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The Stein-Vine is a monthly newsletter put out by the Wilde-Stein Club, U.M.O.'s gay and lesbien support group. We are interested not only in news items, but we will also print poetry and short stories contributed to us. We ask people to please send us any items that they want printed. Our mailing address is: Wilde-Stein Club

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## MEN'S EDUCATIONAL NETWORK (M.E.N.)

M.E.N. is a group of men committed to breaking through our isolation as men and to changing the ways we relate to each other and women.

Our primary activity is the formation of support groups where straight, gay, and bi-sexual men can relate to each other and their own masculinity and learn to share and grow in a caring , supportive environment.

We have meetings and will have potlucks, socials, and  individuals, acting to support men's growth, the women's movement, and lesbian and gay freedom. Contact Bob or John at P.O. Box 1822, Bangor or 884-8857.

This listing of weekly events occur in the Bangor area. If there are other events, please notify us and we will add or correct this listing.

Sunday Gay AA meeting. 4:00 p.m. 126 Union St.

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Sunday Wilde-Stein meeting. 7:00 p.m. South Bangor

Lounge. Union building, UMO.

Monday Bangor Area Gay-Lesbian-Straight Coalition.

7:30 p.m. 126 Union St. Bangor (2nd and

4th Monday)

Tuesday Steering Committee for Coalition. 5:15 p.m.

126 Union St. Bangor. (1st, 3rd + 5th tuesday)

Wednesday Wilde-Stein Coming Out Group. 5:30 p.m.

Ham Room, Union building, UMO

Thursday Gay AA meeting. 7:30 p.m. 126 Union St.

Bangor.

Saturday Interweave Potluck Supper. 6:00 p.m. 126 Union

St. Bangor. (1st + 3rd Saturday)

## DANCE

December 29, 1984 --- The Wilde-Stein Club will be holding a New Years Celebration and Dance at the Damn Yankee, Union building, UMO, at 8:00 p.m. Admission is \$3.50, it's an alcohol free space, and there will be a food table and soda for sale.

Also included in your admission is a chance for the door prize, an hour for two at Mason Hill Hot Tubs! Come and Enjoy!

Amethyst Women will be holding a "Letting Go" drug and alcohol free space dance for lesbians who enjoy chemical-free environments on New Year's Eve at the First Church Congregation in Cambridge, Mass. The dance runs from 9:00p.m. until 1:00a.m. and the donation is \$5.00 if you can. Free quality childcare is provided.

Gay People's Alliance is starting Maine's first Lesbian/Gay Pride Celebration. The first meeting to plan this event is on Jan. 31st, 1985 at 6:30p.m. at 92 Bedford St. in the lounge. This is in their place in Portland. Anybody interested in helping out should either be there or contact the office at:

Gay People's Alliance
University of Southern Maine
92 Bedford St.
Portland, Me. 04103

The Archive for the Protection of Gay History and Literature is a new endeavor aimed at collecting, recording, and protecting all aspects of gay and lesbian history and literature. A.P.G.H.L. works on a donation basis and hopes that people will send information about organizations and other information that people may have. The address is:

A.P.G.H.L.

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## DO SIT DOWN AND HAVE SOME TEA

"Knock, knock, knock!" there appear lance for leablests who enjoy absolugiting "Come in!" "Hi, whattya doin'?" "What does it look like I'm doing?" "It looks like your'e getting soused and watching TV." "Very good, Sherlock Homely." "My God! Are you watching football?" Day Padole's Alliance is starting "Yes." Reide Celebration. The rires neeting be plan this "Who's winning?" "I don't know. I'm new at this. You wanna beer?" and all Dedwomment who were "No." "O.K. how about a cigarette." "I quit." "You quit?" "Yes." "Are you gonna be a total drag?" "Maybe." "Oh. Christ." "Do you really need that?" le a new enleavor almed at collecting. I popped another beer. "Yes." "Why are you watching a football game?" "I don't know, I was thinking of changing my image." "You? Don't make me laugh." "Shut up."

"How much have been drinking?"

"About 2 hours worth."

"In your case that could be anywhere from 2 racks to a keg."

"Give or take a few cans."

"Your a mess."

"Thank you."

"Your'e welcome."

"Yay! The team in the blue hats just made a scoredown."

"Dear, if your'e going to change your image, youv'e got to learn the lingo. The hats are called helmets and when they score it's called a touchdown."

"Whatever. I slept with a football player once."

"Youv'e slept with everything once, the question is, have you ever slept with anything twice?"

"Touche bitch."

"I thought you might like that."

"I've heard it before, it's a line from somewhere."

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"Mmmmm."

"Look, do you want a beer or not?"

"No. "

"Fine, if your'e not going to drink then let me do it without any comments from the Prohibition Party of the greater Old Town area."

"I didn't say anything."

"Oh, but you were thinking."

"You can reads minds now, huh?

I guess mass quantities of alcohol doesn't destroy brain cells, it makes you a medium."

"Or a large depending on if you drink light beer or not."

"Funny, funny, funny."

"I thought so."

"Your'e drinking yourself into a stupor."

"Yes."

"So, why?" as a slate last sould said at mass and tyay"

"Why not? I'm not on the streets staggering around breathing on people."

"But it's not healthy."

"Look, the day you come to me and tell me youv'e been jogging three miles every day, lifting weights and eating raw eggs for breakfast is the day you can tall me it's not healthy!"

"My, my, we sound a little bitter don't we?"

"So what? So f - king what?"

"I'm leaving."

"Want one for the road?"

"Do you?"

"Yes." " " and the ment suited of antog won a muoy at apre"

"But your'e not going anywhere."

"Exactly my friend, exactly."

Story by: Butch, 1984.

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The Second Annual Northeast Lesbian and Gay Student Activists
Conference will be held on March 8, 9, and 10 at Cornell University
in Ithaca, New York. The registration fee will be \$15.00 per person
before March 1 and \$20.00 for late and on site registrations. A variet
of workshops are planned. If you wish more information, write:

Jay Coburn, Conference Coordinator

Gay People at Cornell

207 Willard Straight Hall

Cornell University

Ithaca, New York 14853

Contrary to the ideals of a free society, the civil rights of gay men and lesbians have been, and continue to be, abridged in the United States. Not only do lesbians and gay men experience discrimination in housing and employment, but recent research reveals that violence perpetrated upon gay men and lesbians ranks highest among violence against other sub-cultures. The July 1984 murder of Charles O. Howard, a gay man from Bangor, Maine, certainly exemplifies the inhumanity and bigotry that lesbians and gay men face daily.

The Gay People's Alliance of the Unversity of Southern Maine has established a scholarship in memory of Charlie Howard. The Charles O. Howard Memorial Scholarship will be awarded annually to the writer who best articulates, in essay form, the importance of civil rights for lesbians and gay men. Essays will be written in a manner consistent with accepted university standards. The award essay will be chosen using the following criteria: discription of the problem, analysis, support of the issue, creativity, suggestions for change, and quality of writing (organization, style, and grammar). The minimum qualifications are that the student have a grade point average of 2.5 or better, and be a degree candidate carrying at least six

credits. The essays will be judged by three USM faculty members, two GPA staff members, and one Student Activities employee.

Donations are much appreciated. If you would like to contribute to the Charles O. Howard Memorial Scholarship Fund, please make checks payable to the Gay People's Alliance and send them to us at 92 Bedford St., Portland, Maine 04103. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the GPA at 780-4085.

The Wilde-Stein office has moved this past month to a more compatible office here at the University of Maine. We are still located in the Memorial Union. Our address remains the same.

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