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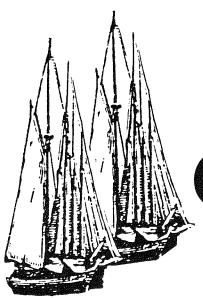


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A Unit of the University of Maine

Trustees Treated to Public Reaction

The University of Maine Board of Trustees was advised last Thursday evening (October 31) to improve the 16-year-old system's relations with the Maine Legislature and to prevent unnecessary duplications of engineering programs.

The advice was offered at a public hearing in Bangor Civic Center — one of several hearings to be held statewide — on a number of policy questions facing the University of Maine in the next decade. The series of meetings will culminate with hearings at UM Augusta and USM on Thursday, November 14. The USM meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in Room 302 of the Center for Research and Advanced Study, Portland.

The University's "image problems" with the Legislature have been "acute at times," charged State Representative Stephen M. Bost (D) Orono, adding that, "I didn't see any tangible solutions to this in the report."

Trustee Harrison L. Richardson Jr. of Falmouth told Bost that a legislative relations subcommittee was formed to open further lines of communication with lawmakers. "We've made significant efforts to make it clear that we are here to give you any information you need. What can we do to dispel or correct what I think is a misconception?"

A suggestion from Bost that University trustees and staff meet more often with legislators prompted Trustee Francis A. Brown of Calais to point out that trustees and other University groups do meet with legislators "individually and as a group."

The majority leader of the Maine House, Representative John N. Diamond (D) of Bangor, concluded the discussion of legislative relations by suggesting it's "important that trustees extend themselves to legislators and not expect legislators to extend themselves to trustees."

Saying he fears an erosion of quality at the UMO College of Engineering, Senator Michael D. Pearson (D) of Old Town questioned planning efforts underway to study the feasibility of an engineering program at USM.

Although there is an "intent to plan" a four-year, undergraduate engineering program at USM, Brown stressed that the planning process "is a long and lengthy one. I can assure you that if and when that program comes

forward for scrutiny [by trustees] that we will give it all the scrutiny it deserves."

USM President Robert L. Woodbury said he has received numerous requests for engineering courses in southern Maine from business, industry and others. Yet his response to those requests has been that Maine cannot afford to duplicate full colleges of engineering when "we're not adequately funding the program [UMO's] we have."

was pleased with the degree of cooperation between the VTI system and University. Responding to a question in a task force report, Campbell said that the VTI's should not be under the administration of the University. The academic missions of each institution, he explained, are completely different.

At the outset of the 85-minute hearing, Bo Yerxa of Cooper, "a strong supporter of the University of Maine," encouraged the University to "extend



Marie Rackley, administrative secretary in the Summer Session Office, gave out treats to some "very small but very scary goblins" from University Child Care Services as they passed through Payson Smith Hall on their Halloween Parade last week.

(Greaves photo)

But it does make sense, added Woodbury, to offer certain engineering courses in the southern part of the state. UMO, for example, offers graduate programs in electrical engineering at USM. EMVTI Director Alan Campbell of Bangor said that he does not see a need to "build another [engineering] college, but people in other parts of the state do need access to engineering courses."

A careful study on the need for other engineering programs in southern Maine is being undertaken, said Woodbury. USM has made no formal request to offer an engineering program and, added Woodbury, "has no desire to" if the demand for such courses is not there.

In other business, Campbell said he

offerings in the less populated areas of the state." He said the system should do even more to tailor programs to the special needs of adult learners.

The questions raised at the Bangor meeting were in response to a compilation of 10 task force reports entitled "The University and Its Future." The task forces, formed at the request of the Trustees, were staffed by University administrators, students, faculty, trustees and other citizens. They examined such areas as teacher education, science and technology, and relations among Maine's institutions of higher learning.

A copy of the report is on file in each of the campus libraries. Additional copies are available from the USM Office of University Relations.

Hockey Season Opens Next Week

Hockey is back at USM and so are members of our 1975-1976 championship team. After a six-year hiatus, intercollegiate varsity ice hockey begins anew with a Monday, November 18, opener against the Penmen of New Hampshire College.

The puck will drop on the USM debut at 6:30 p.m. in the new Portland Ice Arena adjacent to the Expo on Park Avenue. Members of the 1975-1976 USM squad that captured a New England crown and competed in an NAIA national tourney will return to their alma mater on the 18th to receive special honors between periods.

We are now the only public institution in the state of Maine to offer varsity intercollegiate hockey at the NCAA Division III level. USM competed in varsity hockey from 1972 through 1979 but the closing of the old Riverside Ice Arena made scheduling impossible. The reemergence of the sport was fueled by student interest, USM's decision to upgrade its athletic schedules with an exclusive NCAA Division III affiliation, and the availability of the Portland Ice Arena as the Huskies' home ice.

Former Maine Mariner star Gordie Clark has signed on as USM head coach. A graduate of the University of New Hampshire with nine years of pro experience, Clark also serves as manager of the Portland Ice Arena. Jeff Beany and John Giroux will be assistant coaches. Beany played college hockey at New Hampshire College and was Colby's assistant coach last season. Giroux, a USM senior, was responsible for USM's successful club team of the past two years and played a major role in developing student interest in the sport.

A 1985-1986 roster loaded with Maine players should help to showcase the sport in the southern Maine region. With 10 home games, USM faculty, staff and students, their families and friends, will have plenty of opportunities to see an exciting brand of hockey.

Tickets for the November 18 opener may be purchased in advance from Richard A. Costello in the Hill Gym, Gorham, or at the door. For more information, call Costello at 780-5430.

"We [U.S. policies] may be pushing the Sandinista government to restrict economic and political liberties," opined USM faculty member Joseph E. Medley just three weeks before President Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua ordered a suspension of civil liberties in the war-torn Central American nation.

That's one opinion that Medley brought back to USM after a summer tour that took him to El Salvador. Nicaragua, Israel and the droughtstricken African nation of Zambia. Medley, an assistant professor of economics in the School of Business, Economics and Management, specializes in developmental economics and comparative economic systems.

Ortega was recently quoted as saying that the crackdowns on freedoms of speech, travel, assembly, privacy and the right to strike will remain in effect until the United States accepts the legitimacy of the Sandinista revolution. The measures were needed, according to Ortega, to ensure victory over the U.S.-backed Contras.

Medley, who spent two weeks in Nicaragua on an independent study tour, said Nicaraguan society is more pluralistic than Reagan administration charges might lead one to believe. "They [Sandinistas] seem to be going about gaining the support of people in very specific ways," said Medley, "and ways that accommodate a surprising degree of choice."

For example, instead "showpiece" structures such as stadiums or glistening government office buildings, the Sandinistas have built neatly patterned roads, efficient water supplies and other support systems on large tracts of land, leaving people the option of building their own homes or hiring an independent contractor. The economy, though stifled by the war effort, seems to provide basic foodstuffs, medical supplies, etc. for the poor majority in greater quantities than in, say, El Salvador.

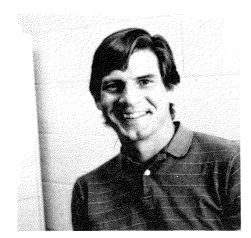
Though not an open society by any means, the government of Nicaragua is not a strict, totalitarian regime, said Medley. But he cautioned that any freedoms the Nicaraguans now enjoy could be buried under restrictive measures fed by a "distrustful and hostile attitude towards the U.S." U.S. policies, he said, have created that attitude.

Yet Medley found it interesting that Nicaraguans he met "made an effort to distinguish between U.S. policies and visiting U.S. citizens." Officials read the American press and realize, said Medley, that not all Americans support U.S. policies in Central America. It is a society, he added, that to a degree has a Western mindset and tolerates U.S. cultural influences. And that can make for some interesting contradictions in a nation controlled by a leftist government hostile to the U.S. How so?

"You walk down the street expecting to see T-shirts emblazoned with 'Nicaragua Libre' but instead you see shirts that read 'Bruce Springsteen: Born in the USA."

Prior to his Nicaraguan expedition, Medley spent nearly a week in El Salvador as an international observer at a national teachers' conference. Right wing death squads had threatened to kill the leaders of the national teachers' union, sponsor of the con-

Much of Medley's time was committed to the conference but he was able to form an opinion of El Salvador's economy. In short, that nation's economy would totally collapse were it



Joe Medley

not for U.S. aid. And if the emphasis on and availability of consumer goods is any indication, then U.S. support is doing little more than subsidizing the middle class, estimated by Medley at only 10 to 15 percent of the popula-

"You could get anything you wanted in El Salvador," explained Medley. "There was a shopping mall in San Salvador that looked like it could have been pulled out of the suburbs of Anytown, USA."

A cruel, sharp contrast to the consumerism of Anytown, USA awaited Medley in Zambia. The dusty, 1000 kilometer drive near the borders of Zimbabwe and Malawi (home this year to USM classics Professor Gloria Duclos) offered a landscape that resembled a cross between a landlocked California and Cape Cod after a rainless summer week. Medley's companion was an official of the Lutheran World Federation who was evaluating that organization's hunger relief programs. Medley was given the chance to see southern Africa while in Israel visiting his father, the chief administrator of a Lutheran World Federation hospital.

The Zambian sun and rain have been a "cruelly ironic" combination in recent years, parching and eventually cracking the earthen dams, and then washing them away in torrential downpours that leave people without vital irrigation systems.

The government's previous support programs coupled with a land redistribution program that gave peasants large tracts of land have softened the ravaging effects of the drought. And these government services have not been hamstrung by the kind of debilitating civil strife that plagues Ethopia. Thankfully, Medley saw "few signs, in the region I was in, of apparent severe malnutrition." But conditions could worsen if Zambia

does not obtain everything from decent roads to truck tires so that foodstuffs' can be efficiently distributed throughout the country.

What are the common threads that tie his summer travels together?

The international debt crisis, said Medley, is one of those threads, and it has left countries like Zambia, Nicaragua and others stranded in a vicious catch-22. International banking institutions have extended loans based on the supposition that Zambia, for example, would be able to repay with export monies generated by Zambian copper. Yet the unexpected drop in copper prices has prevented the country from raising sufficient funds for needed resources through exports since prices are so low. Likewise the country can't import needed goods because high interest rates on the loans are siphoning off funds. Nicaragua, said Medley, finds itself in a similar position with coffee and sugar.

Finally, said Medley, the governments of these nations and foreign governments in a position to ease external pressures ought to make it a priority to provide people with basic needs. 'In Zambia, in El Salvador, in Nicaragua and in other countries, too, I'm sure, there is a need for reforms that will give more people access to land and jobs," said Medley. "The economic suffering that still exists in the world is just incredible, yet potential solutions are there."

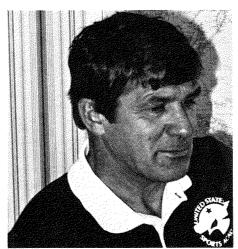
by Robert S. Caswell

Bringing B'ball to Africa

For most of us a trip to Africa would be exciting and perhaps a bit threatening, but for Joey Bouchard African sojourns are beginning to be as familiar as the drive from his Scarborough home to USM's Hill Gym. Last spring, Bouchard was looking forward to a well-deserved rest after the rigors of his twelfth season as head coach of the men's basketball squad. Instead he found himself on a month-long assignment in the country of Djibouti, located on the east coast of Africa. For Bouchard it was his seventh trip to Africa as a basketball consultant for the U.S. State Department.

Bouchard began his excursions to Africa in 1964 when he escorted seven college students to the countries of Mali, Mauritania and Senegal. Bouchard was selected for his abilities to coach, relate to youngsters and his fluency with the French language. In 1965 Bouchard returned to Mali to continue his work with the youth of the country. Four years later he was sent to the countries of Niger, Togo, and Guinea and in 1970 to the Central African Republic. In each case he helped to develop basketball in the country from the ground up, coaching men's and women's national teams and helping to instruct and train both coaches and officials.

Bouchard's passion for basketball and interest in Africa resulted in the challenge of teaching in the country of Djibouti. The trip to Djibouti was cosponsored by the U.S. State Department and the United States Sports Academy, located in Mobile, Alabama. Bouchard also works as a consultant for the academy.



Joev Bouchard

(File photo)

Recreation in Djibouti is controlled by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, who asked the State Department and Sports Academy to send a coach.

Bouchard was charged with training the men's and women's national teams, introducing a mini-basketball program, developing their basketball officiating and creating a course on

coaching philosophies and fundamentals. The USM coach encountered several obstacles. Basketball has been on a downtrend in Diibouti. Marathon running and handball are the two activities promoted by the ministry and there are few people within the country who are capable of effectively teaching basketball.

With little wood in Djibouti, facilities are poor. And the most im-(Cont. on p.4)



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Health professionals are frequently busier and more stressed during the holiday season than at any other time because they see more people who are depressed or who have exacerbations of stress-related illnesses. Yet we all look forward to the holiday season with some anticipation of happiness, family togetherness, good times, good food, a chance to unwind and relax. Many of us are too busy, have too many obligations — to family, friends, children, parents — to find the space to count our blessings, to relax and enjoy. For some of us relaxation, meditation or centering is a way for us to create this space, a quietness and unity of being within ourselves.

Myriads of books and articles have been published about meditation, biofeedback and relaxation. Herbert Bensen in "The Relaxation Response" was one of the first to extol the beneficial effects of meditation as relaxation. I will give a couple of sample exercises here so that if you feel these might be helpful for you, you can try them.

Progressive Relaxation:

One relaxation technique is taken from a program devised by Dr. Edmund Jacobson who calls his technique "Progressive Relaxation." It is recommended that you try this technique one to three times each day for 10 to 15 minutes each time. Most people feel relaxed the first time they use this technique. But since relaxation is something that can be learned and improved upon, you will find that you'll enter into increasingly relaxed states as the process is repeated. Allow plenty of time for completing each step in a comfortable, relaxed manner.

• Go to a quiet room with soft lighting. Shut the door and sit in a comfortable chair, feet flat on the floor, eyes closed.

- Become aware of your breathing.
- Take in a few deep breaths, and as you slowly let out each breath, mentally say the word "relax."
- Concentrate on your face and feel any tension in your face and eyes. Make a mental picture of this tension. It might be a rope tied in a knot or a clenched fist then mentally picture it relaxing and becoming comfortable like a limp rubber band.
- Experience your face and eyes becoming relaxed. As they relax, feel a wave of relaxation spreading through your body.
- Tense your eyes and face, squeezing tightly, then relax them and feel the relaxation spreading throughout your body.
- Apply the previous instructions to other parts of your body. Move slowly down your body, jaw, neck, shoulders, back, upper and lower arms, hands, chest, abdomen, thighs, calves, ankles, feet, toes until every part of your body is relaxed. For each part of the body, mentally picture the tension, then picture the tension melting away; tense the area, then relax it.
- When you have relaxed each part of your body, rest quietly in the comfortable site for about five minutes.
- Let the muscles in your eyelids lighten up, become ready to open your

eyes, and become aware of the room.

• Let your eyes open, and you are ready to go on with your daily activities.

Meditation

The following meditation technique is taken from Bensen's "Relaxation Response." In order to begin this exercise you will need the following: a quiet environment and a mental device such as the repetition of a word, phrase or prayer (e.g.: "one" or "om"); a comfortable position without muscle tension; and a passive attitude. The latter is most important — a "let it happen" attitude, without worry about how well the exercise is being done. To maintain the attitude when distracting thoughts come, just repeat the mental device.

- Sit quietly in a comfortable position.
- Close your eyes.
- Deeply relax all your muscles, beginning at your feet and progressing up to your face. Keep them relaxed.
- Breathe through your nose. Become aware of your breathing. As you breathe out, say the word, "ONE," silently to yourself. For example, breathe IN...OUT, "ONE", IN...OUT, "ONE"; etc. Breathe easily and naturally.

- Continue for 10 to 20 minutes. You may open your eyes to check the time, but do not use an alarm. When you finish, sit quietly for several minutes, at first with your eyes closed and later with your eyes opened. Do not stand up for a few minutes.
- Do not worry about whether you are successful in achieving a deep level of relaxation. Maintain a passive attitude and permit relaxation to occur at its own pace. When distracting thoughts occur, try to ignore them by not dwelling upon them and return to repeating "ONE." With practice, the response should come with little effort. Practice the technique once or twice daily, but not within two hours after any meal, since the digestive processes seem to interfere with the elicitation of the relaxation response.

I hope that you benefit from these exercises. Remember that the way you are doing it *IS* the right way. There are many other exercises and meditations — some of which may be more useful for you. Explore.

I wish you all Happy Holidays.

Harriet Siegel-Loya is an instructor in the School of Nursing. She practices biofeedback, relaxation techniques and meditation, and has taught it to others with "excellent results." But she admits: "For the past five years I've gotten so busy that by the end of October I realize I haven't taken the time to do these exercises myself and that I absolutely need to in order to make it through the holiday season. So each November I begin again and wonder anew why I've let myself forget something so important to my wellbeing."

-Season's Passes —

With the hockey opener just a week away and the first home basketball game scheduled for December 3, now is the time to be thinking about a season's pass for those sports.

A pass for a single sport season is \$15/family and \$10/single. This is quite a savings over the single game price of \$3 for hockey and \$2 for basketball.

To get a season's pass for either sport, call Richard A. Costello, athletic director, at 780-5430 or Albert D. Bean, sports information, at 780-4200.

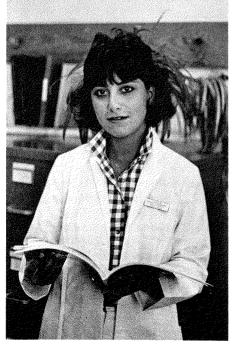
Student On National Council

A School of Nursing undergraduate has been selected as one of 19 people across the country to advise the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on improvements in nurse training and related issues.

Junior Laura E.J. Finn of Sanford, was appointed to the National Advisory Council on Nurse Training late last summer by then Secretary of Health and Human Services, Margaret M. Heckler. The standing committee, mandated by the Public Health Service Act, consists of full-time nursing students, members of the general public and representatives of the education and health care fields.

Finn, who applied for the one-year appointment, was selected on the basis of academic achievement and demonstrated interest in the nursing field. She is one of only three nursing students on the panel.

The council meets three times annually to review special projects to improve nurse training and applications for research and education grants. Council recommendations are submitted directly to the HHS secretary who serves as an ex officio member of the group, as well as to the commissioner of the Health Resources and Services Administration.



Laura Finn

(Greaves photo)

Campus Notes

• As you may know, there is a new state law governing smoking in the workplace, effective on January 1, 1986. It requires all employers throughout the state to develop and post a policy by that date. The policy varies somewhat depending on the employer's particular environment. Some have taken the opportunity to ban smoking completely on the premises. Others have opted for designated areas.

The University, through Employee Health and Recreation, is presently involved in developing a policy to comply with the law. To help in this, all employees are asked to fill out and return a questionnaire which they will be receiving soon in the campus mail.

In this way, a comprehensive policy can be developed and implemented by the January 1 deadline.

• The Parking Review Committee will meet at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 20, in Upton Hall Conference Room, Gorham. Please send agenda items in writing to Charles H. Lamb, 100 Upton, Gorham.

• The Summer Session Office is again seeking ideas and proposals for activities next summer. As in the past, Susan Silvernail, director, is especially interested in events related to the state of Maine and the convocation theme. Other ideas may include programming for children and a host of areas which fall under the rubric of cultural events.

In addition, Silvernail is interested in ideas for the use of the Wolfe's Neck Farm in Freeport. Please forward ideas and proposals to Susan Silvernail, director, Summer Session, 106 Payson Smith, Portland.

• The USM Surplus Sale — formerly the annual Garage Sale — will be held for University departments Tuesday through Thursday, November 12-14, in the Technology Center, Gorham campus. The sale includes office equipment, books, counters and automotive equipment as well as display racks, mattresses and electronic equipment. The sale will be open to the public from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, November 16. For more information, call Philip C. Libby, coordinator of property management, at 780-5245.



The USM Chamber singers rehearse with Conductor Russell.

(Snell photo)

Singers and Winds in Concert

Two ensembles from the USM Music Department will present a combined concert on Sunday, November 24. The University Chamber Singers and the University Wind Ensemble will perform at 3 p.m. in State Street Church, 147 State Street, Portland. Admission is \$3 for adults; \$1 for students and senior citizens.

The Wind Ensemble portion of the program will include chamber music for winds featuring three newly discovered minuets by Franz Schubert. The pieces are three of six minuets discovered in 1968.

The ensemble, conducted by Peter Martin, will open with a Renaissance brass ensemble composition by Josquin Des Pres entitled "Motet and Royal Fanfare."

The Chamber Singers — a 15-member auditioned student chorus — will present three works. They will perform a Swingle Singers arrangement of a fugue, an aria and a bouree by Bach.

"The fugue is from 'The Well-Tempered Clavier," says Robert J. Russell, associate professor of music and conductor of the Chamber Singers. "The Swingle Singers arranged the piece for voices — which do the keyboard part — and added string bass and percussion. These are clearly arrangements, but they capture the spirit of Bach very well."

Other works on the program are a humorous and sometimes plaintive look at love and marriage through three selections by Jean Berger, a 20th century composer who combined 17th century texts with his own music.

"The Game" by Frank Moore is the piece the Chamber Singers performed last April in Hartford, Connecticut, at the Music Educators National Conference. The setting of the work places the chorus as the home town fans of the local softball team. It is the last inning and the team needs three runs to win the game.

"It's basically the jibber-jabber that goes on between the fans at a game," explains Russell, "the encouragement, pleading, sarcasm and riding of the other team."

New Faculty Welcomed

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT



Thomas A. Peterson, assistant professor of associate business administration, has worked as a marketing consultant and analyst for various companies in the private sector. A former faculty member at St. Joseph's College, he holds degrees from Tulane University and Southeastern Massachusetts University.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

James A. Curry, associate professor of education, comes to us from the National/State Leadership Training Institute on the Gifted and the Talented in Los Angeles where he served as coordinator of training. A former staff member in the U.S. Office of Education's Gifted and Talented Office, Curry has been long active in the field of gifted and talented education. He has taught at the elementary, secondary and college levels and was educated at Whitworth College and the University of Georgia.



What We're Doing

E. MICHAEL BRADY, associate professor, Department of Human Resource Development, was the featured speaker at the annual meeting of Southern Maine Senior Citizens. Brady spoke on the four-generation family and the impact of older generations on health and social services.

KATHIE L. BENTON, assistant dean, College of Arts and Sciences, has been appointed commissioner for the State of Maine of the Northeast Region of the Association of Academic Affairs Administrators.

JOEL W. EASTMAN, professor of history, spoke on "Transportation Development in Longfellow's Portland" as part of a series of lectures on Longfellow's Portland sponsored by the Maine Historical Society.

HOWARD M. FAULKNER, associate professor of architectural technology, has been named to a statewide committee to write new building codes for Maine. John Kerry, director, Office of Energy Resources, named Faulkner to this task force which will recommend to the legislature strict new energy measures which will substantially improve the thermal efficiency of future buildings in Maine.

PATT FRANKLIN, associate professor of art, is in an exhibit at the Joan Whitney Payson Gallery at Westbrook College called "Mainers Away", through November 17. She has had two onewoman shows: "River Passages" at the Walt Kuhn Gallery in Cape Neddick, a series of large pastel drawings, and "Concord," a series of colored pencil drawings at Varley and Stevens Gallery in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

BETH GLEASON, conference specialist, Department of Conferences, participated in a panel discussion on auxiliary services at the fall meeting of the Maine Association for Continuing Education at Colby College.

JOSEPH GRANGE, professor of philosophy, presented a commentary on Phenomenology and Environmental Ethics at the National Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and the Human Sciences in Chicago, Ill.

MICHAEL S. HAMILTON, assistant professor of political science, participated in a panel discussion at a USM Public Policy and Management Program conference on "The Growing Importance of State and Local Government in American Life." The topic for his panel was "Environment/Natural Resources: Regional Compacts — A Solution to the Federal Pullout?"

KRISTEN KREAMER, adjunct faculty, School

of Nursing, spoke on "Health Care in the Community: Barriers to Care," at a seminar on the AIDS epidemic sponsored by Community Health Services.

JOHN LOVELL, lecturer, Department of English, and staff writer for the Maine Sunday Telegram, won first prize for investigative reporting and second prize for news reporting in a statewide competition sponsored by the Maine Press Association.

KATHLEEN I. MACPHERSON, associate dean for graduate affairs, School of Nursing, presented a paper on "Osteoporosis and Menopause: A Feminist Analysis of the Social Construction of a Syndrome," at the First Annual National Nursing Conference on Violence Against Women presented by the School of Health Sciences, University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

WESLEY REED, sculptor and former artist-inresidence, USM, created a bronze sculpture of Alexander Ferguson for the Maine Credit Union League. The sculpture was completed in space donated by the USM Art Department in exchange for being able to watch the process of sculpting in bronze.

WILLIAM H. SLAVICK, professor of English, participated in the Southern Review 50th Anniversary Conference in Baton Rouge, La.

JANICE THOMPSON, assistant professor, School of Nursing, presented a paper, "Symbolic Violence Against Refugee Women," at the First Annual National Nursing Conference on Violence Against Women sponsored by the School of Health Sciences, University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

MAUREEN M. WEBSTER, associate professor, Public Policy and Management Program, participated in the Conference on Legislative Oversight sponsored by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission of the Virginia General Assembly in Richmond, Va. At the Joint Meetings of the Canadian and American Evaluation Research Societies in Toronto, she organized a symposium on Legislative Performance Evaluation and made a presentation on the development and utilization of LPE. She also led a panel on Evaluation in Higher Education.

ALLAN R. WHITMORE, associate professor of history, spoke on "Portland Perceived: Visitors View Longfellow's Native City, 1807-1822," as part of a series of lectures on Longfellow's Portland sponsored by the Maine Historical Society.

Correction -

A What We're Doing published earlier this year on Philip Jagolinzer, associate professor of accounting, was incorrect. Jagolinzer received the Outstanding Educator Award for 1985 given jointly by the Maine Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The original story indicated that the award had been presented by a single organization.

AIDS Policy Underway

John Keysor, dean of Educational Services, has announced that a meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 22, at which University of Maine officials will begin work on a system-wide policy for use when a University student or employee has a confirmed case of AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

According to Keysor, a USM committee has met to begin development of plans for educating the local campus community about the disease. Last week USM representatives also attended a statewide meeting of the Maine College Health Association held to discuss ways of dealing with student and staff concerns about AIDS.

• African B'Ball (from p.2)

portant people of the program — the youth of the country — are saddled with a poor sense of self-discipline, self-awareness and self-esteem.

But through hard work and dedication Bouchard was able to make a difference, so much so that he has been invited back again. Djibouti would like Bouchard to return for a full year to work in developing basketball. A message from the Djiboutian Embassy makes the point clearly. "Despite the rigors of heat and humidity, Bouchard ran a super program. His easy manner, good spirits, fluency in French, technical expertise, and obvious devotion to young people and the sport of basketball made a profound impression on everyone that he worked with - Americans, French and Djiboutians.'