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Chadbourne Hall

Conflicts arise between students, employees

by Debbie Dutton
Staff Writer

A problem exists between the students living in Chadbourne Hall and the offices that are also located there.

Several of the offices on the second and fourth floors have either registered complaints about the noise level with Residential Life or have themselves asked the students living on the third floor to turn their stereos down.

The students living there are freshmen and transfer students and come under the jurisdiction of the resident director of Stodder. The resident advisers in Stodder and Chadbourne halls share responsibility for both dorms when they are on duty.

Andy Mathews, director of

South Campus, said he didn't really consider this a problem but added that student needs are more noisy than the offices' needs.

He also said that the RAs of Chadbourne and Stodder halls would like to deal with any problems personally rather than have the complaints work their way down the Residential Life chain of command.

The School of Nursing, which holds classes and has a resource center on the fourth floor, found the students very responsive to their needs.

"Someone went downstairs and asked them to turn their stereos down," said Irene Marshall, manager of the School of Nursing learning resource center. "They said they were sorry and turned it

right down."

Chadbourne resident Jason Fenderson said that it was an unfortunate situation, but not intolerable.

"We shouldn't have to live where people are trying to work," Fenderson said. "We should have the right to play our music just as loud as people who live in Stodder. We all pay the same amount of money to live on campus."

John White, resident adviser in Chadbourne, said the last complaints were registered just before October Break and there haven't been any complaints lately.

"It's a too-bad situation; these kids don't have the same environment as other dorms," White said, adding, (see DORM page 8)

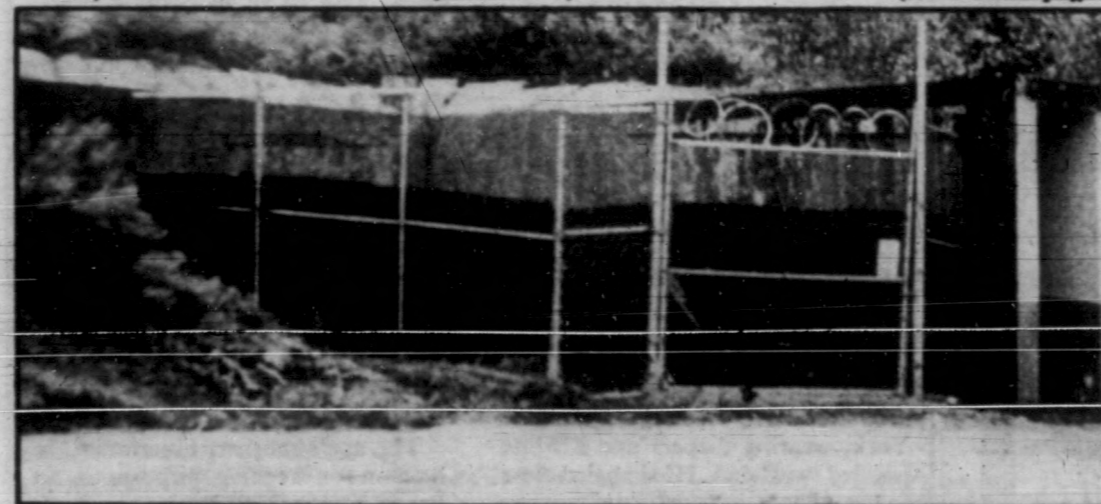


Photo by Kris Ferrazza

The bunker, a minimum-security jail for women, is located just off the UMaine bike path. The lease on the jail, which is operated by Penobscot County, recently was renewed until July

University renews lease on minimum-security jail

by Rhonda Morin
Staff Writer

A minimum-security jail located on University of Maine property may soon be filled with female prisoners after being vacant for more than two weeks.

Although the UMaine board of trustees recently signed a lease extension for the jail, Penobscot County Sheriff Ed Reynolds removed the female prisoners from the jail to give his security personnel a rest.

"I'm giving our staff a breather (because) we worked them hard all summer long," said Reynolds.

The jail is nestled in a 20-foot bank just off the UMaine bike path, paralleling Stillwater Avenue, and has had its lease renewed by the BOT until July, Reynolds said.

Thomas J. Davis, chair of Penobscot County

Commissioners, said the bunker is temporarily vacated because of a decline in the number of prisoners at Penobscot County Jail.

Davis accredits this to the New Bail Law, which exempts prisoners from posting bail if the cost far exceeds what people can pay because of their financial status.

Reynolds, however, disagrees:

"(The Bail Law) hasn't had any marked effect upon us," he said.

Reynolds did cite a recent decrease in PCJ prisoner count, but it is difficult to singly determine why.

"It's hard to put your finger on it," he said. "It might be just the way the cases are coming before the court."

The jailhouse is an underground civil defense bunker owned by Penobscot County, but the

New loan caters to middle class

by Steven Pappas
Staff Writer

The state of Maine adopted a new national student loan this summer which, in theory, does not assist students without money, but students who have money.

Some students who have applied for the loan are "discouraged and disappointed."

The Maine Educational Loan Authority, or MELA, is a state entity created by a bill in the Maine State Legislature in April, and introduced to the University of Maine System and other Maine colleges this summer.

MELA is a Supplemental Education Loan Program, a nationally recognized loan program in which students can receive up to \$20,000 a year toward college expenses.

"This is new to the state of Maine, starting last

August," said Burt Batty, director of Student Aid at UMaine.

"(The loan) works the same as a GSL (Guaranteed Student Loan) to help finance a college education," he said.

MELA is designed to help students and their families better achieve their financial goals in the area of higher education, but the loan is not necessarily directed toward low-income families.

"The loan is a middle-class to upper-class loan program," Batty said. "It's a family loan, not really a student loan."

MELA is guaranteed by The Education Resource Institute (TERI).

Because MELA loans are privately guaranteed, there is no income limit or "needs test" to qualify. Approval for the loan is based on the creditworthiness of the ap-

(see MELA page 5)

Blue Cross to offer some AIDS benefits

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — A decision by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Maine to pay for aerosol drug treatments thought to prevent a type of pneumonia that most often kills AIDS patients was lauded Wednesday by care-givers as "a very significant step" in the treatment of the deadly disease.

No private insurer in Maine offers reimbursement for the use of pentamidine isothionate as preventative therapy for AIDS patients, but at least one is now considering such a policy.

The Food and Drug Administration has yet to approve the drug, which is marketed under the name Pentam, for this particular use. It has been approved and used for some time as intravenous therapy for pneumonia.

"Personally, I think Blue Cross-Blue Shield should be applauded for their foresight in approving payment for aerosol pentamidine," said Robert Mitchell, director of the AIDS Project in Portland. "There hasn't been any political pressure that I know of, and I

think it is socially responsible of them to do so on their own."

The non-profit insurer decided two weeks ago to offer reimbursement of the drug on a case-by-case basis, not only for patients diagnosed as suffering from acquired immune deficiency syndrome, but also for those considered to be at high risk of contracting pneumocystis carinii pneumonia. PCP, as it is known, is what most often takes the lives of AIDS victims.

Administering the aerosol pentamidine treatment twice a month, which is necessary for some patients, could cost \$6,700 a year. But hospital treatment for pneumonia could run as high as \$10,000, which was a factor in Blue Cross' decision to pay for the experimental drug, said Katharine Alexander, a spokesperson for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Maine. It was not the only factor, however.

"The decision would never solely be made on cost," she said. "The medical considerations are primary."

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Homosexuality normal

DURHAM, N.H. (AP) — A Dover family-planning clinic will continue publishing a sex education curriculum that declares homosexuality normal, but it will not be printed at government expense.

The agreement, announced Wednesday, ends a six month dispute between the clinic, Strafford County Prenatal and Family Planning Pro-

gram, and the state.

The clinic in recent months faced pressure to drop from its sex education curriculum a statement that homosexuality is a normal life style. The dispute caused county officials to freeze the clinic's funding and inspired an unsuccessful Congressional bid to block federal funds for projects representing homosexuality as normal.

FREE! Two-ton canaries

CHICAGO (AP) — Seven sculptures in a city park are anyone's for the asking, if they can lug them away.

The weighty pieces of art that turned a downtown lot into Sculpture Park have to be moved to make way for development, say owners of the land.

"We've got these two-ton canaries to dispose of," said Suzanne Clarke McDonough, a leader of

Sculpture Chicago, a non-profit group.

"It's no joke."

The sculptures are made of steel plates and chains and other heavy materials. Artists have taken all the sculptures but seven. One will go on a long-term loan and six with no strings attached.

"We have to have the site cleared by mid-September, or I'm afraid...they could be demolished," Ms. McDonough said.

Real estate broker wins \$55M

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (AP) — A real estate broker who said six numbers had been "driving me crazy" presented a winning Lotto ticket today to claim her record \$55 million prize.

Sheelah Ryan of Winter Springs she didn't know what she'd do with her winnings and was unsure whether she would quit her job. She can pick up her first check for \$2,767,361 next week.

"I've always been middle class and

the middle class always needs money," she said at a news conference with her two attorneys and Lottery officials.

Ms. Ryan, 63, a native New Yorker, said she was single and had no children.

She said she picked the first six numbers that that she read on the front page of the The Orlando Sentinel: 3, 27, 19, 35, 20 and 5. She bought the winning ticket in the central Florida town of Longwood.

Baby ape has hairless mother

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A 5-day old gorilla may soon believe his mother is Edna Moore, who has made a place for baby ape in her home.

The infant lowland African gorilla arrived Tuesday on a flight from New York, wearing diapers and a white hooded sweatshirt. He snuggled close to Ms. Moore, who will raise him until he is old enough to join his brother, Jamie, at the Rio Grande Zoo.

Mrs. Moore, wife of zoo Director John Moore, has raised other

gorillas. She said her home has been ready for the baby since it was born Friday.

"I just pulled out the bassinet and started sterilizing bottles," she said.

The ape's mother, Huerfanita, is on loan for breeding purposes to the Bronx Zoo in New York.

"If the mother could raise the baby I would let it," Moore said. "But sometimes you lose the baby, so you must take every precaution to keep them because they're so rare."

Nobel Prize in medicine awarded

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Two researchers from the United States and one from Britain won the Nobel Prize in medicine Monday for helping develop drugs to fight AIDS, herpes, leukemia, malaria, heart disease and stomach ulcers.

The award capped more than four decades of pioneering work for Gertrude B. Elion and George H. Hitchings, who began collaborating in 1945 at Wellcome Research Laboratories in Research Triangle Park, N.C.

They share the \$390,000 prize with Sir James W. Black of King's College Hospital Medical School in London.

His research led to a beta blocker drug for heart disease and a drug for peptic ulcers.

"I wished I had my beta blockers handy," Black, 64, quipped at a news conference at King's College after he learned he won.

Dr. Gosta Garton, a member of the Nobel Assembly at Karolinska Institute, which awards the prize, said the three winners were "well-chosen."

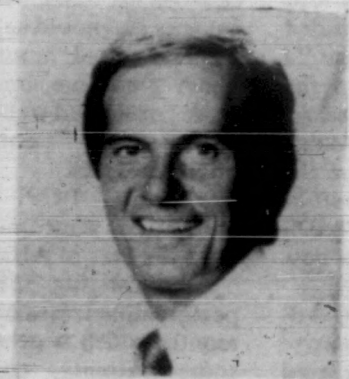
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Senate condemns press conference

by Jonathan Bach
Staff Writer

A resolution "condemning as unjustified" the press conference that exposed a Sept. 25 sorority hazing incident was introduced Tuesday night at the General Student Senate.

The resolution was introduced by fraternity senator Gary Bresnehan, who believes the incident should have been handled within the university.

"Every greek was hurt by the press conference," Bresnehan said. "The public makes assumptions on greecs as a whole. The girls in Alpha Chi Omega have had to deal with serious personal damage because of the press."

Bresnehan decided a resolution should be sponsored to have the GSS declare "in principle" that the press conference was wrong and unnecessary.

The resolution states that the conference "deliberately sensationalized a terrible incident, created unneeded publicity that could have been avoided" and "did unneeded damage to the rest of the greek system."

Student government president Tamara Davis doesn't object to the press conference, but questions the reason why the first one of the semester was devoted to the incident.

"If (the administration) is going to highlight incidents, it should give atten-

tion to other incidents of higher priority," she said. "I don't see the hazing incident as a top priority."

Davis explained that issues such as decreased hours for care at Cutler Health Center are more important.

"The Cutler Health Center issue puts the health of every person on campus at risk," she said. "I hear of so many emergencies that come up that students don't know what to do. A lot of them are calling Eastern Maine Medical Center."

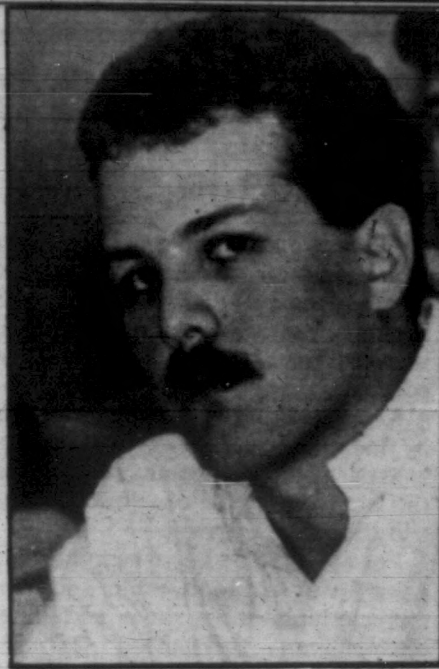
Cumberland Hall senator David McGowan agrees with the resolution and feels the university could have better handled the incident.

"It was an important issue to address, but they went the wrong way to address it," he said. "They should let people know it happened and what penalties are in store, but they went a little too far with the press conference."

McGowan, like Davis, would like to see more press conferences for other issues.

Student senate president John O'Dea said the resolution will go to the student affairs and governmental procedures committees when they meet during the week. The committees will make recommendations on the resolution before it is brought back to the senate.

"It's a good possibility it'll be here next week," he said.



Gary Bresnehan

Yellowstone fires worst in park's history

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) - The fires burning in Yellowstone National Park are the worst in the park's history, with fires 10 times larger than any witnessed before.

Park naturalists say analysis of tree growth and soils suggests that the Yellowstone region has not had such catastrophic fires since about 1700.

The park's last "big fire" was the Heart Lake Fire in 1931, which burned 18,756 acres. Before that, an unnamed fire on the east fork of the Gardner River in 1886 charred about 25,000 acres.

Records indicate about 80 percent of the 5,000 or so fires recorded over the last century in Yellowstone burned themselves out, and nearly all the rest were declared contained about the time weather records showed it started raining.

Bresnehan hopes the senate will consider the university's treatment of the incident with an open mind when members make a decision on the resolution.


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A 14-month love affair with Canada

Couple journeys 2,000 miles in canoe

by Rhonda Morin
Staff Writer

Imagine awakening each morning for an entire year to the sight of brilliant blues, yellows and pinks smothering the sky and dozing off at night to the low, deep-throated whistle of a long-necked loon.

Alan Kesselheim and Marypat Zitzer experienced unending overgrown landscapes, hundreds of miles of white-capped lakes and streams, massive snow covered mountains stretching miles beyond the clouds and packs of wildlife during their 14-month canoeing expedition through northern Canada that began in June 1985 and ended in August 1986.

Zitzer and Kesselheim are touring the United States as part of they call a Wilderness Odyssey event and they recently visited the University of Maine.

In a slide presentation sponsored by Maine Bound, the expedition partners relayed to the audience that the 416-day, 2,000-mile journey was the greatest opportunity to imagine what wildlife was like before the American lands were plastered with concrete, highrises and decadent forests.

"I came on this journey to push my limits and see how much more I could take, and instead I discovered how much more I wanted," said Kesselheim, who has a background of outdoor education.

Kesselheim and Zitzer — a seamstress by trade — began their expedition simply as partners with a common interest in the land, but by the conclusion of the trip they were married.

For about \$6,000 — which included a year's worth of food, winter and summer clothing, snow shoes and other essential gear — they canoed 1,000 miles in 63 days the summer of 1985 and 950 miles in 53 days the following summer.

While the sun was warm and the air buzzed with wildlife voices, their paddles would plunk into the chilly Canadian waters and startle a bathing winged creature.

Being part of this breathtaking scenery was Kesselheim's idea of true wilderness, saying, "This is something that is no longer available in the United States."

Turning away from their family and friends and grasping the fact that they would have only each other's company for more than 400 days was at first the



Marypat Zitzer



Alan Kesselheim

most difficult challenge Kesselheim and Zitzer faced.

But their preoccupations suddenly erupted into intense fear when they returned to their campsite one gray afternoon and saw their backpacks ripped open and food scattered wildly about. Less than 30 feet away, gawking at them with big brown eyes, was a hungry black bear.

While Zitzer attempted to distract the bear by yelling, Kesselheim was able to reach the tent, where they kept a rifle. Firing a few shots in the air startled the bear into hiding only long enough for hasty packing.

The bear returned, boldly standing its ground only 15 feet away this time.

Kesselheim and Zitzer fled into the thick brush that surrounded them, but it was obvious that the animal knew its territory.

As the bear drew closer, Kesselheim's bullet ripped through its shoulder, killing it instantly.

During more than 20 other bear sightings throughout their trip, the expeditioners reminded themselves they were the intruders and that the incident did not have to reoccur.

As the summer drew to a close and the chilling air nipped at their faces, Kesselheim and Zitzer paddled their way

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plicant, so students who have been turned down for other forms of financial aid may be eligible.

Once the amount has been determined, and the promissory note is signed, a minimum monthly payback of \$50 is due starting as soon as the loan is received unless a deferment agreement is reached, in which case only the payback on the interest from the loan is due.

"You need a source of meeting the monthly payments," Batty said.

"If there's no income to show support of the loan you wouldn't be eligible. There has to be money there to ensure payback," said Shelia Wooten, regional MELA representative based in Florida.

Any student enrolled in an accredited college approved by TERI may apply, but since the loan is determined through creditworthiness, many students have to co-sign with a parent, guardian or spouse. Students not having established a credit history and many who cannot ensure repayment will not be eligible without assistance.

"Basically, parents are taking out the loan on behalf of the student," Batty said.

"The MELA program was not designed to target all income branches," said state Representative Stephen Bost, D-Orono.

Students find loan a 'hassle'

Students may borrow up to \$20,000 per year and no less than \$2,000 per year, but UMaine has set slightly different guidelines.

"The amount of the loan is \$20,000 or the cost of education, whichever is lower," he said.

More than 400 students have applied for the loan at UMaine, and many students are finding the loan a "hassle."

In a letter to the editor appearing in a Bangor paper last Wednesday, Ted Sirois from the University of Maine at Machias wrote: "...Gov. McKernan introduced the great MELA program which was professed to be the salvation of Maine's educational system. I quickly sent in my application... A month later, I received a rejection letter from the MELA office in Florida (why Florida?). The reason given was that I could not pay the interest payments while I continued my schooling."

Many students who are also parents are having problems with MELA loans.

"It makes it really difficult for parents. They (MELA) won't let you apply for anything above the unmet need," said mother and education major Kim Miliano. "I think you should be able to borrow for expenses you

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Rep. Stephen Bost, D-Orono

know you are going to have to incur. "It seems to benefit middle-class people," she said.

Miliano was refused the MELA loan because she was informed her unmet need did not meet the minimum requirement of \$2,000.

According to Wooten, aid available to the recipient is only the amount students are eligible for with no extra funding available.

"If a student's unmet need is \$10,000, for example, \$10,000 is what you are eligible for. You can request that amount, not more," she said.

Students eligible for MELA are Maine residents attending most Maine universities or colleges, Maine residents attending most out-of-state colleges or universities, and out-of-state residents attending most Maine colleges and universities.

Other students who have applied for MELA are discovering that "the disadvantages are outweighing the advantages."

Interests rates high

"Interest rates were higher than I anticipated," said University of Southern Maine student Brian Whitney.

Presently, the national base interest rate is 9 percent. MELA's interest rate, to date, is 8 percent.

"There's a 3 percent break on this loan," said Bost. "It's an alternative from local banks who tend to charge higher interest rates."

Presently, however, Maine Savings Bank, Casco Northern Bank, Fleet Bank and the UMaine Student Credit Union are all charging an 8 percent competitive interest rate.

"Generally, we maintain an interest rate about 1 percent below prime," MELA's Wooten said. "Two percent above prime is the most it could ever be."

MELA money coming too late

Turn around time for MELA is sup-

posed to be two weeks, but students have had a poor response in receiving loans.

"I followed all the procedures correctly, and still it was a month and a half before I got the money," Whitney said, who received his money this month.

He said he was glad to receive the money, but he had tuition bills to pay and books to buy and the late payment on behalf of MELA was a problem.

MELA also distributes half of the loan total each semester, of which many applicants weren't aware. This also created serious problems.

"I've talked to (MELA) since, and they aren't going to send me the rest of my money until mid-January," Whitney said. "I might not see it until February because the school has to see

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it before me. I've got to pay my bills before January — it's no use to me."

Bost was surprised at the negative student reaction.

"It's interesting to me that so many people should be viewing MELA this way, although we anticipated some problems with it," he said.

New legislation planned

Bost said there are plans to help relieve some of the pressure of repayment through new legislation.

"If certain segments of the student population are not being served by this loan, then we will introduce legislation to set up a fund on the state level for payment on the interest," Bost said.

Bost said if the legislation were enacted, a student could conceivably attend UMaine for four years, having the state pick up the interest and having students pay the loan itself after college is completed.

"The program is very new and we're trying to see how it is shaking out," Bost said.

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Editorial

Give us a Break

Once again, the commentators of the American League Championships ruined the event. Gary Bender, the ABC commentator, did do a good job with what and who he had to work with.

Even though I am a Red Sox fan, I will admit that the series left little to the imagination as what the end result would be and for Bender to work with. My complaints, and my sympathies for Bender, are about his "guest" commentators Joe Morgan and Reggie Jackson.

Morgan, a former Cincinnati Reds infielder, and Jackson, a former outfielder for the New York Yankees, Oakland Athletics, California Angels and Baltimore Orioles, were supposed to add "color" to the reporting of the games by Bender.

Instead, Morgan and Jackson bickered and argued about everything about the game from their opinions about the pine tar incident with Los Angeles pitcher Jay Howell to relief pitcher decisions of Boston and Oakland.

They argued with each other and took away the fun of watching this series. They showed total unprofessionalism and disregard for each others opinions.

What is worse is that the public sees both Morgan and Jackson as representatives of the media. Then, the media people, such as Bender, get labeled as bad commentators because of other people's bad taste and ignorance.

Morgan and Jackson were hired as color commentators to give the viewers a better idea of how the game of baseball works from their experiences as players.

They were not hired to be the entertainers, but rather to help enhance Bender's broadcast of the American League playoff series.

The game of baseball is supposed to be enjoyed when watched whether it is at the ballpark in the bleachers or sitting in front of the television set in a favorite chair. The game of baseball was meant to be reported on by the media, not bickered about over the airwaves.

Please, give the spectators and the media back their game.

Kimberly M. Lubeau

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New word- old problem

One of the great fringe benefits that goes along with writing a column every week is that I get to make up words from time to time.

As long as I only do it once in a while, and as long as the word is formed by tacking known prefixes or suffixes to real words, I don't get in much trouble.

Of course, my sixth-grade teacher, who was extremely rigid in her beliefs (and who, honestly, is now national president of a prominent anti-alcohol group), would still tell me something like, "There are enough words out there already in dictionaries, so if you can't think of a real word, you'd better copy a few pages of a dictionary to acquaint yourself with it."

We really did have a discussion like that one day, and of course I didn't use the word in question, because I valued my hand muscles more than my originality.

But now she's not around, and I can introduce a new word once in a while. Today's word: Rudification.

Since it's my word, I've also got to come up with a definition for it. Let's just say that it's committing an act or uttering a phrase that would make most polite people cringe, flinch, or otherwise feel great discomfort and/or pity for the rudificator. Or, *The act of being rude.*

You see, I've been watching these Rudificators. Watching them quite closely, as a matter of fact. I've been compiling information, trying to cope with the fact that, yes, there are many rude people in our midst, and they won't go away.

They lurk in all social circles, students and faculty, rich and poor, men and women. And they drive me nuts.



John Holyoke

Is it heredity or environment that makes these people engage in rudification? What do they hope to gain? Do they even realize what they're doing?

Who knows. But their tricks are becoming more recognizable, and here's a handy guide to help you pick the sneaky ones out of a crowd.

1. If your phone's ringing, and you answer it only to hear, "Who's this?" chalk this person up as a Rudificator. It's your phone. They're calling you. Let them guess until they get it right, or tell them you're someone you know they won't want to talk to, like "Dale."

2. When you're walking toward a door with a person or two right behind you, and you break your stride to hold the door for them, cross yourself off the Rudificator list, you've done well.

But if the people behind you accept the door you've held open and don't say, "Thank You," or smile and nod, or something like that, put them on the list. Then slam the door on their heads.

3. If you're at McDonald's and the person in line in front of you says, "Give me . . ." you've located a possible Rudificator.

Sure, it's called "Ordering," but that's just a word.

In a civilized society it's supposed to be more of a "request." Why not say, "Can I have," and "Please." You'll feel good, and your girlfriend won't think you're such a jerk.

4. For that matter, the "Give Me Syndrome" doesn't have to be confined to McDonald's. I usually combat the "Give Me's" I come across by raising my eyebrows, as if to say, "Who the hell are you to tell me to give you anything?"

Maybe they actually are somebody who can tell me to do anything they want, but I'd just as soon they were polite. And if a good case of the "brows" doesn't work, you can move a little closer, then holler "PLEASE!" in their ear. It's kind of like a subliminal message. It's called the "Brow and Holler Method," and it works pretty well.

5. Some people aren't deceptive and must realize that they're being rude, but they deserve mention. They're the ones who say stupid things that make you wish you had a good pit bull on hand to do your dirty work.

Some personal favorites: "Oh my God, that's the worst haircut I've seen in my life," which is an example of a Direct Rudification I received from the hostess at the restaurant I worked at this summer.

"You're a nice girl, but you deserve better than John, he's such a jerk." This gem was uttered by the same hostess, and goes under the category of Confidential Material/Back-Stabbing Rudification.

John Holyoke is hoping to avoid the Back-Handed Compliment Rudification: "You write very well, but I never know what you're saying, so I don't read your stuff."

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Response

Westmoreland's attackers also narrow minded

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In their columns, the professors criticized the general for

failing to analyze "difficult concepts" such as duty and national security. Yet at no time do they try to deal with these or any other issues concerning America's involvement in Vietnam.

Instead, the columns served as a rambling, personal attacks on the general. We don't begrudge the professors the right to express their political views. (The political bent of the members of GLS seems to cover the whole spectrum.) But we think they did *The Campus's* readership a disservice by squandering an opportunity to shed anything but heat in their columns.

The professors criticized the General for "self serving distortion of history," for being "stubborn and ignorant," for seeing "everything in narrowly militaristic terms," for "severe moral and intellectual limitations," for "a clear national

chauvinism and arrogance of power," for being "incapable of doubting (himself)," for "ignorance, obstinacy, insensitivity, and immorality," and finally for "contempt, insensitivity, ignorance and racism."

Well, what about it? Even if everything the professors say about the general is the Gospel truth, what have they taught us about American intervention around the globe?

What do we know about "duty and national security" that we didn't know before? If the general's duty were not to prosecute the war with every means available to him, what was it? Reasonable people may disagree on the answer to this, but we could have benefitted from Allen's and Ngo's insight.

What about the general's mistrust in "civilian control of the military?" If the professors

believe in this concept, doesn't that bear on their claim that Westmoreland was a Nuremberg-style "war criminal."

If the general was criminally liable for Vietnam, then what about his Commander-In-Chief? Of Congress, with control of the purse strings during the war? You were of voting age back then Mr. Allen. Do you share any of the general's culpability?

Of course, these are hard questions. That may be why the professors did not choose to deal with them. It is comparatively easy to sling mud in a forum in which the slinger is unlikely to fight back.

Patrick J. Hall
Todd Johnson

past and present
Program Coordinators
for Guest Lecture Series

Bush slam way off

To the editor:

Of all the condemnations of George Bush, I have never heard one so ridiculous as the one in last Friday's editorial, "Hidden Bigotry," in which the author accused Bush of racism for using William Horton (who is black) in his attacks on the Massachusetts furlough program.

To the author: Were you really implying that George Bush would *not* point to Horton as a failure of the program were he white? Also, do you honestly believe that it was racist to use black criminals in Bush's "revolving door" campaign ad? (By the way, the ad has just as many white criminals as black ones.)

If you do, you've been watching too much "Dragnet," or something. There actually are black criminals in the real world, and it is not racist to have some in a campaign ad.

You also pointed out that Willie Horton did not murder anyone after escaping on furlough, as you claim Bush said, rather that he "assaulted his victim." Your use of that phrase makes it sound like Hor-

ton mugged someone. It is more accurate to say that the victim suffered torture. In addition, you don't even mention that the victim's wife was raped. You should note too that the "assault" lasted several days while Horton had the couple trapped in their own home.

It is true that Dukakis inherited the state's furlough program from a previous administration (a republican one, I'm told), and that 39 other states also have them (although most do not furlough those prisoners serving life without parole, because such prisoners have no need to "work toward good time"). But does that justify his defense of it?

An example: When presented with a 15,000 signature petition calling for an end to the furlough program, Dukakis dismissed it by saying, "Oh Yes, but I have signatures from prisoners, too."

While furlough programs are not an invention of Mike Dukakis, there is no excuse for such a callous attitude toward law-abiding people in justifying its continued existence.

M.E. Fuller

Cafe 'service' embarrassing

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However, to my amazement, the cafeteria Standard woman behind the counter said "only one entree at a time." She was quite polite so I curbed my natural tendency to be rude and

asked her why. She said it was to prevent waste. So with that polite look on my face I ate what I could get and left with no further comment. Now, I can understand their concern about waste and so on, but it seems to me that they could effectively prevent waste if the food they served us was, in fact good. It doesn't ever have to be great, that would be nice, but at least give us something we can recognize and enjoy.

I've been here three years and I very rarely can combine these two attributes. Come on people, I would rather eat here than spend more money and waste my time going to Pat's for double dough pepperoni and cheap beer.

Oh yes, one other thing. I've noticed you have trouble hiring people. Hey, you don't pay

people enough, and use them until they have no time for studies, no wonder your employment levels have dropped, everybody tells everybody else how you run things so they stay far away. Come on people, smarten up!!

Alan Grant
Aroostook Hall

The Daily Maine Campus reserves the right to edit letters for taste, length, and libel.

Let those who actually have abortions decide

To the editor:

I find it terribly amusing that men seem compelled to argue the issue of abortion. Please do not misunderstand me; they do provide very interesting and viable arguments. But what they can NEVER provide is the complete understanding of the situation because the situation will NEVER happen to them. Many of these men, and women too, refer to themselves as "pro-life." How ironic.

What sort of life is there for an unwanted child? Perhaps these people have not heard that we have medical waste washing up on our beaches, holes in our Earth's ozone

layer, and acid rain pouring down on us every day. Do they think that we suddenly contracted these problems? No. They are the direct result of overpopulation.

Maybe those who choose "life" should be willing to give their time and money to the unwanted babies of the world. Maybe people like Mr. Michael Schroeder and Mr. Steven Rivers of the Physics Department (who wrote that abortion is murder in the 10/18/88 issue of *The Daily Maine Campus* should adopt several of these children. Each. It is people like Schroeder and Rivers who have not thought this issue carefully through.

Like these two gentlemen, some believe that abortion is murder. Yet as these two aspiring scientists should know, a fetus cannot survive on its own. It is dependent upon the mother for life itself. It is a part of the mother and remains a part of the mother until the birth process has taken place; she has jurisdiction over her own body and may do with it as she pleases. Men have no right to decide for a woman what she can and cannot do with her body. Only one man has a right to speak, and that is the inseminator. But in the end, the decision is up to the woman and her body completely, fetus and all.

Shroeder and Rivers raised another interesting point; the case of abortion after rape or incest. Why do these "pro-life" people believe that abortion is acceptable in these cases? If abortion is murder, then do two wrongs make a right? isn't murder, murder? Would these be justifiable homicides? In many parts of the world, throughout history, infanticide has not been uncommon. Is this what "pro-life" people would prefer?

Incidents of infanticide increase as populations increase. These are actually murders and their occurrence, however outlandish it may sound, cannot be ignored when arguing

abortion. Infanticide takes place right here in our own nation. I hate to be the bearer of bad news, Mr. Shroeder and Mr. Rivers, but not every child in this world is wanted.

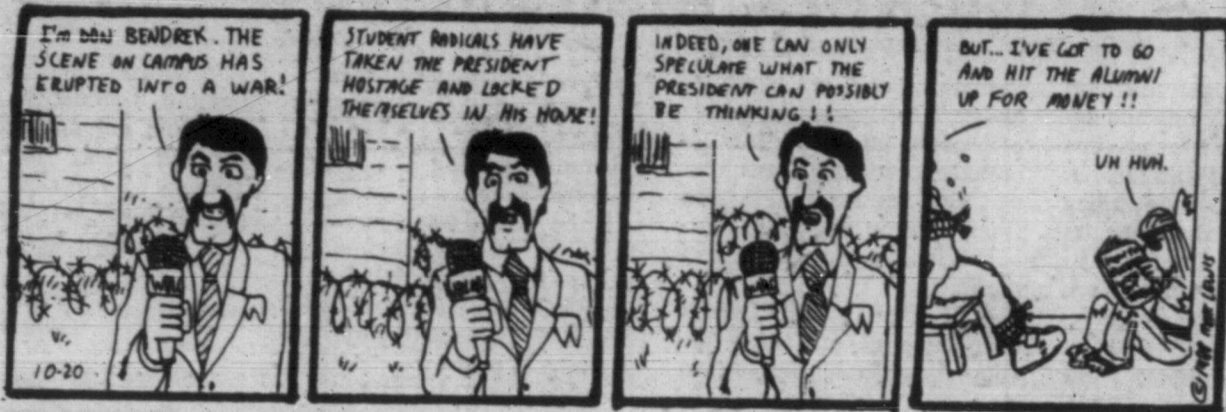
Lets think the WHOLE issue through the next time we choose to argue abortion before narrowing it to one, concluding "fact." And let those of us who are actually affected by the situation determine what the outcome should be.

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by David MacLachlan



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Jail

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land, it sits on is owned by UMaine, Davis said.

The bunker, as it is normally referred to, is the temporary home of low-security female prisoners who have been displaced from the Penobscot County Jail because of renovations, he said.

Though the first phase of PCJ renovations were concluded in June 1988, the second phase was not fully completed, said Mary Strathdee, Penobscot County clerk.

When the BOT approved the extension of the lease on July 11, the state of Maine jail inspector would not approve the PCJ renovations as suitable for holding prisoners, Davis said.

"The state jail inspector would not approve (the PCJ holding facility) because space for programs, recreation or exercise facilities" did not meet the state standards, Davis said.

The New Bail Law was originally proposed to cut bail expenses for prisoners in lower financial brackets, said Davis.

Because of this law, many suspects were released because they were not required to meet the bail costs which, in several cases, resulted in repeated offenses, said Davis.

The Legislature has now been pressured to revise the standards of the New Bail Law, which could increase the number of suspects held at PCJ, Davis said.

The bunker was built about 30 years ago to enable high-ranking officials and civil defense administrators to establish a command post to work from during an outbreak of war, said Frank Comeau, director of Old Town parks and recreation and a civil defense coordinator.

It was originally proposed for minimum security prisoner use in August 1986 by Reynolds, the Penobscot County sheriff.

In September 1986 Penobscot County Commissioners signed a two-year lease with the UMaine trustees. The facility would house female prisoners who required minimum security until renovations at PCJ were completed.

Accumulated costs to Penobscot County for maintaining the bunker have reached \$91,768, Strathdee said.

Maintenance includes food, transportation heating fuel, trash pickup, snow plowing and other needs, excluding cost of payroll, he said.

Dorm

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"But we do have a close community."

Because the university had so many requests for housing this semester, Mathews said, this floor was opened to provide as many students as possible an opportunity to live on the Orono campus.

White, along with Rodney Mondor, a resident adviser in Stodder, and Laura Bass, the other RA in Chadbourne, attended a Breakfast Club meeting two weeks ago and discussed the situation with administrators.

A possible solution to the problem offered by administrators was the option of carpeting the students' rooms, Mondor said.

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Sports

Buck, Smith among YC leaders

With the Yankee Conference football schedule heading into its seventh week, the University of Maine squad is well-represented in several YC team and individual statistical categories.

The Black Bears, coming off an impressive Homecoming win over the University of Rhode Island, have moved themselves into second place in the battle for conference supremacy.

UMaine, which improved to 3-2 in YC play, now trails Villanova, the University of Massachusetts and the University of Delaware by one game.

The win allowed the Black Bears to hold onto first place in both major team statistical categories: total offense and total defense.

The Bears have racked up 468 yards per game, while UMass is second with 414.5 yards. The Bears defense has given up only 284.7 yards per contest, including a stingy 113 on the ground. Noone else in the conference has been able to limit their opponents to less than 300 yards per game.

Junior quarterback Mike Buck was named YC player of the week for his 26-of-40, 388-yard, 3-touchdown outpouring against URI. This marked the second time the 6-3, 226-pounder has won the award this season, and was the ninth 300-yard game in his career.

Buck also leads the conference's signal-callers in passing yards, touchdown passes, and passing efficiency. Buck has thrown for 1,720 yards and 15 TDs, and has a 139.9 efficiency rating.

UMaine's Saturday matchup with the University of Connecticut will pit the top two quarterbacks in the YC against each other.

UConn's Matt DeGenaro, a sophomore, has completed 61.9 percent of his passes while compiling 1,343 yards in the air. Included in that total are 10 touchdowns. He has a 127.8 efficiency rating.

Senior linebacker Nick Penna is ranked second in the YC in tackles, averaging 13.0 stops per game. John McKeown of UMass is the leader in that category, with 13.3.

Penna was named *Sports Illustrated's* defensive player of the week last week, and spearheads a UMaine defense that has given up only 27 points in its last three games.

Running back Carl Smith is ranked third in rushing yardage per game, with 77.7 on 466 total yards. Ahead of him in the rankings are Norm Ford of the University of New Hampshire, who has racked up 503 yards for a 83.8 average; and Jeff Dingle of Villanova, who has run 495 yards and an 82.5 average.



Cheerleading is a what?

by Mike Bourque

Recently a some cheerleaders suggested to me that the sports department of the *Daily Maine Campus* doesn't give adequate coverage to their squad.

And so I thought about that for quite awhile. (or at least several hundredths of a second). They were right. How can we at the *Campus* sports desk consider ourselves worthy of our titles as "sportswriters" if we don't cover a great sport like cheerleading. Because, after all, cheerleading is a sport.

Maybe I should write an article about the perfect way they yelled "Go blue!" at last Saturday's homecoming game. I think that might have been the turning point in the whole affair. I know, I know. Mike Buck, Nick Penna and Company may have had something to do with it. But when the cheerleaders followed that perfect yell with a wonderfully-executed move, (I think they call it a "jump real high and

screech") well, it was just one of those magical moments.

Wow, I thought to myself (I do that every once in awhile), have I been missing something all these years? I mean what else could they have accomplished over the years without me noticing. Do you suppose it was them who led the UMaine hockey team to the 1988 college hockey final four? Or what if they were actually the ones who defeated Michigan State in men's basketball two years ago?

I thought again, why have I been watching these other sports? Why don't I just turn off my television set in the bottom of the ninth when Kirk Gibson is at bat. After all, I could be watching a tape of one of those cheering competitions they show on ESPN. (That is, of course, the network that programs only sports—like truck-pulling, for instance) Don't forget; cheerleading is a sport.

Or is it?

I checked my handy little booklet

that I got at the Recreational Sports office. This wonderful piece of literature lists all sports at UMaine including both intramural and varsity sports. So, anyway, I checked under the varsity sports heading. Baseball, Basketball, Football, Ice Hockey,...

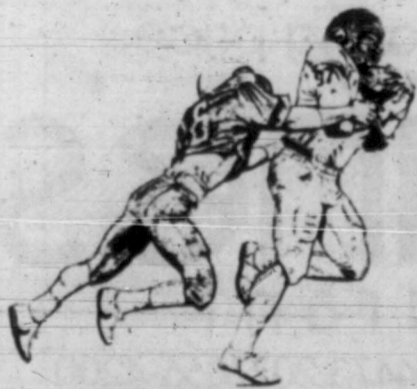
What, no cheerleading? How could they have overlooked it?

First they sell the beautiful pre-Columbian artifacts and now this. What are we poor students to think?

Now, I'm not the crusading type or anything like that, but how can we let this injustice continue? Maybe I've overestimated their worth, but if I haven't then it seems like we should drop some small insignificant sport like say, ice hockey and give its budget to the cheerleaders.

What do you think, Kev, buddy?

—Mike Bourque is a senior journalism major from Farmingdale, ME who doesn't think he's alone on this one



Alabama upset with CBS commercials

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — A University of Alabama athletic official said a complaint has been lodged with CBS television about a network commercial that portrays the Crimson Tide football program as being "steeped in controversy."

The advertisement, aired in advance of this week's game between Alabama and Pennsylvania State University, refers to the Nittany Lions, 4-2, as being rich in tradition while mentioning Alabama's recent rash of bad publicity.

"I thought they were done in poor taste and we have complained," said Tommy Limbaugh, associate athletic

director at Alabama.

"The best I can tell, their tradition is no deeper than ours," he said. "It's not as deep in regards to bowl appearances and national championships won."

Mick Carlson, an official with CBS sports in New York, said the spot refers to Alabama Coach Bill Curry as being steeped in controversy. He said he did not, however, know if anyone at CBS had talked with officials from Alabama.

Alabama Athletic Director Steve Sloan was out of town Tuesday and could not be reached by telephone for comment.

Alabama, in its second year under Curry, has a 4-1 record and has struggled through a series of injuries and offensive miscues.

In addition to a string of off-the-field scrapes involving players, someone broke a window in Curry's office following a 22-12 homecoming loss to underdog University of Mississippi.

"I guess we're the Oakland Raiders of college football again," senior tight end Howard Cross said of the CBS promotion, which first aired Sunday. CBS will televise the Alabama-Penn State game nationally from Legion Field this Saturday, with kickoff set for 1:30 p.m.

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Senior outside linebacker Derrick Thomas said Alabama's problems have been exaggerated.

"As far as the stuff that happened this summer, that same stuff has been happening around here forever. It just got blown out of proportion," he said. "From the stories I hear, we're nowhere close to being the worst team that's been around here, by no means."

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Soccer Bears coming back after slow start

by Kim Thibeau
Staff Writer

Near the end of September with a 0-5 record, the season did not look promising for the University of Maine men's soccer team.

Now, in three short weeks, the Black Bears have turned their season around and have a 6-6 record, winning five of their last six games.

Head coach Jim Dyer said youth, injuries, and a tough September schedule combined to give his team some trouble.

"We have a lot of freshmen and sophomores on the team and with the nagging injuries we've had, like Ben Spike, our all-time leading scorer, it was hard in the beginning. We would play respectably but we had no power to beat the Division I teams we were facing," Dyer said.

"Being 0-5 hurt our confidence. We were playing well, but we were losing.

We were beginning to think that we weren't a good soccer team and I think that hurt us," goalkeeper Todd Brennan said.

Dyer said that the team is now playing well has the confidence that they lacked earlier in the season.

"The team has gained more experience and its effort is more coordinated. The players understand their roles and each other better now," Dyer said.

According to Dyer, there have been a few outstanding players during the past few weeks. Sophomore Mark McGuire was a midfielder last season and is now a defensive back.

"Mark has adjusted well to his new position and playing really well," Dyer said.

Midfielders Ted Hawes and Greg Mazzatta and forward Scott Douglas have been key factors in the Bears' recent success.

Also, forward Robbie Brule has contributed to this success.

"Robbie has been the team spiritual leader. No matter how badly things get, he always shows up full of life. He brings character and spirit with him," Dyer said.

The Black Bears will be playing at Top Ten teams Central Connecticut State University and the University of Hartford this weekend.

YANKEE CONFERENCE STANDINGS

TEAM YC OVERALL

1. Villanova 3-1 4-2
2. Massachusetts 3-1 4-2
3. Delaware 3-1 4-2
4. Maine 3-2 4-2
5. New Hampshire 2-2 3-3
6. Connecticut 2-2 4-2
7. Richmond 2-3 3-3
8. Rhode Island 1-4 2-5
9. Boston University 1-4 1-5

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2. BU 83
3. Niagara 79
4. Northeastern 77
5. Maine 61
6. Hartford 53
7. Vermont 35
8. Canisius 34
9. UNH 17
10. Colgate 16

WMEB/CHSB COLLEGE HOCKEY MEDIA POLL

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- 1 Minnesota (11) 179
- 2 Lake Superior St.(1) 159
- 3 Michigan St. 138
- 4 Harvard 127
- 5 Maine 114
- 6 North Dakota 107
- 7 Boston College 93
- 8 Denver 80
- 9 Cornell 66
- 10 Western Michigan 63
- 11 Boston University 53
- 12 Bowling Green 48
- 13 Vermont 43
- 14 Wisconsin 31
- 15 St. Lawrence 25

Others receiving votes: Michigan 22, Michigan Tech 21, Illinois-Chicago 18, RPI 11, Merrimack 9, Minnesota-Duluth 6, Northeastern 5, Clarkson 4, Lowell 3.

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Kesselheim and Zitzer would take daily walks and fill their afternoons with reading and games of Scrabble.

Soon the spring thaw began to melt the thick blankets of snow. The canoe was once again set afloat while Kesselheim and Zitzer settled into their tiny ship for another summer of adventure over hundreds of miles of outstretched land.

Review

Van Halen ignites Worcester Centrum

by Dave Greely
Staff Writer

WORCESTER, Mass. — The only people who had more fun Tuesday night than the 12, 500 fans at the Worcester Centrum were the four performers.

Van Halen tore through an exhausting 19-song, two hour and 40 minute set which had the soldout Centrum roaring from start to finish.

"I wish we had this much fun every night," singer Sammy Hagar told the crowd. Judging from the ongoing roar, the feeling was mutual.

The band seized the Centrum crowd by the throat, hitting the stage in a full sprint with "A.F.U.," a blistering rocker from Van Halen's recent multiplatinum opus, *OU812* and didn't let go until they had brought everyone to rock 'n' roll nirvana with a Van Halenized version of Led Zeppelin's "Rock 'n' Roll."

In between, guitarist Edward Van Halen, drummer Alex Van Halen, bassist Michael Anthony and Hagar played everything from "Runnin' With The Devil" from Van Halen's first album to Hagar's "I Can't Drive 55" to "Finish What Ya Started," a Rolling Stones meets Ry Cooder meets Van Halen chicken-pickin' tune who's video had been an MTV world premier only a day earlier.

The band shunned the trendy outfits prevalent in the music business, instead sticking to jeans and t-shirts as they scrambled around the mam-

moth stage. The high-energy show had the crowd in such a frenzy, they could have won a shout-off with the 40,000 people who attended last year's U2 concert in the Carrier Dome.

The highlights of Tuesday's show were innumerable. Here are but a few.

-As always, Edward Van Halen's guitar solo. The guitarist of the 80's showed his versatility, beginning with some delicate classical picking and finishing it with some incredible speed picking. In between he ran through his extensive bag of tricks, using his guitar to create the sounds of whale calls, pipe organs and the end of the world. An unaccompanied version of "Eagles Fly" from Hagar's last solo album. The 38-year-old teenager was at his most riveting, strumming an undistorted Telecaster.

-A guitar-driven version of "When It's Love", exposing a raw edge while still remaining melodic.

-An incendiary version of the VH classic "Ain't Talkin' 'Bout Love," which had Edward bounding around the stage and kicking several giant beach balls into the crowd without missing a note.

-Anthony taking the microphone to sing lead vocals for the second half of "Rock 'n' Roll".

If you haven't seen Van Halen, do it as soon as possible. When it comes to live performance, it doesn't get any better.



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