.

The event, which was titled "Storytelling, an evening with Stephen King," was orchestrated in an effort to raise money for the Bangor Public Library.

During the hour and 40 minute show King joked with and answered questions from audience members. He also read from his soon-to-be-released book, "Desperation."

King admitted he was nervous to speak in front of his home town crowd.

Referring to his past cross country tour to promote his book "Insomnia," King said, "If you screw up while you're on the road, you pick up your s*** and move on."

King added that his wife had persuaded him to perform, and that if he did poorly, to blame her.

King felt the campaign for the library was a worthy cause, citing the importance of books and the Bangor library. $5 million of the $8.5 million has already been donated, $2.5 million by Stephen and Tabitha King and an additional $2.5 million was provided by the city of Bangor.

After a half hour discussing everything from the Red Sox to people stopping in front of his house and taking pictures of his defeating dog, King lowered his tone and said, "People always ask what scares me, I hope to show you a little bit of that tonight."

King read for approximately 40 minutes from the first chapter of his yet to be released book, "Desperation."

The evening ended with a brief question and answer session, where King answered a number of questions from audience members. King noted that of his works, his favorite book was the "Dead Zone," and cited, "The Shawshank Redemption," "Stand By Me," and "Misery," as his favorite books turned into movies.

When asked how much of his stories come from experience King jokingly answered, "You can tell that the stuff I write comes completely from experience," King said. "Beware of the sewers of Bangor."

King delighted the crowd by informing them that he intends to write a fourth installment of the "Dark Towers" series this winter.

After the last question was answered King faced the audience and smiled. "I wouldn't trade you people for anything," King said. "Thank you for coming."
• Beer

A porter for the prudent palate

By James Wright
Arts Editor, beer drinker

The porter is a lightly-hopped brew with tones of roasted malts that make for a taste explosion and a model of smoothness. The head brewer at the pub has outdone himself this time. All of the flavors are worth checking out, the Winter Porter, however, is a result of master craftsmanship. Since the beer is brewed on location, there are no worries as to the freshness.

This beer will definitely be a favorite of those with bitter-edged tongues, except it lacks that recolling bite of bitter ales that furl the eyebrows of the occasional drinker. Therefore it should be more than just generally pleasing to even the most finicky palates.

The porter has a hint of coffee flavor that settles well on the taste buds. Surprisingly light for a porter, it has the drinkability of a much lighter beer, allowing the holder of the pint glass to refill again and again without achieving that after-Thanksgiving feeling that heavy beers have the tendency to do. If you’re feeling thirsty, then quench your thirst with a Winter Porter.

Next week the companion will drink a bunch of Samuel Adams’ new brew, Gold-En Pilsener. If it has Sammy’s picture on it, it must be good, but we shall see. If you have any suggestions, comments or a sample of your latest batch of homebrew that you want to kick down, call 581-3061.

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• Entertainment

An enriching night as a bikini bar barno

By Monique Gibouleau
Staff Writer

I hate bikinis. I have hated them for a long time. But when I entered the bikini contest at Greedy’s on Wednesday night, I surprised myself. There was money involved and prizes and well, being the typical impoverished college student, I thought of all I could do with 500 dollars for merely being judged the biggest babe in the place.

There were ulterior motives too. For example, I’ve always, as an average-looking chick, wondered exactly what the deal is with irresistibly babealicious people. After shelling out tons of money for modeling classes in high school you’d figure that it would be nice to actually DO something remotely like showing yourself off to a thru of testosterone, but then the feminist inside me smacked me across the face for considering it.

I figured that even if I were not fiscally richer at night’s end I would be richer for having taken part in an activity that I think shreds the veneers of every average woman. Obviously I had some “issues” to deal with, and like the phobic thrown into a room of snakes, the trial by fire seems to sometimes get the nerves out.

After rationalizing the entire situation, I decided that a) I’d learn something from the experience b) I’d have a free tee shirt without even needing to sign up for a credit card c) I might actually stand a chance because really, what kind of idiot woman would put on a bikini in March anyway and d) I had mentioned it to one too many people and everything would fall through with a Winter Porter.

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John Cooper brings a fresh style to luncheon jazz

By James Wright
Style Editor

Thank God it was another Friday, time for another noontime jazz performance sponsored by the Union Board. Not only was it Friday, but it was Good Friday, and as John Cooper said before his trio’s performance, “Good Friday, better for others.”

Cooper was a bit under the weather, but his performance indicated no shortcomings at all. Those who came to the Bangor Lounge before, during or after lunch were treated to an especially mellow show, fitting for the gray skies looming outside.

“I took a lot of cold capsules this morning, so it will be real mellow,” said Cooper. Not only was Friday’s T.G.I.F. performance the mellowest and perhaps the coolest so far, it was undoubtedly the most unique. One glance at the band’s set-up was a major clue.

The prominent instrument in the room was the vibraphone, an electric xylophone. Jim Frick was the man behind the pipes, and his exhibition was a memorable one. The vibraphone was a novel replacement for the piano in the traditional jazz ensemble, proving to be more energetic visually and more soothing to the ear. The cool sounds from the tremolo effect of the vibes could lull one to sleep one moment and then awaken one from hibernation the next.

The tight structure of the relatively short numbers allowed Frick to remain in the chordal structure and to travel freely with adventurous solos in the same tunes. Cooper’s band showed great versatility as well. Cooper, whose main instrument is the saxophone, played the organ and the soprano sax as well. Frick also put down the vibraphone on the third number, a Joe Bean tune, giving it a Latin feel with a triplet rhythm. Cooper, who was on the organ, displayed some vocal “mirror- ing” of the notes he played, providing for the only vocals of the afternoon.

Millard Dority was the third member of the band, playing a dual role with his hollow-bodied Gibson guitar. Since the group lacks the ever-important bass player, Dority made up for the absence while playing strong bass lines as well as chords on the guitar.

The two major highlights of the show were “In a Sentimental Mood,” which made for a sleepy, dreamlike effect from the fluctuating tremolo. Cooper’s sax playing at times abandoned form, allowing him to take the music wherever he willed it. The sounds were uplifting and intense, while the mellow feel of the vibes reeled the audience back down to earth. The combination made for a sleepy, dreamlike effect.

The other, which may have been an original, was “Song for My Father,” which Cooper said was “dedicated to no one.” The fantastic playing of Frick brought an arousing and appreciative applause from the familiar faces of the T.G.I.F. crowd. Cooper and Frick, who are both from the College of the Atlantic, ended the show with a version of Miles Davis’ free-flowing “Dig,” which everyone dug.
Dylan gives Orono something to remember

By James Wright

The band’s name, as you might have guessed, derives from a Jimi Hendrix song called ‘‘1983, A Merman I Shall Turn To Be.’’

It seems a fitting tribute to the man whose music has inspired Thomas’ playing the most.

The screaming feedback you’ll hear on “Let’s” first track, “Pulpin’ Line,” is reflective of Hendrix tunes like ‘‘Third Stone From The Sun.’’

The Mermen, who have been playing together for seven years, are constantly changing what they do. “We’re very growth oriented, we’re always playing new music,” said Thomas.

The Mermen were also recently honored for outstanding artistic achievement in music at the San Francisco Bay Guardian’s 1995 Goldies Awards. “A Glorious Lethal Euphoria,” and have just recently released a six-song EP titled “Songs Of The Coes.”

The Mermen aren’t exactly strangers to the stage. Those people in the seats got more than they bargained for; instead of seeing Dylan up close and personal, they saw a bunch of sweaty backs, but hey, if the kids want to dance...

Next was the appearance of some familiar non-Dylan tunes. To the delight of everyone, Dylan broke out “Friend of the Devil” in acoustic magic. Jerry and Bob were good friends, and for him to sing a song like that is a fitting and heartfelt tribute. Dylan is never considered to be much of a soloing guitarist, but he played some impressive leads all night.

How many encore can one audience take? The appreciative crowd kept begging for it, and Dylan provided three encores to their delight.

The show started out slowly and got progressively more rocking. Mann, who once fronted ‘‘Til Tuesday back in the ‘80s, showed off his harp just wailing away. As soon as he grabbed a guitar, they played a couple of his newer tunes, with Bob and his harp just waiting awaiting. As soon as he grabbed a guitar, they played a couple of his newer tunes, with Bob and his harp just waiting awaiting. As soon as

Orono. The Mermen aren’t exactly strangers to our lovely home in the ice. They played during last year’s rain-soaked Bumstock festival. When asked if he was disappointed about the turnout at last year’s show, he realized that the poor weather had nothing to do with the overall crowd’s attitude. On the Bumstock ’95 CD, you can hear Thomas yell “I’ve never seen anything like this! We’re coming back!’’

They are men of their words. Saturday night should be a good introduction for those unfamiliar with The Mermen’s instrumental grooves. Said Thomas, “You play where people want you to play. People who like things that go down pretty smooth probably won’t like our band.”

Jim Thomas of the Mermen played to an enthusiastic crowd at the Oronoka. (Page File Photo.)
September

• Football

UMaine loses second game to Terriers

By Stephen Campbell
Sports Writer

The University of Maine football team turned the ball over five times in their own territory and dropped their second straight game against the Boston University Terriers 40-21.

Maine racked up more offense than the Terriers, 403 to 315, but they could not hold on to their lead and they dropped their 11th straight game at B.U., not beating them at Nickerson Field in 23 years.

"I think you don't win that turnover battle, their just going to kill you," said Ray Baur, captain and fullback for the Black Bears. "We really killed ourselves with the positioning we kept giving them (B.U.)."

B.U. got out ahead quickly driving 74 yards on their opening drive and scoring their first touchdown. They would score two more touchdowns in the first quarter, one from a blocked punt and the other from a field goal.

"I think if you take away that first quarter, it would have been a tight game," said Baur.

Quarterback John Tennett was outstanding. He set a school record with 53 pass attempts, completing 26 of them for 259 yards and three touchdowns. He has thrown an interception this year.

"I think John had a great day and is just a great quarterback," said Joe Robinson, captain and linebacker for the Black Bears. "He made a few mental mistakes but he'll learn with experience and it seems he's getting better with every game."

Turning the ball over on their first three possessions, Maine's offense marched down the field 82 yards in under two minutes, capped off by a Tennett 7-yard touchdown pass to Drew O'Connor, which put the score at 20-7.

In the second half, it was more of the same. Maine was starting to drive down field, and it seemed everything was going to be O.K., but then the roof caved in again.

"Coming out in the second half, we had gained some momentum and we thought we were very much still in the game," said Robinson. "We felt we could come back and win the game."

Maine's James Rice caught a ball from Tennett and then fumbled after being hit hard by a B.U. defender. The Terriers would convert another touchdown to put the score at 27-7.

Maine would score a touchdown at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Tennett connected with O'Connor again from 8 yards out and that made the score 27-14, but that would be as close as Maine would get.

B. U. scored on a Tennett fumble and then Maine scored their last touchdown when Tennett tossed a 16-yard touchdown to Rice to make the score 34-21. B. U. would put the ball in the endzone one more time in the closing minutes of the game to put them on top for good 40-21.

For Maine, tailback Bob Jameson rushed 13 times for 82 yards. Fullback Ray Baur rushed 9 times for 49 yards. Wide Receiver Drew O'Connor caught nine balls for 101 yards and two touchdowns James Rice pulled in seven balls for 71 yards and one touchdown.

For Boston University, quarterback Kevin Foley was 24 of 34 with 214 yards and three touchdowns. Ron Stephenson had six receptions for 98 yards and two touchdowns.

October

• Field Hockey

LadY Bears split weekend games

By Scott Morelli
Sports Writer

If the past two games are any indicator as to how the University of Maine field hockey team plans to finish up its season, those with high blood pressure should plan to stay home.

Maine was involved in two thrillers over the weekend, a come-from-behind victory over Yale and a heart-breaking loss to Boston College in overtime.

The Bears showed its true colors on Saturday against Yale. Annie Elkanich's second goal of the game with only 6:30 left in the second capped a late Black Bear rally to give the Bears their fifth straight win.

Down 2-1 in the second, a Maine win seemed bleak against the No. 20 team in the nation. But as many Black Bear fans have learned this season, never count the Bears out.

"Our team showed a lot of character against Yale," said head coach Terry Kix. "We were losing 2-1 at one point and that kind of took the wind out of our sails. But the team was able to regroup, turn the game around and be successful."

Kacey Strout, Elkanich's teammate at both South Portland High School and UMaine, tied the game at 2-2 with her team leading ninth goal of the season.

"I think because they've played with each other for so many years that they kind of have a sixth sense of where each other are on the field," noted Kix. "They've been able to connect together and make some positive contributions to our offensive unit."

Elkanich opened up the scoring with 25:16 left in the first to give Maine a 1-0 edge. But Yale stormed right back with two consecutive goals from Lindsay Hobbs and Keltic Ferris to take a 2-1 lead. That was when the Black Bear offense stepped up its play, and the Black Bear defense shut down Yale's play.

Maine held Yale scoreless for the last 26:21 of play and limited them to only seven shots in the game while racking up 13 for themselves.

"Our defense has been very consistent all year," Kix said. "We have had brilliant leadership from Margaret Henrick, and she has been a definite defensive force."

Black Bear goalkeeper Marti Kane earned the win. She turned aside five of seven Yale shots while Lesley Frierd made nine saves on 13 UMaine shots. Maine not only outshot Yale, but it also led 6-2 in penalty corners.

Sunday's match against BC proved that the team with the most penalty corners is usually the team that wins. The Eagles only held an 8-7 penalty corner edge but that was all they would need.

Andrea Durko's score off BC's eighth corner and cage the Eagles a 1-0 win in sudden death. It was also sudden death for the Black Bears in a win streak, which ended abruptly at five. Anne-Marie Ambros, and Nicole Stanuta assisted on the winning score which also dealt Maine their first OT loss this season. Maine falls to 11-6 overall, still 6-1 in the NAC, while 15th ranked BC improved to 11-5.

In net, Maine received yet another stellar performance from Cindy Boett. Boett made 10 saves on 18 shots. At the other end, Sarah Egnatyszcz made four saves on seven UMaine shots to record the win.

Two weeks ago, Kix decided to platoon both Boett and Kane in goal, with Boett getting the nod on astroturf and Kane starting on grass surfaces. Maine plays the remainder of its season on astroturf.

The Bears final regular season matches come against nationally-ranked Northeastern and Harvard this weekend. Maine would have a shot at a national-ranking with wins against these squads. The Black Bears can finish as high as second in the NAC.

• Soccer

Road wins good for Black Bears

By Scott Martin
Sports Editor

Scott Atherley has been able to sleep a little bit easier these days. After a 1-3 start his University of Maine men's soccer team raised their level of play and came home with two wins and are primed for their North Atlantic Conference schedule to start.

"I feel better about the way we played this weekend," said Atherley. "We sort of over some problems we had and are a better soccer team for that."

Being able to put the ball in the net is a key for any soccer team, and Atherley feels that his teams ability to finish opportunities was the main reason for their success.

"We were able to finish this weekend," said Atherley. "It all comes down to being able to keep the ball out of your net and putting the ball into theirs. This weekend we got into a rhythm."

Winning on the road should be a confidence boost for the Black Bears who have only played one home game this season.

"We've played five of six games on the road, and when you can win 1,000 miles away from home that helps," said Atherley. "To go 3-2 on the road is good."

Scoring six goals in two games and beating two tough teams should help Maine's confidence as well, said Atherley.

"To score six goals in two games and to beat two very good opponents from the Midwest should give us great confidence going into our NAC schedule," said Atherley.

A strong start and lots of heart allowed the Black Bears to win Saturday's championship game against the University of Cincinnati, and Atherley feels this should carry over into the rest of the year.

"We grabbed an early two goal lead against Cleveland and were very persistent," said Atherley. "We played hard, and the guys deserve a lot of credit."
Kariya shows promise in Governor's Cup victory

By Larry Rogers Jr.
Sports Writer

Steve Kariya is only in his first season with the University of Maine hockey team but the freshman right winger already has a habit of making big plays in championship games.

On Oct. 15, it was his assist that set up Shawn Wansborough's game-winning goal over Michigan State to win the Great Western Freeze-Out championship. Saturday night Kariya was at it again, scoring the game-winning goal in overtime to give Maine a 2-1 win over Vermont in the first annual Governor's Cup championship game at Alfond Arena.

With 2:07 expired in the first five-minute overtime and the score knotted at 1-1, Kariya finished off a 3-on-2 break with Jason Mansoff and Reg Cardinal.

"Mansoff gave it to me on the wing, and I tried to give it back to him and (his shot) just missed," said Kariya. He then said he cut to the middle of the ice where "there was a scramble in front of the net and the puck popped out, and I was there."

Kariya recovered the loose puck in the high slot with his backhand, span around to the fo righthand and flipped a rising shot over fallen Vermont goalie Tim Thomas, and the game was over.

"He's a big-time player," UMaine coach Shawn Walsh said of Kariya.

Wansborough scored Maine's first goal, and Blue Airs stopped 27 of 28 shots while earning the tournament's Most Valuable Player award.

The Black Bears improved to 9-3-2 with the win. Vermont, which suffered its first loss in seven games and first on the road (5-1, is now 7-2-1.

The Governor's Cup, billed as the "Beanpot of the North," featured Maine, UVM, New Hampshire and UMass-Lowell. The tournament will feature the same four teams for the next four years with the site rotating each year. Next year's tournament will be played in Vermont.

Maine reached the final by virtue of a 6-3 win over New Hampshire Friday night - thanks in part to Wansborough's two-goal effort. Vermont nearly made it 2-1 at the 5:25 mark when Perri fired a 15-footer from the right circle off the near post.

Wansborough and Kariya joined UMass-Lowell's Jeff Dow as the forwards on the all-tournament team. Freshman Brett Clark of Maine and UVM's Steve McKell were the defenders and Thomas was the goalie.

"For us to have two freshman on the all-tournament team says a lot about our freshman class," Walsh noted.

UMass-Lowell beat New Hampshire 9-6 in the consolation game.

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December

• Women's hoops

Lady Black Bears face Wildcats in NAC

By Stephen Campbell
Sports Writer

It'll be a battle between No. 1 and No. 2 in the North Atlantic Conference when the University of Maine women's basketball team plays the University of New Hampshire on the road Sunday afternoon.

The Black Bears and Wildcats did battle last weekend at Alfond Arena. The game was close until midway through the second half when the nation's leading scorer, Cindy Blodgett, decided to make her presence felt. Blodgett finished the game with 36 points, and the Black Bears finished with their sixth straight win, beating UNH 80-64.

One week later, Black Bear head coach Joanne Palombo feels her team still need to improve. "We need to continue to work," said Palombo. "We're not going to do anything particularly different against New Hampshire, we're just going to continue to work on basic fundamentals."

Maine is currently in first place in the NAC with an overall record of 14-4 and are undefeated in the NAC in eight games. The Wildcats are trailing Maine with an overall record of 9-7 and are 6-3 in the NAC.

Maine will again have to contend with 5-foot-10 junior forward Sheila Danker. The University of Maine women's basketball team has cruised through the North Atlantic Conference behind the efforts of the nation's leading scorer Cindy Blodgett. (Lachowski File Photo.)

• Hockey

Maine ties No. 1 Terriers

By Larry Rogers
Sports Writer

BOSTON - Even though the UMaine hockey team won't be able to compete in the NCAA tournament this year, the Black Bears made it clear over the weekend that they are still one of the best teams in the country.

After Friday night's hard-fought 3-3 loss, Maine charged back Saturday night to earn a 3-3 tie with No. 1 ranked Boston University. While the game was a back-and-forth affair, one final score would have put the Terriers in front, but not in regulation, giving Maine a chance to tie the game in the third period when BU defenseman Shane Drury sent in Bob Lachance at the blue line.

Maine is currently in first place in the NAC with a shootout win while playing before the Casey Arena and the other a jump shot off the goal line, hitting only 18-32 shots.

Maine suffers a scare 11:15 into the third period when BU defender Shane Johnston charged Allison while coming down the middle and slashed the goalie in the head. Allison lay down on the ice motionless for about two minutes while the emergency crew stood on the bench, the goalie was able to return to the game. "When he comes out of the game I don't look for the shot as much, when he's not in the game, just when he's in the game," said Gordon.

"We felt we should be able to win better out of our zone," said Keeling. "We had three two-on-one breaks and only got two points because Allen (Leducett) missed foul shots. I like the execution, anytime you can get your big man three dunk chances it's good, but I didn't like the results."

Maine continues to struggle from the foul line, hitting only 16-32 shots. "It's something we just need to work on," said Keeling. "It's a confidence thing and as soon as the guys start to make some they'll start to fall."

"Maybe they should foul John all the time, he makes their foul shots," he added. Arena, Ramone Jones and Moore each added 10 points, for the Black Bears. Arena also had 11 assists and six rebounds. Justin Bailey was the Hawks leading scorer 22 points.

The Terriers closed the gap nearly three minutes later. Jay Pandolfo blasted a rising slapshot from the near side of the ice, beating Henderson and giving Maine a 1-0 lead. The Terriers outscored the Black Bears 2-1 in the second period.

Maine's shooters took advantage of weakness shown by BU freshman goalie Michel Larocque, whose blocker (right) side appeared vulnerable. All four of Maine's shoot out goals were placed in nearly the same exact spot - just above Larocque's blocker. "We saw during the game that Larocque was going down into the butterfly a lot and putting his blocker flat on the ice," said sophomore forward Shawn Wansborough, who scored Maine's fourth shootout goal, which iced the win. "We knew he would have a tough time covering that spot."

Tim Lovell, Dan Shermerhorn and Reg Cardenal scored the other three goals in the shootout. Along with Wansborough, all four are left handed shooters. "We're not lefties left, the four of us are left handed goalies blocker," said Maine head coach Rudy Palombo.

Maine graded a 1-0 lead just 57 seconds into the game. Dan Shermerhorn flipped in a rebound over Larocque after the goalie failed to cover up a wrapped around attempt by Steve Kryzus.

BU tied it up at 6:26 of the first period when Shawn Bates knocked in his rebound. The Bears reclaimed the lead 11:15 into the opening period. With Brad Purple screening out front, Jason Manoff placed a low shot from the left point into the net.

Maine goalie Blair Allison put yet another goal past Larocque in the first period, stopping 17 shots, including 13 Grade-A (high percentage) chances. He finished with 39 saves in the game, and stopped 86 of 93 shots (93 percent) in the two games.

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Men’s Hoops

Jones a key defender

By Scott Martin
Sports Editor

He steps on to the court almost unnoticed. He doesn’t score 20 points a game, he doesn’t even score 10. He’s not a menacing seven-footer who owns the lane. He’s not a flashy guard who makes all the back passes. He plays defense. It may not be pretty, but he does it anyway.

For the University of Maine men’s basketball team, Ramone Jones has been the one to go unnoticed. As the Black Bears have defied all odds this year to play like one of the best teams in the North Atlantic Conference (currently second in NAC), senior point guard Casey Arena, freshman guard John Gordon and senior center Greg Logan have gotten all the head lines, while Jones, a junior forward, has sat back and quietly done his job. His job is to play defense.

Jones has played defense all year, averaging 1.6 steals per game for the best defensive team in the conference. His average on defense is that he can guard anyone. At 5’10”, he is considered one of the quickest college guards in the nation. Vermont’s Eddie Benton, who averages 25.3 points a game, just two days earlier, matched up against the nation’s leading scorer, Hampton’s Jafonte Williams, who averages 27.9 points a game. Delaware’s Peca Arsic, who Jones did battle with on Feb. 5, is no slouch either, averaging 17.2 points a game. Jones is an exception to that rule. He has been playing defense since his days at Oak Park-River Forest High School, in Oak Park, Ill. As a senior, Jones averaged just 8.7 points, but he played defense as a freshman, and that has carried over to the NAC.

“Love to play defense, I’ve been taught it for a long time, so it’s no big thing,” said Jones.

What makes Jones such an imposing figure on defense is that he can guard anyone. At 6’5”, 190 lbs, he is tall and lanky, but fast. He can guard a small and power forward, like Arsic who is 6’9”, but he is also quick enough to guard point guards, like Benton who is only 5’10” and is considered one of the quickest guards in the conference.

“He’s the best defensive player in the conference,” said Keeling. “He’s dedicated to it,” said Logan. “He has sat back and quietly done his job. His job is to play defense.”

It is his job, and he is good at it. Jones is Maine’s fifth leading scorer averaging 10. He’s not a flashy guard who throws behind the back passes. He just plays defense. It may not be pretty, but he does it anyway.

By Stephen Campbell
Sports Writer

The University of Maine women’s basketball team has quite a bit riding on Thursday night’s game with the University of Hartford. It is a 12-game winning streak, an undefeated league record, and the North Atlantic Conference regular season championship.

With a win against Hartford or a Vermont loss, the Black Bears will have home court advantage throughout the NAC tournament.

“A win will be nice, and it’s one step closer toward our goals,” said Black Bear head coach Joanne Pola. “But we have some important games down the road to think about as well.”

Hartford is coming off a 80-48 win against Towson State on Wednesday. Hartford has won two games in a row, including a 66-48 win against Northeastern last Saturday.

Hartford is led by junior Heather Weidner and senior Candace Ward, who are the fifth and seventh best scorers in the NAC respectively. Ward, a 6’7” guard is averaging 17.4 points per game. Ward is a 5’8” guard, scoring 14.2 points per outing. Ward is also leading the NAC in steals with 3.4 per game.

Both players can make a huge impact on a game and coach Pola says they are going to have to keep an eye on them.

“Any team is going to attempt to keep the game tight,” said Jones. “We need to shoot well, get good looks at the basket and be intelligent when it comes to the press.”

Hartford scores an average of 64.7 points per game and has the second best scoring defense, only allowing 62.4 points per game. The Hawks are also the best free throw shooting team in the league, making just over 72 percent from the charity strip.

Pola says if they defeat Hartford Thursday night, she is not going to do anything different with her team for the last three games of the regular season.

“We need to continue to improve and work on defense and tune up our game from there,” said Pola. “We want to be the best every night out.”

Despite the overall finish, several individuals placed well in the event, freshman Suzie Herrick high-lighted the Black Bear effort as she set a new school record in the 200 fly with a time of 2:09.70. The old record of 2:10.66 was set by Barbara Jo in 1998.

The men’s track team competed against Rhode Island last weekend where many individuals placed well, despite a Rams victory. Among the most notable performers was Derek Treadwell, who won the mile and the 1000 meter. Maine also swept the 5000 meter with Sheldon Young finishing first followed by Steve Hedlund and Mike Rice.

The men’s team compiled 136 points to B.C.’s 162, in a loss to the Eagles.

As the indoor track season begins to wind down and with the outdoor season just on the horizon, the Black Bears look forward to repeat as conference champions, said captain Jeff Amos.

“We’re looking to repeat as conference champions this year,” said Amos. “We’ll be going for the title.”

In just two weeks the NAC Championships will be held at Boston University where the Bears look for another solid performance.

“In the past we have fared well. We have a very strong team compared to last year. I think we will be in contention for the title,” said Allison Dall on the NAC events.

Senior Kirk Carter agreed, “I think we should fair really well. I’m hoping for a top three finish.”

Women’s Hoops

Lady Bears on a tear

By By Bill Stewart
Sports Writer

The University of Maine women’s indoor track team will be in action this weekend as it competes in its first home meet of the season against Central Connecticut. With only two weeks remaining until the North Atlantic Conference Championships, the Black Bears look to bounce back from a slow start and try to gain momentum heading into the spring.

The women’s team is coming off of a fourth-place finish last Friday in Rhode Island, in which UMass edged out St. John’s on the horizon, the Black Bears look for-
March

Victory

Lady Black Bears take home NAC title

By Steve Campbell
Sports Writer

The University of Maine women's basketball team went into the North Atlantic Conference Tournament as an unseeded conference record of 18-6, 2-4 overall record, a 16-game winning streak, and a 10-game home winning streak. NAC coaches had to be wondering, could the Black Bears lose at Alfond Arena?

Maine gave them an answer, a resounding no. The Black Bears easily won the NAC tournament championship, beating Drexel, Hartford and Vermont, and earned a second-straight NCA tournament bid.

Maine's journey toward the NCAA started March 3 when it met Drexel University in the first round. The Black Bears easily won the NAC championship, beating Drexel 78-62, with a 16-game winning streak, and a 10-game home tournament championship, beating Drexel, winning streak. NAC coaches had to be wondering, could the Black Bears lose at Alfond Arena?

The Black Bears easily won the NAC title by a 16-20 margin, with 16:30 remaining. The Black Bears exploded, putting together back-to-back 9-2 runs to break out to a 28-15 lead with 3:10 left. Early in the second half, Maine came out smoking. Sophomore sensation Cindy Blodgett hit a jumper to push the Black Bears lead to 41-23. That basket gave Blodgett the school record for points in a season with 785.

Maine then went on a 12-4 run to push the lead to 63-33 with 13 minutes remaining. Then Blodgett hit back-to-back three-pointers, gloating a 13-3 run. Blodgett finished with a career-high 44 points (a NAC tournament record) in the Black Bears cruised to an 89-51 win. Blodgett hit 71 percent of her shots and didn't miss in the second half.

"We came in and did the things we needed to do," said Blodgett. "It's a win; it's always good if you win by a lot, but it's a win in a win."

Two days later Maine hit the Alford hardwood again, this time to face the University of Hartford. The Black Bears jumped out early, going on a 12-6 run highlighted by a Trish Ripton three with 14:15 left. Then Hartford matched back, going on an 8-6 run of their own to cut the 16-14 with 13:00 remaining. Hartford then went cold, going scoreless for eight minutes as Maine scored 14-straight points including two free's by forward Steph Guidi, giving the Black Bears a 40-24 lead with 3:30 left in the half.

"Our defense was good in the first half," said Guidi. "We were talking to each other and we were intense."

Hartford turned things around in the second half, and outscored Maine 20-10. The Black Bears were unable to withstand every Hawks run though and won going away, 80-69.

Guidi scored a career-high 21 points and grabbed seven rebounds. This was by far her best game in an injured plagued season. "I was tired of not producing for my team and I think I haven't been playing well," said Guidi, a senior senior-captain. "This is a big win for us and we're glad to be in the championship game and trying to catch that dream."

There was electricity in the air as Maine was trying to capture its second-straight NCAA bid. 5,472 Black Bears backers weren't disappointed as Maine came out hot, as they usually do. Guidi highlighted a first-half explosion, hitting three to give the Black Bears a 21-8 lead. Vermont scored just seven points over the final eight minutes as Maine ran away to a 47-20 halftime lead.

"Extremely proud of our defensive effort," said Maine head coach Joanne Palombo. "I thought we played 40 minutes of defense today. A lot of good things were done on offense as well, but it started with defense."

Blodgett finished with a game-high 33 points, and was named tournament MVP. She scored a tournament record 102 points over the three games tournament.

"Cindy is a tremendous leader and she really shows a lot of poise and is very excited about this time of year," said Palombo. "She won four straight titles with her team at Lawrence (high school) and she tends to like March."

Guidi matched her performance against Hartford, scoring 22 points in the championship game. Stacey Porrini scored 12 points and ripped down 10 rebounds.

"We've been preparing for this all season and now we need to take that next step," said Guidi. "It shows how much for the future of this program to be able to go back-to-back NAC Championships and go to the NCAA tournament and be successful."

"It's satisfaction," added Palombo. "You're always pursuing championships, I don't believe in defending them. I only believe in pursuing them. So it's satisfaction interim of winning a championship."

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Over the last four years, Joanne Palombo has taken the Black Bears from a 9-20 record to three-time NAC regular champions. (Geyehahn File Photo.)

Baseball

Bears face major competitors

By Scott Martin
Sports Editor

After facing some of the best teams in the nation on its southern swing, the University of Maine baseball team faced one of the best teams in New England, with the same end result — a loss. Despite a strong six-inning pitching performance from freshman Pete Fisher, the Black Bears lost to Providence College, 2-1, Wednesday night. Fisher allowed just seven hits and three earned runs but was out pitched by the Friars duo of Andy Byron and Todd Murray. Byron pitched five innings allowing just one hit and one run. Murray finished the game and allowed five hits and one run in four innings of work.

"We were facing the top team in New England, and it was a game we thought we could win," said Maine head coach John Winkin. "They made two great plays in the eighth and ninth inning that saved their necks."

Winkin and the Black Bears will look to bounce back this weekend when they open their North Atlantic Conference schedule with a pair of double headers with Towson State (Saturday) and Delaware (Sunday).

A pair of freshmen will get the ball Sunday when Maine faces the team picked to win the NAC, Delaware. Fisher and Andy Estabrooke are expected to start for the Black Bears against the Blue Hens. Estabrooke is coming off a three-inning one-hit outing against Drexel last weekend. It was Estabrooke's first outing in two weeks after struggling with a sore arm, which was caused by his desire to get back into action after a year off. He red-shirted last year after being hit in the face with a line drive.

"I think that in his anxiousness to get back he might have overdone it," said Winkin. "He had been off a year and had a little arm trouble from over doing it."

"He looked awfully good," added Winkin. "We hope that now he is ready to work his way to a full-time starter. We're going to build him up to seven innings (a start)."

Senior Dave Ferran and sophomore Josh Harriman will get the starts in Maine's double header with Towson State, Saturday.

The Black Bears may have gotten too used to playing in sunny Florida. When Maine returned to the north, it faced 30 degree temperatures and with the wind-chill, it was colder on some days.

"We had to overcome some really bitter weather," said Winkin. "Last Saturday was almost unbelievable."
April

• Softball

UMaine fighting for playoff position

By Bill Stewart

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of Maine softball team. sweeps over Towson State and Delaware. the NAC Playoffs. Maine is now 7-1 in their last 8 games, which all played in Orono. On Friday, Maine entertained Towson St., who's new to the NAC Conference. Both teams came into the pair of games with 3-7 records in the NAC, but that all changed as the Black Bears rolled 7-2 and 9-3 over the Tigers. In game one, it was shortstop Michele Puls who started the offense by going 3-4, including three RBIs. Junior hurler Mary Persson recorded her seventh victory of the season as she pitched a complete game while only surrendering two runs. Maine held a 2-1 lead after four innings of play, then it exploded for two in the fifth and third to give it up 9-3 and the game away. In game two, it was the costly defense of Towson St. that Maine capitalized on. The Tigers committed three errors in the game, which led to four-unearned runs. Once again Michele Puls led the way with three more RBIs to give her a total of six for the afternoon. Freshman pitcher Jess Burton got the victory after she pitched a complete game while striking out four and giving up only three runs. On a cold and cloudy Sunday afternoon, Maine faced off against Delaware. The doubleheader against the Fighting Blue Hens featured two teams going in opposite directions. Delaware came into the set of games with a 5-7 league record. However, they had lost 5 conference games in a row. Maine on the other hand had ruffled off five league wins in their last six games. With playoff positioning on the line, the Bears went with Puls in game one person. Person has been Maine's hottest pitcher of late, but she ran into trouble in the first inning. With three hits and the aid of two errors, the Hens opened up the game with a 3-0 lead after the first inning. The score would stand that way until the third inning when the Bears scored twice to pull within one. With runners on second and third, out, second baseman Melissa Creegan delivered a clutch single to knock in both runners. That was the last time Delaware would hold a lead in the game as, through Persson settled down and shutout the Blue Hens the rest of the way. Maine scored four times in the fourth inning to put the game out of reach. All four runs were scored with two outs as the Bears cruised to an 8-3 win. Kelly Harrington got the scoring underway with a two-out single knocking in captain Michele Lefevre who had reached on a single. Still with two outs, Wells, Creagan and Puls all added RBI singles to give Maine the lead they would not relinquish. Person got credit for her fifth-straight victory to improve to 8-10 on the year. Leading the offensive attack was third base man Wells who went 3-4 with an RBI, and Creagan who went 3-3 with three RBIs. In the second game, Maine looked to record their third sweep in a doubleheader this season as they sent freshman Vicki Brenner to the hill. For the second-straight game, Delaware jumped out to an early lead as Blue Hen slugger Kristin Kayatta tripled home Laren Baugher to give them a 1-0 lead after the first inning of play. The lead didn't last long, though, as Maine scored once in the second on a two-out single by Harrington, and then added another run in the third on a squeeze bunt by Lefevre to score Wells. Brenner pitched a very good game as she went the distance while giving up just one run on five hits for the win. Brenner evened up her record at 5-5 with the win. Wells continued to swing the hot bat as she went 2-2 on the afternoon including her fourth double of the season as the Bears defeated Delaware 3-1 to end the regular season. With the four wins this weekend, Maine remains one of the hottest teams in the conference and they will look to carry it over into the NAC playoffs in Burlington, Ver- more next weekend.

• Track

Track team making the rounds this weekend

From Staff Reports

The University of Maine track team will be split up this weekend, with some athletes heading to the Penn Relays while others are off to a non-scoring invitational meet at Dartmouth College, after a successful weekend end at the Mt. SAC Relays in Walnut, Calif. Maines's men's track team will be repre- sented at the Penn Relays by Andy Oliver, who will compete in the javelin at Satur- day's relay. Oliver is coming off an eighth place finish in the javelin at the Mt. SAC Relays with a toss of 214-feet, four inches. That toss was Oliver's longest of the sea- son. The women's team will be represented by Marcia Wells, Maine's record holder in the triple jump. Wells broke the record Sat-urday, March 30 at UMass-Amherst when she leaped 37-feet, 8.5 inches, breaking her mark of 37'-7.25" last season. Dereck Treadwell has qualified provi- sionally for the NCAA Championship. Treadwell won the 1.500 meters at the Mt. SAC meet with a record time of 3 minutes 44.30 seconds, breaking a school record. He owned the previous record with a time of 3:46.2. Treadwell surpassed the NCAA pro- visional qualifying time of 3:46 and was just shy of the 3:41.40 NCAA qualifying time. His provisional status means if a large num- ber of people qualify for this event he may not be able to compete, which is expected to happen. Treadwell's effort is the 10th-best time in the nation, but no one has qualified for NCAA meet. Johanna Riley also competed at the Mt. SAC Relays, finishing 11th with a high jump of 5'7.15 inches. Patty McCormick finished 22nd out of 47 runners in 5000 meters with her time of 17:26.57, which qualifies her for the ECAC Championship May 17-19 in Fairfax, Va. Maine will also be represented at the New England Championships, the IC4A meet at the end of the season. Allison Dall and Beth Peters both qualified for the New England Championships at UMass-Amherst. Dall finished fourth in the 200 meters at that event, and Peter finished fourth in the 100 meters. Oliver, Jeff Amos and Pat Jude have qualified for the EC4A, all of them at the UMass meet also.

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• Parting thoughts

The Administration of the University of Maine has made several decisions this year with little regard for their employees or the students here at the university. Some of their ill-conceived plans have stirred outrage from the students affected by their votes and policies, forcing the "fathers" of this school to reconsider these decisions. Yet one wonders if students' welfare is even considered, or if the administration will merely change the rules to fit their pocket-stuffing needs.

For years UMaine has been ignored by the state; throughout this time, sinking further and further into a fiscal crisis. President Frederick E. and Judith Bailey, vice president for Academic Affairs, created two documents that they called Actions to Facilitate Fiscal Integrity and Refocused Missions and A Framework for Change. Their purpose was to keep the university from sinking, but the manner in which the documents were presented left many students and faculty wondering whether their plebeian input was important.

To their credit, Hutchinson and Bailey have used suggestions from the campus community to change unpopular decisions in the documents, but much remains to be done. For example, the Helpline should be kept, and Public Safety should be allowed to keep the two officers who will lose jobs in the name of fiscal responsibility.

The real blame for this disaster lies with the state. The legislature has enjoyed a growing state budget but has seen fit to cut higher education, oil and gas, and a 7.75% APR

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