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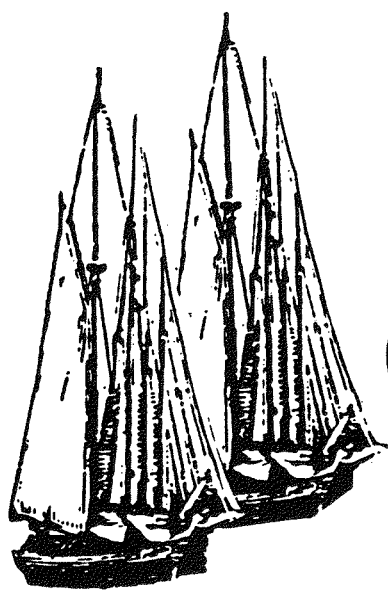
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Celebrating Women's History



Mary Frances Berry, US Commissioner of Civil Rights and noted constitutional historian, will be the featured speaker during a series of lectures and events celebrating women's history from March 7 to 16. Berry will speak on "Women, Minorities and the Constitution" on Friday, March 11 at 4:30 p.m. in the Portland Gym.

- March 7** Ynestra King — *Ecofeminism: Healing the Wounds*
Campus Center, Rooms B & C, Portland, 4 p.m.
- March 8** Eileen Eagan — *Women and Foreign Policy*
322 Bailey Hall, Gorham, 2 p.m.
Lisa Boisvert — *Faces of Turkey: Glimpses of Turkish Women's Lives*
(Slide show and talk)
Campus Center, Rooms B & C, Portland, 3:30 p.m.
- March 9** Patt Franklin — *Nevelson in Process* (Film and talk on Louise Nevelson)
322 Bailey Hall, Gorham 5 p.m.
- March 10** Lorraine Carroll — *Taken from Her Own Mouth: Recapturing Female Captivity Narratives*
Campus Center, Rooms B & C, Portland, 4 p.m.
- March 11** Lorraine Carroll — *Taken from Her Own Mouth: Recapturing Female Captivity Narratives*
204 Bailey Hall, Gorham, 10 a.m.
Mary Berry — *Women, Minorities and the Constitution*
Portland Gym, Portland, 4:30 p.m.
International Women's Day Dinner
Campus Center, Portland, 7 p.m.
- March 12** Incest Survivor's Conference
Woodford's Congregational Church, Portland, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Women's Coffee House
Woodford's Congregational Church, Portland 7 to 10 p.m.
- March 14** Panel Discussion on: *Non-Sexist Language and the Maine Constitution*.
Panel members: Mykol Hamilton, John Diamond, and Nancy Gish
Campus Center, Rooms A & B, Portland, 4 p.m.
- March 16** Miriam Schapiro — *Autobiographical Remarks* (Slide show and talk)
10 Bailey Hall, Gorham, 4 p.m.

Fighting to Save a Fragile Planet: The Challenge of Ecofeminism

Saving the world is a responsibility Ynestra King believes can't be left to a handful of politicians.

King, visiting assistant professor of women's studies, is one of a number of feminists urging the women's movement to adopt a twin agenda, to link the fight for social justice, which has traditionally propelled the women's movement, with the fate of the planet. King will speak on this subject, Ecofeminism, at the opening event of the Women's History Celebration at USM. Ecofeminism, she says, emphasizes women's historical role as nurturers and caretakers to encourage women to work for the preservation of the earth for future generations of children.

Some feminists fear the ecofeminist approach will revive the concept of biological determinism or the limiting symbolism of the earth-mother. But King feels the battle to safeguard our environment is appropriate to women. She and others like her refuse to adopt what they consider to be a masculinized, westernized concept in which nature must be conquered and subdued by mankind and technology. "We want instead to emphasize the continuum of human and non-human nature," King says. "Women can play an important role in restoring a sense of the value of nature."

In addition to political questions, such as the size and scale of society and the variety of economic structures, ecofeminism includes an ethical/theological point of view. The discipline has revived discussion on humanity's place in the universe and our responsibility as humans if we are indeed "nature rendered self-conscious."

"Feminist scholarship did not seem to be adequately addressing these issues," King says. "We needed to devise an ethics grounded in women's life experience. Aside from the strong possibility of an ecological disaster ahead, there is the further question: is this really a satisfactory lifestyle we've created in our society? Our economy runs on a disparity of distribution of goods, on greed and dissatisfaction. Our lives are built around competition and stress, compared to the greater leisure time

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Slipkowsky photo

Technology Center Gets Most New director named

A former engineer for General Electric Company has been selected as the first director of a University of Southern Maine program to help industry adapt to new technologies.

Ivan G. Most of Cape Elizabeth started as director of USM's Production Technology Center on Tuesday, March 1. "The Production Technology Center provides a means to effectively interact with the industrial community," said Brian C. Hodgkin, dean of the USM School of Applied Science. "Ivan brings the exact combination of technical knowledge and management skills that we needed in a director."

The center, an arm of the School of Applied Science, will use faculty and consultants who can recommend how businesses can best use new technologies to increase productivity. Special workshops and short courses also can be designed to meet the specific needs of a company. University facilities are available so that companies can test equipment and make a decision on what equipment or system best meets their needs. The Maine Science and Technology Board of the Maine Development Foundation partially funds the center. Businesses that request help in deter-

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MEDIA LOG

EDITOR'S NOTE: One indication of the respect and credibility that faculty and staff command is the degree to which their expertise is called upon by the news media. With that in mind, the Office of Media Relations wants to recognize faculty and staff who have taken the time to share their expertise with the public. If you have ideas on how you or other members of your department might comment on current news events, please call Media Relations at 780-4200.

Orlando E. Delogu, professor of law, was one of three legal scholars in the country interviewed by the Associated Press on a ruling that Occidental Chemical Company is liable for the cost of cleaning up the Love Canal landfill in New York.

Marvin Druker, assistant professor of political science, **Michael Hillard**, assistant professor of economics, and **Richard J. Maiman**, professor of political science, were interviewed by the Bangor Daily News on issues surrounding the 1988 presidential race. Druker also was interviewed by MPBN Radio.

Oliver H. Woshinsky, professor of political science, was interviewed about the results of the New Hampshire primary on WJBQ Radio.

Susan Vess, assistant professor of education, was interviewed by The Lewiston Journal about the new master's program in educational psychology.

Raymond P. Neveu, professor of finance, and **Carl E. Veazie**, senior economist with the Center for Business and Economic Research, were interviewed by the Maine Sunday Telegram on the economic outlooks for the financial and service industries.

Robert H. Hird, director of the Small Business Development Center, was contacted by Maine Enterprise magazine on crucial issues facing the small business community.

Stephen F. Lehane, director of Child Care Services, was interviewed by The Chronicle of Higher Education on the collaborative effort among USM, Mercy Hospital and Portland businesses to offer child care in the downtown area.

Theodore W. Sottery, professor of chemistry, was interviewed by the Portland Press Herald and by WGME-TV, Channel 13 about the properties of chlorine. The interviews were done as part of stories on the chlorine leaks at the International Paper mill in Jay.

Jane O. Sanborn, associate professor of psychology, was interviewed by The Lewiston Journal on the subject of teen behavior.

Philip Jagolinzer, professor of accounting, was interviewed by Self magazine for an article on the additional income taxes people pay as married couples.



Miriam Schapiro, feminist artist, created her unique art form "femmage" using traditional domestic materials such as tea towels, embroidery and bits of fabric. She will present a slide show with autobiographical remarks on Wednesday, March 16 at 4 p.m. in 10 Bailey Hall, Gorham.

Play the World Game

Solve the world's problems—and have fun too. Play the World Game, brought to Maine for the first time in its 20-year history by USM's Department of Community Programs. Originated by Buckminster Fuller, the World Game is a powerful educational tool for facilitating global problem solving. It will be played two days, Friday and Saturday, March 11 and 12 on the Portland campus.

In World Game Session I, on Friday evening from 7:45 to 10:15 p.m. in the Portland Gym, participants will interact with the Big Map, nearly the size of a basketball court.

In World Game Session II, from 9 a.m.

to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 12 in Luther Bonney Auditorium, participants will build on their Session I experience. Through role-playing simulations and problem solving exercises, participants will learn about global issues, geography, political interconnections, history and culture, current events, and alternative futures.

Participants may register for either Session I or II, or both. The fee for Session I is \$5 general admission; \$3 for students. The fee for Saturday is \$15 general admission; \$10 for students. Beverages will be provided for bring-your-own-lunch.

For more information, call 874-6500.

Assessing Twenty Five Years of the Women's Movement

by Nancy Gish, professor of English and director, Women's Studies

It is now 25 years since Betty Friedan wrote "The Feminine Mystique," the catalyst of the current women's movement. And for 25 years, Friedan claims, women have told her, "It changed my life." The changes are all around us: more women enter law and medicine; Olympia Snowe is in Congress and Barbara Mikulski in the Senate; women in college have sports facilities; women have access to credit and to clubs that used to send them through the side door. The statistics are even more striking. A 1986 Newsweek/Gallup Poll found that 71 percent of all women and 88 percent of women ages 18-29 believe the women's movement has improved their lives.

Yet we hear regularly in the news media that the women's movement is over, that we are in a post-feminist period, that we

need to move from "women's issues" to "people's issues," as if women were not people. And despite major shifts in opinion over the past quarter century, women have not achieved equality or justice, nor do they make the most important decisions about their own lives.

Although women are the majority of Americans (53 percent), they make up only 15.6 percent of the state legislatures and less than five percent of the U.S. Congress. Equal pay is still a dream of the future; the lack of good, affordable child care has become a national crisis at a time when families need two paychecks to survive; health care for children and mothers has been slashed by the Reagan administration, and women are still not clearly included in the Constitution. Robert Bork retained doubts about whether they are covered by

the 14th Amendment, and the language of the U.S. and Maine Constitutions is exclusively male. Perhaps most telling is the fact that women have been labeled a "special interest" group.

How is it that a majority of Americans are a "special interest" while people who are white and male—distinctly a minority with their own agenda—are seen as the norm? This seeming paradox illustrates women's current problem: the gap has widened between a general affirmation of women's legitimate aspirations and a misconception of the limits, resistances, and institutionalized barriers to those aspirations.

This is hardly a time for complacent belief that women are now equal. Even less is it a time for women and men who support the women's movement and

whose lives have been improved by it to lessen their efforts or concern.

March is Women's History Month, a time to reexamine the history and current status of women, to rethink our values and goals, and to reaffirm the feminist commitment to fairness, equality, and justice. Does the Constitution protect women and minorities? Does gender-biased language exclude women? How does ecofeminism view the physical world?

Women's Studies at USM and women's studies programs all over the country will highlight such questions during March. Only by sustaining our focus on them throughout the year can we come to understand that women's issues are fundamental human issues.

Husky Hall of Fame Will Induct Seven New Members

Seven former athletes will be inducted into the Husky Hall of Fame on Saturday, March 19, in ceremonies to be held on the Gorham campus.

The 1988 inductees are: Cal Austin '38 of Scarborough; Fern Masse '57 of Auburn; Ray Bishop '63 of Lisbon Falls; Ed Guiski '64 of Dexter; Dave Bolduc '75 of Wolfeboro, N.H.; Brian Cooke '77 of Portland; and Jeanne White '81 of South Portland. The third annual ceremony will bring the total number of USM graduates honored to 22.

Cal Austin, a retired teacher and principal, played both baseball and basketball at Gorham from 1935-38 and was captain of the hoop team.

Fern Masse, head basketball coach at Lewiston High School, was a four-year starter in both basketball and baseball, captained both teams as a senior, and was voted the MVP in basketball at Gorham State.

Ed Guiski, basketball coach at Dexter Regional High School, led the Huskies to a combined entry of 39-6 over the 1962-63 and 1963-64 seasons. He still holds the USM career record for rebounds (670).

Ray Bishop, teacher in the Lewiston area and coach in Lisbon, teamed with Guiski for the 1962-64 seasons and averaged 21.0 points per game.

Dave Bolduc, head basketball and baseball coach at Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro, N.H., still holds the baseball career

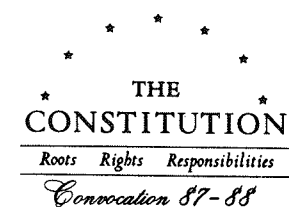
record for most triples, ranks second in stolen bases, and is in the top 10 in several other career statistics.

Brian Cooke, employed at UNUM, helped to put soccer on the map at USM—he was selected as an NAIA All-American in 1976, was a four-time All-Maine pick, an All-New England selection on three occasions, and three times a member of the NAIA District Five All-Star team.

Jeanne White, science teacher and basketball coach at South Portland's Mahoney Middle School, is one of seven USM women's basketball players to surpass the 1000-point plateau. She is listed in nearly every career statistic that is recorded.

Tickets for the Husky Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremony are \$15 per person and can be obtained by sending a check to Al Bean, Hill Gymnasium, Gorham, Maine 04038. Please make checks payable to the USM Athletic Association.

The evening will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:15 and the formal induction ceremony in the USM Gorham Dining Center. For more information please call Al Bean at 780-5434 or 780-4200.



No More Constitutional Amendments?

Convocation lecturer explores radical proposal

Robert J. Streamer, a professor of political science at the University of Massachusetts, Boston, will present a lecture examining and analyzing the relationship between the text of the Constitution and its subsequent amendments.

Professor Streamer is a noted authority on the Supreme Court and the Constitution. He has authored two books on the Supreme Court, a work on the Constitution, and numerous articles. His recent book, "Chief Justice: Leadership and the Supreme Court," has been designated "one of the most distinguished academic books of 1986."

Streamer holds a PH.D. from Cornell University and did post-doctoral study at Oxford University. He has been visiting professor at University of California, Los Angeles and University of Exeter in England and is a member of the Supreme Court Historical Society.

The lecture is to be held Wednesday, March 16, in Campus Center Rooms A,B,C at 3:30 p.m., and is free and open to the public.

Notes from the President's Desk



As you may remember, the University of Maine System some months back retained the firm of Ketchum, Inc. and charged it with assessing each campus' readiness for fund-raising. For your convenience I have placed a copy of Ketchum's report in each of our three libraries.

The Boston-based consulting firm specializing in fund-raising for higher education institutions reached the following principal conclusions:

1. The University of Maine System and its individual campuses have a clear need to improve their capacity to raise funds from the private sector to supplement state support.
2. The private sector is prepared to begin commitments of such support, but the clear focus of the potential corporate and private donors is on improving academic quality rather than on providing funding for physical facilities.
3. Alumni of each campus must show a much higher degree of support before a successful fund-raising campaign can proceed.
4. No campus within the system has reached its fund-raising potential for a number of reasons: lack of adequate professional staff; reluctance to involve business; absence of a tradition of giving to public institutions in Maine.

Ketchum suggested that a realistic goal for a system-wide capital campaign over the next year would be \$10-15 million with perhaps another \$10 million for endowment.

Wellness Weekend

The Lifeline program will present their third annual wellness weekend on Friday through Sunday, March 18, 19 and 20 at Notre Dame, a former Shaker Village, in Alfred, Maine. "The weekend retreat provides information, resource people and inspiration for making lifestyle changes," said Gabriel Williamson, director of the weekend. For more information, call 780-4170.



"IRT 2, South Bronx, New York," a 1979 photograph by Danny Lyon, included in the Bowdoin College Museum of Art Collection now on exhibit at USM's Art Gallery in Gorham, through March 24.

Works from Bowdoin at USM

The Art Gallery, Gorham, in conjunction with the Bowdoin College Museum of Art, will offer an exciting and extensive exhibit of 20th Century photographs beginning February 28 and running through March 24.

This exhibition of 70 photographs by well-known artists, all of which are part of Bowdoin's permanent collection, was designed by John Coffey, curator of collections at Bowdoin; Rose Marasco, USM art faculty member whose specialty is journalistic photography; and Donna Cassidy, USM's new art historian whose field of expertise is modern art.

The collection ranges in variety from portraits by Edward Steichen and Berenice Abbott to compositions by Todd Webb. A 16-page catalog has been produced by USM's Publications Department as a guide to the exhibit. Included in the catalog are essays by Donna Cassidy and Rose Marasco.

Gallery hours are 12 noon to 4 p.m., Sunday through Thursday. The exhibition is free and open to the public.

Faculty Concert: Art of the Trumpet

A concert showcasing the virtuosity of trumpeter John Schnell, lecturer in music and principal trumpet with the Portland Symphony, will be presented as part of the Faculty Concert Series at 8 p.m., Friday, March 18, in Corthell Concert Hall, Gorham.

The concert features Schnell, who also performs with the Boston Symphony and other major orchestras, in solo literature and in pieces for two trumpets and piano. David Maxwell is pianist and performs also on synthesizer, with Betty Barber as second trumpet. The three musicians appear in trio as Musica Tricinia.

Works included in the program are "Sonata for Trumpet" by Kennan, extracts from Claude Bolling's "Toot Suite" and selections from Debussy, Bach, Purcell, Copland and others. Schnell will play trumpets of various sizes and keys.

Admission is \$5 general public; \$3 students and senior citizens. For more information, contact the Concert Manager at 780-5256.



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and social equality seen in pre-developed societies."

King, who did her doctoral dissertation on the relationship of feminism to ecology at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, believes we can look at societies which live in better harmony with nature to draw ideas for reconstructing our

own, but she says, we'll have to move past the western tradition of exploiting, plundering and pillaging. It's up to women, who have always performed many of the conversions from nature to culture—cooking, weaving, horticulture, midwifery, she says, to remind humanity of our basic dependence on nature.

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mining their technology needs pay a fee for use of the center's resources.

"Essentially, the center provides services to keep our industries on the leading edge of new technologies so that they, in turn, can maintain a competitive edge," said Most. "Larger corporations, he said, 'have internal resources that provide such services. But Maine companies, most of which are small, simply don't have access to the kind of expertise and facilities that can help them implement needed changes.'"

With the help of the center, Southworth Systems, a Portland manufacturer of automated handling equipment, now uses a Computer-Aided-Design (CAD) system. The center also held a CAD workshop for Southworth's management staff.

The appointment of a full-time director will allow the center to play more of a role in the business community, said Hodgkin.

During a 12-year tenure with GE, Most was involved in the design of the heat transfer equipment that maintains safe temperatures in nuclear reactors used aboard submarines and aircraft carriers.

The graduate of the University of Massachusetts and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute also founded EnerGroup, Inc., a Portland-based engineering firm. The company consults businesses on obtaining environmental permits and works on energy-from-wastes and energy conservation projects.

What We're Doing

PIERS BEIRNE, professor of sociology and legal studies, has had his work on the intellectual history of criminology published, or accepted for publication, in *Criminology*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *British Journal of Criminology*, and *Law & Society Review*. On the same general topic he has recently delivered lectures at Pennsylvania State University, American Society of Criminology (Montreal), British Criminological Association (Sheffield University), Galway University, Cork University and Trinity College, Dublin. His co-edited book, "Stuchka: Selected Writings on Marxism and Law," will be published in March by Praeger. Beirne and JAMES MESSER-SCHMIDT, associate professor of sociology, are currently writing an introductory criminology textbook to be published in 1990 by Harcourt Brace Jovanovich.

ANDREW F. COBURN, acting director, Human Services Development Institute, recently coauthored a paper with MARC HILLER, visiting research associate, titled "By Design or Default: U.S. Health Policy in the 21st Century" that will be published in the *Journal of Health Administration Education*. Coburn was also coauthor with THOMAS P. McDONALD, research and advanced study associate, HSDI, for a paper, "Predictors of Prenatal Care Utilization" which will be published in *Social Science and Medicine*.

MELISSA H. COSTELLO, director of Clinical Experiences and chair of the Professional Education Department, undergraduate, attended the annual conference of the National Association of Teacher Educators in San Diego last February. She was honored on February 14 for 22 years of continuous service to the National Association. She also attended meetings of the ATE Delegate Assembly as Maine's Higher Education Representative. She is a member of the National Forum of Directors of Student Teaching, president of the Maine Association of Teacher Educators and a member of the New England Association.

PETER N. GABROVSKY, associate professor of computer science, was invited to present a paper at the Eighth International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science which was held in Moscow last August.

ROY A. GALLANT, director, Southworth Planetarium, has been named as a member of the advisory board for the Center for the Study of Early Man, University of Maine, Orono.

JOSEPH GRANGE, professor of philosophy, will have his essay, "Jacques Lacan and Plato" published by the State University of New York Press. It will also be included in a volume in the Press's "Selected Studies in Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy" titled "The Questions of the Other: Essays in Contemporary Continental Philosophy."

MERLE D. GUAY, professor of mathematics, had a research paper, "Sequences of Interates in Locally Convex Spaces," accepted for publication by the Polish Academy of Science.

CHARLES S. KADING, associate professor of theatre, recently did the set designs for the American premiere of Alan Ayckbourn's latest play at the Alley Theatre, Texas.

MARC A. LEVESQUE, program specialist, Department of Community Programs, had his article, "A Humane Vision," published in the February 14 edition of *Adult and Continuing Education Today*. He will have a regular column in ACET with six articles per year.

ROBERT B. LOUDEN, assistant professor of philosophy, had his essay, "Can We Be Too Moral?" published in the January 1988 issue of *Ethics*.

THOMAS P. McDONALD, research and advanced study associate, had his paper, "Absent Fathers' Ability to Pay More Child Support" accepted for publication in the *Journal of Social Service Research*.

RICHARD L. McKEIL, professor of associate business and economics, has been appointed to the Human Development Committee of the National League of Cities in Washington D.C. He will participate in the Congressional City Conference this March.

IVAN MOST, director, Production Technology Center, gave a presentation on "Manufacturing Technology" at the University of Vermont Engineers' Week in February.

HELEN PEAKE-GODIN and MARIANNE W. RODGERS, associate professors of nursing, had their article, "Implementing Faculty Practice in an Atmosphere of Retrenchment" published in the February issue of the *Journal of Nursing Education*.

PATRICIA R. PLANTE, president, has accepted an appointment from the American Council on Education to sit as a member of its national Commission on Leadership Development. She also hosted a breakfast in Augusta on February 11 for the Cumberland, York and Androscoggin members of the Legislature and a dinner for the Legislative Women's Caucus on February 22. On both occasions she spoke of the accomplishments and the needs of USM.

MINOR R. ROOTES, professor of theatre, will be in residence at Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte, Natal, Brazil during the spring semester.



From the "Points North/Belfast" exhibit on view March 14 through April 16 in the Portland Campus Center: "Halloween II" by Denise Remy. An opening reception will be held Friday, March 18 from 5 to 8 p.m., sponsored by Student Activities and Campus Center.



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