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Hallucinogens found in Hancock Hall

Federal agents close dorm wing for drug investigation

By Jennifer Gundersen
Assistant News Editor

A University of Maine student is facing state and federal charges after police and federal agents found evidence of hallucinogens in his room in Hancock Hall.

At about midnight Wednesday morning, University of Maine Public Safety began investigating a room on the third floor of Hancock Hall. The investigation led to the award of a search warrant, and the search began at 4 a.m. Wednesday morning, according to the Director of Public Safety Noel March.

"We found evidence that supports the allegations of drug procession and trafficking," March said. "Evidence was found that included possible cultivation and manufacturing of illegal drugs, also."

After an initial search of the room, Public Safety invited

agents from the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency. According to March, the agents were specialists from the Boston office of the DEA who are trained to examine crime scenes for hazardous chemicals and materials.

"These agents are usually brought in when there is evidence of manufacturing," March said.

According to Barbara Smith, the director of Residence Life and Programs, students in the third-floor Stillwater boy's wing of Hancock were asked to stay out of their rooms for several hours Wednesday afternoon while the agents conducted their investigation.

"The wing is taped off as a crime scene while they are removing the matter, so if their is some exposure it won't be to

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CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

Residents stand outside Hancock Hall yesterday afternoon because of a fire alarm unrelated to the drug bust. During the impromptu gathering, the resident director informed them that he couldn't tell them what was going on, but that they would be "amazed by what happened at Hancock Hall today."

Adventure program in flux

Maine Bound founder pushed out of program

By Catie Joyce
Head Copy Editor

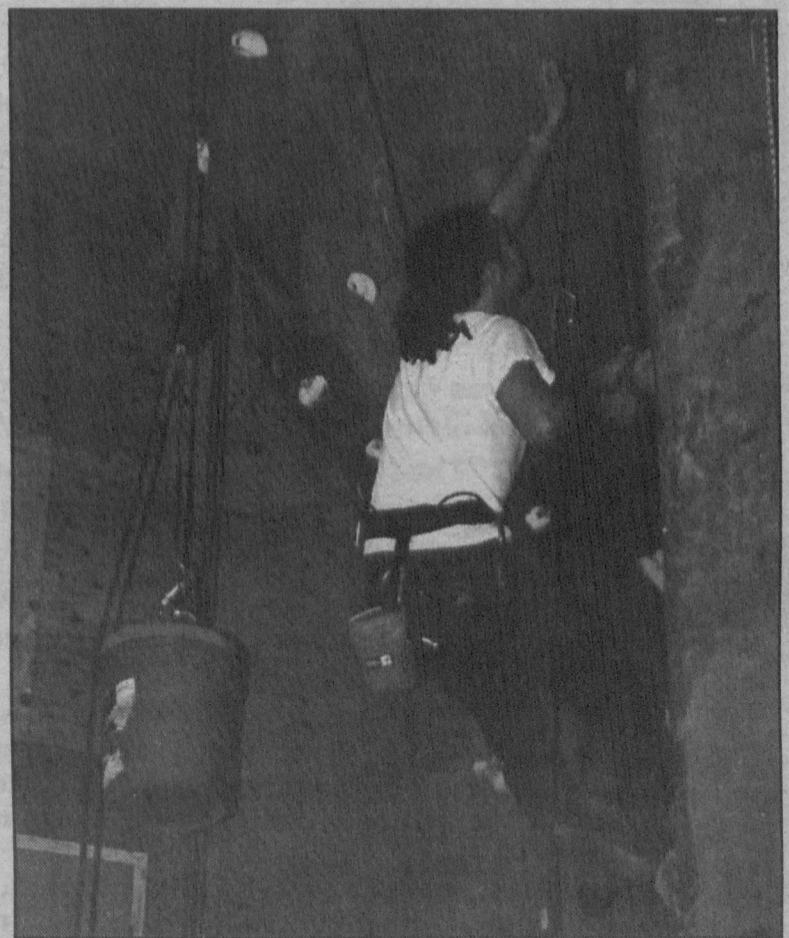
In the 19 years that the University of Maine's Maine Bound program has been in operation, it has seen many changes. Within the past two years, it has faced perhaps its biggest changes, changes that may result in the loss of one of the program's co-founders.

Maine Bound was added to the Recreation Programs Department in the 1999/00 academic year, under the direction of Robert Dana, senior dean of Student and Community Life. This increased the administration's role in the program.

Co-coordinator and co-founder, Jon Tierney, was suspended at the end of last semester for three weeks and is now on a leave of absence from the program, "based on recommendations of a physician," he said. He is currently filing a grievance against the university through the professional employee's union.

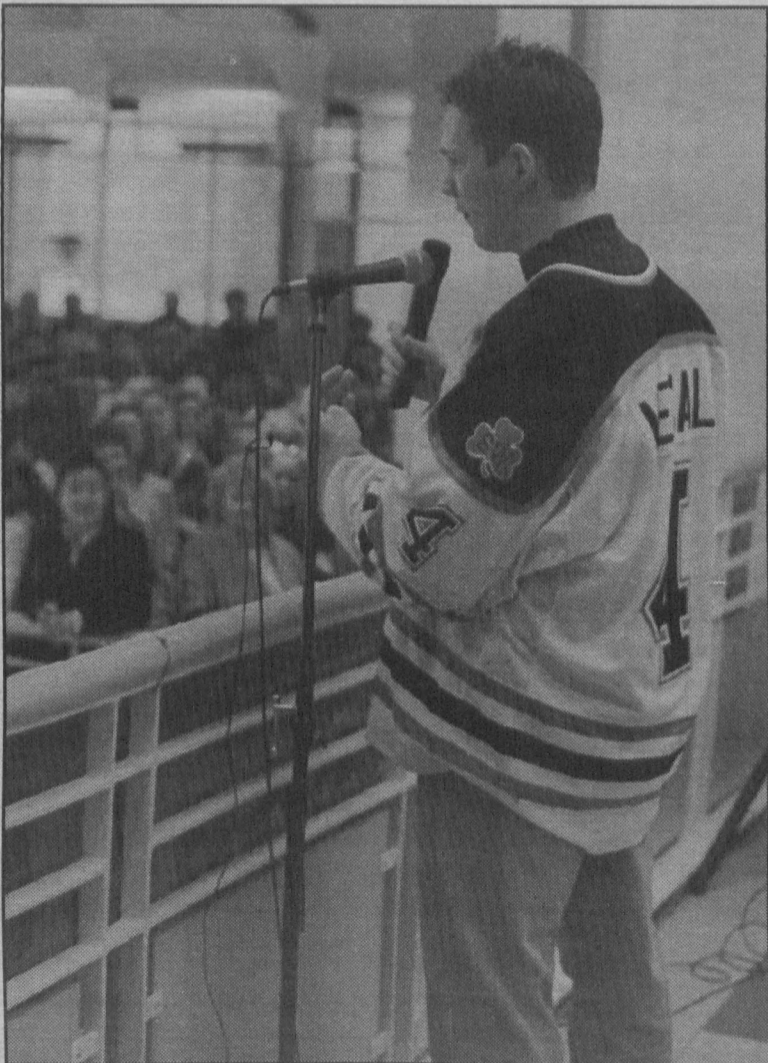
Even without one of the founders, Maine Bound's Adventure Center, a project in the works since 1996, will open this month. Everyone left at Maine

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CAMPUS PHOTO • ANNE SCHMIDT

Curtis Marston, a sophomore on the Maine Bound staff, attaches foot and hand holds to the new climbing wall in Maine Bound's Adventure Center.



CAMPUS PHOTO • HOLLY BARBER

Peter Metcalf shows off his Championship ring from 1999 while going on to explain that he has a finger on the other hand awaiting the 2002 Championship ring; Metcalf will lead his team to the ice in St. Paul on Thursday at 1:30 p.m. See story on page 20.

Police Beat

UMaine
Public Safety

By Kyle Webster
Staff Reporter

A woman was arrested for operating under the influence of alcohol Sunday, March 31, at 3:10 a.m. While patrolling Munson Road, Officer Scott Curtis noticed a red Chevy Lumina go up over the curb at the intersection of Munson Road and Sebago Road. The car then went about 20 feet and stopped in the roadway. Curtis pulled up behind the car, at

which point he noticed one of the passengers vomiting out of an open door. He approached the vehicle and saw two visibly intoxicated passengers and a female driver. The driver, identified as Jennifer Callan, 21, was asked to step out of the car. Following field sobriety testing, it was determined that Callan should not have been driving. She was arrested and transported to Penobscot County Jail.

A man was referred to

Judicial Affairs following an incident in the Baumann-Nelson House of Doris Twitchell Allen Village Saturday, March 30, at 3:10 a.m. A resident reported that a man entered her apartment and then preceded to get into bed with her. She pushed him off and told him he had the wrong room. He apologized and left, leaving his backpack behind. The resident called police who tracked the man down the following day. He admitted to being very intoxicated and was referred to Judicial Affairs for his actions.

A theft was reported at Memorial Union Wednesday, March 27. An employee of the Maine Marketplace reported

that \$200 in cash was taken out of her purse. Her purse was in a room by the loading docks of the Union.

A man was arrested following an incident on Munson Road Wednesday, March 27, at 12:30 a.m. Officers Jeff King and Amy Nickerson responded to a complaint made by a student in Penobscot Hall that two males were trying to sell drugs in the area. A physical description was given and the officers identified two men that fit the description walking on Munson Road. The men were questioned and asked for identification. Both acted very nervous and appeared to have been drinking. They were patted down. A plastic

film container containing a baggie full of marijuana and a white folded paper with a powder, that he claimed to be Oxycontin, but was later shown to possibly be cocaine, were found on one of the men, identified as Shawn Dubois, 20, of Madison. He was also found to have more than \$300 in cash on him. He was arrested and charged with unlawful possession of a schedule drug, illegal possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a usable amount of marijuana and possessing a suspended driver's license. He was transported to Penobscot County Jail. Nothing was found on the second man and he was allowed to leave.

Pride week about acceptance for all

By Kyle Webster
Staff Reporter

Despite the dreary weather that has plagued the University of Maine this week, students have been seeing rainbows all over campus.

Rainbows adorn the sides of buildings and are wrapped around trees along the mall, put up by a team of Wilde Stein members Sunday night in preparation for Pride Week.

Pride Week is one of the biggest events that the Gay Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning group sponsors.

"Pride Week is two things: It is a time for the members of the GLBTQ community to

show pride in themselves and their community. It is also a time for the rest of the community to see what we have to offer," Anastasia Harper, the treasurer of Wilde Stein, said.

Students, whether gay or straight, had varied views to exactly what Pride Week means.

"I see Pride Week as an opportunity to be who you are without being scared of what people will think, regardless of whether that is gay, straight or bisexual," said Rachel Coakley, a first year elementary education major.

"Pride Week recognizes the successes of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender folks, as well as challenges us

to continue making the world a safer and more affirming place for people of all sexual orientations," Matthew B. Small, a senior communication major, said. "UMaine isn't the easiest place to be out, so a celebration of one's identity is important to share with the campus community."

Others students weren't as supportive of the idea.

"I understand it's their right to make their own choices, but I do think it's rather one-sided," Christie Leathers, a junior biology major, said. "I don't understand why we can't have a straight week. Why can't we just celebrate both?"

A screening of the Rocky Horror Picture Show, a student

art presentation called "Diverse Creations II" and a talk given by former major league baseball umpire Dave Pallone started the week.

"So far we are very pleased with how things have gone," Harper said. "The events have had good attendance and have been well received."

More events are planned for the rest of the week. Highlights include a drag show and auction in Minsky at 8 p.m. Thursday night. Elvira Kurt, a comedian from Canada, will perform Friday night, and a dance with a "Heaven and Hell" theme will be held Saturday evening.

"We're looking forward to the rest of the week and expect high showings of people," Harper said. "These are all events that have proved popular in the past and we expect them to continue to be."

Pride Week will be celebrated nationally from June 24 to 30. Most major cities are planning large celebrations that include parades and other festivities. The UMaine community celebrates it in April for a number of reasons.

"Basically we want students to be here," Chernesky said. "The week isn't set in stone and we figured April is an ideal time for it here at UMaine."

The members of the different GLBTQ groups on campus urge everyone to come to any event, reminding people that this week is not merely for GLBTQ people.

"We really hope to have a large show of support from both sides, not just the GLBTQ community," Chernesky said. "This week isn't just about the gay community, it's also about our community as a whole."

Career Opportunity Posted March 20, 2002



The Region III Children's Cabinet, a collaboration of representatives from the five child serving agencies in Maine, is currently recruiting for two AmeriCorps VISTA Volunteers for 2002-2003. These individuals will work within Northern and Downeast Maine, maintaining and expanding a public relations campaign, working with communities to deliver social services, and tracking and reporting gaps that children and families face in our current system of care.

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GSS Notes

By **Catie Joyce**
Head Copy Editor

The following events occurred at the Tuesday, April 2, meeting of the General Student Senate:

- Student Entertainment received \$58,819 for the 2002 Bumstock festival.
- The Campus Crusade for Christ received \$2,000 for a lecture by Michael Behe on intelligent design.
- The Student Women's Association received \$1,450 for their Take Back the Night event on April 19.
- The Woodsmen's Association received \$600 for registration costs for a spring meet.
- The French Club received \$400 for a trip to Quebec.
- Gamma Sigma Sigma received \$400 for transportation costs to a conference in Vermont.

- The SCUBA club received \$200 for its regular annual budget.

- An act passed to approve the contract of SG's administrative assistant for the 2002/04 term.

- The Senate granted final approval of official club status to the National Society of Collegiate Scholars.

- President Pearce Paul Creasman's report: Vice President of Student Entertainment Maggie O'Brien was excused from her seat in cabinet for missing two consecutive meetings.

- Vice President Matthew O. Gagnon's report: Sens. Danielle Provost and Michael Morin resigned from Senate. Gagnon met with Vice President of Student Affairs Richard Chapman and others to discuss celebrations to be held Saturday if the men's ice hockey team wins the National

Championship.

- Vice President of Student Entertainment Maggie O'Brien's report: O'Brien handed out copies of the finalized Bumstock budget. SE is working to bring down the cost of Public Safety for the event. Five different security organizations are needed for Bumstock weekend, including Public Safety, the Penobscot County Sheriff's Department, the state K-9 unit, seaboard security and APS security. According to Sen. Jon LaBonte, 22 percent of Public Safety's work load occurs during Bumstock weekend.

- Faculty Senate Representative Creasman was unable to attend the FS meeting. Sen. Sarah Knight went in his place and reported: Knight asked the interim director of Financial Affairs, Mark Anderson about the umbrella fee under the proposed budget, which will be a fee that lumps together all but four fees. According to Knight, Anderson said of the reasoning behind the umbrella fee that students' parents found the fees listed out offensive and the university wants to stay competitive with the

other public state schools in New England.

The Children's Center budget cut was decreased from \$122,000 to \$60,000.

Knight reminded the faculty that posting students' entire Social Security numbers for grades is illegal.

- Residents on Campus Representative Aaron Sterling's report: ROC has been discussing Student Auxiliary Service's new room sign up policy, which says that as soon as a student has signed the room contract they are locked into that room for the year or must pay \$100 to get out of the contract. This differs from last year's contracts, which allowed students till June 1 before the contract became binding and was only a

\$75 fee.

- Student Affairs Committee Chair George Pullen: The committee looked into the feasibility study the library is doing regarding printing material.

- The Animation Club approached GSS asking for suggestions regarding problems within the club, specifically regarding officers and officer elections. President Creasman and Sen. Rodrigue offered advice.

- Guest speaker, attorney Ted Curtis of Legal Services, addressed GSS regarding renewal of his contract. Curtis is requesting a four percent increase in salary per year.

The General Student Senate meets every Tuesday, at 6 p.m. in room 110, Little Hall. Meetings are open to the public.

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as many people," Smith said. "It isn't so bad that we have to evacuate the whole building," Ryan Watson, the resident director of Hancock Hall, said. "But we do have to evacuate the whole wing."

By late Wednesday afternoon all the students had been let back into their rooms and the evidence had been removed, March said.

"The building was found to be safe and no danger to the residents of Hancock Hall," March said.

Police believe the drugs were primarily hallucinogens,

but there will be no confirmation on the type of drug until the test results are returned.

The student, who lived in a single room in the hall, is the only person suspected in the case thus far. The student was referred to Judicial Affairs and both the district attorney and U.S. attorney are considering charges. There will also be an immediate administrative review of the student, March said.

"Any possession or use of an illegal drug is unacceptable," March said, "and poses a substantial risk to the health and

safety of our community."

March, who has an extensive background in drug enforcement, plans on addressing the issue of drug use on campus. March is surprised by the variety of drugs that are present, but said that many — like ecstasy and cocaine — are brought on to campus by non-students.

"I am looking at it closely and the degree to which drugs play a role on campus," March said. "I'm not prepared to say it is a big problem, but it has caught our attention."

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MAINE BOUND

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Bound is looking forward to the long-anticipated opening.

However, some former student-employees will not be a part of the new center. About 10 student employees have resigned this semester. Several of these students said they resigned because of the change in direction Maine Bound has taken.

"Being a part of Rec Sports has its advantages and disadvantages," said Caleb Lane, a fourth-year student and five-year Maine Bound employee. "First and foremost, it gives us more bosses to answer to, which is a major point of contention."

Jeff Hunt, the co-coordinator of Maine Bound views the change as positive. He said most other outdoor adventure programs fall under their university's recreation programs.

"It has sort of been coming for a few years," Hunt said. "I view the changes as healthy and natural."

"Whereas in the past a lot of important decisions were put to the staff of Maine Bound, now decisions are made for us," Lane said. "It's not that we don't like the decisions being made, just that we want to be informed before they're made."

Another change within the program was adding another administrative position. Paul Stern was hired July 1, 2001 as the outdoor program manager.

With the new administrative shift came a new way of looking at the program.

According to Tierney, about 50 percent of the usual academic programs weren't offered this year,

courses that had been full in the past. One climbing course took place in the fall, none in the spring, compared to its usual five per year. A lot of clinics also did not take place.

Recreational programs were also not offered, such as October and spring break trips.

Tierney said the cut in programs was not due to staff shortages but was "a direct result of administrative changes."

This semester's courses also face a lack of experienced staff to teach them, due to student resignations and Tierney's leave of absence. No programs or trips are scheduled for the spring in rock climbing, backpacking, hiking or wilderness medicine, according to the Maine Bound Web site.

Tierney said he is also concerned about the oversight and safety of the current program. Maine Bound did not pursue the accreditation of its climbing program last fall. The program had been accredited for eight years and was the first university program in the country to undergo accreditation. Tierney said the current climbing program would not meet the new accreditation standards.

The finances have undergone changes as well. Maine Bound was contracted out by other universities and organizations to train staff. This was close to 20 to 25 percent of the program's income, Tierney said. This allowed Maine Bound to offer more student programs. The contracted programs have now been discontinued.

Lack of student involvement

was a reason for many of the students' resignations from a program that was founded on student leadership.

"The most frustrating thing was the student aspect of being able to guide the program in its mentorship," said Peter Doucette, a fourth-year student and former Maine Bound employee of five years. "All that say in its direction students had sort of took a back seat to the agenda of university politics."

According to Tierney, he was put under suspension at the end of last semester due to a difference of opinion among the administration and himself. Tierney received five separate copies of the same letter stating the reasons for his suspension were "poor judgment and lack of fiscal responsibility."

Tierney said he feels he did not have poor judgment in the program. He cited its "nearly flawless" safety record and its high enrollment. Maine Bound courses had an 85 percent enrollment in the past. This fall it was less than 15 percent. Tierney said that he was under the impression that when his position changed from director to co-coordinator he gave up responsibility of the fiscal aspect of the program. He did not receive a job description under his new title from his supervisors till August, two months after his position became official.

"It seems they very much wanted to get Jon out of the picture," Doucette said. "He would get reprimanded for certain things, they set him up."

According to police reports,

someone from the Maine Bound administration called Public Safety in order to have Tierney removed from the office after his suspension.

According to Lt. Alan Stormann of Public Safety, on Dec. 14 "we received a call that a person was wanted out of the Maine Bound office. An officer went over, stood by, everything went very well and that person left on their own. We saw no reason why we had to make the guy leave. He picked up a few items then he left."

Stern and Kenda Scheele, director of Recreation Programs, declined comment on Tierney's suspension. Scheele said it was university policy not to discuss personnel issues.

"I feel me being essentially forced out of the Maine Bound family is an issue of sentimentality for me," Tierney said. "But it's a loss to students, to say they'll find someone to replace me — they'll be hard pressed to find what I offer them."

And what Tierney has offered the program for the last 19 years was experience and expertise in his fields, which include wilderness medicine, search and rescue, avalanche science, rock and ice climbing, mountaineering and guiding. He continues to stay updated in these fields, which is what he said sets Maine Bound apart from other outdoor programs.

"I always wanted Maine Bound staff to be at the cutting edge," Tierney said. "I wanted to give the words straight from the horse's mouth. That's why I engage myself in each of [these] arenas at the national and international level."

"There are 50 or so certified rock and alpine guides in the U.S.," Doucette said. "I don't think one or two in the entire country are working in a program like he had set up. There are few people to begin with that have those skills, and few willing to teach that at the level he was."

Tierney said he still hopes he can be a part of Maine Bound but isn't sure about his future there.

"It's a natural progression to get rid of [a program's] visionary founders," Tierney said. "It's grown up, 19 years old, time to kick Mom and Dad out."

Some students feel more confident in the current Maine Bound's future, while others feel it is no longer the great program it once was.

"I think Maine Bound is going to keep on going," Lane said. "It's a hard situation right now, but I think it will settle down soon enough."

Doucette wrote in his resignation letter, "The incongruence between administrative decision making and the opinions of students is clearly observable ... The many resignation letters by Maine Bounds' former student-staff members are examples of the pervasive feeling that the focus on excellence that the program once practiced as well as espoused is no longer present. I cannot feel good about being a part of what Maine Bound has become."

"This [situation] made me question more than ever about what the university's line, other than on paper, is about students," Doucette said. "The university thinks they have a better vision of what students need than the students do."

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What's News—

In Business and Finance

Big Three Scramble To Improve Quality

A dogfight for leadership in vehicle quality is looming among the Big Three.

Ford Motor Co. is signaling that the company is making big strides in improving the quality of its vehicles produced in North America following its disastrous performance in an important quality survey by J.D. Power & Associates in both 2000 and 2001. Similarly, General Motors Corp. has announced it's on track to reduce problems defined in the survey as customer-complaints about such things as wind or brake noise or high fuel consumption. Chrysler officials, meanwhile, have said the Chrysler Group of DaimlerChrysler AG is making a major push to improve quality to help hold on to market share.

The Big Three aren't likely to overtake the leader in the J.D. Power rankings, Toyota Motor Corp., which had 115 problems per 100 vehicles last year. But GM may close in on Honda Motor Co., the second-best quality producer with 133 problems per 100 vehicles. Indeed, GM says it is likely to surpass Nissan Motor Co. this year and become the first domestic auto producer to break into the top three in the J.D. Power study. GM expects to reduce its problems to between 130 and 140 per 100 vehicles, down from 146 last year.

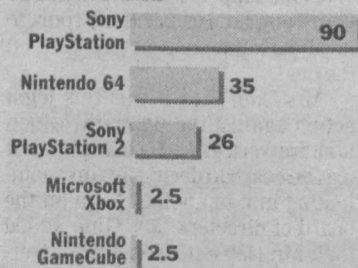
Ford says its internal data suggest that the quality of Explorer sport-utility vehicles has improved as much as 25% while quality scores on its Focus subcompacts have shown "dramatic improvements." Both vehicles had a series of quality gaffes in 2000 and 2001 that sent Ford to last place among the world's seven-largest auto makers in last year's J.D. Power survey, with 162 complaints per 100 vehicles.

Can a Vanilla Drink Still Be 'Real Thing'?

Coca-Cola Co. is considering launching a vanilla-flavored version of its flagship Coca-Cola brand within the next couple of months, seeking to reverse a slump in its soft-drink sales. Both the Atlanta beverage giant and rival PepsiCo Inc. have managed to boost soft-drink sales in recent months by launching flavored versions of their biggest soft drinks. They're finding some success at the same time that their core brands are struggling. Coca-Cola Classic volume declined

Major Players

Estimated total world-wide sales of video-game consoles since product launches, in millions of units



Sources: Sony; DFC Intelligence; SoundView Technology Group

2% in 2001.

News that a new vanilla version of Coca-Cola could be launched soon was reported by Beverage Digest, an industry publication. Plans haven't been formalized, but the publication said a launch is 90% likely, quoting a Coke bottler. A Coca-Cola spokesman declined to comment.

New Data Affirm Signs of Recovery

Consumers are spending more freely and personal income is on the rise, confirming evidence that the economy is rebounding.

The Commerce Department reported that consumer spending increased a brisk 0.6% in February, meeting analysts' forecasts, following a similar gain in January. Personal income—or total earnings, including wages and salaries—also rose 0.6%, surpassing analysts' expectations for the largest monthly gain since October 2000. The consensus forecast was for personal income to rise 0.3%.

In a sign of possible further strengthening of the economy, manufacturing activity accelerated for a second consecutive month in March, while construction spending in February posted its biggest gain in a year.

HP Board Won't Renominate Hewlett

Hewlett-Packard Co.'s board decided against nominating Walter Hewlett to another term on the board of directors. Mr. Hewlett has led the fight against the company's proposed acquisition of Compaq Computer Corp.

H-P said that Sam Ginn, chairman of the board's nominating and governance committee, met with

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Leno and the Lincolns

In Return for Ad Dollars, Talk Show Will Work Ford Into the Action

By SUZANNE VRANICA

Ford Motor Co.'s Lincoln and the NBC network's "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno" have struck a deal that's the latest example of how big-spending advertisers are gaining greater sway over programming.

The agreement calls for the country's top-rated late-night talk show to feature Lincolns. In exchange, NBC gets Ford advertising valued at about \$9 million, which will be spent across the network.

As part of its media investment, Lincoln will build a concert stage adjacent to the soundstage used by Mr. Leno's show. The new stage will hold a variety of Lincoln models, including the luxury Navigator SUV.

During the summer, popular music groups will perform on the stage. Segments of those performances, dubbed "The Lincoln Garage Concert Series," will air each Friday as the musical feature of "The Tonight Show."

Lincoln also would like to have the musical performers be driven onto the stage in Lincoln vehicles, or have Jay Leno, an avid car buff, mention the brand on air. That hasn't been agreed on, but NBC will air network promotions hyping the Lincoln concert series.

NBC, a unit of General Electric



Co., confirms that it has entered into a sponsorship deal with Lincoln but declines to comment about its details.

Such product placement on TV has been a hot trend since the May 2000 debut of "Survivor" on Viacom Inc.'s CBS, which prominently featured products and logos from advertisers such as Target Corp. and Schering-Plough Corp.'s Dr. Scholl's. "Murder in Small Town X," a reality-show series that appeared on News Corp.'s Fox last summer, included product placements by Taco Bell, a unit of Tricon Global Restaurants Inc., and DaimlerChrysler AG's Jeep. Both advertisers received the product-placement sweeteners in return for their ad buys.

Last year, OMD, the big ad-placement firm owned by Omnicom Group Inc., negotiated a package with Viacom's UPN network that included having State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. worked into a plot line of "The Hughleys," a sitcom about an African-American suburban family starring comic

D.L. Hughley. (Another part of the deal, calling for McDonald's Corp. to play a part in the Hughleys' life, didn't work out.)

The moves reflect how anxious the major networks are to sew up lucrative marketers in the ongoing ad drought. "Networks are looking to find different ways to latch on to advertisers for long periods of time in order to get a bigger share of the market," says Jack Valente, executive vice president at WPP Group's Mediaedge:CIA, Lincoln's ad-buying agency.

The Leno deal in particular is reminiscent of the early days of TV, when advertisers unsubtly sponsored entire shows such as "Colgate Theatre" and "Texaco Star Theater." Today, consumer watchdog groups worry not so much about sponsorship but about the blurring of the line between content and advertising.

"Product placement is another violation of the advertising and editorial line," says Gary Ruskin, executive director of Commercial

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Airlines Stretch—Literally

By SCOTT MCCARTNEY

Big airlines, which have long searched for ways to beat back low-fare competitors, have a new secret weapon: the extra-long airplane.

Boeing Co. now makes planes with an extra-long fuselage that can seat dozens of additional passengers at about the same cost as the original models. Originally intended for charter operators, the stretch planes are finding a new niche at several major commercial carriers, and Boeing thinks more will follow suit.

For airlines, the stretch plane offers a tempting formula. Faced with continued pressure toward lower fares and richer labor contracts pushing costs up, the carriers are hungry for any way to fly

more seats cheaply. For not much extra cost in crew and fuel, they can move more passengers, offer them lower fares and eke out fatter profits. Stretch models lack the long-range fuel capacity of their standard cousins, but are perfect for medium-range, high-volume trips, executives say.

Continental Airlines has begun flying the stretched 757-300 between New York and Florida, routes where fares of \$99 or less are the norm and competition from Jet-Blue Airways is heating up. The new plane costs about the same as the venerable 757-200 and flies with identical engines, but comes with 27 extra seats in coach. Its load of 210 passengers, more than a standard, wide-bodied twin-aisle 767 typically carries, makes it the longest single-aisle plane in the world. The stretched plane is so

long—almost 179 feet nose to tail—that it has a built-in conveyor belt dubbed the “magic carpet” in the cargo hold to move luggage around.

The planes do have some hidden costs. Pilots need extra training because the long planes are more susceptible to hitting their tails on the runway. And Continental flight attendants grouse that the stretch 757 is so long that it can take an hour to serve snacks and drinks to a fully loaded plane of 210 passengers.

On the other hand, Continental’s 757-300’s have an inch more legroom at each coach seat than standard 757s. The airline also adds an extra bathroom—as do most stretched planes. And the new planes have seats that slide forward as they recline to limit how far back a seat travels into the next row.

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In Business and Finance

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Mr. Hewlett after the shareholder vote on the proposed deal “in an effort to re-establish a constructive working relationship.” But last week, Mr. Hewlett, as the trustee of the William R. Hewlett Revocable Trust, filed a complaint in the Delaware Chancery Court against the process by which H-P solicited votes for support in its bid to merge with Compaq. He asked the court to invalidate the shareholder vote on the deal.

Mr. Ginn said it was this legal action against the company, which it characterizes as “spurious,” that led the board to decide against nominating him to another term on the board of directors. Mr. Ginn added that, Mr. Hewlett’s “ongoing adversarial relationship with the company undermines the board’s ability to effectively conduct business.”

to comment. A spokesman for Unisys, which is taking the lead in the campaign, said the Web site had been set up outside of the company by a third-party Internet-service provider.

The site’s usage of Unix was discovered by Mark Fromm, a Unix system administrator at a Kirkland, Wash., medical-device company. Mr. Fromm, an ardent fan of Unix, said he was bothered by the statements being made in the anti-Unix campaign, and out of curiosity decided to check on the Web site.

Odds & Ends

Citing concerns about Global Crossing Ltd.’s future, the consortium of banks that runs a significant piece of the international financial system has pulled out of a \$300 million networking deal with the telecommunications firm, officials close to the companies say. ... Big retailers reported disappointing sales last week: Federated Department Stores Inc., Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and J.C. Penney Co. all said sales for the week ended Saturday weren’t as strong as expected.

By Jay Hershey

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Alert, a nonprofit organization founded four years ago by consumer activist Ralph Nader. “That line used to be sacred and is now crumbling.”

Even some advertising executives worry about the growing number of product plugs embedded in TV shows. “If product placement is overdone, it devalues the programming,” says Ellis Verdi, president of DeVito/Verdi Inc., a New York ad agency. “You cheapen the product.”

For the networks, however, getting the accounts of big advertisers such as car makers is a top priority. Lincoln spent about \$263 million on ads last year, while Ford’s entire media spending surpassed \$1.2 bil-

lion, according to Taylor Nelson Sofres’s CMR.

The marketing concept also shows how advertisers are looking to stretch their ad dollars. Mediage: CIA went to several networks last June on behalf of Lincoln, saying the car maker was willing to spend heavily in return for more than traditional ad time. During robust periods of ad spending, such overtures might have been swatted away. This time, most networks were willing to listen.

“It was like a little contest,” says Anne Belec, vice president of marketing for Ford’s Lincoln-Mercury vehicles. “It was a very good year in terms of the willingness of everybody to want to be accommo-

dating.”

Lincoln had a variety of riches to choose from before finally picking NBC. One media concern offered up movie product placements, while a magazine-publishing house considered opening up its archives of photography to create a museum exhibit that Lincoln could sponsor. One magazine deal did materialize. In return for purchasing about \$10 million of ads in Hearst Corp. magazines such as Harper’s Bazaar and O, The Oprah Magazine, Hearst agreed to create a custom 44-page magazine dubbed “New Cultural Icons,” which will be shipped along with some Hearst subscriptions. Lincoln will be the sole advertiser.

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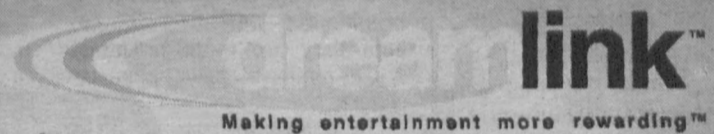
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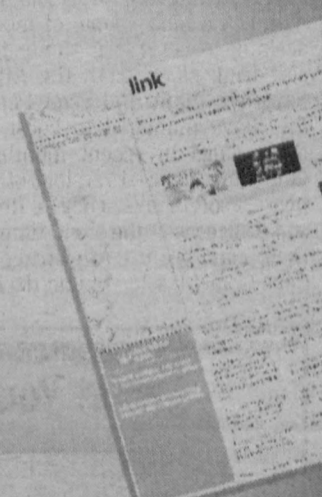
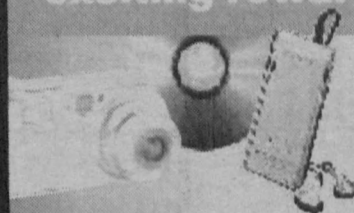


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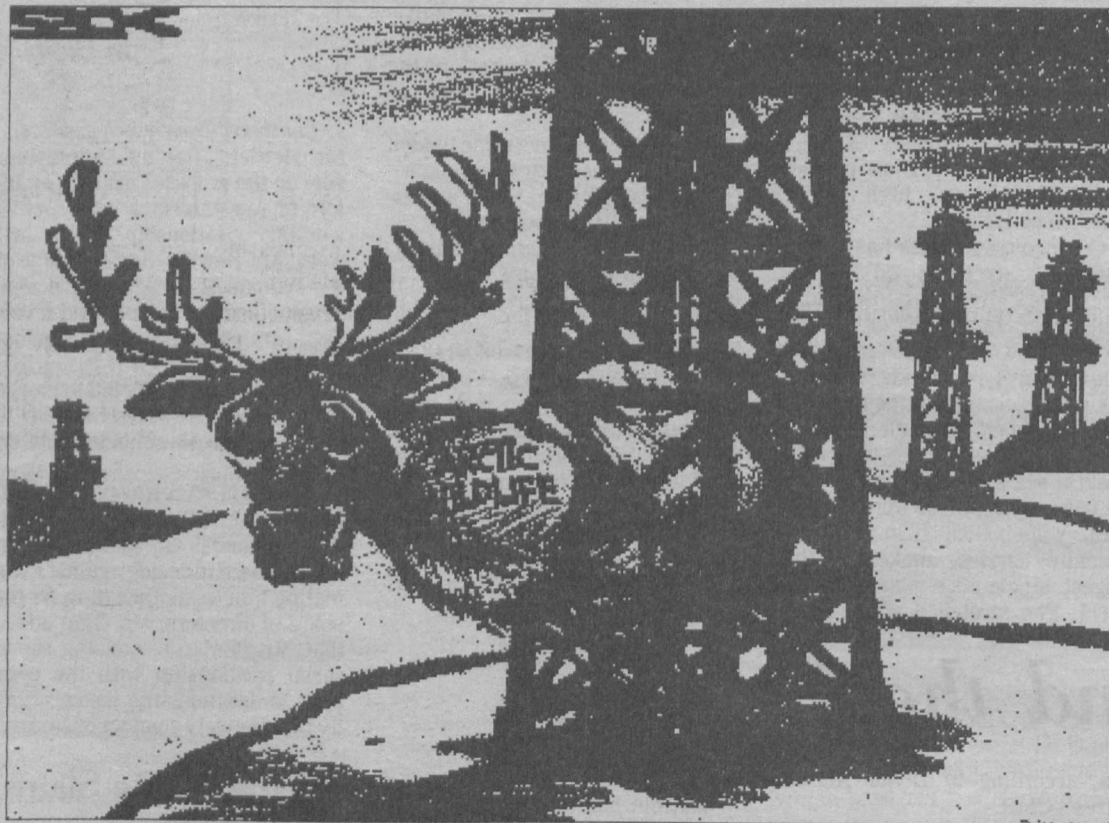
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"Coach" Whitehead

Tim Whitehead had a big pair of shoes to fill when he went from assistant coach to interim head coach following Shawn Walsh's death this September. And, now that the men's ice hockey team is playing in the Frozen Four, some students at the University of Maine feel that he has filled those shoes. They also think the qualification "interim" should be deleted from his title. Those who feel the most strongly about the subject are casting off the apathy that is so common in UMaine students and doing something about making his position permanent.

Junior Allison Gray decided to start a petition to show administrators how much support Whitehead has, and to ask them to name him head coach. Her goal was 200 signatures, but she met this quota so quickly at Monday's rally at the Maine Marketplace that she has decided to keep going, setting up a table in Memorial Union and circulating the petition in the Stillwater Canal Co. Pub during today's semi-final game against the University of New Hampshire Wildcats. We are pleased to see so many students taking action for something they believe in — the more signatures, the better.

Whitehead has exceeded almost everyone's expectations and deserves all the support he is getting. While we acknowledge the university has to open the position to other applicants because of NCAA regulations and therefore "interim" cannot be removed this year, we encourage students, staff and all UMaine hockey fans to sign the petition. Such a document will let the administration know that when the search for a new head coach commences, the community supports coach Whitehead just as much as it supports his players each time they take to the ice.



They're just like your family Only they swear a lot more and throw things

For years, I've thought that MTV would bring about the decline of Western civilization as we know it. There's the 'N Sync phenomenon, the disgusting "Cribs" show ("and here is the other DVD player in my blue Bentley that I only drive on the second Sunday of every fifth month") and Britney Spears.

But it is the show about seven strangers picked to live in a house and have their lives recorded that has always caused me trouble. Here we have seven ordinary people, except they are more preening,

JOSEPH
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SPORTS EDITOR

more histrionic and more beautiful than anyone I know, who are constantly being taped. Then their lives are public domain.

It was fine when it started. But reality TV took off too quickly. I thought that in a matter of years, a

burly Austrian, who is really an American, would say, "To hell with you," in his thick European accent and be put on a game show where he is forced to run for his life and kill the bounty hunters. Richard Dawson, or Alex Trebek (take your pick) is the master of ceremonies for this game show where people die for the amusement of an audience.

This will happen in two years. But some of my faith in mankind has been restored (let's not get into how voyeuristic and See OSBOURNES page 9

Letters to the Editor

•Taking it for granted

We appreciate Angela Fiandaca's editorial "Taking it for granted: A look at women's rights." American women do enjoy certain freedoms that women in Afghanistan, for example, don't, and we should never take them for granted. But we must remember that generations of women have fought for every one of those freedoms, and continue to fight to maintain them. The women's studies major has only existed at the University of Maine for three years. Women only gained the right to vote in 1920, and these are just two examples of how recently some of these accomplishments have been made. Eighty years

after suffrage we are still under-represented in the political arena; we are more likely to be the victims of domestic violence, we earn an average of 72 cents for every dollar a man makes, and we are still responsible for the vast majority of the unpaid labor activities of child care and housework.

Fiandaca writes that U.S. women are "permitted to do most anything we can conceive of." The very use of the word "permitted" is telling about the attitudes expressed toward women in our society. (Permitted by whom? Men?) We are so encoded by our culture that we can't see it. Gap jeans, American Eagle T-shirts and cos-

metics are representative of how our culture shapes our wants and needs — for those who can afford them. Women make up the majority of the poor in the country, and they also "cook, clean and care for children" for little or no compensation, as Fiandaca suggests "Muslim societies" force women to do.

American women are NOT living in a country where "women are not only said to be, but are equal to men." It is attitudes like these that are counterproductive to women's rights and lull us into a false sense of complacency.

Sarah Lawler
Women's studies

Administrative fishing expedition

JIM
LEONARD



FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

He's picking his nose.

Here I was, making a proposal to one of the University of Maine's administrative top guns, and the guy was finger-fishing right in front of me.

It really hadn't bothered me that he'd soft-pedaled my pitch before I'd gotten started. I could understand and empathize with the budget problems experienced by nearly every other organization on campus. Maine's 3-C fee structure (comprehensive, communication and curriculum) wasn't getting the job done, and everyone would have to tighten up, take one for the team, toe the line, roll up the sleeves ... I get the picture.

That didn't bother me. His missing index finger was becoming a problem, however.

I didn't take it personally when he told me that he'd read my proposal thoroughly and then proceeded to prove otherwise.

Perhaps he'd missed the specially indented section he was now suggesting I include in the proposal ... just an oversight. He's a busy man and I could have used 36-foot instead of 12.

Maybe his secretary diverted his attention at the moment he was about to read my budget. That was probably why he was now asking me to include projected costs in my next draft.

I'm sure the boldface section marked "Objective" wasn't as clear as it could have been on the initial proposal. It couldn't have been. Otherwise, he wouldn't now be asking what I was hoping to accomplish with my idea.

None of that phased me, but the image of his fingertip poking out of his eye socket was beginning to make me sweat.

I wasn't surprised when he didn't know how my organization was run. Sure, he's got oversight of it, but that just a title, right? This guy's proba-

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Osbournes

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sick this all is) with "The Osbournes." Nearly six million people tuned into the highest-rated show in MTV's history. An amazing number because it is on cable. An amazing number because of its 10:30 p.m. time slot.

The show works because the Osbournes, for all their dysfunction, bridge the gap between ordinary people and celebrity. The kids worry about going out and are constantly arguing with one another. The dad sits in front of the television and runs after the menagerie of shitting dogs. The mom discusses thongs with her daughter.

We see, for all the weird junk in the house, that the Osbournes, especially Ozzy, are pretty ordinary and for that, they are funny. They hate their neighbors and throw hams and logs at their house. Ozzy can't work the lap-top-sized remote that runs everything in the house. He just wants to see something other than the weather in Afghanistan.

Yeah, it's funny when he calls the dogs terrorists.

But what price will celebrities in our culture have to pay for privacy in the future? Will it simply be enough for our favorite singers, actors, actresses and athletes to appear in the context of the medium that has made them famous? Or, will our insatiable appetites for everything grandiose gobble up bits of their lives until it is all in the public domain?

It's a sitcom, baby. It is not just ordinary people who we like to watch become celebrities but celebrities who become ordinary people. It's like having a camera in your neighbor's house, except that your neighbor happens to be "the Prince of [beep] Darkness," who shuffles around the house in his underwear and is nearly inaudible with his mumbling British accent and constant swearing.

But at this rate, it won't be long before we have to watch our neighbors shuffle around their houses and try to figure out how to turn on their vacuum cleaner.

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Fishing

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bly got his fingers in a lot of pies.

Hopefully, they weren't any I'd eaten from lately.

It was apparent the man was dedicated. I had been in his office now for about 10 minutes and had yet to see the top two knuckles of his finger. The way he was pursuing the offending hinge-boogie spoke volumes about his, if you'll pardon the pun, sticktoitiveness.

We discussed my proposal further and my opinion of him changed. I was now convinced that he was relentless and resourceful. What tipped me off were his quick decision-making ability and his instinctive use of the tools at his disposal. This came about in mid-sentence when, deciding the left index finger was not getting the job done, he switched fingers in pursuit of his Val Halla.

It was, alternately, grotesque and fascinating. At one moment I was devising ways in which to cut our meeting short. Minutes later I'd find myself impressed with his attempt to mine the nasal-nugget.

As our meeting was drawing to a close, I considered the proper etiquette. Should I shake his hand at this point? If so, which one? He'd used them both. I eyed each for signs of "product." As he prepared to make a few profound closing remarks, the fruit of his labor was suddenly realized.

It was strangely anticlimactic. There was no spiking of the booger, no victory dance, not even a casual sigh that follows the realization of a mission well done. He merely looked at me and a strange realization crept into my mind; he had a mouth. This may sound strange but, until that point, it was the first I'd seen of it. I noted that he wasn't smiling, despite his recent accomplishment.

The phone interrupted us and I begged (not literally) my leave. I left him to more officious pursuits but, as I looked back, found him once again probing the depths.

Jim Leonard is a senior journalism major.

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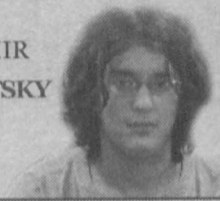
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Justice for all

Finding the courage to live our beliefs

VLADIMIR SKALETSKY



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membership and supporters." In Hoover's words, "...to be a black revolutionary is to be a dead revolutionary." The program actively disrupted the lives and work of such noted activists as Martin Luther King, Jr., and Malcolm X, both of whom were eventually gunned down. While the program — known by its infamous acronym COINTELPRO — was eventually ended, its effects were felt for decades afterwards, as Brown discovered the hard way.

In 1971, H. Rap Brown emerged from prison a changed man, with a different faith (Islam) and a different name (Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin). Perhaps he didn't realize that being a Muslim, especially an African-American Muslim, in a nation where the words "bombing" and "Muslims" would later be made synonymous by an ignorant media, was akin to painting a bull's-eye on one's back. Since his conversion, he encountered repeated incidents of injustice at the hands of the government, an example of which occurred in 1993, when "immediately after the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center, Imam Al-Amin was arbitrarily hauled in, interrogated and released under heavy and continuous surveillance, all in the absence of any evidence at all con-

On March 16, 2000, a gunfight occurred in the West End neighborhood of Atlanta, Ga. A deputy sheriff fell to the ground, fatally wounded.

On March 14, 2001, Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin was sentenced to life in prison after being convicted of firing the deadly bullet.

The verdict evoked little surprise from the public. After all, this is a nation where 1.815 out of every 100,000 African-Americans are behind bars, according to the Foundation for National Progress, and the incarceration of yet another African-American is unlikely to affect an audience as desensitized to injustice as ourselves.

The trial itself was riddled with inconsistencies that would have likely exonerated Al-Amin had his defense not rested after just two days of testimony. However, his conviction was not solely a product of shoddy defense. It was the direct consequence of something that, in this country, is even more reviled than murder: the refusal to surrender one's beliefs.

His crime, in a sense, was being alive. You see, in the 1960s, Al-Amin was known as H. Rap Brown, a black power activist known for fiery speeches at a time when being an activist could cost you your life. Back in those days, J. Edgar Hoover was instructing those under his command to "expose, disrupt, misdirect, discredit or otherwise neutralize...black nationalist hate type organizations [sic], their leadership, spokesmen,

necting him to the bombing — at least none the authorities cared to disclose," according to "H. Rap Brown/Jamil Al-Amin: A Profoundly American Story," as seen on The Nation, March 18, 2002. In the end, Al-Amin was unable to escape the forces that just wouldn't forgive him for being who he is — and who he used to be.

What can we learn from this? Well, we can learn that even today, being anything other than white and Christian is a crime. We can also learn that those who choose to walk the path of justice often encounter the fury of a policeman's baton, the butt of his gun, a bullet — or, in the case of Al-Amin, a prison cell. In a nation as intolerant as ours, some beliefs are (still) more free than others.

Yet the unceasing expression of our belief in justice is what will save us. Injustice is an unconscious reflex rather than a conscious conspiracy (as some maintain), but it is a reflex that does not discriminate, sweeping up the just and the guilty alike — which means none of us are safe from it. Despite the obstacles in our way, it is up to us to ensure that the fate of Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin doesn't eventually become our own. This calls for the courage to live our beliefs — even when forces greater than ourselves attempt to beat us into submission.

Vladimir Skaletsky is a sophomore political science major.

The world according to Gulp

A special thank you to my best friend

Oh, Big Soda, how do I love thee? Let me count the ways...

If you have ever been to 7-11, you know the magic I speak of when I say "Big Soda." My friends and I dub the "Gulps" at 7-11 "Big Soda" since so many of the sizes are huge. There is the 16 oz. "Gulp," 32 oz. "Big Gulp," the 44 oz. "Super Big Gulp," the 52 oz. refillable plastic massive "Extreme Gulp" and my favorite, the Godzillian 64 oz. "Double Gulp." You cannot hold the Double Gulp in one hand and it possesses enough caffeine to power a human being for up to six hours, and this is what makes it so damn attractive to me. That and it has a lot of personality for a soft drink container.

One of the things I'm just starting to realize is how little sleep I actually need in order to operate. In high school, my goal was eight to 10 hours of sleep, and even though I got that most nights, I was still miserably tired in the morning. When I got to college, that number began dropping a little each semester until now, in my fourth year, I get four to six hours of sleep a night.

It isn't from homework or talking on the phone all night that I am up so late, but for the

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company of the Big Soda. I get out of work at midnight a few nights a week and my ride makes the obligatory stop at 7-11 so I can get my Big Soda, the Double Gulp. Big Soda waits for me at 7-11 like an old friend, robust red body beaming with excitement. I also usually pick up a couple Slim Jims. After this, I get back to my apartment at about 12:30 a.m. and will fiddle around on my computer for a solid two to three hours. Big Soda stays up with me for the long haul, the mark of a true friend.

Oh, I could get a lesser Gulp, sure, but why when so many ounces of soda cost a few nickels more? Also, if you're refilling a used Gulp, it's 95 cents for any of the sizes. I'm not a math genius, but I know a good deal when I see it. The cool thing about going to 7-11 at 12:15 a.m. on a weekday is that they sometimes give away hot dogs

because they are about to clean the grill. Perhaps the only thing better than 64 ounces of soda is wolfing down free hot dogs in 7-11 while the guy at the register looks at you like you're some kind of crazed animal.

Sometimes I do have a test or a paper to write at night, and together with Big Soda, we cannot be stopped. Words fly from my hands in a delirious whirlwind that I have to pray make sense since the mixture of fatigue and hyperactivity makes it impossible for my eyes to focus on anything. Somehow, the paper comes out okay and makes total sense. I look over at Big Soda, and we cannot help but share a laugh. Had I tried to write the paper without the help of my friend, Big Soda, it would have taken twice as long and been half as good. As for tests, Big Soda keeps my mind like sticky paper, with definitions sticking to it like wayward flies and when I take that test five hours later, I can recall everything. Perhaps I don't say it enough, but thank you Big Soda and God bless you.

Mark Mercier wrote this for K-Bear and Russ; Big Soda aficionado.

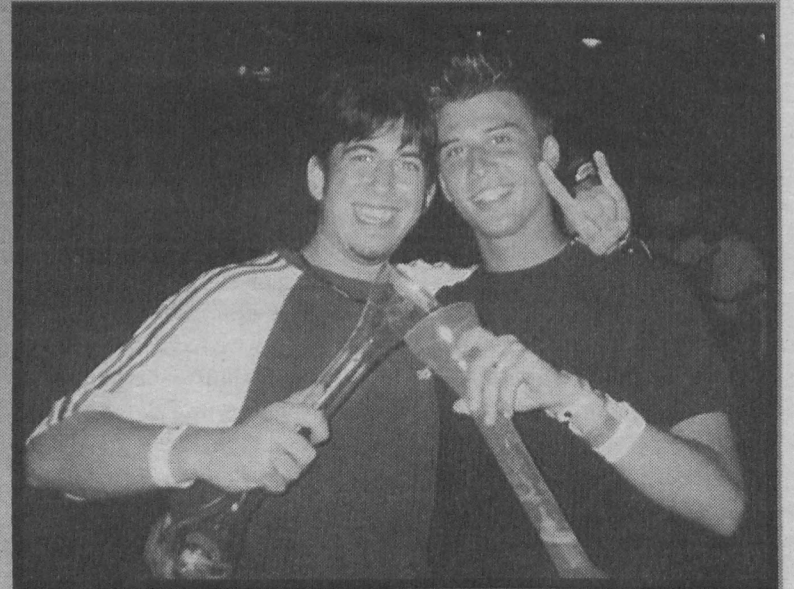
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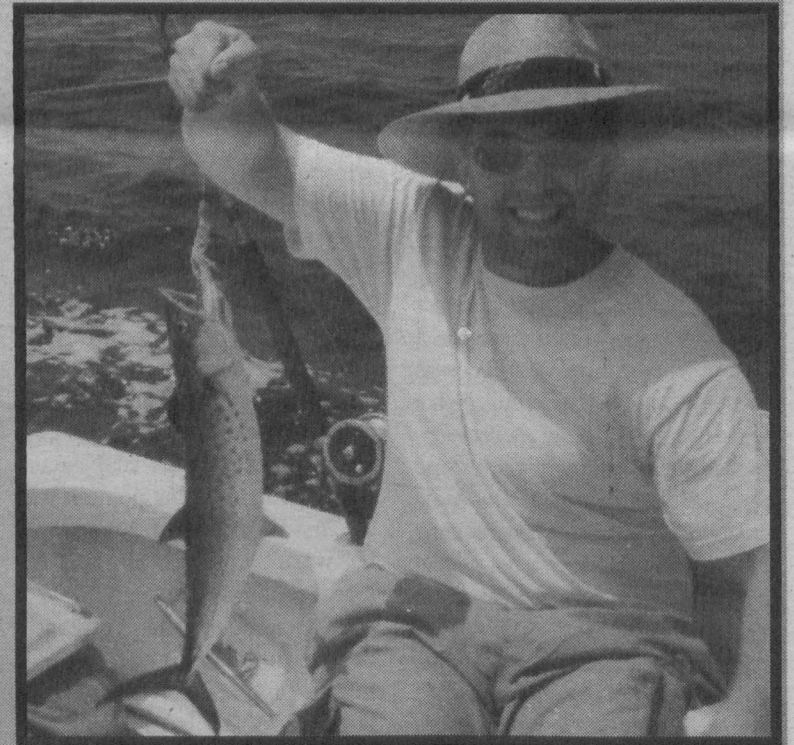
Sara Walsh spent spring break in Orlando, Fla. On a visit to Discovery Cove, Jenny the dolphin gave Sara a ride on her dorsal fin around the lagoon. "It was an experience of a lifetime!" Walsh said.



Chris Rubero (left) and Jason Paquette (right) visited Cancun, Mexico over break. "It was absolutely gorgeous there everyday," Paquette said.



Chris Rubero (left), Mike Hodgkins (center) and Jeff Jones (right) had "the craziest trip" to Cancun, Mexico over break. They recommend staying away from the greedy hotel workers.



Senior Nate Hersey holds a mackerel fish caught off the coast of Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Hersey visited Southwest Mexico over spring break where he also caught a bonita fish.



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Matthew O. Gagnon confuses the breadline of the Franklin Delano Roosevelt memorial for a snack bar. Actually, Gagnon and nine others took a 10-hour drive to Washington D.C. over break. Over the four-day visit the group took in a session of the U.S. Senate, a tour of the Pentagon, monuments, shopping and restaurants.

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To collect non-perishable food for:
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a local food pantry, which provides food for the needy in Maine.

Saturday, April 27, 2002

Collection boxes have been distributed in the Memorial Union. Starting at **1 p.m.** tentatively at the **Steam Plant Parking Lot**, where all food collected by each organization will be counted. A **prize** will be awarded to the organization that has collected the most food.

Come join us in a human food chain to help raise awareness to the surrounding community about hunger in Maine. It will occur at the **Steam Plant Parking Lot** following the food count.

POP Culture & INFOTAINMENT



—"Performance by comedian Elvira Kurt," part of Pride Week Friday, 9 p.m. in 101 Neville Hall.

From "Spartacus" to "Swan Lake"

Grigorovich Ballet performs classics for MCA crowd

By Jessica Bishop
For The Maine Campus

The curtain opened and a beautiful spring scene, complete with ornate statues and a gazebo, spread before the audience.

Over a dozen dancers clad in flowing white dresses stood poised and ready to move with the music.

Mikhail Fokine's "Les Sylphides" score started quietly and the movement onstage captured the eyes of all onlookers.

The Grigorovich Ballet, choreographed by the expert Yuri Grigorovich, took the stage Thursday night to a nearly packed Maine Center for the Arts. A wide range of ages attended the show, all for the same reason — to see a famous ballet performed by a famous ensemble.

The first piece was the entire story of "Les Sylphides," the focal point of which was the pas de deux between Irina Katkassova and Nikolai Morchtchakov. The two showed their obvious dancing talent, but lacked in connection with each other, which took away from the dance as a whole.

A highlight of the night was the first piece from "Spartacus."

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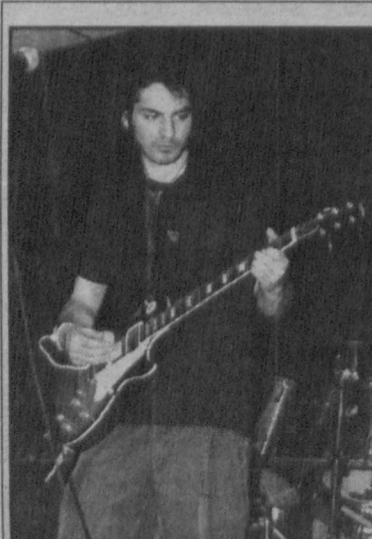


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The Grigorovich Ballet performed "A night of Russian Favorites" at the MCA Thursday night. The performance included an array of material from such acts as Romeo and Juliet to Spartacus.

"We are going to blow away certain headlining acts"

Lesser Martyrs speaks out on local talent, Bumstock rescheduling and Jeremiah Freed



CAMPUS PHOTO • SCOTT CAPARELLI

Dan Cavallari, lead guitarist of the Lesser Martyrs plays to a less than packed house at the Knights of Columbus hall in Old Town Friday night. Lesser Martyrs are scheduled to play at Bumstock at the end of this month.

By Jason Houle
Staff Reporter

When it comes to our wonderful little university, the words "local scene" don't exactly scream out to many people. Well to those of you who didn't know ... newsflash — there is one.

And one of those bands that are on the forefront of this scene is the Lesser Martyrs.

Performing with local rock outfit "Propane Tank and a .45," the Martyrs played in support of Soundbender's CD release party to a small crowd at the Old Town Knights of Columbus Hall last Friday night.

"I'm thoroughly pissed off, so I'm going to play a pissed off song," Cavallari told the

crowd after an onslaught of technical difficulties at the start of their set.

But who are the Lesser Martyrs exactly?

Well to those of you who don't know the Lesser Martyrs, composed partly of UMaine students, they are Tom Cothran on lead

vocals and guitar; Dan Cavallari, vocals and guitar; Steve Paquette, bass; and drummer Randy Merchant. The band,

which formed at UMaine a year and a half ago in Cumberland Hall, has a sound inspired by the likes of Metallica, Fuel and Alice in Chains.

"And a bit of Martyr magic that can't be described," Cavallari added.

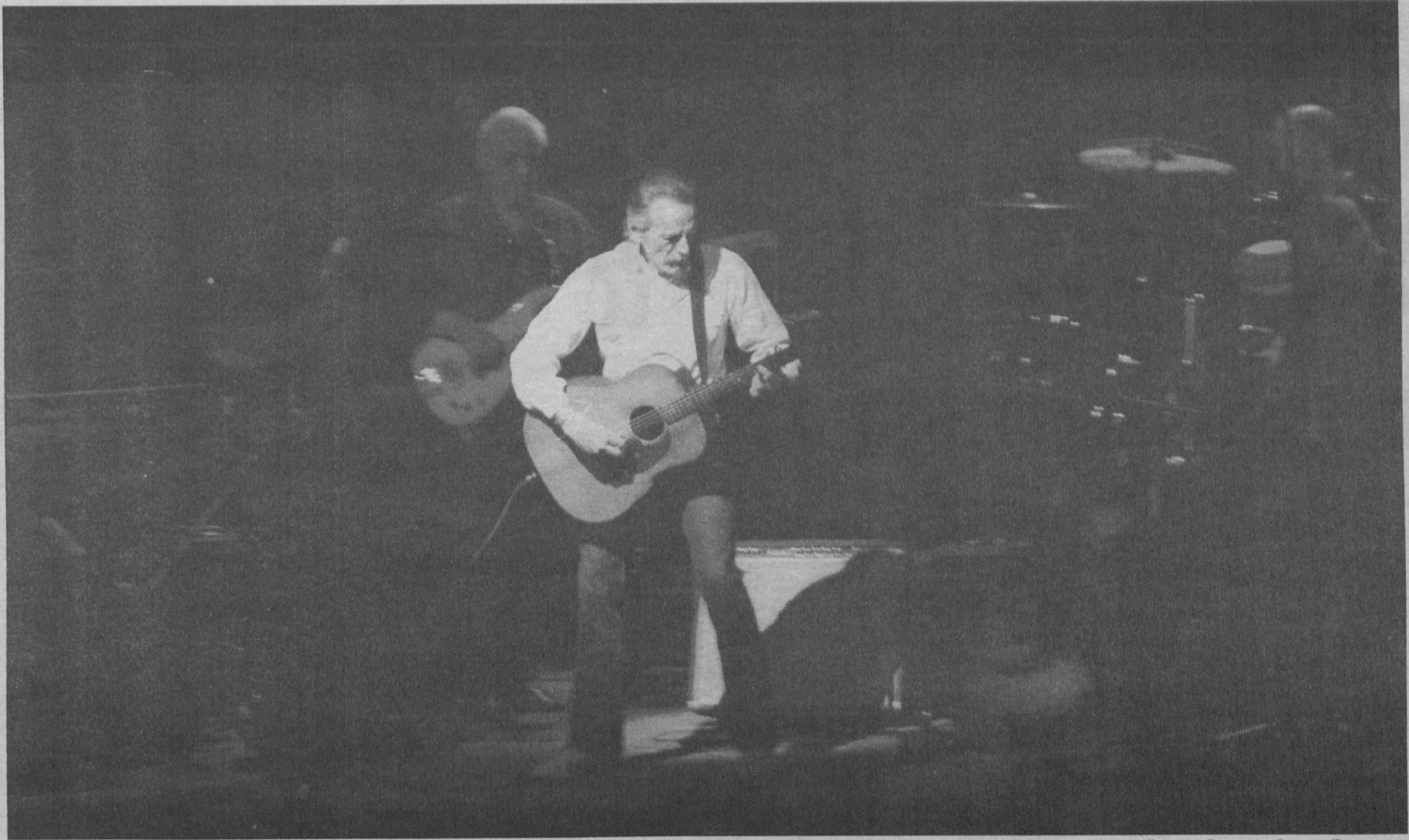
"All I have to say about that is Jeremiah who?"

The Martyrs, a Bumstock-bound band, is slated to play the Saturday evening slot, and were originally scheduled to open

for southern Maine rockers "Jeremiah Freed" before Freed rescheduled to a

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Sundown



CAMPUS PHOTO • SCOTT CAPARELLI

Folk singer Gordon Lightfoot plays to a packed house at the MCA Friday night. Lightfoot played several of his most popular ballads including "Sundown" and "The Wreck of The Edmund Fitzgerald."

BananOvision makes campus television debut

By Nathan Webster
For The Maine Campus

With the University of Maine's television station scheduled to be up and running in full force any time now on channel 42, students will soon be able to see the world through the eyes of Bananovision.

"Bananovision is a sketch comedy TV show," said Amanda Eaton, the show's president, creator and executive producer, and a third-year theatre major. "It's a new, exciting show that people will relate to. It'll be a crazy

good time," she said.

"It's like Saturday Night Live meets Kids in the Hall meets UMaine," added Laura Fer, the show's vice president and stage manager. Fer is a fifth-year theatre major.

Bananovision will be produced, filmed, edited and acted entirely by students, according to Eaton and Fer. The two conceived the program last fall, and held auditions for the cast in November.

"Only like two people showed up the first night [of auditions],"

Fer said. "But word must have got around because about 20 showed up the next night."

The program currently has a cast of 11 actors, mostly made up of theatre majors.

"A lot of us are actors who want to go another route besides theatre," Eaton said. "We want to provide entertainment to the

campus community and have fun."

The show is scheduled to begin shooting this week.

"The show is Amanda's baby, so she'll be directing the first episode," Fer said.

After the pilot episode, Eaton plans to have guest directors for following ones.

The first episode is expected to air in mid- to late April, according to Eaton. That episode will feature musical performances by Julie Gagnon, a cast member, and My Brother Mike, a campus band. "We plan to have a soloist and ensemble for each show," Eaton said.

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Yuri Grigorovich's expertise in choreography was made evident and the dance was a favorite of many in the audience. Tatiana Liabina and Michail Zinoviev lit up the stage.

Though the costumes were simple and almost rustic, the two moved together and amazed the crowd with difficult lifts that kept Liabina suspended over Zinoviev's head.

The "Tango" was another pleaser, changing the tone from classical ballet to a more modern tone. Bright costumes and a sensual attitude livened up the stage, as the smiles of the dancers got all of the audience beaming as well.

Zarema Ouridina brought a bit of a classic to the stage in her performance as the dying swan. The role does not include jumps or spins, but Ouridina's artistry gave life to the character as she portrayed the scene from "Swan Lake."

The evening ended with selections from "Don Quixote," with the soloists all performing outrageous tasks.

The audience was kept busy clapping nearly the entire time.

The entire company joined for final bows and found Orono on its feet for a standing ovation.

Though the dancing was not perfect, the Grigorovich Ballet presented itself as had been expected - extraordinary and breathtaking. Grigorovich proved his ability and rose to his fame as a choreographing great.

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The program's theme song was written and performed by Eaton, Fer and a number of other cast members.

"It's quirky," Fer said. "It has a '70s disco organ in it. It's catchy, but not annoying."

"The show will be filmed throughout different locations on campus," Eaton said.

Many of the locations will be easily recognizable to the average student, such as the library and other outdoor locations. The crew will also be shooting at the TV station in Alumni Hall and even at a remote store in Greenbush called Applebee's, according to Fer.

The program is being funded in part by the General Student Senate.

"The GSS gave us \$200 for the pilot. If everything goes well, we should get more money. Right now we're getting into our own closets for costumes," Eaton said.

However, production costs are not high because the crew and cast are all students and most of the equipment used is owned by UMaine.

While only one episode is planned to air this semester, Eaton and Fer hope to produce six to eight Bananovision episodes next year. "We're also always looking for new writers and editors," Eaton said.

Bananovision meetings are held Mondays at 5 p.m. at the Green Room in the Class of 1944 Hall, and all who are interested can attend.

MARTYRS

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Friday night slot.

"All I have to say about that is...Jeremiah Who?" Cavallari said to the crowd.

Cavallari pledged an 'upstaging' performance at Bumstock

and groans from the general public. So what do the Martyrs have to say about that?

"Local music around here gets a bad rap, and not enough people here realize what incred-

"Expect us to be having as much fun, if not more, than the audience members."

field in April, and approached the event from a standpoint that many people seem to have forgotten this year — fun.

"Expect us to be having as much fun, if not more, than the audience members," Cavarelli said. "We are going to blow away certain headlining acts that shall remain nameless for now."

And Bumstock, which will be dominated by UMaine and area bands this year in an effort to go back to the local shows of yesterday, has caught many moans

ible musicians we have here at UMaine," Cavallari said. "I know what its like to put my words and feelings on the line, and I know what it feels like to have someone take those words to heart and be changed by them. That's an incredible reward for a musician, and I think that we can benefit from giving local musicians that opportunity."

For more information on the Lesser Martyrs visit www.lesser-martyrs.com.



CAMPUS PHOTO • SCOTT CAPARELLI

Lesser Martyrs plays to a less than full house at the Knights of Columbus in Old Town last Friday.



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Tom Catham, lead vocalist of the "Lesser Martyrs" sings with passion Friday night.



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in Hockey East, good enough for third in the regular season) under Whitehead. The Black Bears finished second in the Hockey East Tournament, losing 3-1 to New Hampshire in the championship game.

The Black Bears earned the third seed in the East Region of the NCAA Tournament and dispatched Harvard, in overtime, and then BU to earn the trip to the Frozen Four.

Whitehead was an assistant coach for the 1990/91 UMaine squad that went to the Frozen Four. He served as assistant coach at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell for the next five seasons and was the head coach of the River Hawks for five years follow-

ing that. He compiled a 76-95-13 record at UMass-Lowell.

Even with that success, there were still question marks about Whitehead and the program when he became coach in September.

"No one expected the team do this well and [their success] speaks highly of him as a coach," Gray said. "First, we wanted to give the athletics department and administration a reason not to look past Whitehead. And second, we wanted to show coach there's support for him here."

She decided that with a table in the Union more people would be exposed to the petition. Libby and Kaitlin Sighinolfi manned a table in front of the Information Booth

before and after the rally and the clipboard with the petition was passed around during the rally.

Their initial goal was 200 signatures, but they reached that level by the time the crowd in the Union thinned out at 1:15.

According to Gray, the petition will be circulated around Stillwater Canal Company during Thursday's national semifinal against New Hampshire. Gray also said that the petition will be presented to UMaine President Peter S. Hoff and Director of Athletics Suzanne Tyler after the season has concluded.

"He's done an amazing job," Gray said.

WHERE'S MAT 105?

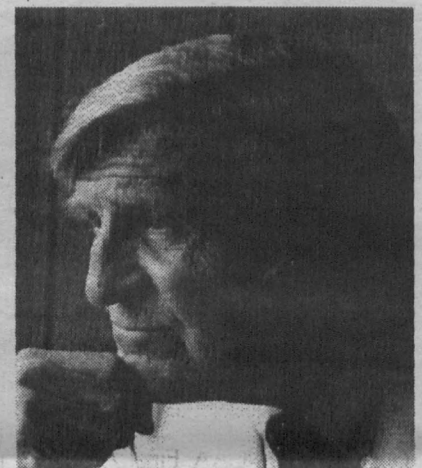
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Officials see more student rioting after big events

Baseball team to play four

By Catherine Dolinski
Capital News Service

WASHINGTON — You win some, you lose some and you riot either way.

Such has been the trend in recent years on college campuses after big-time athletic events like the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament. And no one has demonstrated it better than fans at the University of Maryland, College Park, where thousands faced off with hundreds of police Monday after the Terrapins won the national championship.

Post-game bedlam like that has been erupting on campuses around the country, leaving police and college officials scrambling to implement new security measures to break the cycle, which they say has been growing more violent, and more commonplace.

"This is a trend, but not just at College Park. It's a national phenomenon," said Maj. Cathy Atwell, of the College Park campus police.

"It's been increasing over the last two years or so."

The raucous scenes Monday in College Park — bonfires, looting, drunken brawls, flying beer bottles and walls of troopers in riot gear — were still milder than the damage Terp fans caused last year after losing to Duke in the NCAA Final Four.

In Arizona, Tucson Police Sgt. Marco Borboa said he had flashbacks when he saw pictures of the College Park mob scene in Tuesday's newspapers.

"Those photos could've been taken here," he said.

The chaos Borboa remembers followed the University of Arizona's NCAA championship loss to Duke last spring. That night, rowdy Wildcats fans smashed out storefronts, attacked police, set fire to trash cans and even burned a mobile home.

The episode, which resulted in at least 17 arrests, replayed many of the same problems the city suffered when Arizona beat Kentucky to win the championship in 1997.

"This year we had no incidents, but it looks like other campuses are being faced with it now," Borboa said.

Atwell pointed to similar problems in recent years at universities like Michigan State and Ohio State.

Bloomington, Ind., police reported that after the Hoosiers lost to the Terps Monday, a crowd of thousands of Indiana fans grew unruly, throwing bottles, ripping plywood off buildings and lighting fires. About 1:30 a.m., the roughly 130 riot gear-clad city and state troopers in downtown Bloomington resorted to using tear gas and pepper spray to disperse the mob.

Lt. Jerry Minger, of the Indiana University campus police, said most of the rabble-rousing occurred downtown, and that things had stayed comparatively peaceful on

campus. Yet even campus cops wound up making about 20 arrests that night, adding to the 10 or 15 reported by city police.

"Part of this is a copycat phenomenon," said Sheldon Steinbach, general counsel for the American Council on Education.

Jeff Kretschmar, of the Miami University Sport Fan Research group in Ohio, agreed, noting that young people often learn the ins and outs of mob behavior from television.

"After the game, you get people outside in a group who've been drinking all day, feeling cohesion in the group," Kretschmar said. "What happens is, the person in the group feels anonymous, and their actions feel unidentifiable. So they feel more free to do these things."

For that reason, police are wise to start using video surveillance of crowds to "wake up" fans from their mob mentality, he said.

Borboa said police in Tucson and other university towns are starting to observe one another and trade tips about crowd control in preparation for the next unruly event.

"We're all trying to learn what works — and what doesn't," he said.

George Cathcart, spokesman for the University of Maryland, College Park, said colleges are fine-tuning their responses as well. College Park recently expanded its code of conduct to allow students to be disciplined for misdemeanors committee off-campus. Previously, only off-campus felonies were covered.

Cathcart said he was optimistic that more and more students are rejecting the riot tradition. He admitted, however, it's still a liability that comes with increased success and attention in school sports. Having also sent its football team to the Orange Bowl this year, the College Park campus has had its share of problems with disorderly crowds lately.

"It happens at schools with really good sports teams," Cathcart said. "But it's certainly not a badge

By Lucas Peterson
For The Maine Campus

The University of Maine baseball team continues its non-conference schedule away from Mahaney Diamond this weekend with a pair of doubleheaders at Pace University in Pleasantville, N.Y., this weekend. The 2002 Black Bears enter the weekend with a record of 11-7. Not the same record-breaking start as a year ago, but the team is still working to fit players into new roles.

"We've got a long season, we've just started," coach Paul Kostacopoulos said. "I think we're on the right track. Sometimes you don't know who your leaders are until they lead."

The losses of Simon Stoner and Rusty Tucker from the top of the starting rotation have left sophomores Mike Collar and Mike MacDonald in a position to be top-flight starters.

"I think both Mike and Mike can be legitimate number-one and number-two pitchers in this league," Kostacopoulos said. "I feel very comfortable there, and we just need to work on our Sunday pair and improve as the season goes on. We'll have a better idea after this weekend."

MacDonald and Collar have identical 2-1 records and both are building on excellent freshman seasons.

"I look at them from an athletic and talent point of view [as being] equal," Kostacopoulos said. "They both bring different things to the table, but they're both equal in results."

It is hard to argue with success. In Collar's case that success has included wins in 10 of the right-hander's 11 collegiate decisions.

"It's more than just having good stuff to have results like that," Kostacopoulos said. "You have to have a little something inside and he proved that last week. He didn't have much stuff, but he got it done."

Rich Laganieri and Paul Bruder have each seen time on

the hill at the start of games, but this weekend veteran Adam Labelle will get a start. Labelle leads the team with a 4.58 ERA and he pitched well in a spot start against Furman University.

The versatility that appeared throughout last season is evident again. Joe Drapeau, Alain Picard, Aaron Izaryk and Pat Tobin can all play a number of positions in the infield.

Drapeau, playing mostly third base, is batting .355 and leads the team with 27 hits.

Outfielder Mike Ross, along with Drapeau, has started all 18 games this season. Ross is tied with Jesse Carlton for the team lead in home runs with five and leads the team with 24 RBIs.

The outlook in America East is cloudy this season with the departure of four teams to the Colonial Athletic Conference

and the addition of SUNY schools Stony Brook, Albany and Binghamton.

Stony Brook is coming off two straight seasons with 30 or more wins with an independent schedule. Northeastern appears to be back after a down season

last year and Vermont has the starting pitching to contend with, according to Kostacopoulos. All this makes for an exciting season says Coach K.

"I think it's going to be an extremely competitive league. And I would say more competitive than it's been in the past."

And I would say more competitive than it's been in the past. We had a group of eight schools, seven of which were competitive, in the sense of playing each other, and then one that was better than everyone else. Delaware was better. They won five regular season championships in a row. I think it's wide open."

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Softball team finds winner in frosh

By Eric Russell
Staff Reporter

University of Maine freshman Jenna Merchant is a long way from home. But the Sandy, Utah native and starting pitcher for the Black Bear softball team hasn't let that stop her from having an impact on this year's squad.

Merchant has started 15 games on the mound for coach Deb Smith and has a 7-7 record and 2.06 earned run average. Much of UMaine's success this season could be pinned on a freshman with little Division I experience, but that hasn't bothered coach Smith.

"The team very much respects Jenna's abilities and she has been a real positive influence on the team so far," Smith said.

The Black Bears have one last tune-up before conference play begins, a two-game set today at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. The preseason America East poll was released this week and UMaine was picked to finish second, behind Boston University. A second-place finish would be a far cry from a team that finished just 6-20 in conference play a year ago.

"The whole team's attitude has changed," Merchant said. "Our goal this season has been to win the conference championship, but until now, it wasn't something anyone thought we could do."

Smith, too, was pleased with the ranking but said she doesn't want her team to get caught up in playing at a certain level.

"[Our ranking] shows the amount of respect the conference has for us," Smith said. "But I want to take the focus away from rankings and focus more on the little things."

The Black Bears look to iron out some of the wrinkles today in Massachusetts before they travel to Hartford this weekend and open their conference schedule with a pair of doubleheaders against the Hawks.

"We're hoping to play with a little more consistency, mentally," Smith said. "We've come out flat in some games lately and it's shown in our hitting."

If Merchant continues to improve in the pitcher's circle, the Black Bears may not need to hit at all. The freshman already has 13 complete games and three shutouts to her credit and probably has her best innings ahead of her, according to Smith.

"Jenna was used to dominating at the high school level and when she got here the hitters were that much better and stronger," Smith said. "But she's adapting well to the competition and should really give us a boost in conference play."

Merchant admits she has a lot to learn, some of which she is finding out the hard way.

"I had never had a home run hit off of me until this year. That was hard," Merchant said.

Merchant also has had to adapt to playing so far away from home.

"It's hard, the cold sucks," she said. "But the hardest part is looking in the stands and not

seeing faces I recognize."

Merchant's success this season has also been aided by improved hitting from her teammates. Seniors Erica Sobel, Leigh Ann Hlywak, Katie Churchill and Aliasha Rautenberg have provided the offensive firepower that was missing most of last season, and have given Merchant some well-deserved encouragement.

"It's like having a bunch of big sisters," Merchant said of her senior teammates. "When I'm struggling, the seniors are the first ones to pick me up. They're great."

"The freshmen have meshed really well with the older players," Smith added. "We have a nice leadership class of seniors."

Merchant has also provided a little boost with her bat, something pitchers aren't usually asked to provide. In 67 at bats, she has 16 hits and is third on the team with nine runs batted in.

"That was one of the reasons I came here, coach Smith allows her pitchers to hit," Merchant said. "You don't see that too often."

While she continues to work on her game, one thing that Merchant hasn't been lacking so far is confidence, not only in herself, but in the entire team.

"I was disappointed with the No. 2 ranking. I wanted to be ranked first," Merchant said. "Second is good, but it's not good enough for this team."

Strong words from a first-year Black Bear, but Merchant has the game to back them up.

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win, with leaders of its own. "This has been a tough year to be a senior," Whitehead said, "but our guys have handled it beautifully. Having Peter [Metcalf] around has been a huge help to me in some of those quiet moments."

What may decide who wins is special teams. UNH has one of the most effective power plays in the country, converting on a Hockey East leading 30.1 percent of its chances. UMaine's 24.9 percent conversion rate was second in the conference.

"When teams are so evenly matched, special teams become crucial," Umile said. "We haven't done anything different than we did last year, but our guys are more experienced and they work well together. But Maine's good, too, and it's given us problems before."

Whitehead said UNH's power play isn't easy to defend.

"They have so many weapons that when you focus on one, someone else will hurt you," he said. "But we have two hot goalies and our defense is very experienced. We can defend against their power play."

In the previous four meetings, UNH won both games played away from Alford Arena. The Wildcats beat UMaine 4-1 on December 1, in New Hampshire and 3-1 in the Hockey East Championship game on March 16 in Boston.

UMaine got its lone win, 6-3, against the Wildcats on February 1 at Alford Arena. The teams tied, 2-2, the next night.

Whitehead was still undecided on his goalie when the team left for St. Paul Tuesday. UNH is likely to go with sophomore

Michael Ayers. Ayers has been rotating on a game-by-game basis with senior Matt Carney. Carney played in the East Regional quarterfinal game against Cornell on March 24.

Ayers, the Hockey East goalie of the month for March, is 1-0-1 against the Black Bears this season. He made 31 saves in the Hockey East championship game. He was also in net for the 6-3 loss, but only gave up three goals before Mick Mounsey's skate blade tore a tendon in his right wrist. Despite the pain, Ayers played the next night in a splint. He came back early from surgery with a week left in the regular season. Ayers went 3-0-0 with a 1.93 goals against average in March and is 4-0-1 with a 1.54 goals against average and .948 save percentage since coming back.

UMaine, New Hampshire renew rivalry on track

By Vanessa Moore
Staff Reporter

The men's and women's track teams returned Orono after competing in the Rutgers University Invitational Track and Field Meet last weekend. Although the meet was not scored, many University of Maine athletes took home top honors.

Junior Victoriya Rybalko, who battled back after ankle surgery last spring, is one of UMaine's key competitors. At Rutgers, she finished first in the long jump, second in the 100-meter dash and took part in the 4x100 meter relay, which took home a first-place finish. At the America East Indoor Track and Field Championships on February 16, Rybalko was named the Women's Most Outstanding Field Performer, edging out Kristal Kostiew of Vermont. Rybalko will not compete this weekend due to a minor hamstring injury, but she is expected to return for next weekend's home meet.

Captain Brooke DeForte is also a catalyst for UMaine. At the RU Invitational, she took home a third place in the 200-meter dash, a fourth place in the 100-meter dash, as well as a first as a part of the 4x100 meter relay.

"The 4x100 has a great combination of athletes and the ability to break some records," DeForte said. "It's a little early in the season to say, but I think we will be real competitive at America East."

The UMaine men also had great results at Rutgers. Freshman Brett McIntire continued his remarkable season, placing first in the men's long jump, second in the 100-meter dash and taking part in the first-place 4x100 relay team. UMaine cleaned up in the 200-meter dash as three UMaine runners, Robert Liguori, Adam Libby and Marsh Gray finished second, third and fourth, respectively. Derek Semple, Brandon Arbour and Joseph Olszewski placed second, third and fourth in the 400-meter dash. Gabe Rivard, Ed Caron, Joey Luchini and Nolan Tobey took home first through fourth place in the 1500-meter run.

UMaine was also strong in the distance events, taking the top three places in the 10,000-meter run and second place in the 5,000-meter run.

This weekend, the Bears will compete against UNH, Vermont and Quinnipiac at the University of New Hampshire in Durham.

"The women's team has a lot of injuries, however, our sprinters are good sprinters and our distance runners, such as senior Suzanne Hussey, and field competitors, such as Katie Page, are very strong," coach Jim Ballinger said.

In the men's race, UNH will probably be the biggest point contender with UMaine. Both teams are well rounded. Joe Luchini, Brandon Arbour, Gabe Rivard and Brett McIntire will be competitors to watch this weekend.

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He then thanked the fans for making Alford Arena, "the best home ice advantage in all of college hockey."

Senior captain Peter Metcalf addressed the crowd, saying that his group of seniors has been a part of something special.

"This is our third time in the Frozen Four in four years. And if

we win, it will be our second national championship, which is not something that happens a lot. It would be really special to us."

He also asked the crowd for one more "Let's Go Maine!" chant, since he would never play at Alford Arena again, a request that was duly obliged.

Senior goalie Mike Morrison also addressed the crowd, asking

them to break into an "M-A-I-N-E Go Blue!" chant, which the crowd did. He was also sentimental.

"When we got together six months ago, it was for the wrong reasons," he said. "Now we're on the verge of another championship. That trophy will be a beauty and you will all see it."

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"The freshmen have meshed really well with the older players. We have a nice leadership class of seniors."

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UMaine looking for second championship in four years

Fans, alumni turn out in Memorial Union, give team send off to Frozen Four

By Jeff Mannix
Staff Reporter

University of Maine men's ice hockey interim coach Tim Whitehead succinctly characterized the task at hand for his Black Bears in the Frozen Four at a pep rally in Memorial Union on Monday.

"We have some unfinished business to care of."

The team was sent off in grand style as students and fans packed the seating area of the Maine Marketplace to give their encouragement to the hockey team.

The rally was an exhibition of

the spirit that guides this year's team.

"We've tried to make this a season that Shawn [Walsh]

"This team has come a long way this year. We've had plenty of highs and lows. At the beginning, we had a lot more lows than highs, and now we have a lot more highs than lows."

would be proud of," Whitehead said at the rally. "I think that he'd be proud of this team."

"This team has lived true to what Shawn Walsh established," UMaine President Peter S. Hoff

said. "They have remained committed and they will bring him back a trophy."

"This team has come a long

way this year," Whitehead said. "We've had plenty of highs and lows. At the beginning, we had a lot more lows than highs, and now we have a lot more highs than lows. The one constant that

remained was the commitment from everyone on this team to play for Shawn Walsh and to make sure he would be proud of us."

And while it was another opportunity to remember what Walsh gave to the program, it was also a love-in for Whitehead.

When he was introduced to the crowd, he received an ovation that lasted a minute-and-a-half. The ovation may have lasted longer had Whitehead not cut it off by beginning to speak. Even the humble Whitehead snuck a smile through the ovation.

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Waning moments

By Ryan Waning

For The Maine Campus

The next person who asks me why I didn't fly to St. Paul to see University of Maine and University of New Hampshire hockey game is going to get kicked right in the nuts.

I'm talking a flat out Reggie Roby — square in the bits — because it's just a lead-in for the real question, the one that they know the answer to — but feel they must ask anyway.

"So, are you afraid to fly?"

Yes, I am. I'm absolutely scared shitless of it. Excluding someone drugging me B.A. Baracus-style, crating me and shipping me somewhere, I will never get on a plane.

First of all, when someone who does fly finds out that you are afraid to get on an airplane, this person will give you that 'silly rabbit' chuckle and begin to recount for you, with a growing air of superiority, a few of the best turbulence stories culled from countless hours in the sky.

Well dig this, Maverick, the joke is on you. Since I don't remember checking the "daredevil" box on my things to do today list, you can have my seat.

While you're up there riding the highway to the danger zone, me and Goose will be down here with our feet on the ground, knowing full well that our chances to outlive you have just increased 30-fold based solely on the fact that you got on a plane and we didn't.

Let me put it to you this way. People make planes. People make errors. Could it be possible that people who make planes make errors making planes?

Nobody ever has anything to say to that one because it's true. Just because highly-trained engineers design them doesn't make the planes any safer. These bastards have been falling out of the sky since day one, and people keep getting on them, regardless of that simple concept.

Well, not me, I'll never get on a plane. Not even to watch our hockey team win a national title.

Students use petition to show support

By Joseph Bethony
Sports Editor

His speech to the awaiting University of Maine men's ice hockey fans, alumni and media at Monday's pep rally in Memorial Union was delayed by an applause that lasted for more than a minute. According to some students, the ovation that UMaine interim head coach Tim Whitehead received should be a sign to the administration and athletics department that the interim label needs to be removed from Whitehead's title.

Junior computer science major Allison Gray wanted to show the administration just how much student support Whitehead has. Seeing the success that Whitehead has had since taking over the team after Shawn Walsh passed away in September, Gray felt that Whitehead deserved to be named the head coach.

"[UMaine student] Doug Libby and I talked with [UMaine alum] Nanni Daly about showing our support for Whitehead and she suggested a petition," Gray said. "It would show widespread support."

Gray said that she started seriously thinking about the petition in the last couple of weeks, especially after UMaine advanced to the Frozen Four by beating archrival Boston University in the NCAA Quarterfinals on March 24.

UMaine went 25-10-7 (14-5-5

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Junior forward Chris Heistein gets by a Boston University defender at the Hockey East Semifinals at the Fleetcenter in Boston. A Hockey East representative is guaranteed a spot in the championship game for the sixth consecutive year.

Special teams key to Frozen Four semifinal

By Jeff Mannix
Staff Reporter

The University of Maine and University of New Hampshire men's hockey teams know each other quite well. The teams have played four games against each other this year, all of them quite even.

But none of those match-ups are as big as Thursday's.

The Black Bears (25-10-7) will take on the Wildcats (30-6-3) in the Frozen Four's first semifinal at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, Minn. The winner gains the right to play the Michigan Wolverines (28-10-5) or the Minnesota Golden Gophers (30-8-4) in Saturday's national championship.

"There won't be any secrets

between us," UMaine interim head coach Tim Whitehead said.

"They have so many weapons that when you focus on one, someone else will hurt you. But we have two hot goalies and our defense is very experienced. We can defend against their power play."

"We've got our hands full with the match-up. We have a ton of respect for UNH."

"It's like Timmy says, there

won't be any secrets," UNH head coach Dick Umile said in a teleconference on March 26. "Our guys know each other inside and out. It's going to be a great hockey game to be a part of."

Two UNH seniors, Darren Haydar and David Busch, were on the ice in Anaheim, Calif., for the 1999 National Championship game, which UMaine won in overtime, 3-2. Haydar, Busch and the whole team will be looking to exact some retribution on UMaine.

"Those two bring a lot of experience to our team," Umile said. "They have great leadership abilities."

But UMaine has significant reasons of its own to play and

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