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Locke to Address Commencement

Patricia Locke, a distinguished educator and advocate for rights for American Indians, will deliver USM's commencement address at the 113th Commencement ceremony, Saturday, May 15.

As Libra Distinguished Visiting Professor in our College of Education this semester, Locke has worked with USM faculty in exploring the role of education in changing society.

Criminology major Gayle Petty, the 1993 Student Commencement Speaker, will urge her fellow graduates to take the first steps in fighting intolerance around them. Petty, who is graduating summa cum laude, has studied hate crimes and alternative ways to police urban neighborhoods. She hopes to enter the field of private investigation and pursue graduate studies.

Close to 950 of the more than 1400 students graduating this year will participate in Commencement exercises, which will begin at 9 a.m. at

the Cumberland County Civic Center on Spring Street. Faculty and staff wishing to participate should be in the Civic Center's Gold Circle Room for robing no later than 8:15 a.m.; the processional will begin at 8:45 a.m. In a change in procedure, degrees will be conferred at the end of the ceremony after all students have been individually recognized.

Parking is available free for faculty and staff at the BAMICO lot on Spring Street, and additional parking is available in the Civic Center parking garage for a fee. More free parking is available on campus, and bus service between the Portland Campus Center and the Civic Center, donated by V.I.P., will begin at 7 a.m.

There are no emeriti awards this year, but a member of the Professional Staff and of the Classified Staff will receive distinguished service awards.

Comencement Speaker Patricia Locke has combined her identity as a Lakota Sioux with her lifework of urging American society to respect the variety of ethnic traditions within the nation. Her overriding concern has been that American Indian values and traditions be transferred to a new generation. She will speak to the Class of 1993 about her vision of our different pasts and our shared future.

As an advocate for the rights of indigenous people, Locke has promoted the rights and education of American Indians, assisting 17 Indian nations in establishing colleges under tribal control on their reservations and in developing education codes. She has worked as a scholar with the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, as executor of the International Native American Language Issues Institute, and as commissioner of the National Commission on Testing and Public Policy. She now devotes her time to heading a coalition of civil rights, religious, and native groups working towards passage of an act of Congress which will extend religious freedom to Native American religions.

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Hodgdon Retires

Bean to be acting AD

Longtime athletic staff member Al Bean has been named USM's director of intercollegiate athletics for a two-year appointment, beginning this August 1. Bean replaces Paula Hodgdon, who is retiring after 26 years of service.

Bean, a 1977 USM graduate, returned to USM in 1983 with responsibility for publicizing USM's athletic program. Shortly after that appointment, athletic fund raising and marketing were added to his duties. In 1990, Bean was appointed assistant athletic director and sports information director. He received an M.S. in education in 1992.

A member of the Husky Hall of Fame, Bean was a starting pitcher for the USM baseball team and still is listed in several categories of pitching records. In addition to his duties as assistant AD, he is a pitching coach for the Huskies.

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Al Bean, recently named Athletic Director.

Action Plan

Status Report by President Richard L. Pattenaude

I am pleased to report that the vast majority of comments have been supportive and have provided useful, constructive criticism.

The Faculty Senate has asked for an extra two weeks to provide additional comment. I've agreed to wait, given the importance of this input.

I fully expect to mail a final copy of the action plan to each of you by May 28. Your help and assistance have been invaluable.

Thank you.

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Hodgdon, a professor of physical education in addition to her administrative duties, came to USM in 1967 as the university's first field hockey coach. Her teams have captured numerous regional titles before qualifying for the 1987 NCAA National Championship Tournament, where USM placed fourth in the nation.

Hodgdon, a strong advocate for intercollegiate athletics for women, served as coordinator of women's athletics for many years. In 1990, she succeeded former athletic director Dick Costello. Though she is retiring as a member of the faculty and as an administrator, Hodgdon, long considered the dean of field hockey coaches, will return in the fall to coach the Huskies.

"USM has been fortunate to have an administrator as experienced and respected as Paula," said Judith Ryan, vice president for student affairs. "We're also fortunate that someone with the experience and dedication of Al Bean can take over the program and help us continue to build upon its strengths."

Retiring Faculty

Five members of the faculty, who together have contributed 108 years of service to the University community, are retiring at the end of this year.

On behalf of the institution, our thanks for sharing their expertise with us, and best wishes in the years ahead.

The retiring faculty are:

Conrad L. Boyle, associate professor of marketing, joined USM in the fall of 1982. Boyle, a former marketing consultant and professor at Seattle University, specializes in international marketing, business and economic geography. Among other activities, he led efforts to provide marketing training to Irish business people.

Edith Lepelley, associate professor of French, began teaching at USM in the fall of 1965. Born and educated in France, she attended the University of Rennes and came to Bucknell University on a Fulbright to teach French. She also taught at Middlebury College.

Alan G. Smith, professor of chemistry, joined the faculty in the fall of 1967. Smith, who previously taught at the University of Arkansas and Madison (Va.) College, has been long active in efforts to promote science

education among youth and to promote the use of computers in science education.

Anthony G. Soychak, assistant professor of mathematics, has been at USM since the fall of 1965. A native of Lisbon, Me., he has specialized in algebra and number systems.

Soychak, a graduate of the University of Maine and Bowdoin, has chaired his department's Committee for Supervision of Teaching Assistants.

William Sturner, professor of management, joined the faculty in 1978. Sturner, who has specialized in organizational psychology and management, has led organizational development workshops in Moscow, Finland and at the University of Estonia in Tallinn. He also has consulted in the area of change and innovation.

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Locke also holds one of the highest honors in intellectual life in America, a prestigious MacArthur Fellowship.

While visiting campus this spring as a Libra Professor, Locke gave two public lectures, met with USM students and faculty, spoke with members of the newly formed American Indian Student Association at USM and visited tribal elders in northern Maine.

Among students receiving diplomas this year, Barbara Knowles, who is receiving a master's degree from USM in New England Studies, deserves special congratulations for proving that it is never too late to go back to school for another degree. Knowles may have set a record for the longest gap between undergraduate and graduate studies. This 81-year-old student received her bachelor's degree from Wheaton College in 1934. Her graduate degree this year is the latest chapter in a life of exploring the world. From 1981 to 1983, Knowles served in the Peace Corps in Botswana, Africa.

Two members of the Heels family of Cape Elizabeth are graduating from the School of Nursing Saturday. Helena Heels will receive a graduate degree in nursing and her daughter-in-law Pirjo Heels also will receive a degree in nursing. They are carrying on a family tradition at USM: Helena's husband Thomas graduated from the School of Business in 1975; their other daughter-in-law Laurie Heels graduated from the School of Nursing in

1986; on the same day in 1988 Helena graduated from USM's School of Nursing division at Fort Kent while her son Mark graduated from the College of Education; and Helena's and Thomas' son Erik is now a student at the University of Maine School of Law at USM.

As in the past, the School of Law and School of Nursing will hold additional ceremonies for their graduates. The SON convocation will be at 7 p.m., Friday, May 14 at Woodfords Congregational Church for the 59 graduating seniors and their families. For more information, call 780-4133. The Law School convocation will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, May 15 at City Hall, when Justice Caroline Glassman will address the 80 students receiving law degrees. For more information, call 780-4345.

REMINDER

The annual Professional Staff Luncheon will be held at 12 noon, Wednesday, May 19 in the Brooks Dining Center, Gorham. For more information, call Anita Higgins at 780-4161.

What We're Doing

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JOSEPH GRANGE, professor of philosophy, has been named program chairperson of the Metaphysical Society of America. His responsibilities include the creation and organization of a three-day international conference at Loyola University, Baltimore on the theme "Being and Dialectics: Metaphysics, Power and the Philosophy of Culture."

MICHAEL S. HAMILTON, associate professor of political science, has been appointed to a U.S. Department of the Interior working group on Global Environmental Affairs, asked to examine U.S. policies toward multilateral development banks and the Global Environmental Facility. Hamilton is on temporary assignment at the U.S. Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement in Washington D.C.

LOIS HINCKLEY, associate professor of classics, was invited by the Portland Teachers Academy to give a lecture on "Pebbles on the Beach: The Ordinary and the Special in Homer," in March. She also gave a workshop to Latin teachers at the FLAME Conference in March, and presented a refereed paper at the annual meeting of the Classical

Association of New England in April.

HELAINE HORNBY, director, Center for Child and Family Policy, and research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, received a grant from the State of Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services in support of her project titled "Kansas Assessment Model for Families Who Adopt Sexually Abused Children."

DAVID KARRAKER, research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, received a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation in support of his project titled "Cumberland County Child Health Initiative."

MARY KAY KASPER, area director, Portland Hall, Student Life, coauthored a paper on "Developing and Enhancing Student Communities," published in *Student Housing and Residential Life*.

JOHN M. KINSELLA, associate professor of Spanish and Portuguese, published an article on Brazilian poetry in the latest volume of "Brasil/Brazil" (Brown University). Last February in Puebla, Mexico, he gave a recital of his recently published collection of poetry, "El Vendedor de Helados," written under the pen name of Juan Pascoli. Another poem appeared in the journal *La Masacre de Cholula*. A presentation of the collection was made by the Mexican novelist, Pedro Angel Palou. Kinsella will be travelling to Brazil this summer as language coordinator and advisor for a UNE Fulbright-Hayes project.

RITA KISSEN, associate professor of professional education, presented a paper titled "Voices from the Glass Closet: Lesbian and Gay Teachers Talk About Their Lives," at the annual conference of the American Educational Research Association in Atlanta this April. She also served as a panelist on issues within families of lesbian and gay men at Deering High School's Diversity Day on April 16.

EDWIN P. KULAWIEC, associate professor of education, had his review, "Motivating Humans," published in the April 1993 issue of *Educational Leadership*.

DAVID LAMBERT, research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, received a grant from the State of Maine Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation in support of his project titled, "Mental Health Consumer Research."

KATHRYN LASKY, associate professor of communication, presented a paper at The National Popular Culture Conference held in New Orleans from April 6-10, titled "Edna Purviance: Chaplin's Female Lead." The paper will be published as part of an anthology of articles concerning women in silent film by the University of Minnesota Press and will be available later this year.

DIANA E. LONG, director of Women's Studies Program and professor of history, was a discussant at the New England Symposia Narrative Studies in the Social Sciences held at Clark University in March.

ROBERT B. LOUDEN, associate professor of philosophy, had his essay "Go-Carts of Judgment: Exemplars in Kantian Moral Education," published in the *Archiv für*

Geschichte der Philosophie (74, 1992: 303-22). In February he presented a colloquium paper on "The Missing Half: Kant's Impure Ethics" at the University of South Carolina, Columbia. In April he presented an invited symposium address titled "On Pincoffs' Conception of Ethics," at the American Philosophical Association meeting in Chicago.

ELAINE MAKAS, adjunct associate professor of psychology, Lewiston-Auburn College, published a review of Kroll and Klein's book, "Enabling Romance: A Guide to Love, Sex, and Relationships for the Disabled (and the People Who Care about Them)," in the *Disability Studies Quarterly*.

CARTER MANNY, associate professor of business law, presented a paper titled "Should Super 301 Be Revived?" at the annual meeting of the North Atlantic Regional Business Law Association at Boston College on April 24.

MICHAEL MAZURKIEWICZ, professor of biological sciences, and REMO RICIPUTI, associate professor of biological sciences, served as judges at a joint session of the annual Eastern New England Biological Conference and the Beta Beta Beta Northeastern District 1 meeting, on April 3 at Framingham State College in Massachusetts. They were accompanied by 10 USM students, members of the Biology Club and USM's chapter of the national undergraduate biology society. Student Mark L. Johnston received an award for excellence in student research in the molecular genetics session. The award will be acknowledged in a national undergraduate biological journal. Johnston presented a paper on "Novel Isoforms of Pea Glutamine Synthetase Expressed in Transgenic Tobacco", coauthored by THOMAS J. KNIGHT, assistant professor of biological sciences.

POLINA C. McDONNELL, research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, received a grant from the Portland West Neighborhood Planning Council in support of her project titled "Building Alternatives Demonstration Project."

SALLIE C. NEALAND, assistant professor and coordinator of RN education, Lewiston-Auburn College, co-authored with MARIANNE W. RODGERS, associate professor of nursing, an article titled "From Oppression to Empowerment" which will appear this spring in the NLN book release "Transforming RN Education: Dialogue and Debate." Nealand completed her doctorate in higher education administration from Vanderbilt University in December. The title of her dissertation is "The Interface of Technology and Andragogy: A Case Study" and it presents a case study of a graduate seminar presented over the Maine ITV network. Nealand is serving as a vice president of the board of directors of Planned Parenthood of Northern New England. She has been asked to serve on the nominating committee of the North Atlantic Regional Conference of Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

GALE RHODES, professor of chemistry, wrote and illustrated a book during his 1992 sabbatical leave titled, "Crystallography Made Crystal Clear: A Guide for Users of Macromolecular Models." The book was released March 29 by Academic Press/

Harcourt Brace and Company.

LEONARD J. SHEDLETSKY, professor of communication, co-led a round table on "Learning How to Learn: The Debriefing Process as Intrapersonal Communication" at the national meeting of the Speech Communication Association in Chicago last November.

FRANCIS SCHWANAUER, professor of philosophy, was included in the 1993-1994 "Who's Who in the East." Schwanauer received a John Kittredge (Anson) Education Fund grant for his second volume of original illustrated fables, titled "Fables from the Fox."

CHARLENE E. SUSCAVAGE, associate professor of Spanish, is the author of the book, "Calderón: The Imagery of Tragedy," published in late 1992. More recently she delivered a paper titled "The Tragic Emplotment of Worlds" at the North East Modern Language Association in Philadelphia where she was also the chairperson of a panel on comparative literature, "Renaissance and Baroque: The Intellectual Enterprise of Discovery—Confrontation and Negotiation."

JANICE L. THOMPSON, associate professor of nursing, co-facilitated the fourth national conference on Critical and Feminist Perspectives in Nursing, Atlanta, March 19-21. She presented an invited paper on April 15 at the University of Washington Department of Psychosocial Nursing titled "Borders, Margins and Wounds: Coming to Consciousness through Research." She will give invited papers at the University of Oslo and the University of Tromsø, Norway on issues in feminist epistemology, May 1-9.

NIZAM UDDIN, assistant professor of mathematics and statistics, presented a research paper "E-Optimal Incomplete Block Designs with Two Distinct Block Sizes" at the joint meetings of The Biometric Society, Institute of Mathematical Statistics and the American Statistical Association in Philadelphia, March 21-23.

BART WEYAND, coordinator of English as a Second Language, presented a workshop titled "Effective Use of Mime in the ESL Classroom" at the International TESOL (Teachers of English as a Second or Other Language) conference in Atlanta on April 17.

KATHLEEN J. WININGER, assistant professor of philosophy, presented the paper "Philosophical Commentary on Rape" on April 20 in a session on Discourses of Rape. The session took place at the University of South Florida meeting of the Society for Women in Philosophy. In August she will present her paper "Learning to Love: Nietzsche, Art and Culture" at the World Congress of Philosophy in Moscow, Russia. On February 19 Wininger attended the conference Evaluating, Judging, Improving Faculty Performance at the University of Ohio, Columbus.

MARGO WOOD, professor of education, presented a paper, "Case Studies of Emergent Writers: Development and Diversity," at the eastern conference of the National Council of Teachers of English in Richmond, Va., March 18. Co-presenter was teacher and former graduate assistant Marsha Winship.

What We're Doing

NANCY AUSTIN, associate professor of education, has recently been awarded funding for the "Southern Maine Science and Mathematics Academy Project" with support from Eisenhower and NSF/State Systemic Initiative funds. The grant will bring together university faculty, community scientists and mathematicians, and K-12 teachers as academy faculty to provide instruction for K-12 teachers in the integration of science and mathematics. Austin gave a presentation on "The Importance of Voice in Mathematics Working Groups" at the National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics annual meeting in Seattle this March. She also is presenting a talk on her research titled "Mathematics Learning for All: Working in Ways to Eliminate Gender Biases and Differences," at a regional National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference in New York City this month.

LEIGH E. BAADE, training manager, New England Disability and Business Technical Assistance Center and research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, recently completed writing and filming a training videotape to help state and local governments comply with Title II of the ADA. The training tape and accompanying workbook will be available for lease or purchase and will be distributed nationally through regional Disability and Business Technical Assistance Centers.

FREDA BERNOTAVICZ, research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, received a grant from the State of Maine Department of Human Services in support of her project titled "Maine Child Welfare Training Institute."

SCOTT W. BROWN, associate professor of psychology, attended the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association in Arlington, Va., in April to present a paper co-authored with USM student Shane G. May titled "Stimulus Speed and the Change/Segmentation Model of Temporal Perception."

INDIA L. BROYLES, associate professor of education, served as panel moderator and participant in a presentation, "Creating Learning Communities in University Curriculum Courses" at the annual meeting of the Curriculum Teachers Network (CTN), a special interest group of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, at the international conference in Washington D.C., March 26-30. She also began her

year's tenure as the new chairperson of CTN. She and several teachers from Wiscasset and Skowhegan conducted a session at the conference titled "Using Hypercard Technologies as a Curriculum Design Tool."

ARDIS CAMERON, associate professor of New England Studies, has been invited to speak on labor organizations in the U.S. and Europe at the fourth annual conference of Trade Union Women Organization by the AFL-CIO. In June, she will chair and comment on a session she organized for the Berkshire Conference of Women's Historians titled, "The Wolf Girls of Vassar: Lesbian Purges in the 1950s." Her review of "Work Engendered" by Ava Baron was recently published in *Technology and Culture*.

RICHARD J. CLAREY, associate professor of management, received a grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration supporting his project titled "EDA/TA."

MONIQUE Y. CROCHET, professor of French, published an article "Le Gardien de l'horizon: A Satirical Parable," an interpretation of a short story by Gabrielle Roy, in the *American Review of Canadian Studies*, (vol. 22, no. 4, Winter, 1992).

DEBORAH A. DEATRICK, research associate, Muskie Institute for Public Affairs, received a grant from the Healthy Community Coalition in support of her project titled "Community Analysis."

LUCIA diBENEDETTO, associate professor of French, published a review, "Zaza, Correspondance et carnets d'Elizabeth Lacoïn" in *The French Review*, May, 1993. She also received a NEH Summer Grant to do research on comic theory at Haverford College. She delivered a paper on "Crime, Punishment and Violence in Diderot's 'Jacques le fataliste et son maître'" at the Conference on Romance Languages and Literatures at the University of Missouri, March 25-27.

SANDRA A. DOWLING, cartographic campaign coordinator, had her article "The Golden Age of Cartography" published in the February 17, 1993 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

MARVIN J. DRUKER, assistant professor of public affairs, Lewiston-Auburn College, and **BETTY ROBINSON**, assistant professor of social and behavioral science, Lewiston-Auburn College, attended the 16th National Conference on Teaching Public Administration in St. Louis on March 24-27

and presented a paper, "Active and Applied Learning in a Public Policy Classroom: Explorations in a Policy Environment."

MUHAMMAD EL-TAHA, assistant professor of mathematics/operations research, had a paper he coauthored, "A Note on Sample-Path Stability Conditions for Input-Output Processes," accepted for publication by "Operations Research Letters."

MAHMUD A. FAKSH, associate professor of political science, gave a lecture, "The U.S. and the Middle East: Challenges in the 1990s," to the World Affairs Council of Maine in February. He also spoke to a senior high class on "Islamic Doctrine and Theology" at the First Congregation Church in South Portland. He gave another presentation, "Introduction to the Islamic Faith," to a sixth-grade class at the Holy Cross School. Faksh submitted a paper, "Syrian Foreign Policy Under Hafiz al-Asad: Asad's Westward Turn and its Implications for Syria," for publication.

MARGARET A. FOURNIER, associate professor of nursing, presented a paper titled "The Feminist Perspective Aging" on invitation by the National League for Nursing in San Diego on January 22. On March 15, she was an invited panelist speaking on the topic of "Domestic Partnership Benefits" at The American Association of Higher Education annual meeting in Washington D. C. In June, she will present a workshop, "Lesbian Experiences with Fertility and Conception," at the tenth conference of the Society for Menstrual Cycle Research in Boston.

ROY A. GALLANT, director of the Southworth Planetarium, presented a paper titled "The Sky Has Split Apart," highlighting his participation in the 1992 Siberian Tunguska expedition, at the Middle Atlantic Planetarium Association annual meeting in Baltimore on April 24. The July issue of *Sky & Telescope* will publish an article by Gallant on the Tunguska event. He has been invited to take part in a late summer 1993 expedition to the Sikhotealin meteorite site in Russia.

LARRY L. GLANTZ, research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, received a grant from the State of Maine Bureau of Rehabilitation in support of his project titled "Supported Employment Systems Change Project Evaluation and MIS System Development."

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