



Campus clubs and organizations created displays for the 11th annual University Day. This partial view of the winning display was built by the staff of the student newspaper, the "University Times."

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# UMS Trustees appoint UMPI's next president

University of Maine System Chancellor James H. Page announced April 25 that the System's Board of Trustees approved Dr. Linda K. Schott as the next president at UMPI. The Board's executive committee, which met late on April 24 to consider the appointment, also approved Dr. Kathryn A. Foster as the University of Maine at Farmington's new leader.

Dr. Schott, dean of the School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado, begins her new role on the UMPI campus on July 1 and will receive a salary of \$160,000.



Dr. Linda K. Schott

"I very much look forward to having Dr. Foster and Dr. Schott join our team," Chancellor Page explained. "I will look to them for fresh innovative ideas as we begin to design and implement systemic change at the University of Maine System."

In an announcement earlier this month, Dr. Linda Schott was named as the candidate Chancellor Page recommended as UMPI's President. In that announcement, Page said Schott's "combination of experience in leading change and community engagement make her an excellent choice to lead the University of Maine at Presque Isle."

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# Reed Gallery presents Eye to Eye with Andy Warhol

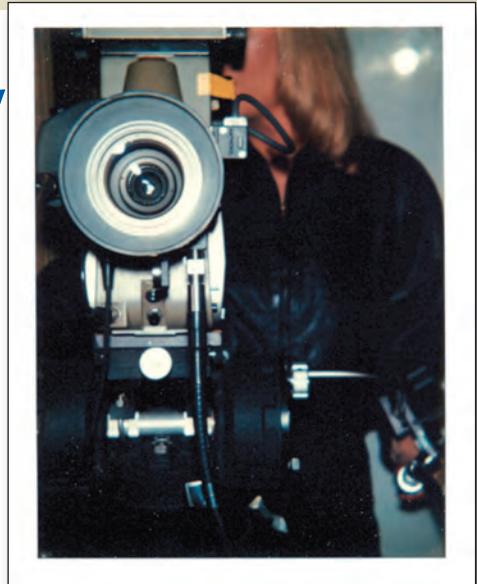
The Reed Fine Art Gallery will present its second exhibition of photographs by Andy Warhol at the opening reception of *Eye to Eye with Andy Warhol: The Multiples* on Friday, May 4 from 5-7 P.M. The public is invited to attend the exhibition's reception, which is being held in conjunction with the Presque Isle First Friday Art Walk.

The exhibition, which will be on display May 4 through June 16, is being sponsored by the Maine Community Foundation (The Meander Fund); the Maine Arts Commission; the Bank of Maine Presque Isle; and Morningstar Art

and Framing, which framed the exhibit. The photos are among the 153 silver gelatin prints and Polaroid photographs that UMPI received in the spring of 2008 – valued at more than \$100,000 – from the Andy Warhol Photographic Legacy Program.

*Eye to Eye* draws on multiple images of individuals in the UMPI collection that posed for Warhol's much desired, and much solicited, portraits, according to curator for the show and former Reed Art Gallery Director Sandra Huck.

"The photographs offer a unique glimpse at the subjects and the process



Linda Cossey with Camera by Andy Warhol

Warhol utilized to find just the right angle, light, color and attitude of his sitters that provided *continued on page 4*

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## University status as StormReady campus renewed

The University has once again been named a National Weather Service StormReady campus after receiving a three-year renewal of its federal designation. In 2008 when it was first named a StormReady campus, UMPI became the second campus in New England, after Harvard University, and the 21st campus in the nation to receive this designation.

In order to secure the renewal, University security and safety staff had to successfully demonstrate that they have taken important steps to ensure that the campus is prepared when severe weather strikes.

“We commend you on your dedication to campus safety,” Richard Okulski, Meteorologist In Charge at the National Weather Service office in Caribou, said in a letter to the University. “Through collaborative efforts with governmental organizations within the community, county, and region, your university has developed a program of severe weather readiness and education that is a model for others to follow. As a result of this commitment to excellence, the students and staff at UMPI can count on the highest level of service during times of hazardous weather.”

StormReady, established in 1999, is a nationwide program that helps communities better protect their citizens during

severe weather – from tornadoes to tsunamis to winter storms. Program “communities” can include cities, towns, universities, Indian Nations, and government and private entities. The program helps arm such communities

with the planning, communication and safety skills needed to save lives and property before and during storm events.

The University first began looking into becoming a StormReady campus in 2008. In order to become StormReady, the University had to:

- ✓ Establish a 24-hour warning point and emergency operations center;
- ✓ Have more than one way to receive severe weather warnings and forecasts and to alert the public;
- ✓ Create a system that monitored weather conditions locally;
- ✓ Promote the importance of public readiness through community seminars; and
- ✓ Develop a formal hazardous weather plan, which included training severe weather spotters and holding emergency exercises.

With its renewal, UMPI continues to maintain a formal hazardous weather plan and sophisticated warning system. The University also continues its close working relationship with the National Weather Service office in Caribou and provides the office with real-time severe weather reports relayed by staff. ★



UMPI has received a renewal of its federal designation as a StormReady University. Taking part in the presentation of a letter of congratulations are, from left, Noelle R. Runyan, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, and Richard Okulski, Meteorologist In Charge, both from the National Weather Service office in Caribou; and UMPI officials President Don Zillman; Charles Bonin, Vice President for Administration and Finance; and Greg Daniels, Safety and Security Coordinator.

### UMPI's next president

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Upon hearing of her official appointment, Schott said, “I am greatly honored that Chancellor Page and the Board of Trustees have entrusted the leadership of the University of Maine at Presque Isle to me. During my visits to the campus, I was struck by the commitment and dedication of the faculty and staff, and I look forward to becoming part of the excellent team already in place.”

Schott has served as dean at Fort Lewis College since 2008. Prior to that she was at Eastern Michigan University from 2003 to 2008 where she served in several capacities including associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, director of the Women's and Gender Studies Program, and interim department head of the Department of History and Philosophy. She holds a Bachelor's degree in history and German from Baylor

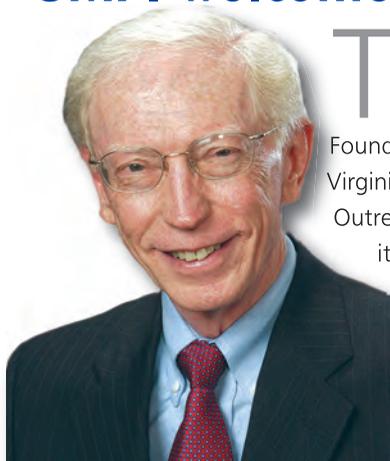
University, as well as a Master's degree in history and Ph.D. in history and humanities—both from Stanford University.

As a first generation college student, Schott said she needed the support of her family and friends and the mentorship of many teachers and colleagues to achieve her dream of becoming a college professor and now a president.

“Our job at UMPI is to help today's students achieve their dreams and by so doing, strengthen The County, the State of Maine, the nation and the world,” Schott said. “As long as that remains our foremost commitment, the future of UMPI is bright and secure, and I can't wait to be part of the team leading to that future.”

Schott will succeed Donald Zillman, who has served as UMPI's president since 2006. Last year, Zillman announced that he would step down as president and return to his position as a tenured professor of law at the University of Maine School of Law in Portland. ★

# UMPI welcomes expert on “future-focused leadership”



Dr. Gary Marx

The University hosted Dr. Gary Marx, internationally renowned speaker and the Founder and President of the Virginia-based Center for Public Outreach, as the last speaker in its 2011-2012 University Distinguished Lecturer Series.

Dr. Marx has spoken in all 50 states and on six continents, constantly urging education institutions, other organizations, and individuals to stay ahead of the curve as they think and plan for the future and prepare tomorrow’s leaders. He delivered his talk *Emerging and Persistent Trends That Will Profoundly Impact Education and Our Future* on April 11 during University Day.

Marx’s best-selling books include *Sixteen Trends...Their Profound Impact on Our Future* and *Future-Focused Leadership...Preparing Schools, Students, and Communities for Tomorrow’s Realities*. During his talk, he provided a sweeping look at emerging trends in society – from “the old begin-

ning to outnumber the young in the developed world” to “preparing young people for jobs and careers that may not currently exist” – and discussed their implications.

Before launching the Center for Public Outreach, Marx served for nearly 20 years as a senior executive for the American Association of School Administrators (AASA). He was a television and radio broadcaster before moving into education.

Marx was presented the coveted President’s Award by the National School Public Relations Association in 1999 and the Distinguished Service Award by AASA in 2000. He is accredited by the National School Public Relations Association, the Public Relations Society of America, and the American Society of Association Executives, and is a professional member of the World Future Society.

Marx has been a member of the PBS Education Advisory Board, NBC’s *The More You Know* Advisory Board, and the Emmy Awards Selection Committee. He is also one of the founders of the National Superintendent of the Year program and has served as a member of the selection committees for the National Teacher of the Year program, Disney’s *Salute to the American Teacher*, and *USA Today’s All USA Academic Team*. ★

## CUNY team presents research at UMPI

A research team from the City University of New York [CUNY] delivered a presentation at UMPI on March 22 to discuss the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA] funded research that an UMPI student has been helping them to conduct. Their project involves calculating snow cover in the region and using the results as a predictor for spring flooding issues, potentially a valuable tool for emergency management and decision-maker officials.

A team of four researchers connected with CUNY’s NOAA-CREST Center [the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration-Cooperative Remote Sensing Science and Technology Center] traveled to Presque Isle for the presentation. The group included Dr. Tarendra Lakhankar, a scientist with the NOAA-CREST Center, and his doctoral student, Jonathan Muñoz, as well as Professor Reza

Khanbilvardi, the Director of the NOAA-CREST Center, and Dr. Peter Romanov, a senior scientist with NOAA’s Center for Satellite Applications and Research [STAR].

The research team’s work in Aroostook County involved sophisticated instruments at the National Weather Service Regional Office in Caribou that recorded detailed information about snow pack. The project also involved collecting “ground truth” measurements of snow depth, snow stratigraphy, water content, grain size and crystal form from on-the-ground observations. They will be comparing and correlating these data with satellite imaging data and writing a mathematical algorithm to represent snow cover over the entire region. Phillip Boody, an UMPI Environmental Studies and Sustainability

major from New Sweden, has been assisting the research team in collecting data for this project.

“Early spring flooding from melting snow poses one of the greatest natural threats to people and communities in northern Maine,” Professor David

Putnam, who has served as the student supervisor and a liaison between UMPI and the NOAA-CREST Center, said. “This research has the potential to assist meteorologists and emergency managers in providing early warning of dangerous flood conditions. We are very fortunate to have the NOAA-CREST scientists working with a local UMPI student on their project. It provides a rare opportunity for us to collaborate with prominent national scientists and participate in current research with important socio-economic implications for our region.” ★



## UMPI student poster named one of 10 best

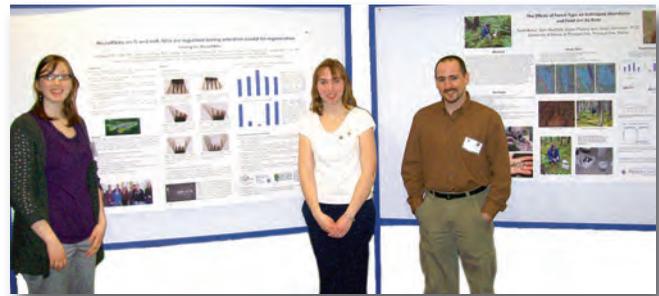
UMPI Environmental Studies and Sustainability major Scott Belair recently won a “best poster” award at the 2012 Northeast Undergraduate Research Development Symposium in Biddeford. His poster, *The Effects of Forest Type on Arthropod Abundance and Food Use by Birds*, was one of just 10 among more than 100 posters to receive the recognition.

The poster was based on research by Jason Johnston, UMPI Assistant Professor of Wildlife Ecology, that Belair and two other students, Dan Sheffield and Dylan Plissey, helped to conduct.

Funded by a \$34,588 Northeastern States Research Cooperative grant, Johnston’s three-year study focused on the relationships between the structure and composition of forest stands and the abundance of invertebrates there, in order to determine how different forest management practices in those forest stands impacted the amount of food available for animals that lived there. The hope is that the research findings will help forest ecologists and managers to establish sustainable forestry management practices that will increase food availability and improve habitat quality.

Four common habitat types found in Maine commercial forests were selected for the study and an inventory was taken at each site of all vegetation and ground cover types.

Between April 2010 and August 2011, Johnston and student researchers sampled spider and insect populations in each habitat. They also caught birds in mist nets and collected crop



UMPI student Scott Belair, right, recently won a “best poster” award at the 2012 Northeast Undergraduate Research Development Symposium. Here, he stands with UMPI students Robyn Oster, left, and Stephanie Corriveau, center, who also represented UMPI at the symposium.

and fecal samples to review in the lab and identify what food items were being utilized. They are currently working toward the publication of the study’s findings.

“The knowledge I gained from this first-hand experience really prepared me well for my poster presentation at the symposium and I was honored to have received recognition for the effort,” Belair said.

UMPI was also represented at the symposium by students Stephanie Corriveau and Robyn Oster, who offered a poster presentation titled *MicroRNAs let-7i and miR-101a are regulated during zebrafish caudal fin regeneration: Fishing for MicroRNAs*. Their poster described the research they and several other UMPI and UMFK students helped to conduct at the Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory. ★

### Andy Warhol

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the source material for the final portrait,” Huck said. “When grouped, the subtle shift in dynamics between the photographer and subject is apparent. The exhibition also recalls the serial imagery that informed so much of Warhol’s work throughout his career.”

Included in this show are 75 photos, including images of Linda Cossey, Lyn Revson, Frieder Burda, Phillippe Niarchos, Shirley Fiterman, and Jon Gould. The catalog for the exhibition was written by Linda Zillman and designed by UMPI Fine Art student Rowena Forbes as a directed study. The show was co-curated by Zillman.

“Zillman’s catalog is a thorough investigation of the models, themselves,” Reed Art Gallery Director Heather Sincavage said. “She tirelessly researched each person and their relationship with



Warhol. And Zillman and Huck’s curation of the show is in the spirit of Warhol’s iconic grid format of multiple portraits images. This concept is prominent beginning with the selection of photos from our collection to the design of the exhibition itself. It is all with acute attention to what makes Warhol’s approach to the portrait dynamic.”

In 2007, the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, Inc., donated more than 28,500 original Warhol photographs – valued in excess of \$28 million – to 183 college and university art museums across the U.S.

through its Photographic Legacy Program, in honor of the foundation’s 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

“The University of Maine at Presque Isle’s latest exhibition offers a glimpse into an extensive body of work by Warhol,” Zillman said. “Using serial imagery, Warhol created iconic portraits of Marilyn Monroe, Ethel Scull, and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, to name only a few. His portraits range from well-known celebrities and public figures, to celebrity ‘wanna-be’s,’ and to many who remain unknown to us today. We are so pleased to be able to showcase these images for the greater community.”

The reception for this Warhol exhibition will feature a talk at 5:30 P.M. by Linda Zillman on the curation of the show. For more information about this event, please contact Sincavage at 768.9442. ★

# TRiO College Access Services established

UMPI's TRiO Upward Bound office has a new name – TRiO College Access Services – and is expanding after receiving a five-year, \$1.15 million TRiO Educational Talent Search [ETS] grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

The office will serve up to 500 middle and high school students through its new ETS program and continue to offer its two other pre-college programs at UMPI: the TRiO Upward Bound “Central Aroostook” project, and the TRiO Upward Bound “UMPI/UMFK Aroostook Consortium” project, which serves high schools in northern and in southern Aroostook.



Carol McGlinn



Danette Madore



Calvin Hall



Barb London

While Upward Bound and ETS share an overarching goal to help middle and high school age students prepare for college, there are important differences, explained Darylen Cote, who directs all three programs. ETS staffers work with students as early as sixth grade following a curriculum appropriate to each grade level. Upward Bound accepts students at the ninth or tenth grade levels and offers “Saturday College” events and a residential summer program.

The TRiO office has been administratively reorganized to gain efficiencies. Assistant Director **Carol McGlinn** will assume coordination of the ETS program along with her role as Academic Coordinator for Upward Bound. **Danette Madore** will take on the new role of Coordinator of Upward Bound. ■ A total of five new ETS advisors have also joined the staff. **Calvin Hall** is assigned to Limestone Community School, Fort Fairfield Middle/High School and Central Aroostook schools. Hall worked for the Department of Health and Human Services for more

than 30 years, provided casework services in all three youth programs within DHHS. Hall holds an Associate’s degree in Criminal Justice, a Bachelor’s degree in Education, and a Master’s degree in Public Administration. ■ **Barb London** is serving students in Houlton and Hodgdon at Houlton Jr./Sr. High, Mill Pond School and Hodgdon High School. London

grew up in Houlton, but lived around the world for 20 years. She has over 25 years of experience working in Special Education and with behaviorally challenged students. She graduated from UMPI in 2000 with a Bachelor’s degree in Psychology and Social Development. ■ **Charlotte Durr** is covering Southern Aroostook Community School and Katahdin Middle/High School. Durr was born and raised in Dyer Brook and graduated from Island Falls High School. She received her Bachelor’s degree in education from Farmington State College and a Master’s degree in guidance education from the University of Maine. Durr worked in public education for 43 years. ■ **Michelle Labbe** is serving Fort Kent Elementary and High Schools, Wisdom Middle/High School, and Madawaska Middle/High School. Labbe moved with her family to Aroostook County in the fall of 2009. She graduated from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst cum laude with a Bachelor’s degree in Liberal Arts. She taught drama at the Hudson County Area Vocational Technical School in North Bergen, NJ, and discovered a passion for teaching. ■ **Tyna Rolon** will work with Washburn and Ashland middle and high school students. Rolon, a Caribou native, graduated from UMPI with a Bachelor’s degree in Behavioral Science and a BLS in Business Psychology. She earned a Master’s in School Counseling from Rivier College in Nashua, NH. Rolon has worked as a school counselor at all grade levels (elementary, middle and high school). ■ In addition to these five new staff members, TRiO College Access Services has made two more staffing changes. **Michele Green** is being promoted from secretary to Administrative Assistant I with her new responsibilities for ETS, and **Sarah Brooks** is returning as an Upward Bound staffer. Brooks joined the office last year as a temporary employee, and is continuing on this year.

To apply for the ETS and Upward Bound programs, please call 768.9591 or toll free 800.734.3636 or e-mail Cote at darylen.cote@umpi.edu. ★



Charlotte Durr



Michelle Labbe



Tyna Rolon



Michele Green

## Officials preserve work by renowned Maine sculptor

The University has partnered with a Portland gallerist to renovate and preserve a well-known campus symbol and work of art: the 4-ton, 30-foot-tall *Owls* sculpture by famed Maine artist Bernard Langlais. The 35-year-old outdoor wooden sculpture, which is one of the very last Langlais produced before his unexpected death in December 1977, has been exposed to decades of harsh Aroostook County winters resulting in serious deterioration and erosion.

The University has been consulting with Andres Verzosa, director and owner of Aucocisco Galleries in Portland, regarding conservation and preservation efforts to help ensure that future generations are able to enjoy the sculpture. Verzosa has worked for years to preserve Langlais' work.

In the latter part of his career, Bernard Langlais (1921-1977) became known as an "animalier" with works that included large figurative outdoor wooden sculptures. Many of these works remain today, though they have been ravaged by the elements.

UMPI's *Owls* sculpture features five owls and is carved out of timbers salvaged from Portland's Grand Trunk Railroad Grain Elevator that was demolished in 1974. For 34 years, the sculpture has stood on the UMPI campus between Main Street and Emerson Hall. Earlier this year, officials discovered that collapse of the sculpture was imminent, so this spring, they began efforts to renovate and preserve the sculpture.

On February 21, crews began disassembling the sculpture. The pieces will dry naturally until late spring and then the repair and preservation work will begin. The preservation process will effectively petrify the wood and prevent it from undergoing further deterioration. Officials hope to have the sculp-

ture reinstalled on campus in time for Homecoming.

The work is expected to cost approximately \$20,000. Through Verzosa, UMPI learned about the Maine Community Foundation's "Bernard Langlais Fund." The University applied for and received a \$5,000 matching grant from the fund to help pay for the preservation work. Verzosa created the donor-advised fund for the preservation and conservation of public outdoor sculptures by Bernard Langlais. This is the first year Verzosa has dispersed monies from the fund. The University will be raising the remaining funds needed to complete the renovation and preservation work from private donations.

When the sculpture is reinstalled, officials plan to relocate it to a more central campus location.

To make a donation to the project, please contact the UMPI Development Office at 768.9568 or give online by visiting [www.umpi.edu/donate-owls](http://www.umpi.edu/donate-owls). ★



## Reading showcases Zuras' debut novel

UMPI Professor of English and Creative Writing Richard Lee Zuras has had his debut novel published and the University celebrated with a reading and book signing on April 9 in the Campus Center.

Zuras explores Zain's final year of childhood, his father's dismissal from the CIA, and his family's near disintegration in the coming-of-age work *The Bastard Year*, published by the independent press, Brandylane Publishers.

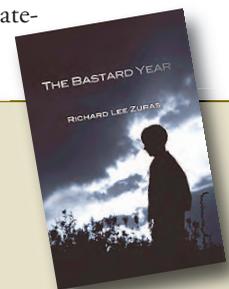
Zuras was able to bring verisimilitude to his novel due to his upbringing – he was born and raised in the suburbs of Washington, D.C., where his father worked as a CIA analyst.

Zuras earned his MFA as the McNeese Fellow at McNeese State University under the auspices of Pulitzer Prize-winner Robert Olen Butler. He also did graduate work at the University of Colorado, George Mason University, and

the University of North Dakota, where he worked under James Robison. At UMPI, Zuras serves as the advisor to the Film Studies program and he has written box-office reviews for the online site [www.fusedwire.com](http://www.fusedwire.com).

Zuras has been published in more than 20 journals, including *Passages North*, *South Dakota Review*, *Story Quarterly*, and *The Laurel Review*. He has also garnered several prizes, including the Yemassee Fiction Award and the Bernard O'Keefe Fiction Scholarship at Bread Loaf Writers' Conference, and was named a Wesleyan Writers' Conference Scholar.

*The Bastard Year* is currently available for sale online at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) and [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com), and at the UMPI Bookstore for \$10 per copy. It can also be purchased in electronic form (for Kindle, iPad, Nook, etc.) by visiting [www.smashwords.com](http://www.smashwords.com). ★

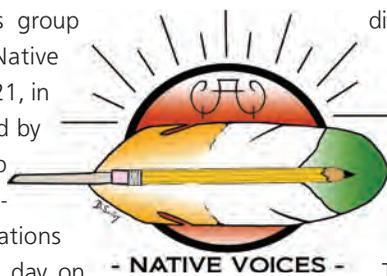


# Students host fifth annual Native Appreciation Day

Students from UMPI's Native Voices group hosted the Fifth Annual Native Appreciation Day on Saturday, April 21, in Wieden Hall. The day-long event, supported by Project Compass, is meant to develop strong connections between higher education and the Native American/First Nations indigenous populations by setting aside a day on campus that focuses on their culture and traditions.

Native Appreciation Day was conceived in late 2007 by David Perley, a councilor with the Tobique First Nation in New Brunswick, and a lecturer for the University of Maine, the University of New Brunswick, and St. Thomas University. Native Voices since has carried on the tradition.

Organizers were pleased to again host a competition Pow Wow during the day's activities. An afternoon and evening of tra-



ditional dancing competitions began at Noon with a Grand Entry and Opening Ceremonies. Competition dancing in all categories and ages was held from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Dance categories included: Senior Women, Senior Men, Junior Girls, Junior Boys, Teen Girls, Teen Boys, Women and Men. All of these categories had separate Traditional and Fancy/Jingle competitions. There also was a Tiny Tots category for the youngest participants. Prize money was awarded to first, second and third place winners.

Vendor tables were set up in Wieden during the Pow Wow competition. Also during the day, there were presentations on Native issues from 12:30-4:30 p.m. The event capped off with an Awards Ceremony from 5 to 6 p.m.

For more information about Native Voices, contact Myrth Schwartz at 768.9792. ★

# UMPI celebrates 11th annual University Day

From bullying and service learning in Tanzania to ADHD and demystifying sports myths, UMPI students showcased their academic research, scholarly work and community service on April 11 during University Day. The theme of this year's event was *UMPI = Global Connections*.

University Day heightens students' awareness of the work being done by peers in all of the disciplines represented on campus. The annual campus event allows students to better understand how disciplines interrelate and how the academic work they do applies to the local and global community.

More than 100 students offered 28 talks and presentations, covering areas of study as wide ranging as athletic training, criminal justice, social work, education, special education, business, biology and literature.

In addition, the International Students Club hosted its CultureFest 2012. Members of the club delivered presentations on Israel, Nepal, and China. The day's events also included a Student Clubs and Organizations Fair. Campus groups presented displays on the second

floor of Folsom and Pullen Halls. A new addition to this year's University Day activities was a poster session in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Campus Center.

To add to the community spirit of the day, the University opened its doors to the public. The University Day committee invited students from local high schools, and community members were welcome to attend all sessions.

During lunch, Alana Margeson was presented with the Distinguished Recent Alumni Award. Margeson, a member of UMPI's Class of 2000, graduated from the University with her Bachelor's degree – a double major in Elementary Education and Secondary Education. She later went on to earn her Master's degree in education administration from St. Joseph's College in Standish. Margeson is a Caribou High School English teacher who was named Maine's 2012 Teacher of the Year.

As Maine Teacher of the Year, Margeson has been identified as an outstanding teacher who best represents the thousands of excellent educators in Maine and serves as an advocate for the teaching profession, education and students. She is expected to attend

five national events, including a conference at Princeton, a workshop in New York City, and NASA Space Camp.



Alana Margeson

Additionally, she will have the opportunity to participate in a ceremony with the President and U.S. Secretary of Education.

Margeson is a member of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development and the National Council for Teachers of English. She is also an advisory board member for the Teaching Channel ([teachingchannel.org](http://teachingchannel.org)) and a freelance writer for Dr. Janet Allen's *Plugged Into Reading* and *Plugged Into Non-Fiction* literacy programs. Margeson is a Caribou High School graduate. She and her husband Erich reside in Stockholm with their four sons.

In the evening, the University's Distinguished Lecturer Series presented Dr. Gary Marx, Founder and President of the Virginia-based Center for Public Outreach. (See page 3 for more details on his talk.) ★

## UMPI hosts Geological Society of Maine meeting

Working and aspiring geologists from throughout Maine, as well as geology-focused educators and students, gathered at the University recently when it hosted the Spring 2012 meeting of the Geological Society of Maine on April 13.

This is only the second time in the society's 38-year history that one of its annual meetings has been held at UMPI. The Geological Society of Maine [GSM], founded in 1974, is a non-profit organization dedicated to geological issues and education in Maine, according to its website.

UMPI's Environmental Studies and Sustainability Program as well as its Geology Club were instrumental in bringing the meeting to the Presque Isle campus.

The day's activities included an executive committee meeting, lunch, and an Employment Panel that provided stu-

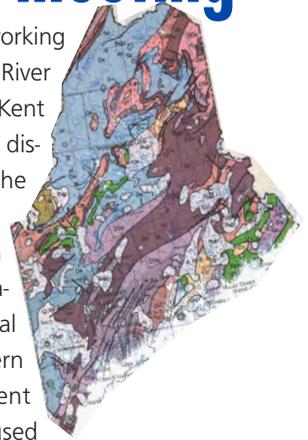
dents preparing to seek jobs in the fields of geological and environmental sciences and professionals in those fields with a chance to discuss typical interview and employment practices.

In the afternoon, geology students from around the state delivered posters and presentations and the society's business meeting took place. The daylong event culminated with a keynote address by Dr. Steve Kite titled *Ice Age Refugia in Cold Air Traps - Prospects in the Northern New England Landscape*. Dr. Kite serves as Chair of the Department of Geology and Geography at West Virginia University.

Professor Kite obtained his Master's degree at the University of Maine in 1979 and focused on the postglacial history of the St. John River Valley between Fort Kent and Grand Falls, New Brunswick. Dr.

Kite continued working on the St. John River upstream of Fort Kent for his 1983 Ph.D. dissertation at the University of Wisconsin, which addressed the glacial and postglacial history of northern Maine. His recent research has focused on surficial geology in the Central Appalachians, especially cold air traps in talus slopes and rock cities.

Following the GSM meeting, there was a memorial gathering for UMPI Emeritus Professor William H. "Bill" Forbes, a long-time geologist who taught at the University for more than 20 years and passed away in 2011. ★



### Memorial gathering held for Bill Forbes

In remembrance of a well-known and honored Maine geologist and paleontologist, the University hosted a memorial gathering for UMPI Emeritus Professor of Geology William H. "Bill" Forbes on April 13.

Forbes, who passed away in 2011, was a long-time geologist, accomplished field investigator, and internationally known researcher of Devonian paleobotany who taught at UMPI for more than 20 years.

Forbes was born in Bingham in 1931, grew up in Caribou, and graduated from Caribou High School in 1949. Soon after, Forbes married his lifelong companion Warrena [Bugbee] Forbes and took a job with the National Cash

Register Co. On his lunch breaks, he would explore outcroppings along the roadside and uncover fossils, which led to a very important chance meeting.

One lunch break as he worked at a roadside outcrop, a van full of geologists pulled up. When they asked Forbes what he was doing and he replied that he was collecting fossils, they informed him that he wasn't likely to find anything. Forbes then suggested to the scientists – hailing from institutions like the University of Connecticut, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the U.S. Geological Survey – that they take a look at some of the specimens he had in his basement. They did pay him a

visit and thus began Forbes' lasting association and friendship with many paleontologists throughout the country.

Forbes has more than a dozen fossil species named after him and co-discovered *Pertica quadrifaria*, designated as Maine's official fossil.

In 1970, despite a lack of formal college and graduate level training, Forbes was appointed a part-time lecturer at the Aroostook State College of the University of Maine (a precursor to UMPI). The glowing recommendations of his colleagues – from the University of Maine, MIT, University of Oregon, USGS, and elsewhere around the world – are believed to have played a major role in helping him to

secure the position. Within a year, he had advanced to full-time geology instructor, and was promoted from Associate to full Professor of Geology in 1985.

Forbes received an honorary D.Sc. degree from Ricker College in 1970. From that point on, and even after his retirement in the early 1990s, his students always referred to him with affection as "Doc Forbes."

The April 13 memorial included an introduction by President Don Zillman and the reading of a testimonial – written by colleagues Dr. Gary Boone, Dr. Brad Hall and Dr. Andrew Kasper – while a slideshow of Forbes' career cycled in the background. ★

# Levesque named 2013 Maine Policy Scholar

The Maine Community Foundation has announced the Maine Policy Scholars 2011-2012 class. Students from campuses throughout the University of Maine System have been selected to pursue a year-long program of applied research in the area of Maine public policy.

At UMPI, Andrew Levesque, a senior Criminal Justice major from Madawaska, is researching police management policy issues in Maine and the impact federal funding cuts are having on them. Levesque will be recommending strategies that might help agencies avoid financial shortcomings when federal funding is no longer available.

Levesque will produce a final report in the form of a memo to the Governor or appropriate policymaker, which outlines the issue and the data available, and recommended policy solutions. In the late spring, he will present the report in the



UMPI's Maine Policy Scholar Andrew Levesque presents some of his research during the recent Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences conference in New York City.

form of a briefing to a panel of policymakers.

Levesque recently had the opportunity to prepare for this presentation by delivering a talk on his research during the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) conference held in mid-March in New York City.

During the course of the academic year, Maine Policy Scholars work with a faculty advisor, in Levesque's case, Dr.

Charles Johnson, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice. Other 2011-2012 scholars include Lucas Butler, University of Maine at Farmington; Owen Cunnane, University of Maine at Fort Kent; Benjamin Goodman, University of Maine; and John McLaughlin, University of Maine at Augusta.

The late Peter Cox established the Maine Scholars Fund at the Maine Community Foundation in 1987. The program was introduced in 1995 and is managed by the community foundation with input from an advisory committee.

A statewide foundation with offices in Ellsworth and Portland, the Maine Community Foundation partners with donors and nonprofits to strengthen Maine communities. For more information, visit [www.mainecef.org](http://www.mainecef.org) or call toll-free 877.700.6800. ★

## Zillman published again by Oxford University Press

President Don Zillman has garnered another publication by one of the most prestigious academic presses in the world. *Energy Networks and the Law: Innovative Solutions in Changing Markets*, which Zillman co-edited with Martha M. Roggenkamp, Lila Barrera-Hernandez and Inigo del Guayo, was published by Oxford University Press in 2012.

*Energy Networks and the Law* provides an overview of the legal challenges governments and other entities face when dealing with energy networks. Energy networks include everything from oil and gas pipelines to electric transmission and distribution lines. Legal challenges range from environmental protection issues to international jurisdiction and business regulation issues.

The book features an international team of editors – Roggenkamp is from the Netherlands, Barrera-Hernandez from Argentina, and del Guayo from Spain. Its 25 authors are from places like China, Russia, the European Union, Australia and Brazil.

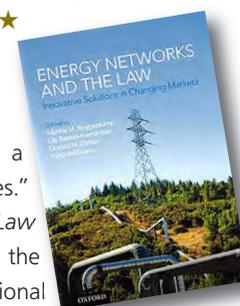
"This geographic diversity allowed the book to provide an accurate sense of what's happening around the globe right now with energy networks and their legal challenges," President Zillman said. "It was quite exciting as an editor to be able to pull all of these analy-

ses and perspectives together and present a comprehensive and insightful look at the issues."

The idea for *Energy Networks and the Law* was formed during a biennial meeting of the Academic Advisory Group of the International Bar Association's Section of Energy, Environment, Resources and Infrastructure Law [SEERIL]. At its April 2010 meeting in Toronto, the group vetted possible topics for its next biennium study and elected to explore energy networks and their legal implications.

As part of the manuscript process, President Zillman was able to travel to the Netherlands last summer to meet and work on draft chapters with the book's editors and authors. The event, held at the Groningen Centre of Energy Law at the 400-year-old University of Groningen in the northern Netherlands, involved the presentation of individual papers, strong critiques on them, and group sessions on the shape of the final book. The book's editors also spent time crafting the introduction and conclusion.

*Energy Networks and the Law* was officially presented at the latest SEERIL meeting, which was held in Santiago, Chile, in April 2012. ★



# Corsello accepts new position in North Carolina

UMPI Vice President for Student Affairs, Dean of Students and Athletic Director Christine Corsello will be departing at the end of the 2011-2012 academic year after accepting a Vice Chancellorship in North Carolina.



Christine Corsello

Corsello will be stepping into the position of Vice Chancellor and Dean for Student Services and Enrollment Management at Carolina HealthCare System on the campus of Cabarrus College of Health Sciences in Concord, North Carolina.

"It is with great sadness, but full understanding, that we announce this move for Vice President Corsello," UMPI President Don Zillman said. "This is familiar work for Chris given her past deanship at Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Of greater importance, this relocates Chris and her family to home territory in North Carolina."

Corsello has 25 years of experience in student services. She has led UMPI's student affairs efforts since 2007, first as Dean of Students and later taking on the

role of Athletic Director. Prior to this, Corsello has served as the Dean of Students and Chief Student Affairs Officer at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Boston, Mass., as the Director of Residence Life and later as the Associate Dean of Students at Fitchburg State College in Fitchburg, Mass., and as the Area Director at the University of Maryland in College Park, Md.

"Chris's work has touched every aspect of the UMPI student experience—residence life, health, counseling, athletics, student activities, admissions, and on and on," Zillman said. "Chris manages to be the consummate professional at the same time that she can be wise friend and counselor to so many of the students who have attended UMPI in the last five years. I know I speak for campus in saying how much we will miss Chris's leadership and her passion for UMPI students. We wish her well in her new endeavors."

Officials will shortly begin a search for a successor. ★

Community

## HHEC holds *Options and Opportunities - A Workshop for Farmers and Farm Supporters*

UMPI's Houlton Higher Education Center was the site of a workshop designed to bring together farmers and farm supporters for a day filled with valuable presentations regarding their industry. Participants were able to hear presentations by a number of individuals including Andrew McPartland of JH McPartland & Sons, Stephanie Gilbert of the Maine Department of Agriculture, and John Jemison from the University of Maine's Cooperative Extension, to name a few. Topics of discussion included assessing Maine's agricultural future; taxation; business planning; energy; community tools; estate and succession planning for farmers; and farm budgeting and record keeping. This event was sponsored by the Southern Aroostook Soil and Water Conservation District, Maine Farmland Trust, and the University of Maine's Cooperative Extension. ★

# UMPI students assist with Kinder College

Several UMPI students visited Pine Street Elementary School in Presque Isle recently to help educators facilitate a Kinder College for pre-K to grade 2 students.

The Kinder College was the brain child of Presque Isle High School student Kent Smith and guidance counselor Mary Ann Warren. The two were among a handful of student-educator teams nationwide selected to be Bezos Scholars and attend the Aspen Ideas Festival in the summer of 2011. It was at the festival that they formed the idea for their own Local Ideas Festival – a Kinder College that would allow youngsters to explore different careers and learn about the education and work it takes to attain them.

Working with groups and organizations throughout the community, including UMPI, organizers held the Kinder College on March 20. Five UMPI Physical Education majors

worked with six groups of kindergartners, teaching interdisciplinary physical education classes. The lessons involved some elements of a traditional physical education class blended with lessons in everything from math and science to history and language arts.

Students involved in the project included Desiree Smith, Lainey Herring, Justin Fereshetian, Alan Hitchcock, and Chris Moore. They were led by UMPI Professor of Physical Education Chris Standefer.

"We were very pleased to be a part of this Kinder College event," Standefer said. "Not only did everyone have a great time, but this also was a great opportunity for our students to get some excellent hands-on experience with kindergartners and work some new elements into their physical education lesson plans." ★

# Sports! Sports! Sports!

## Saucier and Moore receive AD3I honors



Rashell Saucier (at left) and Emily Moore (above)

UMPI Women's Basketball players **Rashell Saucier** (So. - Washburn, ME) and **Emily Moore** (Sr. - Lisbon, ME) were recently named to the NCAA Association of Division III Independents' All Independent Team for the 2011-2012 season.

Saucier, a two-time AD3I Player of the Week this season was a unanimous First Team selection. Moore was named to the AD3I Second Team.



### UMPI Owls receive national recognition

The United States Collegiate Athletic Association recently announced its men's and women's basketball All-American and All-Academic teams. Congratulations to Coach Casciano, Coach Heidorf, and our men's and women's basketball teams.

### UMPI athletes participate in NCAA Division III Week

The National Collegiate Athletic Association has dedicated a week to celebrate the achievements and dedication of Division III athletes. In April, UMPI athletes and their coaches celebrated the week with the rest of the nation in an effort to increase awareness of what it takes to be a Division III athlete. Dual sport athletes, the efforts of the Student Athletic Advisory Committee, the importance of academics and athletics, as well as community service projects our athletes have participated in were highlighted.



### Basketball Award Recipients

#### MEN

*USCAA All-American  
Honorable Mention*

#### Patrick Manifold

(Jr. - Great Yarmouth, UK)

*USCAA All-Academic*

#### Kyle Corrigan

(Jr. - Caribou, ME)

#### Brennen Morton

(Sr. - Chepachet, RI)

#### Lucas Bartlett

(So. - Bradley, ME)

#### Brad Trask

(Jr. - Easton, ME)

#### Patrick Manifold

(Jr. - Great Yarmouth, UK)

#### WOMEN

*USCAA All-American  
Honorable Mention*

#### Rashell Saucier

(So. - Washburn, ME)

*USCAA All-Academic*

#### Emily Moore

(Sr. - Lisbon, ME)

#### Emily Pelletier

(Jr. - Fort Kent, ME)

#### Chelsea Boudreau

(Sr. - Wallace, NS)

#### Taylor Ussery

(So. - La Verne, CA)

To be considered for the All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must be either a sophomore, junior, or senior and possess a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.

# Sports! Sports! Sports!

## UMPI Cross Country runners listed top in AD3I

The Association of Division III Independents released their All-Independent Cross Country teams and the UMPI Owls were well represented. Congratulations to Coach Smith and our Owls on a great season!

### WOMEN

Honorable Mention

**Kati Christoffel**

(Jr. - Clifton Park, NY)

**Emily Wright**

(Fr. - Mapleton, ME)

**Carly Langley**

(So. - Truro, NS)

### MEN

Second Team

**Justin Fereshetian**

(Sr. - Turner, ME)

Honorable Mention

**Philip Boody**

(Jr. - New Sweden, ME)

**Daniel Dermody**

(Fr. - Cheshire, MA)

**Andrew Nesbitt**

(Fr. - Williamstown, MA)

## UMPI baseball player follows her dreams

**Ghazaleh Sailors** is just like any other baseball player at UMPI; except one thing. She is a girl. A member of the USA Baseball women's national team, she was given numerous opportunities to play at the highest level of collegiate softball, but turned it all down for an opportunity to follow her dreams and play college baseball. Sailors is a relief pitcher for the UMPI Owls and has high hopes for the future of women in baseball, "the more girls that see high school and college girls playing baseball and not switching over to softball, the more they'll want to stick to baseball. One day there's going to be a girl who comes down the line who can throw hard, is big and makes it to the big leagues." ★

## New Volleyball Coach announced

**M**ark Kornachuck has been hired as the new Head Women's Volleyball Coach at UMPI for the Fall 2012 season. Kornachuck joins the University with significant volleyball knowledge and has an expertise in teaching skill development to players. Congratulations and welcome to Coach Kornachuck! ★

Hole 14 of the UMPI Talon Trails Disc Golf Course was stolen between the hours of 4 p.m. on March 23 and 2:45 p.m. on March 24. The hole is located along the bend of the road leading to the wind turbine. Tire tracks are distinctly noticeable and the sleeve and concrete are still present in the ground; however, the basket is gone. It appears the individuals responsible for the crime attempted multiple times to pull the basket loose before the lock finally broke. If you have any information about the crime, you are urged to contact Greg Daniels at 768.9580.

## notes

### 10 x 10 Art Auction to be held

The Wintergreen Arts Center and UMPI have teamed up to host their first ever 10 x 10 Art Auction to raise funds for the Cultural Center in Downtown Presque Isle. The silent auction and reception will be held during the monthly First Friday Art Walk on May 4 from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Wintergreen Arts Center. For the auction, participating artists have between now and the end of April to fill in the provided 10-inch by 10-inch blank canvas in any way they choose. The works will then go on display at the Arts Center until the night of the auction. FMI contact co-organ-

izers Wendy Gilman-Zubrick at wzubrick@hotmail.com, or Heather Sincavage at heather.sincavage@umpi.edu.

### Blackstone and Closson receive recognition

Barbara Blackstone, UMPI's Athletic Training Education Program Director, was recently named to the Maine Athletic Trainer's Association Hall of Fame during the association's Annual Awards Banquet. This award is given in recognition of professional excellence and years of dedicated service to Athletic Trainers in the State of Maine. UMPI's Cody Closson also received the Carl Nelson District One Scholarship of \$1,000 to put towards his edu-



Barb Blackstone and Cody Closson receive recognition. Congratulations to Barb and Cody!

### UMPI Professor inducted at national conference

Dr. Charles Johnson, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at the University, was inducted as Vice-chair of the police section of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) at its annual meeting. This award is

given by the police section of the ACJS to the most outstanding candidate who has demonstrated dedication to the criminal justice academia and community over a sustained period of time. Johnson also co-presented the paper *Participant-Observer Report on the U.S. Border Patrol Citizens' Academy* with UMPI student Andrew Levesque, and chaired a panel discussion on Federal



Dr. Charles Johnson Law Enforcement and Security Research at the conference.

## notes

### UMPI faculty, staff members help with freshwater snail research

Staff member Jeanie McGowan and faculty member Dr. Judy Roe were recently recognized for their help on a research project that was published for the Maine Outdoor



Heritage Fund in February. The two assisted Kenneth

Hotopp of the environmental consulting company Appalachian Conservation Biology, building upon the research by well-known regional naturalist Olof Nylander. McGowan and Roe were thanked in the acknowledgements section of Hotopp's final report, *Freshwater Snail Inventory of the Fish River Lakes*, for their help with the project.

### UMPI students present at Undergraduate Research Day

Three students from the University presented at the second-annual State House Undergraduate Research Day on March 23. Environmental Studies major Scott Belair (Jr. - Bridgewater, ME) presented *Research on two Ecologically and Economically Important Northern Maine Landscapes: Commercial Forests and Underutilized Agricultural Land*, Criminal Justice Major Adam Pinette (Sr. - Mars Hill, ME) presented *Theft from Motor Vehicles: A Case Study in Presque Isle, ME*, while English major Donna DeLong (Sr. - Westfield, ME) presented *I'm all Ears: the Art of Asking and Listening*. Thirty-two students from across the University of Maine System presented with their faculty advisors in attendance at the event. UMPI's

Jason Johnston, Assistant Professor of Wildlife Ecology; Charles Johnson, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice; Lisa Leduc, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice; and Jacquelyn Lowman, Assistant Professor of Journalism and Mass Communication, served as the advisors for Belair, Pinette, and DeLong.

### Annual Spring Runoff 5K Road Race a success

The UMPI Cross Country teams held the 32nd Annual Spring Runoff Road Race on April 7. The race is a major fundraiser for the teams. Approximately 150 runners and walkers participated, a record number for the event. Sponsors were River Run Deli, Pepsi Bottling Company, the UMPI Cross Country teams, and the Aroostook Musters Running Club. Congratulations on another successful Spring Runoff!

### Physical Education students attend national conference

Physical Education students from UMPI attended the recent American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) National Conference at the Prudential Center in Boston, MA. They were able

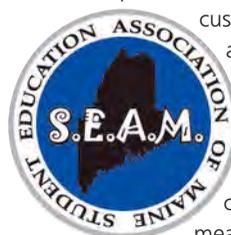


to attend sessions presented by Physical Education professionals, the University of Maine at Orono's Hockey East Semi-Final game against Boston University, and an Alumni Social sponsored by the UMPI Alumni Office. The students are members of UMPI's Physical Education Majors Club and are active on campus as well as in the surrounding community. They volunteer at events such as UMPI's Fit and Fun Day, 3 on 3 basketball tournaments held at the University, and were

recently involved in the Kinder College event held at Pine Street Elementary School.

### Education students attend SEAM conference

Members of the UMPI chapter of SEAM (Student Education Association of Maine) were in Augusta for the 2012 SEAM and Professional Issues Conference. The focus was *The sky's the limit: promoting creativity in Maine's schools*. Workshops were held and discussions



about race in the classroom, how to create meaningful and engaged learning for underachievers, and social justice took place. Education majors are encouraged to join the UMPI SEAM chapter. Members receive access to resources that will prepare them for their careers through professional development opportunities and various on- and off-campus activities. FMI: Danielle Pelkey at [danielle.pelkey@maine.edu](mailto:danielle.pelkey@maine.edu).

### HHEC students participate in Dream Rocket Project

UMPI Instructor Ann Kittredge asked more than 20 students at the Houlton Higher Education Center from Experience of the Arts and Basic Design courses to work together and create dream panels for The Dream Rocket project. Each artist was able to decorate a canvas made with any flexible, sewable material. FMI: [www.thedreamrocket.com](http://www.thedreamrocket.com).

### UMPI holds Exotic Animal Adventures event

The University invited the public to attend their *Exotic*

*Animal Adventures* event on April 23 in the Campus Center. Attendees were given the opportunity to meet, pet, and hold seven exotic animals, and learn about climate change and wildlife conservation.

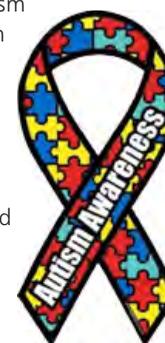
### Walk in Her Shoes event held at UMPI

The University invited the public to participate on April 19 in its Walk in Her Shoes event, a walk to raise awareness and money for sexual assault and domestic violence victims. Established in 2001, the walk has become a world-wide movement with tens of thousands of men raising millions of dollars for local rape crisis centers, domestic violence shelters and other sexualized violence education, prevention and remediation programs.



### UMPI to hold Walk for Autism

The University will host a Walk for Autism in conjunction with the Autism Society of Maine in an effort to raise awareness and support for those affected by autism in Northern Maine. The two-mile walk will begin with registration from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. on April 29 in the Campus Center. The walk will kick-off at noon, rain or shine, with refreshments afterward. There will be resources available, face painting, popcorn, snow cones, entertainment, and more. FMI: Student Activities, 968.9582. ★



## Congratulations



Margaret Selig

March Student of the Month

### A Bachelor of Liberal Studies major

in Elementary Education, Margaret is from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Known for being a quiet, exceptional role model, she has many achievements: she is a wife and a mother, is consistently named to the Dean's list, and is a member of S.E.A.M., the Student Education Association of Maine. Margaret is friendly and always willing to help students and staff. She also gives back to her community by volunteering at an after school program and food pantry along with organizing many educational programs. ■ "Ms. Margaret Selig deserves to be recognized as the next Student of the Month. She stands out in so many ways and she, as a Canadian Teacher Certification Student in our College of Education, has the respect of her fellow students and faculty. She epitomizes everything an UMPI student/graduate should possess or represent: knowledge, skills, and dispositions." – from the nomination form

## Community

### Benefit concert to be held at UMPI

A concert to benefit the Central Aroostook Humane Society will be held on April 28 at 7 p.m. in the Campus Center. The concert is chem-free and open to the public. Admission will be \$10; UMPI students are free with a valid student ID. Additional monetary donations as well as donations of supplies such as pet food, non-scoopable litter, paper towels and bleach are also encouraged. FMI 768.9502.

## Support UMPI's Women and Crime class and enjoy tasty treats!

The Women and Crime Class will be holding weekly bake sales to raise funds for their service project with the Women's Reentry Center in Bangor. Proceeds will be used to purchase taxi vouchers and bus passes for women looking for work as they plan their transition process from the Center.

Stop in to Pullen/Folsom from 10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. on May 1 to purchase some yummy treats and support their cause! ★

## Two new babies join the UMPI family!

**Dallas Rae Dorsey** was born on St. Patrick's Day. She weighed 8lbs. and 1 oz. and was 20.5 in. long. Congratulations to KIM MCCREA and Matt Dorsey on their beautiful baby girl.



**Oliver Mack Parks** was born on March 14, 2012. He weighed 7 lbs. and 9 oz., and was 20 in. long. Congratulations DEENA ALBERT-PARKS, Barrett Parks, and big brother Timber on their new arrival!





the 16th annual  
**spring ball**  
friday april 27, 2012  
university of maine  
**presque isle** ★

**Social** 6:30 pm  
**Dinner** 7 pm  
**Dance** 8:30 pm  
TicketTs:  
**Dinner/Dance**  
students \$10  
faculty, staff, guests \$15  
**Dance** is free but you must have a ticket.

Tickets available at the student Activities Office in the Campus Center and the Alumni Office in Preble Hall

seating is limited.

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### Caribou Choral Society Spring Concerts

The Caribou Choral Society presents its spring concerts *Look to the Day* on Saturday, May 5, 7 p.m. at the Holy Rosary Church in Caribou, and Sunday, May 6, 3 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Presque Isle. The public is cordially invited to attend.

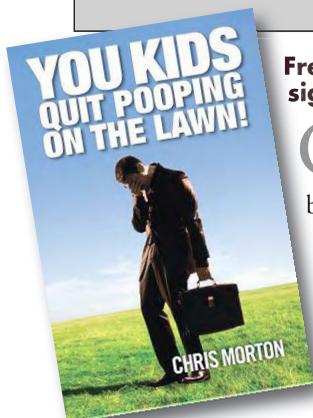
■ Choral music of all kinds will be performed – from classical, sacred, spirituals, and folk tunes, to Broadway and pop songs. Some of the area's finest soloists will be featured as well. Although the concerts are free, a good will offering will be taken following the performances.

### Maine State Chamber to hold Regional Business Breakfast Meeting

President Dana Connors and the staff of the Maine State Chamber will hold the annual Regional Breakfast Meeting on May 2, from 7:30 - 9 a.m. in the UMPI Campus Center. This is an informal group meeting of progressive business leaders from the region. Space is limited and on a first come, first serve basis. RSVP to Amy Downing - adowning@mainechamber.org. Be sure to include the date of the breakfast in your subject line. If you have any questions call 623.4568 ext. 104.

### Stars of Aroostook Cabaret

The 2nd Annual Stars of Aroostook Cabaret show will be held at UMPI on April 28 at 7 p.m. in Wieden Auditorium. The show is designed to showcase the vast amount of talent that The County has to offer. Admission at the door will be \$5 and a 50/50 raffle will be held. Proceeds from the event will benefit the American Cancer Society. The show is presented by the "Raise" of Hope. ★



#### Free reading and book signing by UMPI alumnus

Christopher Morton will read excerpts from his book, *You Kids Quit Pooping on the Lawn!* on April 30 in the UMPI Library. A welcome reception is at 6:30 p.m. with light refreshments, and the reading begins at 7 p.m.

FMI 768.9452.

## Attention Students! New Course Evaluation System

To all students taking courses at UMPI:

We have a new course evaluation system in place this semester that replaces the old paper-based system with which you're all familiar. Evaluations will now be available for completion online! The new system was created by The IDEA Center, and will be in place for the evaluations you will all make at the end of this semester. **The evaluations began on April 16 and will close on May 1.**

- ✓ For each course in which you are enrolled, you will receive an email at your @maine.edu address.
- ✓ Each course will have its own unique web address for its evaluation.
- ✓ Follow the link in each email to fill out each evaluation electronically.
- ✓ All evaluations must be completed by May 1.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE for completing these evaluations promptly, and we look forward to receiving feedback from you that will help us to improve teaching and learning at the University of Maine at Presque Isle. ★

## Want to help a great cause? Get your tickets now!

The UMPI Owl Relay for Life team is selling raffle tickets for their Gift Certificate Bag. An over-\$1,300 value, the bag will go to one lucky winner. Tickets can be purchased from the Financial Aid Office. The drawing will take place June 1 at the Aroostook Relay for Life event in Caribou. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. FMI: Laurie Boucher, 768.9512.



Eight teams participated in UMPI's First Cardboard Boat Regatta, held on April 6 in the Gentile Hall pool. About 100 campus and community members turned out to cheer on the teams, view some amazing designs (including a dragon and a shark), and view some epic boat sinking. This year's winning team (\$250 award) was the Sun Drops (Renee Moore, Audra Kirk, Katelin Calabrese, and Amber Cloutier). Team winners of the four boat decorating categories (\$50 prizes) were the Argonauts for Most Original, Studio 923 for Most School Spirit, the Flying Fishsticks for Most Creative, and the Argonauts for Audience Choice.

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**APRIL 25**

**Gay-Straight Alliance** meeting  
4:45pm Campus Center 118

■ **Movie Night** "Green Lantern"

8pm Wieden Auditorium FMI  
768.9582 ■ **Athletics Awards**

**Ceremony** 6pm Campus Center  
**THROUGH APRIL 26**

**Bryanne Thomas senior show**  
Reed Gallery

**APRIL 27**

**Carolyn Anderson reception** 5-7pm, for her senior show, Reed Gallery (on display through May 3) ■ **Fire & Ice Spring Ball** 6:30pm Campus Center

**APRIL 28**

**OAPI Zip Line Adventure** FMI  
768.9401 ■ **Concert** to benefit Central Aroostook Humane Society 7pm Campus Center

**APRIL 30**

**Chris Morton Reading & Book Signing** *You Kids Quit Pooping on the Lawn!* 6:30pm, Library.

**MAY 1**

**Women & Crime Bake Sale**  
10:30am-2pm Pullen/Folsom Hall

**MAY 2**

**Gay-Straight Alliance** meeting  
4:45pm Campus Center 118

**MAY 3**

**Student Appreciation Barbecue**

**MAY 4**

**Andy Warhol exhibition** (see story on page 1) 5-7pm opening reception Reed Gallery ■ **10 x 10 Art Auction** 6-9pm

Wintergreen Arts Center FMI  
762.3576 or 768.9442 ■ **First**

**Friday Downtown Art Walk** ■

**Alana Venturo senior show** Reed Gallery through May 12

**MAY 5**

**OAPI Outdoor Rock Climbing** at Acadia National Park FMI  
768.9401

**MAY 11**

**Alana Venturo reception** 5-7pm, for her senior show, Reed Gallery

**MAY 12**

**Commencement** 10:30am  
Wieden  
Gymnasium



**We want to hear about your news & events!**

If you would like to submit an item for the **May image**, the deadline for submissions is 4:30 p.m. Monday, May 7.

Submissions received after that date may not be included.

*Email news or event information to [sara.martin@umpi.edu](mailto:sara.martin@umpi.edu).*

**FIT AND FUN DAY**

UMPI students facilitate fun (and healthy) activities with local elementary schoolers during the 15th annual Fit and Fun Day. (photos courtesy *Star-Herald*)



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