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Building Support for Students

by Judy Ryan, vice president for student development

We started the school year with warm welcomes for new and returning students and a number of very positive changes and initiatives.

Our residence halls were filled to capacity this September, housing 1250 students on campus, compared to 1176 in the fall of 1996.

We are very pleased to see among our full-time students, an increasing number of student athletes. These students have a higher retention rate than the USM average, and also a higher GPA. A 13-year study, begun in 1985, shows that graduation rates for student athletes is 70.6 percent. For those athletes who participate in sports for two years or more, the graduation rate is 82.2 percent. Last year USM's 250 athletes averaged a G.P.A. of 2.72. By the end of this year we will have 400 students on competi-

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Funding UMS

Trustees are facing a January 1 deadline to file a report with the Legislature's Joint Standing Committee on Education that reviews the current formula for distributing the state appropriation among the seven institutions of the University of Maine System.

That review, according to the legislation that mandated it, will take into account the "...distinctive missions, enrollment shifts, program priorities, changing program costs, demographic patterns and emerging needs of the State." The Legislature also has requested that Trustees "...ensure that the needs of the State's non-traditional students are met in a more equitable manner."

At a meeting in Gorham held earlier this month as part of Trustees' efforts to gather feedback on the issue, there was strong feeling that the current funding formula is no longer an equitable means of distributing the state appropriation among campuses. That formula has been in place since the establishment of the system nearly 30 years ago. The System's current

state appropriation, according to information distributed at the meeting, totals \$138,565,672, of which USM receives \$30,826,226, or just over 22 percent.

Many in attendance stressed the need to address basic funding inequities that are exacerbated by USM's growth and evolving mission as a comprehensive institution.

"We need to rethink the University of Maine and the University of Southern Maine missions," said Richard Barnes, dean of the College of Education and Human Development. He cited USM's enrollment and programmatic growth at the undergraduate and graduate levels, adding, "If we continue to insist that we're a regional (local) university with part-time commuters, nothing will change."

Luisa Deprez, associate professor of social work who serves on the Trustee's Finance Committee, noted that it would be counterproductive for the debate "...to become a north/south issue. But we need to put forth, forcefully, what we need and what the System needs."

Referring to the expanded role of her college, Pat Geary, dean of the College of Nursing, said, "We're out in the community, and people don't understand why we can't deliver needed services." Referring to the System-wide goal of creating internal efficiencies, Geary added, "The (College of Nursing) operating budget has been the same since I came here, yet we're trying to provide more and more services to more and more students."

Nancy Gish, professor of English and director of Women's Studies, questioned the System's "concept of efficiency," noting that books may be available in one UMS library but not others, and that faculty sometimes finance their own trips to other libraries or conferences. "We're not a business," she later added. "We serve the culture in profound and ancient ways. We can't restructure ourselves [to create efficiencies] on a corporate

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The new Ice Arena on USM's Gorham campus will open officially Saturday, December 13 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, an open house, holiday celebration and men's hockey game. More details will be available about the opening soon.

Barrett photo

Creating British India

Edney maps history

Nineteenth century England thought of India as the "jewel in the crown" of their empire. Matthew Edney, USM's map scholar, points out in his book that India was also where the irony of British empire was played out.

In "Mapping an Empire: The Geographical Construction of British India, 1765-1843," just published by The University of Chicago Press, Edney leads readers to the central paradox of British empire. "At home," he explains, "the British government was a liberal democracy. But out in the empire, in India, the British were tyrannical, despotic." By employing the latest advances of liberal, rational science out in the empire, the British could represent to themselves and the western world that their colonialist activities brought "civilization" to the Indians, preparing them for a future that would imitate the European model. "There was a belief," Edney says, "that if you could educate the Indians, make them rational, make them give up their mysticism and superstition, you could trust them with democracy." Mapping, through the new technology of triangulation and trigonometry, he says, was the latest triumph of science.

When the East India Company began to gather power on the subcontinent, India was not a nation but a collection of princedoms. As the trading company extended its reach,



Matthew Edney, map scholar. Barrett photo

successfully competing with the French and the Dutch for control of trade goods, it became clear that a comprehensive system of surveys had to be undertaken to move goods efficiently. To be effectively managed, the huge territory had to be surveyed. Scientific ideology converged with imperial ideology, Edney writes, as the British replaced native patterns of knowledge with a scientifically constructed, comprehensive record of the geography.

Drawing on the East India Company's extensive archives, Edney shows how the company supported and advanced scientific inquiry for its own purpose, to tighten control over India, but undermined that process through its own internal conflicts. Too few Englishmen, too far from headquarters in London, struggled to manage the huge territory acquired by the company. In addition, surveys were being made for different purposes, using different methodologies and on different scales. The result, in Edney's phrase, was cartographic anarchy.

But, British geographers saw a solution in the new scientific process, and a number of men dedicated themselves to bringing order and scientific rigor to the mapping process through the surveying technique of triangulation, known then as "trigonometrical survey." The laborious and expensive Great Trigonometrical Survey (GTS) undertaken by the East India Company is a central focus of Edney's book. It created "the spatial image" of the Indian empire and extended the ideological basis of English dominion over India by creating a British conception of what India was. The British, Edney writes, "mapped the India that they perceived and that they governed. To the extent that many aspects of India's societies and cultures remained beyond British experience and to the extent that Indians resisted and negotiated with the British, India could never be entirely and perfectly known. The British deluded themselves that their science enabled them to know the 'real' India. But what they did map, what they did create, was a British India. Wrapped in a scientific ideology, each survey and geographical investigation was thoroughly implicated in the ideology of the British empire in South Asia."

Edney, who spent 11 years researching the book, first became interested in the GTS survey when he saw a survey of India by George Everest, for whom the mountain is named. Later, a pamphlet he came across by Everest railing against the

Royal Geographic Society interested Edney in exploring the dynamic of people working in the field versus a central body of scientists in London. This book goes beyond his dissertation, "Mapping and Empire," to explore the ideological side of the role of science and mapping, since science was believed to be the "moral engine of civilization."

Reviewers have praised the book's brilliant multi-dimensional approach to the topic. C.A. Bayly of Cambridge University, said, "Edney skillfully delineates the ideology of scientific knowledge and the bureaucratic processes which gave rise to it."

"Mapping an Empire" is at once a major contribution to the history of cartography, the history of imperialism, and —most tellingly— the history of their reciprocal constitution," said David N. Livingstone of the Queen's University of Belfast.

Edney, an associate professor of cartography and geography as well as map scholar for the Osher Map Library, came to USM in 1995. He holds a Ph.D. from University of Wisconsin at Madison.

Network Aids Business Centers

A northern Maine manufacturer of hardwood flooring requested information on a specialized industry certification to gain better access to European markets. A producer of cedar knick-knacks asked for a list of gift shops. Another client wanted to know the average weekly wage level by industry type in the Androscoggin Valley.

They received the information they needed, and so have other economic development officers and their clients throughout Maine, thanks to the Maine Economic Development District Wide Area Network, created by John Heath, professor of computer science, and Richard Clarey, director of the USM-based Center for Business and Economic Research. Heath and Clarey received a federal technology infrastructure grant and matching State Department of Economic and Community Development funds totaling more than \$200,000 to create the statewide network linking small business development centers and the five Maine economic development districts.

"The network gives these organizations instant online access to economic databases, state and federal agencies and other economic development

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model."

Funding inequities also impact a range of student services. Furthermore, funding for those services should not be based on an FTE formula. "There are a whole group of services that are not FTE driven," said Registrar John Keysor; "they are head count driven." Delivery of services to part-time students, said Larry Bliss, director of career services and cooperative education, is labor intensive.

Trustees will be soliciting additional feedback through early December. To comment on the issue, submit your comments in writing to Sam Andrews, Chief Financial Officer, 7th Floor, Law Building, Portland campus. Comments will be forwarded to the Chancellor's Office.

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tive teams, that is teams that compete in NCAA Division III sports. To compete, student athletes must take 12 credits.

Recreational athletic programs also continue to grow. Student participation in recreational activities in Portland last spring was 2742; in Gorham total participation was over 1700 students. We'll expand services to them and the rest of the community with the opening of the ice rink on December 13 and the field house, scheduled to open in late January. If you haven't watched the construction, you'll be amazed at the difference and the size of the new facilities. The fitness center in the upper floor of Hill Gym will also be renovated, resulting in a total space of 3200 square feet, and new equipment is being added; it should reopen in February.

We've also renovated the first floor lounges of all the Gorham campus residence halls to make them more comfortable for students and the dining areas in the Portland Campus Center and the Brooks Student Center in Gorham to be more inviting.

A new service in the Portland Campus Center is the student-staffed Center for Student Involvement, which plans activities for the campus and commuter students, refers students to campus resources and provides information about USM. In October they staged the most-attended Halloween party for children USM has ever hosted. They'll follow that success with a children's holiday party, 1 to 3 p.m., Saturday, December 6.

A major review of the pluses and

minuses of the fraternity/sorority system is planned for this year. The last such review was done in 1983, and since then two fraternities have been closed, Phi Mu Delta and Tau Kappa Epsilon. Now, because of the initiative to make the Gorham campus more appealing to students, the time is right to review whether Greek life programs are in alignment with the goals for the Gorham campus outlined in the five year plan, USM in the 21st Century. Such a review is supported by all participants. So later this month I will call together the Greek Life Task Force, which will include student, faculty and staff representatives, alumni from the fraternities and sororities, and also a representative from the town of Gorham. I've asked Robert Dana, the associate dean for student life from UMaine at Orono, to join the group, and I will name another student affairs administrator to the task force.

Using goals outlined in the strategic plan, the task force will ask if the Greek organizations increase the value of a USM undergraduate education; increase the quality of a USM student's experience; increase USM's responsiveness to regional needs; and increase cost effectiveness of operations and raise revenues.

We will ask each sorority and fraternity to conduct a self-study, then early in the spring semester the task force will tour the houses, talk to students, alumni chapters, and neighbors before making recommendations. We look forward to the challenges and opportunities this review process will provide.

With direct services to students increasing, we have made some staff changes and additions to meet demand. Deborah Como-Kepler has joined the Counseling Center as a staff psychologist; she specializes in substance abuse. Rebecca Fried is the new physician in the health services center. The Counseling Center and Student Health Services were merged during the last academic year to form University Health Services, which allows a more holistic approach to student health as well as a sharing of resources. Some 300 students at Maine College of Art also have begun using USM health and counseling services and paying a mandatory health fee to USM. Our new counselor, Como-Kepler, is also traveling to our LA College campus.

In Athletics, we have added Kim Turner as assistant athletic director, Jeff Beaney as manager of the Ice Arena, Anne Beaney as women's hockey coach, Dan Costigan as men's basketball coach, Bonny Brown-Denico as head softball coach and associate

field hockey coach, George Towle as women's cross country and track coach, Mike Towle as men's cross country coach and track coach, and Ted Reese as wrestling coach. Three of these positions are part time.

In Portland Student Life, we have shifted Mary Kay Kaspar, former area director of Portland Hall, to be assistant director of community development for Portland students. Holly Van Gaasbeek replaces Mary Kay at Portland Hall, and Dennis Fitzpatrick, a graduate assistant, is resident director. Danielle Sturgeon is the new resident director for resident student services on the Gorham campus.

All these positions support student development and retention of commuter and resident students at USM.

Last but not least, I need to note a major personnel change. Coin Hauk let me know last summer that he will retire as director of USM's Police and Safety, December 31. A regional search for his replacement is underway. We have decided that this transition point is an appropriate time to do a general review of security on campus, so in September we contracted with a safety consultant to conduct an assessment of our systems next semester.

Coin came to USM August 1, 1983 after retiring from the Secret Service. We have valued his steady guidance of our police and safety operation and transportation services over the years and his calm approach to all emergencies. I want to thank Coin for his years of wonderful service to this university. We all will miss him.



Coin Hauk, director of police and safety has announced that he will retire at the end of this semester. *Barrett photo*

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persons with disabilities from single family neighborhoods.

JOYCE MARTIN, assistant director of the Professional Development Center, presented the keynote address, "The Next Century: Where are Children's Books Going," at the 107th annual meeting of the Portland Public Library in October, celebrating their hundredth year of children's services.

DANIEL A. PANICI, assistant professor of communication, was informed that his manuscript, "Integrating New Media into the Mass Communication Course: A Descriptive Study," will be published in a forthcoming edition of *Journalism and Mass Communication Educator*. Panici was recently appointed to serve as chair of the research committee of the Mass Communication and Society Division for the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. He also co-authored a paper with KATHRYN LASKY, associate professor of communication, that received first place from the Courses, Curriculum and Administration Division of Broadcast Education Association at their annual meeting this past spring.

ANDREW J. POTTS, professor of accounting, completed a monthlong assignment as a volunteer executive consultant to MLK, LTD, a Ukrainian accounting and auditing firm located in Kharkov, Ukraine.

EVE RAIMON, assistant professor of arts and humanities, Lewiston-Auburn College, had her chapter, "Miscegenation, Melaleukation, and Public Reception," accepted for publication in "Fear Itself: Enemies Real & Imagined in American Culture," Purdue University Press, forthcoming. She was elected in August to serve on the executive council of the New England American Studies Association. Raimon and co-teacher DAVID HARRIS, assistant professor of natural and applied sciences, have been invited to discuss the course, "What is Race?" which they teach together, and the interdisciplinary approach as part of a colloquium series on Science, Technology and Society at Colby College next spring. They also gave a presentation on the course at the Inclusive and Interdisciplinary Conference hosted by USM in September.

NANCY RICHESON, clinical instructor, recreation and leisure studies, recently spoke on "Career Development and the MBTI," at the American Therapeutic Recreation Association's annual conference in Nashville.

ALISON RIESER, director, Marine Law Institute, and professor of law, spent part of her spring 1997 sabbatical at the University of Hawaii School of Law where she gave two lectures on ocean policy. She also addressed the Hawaii State Bar Association's Section on Natural Resources Law. Rieser's article, "International Fisheries Law, Overfishing, and Marine Biodiversity," was published by the *Georgetown International Environmental Law Review* (Vol. IX, Issue 2). At the

University of California at Berkeley's Boalt Hall School of Law, Rieser presented a paper titled "Property Rights and Ecosystem Management in U.S. Fisheries: Contracting for the Commons?" She also presented a lecture on "Application of the Precautionary Approach to Habitat Impacts of Trawl Fisheries" at the University of Victoria, B.C. and was guest lecturer at the University of Maine's Darling Marine Center. She was appointed to the National Academy of Sciences Committee to Review Individual Fishing Quotas and has submitted a report to the State of Maine on options for extended state fisheries jurisdiction. Her article "The Federal Role in Offshore Aquaculture: Should It Feature Delegation to the States?" was published in the *Ocean and Coastal Law Journal* (Vol. 2, Issue 2).

BETTY ROBINSON, dean, Lewiston-Auburn College, has been nominated and selected for the Northern New England Academic Affairs Think Tank of the New England Resource Center for Higher Education. At the Bates Presidential Breakfast on October 24, Robinson co-presented the paper, "Economic Development and Higher Education."

STEPHEN J. ROMANOFF, associate professor of interdisciplinary studies and director of the Russell Scholars Program, presented a paper on "Variables that Facilitate Retention and Student Success in an Interdisciplinary, Residential Learning Community;" conducted a workshop on "Designing and Implementing a Learning Community;" and chaired a panel on "Administering a Four-year Learning Community" at the third annual conference on Learning Communities at Delta College in Michigan in September. Also in September he conducted a panel discussion on "Learning Communities at a Four-year Comprehensive University," with ROBERT ATKINSON, associate professor of education/human resource development, and JUDY TIZON, associate professor of anthropology, at the Inclusive and Interdisciplinary Conference in Portland. Romanoff presented two original songs, "Just Ask the Children" and "Portland Town" at the request of Governor Angus King and the Congress of Northeast Governors in Rockland in October. He was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the Portland Stage Company.

JUDITH S. RYAN, vice president for student development, has been elected to the board of trustees at Hebron Academy.

ROBERT SCHAIBLE, associate professor of arts and humanities, Lewiston-Auburn College, attended a Templeton Foundation Workshop in Tallahassee in January on methods of developing interdisciplinary courses on science and religion. At the annual mid-winter meeting in Boston of the Council of the Institute on Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS), his proposal for focusing IRAS's 1998 national conference, "Interweaving Art, Science and Spirituality," was accepted and he will be co-chair. He attended the July IRAS Council meeting in Portsmouth and the 44th annual IRAS conference on Star Island, titled "The Evolution of Morality." He was selected as one of 17 national associates for 1997-98 to the Insti-

tute for Educational Inquiry in Seattle and attended a five-day conference there in August. An article he co-authored with DAVID HARRIS, assistant professor of natural and applied science, Lewiston-Auburn College, titled "Writing Across the Curriculum Can Work," was published in *Thought and Action: The NEA Higher Education Journal* (spring, 1997); *Zygon: A Journal of Religion and Science* published his article, "Literature, Religion, and Science: A Personal and Professional Trajectory," in its June 1997 issue.

ZARK VanZANDT, professor of education, was a co-trainer for the Career Development Teacher-Training Project through the Soros Foundation Open Society Institute in Budapest, Hungary.

WILLIAM W. WELLS, associate provost for technology, information systems, and libraries, director of the law library, and professor of law, participated in the American Association of Law Libraries panel discussion on "A Role for American Law Librarians in Developing Library Services in Africa." He serves on the Information and Technology Task Force and has agreed to chair the subcommittee on inventorying resources.

OLIVER WOSHINSKY, professor of political science, has been invited to give a series of lectures in French at the University of Strasbourg where he will be serving as scholar in residence for the month of January, 1998.

JENNIFER WRIGGINS, associate professor of law, had her article, "Genetics, I.Q., Determinism and Torts: The Example of Discovery in Lead Exposure Litigation," accepted by the *Boston University Law Review* for publication in December 1997. She continues her work on the planning committee for a conference on "Feminism, Law & the 21st Century" which will take place in April 1998.

DONALD N. ZILLMAN, dean and professor of law, is chair of the Association of American Law Schools Section on Environmental Law. He completed the revision of *Michie Press' Maine Tort Law* with DAVID D. GREGORY, professor of law. His article on the Role of State Government in Nuclear Power Regulation will be published in the fall issue of the *Journal of Energy and Natural Resources Law*. The following law review articles authored by Zillman have been published: "Environmental Protection and the Mission of the Armed Forces," *George Washington Law Review* (Vol. 65, No. 2, 1997) and "Where Have all the Soldiers Gone?" *Maine Law Review* (Vol. 49, No. 1, 1997).

A "Magical Place"

Remarks from the dedication of the Albert Brenner Glickman Family Library, held Sunday, October 19

Harold Osher, who with his wife, Peggy L. Osher, donated their collection of rare maps and led the drive for the establishment of the Osher Map Library: "A university cannot achieve excellence without a strong library. Furthermore, a strong public university is essential to the economic and cultural well being of the community. Public universities, of necessity, depend on scarce, public funds and for that reason they really depend on private support to rise from mediocrity to excellence, as this university is doing.

U.S. Senator Olympia Snowe: "We celebrate libraries as one would celebrate the greatest of human achievements because within its walls are the chronicle of the greatest human pursuits, the most noble of aspirations, the most profound of human emotions and the highest level of human thought and reason. Their [the Glickman's] gift is filling this unfilled space with the tools of knowledge so that the old and young alike can fill their minds with the wisdom of the ages."

U.S. Senator Susan Collins: This donation reflects the commitment of this community to providing opportunity to Maine citizens. It's an affirmation of the increasing importance of higher education. It will assist them [Me. citizens] in their quest for knowledge, for opportunity, for wisdom and for a better life."

Governor Angus King: "Libraries are magical places. It's all here. Somewhere in this building, Lee is planning whether or not to send Pickett across the line at Gettysburg. Jefferson is writing the Declaration of Independence. The quiet wisdom of Confucius and Lao-tse is just downstairs. The madness and destructiveness of Hitler is in this building. The wisdom of Aristotle and Plato is here, in this building. Everything we've known or dreamed is here. Through the wonders of technology, the libraries of the world are in this building. A gift to a library is a profound gift of civilization itself.

Albert Glickman: It's very exciting to do something in Portland, the city where I was born....This is a small way that Judy and I can express our gratitude."



USM students rehearse for the annual Music Department benefit. This year, "Merry Christmas Bells! A Victorian Holiday Gala," Friday, December 5 at the Pavilion in Portland. L to R, Brian McAloon, Janice Sullivan, Jennifer DeDominici, John Hildreth and Jason Brook. *Snell photo*

"Merry Christmas Bells!"

USM's Victorian Holiday Gala moves to the Pavilion

The music, clothes, food, and romance of other times and places has become a holiday tradition for southern Maine through the annual holiday benefit gala hosted by the Department of Music for seven years. This year the department will present "Merry Christmas Bells! A Victorian Holiday Gala" from 6 to 11 p.m. Friday, December 5, at a new location, the Pavilion on Middle Street in Portland.

The event is made possible by the sponsorship of Forest City Saab.

President Richard Pattenaude and his wife Michele will host the evening. Students and faculty will perform music of the era, led by faculty member Rhee Michelle. The USM Chamber Singers will also perform a medley of holiday music. Black Tie Catering will serve a Victorian feast.

Proceeds will benefit the department's music scholarship fund. Tickets are \$60 per person; \$85 for those wishing to be special supporters in the Carillon Club.

The evening will also include the drawing of the "Merry Christmas Bells Scholarship Raffle." Only 100 raffle tickets are being printed and there are 10 prizes, all worth more than \$300. The grand prize is two round-trip tickets to Europe from Hewins Carlson Wagonlit Travel Services and Delta Airlines; round-trip limousine service

to Logan airport from Landmark Limousine; and leather travel pieces from Coach.

For information, reservations, and raffle tickets call 780-5003. Reservation deadline is December 1.

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organizations throughout the country," Heath said. E-mail, listservs, Internet access, on-line documents and chat rooms also are available to facilitate online meetings and the timely sharing of information. The grant included funds for training.

"Feedback suggests that the centers' staff throughout the state are regularly using the network," said Clarey. "The network is already demonstrating its effectiveness in delivering and coordinating the state's economic development services. We hope to expand this network to include government agencies, local governments and more organizations responsible for economic development," Clarey continued. "This network has the potential to deliver improved coordination of economic development activities."

The network recently won an Innovation Award from the National Association of Development Organizations. The address of the Maine Economic Development Network web page is www.eddmaine.org

What We're Doing

KATHLEEN ASHLEY, professor of English, presented the keynote address at the 13th annual conference of the Medieval Association of the Midwest. She discussed a medieval French conduct book for women.

GREGORY P. BAZINET, director, Educational Staff Development and Services, School of Applied Science, delivered a presentation titled, "Learning, Integrating, Practice and Performance," for the Capitol Area Education Alliance conference: "Maine Learning Results: Making Them Fit for the 21st Century." Bazinet also presented a program, "Evaluation and Reality: Are We Meeting Our Objectives?" at the 1997 annual conference of the Maine Adult Education Association held in Portland last month.

FREDA BERNOTAVICZ, director, Institute of Public Sector Innovation, Muskie School, and adjunct associate professor of public policy and management, had her article, "A Diversity Curriculum: Integrating Attitudes, Issues, and Applications," published in the *Journal of Public Administration Education* (Vol.3, No.3, September 1997).

SUMNER BERNSTEIN, lecturer III, School of Law, was recently elected second vice president of the World Affairs Council.

SCOTT W. BROWN, associate professor of psychology, co-authored a paper titled, "Internal and External Distraction in the Control of Cold-Pressor Pain as a Function of Hypnotizability," published in the *International Journal of Clinical and Experimental Hypnosis* (Vol. 45, pp. 433-446, October 1997).

VERONICA CARPENTER, administrative assistant II, Casco Bay Partnership for Workplace Education, presented a paper at the 16th International Native Languages Conference held in Bismarck, N.D., and was elected to the Board of Directors of the International Native Languages Institute.

DONNA M. CASSIDY, associate professor, American and New England studies and art, had her book, "Painting the Musical City: Jazz and Cultural Identity in American Art, 1910-1940," published by Smithsonian Institution Press.

ROBERT CASWELL, director of media and community relations, SUSAN SWAIN, associate director, and JUDIE O'MALLEY, administrative associate, won first prize in the state-wide competition of the Maine Public Relations Council's Golden Arrow Awards, early in November. The office's entry was for an effort over the past year to increase place-

ment of stories about USM in out-of-state media. The award recognizes design, method and results of a communication campaign.

DOMENICA T. CIPOLLONE, director of International Programs, received a grant to participate in a Country/Culture Workshop titled "What is Japanese About the Japanese Students in the USA?" sponsored by NAFSA: Association of International Educators. Cipollone has served as a member of the board of directors of the Japan American Society of Maine since 1994, and is past New England Regional Chair of NAFSA: Association of International Educators.

DAVID P. CLUCHEY, professor of law, and president-elect of the Maine Bar Foundation, participated in the American Bar Association's Bar Leadership Institute on March 7-8 in Chicago. This summer, Cluchey co-taught a course in comparative Russian/U.S. business law in St. Petersburg and traveled to Archangel to help organize the September visit of JUDY POTTER, professor of law, Hon. Caroline D. Glassman and George F. Burns, Esq. He met with U.S. AID officials to discuss Main's Rule of Law Exchange Program with Archangel Oblast in Moscow.

LINDA J. EVANS, assistant project coordinator, Workplace Literacy Project, presented a paper she co-authored titled "Portfolio: A Tool for Self-Directed Learning at Work," at the First World Conference on Self-Directed Learning in Montreal.

VINCENT FAHERTY, professor and chairperson of Social Work, published an article, "Using Forecasting Models to Plan for Social Work Education in the Next Century" as part of the Millennium Project series in the *Journal of Social Work Education* (Vol. 33, No. 2, spring/summer 1997).

ROY A. GALLANT, director, Southworth Planetarium, read his paper, "Saga of Siberia's Pallas Meteorite," before the Great Lakes Planetarium Association in Cleveland, Ohio on October 24 during the association's annual meeting.

SAT GUPTA, director, Graduate Program in Statistics and professor of statistics, gave a paper on "Estimating Dose Response Curves" at an international conference on quality control that will appear in the conference proceedings published by Birkhauser, Inc., Boston under the title "Quality Improvement Through Statistical Methods."

JUDITH L. JOHNSON, director of Testing and Assessment Center, had her manuscript,

"Commuter College Students: What Factors Determine Who Will Persist and Who Will Drop Out?" published in the *College Student Journal* (Vol.31, No.3, September, 1997).

MICHAEL B. LANG, professor of law, presented a recommendation for amendment of the advertising and solicitation rules of Circular 230 (the regulation governing those who practice before the Internal Revenue Service) to the Standards of Tax Practice Committee of the American Bar Association Section of Taxation Meeting in Washington, D.C. Lang has been appointed by the Tax Section to a special task force to review all of Circular 230 and make recommendations for its revision. Lang has also assumed supervisory editorial responsibility on behalf of the Teaching Taxation Committee of the Tax Section for the Annual Report on Important Developments portion of the Tax Lawyer. At the August American Bar Association annual meeting in San Francisco, he spoke on "Standards of Truth and Honesty for Attorneys: Insights for the Tax Practice."

MARJORIE THOMAS LAWSON, assistant professor of nursing, presented a workshop, "Head, Eyes, Ears, Nose, and Throat Assessment - HEENT," for the third annual School Nurse Institute held in Portland last August. Lawson serves on the advisory board of a proposed project through the Foundation for Blood Research that is addressing a need to include the study of genetics principles in nursing curricula. Lawson has agreed to serve as the nursing curriculum consultant on the three-year grant project "A practice-based genetics curriculum for nurse educators" which was submitted by the Foundation for Blood Research and funded in October 1997 by the National Institutes of Health's National Human Genome Research Institute.

AL LEIGHTON, research assistant II, Muskie School, was recently elected as secretary of the New England Chapter of the American Association for Public Opinion Research and is organizing the chapter's annual conference, to be held in March.

LOIS R. LUPICA, associate professor of law, is a member of the Board of Directors of Community Housing of Maine, a non-profit housing development organization for low-income citizens, that was instrumental in passage of L.D. 943, a bill which removed the discriminatory laws which excluded

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