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H. Draper Hunt, Commencement Speaker.

Goodbye '96-'97

H. Draper Hunt, professor of history, one of many distinguished USM scholars who are retiring from the faculty this year, will give the Commencement address at USM's 117th Commencement ceremony, Saturday, May 10. The ceremony begins at 9 a.m. at the Cumberland County Civic Center, Spring Street, Portland. Civic leaders Peter and Pamela Plumb will receive Distinguished Service Awards, and a posthumous award for distinguished service also will recognize Maine civil rights activist Jean Byers Sampson, who passed away November 4, 1996. Aaron Feuerstein, president and CEO of Malden Mills will receive the Distinguished Achievement Award, and author Carolyn Chute will be honored with the Distinguished Achievement Award in absentia.

Faculty and staff who are participating in the ceremony should be in the Captain's Room of the Civic Center by 8:15 a.m. Parking is available for cars with university stickers at the BAMICO lot on Spring St. Shuttle buses to the Civic Center will be

available at the Portland Campus Center between 7 and 8:30 a.m., returning to campus at noon.

Nearly 900 students from the Class of '97 are expected to participate in the ceremony. Approximately 1400 students are eligible to graduate this year, but a number of these completed requirements and received degrees last December. Members of the Class of 1947 also will be marching in the commencement ceremonies as part of their 50 year celebration.

Terrance Walker, a history major, will give the Student Commencement Speech. Walker has been an active member of the Student Senate, the Gorham Events Board and the Upton-Hastings Hall Council. As a leading member of the Circle K Club, he has reached out to the community in service efforts such as the End Hunger in Maine project.

Among the stage party with president, provost, vice presidents and deans, will be Esther Rauch, representing the University of Maine System Board of Trustees; Henry Amoroso, chair of the Faculty Senate; John LaBrie, chair of the Professional Staff Senate; George Pattershall, vice chair of the Classified Staff Senate; Peter Brown, chair of the Student Senate; and Robert Blackwood, president of the USM Alumni Association.

Ten faculty members will receive emeriti status —H. Draper Hunt; Willard D. Callender, Jr., Professor of Education; Robert C. McMahon, Associate Professor of Economics; Craig Dietrich, Professor of History; Thomas Carper, professor of English; Frank Durgin, Jr., professor of economics; Fiorello Ventresco, associate professor of history; Bruce Allen, associate professor of mathematics education; Howard Faulkner, associate professor of technology; and Jeanne Normandeau, associate professor of nursing— and they and all faculty who are retiring this year will be honored for their service to USM during the ceremony.

In addition, recipients of the

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Library Loses Two to Retirement

After presiding over the creation of a new library on the Portland campus, George Parks, who has been university librarian since 1985, is retiring at the end of June. He will also step down this summer as president of the New England Library Association, a prestigious organization with some of the nation's greatest libraries as members, including Harvard and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was elected to that position in October 1995 and will represent USM at the national conference in June as his final responsibility to both institutions.

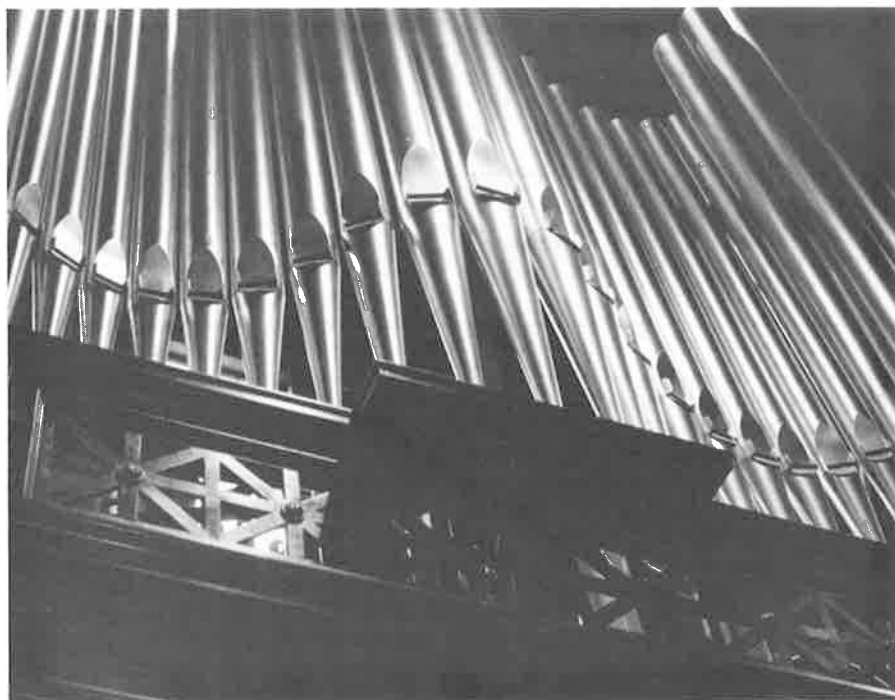
A search for director of university libraries to replace Parks is underway, chaired by William Wells, law librarian and associate provost for technology, information systems and libraries.

When Parks came to USM from Colgate University, where he was also university librarian, the Portland campus library was housed in Luther Bonney Hall, but there was a clear need to expand the facility. A bond issue provided the money to move

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George Parks, University Librarian retires.



Corthell Concert Hall now features a beautiful concert pipe organ which will greatly expand the repertoire of music that can be performed in the hall. The organ is a gift to the Department of Music as part of the Play ON! fundraising campaign. The organ was built by Eric H.L. Sexton of Camden out of parts from former church and theater organs. More than a decade after his death, his widow Beryl Sexton, who had heard of USM's music needs, donated the organ to USM. The organ was restored with funds donated by the Davis Family Foundation in memory of Howard G. Davis of Falmouth, who had a great interest in organs. It was restored by the David E. Wallace & Company Pipe Organ Builders of Gorham. The three-year Play On! campaign surpassed its goal of \$250,000. The organ gave its premier performance at USM during a concert Friday, May 2, celebrating the dedication of the organ and the successful conclusion of the fundraising campaign. *Snell photo*

USM Plans Child/Business Forums

T. Berry Brazelton, the noted pediatrician and author, will visit Maine for a public lecture on "Stresses and Supports for Families in the Nineties." Brazelton will speak at 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 13, in the Cumberland County Civic Center, Portland.

Admission is \$15, with proceeds to benefit the USM Child Care Parenting Center, a self-supporting project that offers educational programming on child rearing and related issues. Call 775-3458 for ticket information.

Brazelton is the author of more than 25 books on pediatrics and child development, among them "Infants and Mothers," "Working and Caring," and "Families: Crisis and Caring." He is a regular contributor to Family Circle magazine and writes a New York Times syndicated column.

Executive Forum '97, an annual event sponsored by the USM School of Business and its Advisory Council, will feature best-selling author

Hedrick Smith, Malden Mills CEO Aaron Feuerstein, and Governor Angus S. King, who will give the keynote speech. The theme of this year's forum is "The Turbulent Organization: People, Technology & Change." The forum will be held from 12:45 to 6 p.m., Wednesday, May 21, on USM's Portland Campus. It's open to all members of the business community. Participants will share information on business expansion in a global economy and attracting a skilled work force.

Smith, a Pulitzer Prize-winning correspondent and columnist for the New York Times and author of "The Power Game," and "Rethinking America," will visit the campus ahead and videotape his presentation. Also scheduled are four panel discussions, moderated by Thomas D. McBrierty, commissioner of the Maine Department of Economic & Community Development. Feuerstein, president and CEO of Malden Mills will lead a panel on "Power Sharing and Teamwork."

For more information, please call the USM School of Business at 780-4020.

Congratulations!

The following USM faculty have been tenured and/or promoted by President Richard L. Pattenaude, on the recommendation of their peer committee, their dean and the provost, and approved by the University of Maine System Board of Trustees at their March 24 meeting. This action is effective September 1, 1997.

Granted tenure and promoted to the rank of associate professor:

Peter J. Aicher, Foreign Languages and Classics, CAS

Julie Ellis, Engineering, SAS

Stephen Fenner, Computer Science, SAS

Charles Fitts, Geosciences, CAS

Jan Hitchcock, Social and Behavioral Sciences, LAC

William Kilroy, Theater, CAS

Cheryl Laz, Sociology, CAS

Richard Swartz, English, CAS

Susan Vines, Nursing, CON

Kenneth Weber, Biological Sciences, CAS

Granted tenure at current rank of associate professor:

Susan Feiner, Economics and Women's Studies, CAS

Jean Fouchereaux, Foreign Languages and Classics, CAS

Jack Kartez, Environmental Science and Policy, CAS

Bruce Roberts, Economics, CAS

Granted tenure and promoted to the rank of professor:

Charles Colgan, Public Policy and Management, Muskie Institute

Granted tenure at current rank of professor:

Stephen Murphy, Professor of Human Resource Development, CEHD

Promoted to the rank of associate professor:

Marijane Fall, Human Resource Development, CEHD

Promoted to the rank of professor:

Mahmud Faksh, Political Science, CAS.

Bruce Fithian, Music, CAS

Sat Gupta, Mathematics and Statistics, CAS

Duncan Hewitt, Art, CAS

Julien Murphy, Philosophy, CAS

Agreements Expand Students' Opportunities

New Agreement Helps USM/Tech College Students

USM has signed an agreement with Central Maine Technical College that will make it easier for CMTC students who wish to continue their educations at USM to transfer here. In addition, USM students who wish to take technical courses at CMTC and transfer them back to USM will find a streamlined path as a result of the agreement.

The agreement, signed in a ceremony at CMTC on Monday, April 28, provides an umbrella for collaboration between the two institutions in helping students move between numerous programs offered at either institution that fit together in academic sequences. It calls for USM to guarantee college credits for all CMTC students transferring to specified USM programs, as long as they enter a bachelor's degree program at USM within six years of acceptance at CMTC. Members from both institutions will sit on a committee that will review existing agreements and produce new agreements for continuation of programs when appropriate.

The new articulation agreement builds on and encompasses some previous, focused agreements between CMTC and specific USM programs in the School of Nursing, School of Applied Science and at USM's Lewiston-Auburn College that have allowed students with associate degrees in health professions, industrial technology, and other programs to

continue into baccalaureate programs.

This agreement will serve Maine residents in a more efficient, cost-effective manner and meet public expectations that the technical college system and the university system should work closely and cooperatively, USM's Provost Mark Lapping said. "Students and faculty at both institutions will benefit because people working in like programs will be brought into closer communication," he said. "Faculty will talk with faculty, and relationships will develop, which can only be helpful. Such agreements create some efficiencies, make transfer as easy and seamless as possible for students and draw us together into a larger community of educators and students. Both institutions offer quality programs and start from a position of mutual respect and confidence and commitment to helping one another's students as fully as possible."

USM people who worked on the agreement include Provost Lapping; John Bay, Executive Director of Academic Support; Greg Bazinet, director of external programs in the School of Applied Science; Carol Johansen, associate professor of management and organizational studies; Rebecca Lockridge, associate professor of communication; Roger Philippon, enrollment services coordinator at Lewiston-Auburn College; Betty Robinson, dean of LAC; and Rosa Redonnet, executive director of enrollment management.

Agreement with Israel will benefit students and faculty

An agreement to facilitate faculty and student exchanges between USM and a university in Israel was also signed during April. USM's College of Education and Human Development agreed with the School of Education of Achva Academic College, an institution in Israel which grants bachelor degrees in education, to arrange faculty and student exchanges "for the sake of expanding professional horizons...for the performance of joint or individual research, the study of innovative professional subjects, for specific areas of specialization and to expand horizons in the areas studied in the home country." Student exchanges will be for a semester or an academic year.

For more information on the agreement and exchange programs, contact Libby Cohen, professor of education, at 780-5067.

Scholarships for Top HS Grads

Nearly 90 high school seniors from the top 20 percent of their graduating classes have been offered scholarships that will partially cover the cost of tuition for four years at USM.

The 89 students from 10 states applied for admission to USM, were accepted and then were offered Outstanding Student Merit Scholarships. Those scholarships, which are made possible through tuition waivers that the University of Maine System Board of Trustees allots to each campus, are awarded annually to high school seniors based on their academic performance and participation in extracurricular events.

"These students have proven themselves to be leaders and scholars both in and outside of the classroom through their academic record and extracurricular activities," said Deborah P. Jordan, director of admissions. "They clearly show promise of contributing to USM's intellectual and community life."

Jordan added that the scholarships are divided among Maine and out-of-state students "to help cultivate a geographic diversity among our student body." The Merit Scholarships have been offered to students from Maine, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Vermont and Virginia.

The scholarship can be renewed throughout a student's four years as long as the student is enrolled full time and maintains a minimum grade point average of 2.67 in his/her freshmen year and 3.0 during the three succeeding years.

Print Shop Wins Awards

USM Printing Services recently participated in the Printing Excellence Program sponsored by The Maine Graphic Arts Association. The Program is a statewide competition open to printers within the state who belong to the association. The competition, which this year drew 50 competitors, is judged by out of state experts. USM's shop entered 20 items, 11 of which were cited for excellence. USM's printing operation won a second place award, three third place awards and seven honorable mentions.



President Pattenaude signs agreement with officials from Israeli institute. Cohen photo

Simplifying Work

As part of the strategic plan outlined in USM in the 21st Century, a task force on USM Work Simplification was created last summer. This task force, chaired by Jane Andrews, director of student affairs and administration for the College of Education and Human Development, was appointed by President Pattenau and began to meet early in the fall of 1996. Other members are Kathleen Bouchard, university ombudsperson; Carol LaMontagne, staff associate in the Professional Development Center, CEHD; Deb Nightingale, administrative associate in University Computing Technologies; Bruce Richardson, representing the Student Senate; and Cynthia Quinn, director of the USM bookstores. The Faculty Senate was also invited to provide representation.

The president's charge to the task force was to explore ways in which work processes at the university could be streamlined, with the goal of serving students better and helping USM employees become more efficient in their work. The task force has approached this charge by coordinating efforts to identify areas of possible simplification, but recognizes that real change can only come through the active involvement of students, faculty and staff.

As a first step the group visited other work sites in the area to learn about their efforts to improve productivity and the workplace climate. The task force then devised strategies to identify possible areas of simplification at USM. Members' primary role for this year has been to collect information and facilitate communication within the university on work processes. Two major efforts were initiated: a survey of university community members and the use of technology to allow on-going input from the community.

In addition to surveying faculty and staff and students on the Student Senate and the Board of Student Organizations, focus groups, convened in conjunction with the Enrollment Management work group as part of its retention studies, were asked questions about university processes that may impact students negatively.

More than 50 survey responses have been received and reviewed by the task force and, when considered appropriate, routed to relevant departments. Areas referenced in survey responses include the use of computers on campus, business services, event planning, tenure application procedures, work orders,

student billing procedures, the student ID system, substitution of electronic mail for paper mail, and many more.

"We are making ourselves available to work with departments, if they recognize a need to reorganize certain procedures and think that new perspectives and facilitation would be helpful," Andrews said. At least one large department already has asked the task force for help in redesigning a cumbersome process.

The task force emphasizes that the process of simplification of tasks must be on-going. Thus, the second strategy is a continuing one: by putting in place an e-mail address and a voice mail phone line to receive suggestions the task force aims to establish a continuing process of input and improvement as ideas on simplifying work procedures occur to community members. Suggestions forwarded to the task force by these means also will be reviewed and forwarded to appropriate departments for consideration. "Progress on work procedures will be accomplished by making many small changes, over time," Andrews said.

Members of the task force were appointed for one to three year terms, beginning in July, 1996.

For more information on or to make suggestions to the task force, call 780-5886 or e-mail: simplify@usm.maine.edu

Grange Suggests an Environmental Ethics

In a new book by Joseph Grange, professor of philosophy, the environmental agenda for the next century is set forth, reviewers said. "Nature: An Environmental Cosmology" provides "a breakthrough analysis of our environmental crisis," the publisher, State University of New York Press said. The book is due out this month.

"Nature" is part of a planned two-volume set on the "continuum between nature and the city," Grange explains. He is now working on the companion book, "City," which is about the "urban cosmology," he said. "People feel they are forced to choose between the city and the environment," Grange says in explanation of his choice of subject. "That's a false choice." He says his own life is an example of the urban-rural continuum. Grange came to teach at USM in 1970 from the South Bronx in New York City.

Grange offers a "cultural critique" of our ideas of nature, drawing on the metaphysical thinking of Plato, Lao-Tzu, Spinoza and Whitehead to create measures for the value of nature to humans. The resulting standards are the basis of a discipline of Foundational Ecology, which he recommends as an educational tool for dealing with the environmental crises ahead.

Robert Cummings Neville of Boston University said of the book, "This is a brilliant work that...presents an original and massively convincing argument that *the* philosophical problem of our time is not recovery of forgotten Being, as Heidegger argued, but rather the encounter with novelty in ways that overwhelm most Western philosophy."

In this book, Grange says, "I endeavor to bring together into a new and fruitful synthesis the Platonic tradition of normative thinking and the pragmatic concerns of American naturalism."

Grange received his B.A. from St. Joseph's in New York, did graduate work in theology at St. Joseph's Seminary and received his Ph.D. from Fordham University. He has been editor of the journal *Environmental Ethics*, and published many articles in journals such as *The Journal of Speculative Philosophy*, *Cross Currents*, *Research in Philosophy and Technology*, *Philosophy East and West*, *The International Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophy and Theology*, *the Journal of Religion*, *Commonweal*, and the *Environmental and Architectural Newsletter*. He has lectured in Hawaii, Ireland, and China on ethics, nature and the philosophy of culture.

Publications Award

The USM Department of Publications and Marketing has been selected as a 1996 Admissions Advertising Awards winner from Admissions Marketing Report, the national newspaper of admissions marketing. The newspaper advertising campaign *Success Begins at USM* features USM alumni, Tony Shaloub from the television series *Wings*, Kate Chapell of Tom's of Maine, and Jim Greenleaf, formerly of the FBI and currently working with the Laborer's International Union of North America. The ads were written by Amy Barnes, included photography by Libby Barrett, and graphic design by Leigh Raposo.

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Distinguished Professional and Classified Staff Awards and Alumni Association Awards, the Hilltop Award and the Community Service Award, will be recognized during the ceremony.

Commencement speaker Draper Hunt will describe of the growth of USM in spirit and ambition, as well as in size and quality of faculty over the 31 years he has served the university. Hunt, who joined the USM faculty in 1965, exemplifies the standards of scholarship and service that the emeritus designation recognizes. He was a member of the merger committee which guided the union of Portland and Gorham campuses in becoming USM and has served on many other committees serving USM. He served his department as chair from 1988 to 1990, and at commencement ceremonies over the last few years has led the faculty as Senior Faculty Marshal and as one of the marshals for many more years. As a teacher he has been recognized with four distinguished faculty awards between 1976 and 1991 and was selected as Walter E. Russell Scholar in 1982. Professor Hunt is the author of four books and a number of articles on Civil War subjects and has had a lifelong interest in Abraham Lincoln's life. His book "Hannibal Hamlin of Maine: Lincoln's First Vice-President" was selected for inclusion in the Vice President's House collection. He is also known as the expert on the history of the governor's mansion. His book on the subject, "The Blaine House: Home of Maine Governors" was revised and republished in 1994.

Author Carolyn Chute, whose first book, "The Beans of Egypt, Maine" was praised for its authentic, powerful voice, has been selected to receive the Distinguished Achievement Award in recognition of her body of work and for the inspiration she provides aspiring writers. Currently working on her fourth novel, "The School on Heart's Content Road," Chute teaches in USM's Stonecoast Writers' Conference.

Pamela and Peter Plumb recently led the successful fund drive that enabled renovation of the concert hall within Portland City Hall, resulting in the superb new Merrill Auditorium. Pam Plumb has served the city as the first president of Portland Landmarks and as a city councilor and mayor of Portland. As president of the National League of Cities, she brought national recognition to our community. Peter Plumb serves as chair of the trustees of

the Portland Symphony Orchestra, as chair of the Maine Arts Commission, as a founding member and president of the Choral Arts Society, and as the major force behind the Friends of the Kotzchmar Organ. Together, the Plumbs have helped Portland become a richer cultural center and a better place to live and work.

Jean Byers Sampson left a rich legacy of public service and civil rights activism. She helped organize the Maine branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, served as executive director of the Maine Civil Liberties Union and on the national board of the ACLU, and was an early activist in the League of Women Voters in Maine. She was a charter member on the University of Maine System Board of Trustees and became its first woman chair. Her husband, Richard Sampson, will accept USM's Distinguished Service Award for his late wife.

Aaron Feuerstein captured the imagination of America when he made a commitment not only to rebuild his 90-year-old family business after a devastating fire but to pay his employees while they were unable to work while the mill was being rebuilt. Maine's Bridgton Mills is one of the suppliers to Feuerstein's Malden mills. He has shown himself to be both an innovative manufacturer and a principled business leader.

Ceremonies for graduates of the University of Maine School of Law, a unit of USM, will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 18 at Merrill Auditorium in City Hall, Portland.

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forward, and the derelict Johnson Supply building at the corner of the campus was purchased and renovated during Parks' tenure. He also assumed a lead role in development of the Osher Map Library and Smith Center for Cartographic Education. Parks had served as a consultant for various library building projects in the past at the University of Rochester and Colgate University.

One of his major accomplishments at USM was unifying the system-wide library catalogue. Associate Provost Wells notes, "George Parks was a leader in the automation project for the eight University of Maine System libraries. Over the lengthy process, his drive, inexhaustible energy, and determination enabled the System to build a unified library system which is a model for the whole nation."

Besides the New England Library Association, he has served in many professional groups, including the Association of College and Research Libraries, Library Administration and Management Association, the Southern Maine Library District, and the Maine State Library Commission.

At USM Parks served on the Professional Staff Senate for two years, on the Law Librarian Search Committee, chaired the University Library Building Committee, and has continued to serve on the Information Technology Council. He holds a B.A. in English Literature from the University of New Hampshire and a master's in Library Science from University of Michigan.

USM's university archivist, Marjorie Duval also retired this year, after 35 years of service to USM.

Duval, who left her position on the first of April, was head librarian of the University of Maine in Portland from 1962 to 1972 and archivist since 1972.



Kathleen MacPherson, professor of nursing, gave her lecture as Walter E. Russell Scholar on April 9 on "Theory, Practice and the Millennium" to a full house in the Campus Center. She observed that personal experience can provide the impetus for creating theory and that theorizing is fundamental to academic research. Theory making is endangered as universities move into the next century under terrible economic pressures, she said. MacPherson will continue as the ninth Russell Chair Scholar through the coming academic year. MacPherson is known nationally for her research on women's health issues, especially on menopause. She has "changed ideologies related to women's health and, as such, has opened doors for professional colleagues," Ann M. Voda, professor of nursing at the University of Utah wrote in support of her selection as Russell Chair Scholar. Provost Lapping looks on in the photo above. *Barrett photo*

What We're Doing

JOHN M. BURT, dean, School of Business, and professor of business administration, has become an associate member of the National Alliance of Business.

WENDY L. CHAPKIS, assistant professor of sociology and women's studies, has received the American Foundation for Gender and Genital Medicine and Science 1997 Book Award for outstanding scholarly work in the English language in the field of sexology for her recently published book "Live Sex Acts: Women Performing Erotic Labor." The award will be presented at the XIIIth World Congress of Sexology in Valencia, Spain this June.

DONNA M. CASSIDY, associate professor of American and New England Studies, gave a presentation on "Marsden Hartley and 1930s Regionalism," at the April conference "The Future of the Past: New Perspective on Maine History," at Bowdoin College. **JOSEPH A. CONFORTI**, director and professor of American and New England Studies, moderated a panel on "Modes of Material Culture" at the April conference "The Future of the Past: New Perspective on Maine History," at Bowdoin.

MARVIN J. DRUKER, associate professor of public affairs, **CAROL K JOHANSEN**, associate professor of management and organizational studies, and **ROBERT M. SCHAIBLE**, associate professor of arts and humanities, all from Lewiston-Auburn College, co-authored a paper, "Integrating Part-Time Faculty into Academic Programs," that was presented in March at the 20th annual conference on Teaching Public Administration at Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond.

JOEL W. EASTMAN, professor of history, moderated a panel on "Maine History in the Schools" at the April conference "The Future of the Past: New Perspective on Maine History," at Bowdoin.

MICHAEL S. HAMILTON, associate professor of political science, environmental science and policy, published an article titled "The Career Service and Presidential Transition: From Bush to Clinton to National Performance Review" in *Public Administration Quarterly*.

MICHAEL HILLARD, associate professor of economics, co-authored an analytical/policy study titled "Taking the High Road: Human Resources and Sustainable Rural Development in Maine," that was published by The

Maine Center for Economic Policy. He serves on the policy committees for both Maine Business for Social Responsibility and Maine Center for Economic Policy, and is a board member of the Maine Center for Economic Policy. He also is co-host of "Big Talk," the WMPG public affairs show that recently won a Silver Wheel award for public affairs broadcasting from the National Federation of Community Broadcasters.

ROBYN HOLMAN, arts coordinator, Lewiston-Auburn College, gave a presentation on "Discovering a Music Tradition in Lewiston," at the April conference "The Future of the Past: New Perspective on Maine History," at Bowdoin.

JUDITH L. JOHNSON, director, Testing and Assessment, presented a paper, "Admissibility to Ph.D. Programs in Counseling Psychology: What Factors Predict Who Will Be Admitted?" at the annual conference of the American Educational Research Association in Chicago last March. She is also part of a panel presentation, "The Flashlight Project: Developing Tools for Local Evaluation of Educational Uses in Technology," at the annual Forum of the Association for Institutional Research in Lake Buena Vista, Fl. this May. Her paper is titled, "An Evaluation Report, The Education Network of Maine Courses: Flashlight Student Survey."

HAIGH H. NAJARIAN, professor of biology, has critically reviewed for the Wm. C. Brown Division of McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., three chapters in the fifth edition of "Foundations of Parasitology," by Roberts & Janovy.

NICOLE PIAGET, associate director of the Portland Bookstore, was elected secretary of the College Stores of New England at the association's annual meeting in March that was hosted by **CYNTHIA QUINN**, director of the USM Bookstores.

KENT C. RYDEN, assistant professor of American and New England Studies, gave a presentation on "Reading the Wooded Landscape," at the April conference "The Future of the Past: New Perspective on Maine History," at Bowdoin.

DOROTHY WOODS SMITH, associate professor of nursing, gave a pre-conference workshop, Therapeutic Touch for Intermediates, at the Nurse Healers-Professional Associates 17th annual conference at Waterville Valley, N.H. in October. In January, she gave another workshop, "Introduction to Therapeutic Touch," for the nursing department at PenBay Hospital, Rockport. She was featured in the Therapeutic Touch

segment of Kim Block's Channel 13 series, "Moving Toward the Mainstream" which aired February 24. She was also selected to serve on The Post Polio Task Force.

DEBRA SMITH, coordinator of assessment and evaluation projects, CEHD and **DAVID RUFF**, partnership associate for the Southern Maine Partnership, recently completed a chapter for a book to be published this spring by Teachers College Press. "The Southern Maine Partnership's School Quality Review" will appear in "Student Work, Teacher Learning," edited by David Allen.

DARRYN S. WILLOUGHBY, assistant professor of recreation and leisure studies, recently had a research article published in the *Journal of Aging and Physical Activity* (1997, volume 5, number 2, pages 87-97) titled "Effects of Aerobic Exercise on the Functional Capacity and Cardiovascular Efficiency of Elderly Post-CABG Patients." He also will present "Supplemental Electromyostimulation and Dynamic Weight Training: Effects on Knee Extensor Strength and Vertical Jump on Female Collegiate Track and Field Athletes" at the May 30 American College of Sports Medicine conference in Denver.

KATHLEEN J. WININGER, associate professor of philosophy, has returned from the University of Nairobi, where she was a guest lecturer in philosophy and women's studies/sociology courses for the fall 1996 term. Wininger also gave a paper on Nietzsche's view of women to the University of Nairobi faculty and graduate students. In Addis Ababa, Ethiopia she presented her paper "Women Appropriating and Women Appropriated: a Neo-colonial Encounter" to the Pan-African Symposium, "Problematics of an African Philosophy: Twenty Years After (1976-1996)" at the United Nations buildings in Addis, and she also gave it at the Society for Women in Philosophy meeting at Trinity College in Washington D.C. in April. In addition, Wininger was a guest at various Buddhist temples and at the International Centre for Ethnic Studies in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Wininger gave a paper, "Neo-Colonial Aesthetics: Images of Women," at the invitation of the Women's Studies Department and International Studies Program at Randolph Macon College in Ashland, Va. on April 8. On April 14, she was the guest of the Honors Program at the University of Maine, Farmington, where she spoke on "Nietzsche's Views on Logic."

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