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Study of the Status of Women in Maine's Economy Finds Many Living on the Edge

Average earnings for Maine women do not meet the minimum required to cover a basic-needs budget for a single parent raising two children, according to a soon-to-be-released study on the status of women in the Maine economy.

The study by Stephanie Seguino, research associate at the University of Maine's Margaret Chase Smith Center for Public Policy, focused on gender differences in income, educational attainment, employment and poverty rates. It was based on data from the 1980 and 1990 Censuses, and from the state and federal Labor Departments, as well as a recent survey of AFDC recipients in Maine.

In order to shed light on the current debate over welfare reform, Seguino also compared women's incomes to a basic-needs budget that "represents a minimum for a single parent of two children to work full time," according to Seguino. "It is important to understand that it costs money to go to work for such expenses as childcare and transportation. Given that, we should look at how much women need to earn in order to afford to go to work."

Her study, *Living on the Edge: Women Working and Providing for Families in the Maine Economy, 1979-1993*, was funded by grants from the Hallowell-based Women's Development Institute, a branch of the Maine Women's Lobby, and from the Davis Family Foundation, in partnership with the Maine Center for Economic Policy.

Among Seguino's major findings:

▼ More Maine women than ever are in the labor force. In 1980, 47 percent of women over 16 were

employed, and by 1990, that had increased to 60 percent. Women who are single parents are more likely to be in the workforce than women in two-parent families.

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President Responds to Faculty Senate Plan

University of Maine President Fred Hutchinson announced Thursday that he has accepted two recommendations of the University's Faculty Senate regarding the future of University College, but has declined accepting a third related request.

Hutchinson outlined his responses Thursday afternoon during a meeting of faculty members of University College of Bangor. University College, currently one of eight colleges of the University of Maine, has been reassigned to the University of Maine System's Community College of Maine, effective in the fall of this year. *continued on page 2*

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Several weeks ago, Hutchinson asked the Faculty Senate to review the University College situation and to hold open hearings to gain input on the college's future. He said he considered the

Senate's subsequent advice fully and appreciated its efforts.

The following is the text of the Jan. 19 letter from Hutchinson to Faculty Senate President James Gilbert:

I am writing to inform you of my actions relative to the Faculty Senate resolutions passed at its Dec. 14, 1994 meeting which address the Liberal Studies and Professional programs at University College. As you know, the relationship between the Faculty Senate and the Administration is one in which the Senate plays an important role. During the nearly three years that I have been President, I have found the Senate's advice most helpful as I assess the University's needs, direction, and priorities. Such was the case with the three resolutions the Senate deliberated recently related to University College.

Please allow me to address each resolution.

I agree with the resolution that the professional associate degree programs at University College be transferred to the Community College of Maine when an appropriate administrative and budgetary structure exists. I understand that Acting President MacRoy is already initiating dialogue with the professional programs' faculties concerning implementation of that transfer. I accept the Senate's recommendation on this matter.

I also agree that, for the present, the University of Maine continue to offer associate degree programs so long as they are fully integrated into baccalaureate degree programs. The two-year Landscape Horticulture program meets this condition. This is an important distinction which must be recognized. Under the existing conditions, I accept the Senate's recommendation on this matter.

However, I do not agree with the recommendation for the continuation of the Liberal Studies Associate Degree program at the University of Maine. In my view, that recommendation is not consistent with the future mission of the University of Maine as described in the Board of Trustees document entitled Project 2002, the report of the ad hoc committee on positioning the University of Maine for the 21st century, which was issued on July 13, 1992. With the exception of programs that are fully integrated into baccalaureate degrees, two-year degrees cannot be treated as a University priority, especially at a time of downsizing. Furthermore, the presence of the Community College of Maine in Bangor will continue to provide citizens access to two-year programs, and at a lower tuition rate than University College students pay under the existing relationship. If we are to focus on our mission as outlined by the University of Maine System's trustees, we must concentrate our teaching efforts on four-year and graduate programs.

I do not agree with creating the option of the Liberal Studies faculty retaining their tenure home at the University of Maine. Most of the faculty members in that program will be required to teach Liberal Studies courses for the University College of Bangor when it becomes part of the Community College of Maine. For most of those faculty, the demand for their services will be in Bangor, not Orono. Those whose teaching and administrative responsibilities will continue to be needed in Orono for the four-year degree programs of the University of Maine will be offered annual contracts.

From an organizational standpoint, it should be noted that none of the remaining colleges on the University of Maine campus responded in the affirmative to the possibility of the Liberal Studies faculty becoming part of their unit.

Though I did not act favorably on all three of the resolutions passed by the Faculty Senate regarding the Liberal Studies program, I want you to know that I considered them fully and reflected deeply upon each of them. While I am sure my actions will not meet with universal approval, I am confident that my decisions are in the best long-term interests of the University of Maine and the citizens of the State.

I appreciated the Faculty Senate process which considered my recommendation that University College be transferred to the Community College of Maine. The open hearings allowed the Faculty Senate to gain valuable faculty input. Additionally, data and other information which were solicited from appropriate offices provided further resources from which to draw.

Thank you for your hard work and thoughtful consideration of the very difficult issues relative to the future of University College. ▲

Graduate Invents Device to Improve Radiation Therapy

A graduate of the University of Maine's mechanical engineering technology program has invented a device which is expected to enhance the radiation therapy process for cancer patients.

Davy Logan, an Oakland native who recently took a position as a manufacturing engineer at Hadady Corp. of Dyer, Ind.,

after earning a bachelor's degree at UMaine last May, says a patent is pending on the device, a cross hair assembly which serves as the center of movement when mounted on the linear accelerator radiation therapy machine.

The cross hair assembly is a stainless steel frame, 7-1/2" square, with replaceable spring-loaded music wire resembling the cross hair of a rifle scope. Each wire has an adjustable slide.

Larry Alquist, radiation physicist at Eastern Maine Medical

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Davy Logan, left, and Herb Crosby

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JAN. 23 – FEB. 3

All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise specified. Any speaker not otherwise identified is a member of the University of Maine faculty, staff or student body. Send notices of upcoming campus events to: *Maine Perspective* Calendar, Public Affairs. Calendar of events listings MUST be typewritten and should be sent AT LEAST TWO WEEKS in advance. Deadline for each issue: 9 a.m. Friday. For more information, call x3745.

23 Monday

Do-It-Yourself Database Searching Workshop for science and engineering faculty, staff and students, 10-11:30 a.m., Jan. 23, Science and Engineering Center, Fogler Library. Registration. x1678.

"Economic Dimensions of Ecosystem Management," by John Bergstrom, University of Georgia and visiting UMaine professor, noon, Jan. 23, 204 Nutting Hall. x2862.

Resume Writing Basics, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 2:10 p.m., Jan. 23, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

Connecting to CAPS and the Internet, a CAPS seminar with Eloise Kleban, 3-5 p.m., Jan. 23, 107 Corbett Business Building. x3518.

Senior Job Placement Services, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 3:30 p.m., Jan. 23, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

"How Birds Flock and Traffic Jams: New Tools for Exploring Decentralized Systems," by Mitchel Resnick, MIT Media Laboratory and developer of the computer program StarLogo, part of the Department of Computer Science Seminar Series, 4:10 p.m., Jan. 23, 115 Corbett Hall. x3940.

24 Tuesday

"Who Said It Was Simple?: Audré Lorde's Complex Connection to Three Liberation Movements," by Angela Brown, Ph.D. candidate, Clark University and Dissertation Scholar, USM, part of the Women in the Curriculum Lunch Series, 12:15-1:30 p.m., Jan. 24, Bangor Lounge, Union. x1228.

Performance by the Ballet National du Senegal, part of the Maine Center for the Arts performance season, 7 p.m., Jan. 24, Hutchins Concert Hall. Admission fee. x1755. Free pre-concert lecture by David Klocko one hour before performance, Bodwell Area.

Coffee House with Kevin Connolly, 8 p.m., Jan. 24, Peabody Lounge, Union. x1734.

25 Wednesday

Mosaic Intro, a CIT Windows Workshop, 10 a.m.-noon, Jan. 25, Donald Corbett Business Building. Registration required/admission fee. x1638.

The Story of Our Time, part of the video series: *Canticle to the Cosmos* with Brian Swimme, offered by Peace Studies and other sponsors, noon, Jan. 25, Totman Lounge, Union. x1036.

"Homophobia: Is It a Problem in Maine?" by Stephen Wessler, assistant attorney general and director of the Public Protection Unit, Attorney General's Office, part of Healthspeak '95, 12:20-1:30 p.m., Jan. 25, Bangor Lounges, Union. x4194.

Finding Co-op & Internship Positions, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 2:10 p.m., Jan. 25, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

SYSTAT for Windows, a CAPS seminar with Wayne Persons, 3-5 p.m., Jan. 25, 115 Corbett Business Building. x3518.

Cover Letters, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 3:10 p.m., Jan. 25, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

Faculty Senate Meeting, 3:15 p.m., Jan. 25, Lown Rooms, Union. x1167.

26 Thursday

Electronic Job Search, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 8:30 a.m., Jan. 26, Lengyel Computer Cluster. x1359.

"Salsa Brava!: Red-hot Poems from South of the Border," part of the Poetry Free Zone series, noon, Jan. 26, Honors Center. x3264.

Interviewing Techniques, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 2:10 p.m., Jan. 26, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

Senior Job Placement Services, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 3 p.m., Jan. 26, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

Retirement Reception for Paul Harris, 3-5 p.m., Jan. 26, Peabody Lounge, Union. x2778.

"The National Museum of the American Indian: Perspectives on Museums in the 21st Century," by W. Richard West Jr., founding director of the Smithsonian Institution's newly opened National Museum of the American Indian, offered by the Hudson Museum, 3:30 p.m., Jan. 26, Bodwell Area, Maine Center for the Arts. x1901.

The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert, part of the Not at the Mall film series, 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., Jan. 26, Hauck Auditorium. Admission fee. x4104.

Thursday Night at the Bear's Den with the band, Cana' Joe, 9 p.m., Jan. 26, Union. x1734.

27 Friday

Course Dropping for a refund ends 4:30 p.m., Jan. 27.

National Symphony Orchestra Open Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Jan. 27, Hutchins Concert Hall. x1755.

"The History of Mississippi Blues," a lecture/concert, part of the Guest Lecture Series, 8 p.m., Jan. 27, Hauck Auditorium. Admission fee. x1777.

Comedy Café with Tony V and Rich Gustus, 9 p.m., Jan. 27, Damn Yankee. Admission fee. x1734.

28 Saturday

Memorial Service for Hugh DeWitt, 11 a.m., Jan. 28, Newman Center. x2551.

Men's Basketball: UMaine vs. Northeastern, 1 p.m., Jan. 28, Alford Sports Arena. Admission fee. xBEAR.

Annie, a Family Times Movie, 1 p.m., Jan. 28, 100 Corbett Hall. x1734.

Movie: Clerks, 6:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m., Jan. 28, Hauck Auditorium. Admission fee. x1734.

National Symphony Orchestra in Concert, 7 p.m., Jan. 28, Hutchins Concert Hall. Admission fee. x1755.

29 Sunday

National Symphony Orchestra Casual Youth Concert, 3 p.m., Jan. 29, Hutchins Concert Hall. Admission fee. x1755.

30 Monday

Interviewing Techniques, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 2:10 p.m., Jan. 30, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

Navigating the Internet, a CAPS seminar with Eloise Kleban, 3-5 p.m., Jan. 30, 107 Corbett Business Building. x3518.

31 Tuesday

"Perspectives on Race, Civil Rights and Feminism," by Kathleen Cleaver, assistant professor of law at Emory University School of Law and former spokesperson for the Black Panther Party, part of the Women in the Curriculum Lunch Series, 12:15-1:30 p.m., Jan. 31, Bangor Lounge, Union. x1228.

Ongoing Events

Athletic Events/Recreation

Ice Skating, Alford Sports Arena, noon-1 p.m., Monday-Friday; 2-3:30 p.m., Saturday-Sunday. Admission fee/skate rentals available. Stick & Puck, 1:10-2:10 p.m., Monday-Friday. Admission fee. x1082.

Latti Fitness Center, 6:15-10 p.m., Monday and Wednesday; 7 a.m.-10 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday; 6:15 a.m.-8 p.m., Friday; 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday; 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday. Admission fee. x1082.

Swimming, Wallace Pool, 6:45-8 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday; 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday; 6-7 p.m., Monday-Friday (children allowed); 9-10 p.m., Sunday-Thursday (students only); 10:30 a.m.-noon, and 2:30-5 p.m., Saturday (children allowed); 2:30-5 p.m., Sunday (children allowed). Admission fee/rec pass. x1082.

Senior Swim, a class for those 55 and older, 10-11 a.m., Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Registration fee. x1082.

Conferences/Seminars/Workshops

Using the Mainframe for E-mail, a three-part CAPS seminar with Betty Johnson, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Jan. 24, Jan. 31 and Feb. 7, 115 Corbett Business Building. x3518.

"Women's Studies on the Internet," a hands-on workshop by Sandra Haggard and Nancy Lewis, part of the Women in the Curriculum Lunch Series, 12:15-1:30 p.m., Feb. 1 and Feb. 3. For information and registration, call x1228.

Introduction to SAS, a two-part CAPS seminar with Wayne Persons, 3-5 p.m., Feb. 1 and Feb. 8, 115 Corbett Business Building. x3518.

Entertainment

Menace II Society, part of the Roll It Again Cinema Video Series, 6:30 p.m., Jan. 23, FFA Room; 3:15 p.m., and 6:30 p.m., Jan. 24, Totman Lounge and FFA Room, respectively, Union. x1734.

Edward Scissorhands, part of the Roll It Again Cinema Video Series, 6:30 p.m., Jan. 30; 3:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Jan. 31, Sutton Lounge, Union. x1734.

"Where Is Little Bear?" a Planetarium show, 2 p.m. every Sunday, through Feb. 28, Wingate Hall. Admission fee. x1341.

"Cosmic Catastrophes," a Planetarium show, 7 p.m. every Friday, through Feb. 28, Wingate Hall. Admission fee. x1341.

Exhibits/Demonstrations/Tours

Thunder Bunny and Friends: Cartoons by Lee Reardon, a Museum of Art exhibit, through Jan. 29, Graphics Gallery, Union. x3255.

In Your Face, a Museum of Art exhibit, Feb. 1-April 10, Hold in the Wall Gallery, Union. x3255.

The Way We (Never) Were: Fashion Cover Art from 1894-1924, a Museum of Art exhibit, Feb. 3-April 19, Graphics Gallery, Union. x3255.

Michael H. Lewis: Magic Is Alive, a Museum of Art exhibit, through Feb. 12, 1938 Gallery, Carnegie Hall. x3255.

Eric Hopkins: Thorofares, a Museum of Art exhibit, through Feb. 20, Carnegie Gallery, Carnegie Hall. x3255.

"I Live Not Without Beauty": Plains Indian Material Culture, a Hudson Museum exhibit, through April 9, Maine Center for the Arts. x1901.

His Vision of the People: George Catlin and Plains Indians, a Hudson Museum exhibit, through April 9, Maine Center for the Arts. x1901.

Edmund G. Schildknecht Revisited, a Museum of Art exhibit, through April 22, Hauck Auditorium, Union. x3255.

Maine Forest and Logging Museum - Leonard's Mills, a water-powered sawmill community site, open daily 9 a.m.-4 p.m., with guided tours available, Bradley. x2871.

Page Farm and Home Museum open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. x4100.

Hudson Museum open Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. x1901.

Athletic Mementos and Memorabilia Past and Present, an M Club-sponsored exhibit, Memorial Gym Lobby.

Meetings of Groups/Organizations

Non-traditional Students (NTS) Early Morning Coffee Hour, every Tuesday, 7:30 a.m., Nutter Lounge, Union.

PEAC meets the first Thursday of the month, noon, FFA Room, Union. x2456.

Interdisciplinary Training for Health Care for Rural Areas Brown Bag Lunch, open staff meetings held every three weeks, Hamm Room, Union. x2591.

Foreign Language Tables: Monday - French; Tuesday - Russian; Wednesday - German; Thursday - Spanish; all noon-1 p.m., 207 Little Hall. x2073.

Maine Peace Action Committee meets every Tuesday, 4 p.m., Virtue Room, Maples. x3860.

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Wednesday, noon-1 p.m., Davis Room, Union.

AI-Anon meeting every Thursday, 11 a.m., Old Town Room, Union. 947-5855.

NTS Coffee Hour every Thursday, 3:15 p.m., Commuter Lounge, Union. x1734.

Prisoners of Gender, a gender discussion group, meets every Friday, 2:15 p.m., 1912 Room, Union. x3801.

International Students' Coffee Hour every Friday, 4 p.m., Damn Yankee. x2905.

Religious Worship

Newman Center/Our Lady of Wisdom Parish Weekly Liturgy: Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and 6:15 p.m., Newman Center, 11:15 p.m., Bangor Lounge, Union; Monday-Thursday, 4:45 p.m., Newman Center. Confessions every Sunday, 5:30 p.m., Newman Center. 866-2155.

Worship and Celebration at the Wilson Center, followed by a light supper of soup and bread, every Sunday, 5 p.m., 67 College Ave. 866-4227.

Hindu Prayer Meeting, contact Arvind Sharma, 866-0304.

Get-together with Orono Campus Ministers, every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Memorial Room, Union. 866-4227.

Ecumenical Brown Bag, mid-day prayers followed by discussion of "living our faith questions," led by Rev. Deborah Adams, every Monday, 12:15-1 p.m., Memorial Room, Union. 866-4227.

A Baha'i Fireside, every Tuesday, 7 p.m., Union. 827-7571.

"A Taste of Home," home-cooked meal prepared by local church members, Wilson Center, every Thursday, 5:30 p.m., 67 College Ave. \$2 donation. 866-4227.

Muslim Prayer every Friday, noon-2 p.m., Drummond Chapel. x3449.

Miscellaneous

Vacation Childcare Program, for children grades K-6, Feb. 20-24. Applications available in Commuter Office, Union. x1820.

Horse-drawn Sled Rides, Leonard's Mills, Bradley, by appointment for private groups. 947-8783 or 947-8838. Warm clothing/blankets recommended.

Study Abroad Resource Room open 10 a.m.-noon and 1-4:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1-4:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, third floor, The Maples.

The Body Shop, a student-run business offering a variety of personal care products for sale, sponsored by the UMaine chapter of the American Marketing Association, every Monday and Thursday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Union. 866-7105.

Maynard F. Jordan Observatory open on clear nights Friday-Sunday, 7-9 p.m. x1341.

"Transition and Stress: How to Deal with It," part of the NTS Topics Series, 3 p.m., Jan. 31, Nutter Lounge, Union. x1734.

Resume Writing Basics, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 3:10 p.m., Jan. 31, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

Performance by the Karel and Terry Lidral Duo, part of the Music Department performance season, 7 p.m., Jan. 31, Lynch Room, Fogler Library. x1240.

"War, Women and Race: How the 1960s Changed Them," by Kathleen Cleaver, assistant professor of law at Emory University School of Law and former spokesperson for the Black Panther Party, part of the Women in the Curriculum Lunch Series, 7:30 p.m., Jan. 31, 100 Corbett Business Building. Reception to follow in Corbett Atrium. x1228.

1 Wednesday

PowerPoint Intro, a CIT Macintosh Workshop, 10 a.m.-noon, Feb. 1, Fogler Library Classroom. Registration required/admission fee. x1638.

"All That Jazz!: Poems with a Beat," part of the Poetry Free Zone series, noon, Feb. 1, Honors Center. x3264.

Senior Job Placement Services, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, noon, Feb. 1, Union. x1359.

The Primeval Fireball, part of the video series: *Canticle to the Cosmos* with Brian Swimme, offered by Peace Studies and other sponsors, noon, Feb. 1, Totman Lounge, Union. x1036.

Excel Intro, a CIT Macintosh Workshop, 2-4 p.m., Feb. 1, Fogler Library Classroom. Registration required/admission fee. x1638.

Networking with the Maine Mentor Program, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 2:10 p.m., Feb. 1, Chadbourne Hall. x1359.

The ISIS Project (Integrating Students Into Interdisciplinary Study) and the Chemistry Department will cosponsor a colloquium with Professor Michael Henchman, Chemistry Department, Brandeis University. Henchman will speak on: "Science in the Service of Art: Authentication and Restoration," 3:10 p.m., Feb. 1, 316 Aubert Hall. The colloquium will be followed by a reception for Henchman in the Chemistry Reading Room. Aubert Hall.

Lecture by Brian Wallace, historical collection manager and media arts exhibit developer, Computer Museum, Boston, part of the Department of Art Guest Lecture Series: Art and Technology, 7 p.m., Feb. 1. x3249.

2 Thursday

Electronic Job Search, a Career Center Job Search Workshop, 8:30 a.m., Feb. 2, Lengyel Computer Cluster. x1359.

Do-It-Yourself Database Searching Workshop for science and engineering faculty, staff and students, 1-2:30 p.m., Feb. 2, Science and Engineering Center, Fogler Library. Registration. x1678.

Jason's Lyric, part of the Not at the Mall film series, 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., Feb. 2, Hauck Auditorium. Admission fee. x4104.

HIGHER EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY THE FOCUS OF UPCOMING MULTIMEDIA SUMMIT

The relationship between higher education and technology will be explored in a Multimedia Summit Feb. 13-14 at the University of Maine.

This year's event builds on the success of the Power Computing Summit held on campus last April which drew more than 1,000 participants from colleges, universities, and businesses across Maine. The upcoming Multimedia Summit, geared specifically toward higher education, promises to attract even more participants, according to organizers.

Computing and Instructional Technology, Fogler Library, the Maine Center for the Arts and the Hudson Museum will again join forces to make this high-tech event possible.

The Multimedia Summit will feature over 20 of the world's leading multimedia equipment and software companies including Apple Computer, Asymetrix, Corel Corp., Fractal Design, IBM, Macromedia, Microsoft and Silicon Graphics. Company representatives will have an exhibit area in the Maine Center for the Arts for Summit attendees from 5-7:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 13; 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 14.

Keynote speaker for the Summit is Geraldine Gay, director of the Interactive Multimedia Group at Cornell University. Gay is noted for her research in multimedia computing technologies and was most recently the keynote speaker for the Japan

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SPRING GROUPS AT CUTLER

Call 581-4020 for more information and to schedule an interview.

General Therapy

Traditional and nontraditional aged student groups will explore a variety of issues including, but not limited to, relationships, families, school and identity.

Food as Symbol

For students engaging in or concerned about bulimic behaviors – the binge/purge cycle – who wish to change this entanglement of food with emotions.

Incest/Sexual Abuse Survivors

Designed to strengthen bonds with others from similar pasts, as well as to focus on stages of healing unique to women with this common history.

Surviving Rape Support Group

For women who have survived rape by acquaintance or stranger. An expressive, confidential group for joining with other survivors, exploring the after-effects, supporting each other's healing.

Men's Discussion Group

An opportunity for male students to discuss the challenges of being male on today's college campus and in society in general. A semi-structured group that may include themes of intimacy and relationships, career and family, competition and affiliations.

Adoptees Group

For students whose history includes adoption, an opportunity to explore the personal impact, while offering and receiving the support of others with similar experiences.

Women's Group

An opportunity for women to discuss issues that concern them (us) as a group: relationships, academic obstacles and conflict surrounding career and family, and anything else important to the group.

Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Discussion Group

For students who would like to discuss issues related to sexual orientation.

Adult Children of Alcoholics

For students who would like to explore how the use of alcohol and other drugs in their family affects their ability to manage current life issues.

Oral Exams

"Macroinvertebrates of the Narraguagus River as Long-term Indicators of Water Quality and as a Food Base for Juvenile Atlantic Salmon," by Marcia Siebenmann, candidate for master's degree, 3 p.m., Jan. 25, 311 Deering Hall.

"Creativity, Primary Process Thinking, Synesthesia and Physiognomic Perception," by Audrey Dailey, candidate for Ph.D. in psychology, 3 p.m., Jan. 30, 205 Little Hall.

Send notices of upcoming campus events and any spring schedules to *Maine Perspective* for inclusion in the UMaine Calendar.

People in Perspective

A parent calls the Center for Student Services to ask about a son enrolled in the University of Maine who hasn't called home for awhile. A student who is considering withdrawing from the University walks in behind another student who has an idea for a new student program on campus and is looking for sources of funding. The phone rings again and there's a student on the line demanding an explanation of the comprehensive fee policy.

"All that can happen in a short period of time," said Kim Yerxa, an administrative associate who is one of the many people on the Student Affairs front-lines on this campus. "It can be hard some days when everything is coming at you, but then you get a nice note from a parent whom you've helped, or a student drops by with a nice comment. That's what it's all about. I know I've made a difference, and that's what's important to me. I have had other jobs but I've grown so much in this one. I get satisfaction in what I do."

Yerxa joined the University of Maine community in 1982, working in the Registrar's Office first as a clerk typist in transcripts, then as a secretary working with loan deferments. "That's the place I got my foundation," she said. "I learned so much about University academics, working with returning students and students who were my age at the time. Yet I knew little about the out-of-class life for students."

After five years with the Registrar's Office, Yerxa joined the

Center for Student Services in the Union to work with Assistant Vice President and Dean of Student Services Dwight Rideout. One of her goals was to work closer with students.

"I feel as an employee of the University that it's important to know the students," Yerxa said. "Those who work with students, from faculty to support staff, need to realize that they are here because of the students, and during this point in the lives of these students, people on this campus can make a difference. It's important for students to feel valued, supported and encouraged to do the best they can. Providing student services is part of the educational mission of the University. It is a learning experience, from the Conduct Office to a Maine Bound adventure. We see the whole spectrum of students."

Yerxa's years of working one-on-one with University students of all ages and with a myriad of questions, comments and concerns has given her valuable insight. "I feel I have learned what a student experiences here, from academics to social life, and that understanding is key to assisting them and making their time here better," she said. "I can't say that I take care of them, but a part of me always wants to help them. I get caught up in their excitement and University experiences."

In addition to her well-known rapport with students and her reputation for efficiency and thoroughness, Yerxa and Rideout have an unbeatable team approach to meeting the needs of students. "Dwight and I work as a team so we can be responsive to just about anything, and if we can't help, we can refer them on to the right person," she said.

Yerxa remembers that the tone for such a working relationship in the Center for Student Services was set early-on by Rideout. Shortly after she was hired, Yerxa said she introduced Rideout to her husband as her "new boss." "Dwight took me off to the side and made it clear that he was not my boss but that we were colleagues. From that point on, I knew he respected me for my purpose in being here. I have a tremendous amount of respect for him. He looks at me as being equal, and a lot of people don't have that kind of work environment."

"I've learned a lot from him in how he cares for and understands students."

Yerxa said she has not only "always wanted to be in the University setting," but still has a goal of one day being a student. "I've been here 12 years and not enrolled in school, but it's still a goal - I still hold it out there as important."

"The University has provided me with many opportunities. I never thought I'd have a position so fulfilling. I'm challenged. I'm valued and encouraged. I see that what I've learned here is only going to help me throughout life."



Kim Yerxa

Photo by Damon Kiesow

PRESIDENTIAL OUTSTANDING TEACHING AWARD

In recognition of the importance of outstanding teaching to the University of Maine, nominations are now being accepted for the 1995 Presidential Outstanding Teaching Award.

The Presidential Outstanding Teaching award is presented annually to a tenured University of Maine faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to and ability in the teaching area, while maintaining a commitment to scholarship and public service. The recipient will receive a medallion and a check for \$1,500.

For this year, deadline for receipt of nominations is Feb. 28.

Nomination forms can be obtained from Carole Gardner in the Office of Academic Affairs, 209 Alumni Hall, x1617.

SUMMER 1995 SCHEDULING OF RESIDENCE AND DINING FACILITIES

Summer 1995 is rapidly approaching. In order for Campus Living to fulfill labor union agreements on vacation time, all conferences, institutes, workshops and other events that will require use of residence and dining halls must be scheduled by March 15.

Contact the Conferences & Institutes Division (CID) on campus to make your arrangements. Requests made after March 15 may not be accommodated. On-campus groups which normally schedule directly with Campus Living should contact Andy Matthews, x4503, by March 15.

CARR ASSUMES NEW DUTIES AT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Joe Carr has been named the acting director of News Services for the Department of Public Affairs.

Carr succeeds Kay Hyatt, who stepped down from the news director's position after more than eight years in that role.

In his new position, Carr serves as the University's public information officer, coordinating the dissemination of news and information about activities and events related to the University's teaching, research, and outreach missions. News Services is one of the eight activities which together constitute the University's Department of Public Affairs.

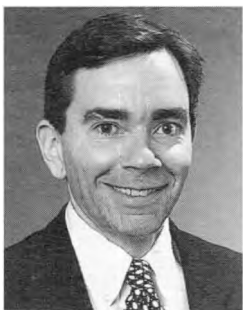
"Joe brings a strong work ethic, a solid understanding of the University, professional credentials, and years of experience to this new position," according to John Diamond, director of Public Affairs. "He is committed to continuing our department's philosophy of providing accurate information in a timely and responsible manner.

"We hated to lose Kay Hyatt," Diamond continued. "Fortunately she and Joe have worked closely together, which will make the transition to a new person relatively smooth."

Carr first joined UMaine in 1993 as Diamond's executive assistant. His responsibilities included helping coordinate the print and broadcast media activities of the department as well as other institutional responsibilities.

Prior to his work at UMaine, Carr spent more than eight years at WABI-TV, Bangor, where he began as news assignment editor and rose through the ranks to become operations manager, a position he held for five years. A native of Hermon, he holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Providence College and a master's degree in broadcast journalism from Emerson College.

Diamond said that Carr will serve as acting director of News Services for the remainder of the academic year. Diamond intends to initiate a search for a permanent replacement for Hyatt in April.



Joe Carr

National Symphony to Perform on Campus

Distinct styles of music will mark two concerts in late January as the National Symphony Orchestra performs at the University of Maine as guests of the Bangor Symphony Orchestra.

The National Symphony, which regularly performs for presidential inaugurations, Independence Day celebrations at the U.S. Capitol, and other events of national and international importance, will arrive in Bangor on Friday, Jan. 27, for a 10-day residency. Highlighting its visit are a classical concert and a casual family concert, both on campus at the Maine Center for the Arts, home to the BSO.

Factors such as the 100-member size of the National Symphony made the MCA an appropriate choice, says Susan Jonason, marketing director for the BSO. She further points out that people associate the MCA with such events.

"It's just the perfect concert hall for this," she says.

The first performance will be the classical concert, scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28.

At 3 p.m. Sunday, a less formal family concert is planned with the theme: "Picture This: Music Paintings Through Color and Light." Among the pieces is Rodriguez' *A Colorful Symphony*, which will be narrated by Jack Perkins, a nationally known news broadcaster.

During its Bangor residency, some musicians with the National Symphony will work with children in Bangor-area schools while others travel north to Caribou and Presque Isle. Before leaving Maine, the orchestra also will give concerts in Augusta, Lewiston and Portland.

Tickets for the classical concert are \$25 orchestra, \$18 balcony, \$10 upper balcony for adults; children get in for half-price. Admission for the casual concert is the same for all seats — \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Further information is available by calling the BSO office, 942-5555. ▲

Interlibrary Loan Available Over Campus Network

University of Maine faculty, staff, and students can now submit electronic requests for journal articles, books, and other items not held by Fogler Library. Mosaic or another World-Wide Web client can be used to access the forms which are part of the Fogler Library Homepage (<http://libinfo.ume.maine.edu/>). Mosaic (client) software for DOS/Windows and Macintosh platforms is available over the Internet or through the CIT Help Center in the basement of Shibles Hall.

To expedite the borrowing process, the user should first search URSUS to determine that the item is not held by Fogler. It is also important that the user fill out the entire form, including information such as their barcode, source of citation, etc. When requesting journal articles, the user must also specify the amount s/he is willing to spend (\$5 minimum) and indicate that s/he has read and will comply with the copyright agreement. After filling out the form, the user clicks on a button to mail the request electronically to ILL staff for processing.

Access Services staff members Joyce Rumery and Kim Amato have been working together for several years to make library services available remotely and to reduce paper-intensive processes. With finite funds for new materials, ILL is an

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DANCE THROUGH THE DECADES TO SUPPORT THE ARTS

Ever harbor a secret desire to take to the same stage where Rudolf Nureyev danced or Isaac Stern and Yo Yo Ma performed?

You'll get your chance Saturday, Feb. 4 in the Hutchins Concert Hall when the Thursday Club sponsors Dance Through the Decades, an evening of dancing and buffet dining to benefit the Maine Center for the Arts.

The dance will be held 8-11 p.m., on the Hutchins Concert Hall stage, featuring the talents of Steve McKay, who will be spinning the tunes. Admission of \$20 a person includes an hors d'oeuvre buffet, dessert and coffee. Attendance is limited to 150 people, so get your tickets early by calling the Maine Center for the Arts Box Office, 581-1755.

The Thursday Club, established in 1911 as a club for faculty wives, is today a social organization with membership expanded to include women faculty and administrators, and others. Until a decade ago, the Thursday Club sponsored a dance every year.

Dance Through the Decades is the first of the annual fund-raising events for the Maine Center for the Arts. Future events will be planned to raise money for MCA and support for the arts. ▲

Championing the Cultural Revolution in Galicia



Kathleen March

Photo by Damon Kiesow

What is lost when a language dies? For many cultures, the answer lies at the heart of their very existence, according to hispanist and Latin American literature specialist Kathleen March. A language's survival is critical to the ability of people in a particular culture to differentiate themselves from those of another heritage, she says, and throughout history, such distinction – such a pluralistic view – has been at the crux of many an ongoing battle for cultural identity and autonomy in the face of nationalism.

In the four Spanish provinces of Galicia, just such a struggle is being waged, and it is here that March can be found on the front lines of the cultural revolution, both as a witness and catalyst for change.

“Galicia has a minority language within Spain that has been primarily oral and is now being written again. This is something of a post-colonial movement that starts to come alive with an abundance of publications, and the revival and development of the language. It’s such a dynamic situation that I couldn’t help becoming interested in it,” says March, a professor of Spanish at the University of Maine.

“I have always thought that languages were something to be proud of and to use. People have a right to their language, just as they have a right to be who they are. It has to do with a sense of justice, that this is the right thing to do.”

Taking up a cause like cultural preservation is in keeping with March’s firm commitment to multiculturalism and the diversity found in her life, her research and teaching. Some of her first writing garnering international attention came in 1979 in an article about an avant-garde Galician poet of the 1920s who was

little-known until that time, yet “valued” by March. Her scholarship on other leading Galician authors, primarily women like pioneer Rosalía de Castro, has made March a sought-after voice not only on the country’s cultural heritage but in its struggle for autonomy. In 1985 at the University of Maine, March founded the Galician Studies Association, which has since become an international organization with a growing membership devoted to keeping the language – and the culture – alive.

“I work on two fronts, contributing in my own way. I work for Galicia to see that the Galician culture survives. In the United States, I promote knowledge and awareness of the Galician language and culture, including translation of Galician works. It’s all part of getting the word out about Galicia. We all like to think we can do something unique. This is my contribution.”

March’s interest in languages began in high school with the “toughest Latin teacher” who made subsequent college-level courses in other languages seem easy. At the University of Buffalo, March studied Latin, Portuguese and sociolinguistics, and earned a doctorate in Spanish. As a graduate student in the Study Abroad Program in 1975, she made her first trip to Galicia, one of four Spanish provinces in the Iberian Peninsula. In 1977-78, a Fulbright took her to Madrid to study. She met her Galician-born husband that year, and in 1979 they were married. Since then, Galicia has never been far from her mind – or heart.

“My personal circumstances led me to Galicia,” March says, “and it turns out I came to Galicia during a unique historical moment. I first visited in 1975, and went back to stay in 1979 after the language had been state-approved for use and people

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W e R e m e m b e r

University of Maine professor of zoology and oceanography Hugh Hamilton DeWitt died unexpectedly of a heart attack in his office on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 5, 1995. He is survived by his wife, Jane (Siple) DeWitt, three daughters and several grandchildren.

Hugh received all of his formal training in biology at Stanford University, completing his B.A. in 1955, an M.A. in 1960, and his Ph.D. in Biological Sciences in 1966. He held teaching and research assistant and associate positions at Stanford and at the University of Southern California, and a faculty position at the University of South Florida before joining the University of Maine in 1969 as an assistant professor of zoology. While at Maine, Hugh held a number of faculty and administrative positions, including associate professor and professor in both the Departments of Zoology and Oceanography, and served as acting chairperson of the Department of Oceanography, 1976-1977, and chairperson, 1977-1979.

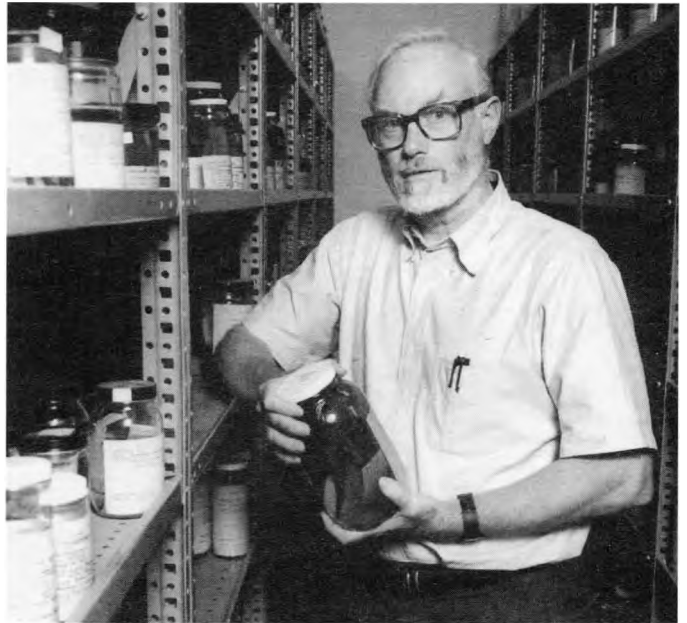
At the time of his death, Hugh was responsible for teaching Zol 329 and 331, Vertebrate Biology and Vertebrate Biology Laboratory. He coordinated Zol 596, Zoology Professional Experience, and was one of two Zoology faculty members teaching SCS 100, Majoring in the Sciences for potential Zoology and Biology majors. He had also just developed a new laboratory course in Fisheries Biology, Zol 471.

Hugh was an internationally known ichthyologist with extensive, worldwide field experience. As a marine biologist and oceanographer, his special research interests were the taxonomy, functional morphology, biogeography and ecology of marine fishes, especially those from the Southern Ocean. At the height of his research career, he was one of the two best-known authorities in the world on the fishes of the Antarctic Shelf.

Among colleagues both in the United States and abroad, Hugh was particularly known for his skills with fishing gear and his ability to get work done at sea, often under dreadful conditions. He knew about trawls, nets, winches, shackles, towing cables and all the other pieces that have to come together in a working system if one is to recover a bag full of fishes and invertebrates from the sea floor at a depth of several thousand meters from the deck of a heaving ship.

Officials at the National Science Foundation knew of Hugh's expertise and thus it was no surprise that in 1975 he served as Chief Scientist aboard the Argentine Navy research vessel *Islas Orcadas* during a major research cruise to the Subantarctic, sponsored jointly by the U.S. and Argentina. Because of his technical expertise, Hugh was often invited to participate in the research cruises of other foreign programs. For example, in 1980 he joined French scientists aboard the *Marion-Dufresne* for an extended research expedition to rarely visited Bouvet and Marion Islands in the South Atlantic and South Indian Oceans, respectively.

During his career, Hugh's field research took him from the tropical Pacific and Mexico to the Antarctic and the Gulf of Maine. Hugh also received support to visit and work at various museums around the world which held important collections of fishes. His exciting career thus included studies at the Museum Nacional de Historia Natural in Santiago, Chile, the Dominion and Canterbury Museums in New Zealand, the British Museum (Natural History) in London, the Royal Scottish Museum in Edinburgh, the South African Museum in Cape Town, and other museums in Sweden, Norway, Argentina, Australia, France, and Germany.



Hugh DeWitt

Photo by Damon Kiesow

Hugh's investigations of the systematics of fishes resulted in a number of articles in professional journals and book chapters, one of the most important being his review of the Family Nototheniidae, a group of mostly benthic fishes endemic to the Southern Hemisphere, which appeared in *Fishes of the Southern Ocean*, a massive volume published in 1990 by the J.L.B. Smith Institute of Ichthyology in South Africa. Mt. DeWitt, a 7,227-foot peak in South Victoria Land, Antarctica, is named for Hugh in recognition of his south polar research.

Hugh and his wife, Jane, owned a small sail boat and enjoyed summer cruises and camping along the Maine coast, never worrying too much about exactly where they ended up at the end of the day. A sheltered harbor was usually (but not always) available in which to drop anchor! Hugh was a mountain climber, hiker and jogger, and enjoyed the numerous backroads and trails of campus. He also especially enjoyed music of the baroque and classical periods and was a devoted fan of Gilbert and Sullivan operas. A mention of the *Gondoliers* or the *Pirates of Penzance* could inevitably evoke a lusty baritone response.

Hugh made important contributions to the Departments of Zoology and Oceanography and to the development of marine science in general at the University of Maine. He left a substantial record of important research in the systematics and biogeography of marine fishes and was a recognized world authority on the fish fauna of the Southern Ocean. The Departments of Zoology and Oceanography were deeply saddened by the passing of this outstanding man.

A memorial service for Hugh DeWitt will be held 11 a.m., Jan. 28, at the Newman Center.

SNOW LINE AVAILABLE

Information about the University's class schedule during inclement weather can now be obtained by calling 581-SNOW. A toll-free line is available by adding the 1-800 prefix. The recorded message will provide general information about postponements or cancellations due to a storm.

The CUTTING EDGE

University of Maine Research on the Frontiers of Science

Gulf of Maine Research

New research on the Gulf of Maine is being conducted by University of Maine scientists through the federally funded Regional Marine Research Program (RMRP). They are studying the Gulf's nutrient-rich currents and interactions between currents and storm-generated waves. They will also produce a new set of seafloor maps to aid fisheries management and future research – the first time that a complete series of detailed surficial geologic maps has been produced for the northern New England coast.

These efforts are among 18 ongoing projects funded by the New England-wide program in 1993 and 1994. The RMRP was established by Congress in 1990 through the leadership of Sen. George Mitchell. Its primary goal is to improve the understanding of coastal waters which are threatened by overuse and water quality problems.

UMaine administers the program, and Executive Director and Associate Professor of Oceanography Dave Townsend says it provides marine scientists with their first opportunity to pursue regionally significant research issues.

"In the past, funding for such regional projects were, on the one hand, often seen as being too parochial and of little interest to federal funding agencies," says Townsend. "On the other hand, they were seen as too broad to be of interest to state and local agencies. Thus, attempts to launch significant research on the Gulf of Maine fell through the cracks and received only piecemeal funding."

The RMRP attacks this problem head-on with a variety of projects designed to develop a detailed computer model of the entire Gulf. When complete, the model will incorporate physical, chemical and biological aspects of the Gulf system.

Associate Professor of Oceanography Neal Pettigrew is studying one of the Gulf's dominant features, a broad counter-clockwise current known as the Jordan Basin gyre. Because it brings cold, nutrient-rich Atlantic Ocean water to the surface, it has been likened to an engine which drives the Gulf's productive resources.

Using Doppler current meters, satellite imagery and shipboard surveys, Pettigrew is measuring and tracking the direction and speed of water flows which enter the Gulf from the Atlantic, travel up the Gulf's eastern edge and mix with near-surface Gulf waters. While oceanographers generally agree on the existence and broad features of this assembly line, few details are known about linkages between steps along the way. Pettigrew's work will help establish causes and effects and provide detailed new information about these important circulation features.

Storm generated waves are the focus of work by Associate Professor of Civil Engineering Vijay Panchang. Waves are a poorly understood but significant factor in distorting the normal flow of nutrients and contaminants throughout the Gulf.

"Very large waves are common in the Gulf," he says. "They affect activities such as coastal aquaculture by causing stress on floating equipment and cleansing areas of fish wastes." Panchang will assemble and publish satellite data on the size, frequency and duration of waves, and describe how they affect other Gulf currents. Through additional funds from NASA, he will extend his work into the North Atlantic.

Associate Professor of Oceanography Cynthia Pilskaln is studying the dynamics of organic matter within the Gulf, including marine fecal wastes, and dead plants and animals that sink slowly from the upper layers of the Gulf to the sea floor. Such materials feed vast populations of plankton, microscopic plants and animals which support the Gulf's fisheries. They also affect the way pollutants circulate from one part of the Gulf to another.

Pilskaln points out that the Gulf, like most coastal ocean areas, is considered an organic-rich, productive environment. However, its unique physical shape with deep basins, shallow banks and relative isolation from the open Atlantic, significantly enhances organic matter production.

A map of the seafloor is being developed by a team involving the Department of Geological Sciences, the Maine Geological Survey (MGS) and the University of New Hampshire (UNH). Professor of Geological Sciences Dan Belknap, Instructor Alice Kelley and Post-doctoral Fellow Walter Barnhardt of UMaine are working with Joe Kelley of MGS and Larry Ward of UNH to compile existing data on sediments and rocks. The maps will show the distribution of different sediment types such as gravel, sand and mud, as well as areas where sediments have been disturbed by human activities. Distinctive areas showing wave and current action will also be shown. Additional maps will indicate locations of previous sampling and research.

Tourism and the Maine Economy

Tourism gave the Maine economy a badly needed booster shot during the recent recession, according to an analysis conducted at the University of Maine. Between 1988 and 1993, spending at restaurants and lodging places grew by 17 percent and 30 percent respectively. The strongest gains were reported in mid-coast and eastern Maine.

The analysis by Steve Reiling, professor of resource economics and policy, and Jeffrey Michael, assistant scientist, also showed that passenger traffic at Bangor International Airport grew steadily throughout the period. However, visits by Canadians, a significant factor in northern and eastern Maine, dropped steadily through 1992 and 1993 after four years of increases.

"Tourism seems to have performed better than the overall economy," says Reiling. "For some indicators, there was a decline, but it wasn't as steep as the economy as a whole. When things started to improve in 1992, tourism recovered more quickly."

Reiling and Michael also considered other indicators of tourist activity. They looked at visits to state parks and tourist information centers, the number of people entering the state from Canada and via the Maine Turnpike and the number of inquiries recorded by the state tourism office.

As a group, these factors gave a mixed picture. Visits to state parks were down during the period, but inquiries to the state tourism office were up almost 18 percent. The number of visitors to information centers was up during 1989 and 1990 but went down again as the economy improved.

"I have a hunch that people may take shorter unplanned trips during hard times," says Reiling. "They may just get in the car and go and then stop at a visitor center to see what information they can get."

Reiling notes that factors other than tourist activity are also reflected in the data. Reduced hours at state parks during the period would account for some of the decrease in visits. Part of the increase in sales revenues may also be caused by inflation.

Unlike sales, employment in tourism-related businesses fell during the recession. Restaurant employment was lower in 1993 than in 1989, but did not decrease as much as overall employment in the state. The lodging sector posted a modest 2.1 percent gain in employment for the period.

Reiling's and Michael's report, *An Analysis of Maine Tourism Indicators*, was completed under a grant from the Maine Office of Tourism.

Look Who's On Campus



Kathleen Cleaver, assistant professor of law at Emory University School of Law and former spokesperson for the Black Panther Party, will speak Jan. 31 on: "War, Women and Race: How the 1960s Changed Them." Cleaver has been named a Bunting Fellow at the Mary Ingraham Bunting Institute of Radcliffe College for the academic year. During her appointment at the Institute, the nation's oldest and largest center for

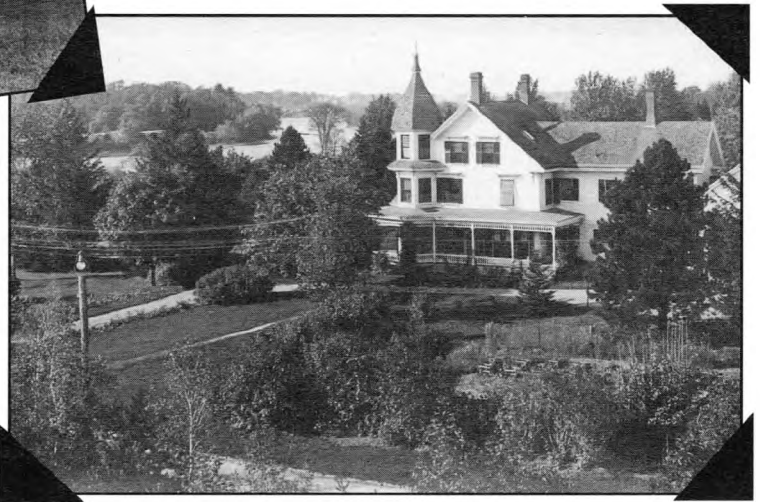
advanced studies for women scholars, researchers, artists, writers and activists, Cleaver plans to finish the manuscript of her memoir: *Memories of Love and War*. The memoir chronicles her life as an activist and spokesperson for the Black Panthers, examining private and historic events from her perspective as a

radical organizer, wife, student, parent, lawyer, writer and teacher. Cleaver served as communications secretary of the Black Panther Party from 1967-69, then worked in the Panthers' International Section in Algeria before enrolling in Yale in 1981.

W. Richard West Jr., founding director of the Smithsonian Institution's newly opened National Museum of the American Indian, will speak Jan. 26 on: "The National Museum of the American Indian: Perspectives on Museums in the 21st Century." West, a Southern Cheyenne, was appointed founding director four years ago. He has devoted his professional and much of his personal life to working with American Indians on cultural, educational, legal and governmental issues. Prior to joining the Smithsonian staff, he was a partner in an Indian-owned law firm in Albuquerque.

University of Maine's President's House

The University of Maine's President's House has received a facelift in the form of exterior paint and much-needed repairs after more than two decades of minimal maintenance. Its long-standing white facade has been replaced with Sherwin Williams Heritage Colors, much more in keeping with its age and architectural design. A paint scheme of ivory accented with teal and burgundy was ultimately selected by Mrs. Hutchinson and the President – one of several multicolor pallets designed for period Victorians known as "The Painted Ladies." Cathy Bradbury, assistant to the President, served as consultant on the project. She and her husband, Brad, have restored several Victorian homes in Maine, and were among the first to use multicolored exteriors in the Midcoast area. Technical assistance in developing computer renderings of historic color schemes was provided by the student staff of ASAP. Some of the earliest archival photos of the President's House show at least two colors in the exterior color scheme, and at least one old postcard shows the house painted in colors similar to those now being used. The President's House is one of 10 buildings on campus constructed between 1870 and 1908 that are on the National Register of Historic Places. According to the Register, the President's House was constructed in 1873 in the tradition of a New England farmhouse (photo below). When a chimney fire caused interior damage to the structure Jan. 20, 1893, the subsequent remodeling included the addition of a piazza and Victorian-style tower (photo lower left), according to *History of the Maine State College and the University of Maine*, by Merritt Fernald, published in 1916. By the turn of the century, it appears from archival photos that the President's House was painted white (photo lower right) – the look it has had for decades up until this year.



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▼ Women made significant inroads into professional and managerial jobs, which tend to be the higher-paying jobs.

▼ Nevertheless, for full-time work, women earn only two-thirds of what men earn, on average. Women with a bachelor's degree earn on average less than men with a high school diploma.

▼ In order for a single parent with two children under 6 to meet a basic-needs budget, she or he would have to earn \$455 per week (\$11.39 per hour for year-round, full-time workers). On average, Maine women earn less than three-quarters of the amount required to meet this budget.

▼ Almost 60 percent of all female workers in Maine are concentrated in retail trades and service industries. Respective weekly earnings in those industries are low, relative to the state average – \$247 per week in retail trade and \$385 per week in services in 1992.

▼ The percent of all persons in poverty in Maine rose from 10.8 percent to 15.4 percent between 1989 and 1993. The poverty rate for female headed households with children under 6 rose from 58.2 percent to 63 percent from 1979 to 1989.

A variety of factors explain women's current status in the economy, she says. They include the occupational segregation of women into low-paying jobs and women's primary responsibility for the care of children. However, she emphasizes that wage and employment discrimination are significant problems.

"I was very surprised at the amount of income and wage disparity by gender in Maine, and I am particularly concerned about the gap between the amount of income people need to survive and women's actual earnings. These results tell us how poorly single parent families, particularly those headed by women, are faring," says Seguino, who has a joint appointment as an assistant professor in the Department of Economics. Prior to coming to UMaine, she worked in Haiti and West Africa as a development economist. Her Ph.D. dissertation at American University, Washington D.C., was on the relationship between income distribution and macroeconomic growth in South Korea.

The results of Seguino's latest study also have implications for education and training programs. "Women's treatment in the labor market is a real disincentive for them to increase their education and their human capital because they are, in effect, not rewarded in the way that men are. What we are doing as a society is telling women it is not as worth their while for them to get a higher degree as it is for men, and that's a problem."

With welfare reform on the national political agenda, Seguino suggests that structural issues such as the growth of low-wage jobs, involuntary part-time employment, unemployment, and regional disparities in jobs and earnings need to be addressed. Also at issue is access to affordable transportation, childcare and healthcare.

"Overwhelmingly, people want to work," she says. "A parent's decision to take on a paying job, however, is not a choice between work and leisure. It's a choice between paid work and unpaid work. It is important to understand that people with children have an enormous amount of unpaid labor to perform. When single parents go out to work, the work at home still needs to be done. They have to be able to earn enough to pay someone to take care of their children.

"It is apparent that many Maine women are working very hard but not doing well economically. It's not just women who are faring poorly economically. Men are among the working poor. But women are more likely than men to be unable to earn sufficient income to support their families."

Seguino's basic-needs budget includes seven types of expenses. For a single parent with two children under 6, childcare is the single largest, followed by housing, food and healthcare. Seguino

estimates that for households in this category, \$1,974 per month is a minimum.

"Although some may argue that this budget seems high, the cost estimates are in general conservative. It really should come as no surprise that single parents require around \$20,000 a year to meet their families' basic needs. Indeed, many two-earner couples are having a hard time making ends meet, even with combined incomes of \$35,000-\$40,000," she says.

"I had an idea before I started this research that women earn relatively less than men. However, it was not apparent to me that so many women in Maine were earning so far below the amount they need in order to provide for the basic needs of their family."

Seguino hopes to expand her work by studying in greater detail the factors that influence wages, including wage and employment fluctuations between regions. She will look at the impact of education, part-time hours and geography in determining men's and women's wages. The latter point is important in Maine because data indicate that average earnings vary widely in the state by county. For example, Franklin and Piscataquis counties rank lowest in the state with earnings that are only two-thirds of the state average. Cumberland County has the highest average weekly earnings at 106 percent of the state average. ▲

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important service for the University of Maine community. In fiscal year 1993-1994, Fogler Library filled over 2,500 requests for books not held by Fogler Library or other libraries participating in URSUS borrowing. In the same fiscal year, staff filled over 5,700 requests for journal articles. The number of requests received and filled increases each year. Before the advent of electronic forms, all ILL requests involved a patron filling out and submitting a paper form.

Fogler Library staff members Sharon Fitzgerald and Jennifer McLeod created the form using hypertext mark-up language (html). Using HTML Assistant, Fitzgerald and McLeod included images, hypertext links, and other multimedia elements to enhance the electronic forms. Amato created the Interlibrary Loan Homepage (<http://libinfo.ume.maine.edu/ill.htm>) and reviewed the forms interface from the patron and staff perspectives. CIT staff members Richard Fleming and Andy Moody authored the first Perl script which was used to extract citation and user information from the forms so that ILL staff can process the requests.

In the future, similar forms will be created for material delivery, reserve, and other library services.

Questions about the electronic forms should be addressed to Amato (kima@ursus1.ursus.maine.edu or 581-1651).

Reminder: URSUS can still be used to request some books electronically. Users can select G> Request Item to request books from participating Maine libraries. ▲

HONORARY DEGREE NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

The Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs is currently seeking nominations for Honorary Degrees to be considered by the Honorary Degree Selection Team and forwarded to President Hutchinson for submission to the UMS Board of Trustees.

We are particularly interested in nominees, hopefully with national reputations, who have made significant scholarly and/or creative contributions to your disciplines.

The deadline for nominations is Feb. 1. Nomination forms are available from Carole Gardner, 209 Alumni Hall, x1617.

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Center's Rosen Radiation Oncology Center, explains that the cross hair assembly is an important alignment component in assuring the proper delivery of therapeutic radiation doses to cancer patients. "The cross hair assembly is critical for accurate and reproducible positioning of the radiation therapy beam," he emphasizes.

Electron medical linear accelerators evolved from microwave radar developments in World War II and have, since the late 1950s, continually gained in popularity as the major radiation therapy device in cancer treatment.

Alquist describes Logan's invention as "a significant improvement over the previous design of the cross hair." Unlike previous designs, says Alquist, Logan's cross hair is likely to return to the same position if disturbed during normal clinical operation. Also, the realignment process, if necessary, is quicker and does not require special tools or technology, he adds.

Logan invented the device when he was a Work Study student in the UMaine Department of Physics and Astronomy's Machine and Model Shop in Bennett Hall, which contracts work with EMMC. Alquist asked Logan to repair a broken cross hair assembly on the radiation therapy machine.

"There was no way to calibrate the old device," Logan points out. "It was welded in place and offered no way for adjustment. They were paying \$1,200 a whack for this." Logan's question: "Wouldn't it be better if we could make these things adjustable?" And, with the help of Thomas Tripp, laboratory support professional and chief machinist at the Machine and Model Shop, he tackled the project.

Alquist says a few more tests are needed to ascertain that the new cross hair assembly will not affect the radiation beam and clinical use is expected within a couple months.

As for the commercial aspects of the patent, Logan says the device has international marketing possibilities with a projection of \$1.6 million. Logan's brother, Leo Pelotte of Oakland, and sister, Robin Veilleux of Shawmut, are financing the enterprise.

Logan has not yet decided who will manufacture the device but he hopes to start production as soon as possible.

The cross hair assembly is not Logan's first invention. As a student of Herbert Crosby, professor and coordinator of UMaine Mechanical Engineering Technology, he designed a desktop which clamps onto a wheelchair. He also invented an adjustable

headrest for a patient.

Last spring, Logan invented a human-powered amphibious vehicle – a combined canoe and bicycle – which took first place in student design competition. "It worked beautifully," Crosby says. "Creatively, he was really a superior student. He enjoyed design problems that hadn't been solved before."

Logan, who also holds a diploma in machine tool technology from Central Maine Vocational Technical Institute, gained some manufacturing experience before completing degree work at UMaine. He worked as an engineering technician for Lemforder Corp. in Brewer; tool and die maker for Nichols Portland, Division of Parker Hannifin, in Portland; and as a toolmaker for Philips Elmet Corp., Division of North American Philips Lighting, in Lewiston.

As an engineering assistant on the UMaine campus, he designed and manufactured experimental apparatus for physics research and provided technical support for graduate student projects and thesis work for the Department of Physics and Astronomy. ▲

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Ministry of Education. Gay is also a UMaine alumnus who retains close ties to the University and state.

In addition, Bill Chinnock, Emmy award-winning sound specialist, will make a presentation as part of the Summit.

Breakout sessions are a key component of the Multimedia Summit. Some sessions will feature faculty and professional staff who are using multimedia to enhance the learning process in a broad range of disciplines. Basic and advanced "how-to" sessions will highlight individual technologies such as digital video, sound, animation, and digital imaging. Those more interested in a conceptual framework can attend sessions on student-centered learning, distance education, copyright, and other timely topics in higher education.

Registration is required for the Summit. Registration fee is \$15 for members of the UMaine community; \$30 for individuals employed by or enrolled in colleges and universities throughout Maine. Those not directly affiliated with higher education can register for \$150. Registration fee includes attendance at breakout sessions (limited by seating), Monday evening's reception, access to vendor exhibits, and the opportunity to win valuable prizes.

To register or obtain a full schedule and list of breakout sessions, call 581-2580. Information about this event is also available to those who can access the World-Wide Web: <http://inferno.umeres.maine.edu/mmsummit/info.html>. ▲

PRESIDENTIAL PUBLIC SERVICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Presidential Public Service Achievement Award for a University of Maine faculty or professional staff member recognized for distinguished public service achievement is offered again this year. The recipient will be announced at the Honors Convocation in the spring. A \$1,500 award is given to the recipient.

Nominations and applications will be screened by a committee of faculty and professional staff member who will make their recommendations to the President. The final selection for the award will be made by the President. Re-submission of nominations from last year is encouraged.

Nominations should be sent to: The Office of the Vice President for Research and Public Service, 201 Alumni Hall. Deadline for nominations: 5 p.m., Monday, Feb. 13.

Nomination guidelines are available from the Office of the Vice President for Research and Public Service. Questions may be directed to Scott Delcourt, x1502.

The Presidential Public Service Awards Committee members are: Scott Delcourt, Suzanne Estler, John Ford, Michael Greenwood, George Hayes, Richard Judd, Alan Kezis, David Lambert, Jean Lavigne, Kathryn Olmstead, Constance Perry, Robert Roper, Calvin Walker, and Gail Werrbach, Chair.

SENIOR ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NONTRADITIONAL STUDENTS

Applications are available at THE COMMUTER OFFICE
Second Floor, Union. Application Deadline: Feb. 10

STUDENT ACADEMIC CONFERENCE TRAVEL FUND

The Student Academic Conference Travel Fund for undergraduate students will hold its second competition of the academic year. This fund serves undergraduate students who need financial assistance for travel to meetings/conferences of an academic nature. Applications must be submitted to the Office of Academic Affairs, 209 Alumni Hall, by Feb. 7. Money will be awarded for travel taking place between Feb. 8 and May 1. Applications can be obtained from Joan Day at the Office of Academic Affairs, 209 Alumni Hall, or by calling x1547.



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HOME: Small 2-bedroom home in Old Town will be available March 1 for lease. Nice tree-lined lot on quiet street close to schools. Nonsmokers, please. \$450 per month + utilities. Rent includes refrigerator, stove, washer, dryer, lawn mower and small utility building. First/last month + security deposit. Call evenings and weekends after 9 p.m., 827-2743.

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Along the Mall



Alan Parks, director, Upward Bound programs, chaired a panel: "Goals 2000 on the State and National Levels: Implementation and Implications for All," Jan. 5, at the Maine Educational Opportunity Associations' 17th Annual Conference in Presque Isle. Panelists included: Brenda Dann-Messier, regional representative to the U.S. Department of Education; Marjorie Medd, chair of Maine Goals 2000 and Task Force on Learning Results; Terry Depres, superintendent of MSAD #32 (Ashland); Leo Martin, Maine commissioner of education.

François Amar, associate professor of chemistry, chaired a session on: "Excitations and Phase Transitions in Large Clusters," at the Gordon Conference on Molecular and Ionic Clusters, Jan. 8-12, Oxnard, Calif. He also presented two poster papers: "Spectroscopy and Dynamics of Aniline-Arn (n=1, 25) Clusters," and "Isomer Specific Evaporation Rates, the Case of Aniline-Ar₂," with co-authors Pascal Parneix and Philippe Brechignac of the University of Paris.

Dec. 9, the Legal Technology Program and Sen. William Cohen's office co-sponsored an informational session on the Crime Bill: "Making Communities Safer." Held at the University College Center, an estimated 150 town managers, police chiefs, and district and federal attorneys attended. In a follow-up letter, Cohen noted that his office is pursuing recommendations that emerged from the workshops, including "very practical

suggestions concerning protection from abuse orders."

Steve Colburn, assistant professor of accounting in the College of Business Administration, has been named chair of the tax division for the spring meeting of the north-east region of the American Accounting Association.

Media Spotlight



Locally Speaking . . .

John Weispfenning, assistant professor of journalism, was interviewed by the *Times-Record* in Bath for a story about rising cable television rates.

Stephanie Seguino was interviewed by WHCF-FM radio on the potential impact of the Clinton administration's suggestions that the minimum wage be raised.

Greg Porter, associate professor of agronomy, was interviewed for a story in the *Bangor Daily News* on his research on a genetically altered potato. Porter and colleagues Alvin Reeves and Jonathon Sisson are field testing three potato varieties to which a gene has been added to confer protection against Colorado potato beetles.

A *Bangor Daily News* story reported on the analysis of Maine tourism indicators by Steve Reiling, professor of resource economics and policy, and Jeffrey Michael, assistant scientist. A study by the two UMaine researchers showed that tourism appeared to have performed better than the overall Maine economy.

Positions Available

The qualifications within the listings below are greatly abbreviated. In order to assess your background relative to the job and to submit the most effective application, contact the hiring department for more complete information.

To appear in the Maine Perspective, advertisements must be submitted to the Office of Equal Opportunity, 318 Alumni Hall, no later than noon on Wednesday. Guidelines for filling professional positions are available by contacting the Office of Equal Opportunity, x1226. A Request to Fill form must be approved before posting in Maine Perspective.

Assistant Professor of Nursing, School of Nursing. Full-time, tenure-track position. Qualifications: Graduate degree as PNP or pediatric clinical specialist; doctorate in nursing preferred (related area considered); evidence of teaching experience at baccalaureate level; demonstrated program of nursing research; and clinical proficiency in care of children in acute and/or community settings. Review of Applications: Will begin 2/1/95, and continue until the position is filled. Start Date: 9/1/95. Contact: Laura Dzurec, Chair, Search Committee, School of Nursing, University of Maine, 160 College Ave., Orono, ME 04473.

Head, Reference Department, Raymond H. Fogler Library. Full-time position. Qualifications: Required: ALA accredited MLS; demonstrated ability to adapt successfully to a rapidly changing environment; demonstrated successful professional experience in public services and increasingly responsible management experience, including the supervision of professional staff; demonstrated understanding of the nature of scholarly research in the humanities and social sciences; demonstrated excellence in written and oral communication and evidence of commitment to professional growth. Preferred: Familiarity with local area networks, client-server architecture, CD-ROM networks and MS-DOS, and business reference sources. Salary Range: \$30,000-\$35,000. Review of Applications: Will begin 3/95. Contact: Joyce Rumery, Reference Search Committee, Access Services Division, University of Maine, 5729 Raymond H. Fogler Library, Orono, ME 04469-5729.

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were publishing. There was all sorts of enthusiasm and everyone there was caught up in the search for self-definition. Galicians were undergoing the process of recovering their language after Franco died."

Prior to the Spanish Civil War, 1936-39, nationalities in the Iberian Peninsula were headed to autonomy. With Francisco Franco's rise to power, those associated with such separatist ideals – the Galicians, Basques, Catalans – were persecuted, and many were killed. "They were considered the periphery, and as a result, the people were repressed in many ways," says March. "For hundreds of years, people in Spain have not shared the same culture. Spain is so multicultural, but it's only been since in 1975 that major changes have taken place and that cultural diversity has been seen. The changes have included the acceptance of other languages of the Spanish state as official rather than forbidden and censored as they were under Franco."

The revival of Galician is a prime example of the different areas of study that can be found within traditional languages, says March. "In hispanism, the traditional differences are often considered to be between the languages of Latin America and Spain," she notes, "but within each of the countries, there is multiculturalism and language differences.

"I bring differences like that to the attention of my students in Spanish class. I don't like stereotypes. I feel comfortable with variety in my life, research and teaching. I always think of Spain in terms of diversity and multiculturalism, even though I also know some are not comfortable in seeing the differences in Spain because it puts demands on them to go beyond official information sources. I'm working on the stereotype that Spain is not all hot, sandy beaches and flamenco. There is another Spain."

The southern part of Spain supported by Franco became the area frequented by tourists. "This was the area occupied by the Moors, very rich in Arabic culture," says March. "North beyond Madrid, Spain looks and feels much more like northern Europe than northern Africa. Here, there is a lot of the pre-Roman occupation civilization and culture left – the beliefs, a sense of being different, the languages of the Basques and Galicians. Because of the ruralness of the northwest corner, the languages remained alive from medieval times to the mid-1800s. It was primarily oral, in the fields and the homes. In the medieval period, Galician was the cultural language of lyrical productions, and is found in the 12th and 13th century documents studied today by medievalists. It is not a dead language. It survived for 400 years and came back with a burst."

In 1863, author Rosalía de Castro published the first book in Galician after four centuries of literary silence. Her book of poetry came from "the oral tradition of the fields," says March, "and is a cultural portrait of a rural society that had had many people lost to famine, poverty, tragedy."

Castro's works became a rallying cry in Galicia's cultural revolution. It was in Castro that March also found a champion.

March is translating Castro's five novels, the first of which has just been published in the United States. March says she has been drawn to the women writers of Galicia through the last two decades because of their strength and courage. "They were talking about feminism when it was not popular, as well as other taboo themes. I find border writing fascinating. It's sad that people might not take it seriously because it is not in the literary canon. The fact is, these 'others' are different and vital. It's like discovering women writers. It takes people who are comfortable with change and new things, interested in reading beyond the text."

While March knows she cannot be allied with any one faction in Galicia, she says her feminist philosophy has led her to focus her research on these women writers whom she believes "are the people

I feel closest to in the Galician culture. There are many political factions and I have tried to maintain contacts with all of them – from the Galician government to the feminists and cultural entities," she says.

Today when March visits Galicia, which is at least once a year, she is welcomed with the status of "a professor in an American university," as a foreigner with respected opinions on the future of the province, and as an ally in the movement for cultural autonomy. On the four campuses of Galicia University, her name has become "a household word." Her stay this past summer included television appearances and interviews for radio programs, as well as lectures and public readings.

"I have been privileged," says March. "As an American and a feminist, I can say things and people notice. I write feminist criticism and people notice. I've gotten known in the area of women writers, and I did that consciously. I've taught Ph.D. courses on Galician women writers at the Galician University. I see that as a privilege. I see that I can make a difference."

Next year, the struggle for Galician identity will enter its third decade, but already there is disillusionment that victory is so long in coming. "Now, the process is institutionalized by the government, including the standardization of the written language. Disillusioned people see that the hopes of 1975 have not been realized and worry that Galicia will not achieve autonomous status. People have begun to question whether what they had was worthwhile. But you have to be able to defend who you are, and have faith in your cultural identity."

In light of the disillusionment that has been creeping in in recent years, "Galicians want to know what outsiders think of them. They need that reassurance, because they don't get it from Spain," she says. "But what this is all about, what you have to assume, is that a language is worth learning. Galician is an international language. We can help validate their language by believing that they have something to contribute to the world culture."

March founded the Galician Studies Association in 1985, which in 1991 evolved into the International Association of Galician Studies. The first Galician Studies conference that year was held at UMaine. The fourth such conference, held every three years, was held at Oxford University, home of the Center for Galician Studies. The 1997 conference will be held in Trier, Germany.

"It's obvious that we're just at the beginning of the process," March said. "There are Galicians in this country who are faculty working in Galician literature. We're also finding German, Italian and Japanese scholars of Medieval Studies who are coming to Galician after realizing the language they've been reading in the medieval documents is still alive."

Today, March serves as secretary of the International Galician Studies Association, and has recently established a Galician Institute in the U.S. as a clearinghouse for information.

"I love linking people," March says. "It has to do with sharing the wealth of the Galician culture. I do it because I believe in the right of the language to exist and of people to speak the language. They have a right to their culture. I believe in the right of women to have rights. I believe in the freedom of cultural and linguistic expression. I am hopeful that we will one day see great growth in the language's development - development that is free and not politically standardized, not official and restricted." ▲

A PEACE STUDIES REMINDER

Notice to all teaching faculty: Please return your completed Peace Studies curriculum surveys to the Peace Studies Program, 213 The Maples, by Jan. 25. We appreciate your time and input. Thank you.



Nuclear Regulatory Commission supports university research and research-related activities pertinent to the safety of nuclear power production. The FY95 program identifies 25 priority areas. Maximum award: \$100,000 over two years. Deadline: Feb. 17.

National Science Foundation's Directorate for Engineering makes Combined Research-Curriculum Development Grants for projects focused on topics of industrial and national importance. Deadlines: statement of intent, Feb. 24; concept paper, March 31; final proposal, June 12.

National Coastal Resources Research & Development Institute promotes environmentally and socially compatible economic growth in the coastal U.S. through the application, evaluation, and transfer of applied research and research-based technology. NCRI encourages proposals in four areas: aquaculture and fisheries, environmental and marine technology, seafood production, and business and community economic development including tourism and recreation. Preliminary proposals are due March 1.

National Research Council makes travel grants to support collaboration between American researchers and their colleagues in the former Soviet Union and Central/Eastern Europe in fields of public policy requiring substantial input from the applied sciences. Deadline: March 10.

U.S. Department of Transportation's Oil Pollution Research Grants Program invites proposals to advance the state of technology related to oil spill prevention, vessel damage assessment, decision support tools, oil spill properties and behavior, oil spill surveillance, countermeasures and cleanup, human factors, and areas of regional special interest to the US Coast Guard. A 1:1 match is required. Deadline: March 13.

U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station's new Broad Agency Announcement describes current research interests of its Environmental, Geotechnical, Hydraulics, Structures, and Information Technology Laboratories, and of the Coastal Engineering Research Center. Preproposals are invited.

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SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT AND BOOK FUND COMPETITION

The deadline for receipt of applications for the Scientific Equipment and Book Fund competition is Monday, Feb. 13. This award is for the acquisition of equipment or library collections. Approximately \$58,000 is available for the Scientific Equipment and Book Fund Award (8-12 awards are expected to be made). The usual upper limit for this competition is \$7,000; requests for larger amounts will require exceptional justification.

The purpose of these funds is to stimulate and assist individual members of the faculty to initiate or redirect research or studies of a scholarly nature. Eligibility is limited to tenure-track and full-time nontenure-track faculty with an on-going appointment for which research is an expected component. Faculty are eligible to receive this award if they have not received it in the past two years.

The Faculty Research Funds Committee includes faculty from each of the eight colleges within the University of Maine. Consequently, the proposal must be written so that it can be understood by faculty in a wide range of disciplines. The Committee urges interested faculty to request application packages early and to follow the instructions closely.

Applications are available in the Offices of the Deans and in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, 424 Corbett Hall, x1498.

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