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Edmund S. Muskie

Goodbye to Class of '92

Edmund S. Muskie, former U.S. Senator, Secretary of State and Maine Governor, will be the distinguished speaker for the 1992 Commencement ceremony and will receive the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from USM, the first honorary degree USM has awarded since 1978.

USM's 112th Commencement will be held Saturday, May 9, and will again be held at the Cumberland County Civic Center on Spring Street. Approximately 1125 students are scheduled to graduate as members of the Class of 1992, and close to 900 are expected to participate in commencement ceremonies, presided over for the first time by President Richard L. Pattenauade.

The procession will begin at 9:30 a.m. Faculty and staff who wish to participate should be in the Civic Center's Gold Circle Club Room no later than 8:45 a.m. for robing. Because parking at the Civic Center is limited, V.I.P. is donating bus service from USM's Portland Campus Center to the Civic Center, beginning at 7:30 a.m.

and returning at noon. Parking for participating faculty and staff is available, as in the past, at the BAM-ICO parking lot on Spring Street.

Honors student Michele Reagan is the student commencement speaker. One of USM's non-traditional students and the mother of three children, Reagan began taking courses while working at USM and later became a full-time student. She has pursued a dual degree program and will receive a B.A. in philosophy and a B.S. in secondary education in mathematics. Named Outstanding Senior last year for her service to the university community, Reagan has been a member of the Student Senate and student representative from USM to the UMS Board of Trustees. She has also served as an editor of the Honors Program journal, the Maine Scholar.

Muskie, a native of Rumford, began his political career in the Maine House of Representatives in 1948. In 1954 he was elected governor and served for two two-year terms before being elected to the U.S. Senate, where he served from 1959 to 1980 and chaired the Senate Budget Committee. He was the vice presidential nominee in 1968 and ran for the presidency in 1972. He resigned from the Senate in 1980 to become Secretary of State under President Carter. Muskie currently is a senior partner in an international law firm, chair of the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at Georgetown University, and chair of the Center for National Policy. He received the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Congressional Distinguished Service Award for his contributions to the nation. In November, 1990 USM named the Muskie Institute of Public Affairs in his honor.

Those receiving emeriti status will be recognized at Commencement, along with recipients of the Distinguished Faculty, Professional Staff and Classified Staff Awards.

John S. Ricci, professor of chemistry, received the Distinguished Faculty



Gloria S. Duclos, one of three emeriti named. Dratch photo

Three New Emeriti Named

Chancellor Robert L. Woodbury has conferred emeritus status on Professor of Classics Gloria S. Duclos, retired Professor of Education Harold T. Neuberger and on John N. Farrar, retired assistant director of academic advising. Emeritus status recognizes significant contributions to the university and community and encourages continued service from these valued colleagues.

Noted for instilling in her students a love of learning, Duclos has devoted her life to the teaching of the humanities. A graduate of Radcliffe, Harvard, Oxford University and the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Duclos was also a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Malawi, Africa. Duclos was the first occupant of USM's endowed Walter E. Russell Chair in Philosophy and Education and the first recipient of USM's

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Distinguished Faculty Award. She played a leading role in the development of USM's Core Curriculum and Honors Program, and is a former member and chair of the national College Board Latin Achievement Test Committee. Westbrook College honored her as a recipient of the Deborah Morton Award for outstanding career achievements and she has been honored by several professional associations, among them the Classical Association of New England.

Though Duclos is retiring this year, she requests that a party not be held for her. Instead, she suggested that money that would have been spent on food and drink be put towards the purchase of books for the library. Her colleagues have established a book fund; money collected will be used this summer for buying books for the library's general circulation. Each book will carry a book plate with the words, "Given in honor of Gloria Duclos." Contributions can be sent to: Gloria Duclos Book Fund, c/o L. Hinckley, Foreign Languages and Classics, 55 Exeter, Portland.

For nearly 35 years, Neuberger has shared his expertise in science education with thousands of students, not only at the University of Southern Maine but in classrooms across the country through his work as contributing author, senior co-author and author of the widely used Houghton-Mifflin and University of California at Berkeley science series. In addition, Neuberger has conducted workshops on science education for major publishing houses as well as for school systems throughout Maine. For the past several years, he has reviewed grants and related proposals for the National Science Foundation and developed science curricula at USM and at the state level. A graduate of Iowa-Wesleyan College, the University of New Mexico and Boston University, Neuberger began his career at USM in 1957, following a one-year research fellowship at the New York University Medical School. He retired from USM last year.

Jack Farrar, who retired last year as assistant director of academic advising and coordinator of transfer credit counseling services after 25 years of service to USM, has been named Academic Advisor Emeritus. Among his many accomplishments is the strong leadership he provided as the first chair of the Professional Staff Senate. His first appointment at USM

was as assistant director of Continuing Education and Summer Session. He later served as director of counseling for Continuing Education. On sabbatical for the fall semester of 1979, he travelled throughout the U.S., observing academic advising programs at 38 colleges and universities. Before joining USM in 1966, Jack was director of guidance at Bonny Eagle High School in Buxton and at Old Town High School. Long active in many community and professional organizations, the Maine Personnel and Guidance Association recognized his contributions by naming a scholarship after him.

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Award at the April 30 Honors Convocation Ceremony. Ricci came to USM in 1981. He has collaborated on research at the nationally known Brookhaven National Laboratory and encouraged research opportunities there for college juniors and seniors.

Kerry E. Bertalan, an administrative assistant in COE's Human Resource Development Department and secretary of the Classified Staff Senate, received the Distinguished Classified Staff Award at the Classified Staff Breakfast in April. The Distinguished Professional Staff Award will be presented, along with the Emerging Professional Staff Award, at the Professional Staff Senate lunch on Wednesday, May 20.

Other commencement activities follow:

- * Maine's new chief justice, Daniel Wathen, a graduate of the University of Maine Law School, will address the graduating class at his alma mater during the School of Law Convocation, following USM's Commencement, at 2 p.m. on the green in front of Payson Smith, Portland, or in the Gym in the event of inclement weather.

- * The School of Nursing will also hold a convocation ceremony, to take place at 7 p.m., Friday, May 8 at Woodfords Congregational Church. Marianne Rodgers, associate professor of nursing, will address candidates for graduation.

Campus Notes

The National Education Association cited USM's teacher education program as a program that can help revolutionize the way this country prepares teachers for the classrooms of the 1990s and beyond. The USM program, which requires teaching candidates to take a fifth year of graduate-level internships and courses in cooperation with area public schools, was one of three programs in the country to receive an award and \$5,000 grant from the NEA. The Maine Teachers Association recently presented USM with a banner to commemorate the national award.

In a program designed by the School of Nursing, eight USM nursing students spent every Wednesday this semester in Portland's Sagamore Village, providing free, home-based health care. The program originated with a health care assessment of Sagamore Village conducted in early 1991 by two USM graduate nursing students, which established that services were needed to address pregnancy, nutrition, parenting, substance abuse and other issues. USM nursing professors, in cooperation with Portland Public Health, the Portland Housing Authority and the local Tenants' Council, arranged for the students to provide home nursing care. Three USM nursing faculty, Helen Peake-Godin, Jan Thompson and Rosemary Johnson, have volunteered to continue providing care to Sagamore Village residents through the summer until the program resumes with the start of classes in the fall.

The Lifeline program has been named the 1992 recipient of the New England Dorothy Mullen Arts and Humanities Award, established by the National Recreation and Park Association to recognize excellence in arts and humanities programs in the recreation and leisure fields. It is named for a pioneer in parks and recreation programming. The association recognized Lifeline's Certificate in Fitness Instruction program, which began in 1989 and now enrolls more than 200 students.

A grant from the National Geographic Society last November which created the Maine Geographic Alliance, a network of educators, students, parents and citizens dedicated to improving geographic education, has been boosted by a recent \$30,000 grant from the Paper Industry Information Office. The Alliance is cosponsored by the University of Southern Maine and the Maine De-

What We're Doing

LEE GOLDSBERRY, associate professor of education, and DAVID L. SILVERNAIL, director of COE's Center for Applied Research and Evaluation, presented a paper, "Development and Validation of an Educational Beliefs Questionnaire" at the annual meeting of the AERA in San Francisco in April.

BONITA M. GRUVER, assistant professor of recreation and leisure studies, is presenting a paper titled, "An Exploration of Perceived Choice and Leisure in Therapeutic Recreation Research and Practice," at the 1992 Indiana University Institute on Therapeutic Recreation in Bloomington this spring.

SAT GUPTA, associate professor of mathematics, had his paper, "Estimation in Long Memory Time Series Models," accepted for publication in *Communications in Statistics: Theory and Methods*, Vol. 21, No. 5.

JEAN E. GUTMANN, professor of associate business administration, had her latest book, "Microsoft Money Management," published by Windcrest/McGraw Hill in April.

MICHAEL S. HAMILTON, associate professor of political science, published two articles, "Guidelines for Prosecuting Environmental Crimes," and "Environmental Equity, Racism, and Justice," in the American Society for Public Administration's newsletter, *Natural Resources and Environmental Administration*. He was also invited to participate in a critics' session in Washington D.C. for a pre-publication review of a report on regulatory federalism prepared by the U.S. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. Hamilton presented a paper on "Phase I Acid Rain Controls: The State's Response," at the national conference of the American Society for Public Administration held in Chicago, April 11-15. He convened a panel on "Regulatory Federalism and State Laboratories of Policy Innovation" at the same meeting.

FAITH HARRINGTON, assistant professor of New England Studies, received a grant of \$1200 from the Maine Humanities Council to present the Environmental Institute at the Stone House at Wolfe's Neck Farm last October. Harrington spoke on her research on the Isles of Shoals fishing community to the Eastern Historical Geographer's Association in October, the Council for Northeastern Historical Archaeology in November, and the Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) in January. She also served as co-program chair for the 1992 SHA meeting which was held in Kingston, Jamaica, providing conceptual and logistical arrangements for over 450 papers. During the SHA meeting, Harrington also organized and chaired a symposium titled, "Northern Approaches to the New World." She recently submitted a chapter titled "Changing Patterns of Power: Natives and Europeans in the North Atlantic, A.D. 1000-

1620" for a new North American cultural atlas to be published later this year by Prentice Hall. Harrington was recently recognized by the American Anthropological Association (AAA) for her scholarly contributions and was named an AAA Fellow for 1992.

LOIS V. HINCKLEY, assistant professor of classics, gave a workshop, "Golden Bough and Unlucky Tree: Horace and Vergil in Dialogue," to the Latin and Greek division of the FLAME annual meeting on March 20.

PAULA HODGDON, interim director of athletics and professor of physical education, presented a workshop titled, "Earning Respect and Gaining Commitment," at UNUM's "Leaders As Coaches" conference on April 3.

THOMAS S. HOWICK, assistant professor of education, presented a paper titled, "Case Study of a Sixth Grade Class: Attitudes and Conceptions of the Marine Environment" at the 65th annual meeting of the National Association for Research in Science Teaching on March 24 in Boston.

CRAIG HUTCHINSON, associate director for Student Life, has been selected state director for the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators and co-chair of the Maine Association of Student Affairs Professionals advisory board.

WILLIAM KILROY, assistant professor of theatre, recently served as a judge for the Maine Drama Council's One Act Play Festival and was invited to teach a workshop for them in March. In April, he attended a professional's seminar in Boston with the Roy Hart Theatre of France. This summer Kilroy will serve as artistic director of the Strawflower Theatre in Winslow.

KATHRYN LASKY, assistant professor of communication, completed her documentary, "Maine Workers' Compensation System: Broken Promises," which recently aired on community cable. She was one of 75 academics selected as a Frank Stanton Fellow at a faculty seminar conducted by the International Radio and Television Society in New York City, February 6-10. CHARLES M. LYONS, associate professor of education and chair, Department of Professional Education, has been notified that his article, "Managing the Care of Patients with Mental Retardation," will be published in a forthcoming issue of *Mental Retardation*, the journal of the American Association for Mental Retardation.

KATHLEEN I. MacPHERSON, professor of nursing, was selected for an interview for the National League for Nursing video, "Looking at Nursing Through a Feminist Lens," August, 1992. She was also invited to be the annual scholarly mentor for Community Health Nursing doctoral students January 15-17 at the University of California, San Francisco School of Nursing. While there, she presented two papers titled "Menopausal Transitions" and "Postmodernism and Feminism." MacPherson had a paper, "Menopause, Noncontraceptive Hormones and Cardiovascular Disease," accepted for publication in *Advances in Nursing Science*. Reporters from *Newsday*,

the Canadian Broadcasting Company's T.V. show, "The Journal," and a writer for "The Women's Encyclopedia of Health and Natural Healing" interviewed MacPherson regarding the menopausal experience and the hormones replacement debate.

CARTER MANNY, assistant professor of business law, was elected president of the North Atlantic Regional Business Law Association at its annual meeting at Babson College on April 11.

MICHAEL McDERMOTT, reference librarian, had his article, "UMI's Pro-Quest CD-ROM System: One Librarian's Opinion," appear in the January, 1992 issue of *Online*.

LYNNE MILLER, professor of educational Administration/Instructional Leadership, and DAVID L. SILVERNAIL, director of COE's Center for Applied Research and Evaluation, presented a paper, "Wells Junior High School: Evolution of a Professional Development School" at the annual meeting of the AERA in San Francisco in April. The paper will appear in a book published through Teachers College Press. Miller presented another paper at the meeting, "Current Issues in Restructuring Schools."

DOROTHY D. MOORE, dean, College of Education, recently chaired an invited symposium titled: "A Dialogue between Invited Symposium Business and Educational Leaders" at the annual conference of the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education held in San Antonio.

IVAN G. MOST, director, Production Technology Center, spoke to the Maine Metal Products Association about the Production Technology Center and ergonomics research in Portland on March 26. He also spoke recently at the "Toxic Use Reduction: Challenge to Maine" conference in Waterville on March 11 on the topic, "Appropriate Technologies: Reducing Oily Wastes."

LESLIE H. NICOLL, executive director, Bingham Consortium for Health Research and research associate, Muskie Institute for Public Affairs, was in Indianapolis February 20-23 for the board of directors meeting of Sigma Theta Tau International, the Honor Society of Nursing. Nicoll is the chair of the International Bylaws committee for the 1991-93 biennium.

BILL PARK, director of alumni relations, appeared as a special guest on WHTT-FM's morning show to promote Daffodil Days, a fund-raising event for the Maine Division of the American Cancer Society.

GEORGE R. PARKS, university librarian, contributed to the February issue of the *Library Journal's* column "How Do You Manage?" Parks is currently serving on the New England Library Association Conference Planning Committee.

ANDREW J. POTTS, professor of accounting, attended the National Council of Higher Education annual conference and the Leadership Training Seminar held in San Diego, California, February 27-29, where he was again elected chair of the Financial Review Committee for the 1992-93 fiscal year. Potts was elected as a member of the Maine Teachers Association board of directors for a two-year term.

BETTY D. ROBINSON, assistant professor of human services management, and MARVIN DRUKER, assistant professor of public affairs, Lewiston-Auburn College, co-authored an article titled "A Contextual Model for Public Sector Downsizing" which was published in the American Sociological Association's journal, *Sociological Practice Review*, April 1992. The article is based on research completed last summer funded by a Faculty Senate grant.

MARTHA SKONER, associate professor of nursing, presented a paper titled "Eating Disorders as a Culture Bound Syndrome" at the annual meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology in Memphis, March 26-29.

RICHARD STEINMAN, professor emeritus of social work, had two of his letters read on National Public Radio.

BILL THORNTON, assistant professor of psychology, recently presented two papers at the annual meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association held in Boston titled "Achievement and Competitive Strivings and the Type A Behavior Pattern," with Richard Ryckman, University of Maine, and "Gender Typing and Multiple Roles: Depression, Anxiety, and Substance Abuse Among Women," with Rachel Leo, a former USM student. Thornton's article, "Repression and its Mediating Influence on the Defensive Attribution of Responsibility," was published in the *Journal of Research in Personality*. Another manuscript, "Gender Typing, Importance of Multiple Roles, and Mental Health Consequences for Women," has been accepted for publication by the journal, *Sex Roles*.

JUDY TIZON, associate professor of anthropology, and anthropology students Ester Pelletier and James Tierney, presented a paper, "Academic Anthropology, Activism and the Amazon," as part of a "Teaching Global Issues" session at the Northeastern Anthropological Association's 32nd annual meeting at Bridgewater State College.

NIZAM UDDIN, assistant professor of statistics, co-authored a paper titled, "Optimal Block Designs with Maximum Blocksize and Minimum Replication Constraints," that was published in *Communications in Statistics—Theory and Methods*, Vol. 21, No. 1, 1992. He presented a paper titled "On E-optimal Incomplete Block Designs with Unequal Block Sizes" at the 6th New England Statistics Symposium, held at Bentley College in April.

C.E. VanZANDT, associate professor of education, co-authored an article titled, "Helping the Rookie School Counselor: A Mentoring Project," in the January 1992 issue of *School Counselor* and another article in the March issue. VanZandt also coordinated and co-presented a workshop titled "Pulling Together Your PR Plan" for the Maine School Counselor Association conference at Rockport on January 31. He received the 1992 Distinguished Professional Counselor Award at the Maine Association for Counseling and Development Conference in Rockport, on April 6.

SUSAN VESS, associate professor of school

psychology, co-presented "A Primer on Assessment for Parents" at the annual convention of the National Association of School Psychologists. The paper was submitted to *Communique* for publication. Vess also attended the association's Delegate Assembly as chair of the Operations Handbook and Constitution Review Committee. For the past two years, she worked on the revision of NASP's constitution and by-laws, was commended for the first major revision of the Association's constitution in its 25-year history, and has received the association's Presidential Award for Exemplary Leadership and Service.

KENNETH WEBER, assistant professor of biology, has recently published an article titled, "How Small are the Smallest Selectable Domain of Form?" in the February, 1992 issue of *Genetics*.

BARBARA WILLEY, retired employment specialist for Human Resources, will make the keynote presentation, "Pink Collars to brief Cases: Fifty Years of Change," at the 6th annual Spring Office Conference for Support Staff, "The Emerging Office Professional of the '90s," on May 7 in South Portland.

RICHARD WEST, assistant professor of communication, had his article, "The Association Between the Relational Reaching Approach and Teacher Job Satisfaction," published in *Communication Reports*. Speech Communication Teacher published his article "Gender Jeopardy: Who, What, When, Why?" West also wrote a chapter in the book, "Teaching and Directing the Basic Communication Course," titled "Speaking Across the Curriculum."

L. KINVIN WROTH, professor of law, served as a consultant to the Maine Supreme Judicial Court's special advisory committee on Cameras in the Court Room with MELVYN ZARR, professor of law, and DAVID P. CLUCHEY, associate dean and professor of law. His article, "Vincent L. McKusick and the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure: A Thirty-five Year Perspective," was published in the *Maine Law Review*, Vol. 43, No. 2. On November 15, Wroth spoke before the Rockland Rotary Club on "Implementation of the Maine Legal Needs Study." He continues as co-vice chair of the Maine Bar Foundation's Legal Needs Study Implementation Committee. Also in November, Wroth made a presentation the Maine Judicial Conference in Portland, on the proposed Maine Code of Judicial Conduct. He was the principal drafter of the proposed code. He organized and moderated a panel titled "Canada's Constitutional Crisis: Quebec and the West," presented at the biennial meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States, held in Boston on November 22. In Portland on December 6, he made a presentation on collateral estoppel and res judicata as part of a panel on domestic torts at the Maine State Bar Association's program, "Emerging Issues in Domestic Practice." He organized and moderated two programs at the annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools in San Antonio on January 5-7: "Comparative Perspectives on Feminist Legal Scholarship," and "The Chal-

lenge of Two Different Legal Systems." On January 9, Wroth made a presentation to the First Thursday Group, an organization of southern Maine librarians, on the Thomas Johnston maps of the Kennebec Purchase, as an aid to the study of legal history. He made a presentation to the Oxford County Bar Association on the current status of the implementation of the Maine Legal Needs Study on January 15. Wroth organized and moderated a program, "The McKusick Court in Retrospect (1977-1992)," at the annual meeting of the Maine State Bar Association in Portland on January 17. Wroth participated as a faculty resource person in a Leadership Seminar for College and University Trustees, sponsored by the Educational Leadership Program of the Christain A. Johnson Endeavor Foundation at Troutbeck, N.Y., January 22-26. His op-ed piece, "McKusick Played Many Roles Well," was published in the Bangor Daily News on February 27.

DONALD ZILLMAN, Edward Godfrey Professor and dean, School of Law, presented a paper on Environmental Reclamation of Energy Projects he co-authored to the biennial seminar of the International Bar Association Section on Energy and Natural Resources Law in Washington D.C. on April 7.

Congratulations!

The following USM faculty have been promoted by President Richard L. Pattenau, on the recommendation of their peer committee, their dean and the provost, effective at the beginning of the 1992-93 academic year:

Promoted to Associate Professor

Nancy Austin, Professional Education, College of Education

Walter E. Kimball, Professional Education, College of Education

Mark W. Steege, Human Resource Development, College of Education

Bill Thornton, Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences

George R. Violette, Accounting, School of Business, Economics and Management

John J. Voyer, Business Administration, School of Business, Economics and Management

Promoted to Rank of Professor

Thomas R. Carper, English, College of Arts and Sciences

Robert J. Russell, Music, College of Arts and Sciences

Margo Wood, Professional Education, College of Education

partment of Education and housed in the USM's Geography Department on the Gorham campus. State coordinators are Robert French, USM associate professor of geography, and Constance Miller Manter, curriculum consultant to the Department of Education. The National Geographic Society responded to a national crisis in geography education by creating state geographic alliances nationwide and provides staff support and consulting services, curriculum materials and training institutes for classroom teachers and matching funds up to \$50,000 per year to each state alliance. Maine was one of the last states to create an alliance.

Global Perspective

HENRY C. AMOROSO, associate professor of education, was invited to join a delegation of 25 literacy educators from the U.S. and Canada to travel to Budapest, Moscow and St. Petersburg for the purpose of professional and scientific exchanges with Soviet and Eastern European educators May 12-22, 1992.

MICHAEL S. HAMILTON, associate professor of political science, was a member of an official delegation invited to Indonesia in March to discuss a possible technical assistance agreement between the Indonesian Directorate of Mines and the U.S. Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, concerning development of a regulatory policy to improve enforcement of environmental controls on mining.

LAURA KARGUL, assistant professor of music, is the first exchange artist in an arts and cultural exchange program directed by MARYSNELL, USM concert manager, between USM and the Greek Ministry of the Aegean. Kargul will give three concerts on the island of Lesbos during the end of July and the first of August. She will also be performing in Western Europe this summer. As part of the exchange program, the General Secretary of the Ministry of the Aegean will visit USM May 26-28.

ROBERT B. LOUDEN, associate professor of philosophy, has been pursuing his research at Marburg and Gottingen Universities in Germany through a Humboldt research fellowship this academic year. He was appointed visiting professor at Gottingen during the spring 1992 term. During May and June, he will be giving guest lectures at Freiburg University in Switzerland and Berlin

University in Germany on themes in his book, "Morality and Moral Theory."

ANDREW J. POTTS, professor of accounting, participated in a five-day seminar on "How to Start and Run a Business in a Market Economy," sponsored by the Soviet and East European Business Administration Center at Portland State University. It was held at the Soviet American School of Business Administration in Novgorod. Potts made presentations in accounting and gave an overview of business education and practice in the United States. He then traveled to Bucharest, Romania to participate in the founding of a Romanian American Society of Business Educators after which he attended a meeting in Bulgaria and assisted in the founding of a Bulgarian American Society of Business Educators. While in Bulgaria, Potts participated in a review of the practice and teaching of individual business disciplines at the University of National and World Economy. He also traveled to Warsaw, Poland, as a financial consultant to a Polish state-owned company called Apator. The trip was sponsored by the Financial Services Volunteer Corporation of New York and Company Assistance Limited, a Polish-American joint-venture consulting firm. While in Poland, Potts discussed the merits of Apator installing a process cost accounting system.

The College of Arts and Sciences hosted CONSTANTINE GOULYI, instructor at Kharkov University in the Ukraine. Goulyi taught a course on European Lyrics of the 16th to Mid-19th Centuries in the English Department and "Seminar in Russian Literature" for Foreign Languages and Classics.

Community Programs hosted NADEZHDA N. VEZHLIVTSEVA, a visiting professor from Archangel Pedagogical University. She gave seven lectures this spring covering Russian history, economy, art, architecture, music, education, national character and lifestyles.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SCHOOL OF LAW received a Canadian Studies Program Development Grant of \$7,000 from the Canadian Embassy to support the development of the School's Canadian Legal Studies Program. This is the fifth year that the program, directed by L. Kinvin Wroth, professor of law, has received such a grant. The funds are used to support library acquisitions, conference programs, exchanges, faculty travel and program delivery.

DFM Embraces TQM

You're making a trans-Atlantic voyage as a crew member on a 50-foot sailboat when the vessel starts going down some 600 miles east of Newfoundland. Your crew has just a few minutes to decide which supplies to take in a life raft.

More than 90 Department of Facilities Management staff members are engaged in that lost-at-sea exercise and other activities as part of a Total Quality Management (TQM) training program. Those exercises are used to underscore the fact that teams of people almost always make better judgment than do individuals acting alone.

"Good work is teamwork," said Donald J. Clark, director of USM's Continuing Education for Business, at the opening TQM session, "and good leadership is team leadership." Clark's department and the Production Technology Center are providing the TQM training for Facilities Management.

The second part of the training will focus on developing a better understanding of USM's and DFM's customers, and how to listen to their needs. Teams of workers will then learn to identify improvement projects on each campus as well as how to plan them and measure their effectiveness.

"More than 75,000 students, faculty, staff and campus visitors depend on us," said David J. Early, director of DFM. "Our hope is that our emphasis on TQM will give our staff members more control over their jobs through working with others. Consequently, work will be done quickly and well, to the benefit of us all. The training also complements President Pattenau's commitment to improving the quality of the entire learning environment."

The TQM training will continue through June.

What We're Doing

LARRY G. BENEDICT, vice president for Student Affairs, was an invited member of a panel titled, "Thriving or Surviving the Current Budget Crisis on Campus," sponsored by the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators as part of its annual Region I Conference. As part of that conference, Benedict made a panel presentation on "The Current State of Multiculturalism on College Campuses: A Conversation with Student Affairs Practitioners."

SCOTT W. BROWN, assistant professor of psychology, presented a paper he co-authored with USM graduate Damon C. Newcomb titled "Effects of Individual Differences and Informational Feedback on Temporal Judgments" at the meeting of The Eastern Psychological Association, in Boston last March.

INDIA L. BROYLES, assistant professor of education, presented a paper she co-authored titled "The Realities of Restructuring" at the national conference of the Association of Teacher Educators. She was also asked to serve on the national Commission on Teacher Education in Multiple Settings for a three-year term. At the national conference of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development in New Orleans, April 3-7, she made a presentation titled "Transforming the Quality of Learning through Technology." She was also elected chair (1993-94) of the Curriculum Teachers Network.

ARDIS CAMERON, assistant professor of New England studies, gave the keynote address at the third annual Women's Trade Union Conference on March 21, held at the Lewiston-Auburn College and sponsored by the Maine AFL-CIO. It was titled "Before Silkwood: Women and the Struggle for a Healthier Workplace."

JODY CAPELLUTI, associate professor of education, co-edited a book, "Middle Level Education: Programs, Policies and Practices," published by the National Association of Secondary School Principals. He also co-authored an article, "Middle Level Curriculum: Making Sense," which appeared in the January issue of the Middle School Journal. Capelluti and **DAVID L. SILVERNAIL**, associate professor of education and director of COE's Center for Applied Research and Evaluation, recently co-authored an article, "An Examination of the Relationship Between Middle Level Teachers' Grouping Preferences and Their Sense of Respon-

sibility for Student Outcomes," which appeared in the Journal of Middle Level Research.

LOREN COLEMAN, research associate, Muskie Institute of Public Affairs, is the recipient of the Simmons College School of Social Work Alumni Special Recognition Award for "Elder Fire Safety for the '90s: Your Guide to National Resources." His article, "The Journeys of Arlen Specter," was published in The Third Decade, a journal of research on the John F. Kennedy assassination.

A. TERRY CRAWFORD, custodian II, Facilities Management, presented a talk on helpful and unhelpful responses to epileptic seizures titled "Forty Years with Epilepsy: Effects on Me and Lessons for Health Care Professionals" to USM School of Nursing classes on central nervous system disorders on May 12 and 13.

LUCIA A. di BENEDETTO, associate professor of French, gave a paper titled "Bougainville's 'Voyage autour du Monde,' Diderot's 'Supplément au voyage de Bougainville' and the Reality of 18th Century Tahiti" at the Southeast Conference on Foreign Languages and Literatures held at Rollins College, February 27-29.

MUHAMMAD A. EL-TAHA, assistant professor of mathematics, presented a paper he co-authored on "Sample-Path Insensitivity of the Erlang Loss System and Other Symmetric Queries," at the ORSA Telecommunications conference held in Boca Raton, March 9-11. He has another paper he co-authored, "A Filtered ASTA Property" accepted for publication by QUESTA.

MAHMUD A. FAKSH, associate professor of political science, had an article, "Egypt and the Gulf Crisis: The Role of Leadership Under Mubarak," accepted for publication in the spring issue of the Journal of Third World Studies. Another article, "Syria's Role and Objectives in Lebanon," has been accepted for publication in the Mediterranean Quarterly. He will present a paper, "Arab Nationalism and the Middle East: The Rise and Decline of an Ideology," at the annual meeting of the American Council for the Study of Islamic Society at Villanova University, May 15-16. He gave the keynote address, "The Meaning of Islam," in a program on comparative religion at the First Parish Unitarian Universalist Society in Portland on March 3. Faksh is currently teaching a seminar on Issues and Crises in the Middle East at Duke University. He gave a paper on Syrian foreign policy under Hafiz al-Asad to a graduate seminar at the

University of Connecticut on March 19. Faksh has also been invited to give a paper, "Arab Nationalism in the Post-Cold War Era," at a seminar on the "Third World in Perspective" in May at Georgia Southwestern College.

LOUIS F. GAINNEY JR., professor of biology, had an article titled, "The Physiological Effect of *Aureococcus Anophagefferens* (Brown Tide) on the Lateral Cilia of Bivalve Mollusks," published in Biological Bulletin.

JOEL I. GOLD, associate professor of associate business administration, is writing a new "Finance and Investments" column for the Sun Times newspaper. In addition, Gold has held mutual fund seminars for the Maine Council on Economic Education and USM's Community Programs in March and April 1992.



Cay Alexion is retiring as director of Administrative Services on June 30 after 30 years of service to USM. She came to the university in June 1962 and was an administrative assistant in the Continuing Education Division for her first 10 years. She moved to Administrative Services in 1979. Alexion looks forward to a trip to Greece after retiring and more time for singing, reading and community service.

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