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On the march



About 300 people braved the foul weather Saturday to participate in the Maine Civil Rights March and Rally. They marched 10 miles, from Orono to Bangor. (Jacob Peppard photo.)

• Old-growth forests

Environmentalists criticize Home Depot

By Rebecca Zaner
Special to the *Campus*

The University of Maine's Student Environmental Action Coalition joined over 70 other environmental groups across the country Wednesday to protest Home Depot's use of old-growth forest products.

"I felt like something could be done because there were so many people working on it and making the campus aware," said Leanna Ruth, a SEAC member and sophomore natural resources major.

SEAC members petitioned in front of the Memorial Union between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. They collected 513 signatures in support of saving old-growth forests, which have survived for hundreds of years without being cut.

Other groups across the country staged protests and call-ins to make people more aware of Home Depot's involvement.

Representatives from the environmental organization American Lands said Home Depot promised citizen groups last year that it would stop selling old-growth redwood.

However, the company admitted in April that it never implemented the plan.

Home Depot again pledged to stop using old-growth trees completely by June 1 of this year. They neglected to do so.

By targeting Home Depot, which makes up 20 percent of the do-it-yourself home improve-

ment market, environmental groups hope to take steps in protecting the small amount of old-growth forests remaining.

"Eighty percent of the world's old-growth forests have been destroyed through clear cutting and



Environmentalists petitioned Home Depot to stop using wood products from old-growth forests. (Jason Caniff photo.)

various practices," said SEAC member Jeremy Usher, a physics and philosophy major. Now the 20 percent that's left houses 70 to 80 percent of the world's species diversity," said SEAC member Jeremy Usher, a physics and philosophy major.

"Now that [old-growth forests] are scheduled to be clear cut I think we really need to take action on organizations like Home Depot, he said. They're at the top of their industry. If they follow, everyone else is going to

• Faculty

Community remembers professor

By Jason Richard
Special to the *Campus*

The University of Maine community remembered Ulrich Wicks, English Department chair and 29-year faculty member at UMaine. Wicks died unexpectedly on Oct. 9 at the age of 56.

Friends, family, colleagues and students gathered in the La Beau Funeral Parlor in Orono Wednesday, where photographs of Wicks, along with literary quotes from such authors as e. e. cummings and Victor Hugo, were displayed.

On campus, professor Wicks is being remembered as a caring, open-minded man by his students and colleagues.

The English Department unanimously chose Wicks as chair, and

he performed his job with the respect of all his colleagues, said Rebecca Eilers, dean of the Col-



Professor Ulrich Wicks. (file photo)

lege of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

"He had a natural talent for really listening to people and he was a talented and resourceful negotiator," Eilers said.

Harvey Kail, associate profes-

sor of English, is the interim chairman of the department of English.

Mary Bartosenski, a lecturer in the English department said Wicks had a wonderful sense of humor, often making use of subtle puns. Wicks had been her first professor at the university during her undergraduate work.

"He was very encouraging," Bartosenski said. "He had a great way of putting you at ease."

"He was professional in tone, always interesting to listen to, and constantly encouraging," said Judy Eyerer, an English lecturer.

Wicks' colleagues said he conducted himself in a relaxed manner and believed in good intentions.

Eyerer recalled an experience with Wicks when she was an undergraduate at the university. Wicks had broken the class into groups and their task was to facilitate a panel discussion. She recalled being nervous but that Wicks' tone

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• Academics

New course offers different take on biology

By Dilnora Azimova
Maine Campus staff

University of Maine students can take a new biology course in the spring semester that will satisfy a science requirement for non-biology majors.

The current introductory biology course, BIO 100, introduces students to many basic concepts in biology and prepares them for other advanced biology courses. Some students often criticize BIO 100 since the classes are so large, and the material studied is so broad.

Although the information is important, said art major Matthew Herger, the class is boring because there's no interaction between the students and their teacher.

Unlike BIO 100, the new course, BIO 110, "Biology: The Living Science," will cover issues that are relevant to students' everyday lives.

"We will cover issues that relate to human population and environmental issues," said Eleanor Groden, professor of applied ecology and environmental sciences.

Groden and Harold Dowse, professor of zoology and cooperating professor of mathematics, will both be teaching the course for the next two spring semesters. Another team will teach the course in the following years.

Groden said there will be three lectures and one lab session in a

week. Unlike BIO 100, which is taught twice a day, the new course will be offered once a day.

Rather than study every aspect of biology in detail, students in

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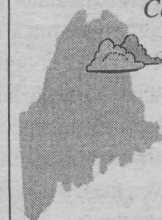
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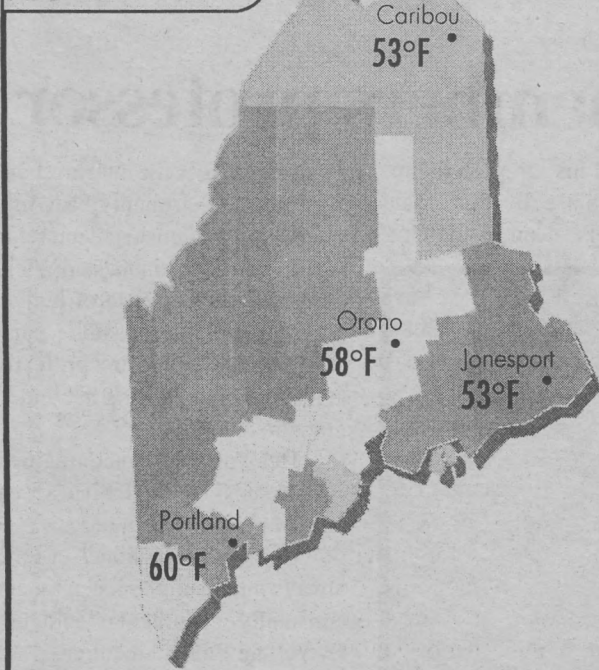


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WORLD BRIEFS

WEATHER



WORLD MAP



FIVE-DAY SUMMARY

Friday's weather

Cool with clouds. High near 58.



Saturday's weather

Cloudy with mixed sun. High near 58.



Extended Forecast

Sunday... Fair. Monday... Cool and cloudy. Tuesday... Mixed sun and clouds.



• Downsizing

14 escorts dropped from queen's royal entourage

1 LONDON (AP)—Begone, Bluemantle Pursuivant! Away with you, Silver Stick in Waiting! Queen Elizabeth II let it be known Thursday that she can find her way into the House of Lords for the State Opening of Parliament next month without those grandly named officials.

The Gentleman Usher to the Sword of State and the Rouge Croix Pursuivant? Also among the 14 worthies dropped from the procession at the formal opening of the legislative session — all victims of the modernization of the monarchy.

Her Majesty has found that she will need just a few dozen escorts, including the Gold Stick in Waiting (a royal bodyguard), the Captain of the Honorable Corps of Gentlemen (the government's chief whip in the House of Lords), and the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod (the House of Lords' chief messenger to the House of Commons).

Royal spokeswoman Penny Russell-Smith said Thursday that the change was simply a "fine-tuning" of the ceremony. "The initiative to look at the arrangements for the royal procession came from the palace as part of our overall, ongoing look at how the process is carried out," she said.

• Prognosis

Hand transplant patient stable following surgery

2 LYON, France (AP)—A man recovering from a rare and risky hand transplant said Thursday he can wiggle his fingers and has never felt so good.

"It's now a question of my mind saying, 'I've got my hand back,'" a smiling Clint Hallam, 48, of New Zealand, said during a 40-minute news conference at the Edouard Herriot Hospital in this southeastern city. "There's certainly been no pain at the present time."

Hallam wore a plaster cast up to his elbow and had his arm propped up on a large white splint during the appearance — his first since the 13-hour operation.

The skin on his new hand appeared slightly wrinkled, but the color was good, a sign the blood was circulating normally.

Twenty-two days after the operation, Hallam was in "excellent condition," showing no signs of complications, said Dr. Jean-Michel Dubernard, co-head of the transplant team.

Even if the patient doesn't reject the donor hand, however, he could face other problems, including the failure of nerves to regenerate sufficiently to allow sensation, such as hot and cold.

Asked if the new right hand felt like his own, Hallam replied: "Of course it does."

• Waiting

Speculation increases as committee continues work

3 OSLO, Norway (AP)—The tight-lipped Nobel Peace Prize committee doesn't give clues, which leaves Nobel-watchers grasping anything that even hints of being a hint about who will win the coveted prize Friday.

Guesses include someone involved in the Northern Ireland peace process, a human rights activist to mark the 50th anniversary of the U.N. Human Rights Charter, Czech President Vaclav Havel on the 30th anniversary of the Soviet invasion of his country, and U.S. peace mediator Richard Holbrooke.

Although the committee made its decision before Holbrooke achieved an apparent breakthrough in the Kosovo crisis, it meets just before announcing the prize and could make changes.

Others mentioned in the speculation are the humanitarian group Doctors Without Borders, the children's peace movement in Colombia and even the U.N. War Crimes Tribunal for Rwanda and the former Yugoslavia.

Geir Lundestad, the nonvoting secretary of the five-member Norwegian Nobel Committee, watches the frantic and sometimes fractured reasoning behind the news media's guesses every year.

"Sometimes it's a little amusing, but sometimes there is so much speculation about one or two people who then don't get the prize that I feel a little bad for them," Lundestad said Wednesday.

• Kosovo

Milosevic still has a long way to go to satisfy NATO

4 BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP)—NATO signed a deal Thursday with the Yugoslav army, allowing spy planes to monitor the military's compliance in withdrawing troops from Kosovo so ethnic Albanian refugees can return to their villages.

Amid new accusations by Kosovo Albanians of Serb police intimidation, NATO chief Javier Solana said that despite some progress Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic has a long way to go to meet NATO's Saturday deadline for compliance.

"I would send a very clear message" to Milosevic, Solana said before arriving in Belgrade Thursday evening. "And that is that the solution to the problem is not signing papers but to comply with agreements that have been achieved."

The deal allows for unarmed spy planes to watch over troop withdrawals and the return of tens of thousands of ethnic Albanian refugees — demands spelled out in a breakthrough agreement reached earlier this week by Milosevic and U.S. envoy Richard Holbrooke.

International officials also huddled in Paris and Vienna on Thursday to push ahead the assessment process aimed at making sure Milosevic adheres to the agreement.

• Storm

Typhoon Zeb whisks by Taiwan, heading to Japan

5 TOKYO (AP)—Typhoon Zeb skirted Taiwan early Friday and headed for Japan after pounding the Philippines, touching off floods and mudslides, killing at least 28 people and driving tens of thousands to shelters.

At least 24 people died in the Philippines and four in Taiwan, where the storm's outer fringes flooded streets Thursday and triggered slides that blocked traffic on many highways.

Blackouts were widespread in Taiwan, and many schools and offices closed Friday; the stock exchange suspended trading in Taipei, the capital.

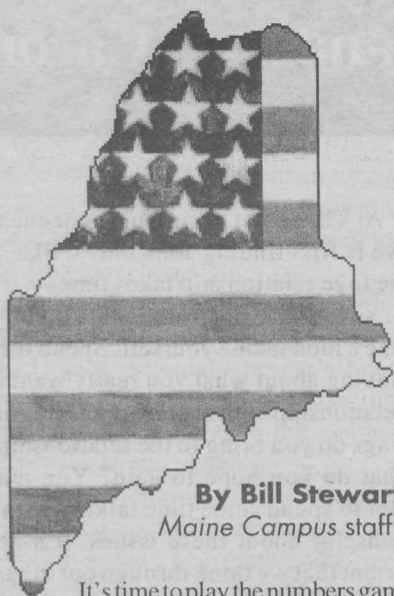
Of the four people killed in Taiwan, one was crushed by a fallen billboard and another under a tree. Taiwanese police in southeastern Taitung said a man was swept out to sea Wednesday by two-story-high waves, and that another died after being trapped for hours in heavy rain.

Two others were listed as missing when their car fell into a drainage ditch, police said.

Taiwanese airport officials said numerous international flights were canceled, and many others arriving were rerouted to Hong Kong.

Ballot Box: Election '98

Kathleen Stevens



By Bill Stewart
Maine Campus staff



(courtesy photo.)

It's time to play the numbers game – or lack thereof – where presumption and speculation dominate the rules of action.

Ask Kathleen Stevens about her chances of winning an unprecedented fourth term in the Maine House of Representatives, and she'll tell you there is a correlation with voter turnout.

That could explain the comprehensive voter registration drive that the Stevens campaign has initiated on the University of Maine campus this week.

"I'm not kidding you," said Stevens, who is opposing Scott Morelli for the right to represent District 123 in the House. "I have a stack of hundreds of voter registration forms as we try to mobilize the students."

Voter turnout – in particular that of the students – is expected to plummet this year, which Stevens says is a direct result of a subdued political front across the state and country.

"Voter turnout is going to be really

low this year because it is a quiet year," said Stevens, who surmised voter turnout as low as 2,000. "There's not a lot of excitement for the gubernatorial race. Angus King, for all intent and purposes, has his race all tied up."

Voter turnout, said retired Maine professor Don Pilcher, is something that could directly affect the outcome of a race that is slowly becoming one of the more anticipated and closer ones on the ballot this November.

"Generally, in elections, if there is a big turnout more Democrats are coming out to vote," the former university director of social work said. "If there is a low turnout, the republicans have an advantage."

Stevens, a Democrat, was first elected to

the Maine House of Representatives in 1992 and was reelected in 1994 and 1996.

The former UMaine student, who recently earned her graduate degree in English, is currently serving on the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

The appropriations committee deals directly with the state-wide budget, which Stevens says can only benefit UMaine.

"I'm on the most powerful committee in Augusta," Stevens said. "We do the budget, and that is how I can help the university."

But it won't be easy. Morelli, the Republican challenger who shares many of Stevens' views, is gaining momentum as judgment day approaches.

"Kathleen probably has had stronger opposition this year than she's had in the last couple of years," Pilcher said. "The juniors and seniors probably know Kathleen, but the freshmen and sophomores are more familiar with Morelli's name."

Stevens, who is working to increase the

amount of state aid for education, differs slightly from Morelli on several issues, including minimum wage and tax cuts.

"[Morelli] thought raising the minimum wage would hurt small businesses," Stevens said. "Personally, I think that is unbelievably short-sided, because people who make minimum wage don't get paid vacations or retirement options."

"I also support lowering taxes in one way, and he supports them another way. Morelli wants to lower taxes on business while I want to lower taxes that directly affect the people."

With only moderate differences separating the two, Stevens will attempt to ride her political experience and move her background to the forefront.

"You're talking about someone with experience and connections to state government versus an inexperienced person who might have the right ideas but who won't be as successful in bringing home

Alcohol Awareness Week

October 19-25

Monday, Oct. 19:

7p.m., *The Party*
Video and discussion by Athletes for Sexual Responsibility.
Locations: Hancock, Cumberland, Knox, DTAV, Oxford, Balentine, Androscoggin, Hart, Gannett, Kennebec Halls.

Wednesday, Oct. 21:

7p.m., *Boozin and Choozin*
An Inside Look at College Drinking and discussion by the Peer Educator Program.
Location: Somerset Hall

Friday, Oct. 23:

Enjoy non-alcoholic, healthy entertainment at the Memorial Gym Fieldhouse, Wallace Pool, and Latti Fitness Center. Everything will be open until MIDNIGHT. The Latti Fitness Center will be open for non-members from 8p.m.-11p.m.!!! (Courtesy of the Athletic Department and Recreational Sports.)

Tuesday, Oct. 20:

7p.m., *Drinks with Deb*
Liquor, Law, and Liability discussion with Deb Mitchell, Crime Prevention Officer, Public Safety.
Location: Aroostook Hall
MOCKTAILS WILL BE SERVED!!!!!!

Thursday, Oct. 22:

7p.m., *E=MC Beer*
Video and discussion by the Peer Educator Program.
Location: Hart Hall

Saturday, Oct. 24:

Hockey, Hockey, Hockey!!!!
Alfond Arena, 7p.m.
JC Penny Classic Video Championship Game

Sunday, Oct. 25th:

7p.m., MONTE CARLO NIGHT!!!
Location: DAMN YANKEE
Great Prizes!!!
All proceeds go to cancer research.

Monday, Tuesday, Friday: A table will be set up in the UNION with pamphlets, pens and candy!!! Stop by from 10a.m.-3p.m.

Special thanks to PHI ETA KAPPA who will have a table set up outside the UNION ALL WEEK from 10am-3pm passing out red ribbons. Place a red ribbon on a tree, to represent someone you lost due to drinking.

Make a pledge not to Drink for the week. Starts Sunday, October 18 at 5p.m. and ends Saturday Oct. 24 at 5p.m. Get your pledges and get involved. Pledge sheets will be available Wednesday the 14th and Thursday the 15th in the Dining Commons. Pledge Sheets will also be mailed out to faculty and departments.

Sponsored by Substance Abuse Services, The Center for Students and Community Life, The Division of Student Affairs, Greek Peer Educators, The Peer Educator Program, Athletes for Sexual Responsibility, the Athletic Department and Recreational sports, and Residents on Campus.



IT'S TIME TO VOTE AGAIN!!

ON TUESDAY NOV. 3, 1998

You Can Cast Your Vote

- This year there are many important candidates and issues to decide.
- One important issue affecting the University of Maine is Question One.
- Question One is a \$20 Million Research and Development Bond Proposal.
- Do not be the only one not voting on election day!!!

VOTE ON NOV. 3

If you are not Registered to Vote you may do so this Friday in the Memorial Union from 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m.



Sponsored by the Center for Students and Community Life and U-Maine U-Vote

Sex Matters

By Sandra L. Caron

Next week is National Alcohol Awareness Week. I hope you all signed up to participate in the Drink Out, sponsored by the Greek Peer Educator Program, in which you abstain from drinking alcohol as a way to raise awareness of the role alcohol plays in your life. Just for one week, Oct. 18 to 24, experience life without alcohol. Best wishes!

Q: Does alcohol have any affect on sex? I really don't think it affects me one way or the other. Female, First Year.

A: It depends on how much you drink and your physical size. Alcohol is probably the best known and most widely used drug. In Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, a character asks what drinking causes and the porter replies, "It provokes the desire but takes away the performance." In small amounts it re-

duces sexual inhibitions but in large amounts it leads to erection problems in men and lack of orgasm in women. Even a small amount can lead to temporary dysfunction. On a more serious note, when someone has been drinking, and especially when both partner's have been drinking, communication and safer sex tend to go out the window. With so many serious sexually transmitted diseases around, that's a high price to pay for having sex when you're drunk.

Q: Is being an athlete really going to improve my sex life? Male, Sophomore.

A: To be a good lover, a man's most important physiological resource isn't a large sex organ, but a strong heart. There are two reasons: (1) Erections depend on having a good supply of blood pumped from the heart. Unlike many sedentary people, athletes' arteries tend to be un-

clogged and healthy; (2) Long and vigorous lovemaking requires aerobic conditioning. This, too, poses no problems for athletes. Studies show that sex only raises your heart rate to about 67 percent of maximum. For most men, this intensity is high. For athletes, it's lower than the average workout. Perhaps the greatest connection between sex and athletics is the psychological one. As with any sport that's pursued regularly for fitness and enjoyment, athletics builds self-confidence and enhances self-image. When you look your best (and when other people tell you so), your sexuality is positively affected.

Q: I have never really had a good relationship. One minute I'm head-over-heels in love with someone and the next minute I'm not interested at all. I wonder if I can ever find that special someone. Female, Junior.

A: The secret to finding someone to love is first finding someone to like. A true love relationship takes time — it's not something one jumps into lightly. Take a look inside yourself. Spend time thinking about what you really want in a relationship with another person. What things do you bring to the relationship? What do you hope to gain? You may want to spend some time talking with a counselor about these issues. It's important that we think through our dream about what makes a love relationship — then maybe it can become a reality.

Sandra L. Caron is an associate professor of Family Relations/Human Sexuality in the College of Education & Human Development. She teaches CHF 351: Human Sexuality in the spring semester. Questions for Caron can be sent directly to her at The Maine Campus, Chadbourne Hall.

Wood

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"I don't think a lot of people realize that other species need particular habitats and particular kinds of forests," she said. "A lot of species can only live in forests that have never been cut."

After tallying the signatures Ruth, Usher and SEAC member Kim Bartok went to Home Depot to present the petition and a letter requesting that Home Depot stop buying and selling products

made from old-growth wood to Peter McGinnity, store manager.

"We weren't allowed to see him. At first it seemed that we might but then the big question came up, 'Why did we want to see him?'" Usher said. "As soon as it was related to the environment we were told to call the 1-800 number. No one in the store is permitted to talk about it."

"They said, 'Oh, we'll pass it along to him'. Then we stuck around to make sure it was delivered," he said. "Now we're waiting for a response."

When asked to comment on the petition, assistant store manager Shannon Quinn said the store would respond in writing to SEAC but that he couldn't comment on the issue.

Whatever the outcome, SEAC and oth-

ers involved are one step closer to achieving their goal, Ruth said.

"I think that the best thing that was achieved already was that we got 513 people to think about it and learn about it," she said. "A lot of people didn't even know what an old-growth forest was or that Home Depot was doing this stuff, so I think that is the biggest accomplishment."

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The tragic death of Matthew Shepard, a gay student at the University of Wyoming, illustrates in an all too graphic way what can happen when bias and hate run unchecked by the power the rest of us have collectively to define the humane values and standards of our community. In that regard, I am concerned that numerous incidents of homophobic and racial and ethnically biased graffiti have been reported by resident assistants in several UMaine residence halls during the first weeks of this semester. I suspect that there are many other unreported incidents of verbal bias against gay, lesbian and bisexual students and others who are in some respect "different" from the majority. This University must be a place where everyone can feel totally safe and can come together in a community defined by civility and respectful tolerance for different ideas, backgrounds, orientations, and cultures.

Other UMaine administrators join me in condemning not only the violence that led to Matthew's death in Wyoming, but also the unacceptable ignorance and bias that have been too frequently evident on our own campus. This University will continue to enforce our policies and support the rights of all students, faculty, and staff.

Peter S. Hoff
President

Please join the University community for a
Memorial Observance in
Bangor Lounge of the Memorial Union
at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16

Police Report

• After pulling Brian Savage, 20, over for a traffic violation at 2:10 a.m., an officer noticed Savage attempting to conceal an item. After investigation Savage was summoned for possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Members of Chi Omega reported a strange vehicle on their front lawn at 12:17 a.m. Saturday. The car's lights were on, but the vehicle was not running and the key was in the ignition. The vehicle was towed.

• Upon returning to her unlocked room Saturday, a female Penobscot Hall resident found a man between the ages of 65-70. The woman and the man had a conversation in which he said he had just come from the football game and he had lived in the room when he attended the university. The man left without any problems.

• Casey Belanger, 20, was arrested at 1:57 a.m. Friday on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia after officers investigated a report of the smell of marijuana in a Knox Hall dorm room. A bong and pipe were found in Belanger's possession. Two other students in the room were referred to Judicial Affairs.

• Mark Feith, 20, was summoned for doing 59 mph in a 35 mph after he was pulled over on Rangely Road Saturday. Feith was also arrested on charges of possessing a fraudulently altered drivers license and summoned for failure to display a valid inspection sticker.

• Two female residents of Gannett Hall returned to their unlocked room

after taking showers at 8:15 p.m. Friday. When they were changing both girls noticed the peephole in the door was missing. Another person who was in the hallway of the girls' dormitory room saw a male, who was short and small in build looking into the women's room. The male could not be found after the women reported the incident.

• A window worth \$400 was stolen from the Wood Composite building between Saturday and Monday.

• A female flagged down an officer on patrol Monday at 10:20 p.m. to report two male juveniles in the Orchard parking lot trying to get into a car that wasn't theirs. The two subjects were found, but officers were unable to find any vehicles that had been entered or any property missing. The juveniles were released to their parents.

• A male student who was taking sandwiches from York Commons without paying for them was referred to Judicial Affairs at 1:20 p.m. Wednesday.

By Kristen Dobler
Maine Campus staff



Wicks

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and encouraging comments gave her the confidence to contribute to the discussion.

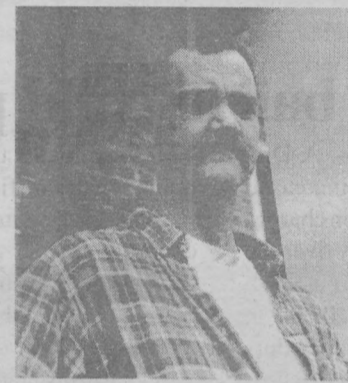
"He gave me, a young girl from Houlton, Maine, the confidence to contribute when I was feeling like a little fish in a suddenly bigger pond," Eyerer said. "It was a turning point for me that left me with the seed of desire to teach at the college level."

Wicks' family has requested that contributions made in his honor be used for a book fund.

"He was a passionate reader and the best we can do to honor his memory is to read, evaluate and assimilate into ourselves the values, talents and compassion that he offered his colleagues and students," Eilers said.

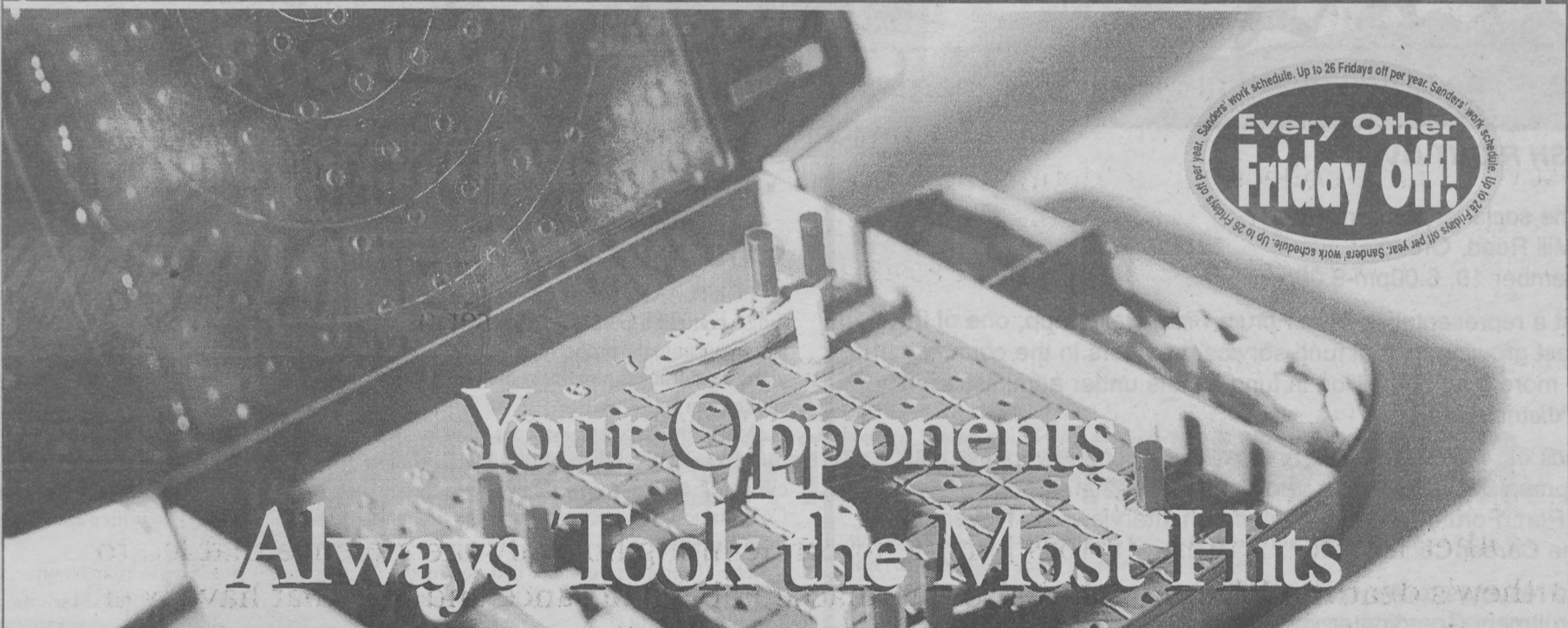
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Biology

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issues.

"It will be a terminal course in biology. We will cover issues that relate to the human population growth, protecting endangered species, politics of biodiversity, impact of human pollutants, risk perception and geology of the earth," Groden said.

In BIO 110, students will be encouraged to apply scientific method and critical thinking. For example, they will be involved in creationism versus evolution debate, Groden said.

Even though all students are welcomed to take the new biology course it will be more relevant to non-science majors, Groden said.

"If you are a biology major you will have to take BIO 100 or you will have to take an advanced exam to show that you have enough knowledge in biology to satisfy requirements for other biology courses," Dowse said.

"I had no choice to take nonmajor biology courses," said business major Ian Perry. "I would have taken BIO 110."

BIO 110 will fulfill two requirements for population and environment, Dowse said.

Students will be reading materials from scientific journals along with the textbooks.

"Since this course will cover few areas in biology, we have developed a 'custom book,' a collection of chapters from different books and articles from different sources," Groden said.

The core of the course will be in a lab, Dowse said.

"Student will not be discussing reading assignments in lecture parts of the class, they will discuss them in lab sections," Groden said.

Students will apply some concepts to research techniques.

"When we will be talking about ecology we will go to ponds and streams," Groden said. "Students will be able to look at results and discuss issues on how to preserve species," she said.

BIO 110 has been in development since last year and received some funding from the university and the biology department. Dowse said he also received a National Science Foundation fund to set up new lab equipment for students to use, Groden said.

"I hope students will consider this class because it is more relevant than BIO 100," Groden said.

• Crime

Judge boosts bail in child porn case

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — A District Court judge on Thursday increased the bail for two roommates jailed on charges of distributing child pornography over the Internet.

Bond was increased from \$10,000 in property to \$20,000, or \$5,000 cash, during the initial court appearance of Michael Weeks and Dale Martin, who remained jail Thursday evening.

The Portland men were charged with

47 felony counts that each carry a maximum penalty of five years in prison.

And prosecutors were considering charging the pair with misdemeanors for each of the 975 pornographic images depicting children that were retrieved from the hard drive of their computer.

Local investigators planned to share their information with federal prosecutors because the case involves residents of other states and other countries, officials said.



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LEGAL affairs

BY TED CURTIS

Homecoming gives us all occasion to reflect on the significance of those who have gone before us. Let me describe one of the most satisfying legal cases from my decades of practicing law. Although my client was not a student at the time I knew him, many Maine students have and will continue to benefit from my client's love of the University of Maine.

The names of philanthropists Harold Alford, Tom Sawyer and Stephen King are well-known on the Orono campus. Some faculty and staff, but few students, know the name of Harold Kimball. Harold was from a large family in Auburn. His dad earned \$14 per week in a cotton mill. Harold worked all of his life. When his father died, Harold earned a dollar a day and gave his mother \$3 a week for board. He marched through St. Mihiel and the Meuse Argonne with the U.S. Expeditionary Force in the "Great War."

When Harold returned from Europe, his mother urged him to go to college, but Harold did not think he would be accepted in an academic program after the interruption of the war years to his formal education. His mother sent for an application to the University of Maine, secretly completed it and forged Harold's signature. Harold was accepted, studied agriculture and graduated in 1929, staying on for 35 years to manage the poultry operation for the agriculture department. Harold never married. After age forced his retirement from the university, he stayed in Orono. In his retirement years, he was the janitor at the old Birch Street School and at the Church of Universal Fellowship on Main Street. Harold had a small apartment on Bennoch Road and rode the bus to the university where he took his lunch at York Commons. Harold enjoyed being around students.

Harold always looked a little decrepit, but

he was happy. He wore clothes from the local rummage sales, at least they looked that way. Whenever there was a church supper and the donation basket was being passed, one of the other church members would always say, "Don't charge Harold here is money for him."

After checking with Brownie Schrupp and Paul Harris to confirm that I was an honest lawyer, Harold entrusted me with drafting his will. I became one of the few people who knew that Harold had financial resources well beyond his appearance. He would come to see me once a year to check on his "estate plan," which was really a testament to his love of his fellow man. When he died 10 years ago at age 93, Harold had a very substantial estate and no living relatives. He had invested in AT&T stock in the 1930s. The stock had split many times, and new companies were created. Harold left large sums of money to two different churches in Orono (Harold was not one to choose favorites) and to the Orono Volunteer Rescue Squad to help finance training of Emergency Medical Technicians and to help purchase a modern ambulance. The bequest for the University of Maine was an endowment to the University of Maine Foundation, which has been wisely invested so that the initial \$94,000 principal now has grown to \$183,328. In addition, the income has been used to assist many agricultural science undergraduate students, with a preference to "students with a farm background who have demonstrated initiative in financing their education."

The University of Maine is a community of people who love our state and its students. The stories of the people who came before us are fascinating. My old client Harold Kimball provides my favorite story.

• State News

Court grants access to private property

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — A federal judge granted a petition Thursday to allow surveyors onto the property of 10 landowners along a natural gas pipeline route, a company spokesman said.

Maritimes & Northeast went to court so it can complete the survey for the pipeline route chosen by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, said spokesman Brian Prenda from Boston.

The 10 property owners had declined to grant written permission for their land to be surveyed, he said.

U.S. District Judge D. Brock Hornby granted the injunction to give surveyors access to the land. The survey has nothing to do with easements, which must be negotiated by the pipeline and landowners.

The decision came a day after Maine's Board of Environmental Protection approved the 200-mile pipeline from Baileyville to Westbrook. Also included in the decision was 150 miles of spurs.

However, the board did not have the last word. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which earlier gave its go-ahead on a

northern route, is being asked to reconsider.

For now, Maritimes & Northeast is proceeding under the assumption it will be allowed to proceed.

The landowners are opposed to the pipeline route through Richmond and other towns. The group 'No New Corridors' wants the company to utilize existing utility rights of way.

Charles Harvey, a Portland lawyer, said the landowners group felt Maritimes & Northeast ought to wait to see if FERC acts on a petition for reconsideration before seeking to survey the properties.

Bruce Reeves, husband of No New Corridors spokeswoman Polly Reeves, said the landowners will continue to fight for the alternate route.

"We haven't really started the fight," he said.

Altogether, the pipeline would run 600 miles from natural gas fields off Sable Island, Nova Scotia, through Maine and into Massachusetts, where it would connect to the regional natural gas grid.

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State News

• Crime

Mother jailed for hiding infant's body in trailer

MACHIAS, Maine (AP) — A 27-year-old woman who authorities said helped her husband hide the body of her infant daughter in the couple's Calais trailer has been sentenced to serve 11 months in jail.

Denise St. Yves originally faced a felony charge of hindering apprehension or prosecution. On Wednesday, the state declared its willingness to reduce the felony charge to a misdemeanor.

Denise St. Yves has been held in the Washington County Jail since Feb. 27, one day after Calais Police Chief Michael Milburn found the remains of 4-week-old Faith St. Yves in a cardboard box.

The baby had been dead for 20 days when police entered the trailer with a search warrant.

The child's father, 35-year-old Thomas St. Yves, has been held at the Washington County Jail awaiting trial on charges of manslaughter and abuse of a corpse.

Superior Court Justice Andrew Mead, handing down the sentence Wednesday in Washington County Superior Court, said he was struck by the way the child's body was handled.

"That she was packed in with so much trash shocks both the sensibility and the imagination," the judge said.

At the same time, Mead declined to add a term of probation for Denise St. Yves to the sentence.

"It is unlikely these actions would occur again. She's visibly upset here today. This has changed her, hopefully for the better," Mead said.

The defendant did not address the court, but sat crying as her lawyer, David Mitchell, argued for a lesser sentence of time already served.

State prosecutor Lisa Marchese said the infant "had little chance from the time she left the hospital" and faulted the mother for her treatment of the child.

• Crime

Sanford man pleads guilty to second killing

ROCKLAND, Maine (AP) — A Sanford man who pleaded guilty to killing his stepdaughter and former landlady during a rampage in Augusta pleaded guilty Thursday to six additional York County charges.

John L'Heureux pleaded guilty in Knox County Superior Court to attempted murder, burglary, theft, two counts of arson and possession of a firearm by a felon. No sentencing date was set.

L'Heureux, 28, was arrested July 15 after shooting out the window of a Maine State Police cruiser in Shapleigh and then stepping out of the woods to ask police if they were looking for him.

He pleaded guilty last month to the murder of his 16-year-old stepdaughter, Kristen Smith of Augusta, whose partially clad body was discovered in a shallow grave.

He also admitted murdering his former

landlady, Mary Turner, 87, of Augusta, by beating her with a vacuum cleaner, stepping on her throat and setting her house ablaze.

After the Augusta killings, L'Heureux headed to York County, where he was accused of setting two fires.

Police were investigating the fires when L'Heureux fired into the rear window of the state police cruiser.



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National News

• Economics

Fed cuts interest rates, Dow jumps

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Reserve cut short-term interest rates by a quarter percentage point today, citing "growing caution by lenders and unsettled conditions in financial markets."

The cut made a ho-hum rally on Wall Street explosive. The Dow Jones average of industrial stocks had been up about 100 points before the announcement and closed 331 points higher at 8,299, its best finish since Aug. 26.

In recent years, it has been extremely rare for the Federal Reserve to change interest rates in between its eight regularly scheduled policy-setting meetings. The last such move came in 1994.

The fact that it did again is a clear sign of growing concern about the economy. "This means that Alan Greenspan is legitimately worried," said economist Larry Chimerine of the Economic Strategy Institute.

"He realizes that not only is there going to be a huge drag on trade from what is happening in Asia, but he is now seeing consumer confidence start to slip. If we start to see consumers retrench, we will be in a recession."

The Fed cut the overnight rate on loans between banks, the federal funds rate, to 5 percent. It cut the discount rate on its own loans to banks, also by a quarter point, to 4.75 percent.

The cut is the second during the past

three weeks. The central bank cut rates for the first time in nearly three years on Sept. 29, also by a quarter point.

In a statement, the Fed said cautious lending and market turmoil "are likely to be restraining aggregate demand in the future."

"Against this backdrop, further easing of the stance of monetary policy was judged to be warranted to sustain economic growth in the context of contained inflation," it said.

Economists are forecasting that the robust economic growth of nearly 4 percent, enjoyed by Americans during 1996, 1997

and the early part of this year, would lapse to about half that. A few are predicting that the economy will lapse into recession.

On Sept. 29, in cutting the overnight bank rate, the Fed had left its discount rate unchanged. Today's cut was the first change since January 1996 in that rate and the first cut since February 1995.

The latest action came a week after Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan spoke of a "fear-induced psychological response" in financial markets and said that "this is a time for monetary policy to be especially alert."

• American Indians

Tribe resumes whale hunt

NEAH BAY, Wash. (AP) — With their canoe hidden away for fear of sabotage by environmentalists, the Makah Indians have been watching and waiting for two weeks for the right moment to set out on their first whale hunt since the 1920s.

The Indians are waiting for more migrating gray whales to arrive before setting out on the dangerous hunt for one of the animals. The migration peaks later in

the fall, but the weather worsens then as well.

The Makah are trying to revive a 2,000-year-old tradition that died out when world demand for whale oil brought the animals to the brink of extinction.

No one alive among the Makah has ever hunted whale, and many have never tasted whale meat, but the animal plays a large role in their culture, and they have heard songs and stories about whaling all their lives.

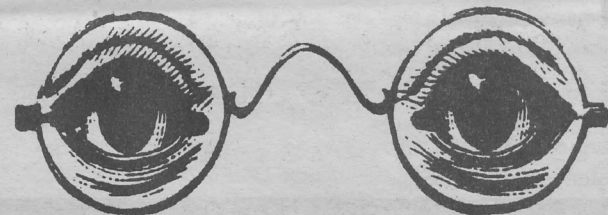
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Wednesday

12:15-1:30pm... From Jane Collective to RU-486: The Context for Abortion. Speaker/Activist Peaches Bass (Bangor Lounge)

7-9pm... Peaches Bass: Jane Video & Discussion. Hear from and talk with Peaches, a woman who played a part in the underground abortion networking before abortion was made legal (Damn Yankee)

Thursday

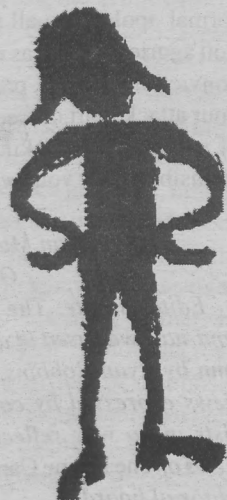
10-3pm... Info Table in the Union

12:30-2pm... Diversity Perspectives. Join women who will share their perspectives and celebrate their diversity (Totman Lounge, Union)

4:30pm... RALLY on the Library Steps. Come to listen or Participate.

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EDITORIAL

Impeachment interest wanes

The *Maine Campus* has not taken a stand on the potential for Clinton impeachment proceedings – perhaps because we, like a majority of the American public, have tired of the matter.

The judiciary committee, under chairman Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., will convene next week to discuss impeaching Clinton. This forcible removal of a president from office is so grave a matter that the constitutional power of impeachment has never been fully tapped.

The allegations of perjury being made against Clinton deserve attention. But as the circular debate rages in Washington, staunch party lines and shady politicking are strangling justice.

Republicans have scrutinized every word, probably every comma, of the infamous Starr report and are pushing Hyde and the committee to broaden their inquiry to include Whitewater and Clinton's purported relations with other women.

Democrats have given the tome a passing glance but have placed priority on its author rather than its contents. By taking an offensive stance, Clinton's loyal supporters hope to destroy Starr's few remaining scraps of credibility and change the focus of committee investigations from Clinton to the independent prosecutor.

Hyde has pledged to trim back allegations as necessary, to permit complete investigation by the year's end and allow impeachment hearings to take place in 1999. We applaud Hyde's nonpartisan stance, but are left wondering whether impeachment hearings concurrent with presidential primaries are truly in the best interest of the nation.

Perjury allegations against Clinton should be dealt with exclusively and quickly when the judiciary committee convenes. If the committee finds that Clinton did indeed lie under oath, they ought to move for censure rather than wasting the country's time and money with an impeachment process that is likely to drag on beyond Clinton's term. Such a proceeding would do irreparable harm to vice president Al Gore, and could bias the outcome of countless house and Senate races.

The committee could force Clinton to issue an international public apology, send him home to Arkansas without his pension or make him do community service, but impeachment is unnecessary and would only be detrimental to the American political process. The judiciary committee should think long and hard before subjecting the nation to three more years of Clinton v. Starr.

Prison shouldn't be a free ride

Now, convicted criminals who are sentenced to prison terms may have to pay more than just wasted time when living behind bars. A nationwide movement is in place to charge prison inmates for the costs associated with their upkeep: their meals, laundry, electricity and even medical costs.

A survey conducted recently by the National Prison Project of the American Civil Liberties Union showed that such fees were currently in place in 21 states, which begs a question: What is wrong with the other 29?

Phoenix Sheriff Joe Arpio, who has been both criticized and applauded for being considered one of the country's more hard-lined law officials, is urging other states to follow the precedent that Arizona is setting.

And he isn't alone, nor is he the first. In 1985, Macomb County, Mich., implemented a "user fee," which charged inmates upward of \$56 a day.

Prison rights activists are condemning the measure calling the fees an indirect punishment on the inmates' families, which could create financial problems for many involved.

But, as Arpio says, "They should not like jail and paying for it helps that."

When a person commits a crime and is sentenced by a court of law to serve jail time, there are certain measures that should be installed – like the elimination of the notion of living on a free ride.

What prison rights activists fail to understand is that jail time is not supposed to be the equivalent to living in an upper-class country club. People are sent to prisons for reasons – and should pay for it in every way possible. The idea, which proponents of the dollars-for-detention say will also be cost-effective in the long run, should serve more as a deterrent to committing crimes. In extenuating circumstances, where someone is wrongfully imprisoned and later proves it in a court of law, reimbursement should be applicable to the situation.

But for those who are punished in a court of law for committing crimes, the more miserable the experience, the less likely it is that they'll be back.

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• Letters to the editor

• Agenda of truth

To the editor:

This is in response to Michael Hussey's letter to the editor in the Oct. 7 *Maine Campus*. I should conserve space since, as my roommate commented, my horoscope made more sense. When I first read the letter, I thought perhaps that Mr. Hussey believed that there was little intellectual involvement on campus and wanted to write something teeming with insult and inaccuracy in order to get us riled up.

Skipping some of the blatant ignorance, such as Native Americans being an unequal society and Westerners being the premier non-discriminatory thinkers, I'd like to touch on some of his historical errors that truly cheapen his credibility. First of all, Mr. Hussey celebrates Columbus for bringing the Americas Western thinking, such as rationality, personal sovereignty, and science. I assume he is referring to the hallmarks of the Enlightenment, a period 200 years after Columbus discovered the Americas. Secondly – and I may be displaying my own ignorance here – who is Harry Biswanger, the philosopher whom Mr. Hussey quoted? I've never heard of him, neither has the Library of Congress, nor any sources on the Internet. I hope that was just a typo, otherwise I'd be inclined to believe Mr. Hussey was quoting the pizza delivery boy. In which case, he could have just said so.

As a member of one of the youngest countries in the youngest civilization, I do not regard other cultures as morally inferior. Our society was and still is influenced by all cultures – past and present, forgotten and thriving. America was designed to be a refuge to the persecuted. To be an American you are not asked to forget your heritage. If some people use their background for personal strength and identity, that is no more my place to criticize than people's choices of religions. I don't know why Mr. Hussey sees ethnicity as such a threat. As far as it being a new political ploy, "It may not be wrong to offer new ideas when the old traditions are apt to lead men into mistakes" (John Locke).

Perhaps Mr. Hussey will see me as not an individual voice and mind, but a cog of one of his "collectivist-socialist organizations." Bleeding-heart seems to come mind, or will he notice my gender and pass me off as another of those

wacky feminists? Unfortunately, being accused of having an agenda seems to be a hackneyed risk to voicing an opinion.

Laurel Regan
York Village

• Hussey way off

To the editor:

This is a reaction to Michael Hussey's letter in the Oct. 7 issue of *The Maine Campus*. Mr. Hussey made some rash assertions about the nature of Western society. There is no reason to believe that Columbus or any other European possessed "rational" values. Rationalism was a product of the Enlightenment, a predominantly 18th century set of values. The first European colonists in the Americas arrived centuries before Rousseau, Locke and Voltaire were even born, let alone Adam Smith. A close look at Jamestown and Plymouth Plantation does not reveal any overt signs of reason, science or self-reliance. Indeed, both colonies were heavily reliant on the food Indians supplied. Mr. Hussey may be correct that "Western values are the only non-discriminatory values known to man." However, Jamestown's settlers were so non-discriminatory that they occasionally practiced cannibalism. One Plymouth man was discovered having sex with a sow. If these non-discriminatory values are the ones Mr. Hussey celebrates, then hurrah for discrimination.

The final irony of Mr. Hussey's letter is that he views Indian cultures as being weak. Yet these same people have resisted the "superior" values of the West for 500 years – and continue to do so. In fact, Indian culture seems to be doing so well that it is producing a most irrational reaction in Mr. Hussey: fear. Somebody more confident with the superiority of Western values would not have to write a diatribe against other societies. It would seem that what Mr. Hussey truly fears is that Western society (not Indian culture) has become "dominated by fatalism, passivity, superstition, and magic." Is Mr. Hussey afraid that Western civilization will be as cruelly dealt with as American Indian culture? If so, his views are justified, for that

would be a cruel fate indeed.

Joshua M. Smith
Estabrooke Hall

• Responsibility

To the editor,

Two weeks ago, *The Maine Campus* published a trilogy of pieces on the First Amendment and FirstClass. One budding journalist decried the efforts of the Student Women's Association to have Mr. Jeremy Radlow censored because of a parody he posted in the First Class Humor Folder. Mr. Radlow offered a piece on his version of the events and your editorial lambasted the administration for denying Mr. Radlow his First Amendment rights. You printed all of these articles even though the administration and the SWA insisted that they had never sought to have Mr. Radlow's privileges taken away.

Lo and behold, two days later Mr. Radlow posted a message saying that, indeed, he had not been censored for his parody. Instead, he lost his privileges because he sent a dozen messages to the administrator within a few minutes of each other. He accepted responsibility for the resulting media frenzy over the whole censorship issue. *The Maine Campus* coverage of this revelation? "Suspended user regains privileges."

The members of the SWA and administration sought to educate people on material that they felt was offensive or even dangerous to the climate of our community. For their trouble, your paper raked them over the coals, even going so far as using the highly unnecessary term "femi-nazi." Perhaps next time you will take the time to get all sides of a story instead of relying on the press releases of the accused. In the meantime, the least your editorial board could do would be to offer a formal apology to all those you aggrieved with as much conviction as you pressed your attack. Part of freedom of speech means taking responsibility for your words.

Sean Murphy
Orono

Editor's note: The term femi-nazi was used in a column by Ryan Robbins. The views expressed by columnists in no way reflect the views of The Maine Campus editorial board.

OP/ED

• Letters to the editor (continued)

• UMaine a true gem

To the editor:

The University of Maine has really begun to put Maine on the map. They gave us another reason to be proud last week when they hosted the first FERCO International Conference on Climate and Culture in 3000 B.C. Maine professors Dan Sandweiss and Kirk Maasch are to be commended for organizing this prestigious conference, which examined how weather changes thousands of years ago influenced the cultures that developed on the earth.

Famed Norwegian scientist Thor Heyerdahl chose UMaine as the site for the prestigious conference, which attracted scientists from around the world. Heyerdahl praised UMaine for encouraging scientists from different disciplines to work together. The distinguished participants concluded their discussions Sunday and began work

on a book reflecting the knowledge shared during their meetings in Orono.

UMaine is truly a "gem" — a small land-grant university where students learn from dedicated teachers, and even undergraduates have the opportunity to engage in research and share ideas with their professors. UMaine has outstanding faculty in every field, and it deserves increased funding and recognition as Maine's "flagship" campus. I am very proud to represent the University of Maine in the state Senate.

Mary R. Cathcart
State senator, District 7

• A sport with no balls

To the editor:

Once again it seems that the staff of *The Maine Campus* sports pages has decided that it is too much trouble to cover a sport that does not involve a ball or puck. I

guess I can understand not covering two-team indoor track meets or any of the numerous swim meets that occur on this campus each year, but when a national-caliber cross-country meet gets treated to only a "box-score," something is wrong. If I didn't know better I would think that this "story" was taken from the pages of Monday's Bangor Daily News. I have a hard time believing that if three or four teams from the top 25 men's and women's basketball teams came to this campus for a weekend tournament that the *Campus* reporters would simply give us the results of the games. I realize that a story from 1993 might interest some people, but some of the other varsity athletes on this campus would like to have their efforts recognized once in a while as well.

Thanks for your time.

Joseph Moody
York Village

• Chumpin' at the bit

The politics of love

Apparently the notion that sex is part of politics is vastly mistaken. What has happened in the past months has been building for some time. It is the emergence of society's preoccupation with sex. Before I was sexed into this world, there was a candidate who cried on national television. Wimp lost, so they said. What is it like to have your life showboated on a national broadcast? Then there was Gary Hart; I loved that guy. He was modern, he was young, he wasn't Reagan. The pictures of him on a speedboat in Miami with a woman who wasn't his wife made an impact. Imagine that: affairs.

The sanctimony of marriage has taken a serious blow. Not that peo-

ple will say that it is allowed, but it will be excused. The president was forgiven, so shall I be. No. This is not your life on a game show, or a PBS special, this is your life. This type of behavior indicates very little self control. What surprises me is the number of divorces, especially how soon they occur after marriage starts. To hear that a marriage has lasted less than a year is ridiculous. It is as if people can't deal with being alone. Husband? Dog? Cat? Wife? Somehow the Vegas wedding has blanketed the country. The silence of sad hearts is deafening. Marriage doesn't mean the same thing to all people, which could factor into divorce. I think the key factor is communication, however — working through the hardships instead of dashing for a life raft. I can understand how people could grow wearisome of their partner. I can't understand, however, how love dies. It can't. If it were there in the first place, then it would last, right? What has happened to the love in the world? Do I need to point out that love gives life meaning? At some point every day I try to pay tribute to Saint Valentine. Is the love spreading? My favorite part about the University of Maine is the excuse for a bear hug, which should be required of all students and faculty. "Thanks for the exam, professor, how about a hug?"

By Preston
Noon



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In life there are never clear answers, only questions. One that pops up is, what would have happened if this event had occurred to a woman president?

This past July, I attended my grandparents' 50th anniversary; my parents just celebrated their 25th. Continuance is part of commitment and that commitment is gold. I know nothing about di-

orce. I'm glad, really. Divorce for a child has to be the hardest life lesson, except for death, of course. "Your father doesn't want to live here anymore. He is going to move in with his new friend Sharon." That's just plain weird. "They took your father's license because he wouldn't pay for your food." How can that type of reality be good for the development of relational features? Divorced children are no longer a minority. Is respect gone? Divorce is decentralizing the family unit. A few weekends a month do not equate as responsibility. They, in fact, fall far short, leaving a chasm too

deep to patch. It seems that society pressures for marriage. Politicians with cigars are making the plight worse. I would guess that the number of husbands who would die for their wives is low. I'd stop a bullet, let it be known.

When early news surfaced about Clinton, during the primaries, I didn't think he would weather the storm. Every election I can think of has been tainted by sex. Clarence Thomas too slipped under the wire. Maybe there is a story about Morelli? There will always be stories. This world didn't seem to even have harassment until the '90s. Before that, there were just assholes, which they still are, but now they lose their jobs. Office interrelationships are now impossible. I admit, I've been less than gallant on a few occasions. I really have no problem with Clinton's behavior, though there were quite a few bad decisions, most notably Lewinsky. I find it interesting that news of her history has been quieted by the national media. She is characterized as the "poor little intern," which she wasn't.

What does our future hold? I read this week about a wife who implanted her dead husband's seed. That's pretty cool, though strangely twisted. Love is a curious and powerful thing. It accounts for the flutter of heart known by all. There is a movement and that is for love, the mightiest force of all. Maybe Big Brother will listen. Love can save the world if it is given a chance.

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• Guest column

Holocaust ad has been around

By Sharon Nichols

The recent ad that appeared in *The Maine Campus* promoting open debate on the Holocaust is not new. It just takes a little longer for things to reach Maine.

Beginning in the mid-'80s Bradley R. Smith, director of the Committee for Open Debate on the Holocaust, placed and attempted to place blatantly malicious, deceptive ads in college and university newspapers throughout the country. The claims in the ads originate from the Institute for Historical Review, an organization founded in 1979 to deny the reality of the Holocaust. Under the cloak of scholarship, the institute produces and distributes "revolutionist" materials. Smith was the media project director for the institute and became co-director of CODOH in 1987.

The facts of the Holocaust and the mass annihilation of millions of Jews and non-Jews are indisputable historical reality. Smith is part of an organized attempt to deny and whitewash the crimes of the Third Reich. His agenda is largely anti-Semitic, seeking to brand the survivors, the witnesses, the historians, the jurists, and the liberators of concentration camps as liars.

Smith is not a historian, though he has written and published a book describing his doubts about the Holocaust, in which he presents no evidence of his own. Rather, he cites the work of "Holocaust revisionists," a group of supposed scholars who claim their own view of the facts disproves the Nazis' systematic slaughter of European Jews. They would like all of us to

believe that the Holocaust was a hoax. Anyone who doubts the validity of the Holocaust should research the millions of documents, newsreels, and photographs kept by the Nazis.

Alan Dershowitz, professor of law at Harvard Law School, wrote:

"A crackpot named Bradley Smith claims that the Holocaust never happened, that there was no Nazi 'policy to exterminate the Jewish people' and that gas chambers were 'life saving ... fumigation rooms.'"

"Every legitimate historian knows that millions of Jews — infants, grandmothers, men and women — were gathered throughout Nazi-controlled Europe and systematically murdered as part of Hitler's genocidal final solution. Entire Jewish communities and villages were exterminated by machine-gun squads, mobile gas vans and large gas chambers.

"The Holocaust deniers realize that they cannot 'win' the debate during this century. They envision a two-step process: The first is to make the truth of the Holocaust a 'debatable' issue; the second is to 'win' the debate in the next century, when the victims and perpetrators will all be dead ... The Holocaust should be studied in the same way that 'every other historical event' is studied, but no one 'debates' whether there were slaves, because that is not a debatable issue."

In 1980, the Institute for Historical Review offered a \$50,000 reward to anyone who could prove that Jews had been gassed at Auschwitz. Mel Mermelstein, a Holocaust survivor, responded to the challenge and provided the neces-

sary proof. Judge Thomas T. Johnson, Superior Court of the State of California, took judicial notice that "the Holocaust is not reasonably suspect to dispute" and continued that "it is simply a fact" (Mermelstein vs. Institute for Historical Review). The institute failed to comply with its promised terms of a \$50,000 reward.

If the advertising department of *The Maine Campus* refused to run the ads it would have joined other prestigious schools, such as Harvard, Yale, Brown, the University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Southern California. Editors of campus newspapers at Duke University, Cornell University, and Tufts ran the ads providing editorials and a forum for discussion.

There is always concern about the First Amendment guaranteeing freedom of speech. The First Amendment also provides private newspapers the right to publish or decline anything. There is no obligation for any newspapers to print material that is false and misleading. *The Maine Campus* advertising department should revisit their policy on accepting ads.

Sharon Nichols is the executive director of the Holocaust Human Rights Center of Maine.

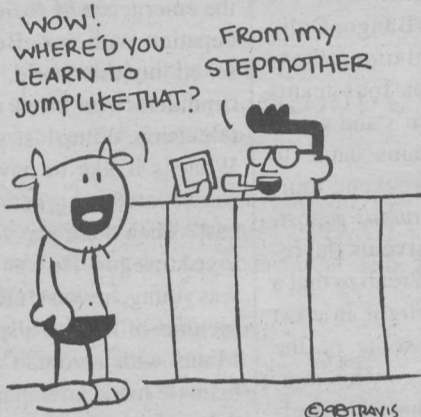
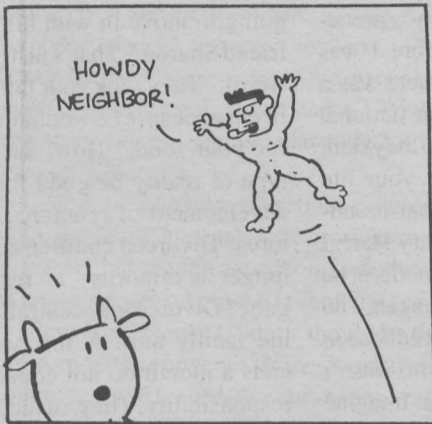
Correction

In the outline of the page 1 photo, "University of Maine Professor dies," the day and place of the memorial service for Ulrich Wicks were incorrectly reported. The service was held Wednesday night at La Beau Funeral Parlor.

ENTERTAINMENT

Mr. GNU

By Travis Dandro



THE LUNAR LOVE REPORT

The weekend begins under some necessary tension with the MOON IN VIRGO, 4th QUARTER as of Friday, October 16. The Moon in Virgo demands perfection. Like the Virgin, the astrological symbol for Virgo, we will feel as if we are better than everyone and tend to pick others apart for their human frailties! Don't be picky this weekend—be selective! Vibrate to the more positive aspect of this Moon by spending your date time appreciating art, music, and literature. Set your standards high without being a snob! This may be a good time to stay home and work on things that you've already begun, PERFECTING them. With everyone around you being so demanding, why bother to knock-yourself-out if you can NEVER be good enough? Work on you, and your stuff. This is THE weekend to tie up loose ends and finish lingering projects. It's also the time when you may be breaking up with or pulling back from your romantic partners. The Moon in 4th quarter is a time of letting go...allowing old things to die in order to make room for new growth! It's an excellent time to stop a bad habit the Universe will be of great help!

The moon enters the partnership sign of LIBRA Saturday, October 17th at 11:02 p.m. People will be pairing up like Noah's animals—don't be left out of the Ark! Plan a late-night get together with someone you already know and would like to know better. The Moon in this sign makes you wish for a partner or buddy to share your life and heart with. It's also the time when we will be seeking to create balance in our lives. We're tired of the rush/run/rush. We want peace, cooperation, and equality. Others will be under this vibration, too, don't forget, so save your ticket for the ego trip until the middle of next week, O.K.? Sunday, October 18 is an especially good day/night to entertain guests. Expect to sparkle in your own Light! People will appreciate your class and talent!

*****SPECIAL NOTE*** DON'T FORGET THAT WHEN THE MOON IS IN YOUR SIGN, YOU ARE AT YOUR VERY BEST!!! ENERGY IS HIGH, YOU'RE LOOKIN' GOOD, AND LUNAR LUCK IS WITH YOU FOR THRU THE ENTIRE TIME!!!**

Tuesday, October 20th is the New Moon. The New Moon is a clean slate; what we begin now will grow all month—be careful what you plant! Make a mental list of those things which you would like to see flourish in your life. Experience the feelings connected with having those wishes granted, then let it go. Have faith that the Divine Forces have heard your voice, and will work swiftly and diligently to bring you what you want! Avoid doing this, or anything else important, between the hours of 10 and 11 a.m., as the Moon is VOC, or void-of-course, at this time. When the Moon is VOC, it's said that "nothing ever comes of it" or that which occurs when the Moon is shifting signs through the heavens above!

The moon is now in watery SCORPIO. 1st Quarter Scorpio Moon is an incredibly fertile time to start new romances, life paths, or habits. There is an intensity in the air that is almost viably Burgundy. Feelings run deep, and a glance is more than a glance—you can bet on it! People feel physically and psychically connected to each other and their own 6th senses. This is a great time to use the power of your mind combined with the senses of your body to interact with your environment! Connect thru the eyes and your heart with the one you love and watch the love flow back to you! Have a wicked and wonderful week!

Love and Light,

Jasmine

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Friday, October 16

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Text-books and teach-yourself manuals can only take you so far: some things you must learn the hard way. The message of your birthday chart is that it is time to roll back your sleeves and get your hands dirty. You may well amaze yourself how much you enjoy it.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): If you have moments of self-doubt over the next 48 hours don't just ignore them and plow ahead regardless: listen to what your instincts are trying to tell you. Almost certainly they are warning you that you have gone too far in one direction. A little more balance is needed in your life.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): You feel there is nothing you cannot do if you really put your mind to it, and no doubt you are right, but it is essential that you be a little more selective. Some things come naturally to you, some things don't. Focus on the right things and half the effort will yield twice the results.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): The truth may hurt but it will hurt even more if you attempt to avoid it. That applies especially to your work and career where you may receive some kind of setback today. It doesn't matter if you have been duped or deceived: what matters is that you learn from the experience.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Your life appears to have become far too complicated in one particular area and it is essential that you simplify things now before they get any worse. Forget about your big ideas for a minute and make sure the little things are working smoothly. It's the details which could trip you up.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): As the Sun, your ruler, aspects Jupiter, planet of excess, over the next few days it is highly unlikely you will be able to control your impulses. But you must be aware that if you overdo it between now and the weekend you will need to give yourself time to recover, so don't plan too far ahead.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): What you learn about other people over the next few days will be priceless. Don't be afraid to stick your neck out and tell influential people what you really think and feel. Whatever their reaction you have the guts and strength to deal with it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): Something in your life is about to change and you may not be entirely happy about it. But a part of you knows it is time to move on and if you can't make the move yourself fate will make it for you. A month from now you will wonder why you ever wanted things to stay the same.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): No matter how self-controlled a Scorpio you happen to be you will go to extremes over the next few days as the Sun squares up to Jupiter, planet of excess and exaggeration. Don't fight it if you feel the need to go over the top: it will do you good to let off a bit of steam.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): Moderation is not a word one usually associates with your birth sign and with Jupiter, your ruler, ignited by the Sun both the good and the bad points of your personality will be highlighted today. But why should you disguise your true nature? Others only disapprove because they're jealous.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): As your reputation is so important to you perhaps you should make an extra special effort today to think before you act. With the Sun squaring up to Jupiter even the most cautious of Capricorns could say or do things which might damage their standing with authority figures. Be careful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Friends and colleagues will do the complete opposite of what you ask of them today, just to irritate you. Now that you know that you can quite easily get them to do your bidding, simply by asking them the opposite of what you want. But don't make it too obvious — they're not entirely stupid.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): However hot it gets over the next few days — and it could reach boiling point very quickly — do not compromise your principles and do not show any sign of weakness. You may not be negotiating from a position of strength but it is strength of character that will win the day for you.

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Saturday, October 17

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: The symbol for your birth sign is The Twins and like The Twins you won't feel complete if you choose to work alone. Partnerships, both personal and professional, are essential to your well-being this year: you will succeed spectacularly if you don't try to do it all yourself.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): You don't have to choose between extremes: in fact you should make a conscious effort to be moderate in everything you do. If you go too far in one direction you are sure to cause resentment which in turn gives those you upset an excuse to go too far in the other direction.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): Some people can be very persuasive, especially when they see an opportunity to move cash from your pocket to their pocket. What you are told today may seem reasonable, even flattering, but there is at least a 50-50 chance you are being set up for a bit of daylight robbery.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): You are entitled to your opinions and you are entitled to express them but you are not entitled to a fair hearing from those whose views are the opposite to your own. You will have to accept that if they don't want to listen to you they don't have to. They are entitled to be intolerant.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Don't go looking for a confrontation today: you might live to regret it. No matter how upset you are at the way you have been treated this is not the time to make a scene. A few days from now the Sun enters your birth sign: then and only then can you start thinking about getting your just desserts.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): Don't get too involved in just one thing today as there are other possibilities you should be considering, especially if you are looking to make some serious money. Something you once had high hopes for has not been successful and this would be a good time to move on to something else.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): It is essential that you live up to your side of an agreement, even if it means you have to work harder than you anticipated. You may be able to cut corners and you may appear to have got away with it but someone will notice and, in the long-term, your reputation will suffer.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): No doubt you think you can come and go as you please and no doubt to a certain extent you can but if you think you don't have to worry about others' feelings then perhaps you should think again. Besides, your chart reveals that your best opportunities are closer to home than you think.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): No other sign has your level of confidence and courage and once the Sun changes signs on the 21st no other sign will even come close. Before then, however, there is an urgent financial matter to be dealt with. But why didn't you have the confidence and courage to deal with it before?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): Don't give up on someone just because you disagree over trivial things. It may not look trivial right at this moment but by the end of the week you will wonder why you ever allowed yourself to get so worked up. Don't do anything you cannot talk your way out of.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): You like to win and more often than not you do but sometimes it's a smart move to let someone else take top spot, if only for a while. Others admire you for your ambitious nature but they will admire you even more today if you stand aside and let an also-ran have their moment of glory.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): First impressions are the most reliable today, so go with your instincts and don't be tempted to change just because you are the only one moving in a certain direction. Maybe it means you are the only one who has made the right decision. It wouldn't be the first time.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Pisces is one of the most trusted signs of the Zodiac: you always give good advice. But if you are not sure what advice to give today you must be honest and say so. No one has the right to expect you to know everything — and it would be foolish to expect it of yourself.

ENTERTAINMENT

FROM THE HOME OFFICE OF BETA THETA PI

TOP TEN REJECTED NICKNAMES/SLOGANS FOR UMAINE

- TOP 10**
10. We bet your museum ain't infested.
 9. Hoffworld
 8. Land of a Thousand Squirrels.
 7. The University formerly ruled by Hutchinson.
 6. That place near where Geddy's used to be.
 5. University of Alfond.
 4. Trust us ... It all doesn't look like Shibles.
 3. Hey, we're not as north as UMFK.
 2. The school that Kassie Stevens built.
 1. No Shirt — No Service. No Shoes — No Problem.

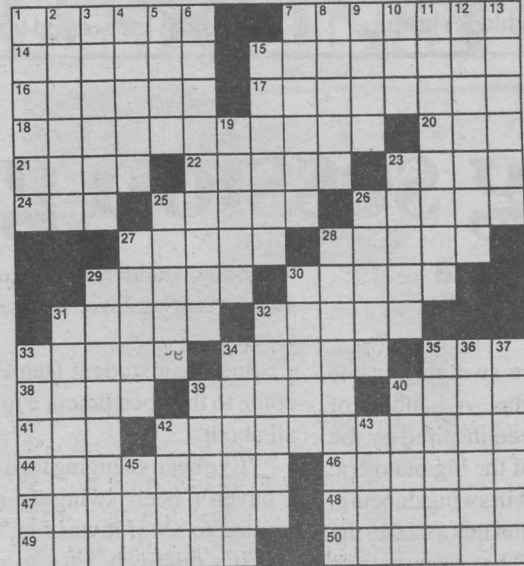
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Puzzle by John Wolting

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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STYLE & THE ARTS



• Lecture

Brother recollects beat poet's life

By Preston Noon
Special to the *Campus*

Let it be known that I was a bit skeptical about the talk given by Gerald Perkoff. Why would I possibly be interested in the brother of some guy?

I'm glad I was in attendance. It was promoted as a Beat talk, covering the writings of this man's dead brother, Stuart Perkoff.

The talk started promptly as scheduled in the reading room of the English department. Gerald was speaking about the book of poetry he has compiled since the death of his brother.

The book titled "Voices of the Lady" has been printed by the National Poetry Foundation, also in Neville Hall.

The most interesting part about this connection is that Allen Ginsburg recommended Stuart to the foundation. This collection of his poetry chronicles the life of a Beat.

Gerald said that Stuart hated the classification as Beat, but lived it none the less. Most of his writing time was spent in New York City where he arrived in the early fifties.

One could see on Gerald's face that he had distanced himself from that lifestyle. Stuart, apparently, was a black sheep.

Stuart did not agree with the war in Vietnam and was arrested for burning

ness. In the late sixties he was jailed for trafficking, a claim he denied.

"the people are here because the machine is hungry
tho they know no more of this than do their guardians
not knowing, they must, as tho they knew
survive. or not survive; it is known some survive."

(The Human Flow)

his draft card in a police station. As an artist he explored the limitations of our reality, within the Beat guise, such as the following, called "The Human Flow:"

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Perkoff's life seemed to reflect his Beat-

The book reads as it is, scattered collections from journals and letters compiled into a book.

Late in the work comes a striking piece entitled "Round about midnight," which is about twenty pages of jive dialog between some hipsters, a dealer and a poet — certainly enlightening with a notion of jazz and sound done up like a master.

What exposure Gerald yielded was the profound effect poetry had on his life.

It was evident that he and Stuart had not

gotten along well for many years. Gerald stated that it wasn't until he was in prison that he became reacquainted with his brother.

Although only four years older he graduated high school when Stuart was in the fifth grade.

They had shared a wonderful childhood together in St. Louis, but the gap was distance. Gerald stated that Stuart began his Bohemian interests as a boy of 13, south of the tracks.

Soon Stuart was in New York with Ginsberg and Gerald was a doctor. The life of brothers cannot be compared.

In the lecture the first poem read was "Suicide Room," which apparently was one of Stuart's earlier pieces.

The poem focuses on the main character's power source, when the world has him beat down, he steps inside his suicide room and emerges clean.

The selections were varied in scope and indicated the evident depth of this great writer.

Gerald read to the attentive bodies of the room for nearly an hour. Overall, it was a splendid reading.

The one thing about the Beats is the sound, and unless you hear it spoken you haven't heard it. This fact could not have been more evident.

• Dancing

Swing session gets you 'In the Mood'

By Elisabeth Gold
Maine Campus staff

Wednesday nights are swinging in the 1944 Hall here on campus. A handful of students have recently been inspired by the fun and musical energy of the big band era.

This emerging interest in swing dancing, the hyper body conversation that awed in the popular film, "Swingers," has sprung up as a separate folder under entertainment in FirstClass, and is currently attracting old and new swingers alike.

About 10 students attended the practice session in the dance hall of the 1944 building. No fancy showoffs, no elaborate dress, just people interested in having a good time.

Once Cherry Poppin' Daddies started blaring, twirls dominoed, and the swinging handholding dancing began. But it is not all in unison.

Couples are doing their own thing, working with each other and learning from one another. The dancing takes innovative turns, sliding on the waxed wooden floor.

But all participants have one thing in common — their smiles.

John Sauter, one of the coordinators of the swing session, welcomes each new participant with a hand leading to the floor:

"We're all here to have fun and teach what we know," Sauter said.

Many students are excited about the swing-dancing fever that has come into the area.

First-year student Dan Fiore decided to come to the open practice to see what it was all about.

"I've been swinging for a couple of years, I haven't been swinging recently, and I wanted to see if it was fun," he said.

"It's relatively easy to pick up the basics," Sauter said. "It's a dance everyone can do."

The steps are relatively easy to learn. It's all about counting and of course, rhythm.

And everyone is included. A yearning but lone swing dancer can come to the session and just start dancing.

Couples are always switching and it's not uncommon to see three or even four people dancing together sharing moves.

Another coordinator of the swing dancers is transfer nursing student Fred Nichols.

"I come because I think it's a good time. It's amazing to see how many people are interested in it."

Nichols began chatting on FirstClass with Erin Kirlahan, a fellow swing enthusiast and decided to see if there was a way to get people together to dance. The 1944 Hall offers use of the dance studio daily by sign-up so they reserved some time and the dancing began.

The core of the swingers also take lessons from a dance instructor in Eddington. The 1944 session is held to explore more steps and styles and share the knowledge the lessons provide.

The swing rage is also hitting outside the University of Maine. The NewMoon Cafe in Bangor offers Friday-night swing dancing

usually with either a D.J. or live band. The Thomas School of Dance holds swing classes every Wednesday evening.

Nichols said he is psyched at the turnout the swing sessions have brought and is optimistic at the growing number.

"And it all started when I was looking for someone to dance with," he said.

• West coast

Alimony, tourism news in CA

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (AP) — The second wife of the late Jerry Garcia has accepted a \$1.5 million settlement from his estate in a dispute over her divorce from the Grateful Dead guitarist.

A judge awarded Carolyn "Mountain Girl" Adams Garcia \$5 million last year in a tiff with wife No. 3 over the amount of her 1993 divorce settlement. The judgment was under appeal when Carolyn Garcia agreed recently to the lesser amount, said Paul Camera, a lawyer for the estate.

Garcia died in 1995 in a drug treatment center. Third wife Deborah Koons Garcia claimed he had been in a drug haze when he agreed to give Carolyn Garcia \$250,000 a year for 20 years.

Garcia's estate is valued at about \$15 million.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — In the 1950s, Beat poet Lawrence Ferlinghetti saw San Francisco as "this far-out city on the left side of the world, a frontier for the free poetic life."

Now he worries the town is being trashed by corporations and tourism.

"All that made this city so unique in the first place seems to be going down the tube at an alarming rate," Ferlinghetti told an audience Tuesday night at his inauguration as the city's first poet laureate. "This past weekend North Beach looked like a theme park, overrun by tourists. Kitsch was king."

Ferlinghetti wants downtown closed to cars, thinks city officials should consider "painting the Golden Gate Bridge golden" and suggests tilting the landmark Coit Tower.

• Furby

Toy shopping just another hype

NEW YORK (AP)—Furby, a gremlin-like interactive plaything, is considered “the hot toy” for Christmas. But WHO, exactly, decided so?

Not the kids.

Publicity campaigns artfully waged by grown-ups play a large role in determining what’s the must-have toy of the season.

“The hot toy is just another term for hyped toy,” said Marianne Szymanski, president of Toy Tips, a Marquette University-based center that does toy research with children. “Parents are buying these toys because someone is telling them to buy it, not because they think it’s the best product for their kids.”

Tina Morales, a mother of two from New York, said: “I hate to admit it, but I do keep my ears open for the popular Christmas toys. So do my friends, and then we compare what we got the kids for Christmas.”

Toy makers don’t just use paid advertising anymore, but also employ intense publicity campaigns. And today’s biggest publicity coup is a spot on one of the morning TV shows or evening news broadcasts. Toy makers know even a brief mention can ignite sales.

“The Rosie O’Donnell Show,” for one, gets a lot of requests from toy makers to appear on the show. Two years ago, Tickle Me Elmo began to sell out of stores after its October appearance on the program and a

November spot on the No. 1 morning show, NBC’s “Today.”

Furby found success in a similar way. In September, Furby got a ringing endorsement from Wired magazine, which picked the creature as the top toy for Christmas based on its own survey of items shown at Toy Fair, the no-kids-allowed trade show held in New York every February.

The 5-inch furry toy speaks its own “furbish” language and sells for an average \$30.

For its official launch on Oct. 2, Furby appeared on national morning TV shows, and its manufacturer, Tiger Electronics, held a media event at FAO Schwarz that attracted everyone from CNN to Entertainment Weekly magazine.

Within days, media outlets nationwide were touting Furby as the “it” toy for Christmas. Few, however, mentioned that Furby was available only at a few stores at the time.

Thanks to the hype, Furby already is the best-selling toy at FAO stores and in its catalog.

“Our job is to make sure that people know the products are out there,” said Marc Rosenberg, a spokesman for Tiger, a division of Hasbro. “But in the end, you can’t fool kids, and kids who have seen Furby absolutely love it.”

Toy makers also rely heavily on toy testing or hire toy “experts” to spread the word about their products. They know that

toy tests, many of which are sponsored by magazines or local media outlets, get great publicity.

But many of these tests don’t use children for their research and require manufacturers to pay entry fees.

“Most of the toy tests are created in false environments. They aren’t real tests,” said Chris Byrne, editor of Playthings Market-Watch, a toy trade publication. “Most look at toys that have been submitted by a publicist. They don’t go out and look at what is on store shelves. They don’t even shop with kids.”

Stevanne Auerbach, who is known as Dr. Toy and is a popular authority on toys, said in the September issue of Playthings magazine, a trade publication, that she doesn’t use children to test toys “because kids love everything. ... I know when I look at a toy whether or not it is something that will really benefit a kid.”

As for the toy “experts,” many are paid by manufacturers or retailers to promote certain toys.

Toy Tips founder Szymanski said Internet toy retailer eToys last year offered her a commission for the sale of any toy that she recommended on the Toy Tips Web site. Phil Polishook, eToys’ vice president of marketing, said the company never offered her commissions.

In the end, of course, parents don’t have to buy into the hype. But every year, many of them resort to guerrilla-shopping tactics to get their hands on the hot toys, sometimes acting just like children, with lots of pushing and shoving.

“To get a Tickle Me Elmo, I went crazy and ended up paying \$200. Now, my son hasn’t looked at the toy in over a year,” said Steve Gold, a father from New York. “But at the time, it seemed important.”

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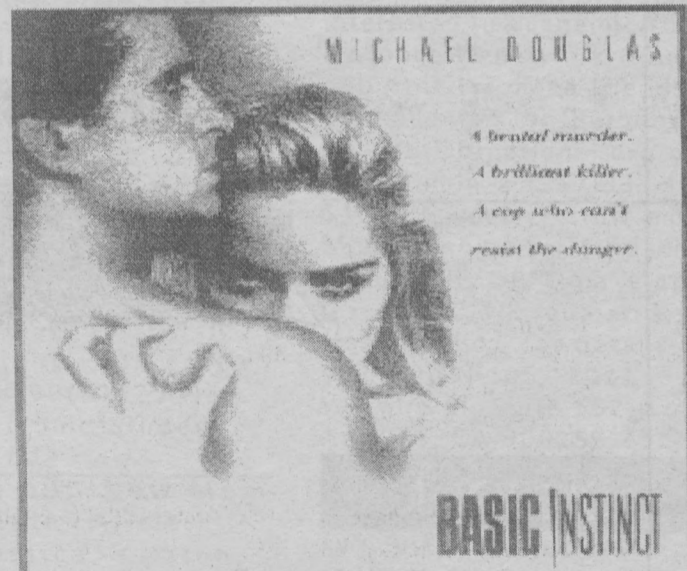
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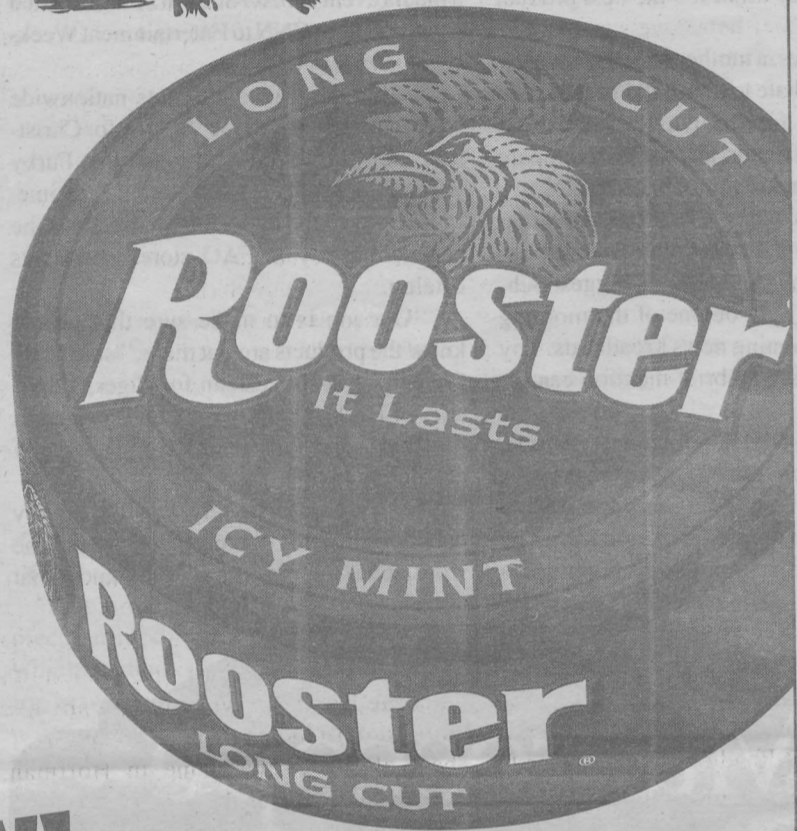
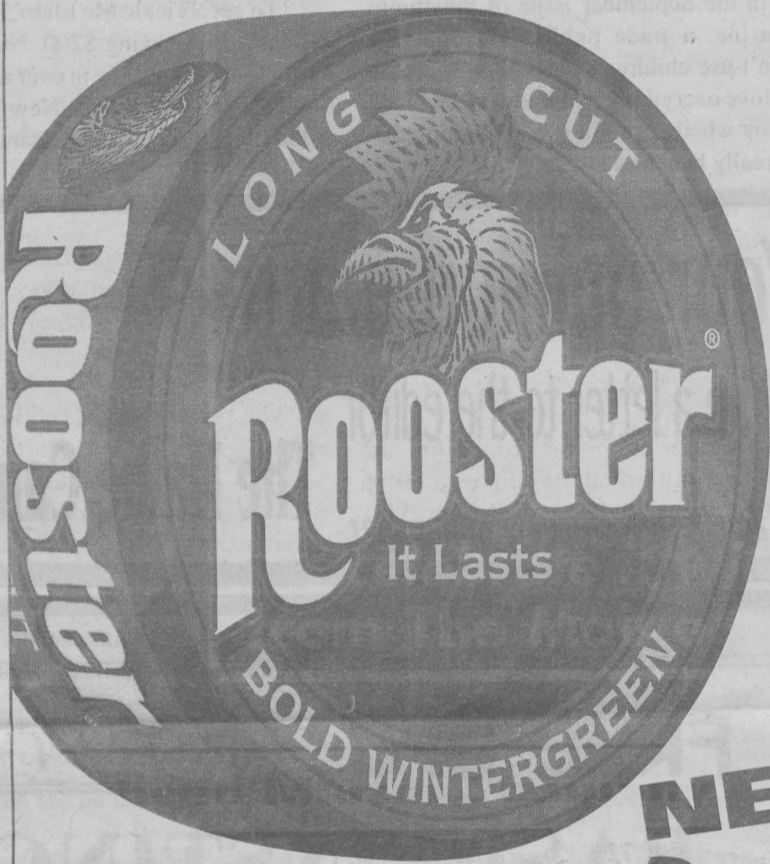
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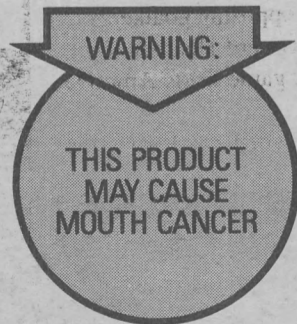
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• The bottom line

What is right

By Josh Nason
Maine Campus staff

I picked up *The Maine Campus* which is apparently the most controversial thing on this campus going right now and saw a column by fellow sports staffer Dave Bailey regarding the 50 worst things about sports.

The only problem I have is that there are a lot of good stories emerging in sports that weren't mentioned. I like UNC merchandise, Terry Bradshaw and the word phat, gosh darn it.

That's beside the point, though. I will now attempt to match Dave's bad with my own good.

Shane Spencer. I like this guy, even though he is a member of the New York Yankees.

Who is he? He is simply the next great Yankee outfielder set to take his place next to Mickey Mantle and Joe DiMaggio in Yankee lore. Well, maybe not yet, but give him time.

Is it just me or did he come out of nowhere? That's because he did. Spencer is a 26-year-old rookie who spent eight years in the minor leagues before getting his cup of coffee in the Bronx.

Part of the beginning of the legend: he bombed three grand slams in nine days and had nine home runs in 33 at-bats. That equals to 136 home runs in 500 at-bats. It's a pretty good guess he won't hit that many next season, but nevertheless, this country boy is here to stay.

From one end of the spectrum to the other, I present Randy Moss, the superstar rookie wideout for the surprisingly good Minnesota Vikings.

Moss' upbringing was probably a lot different than the Shirley, Ark., resident mentioned above. He is 6'5" and 210 pounds of pure athlete, straight from Rand, W. Va.

The Marshall University superstar (168

passes, 53 TDs, 4,528 total all-purpose yards in two seasons) has already caught 22 balls for 463 yards and six TDs, even better than All-Pro teammate Cris Carter.

Not bad for a guy who slipped down to No. 18 in the NFL Draft due to a "troubled past." Seems there was another guy like that who got picked by Tampa Bay and had a pot problem or something. I think his name is Warren Sapp. He turned out all right too if I remember right.

I'm sure teams that passed Moss by (except for New England, because they are perfect, right?) wished they had taken a chance. The Vikings did, and it will pay off as they have the next great wide receiver. Impressive what a few million dollars will do.

Finally, how about dem Padres? Ah yes, the team from San Diego has captured the hearts of America and has truly become the emotional favorite to defeat the evil Yankees for the World Series.

What makes this team so damn attractive to the public? They aren't cocky. They're easily likable. Really, what's not to like about the pudgy Tony Gwynn?

Ken Caminiti, Trevor Hoffman, Steve Finley and the rest of the who's-that-guy crew are what baseball needs right now: a collection of rag-tag talent that come together and get the job done to the tune of 90-something wins.

Of course, having one of the best young staffs in baseball with Cy Young-favorite Kevin Brown, Andy Ashby and Sterling Hitchcock, not to mention the best closer in the game in Hoffman, doesn't hurt either.

There are a lot more good things about sports, but that's enough positives for one issue. We're the *Campus* right? We're supposed to be all negative, all the time. Got to maintain the image, you know?

Soccer

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beat them. We didn't play that badly, but we were just up against a very good team."

Patterson plans on using tactics that will enable his players to make it upfield sooner.

"We're using the logic where the more chances you make, the more likely you are to score," he said. "And to make chances you've got to get people forward."

Maine's players are hopeful the power of positive thinking will do wonders for them this weekend.

"The players are excited," Patterson said. "They want to do well. They know that these two games this weekend are games that they can win, so hopefully they'll come out fired up and ready to play."

Hofstra is led by striker Christa Eidenwell, who has blitzed opposing goalkeepers for nine goals, and forward Heather Kain, whose .73 assists per game leads America East.

Joanne Chillingsworth and Kristine

Winchester have split the goal-keeping duties for the Flying Dutchwomen this season. Chillingsworth is 4-2-2 with a 1.44 goals-against average, while Winchester is 2-2-0, 1.54.

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• Cross country

Seniority paces Maine's attack

By Jay Baltes
Maine Campus staff

The toughest sport one's never seen.

Only those who have thrown themselves into the cross-country fire really know how grueling the sport is on the mind, body and soul.

Five treacherous miles over the hills and through the woods at a pace which most of us couldn't keep up from the refrigerator to the TV.

For the veteran runners on the University of Maine men's cross country team, all guts and no glory are words they live by.

"It's not really a spectator sport," Captain Brian Oickle admits. "It's a sport you do for yourself and your team more than you do for fans."

It can also be a very intimidating sport for incoming freshman. Going from the three-mile high school distance to the five-mile collegiate race can be overwhelming.

"I remember the first practice of our freshman year, me and Brian went on a run we'll never forget," recalled captain Mike Collins. "We both wanted to quit after that run."

Oickle, coming off a state championship in cross country for Freeport High School, didn't show up for the rest of the season.

"It was a big shock," said Oickle. "coming out of high school you think you can handle it until you realize what a big step it is."

Of the Black Bear seniors this year only Collins has been with the team all four years.

"I tried to quit after that first practice but coach [Jim Ballinger] talked me into staying," said Collins. "Moving in with some of the guys on the team made all the difference."

Ballinger had a fistful of quality recruits that year, but getting them to into the line-up

proved difficult. Maine high school stand-outs Tinh Ly, Chris Gamache and Joe Moody elected to wait until indoor track to test their metal. All have since joined the squad, as has Oickle.

"Once we all got comfortable with the program and the coaches things changed," said Ly.

Ly, who was a middle distance state champion with Biddeford High School, said he thinks some of the more track-oriented runners needed to get their feet wet before tackling cross country running.

"For the guys on the distance team like Joe and Chris who had more success in track it's even harder to get into a mindset for five-mile races," said Ly.

"But once you mature into the program and make friendships the benefits of the cross-country season are to good to pass up."

It is these friendships that are perhaps the strongest among college athletics. Their sweat falls on the same trails day after day. Their feet cover the same ground as they chat and laugh about the days events. The nature of the sport provides endless interaction with each other that creates a unique bond.

"We're a close-knit group," said Gamache. "When your shortest trip is a four-hour ride in a van you get to know each other well."

Unfortunately, injuries have hurt the Bears this season. Ly is currently out with mono and Collins is recovering from a stress fracture. Leaving junior Pat Larkin, Gamache, Oickle, and Moody to lead the pack today when they travel to Boston for their last regular season race.

"We know we should be beating a lot of the teams in our conference," said Collins. "There's no luck involved, you either go out hard or you go out easy."

And as they've already learned, there's no such thing as going out easy.



Left to right: Mike Collins, Brian Oickle, Steve Hedlund and Chris Frank. (courtesy photo.)

• Football

Can it afford to lose?

By Bill Stewart
Maine Campus staff

Who will show up this weekend?

That is the question facing the University of Maine football team when the Richmond Spiders crawl into Orono tomorrow afternoon.

The Black Bears, who will conclude a four-game homestand in which they've gone 2-1, are coming off a tough loss to Rhode Island last weekend.

Maine squandered a 14-point half-time lead with Rhode Island kicker Matt Walker punctuating the comeback with a 33-yard field goal with nine seconds remaining in the game to pull the Rams to victory.

"We can't really think about that," Maine linebacker Brent Naccara said. "There just aren't any teams we can take lightly."

"We were in a state of shock," sophomore tailback Ben Christopher said. "It was one we just let slip away."

Maine (4-2, 2-2) is tied with the University of Connecticut (4-1, 1-1) for second place in the Atlantic 10's New England Division. The University of Massachusetts-Amherst (4-1, 2-0) is in control of first place.

The Richmond Spiders, who are off to a modest 4-2 start, enter the contest coming off a 22-13 win over the University of New Hampshire.

"They are 4-2 also and are going to

give us a challenge," Naccara said. "Richmond is a very athletic club and are solid all around."

The Spiders are in second place of the Atlantic 10's Mid-Atlantic Division, a half game behind William & Mary.

Richmond coach Jim Reid, who is a Maine alumnus, was a three-year starter for the Black Bears at safety from 1970-72. Reid has posted a 5-2 mark against Maine since becoming head coach at Richmond.

With two losses in the conference and the postseason looming in the distance, the Black Bears, says Naccara, can ill afford any more conference losses.

"We just can't afford them," Naccara said. "As far as the playoffs, they are in the back of our minds and we just can't afford to lose anymore."

"We know we need to get more physical," Christopher said. "We know we have to win now and we just can't afford to lose."

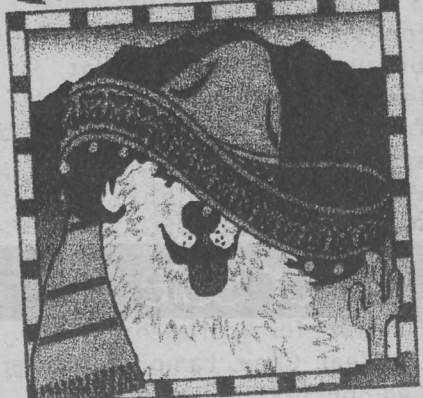
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The Spiders handed Maine one of its worst losses of the season last year when Mat Shannon found Rahmann Sreater for the winning touchdown with 33 seconds left.

Maine hasn't defeated Richmond since Oct. 8, 1994, and the Spiders have won three of the last four games.

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• Field hockey

Maine stumbles to ranked opponents

By Josh Nason
Maine Campus staff

In most cases, a break away from school is an opportunity to relax and have a good time.

For the Maine field hockey team, however, fall break turned out to be a disaster, as the Black Bears lost all three of their games by a combined count of 10-0.

Maine capped their trip by dropping a 5-0 decision to No. 12 James Madison on Wednesday, the second nationally ranked club that has defeated coach Terry Kix's club in the past week.

"We need to regroup and regain the belief and confidence into ourselves," Kix said. "When you have a couple letdowns and get beaten up pretty good, you have to clean the slate and start over."

With the loss, the Bears drop to 8-5 overall and 2-1 in America East and will host rival No. 13 Northeastern University on Sunday at Morse Field. They have also dropped out of the top 20.

A silver lining: Maine has yet to lose at home this season at 7-0.

"Defensively, we didn't take care of the ball coming out of our deep defense. We didn't have that many turnovers or mistakes prior to these competitions," Kix said. "Both American and James Madison forced a lot of turnovers and errors on our part."

Maine will have their chance for redemption against the Huskies, who are ranked for the first time this season.

Overall, NU is 7-6 and also 2-1 in America East, and is coming off a 1-0 win over

Stanford. Historically, they have had the upper hand over Maine, winning last year's contest in Boston 4-0.

If there is an area Kix wants to focus on, it is on freshman goalie Kathleen Madaus, who has been solid in goal with a 1.64 g.a.a. and a save percentage of near 79 percent.

"We need to get our offense back on track and generate some shots, and force their goalkeeper to make some mistakes,"

"We need to regroup and regain the belief and confidence into ourselves. When you have a couple letdowns and get beaten up pretty good, you have to clean the slate and start over."

— UMaine coach Terry Kix

Kix said.

Hilary McHugh and Heidi Benson are the offensive mainstays for the Huskies, as the two have combined for 40 points on 16 goals and eight assists.

The America East race has tightened up with three teams (Maine, New Hampshire and NU) at 2-1. Delaware leads the pack at 3-0 and BU is right behind at 4-1.

Besides Maine-Northeastern, Vermont-New Hampshire and Delaware-Drexel are the only games of significance.

On Wednesday, the most telling statistic from the James Madison game was the

shots on goal, where Maine was held to a season-low of one, while JMU assaulted goalies Cindy Botett and Danielle Burke with 31.

Botett and Burke combined for 14 saves, while Amanda Latz had one save for JMU.

"They were fearless in the circle and had some reverse sweep attempts, where they were actually diving and reverse sweeping the ball toward the net," Kix said. "We just

haven't seen that style of play all year."

The 10-6 Dukers scored three times in a five-minute span in the first half. JMU had five different goal scorers on the afternoon, with Carine van Cleef tallying two assists.

James Madison outcornered Maine 20-1.

On Monday, then-No. 19 American shutout then-No. 16 Maine 2-0 at the University of Maryland's turf field.

Shots-on-goal were again the difference, with the 7-5 Eagles shooting 20 on net to Maine's four.

"American had a few elite players that

just finished well in the circle; great scorers," Kix said.

Sage Asteak and Jhoanna Savino scored goals in the first and second half, respectively, with Ana Pineyro getting the assist.

Botett had nine saves for Maine, while Stacy Thomas recorded her 24th career shutout in 60 starts with five saves.

American won on penalty corners 12-4.

Sunday's contest against the Terriers helped propel BU in to the national spotlight for the first time all season.

In the latest poll, BU was at No. 18, thanks in part to their 3-0 win over the Black Bears.

Candace Lilienfield had two goals in the win to lead the Terriers, who improve to 7-4 overall and more importantly, 4-1 in the conference. Kate Cusick added a late goal, and Samantha Stuart had an assist.

Botett stopped seven of 12 for Maine, with Noreen Flanagan racking up three saves on four shots for BU.

Kix said that they looked at BU as their most important game on the swing and focused their energy into it, but that after BU went up 2-0 less than a minute into the second half, Maine couldn't break the Terrier defense.

"It enabled them to play very defensively against us, and we just couldn't generate any attack after that point," Kix said.

The Roar: Northeastern has played nine top-20 teams this year with a mark of 3-6 ... Boston University is the only other conference team undefeated at home (4-0) ... No longer ranked American plays both BU and Hofstra this weekend.

• Women's Soccer

Still in playoff hunt

By Dave Bailey
Maine Campus staff

With only four teams out of 10 able to qualify for the America East playoffs, the University of Maine women's soccer team hopes to find a pot of postseason gold at the end of the regular-season rainbow.

"The thing about our conference is that there's a lot of parity," Maine coach Dave Patterson said.

Indeed.

The Black Bears (2-7-2, 1-3-0) are tied for sixth in the America East playoff race with three points. Maine is also three points out in the chase for one of the four postseason berths. Only nine points separate the top six teams in the standings.

Maine will attempt to narrow that gap this weekend when conference foes Hofstra (today) and Drexel (Sunday) invade Alumni Field.

New Hampshire and Boston University are perched atop America East with 12 points each.

"There's always a big group [of teams] in the middle, and it usually doesn't get settled until the last weekend [of the season]," Patterson said. "I wouldn't be surprised if that's the same thing this year."

Maine is coming off a tough 3-0 loss to BU Tuesday in which the Terriers ripped off three second-half goals to sink the Bears.

"BU was one of the strongest teams we've played all year," Patterson said.

Playing on AstroTurf for the first time this season also affected Maine's play, according to Patterson.

"[The turf] made it a different game," he said.

"It was a lot of 'same old, same old' where we had some excellent chances and did not execute well.

"It was 0-0 right before halftime. Then they scored three goals in a span of 15 minutes in the second half and the game was over.

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• Men's Hockey

Black Bears open season tonight

By Bill Stewart
Maine Campus staff

It's called a paradox. And the University of Maine men's hockey team is caught in the middle of one.

Last season, as Maine prepared to enter the Hockey East playoffs, it battled a feisty Nebraska-Omaha team to a series split in Orono.

The Black Bears slammed the Maver-

combinations in practice, Walsh settled on some combinations, which he said could change in the coming weeks.

But for opening night in Nebraska, here is what to expect:

Junior goalie Alfie Michaud, who is tagged as a second-semester goalie, will get the nod in net over newcomer Mike Morrison.

Michaud, who both coaches and, teammates say, has had an excellent camp,

"We have to show we can be consistent and this weekend is big because it will give us an idea of where we are. It's a big weekend personally for me because I want to prove I can play here."

- forward Tuomo Jaaskelainen

icks, 11-1, Feb. 27, but followed it up with a lackluster 4-3 loss.

It's so easy to forget. Or is it easy to remember?

"All I remember is that we lost the second game," Black Bear forward Marcus Gustafsson said. "We have a little revenge to take out, although we can't go in there thinking we're just going to get four easy points."

"Revenge isn't a factor," Maine captain Steve Kariya said. "They came in and beat us last year and you have to give them credit."

The No. 6 Black Bears open their season tonight in Nebraska against the Western Collegiate Hockey Association's newest member, the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

The Mavericks, in just their second season, have knocked off a few nationally recognized schools in their brief tenure, including Maine and Denver.

"We need to see where we're at," Maine coach Shawn Walsh said. "I'm much more analytical than anything right now."

Bringing five freshmen on the trip, the Black Bears have juggled their lines and added more depth to a team that finished 17-15-4 last season, 10-11-3 in Hockey East.

Maine lost a chance to go to the NCAA Tournament last season when it lost to Boston College in the Hockey East Championship game in March.

Down the lines

After experimenting with different line

suffered just three losses during the final two months of the regular season last year.

The native of Selkirk, Manitoba posted a 15-12-4 record last year with a 3.14 goals against average.

"Alfie has had just a tremendous camp," said forward Brendan Walsh, who will make his Black Bear debut tonight after transferring from Boston University two years ago. "He is one of the best goalies in Hockey East."

Maine's top scoring line will feature Hobey Baker candidate Kariya, freshman Barrett Heisten and junior forward Cory Larose. Furthermore, Walsh is keeping his veteran line of Jason Vitorino, Jim Leger and Ben Guite in tact.

"It's funny, Cory and I have been here for a while but we never really played together," Kariya said. "He's a great player and Barrett is such a highly-touted recruit. I'm very excited."

"We have to show we can be consistent and this weekend is big because it will give us an idea of where we are," said sophomore forward Tuomo Jaaskelainen, who will skate with Matthias Trattnig and freshman Niko Dimitrakos. "It's a big weekend personally for me because I want to prove I can play here."

The final line consists of Gustafsson, Dan Kerluke and Walsh.



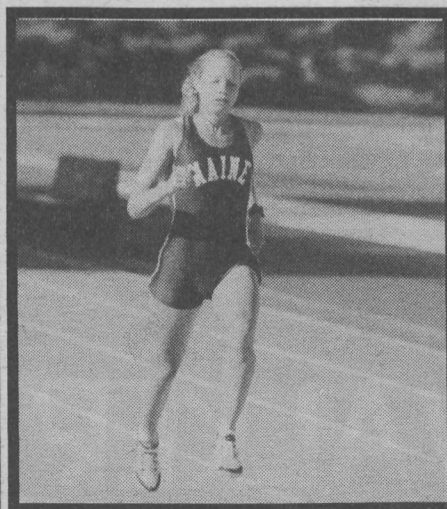
Maine forward Marcus Gustafsson hasn't forgotten about last year's loss to Nebraska-Omaha. (file photo.)

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



VANESSA MCGOWAN

Cross-country star Vanessa McGowan is our Maine Campus Athlete of the Week. The junior finished 14th at the Murray Keatinge invitational last Saturday against competition from UCLA, Arizona, and Iowa. The product of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., has had an outstanding campaign, finishing second at the Towson Invite Sept. 2, while helping Maine to a second-place finish.



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