



## Dr. Jonathan Bassett serves as next DLS speaker

The University will host Dr. Jonathan Bassett, Associate Professor of Psychology at Lander University in South Carolina and Terror Management Theory researcher, as the next speaker in its 2012-2013 University Distinguished Lecturer Series.

Center. He will speak about Terror Management Theory – the idea that human behavior is motivated mostly by fear of mortality – and how it impacts views on everything from self-esteem to racial prejudices. Bassett’s lecture is free and the public is invited to be a part of this special evening.

chapters, 25 journal articles, and 80 professional presentations. His research interests focus on examining attitudes about death and dying and testing hypotheses derived from Terror Management Theory. Dr. Bassett recently appeared on the *National Geographic* program *Taboo* for an interview about his research on death attitudes. In the episode, *Living with the Dead*, he discussed why occupations that require contact with dead bodies are considered taboo and how being employed in such occupations might change people’s outlook on death.

Dr. Bassett will deliver his talk *Scared of Death: The Role of Existential Terror in Human Psychology* on Friday, Oct. 19, at 7 P.M., in the Campus

Terror Management Theory is a fairly new theory in social psychology – it was proposed in 1986 – and it has been used to research areas as diverse as depression, romantic attachment, religion, group identification, and risk taking.

Dr. Bassett is the recipient of several awards, including the Lander University Young Faculty Scholar Award (2006), the South Carolina Psychological Association’s Outstanding Teacher of Psychology Award (2011), and the Lander University Distinguished Professor Award (2011). In 2012, he was named the Lander Foundation Endowed Professor.

Dr. Bassett serves on the editorial board for *The Open Psychology Journal* and *The Open Social Science Journal* and regularly reviews manuscripts for numerous other journals. He is currently the President of the South Carolina Psychological Association, serves as the chair of the Lander University Faculty Senate, and is a mem- *continued on page 2*



## UMPI celebrates 20th anniversary of Campus Center

The University will mark the 20th anniversary of a campus building that has served as a major hub for student activities, community events, and cultural programs in the region by hosting its Campus Center 20th Celebration, to be held on Thursday, Oct. 25 from 4-6 p.m. The campus and community are invited to attend this free event.

This open house event will include guided building tours, live music provided by local artists, giveaways, door prizes, and an appetiz-

er showcase by ARAMARK. In addition, the UMPI Bookstore will offer a 20 percent discount on selected merchandise. Guests visiting campus are eligible for a Grand Prize of discounted catering and facilities.

“We’re very excited to be celebrating the important role our Campus Center has served here at UMPI and in the community over the last two decades,” UMPI *continued on page 4*



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## Phys Ed Major teaching lessons at day care

UMPI Senior Physical Education major Emily Staples is getting hands-on experience working with local kids right on campus during the Fall 2012 semester. Under her faculty advisor's direction, Staples is providing quality physical education lessons twice a week to the children attending the KuriouCity Child Care and Learning Center, located on the University campus on the first floor of Kelley Commons.

Dr. Chris Standefer and KuriouCity Director Sue Bell met this summer to discuss the possibility of providing physical education programming for the 2- to 8-year-old children in the day care center. The result of their conversation was to have a senior-level student lead this programming to give the youngsters some fun daytime activities while providing the UMPI student with a valuable teaching opportunity.

Dr. Standefer said she is thrilled with the opportunity to have one of her students work with an area agency in this unique way.

"I'm always looking for ways for my students to have a chance to teach physical education," Standefer said. "I immediately thought of Emily and I know that she will do an outstanding job. I hope to be able to continue this working relationship with the KuriouCity Day Care center for both my students and the children in the day care center."

Emily Staples, of Trenton, has extensive experience working with very young children. She is very excited about this

opportunity and already has planned and led a number of fun activities for the children.

"I am so thankful for this opportunity," Staples said. "It allows me to work directly with the age group that I have focused my studies on. And these kiddos are amazing – every day provides a new challenge, experience, and a very exciting lesson!"

For more information about UMPI's Physical Education Program, or to talk with Dr. Standefer about potential opportunities for Physical Education majors to provide classes in the community, please call 768.9457. ★



Phys Ed Major Emily Staples leads a physical education lesson for children at the KuriouCity day care center.

## Bassett

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ber of several professional organizations, including the Association for Psychological Science and the Society for Personality and Social Psychology.

He received his Bachelor's degree in psychology from Furman University in South Carolina in 1996 and his Master's degree and Ph.D. in Social Psychology from Georgia State University in 2002. He is currently an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychological Science at Lander University, where he teaches courses in research methods, statistics, and social psychology.



All are invited to a reception with Dr. Bassett in the Campus Center immediately following his talk. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact the University's Community and Media Relations Office at 768.9452. ★

## Congratulations Nicholas Paul September Student of the Month

Nicholas Paul is a Recreation/Leisure major from Connor, Maine. He has many achievements – he is friendly and always willing to help students and staff. He is the co-chair of Native Voices and he is involved in the UMPI Hockey club. Nicholas helps the Native Education Center in transitioning incoming underclassmen by inviting them to his home for a dinner. He is an excellent ambassador for UMPI and has been asked to speak about his experiences at UMPI on several occasions for Project Compass. Nicholas is a full-time student and a full-time father and husband. Once again, congratulations to Nicholas!



## PI Rotary Club, UMPI celebrate World Polio Day

The Presque Isle Rotary Club and the University are joining forces to host a jam-packed World Polio Day event for the campus and community on Wednesday, Oct. 24. The day's activities, meant to raise awareness of and funding for Rotary International's efforts to eradicate polio worldwide, will include a Purple Pinkie Project fundraiser from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and an evening presentation about polio at 7 p.m., which will serve as TAMC's 30<sup>th</sup> Storer Boone Memorial Presentation.

Activities kick off at 9 a.m. in the Campus Center with the Purple Pinkie Project. This project has been held by Rotary Clubs around the country, with people donating \$1 to have their pinkies painted with the same purple dye used when Rotary International conducts polio immunizations. The dye, which stays on for a day or two, ensures that children are administered a single dosage.

UMPI students and staff and local Rotarians will be on hand through 5 p.m. in the Owl's Nest to paint the pinkies of anyone willing to donate \$1 toward Rotary International's "End Polio Now" campaign. Posters, handouts, and other informational materials on polio in Aroostook County and around the world will be on display throughout the Campus Center. In addition, the Student Organization of Social Work will have an information table on polio's impacts in Africa, Central America and Pakistan, and a video about polio created by UMPI Professional Communication students will play on the e-bulletin boards around campus.

The Purple Pinkie Project will expand citywide with volunteers setting up stations at several local organizations and businesses (see info box for details).

At 7 p.m. in the Campus Center, TAMC's 30<sup>th</sup> Storer Boone Memorial Presentation, also honoring Dr. Arthur Pendleton of Fort Fairfield, offers up an *End Polio Now* evening presentation, which includes talks by a local polio survivor, a TAMC physician discussing polio in one of the few countries where it remains, and a Rotarian sharing details about Rotary's journey to eradicate polio. Officials will announce how much was raised as part of the day's Purple Pinkie Project at the event's close.

For more information about World Polio Day activities, contact Rachel Rice at 768.9452. ★



### Community members are encouraged to visit any of the stations that will be set up throughout the community during World Polio Day:

**At NMCC Christie Lobby, 8:30-10:30 a.m.** - staffed by UMPI's Student Education Association of Maine and Education Majors, and NMCC students.

**At the Aroostook Centre Mall near Dollar Tree: 9-10:45 a.m.** - staffed by UMPI Business Majors.

**At the Aroostook Centre Mall in the Food Court: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.** - staffed by members of UMPI's radio station, student newspaper, and the Professional Communication and Journalism 212 class.

**At TAMC Main Entrance and Pinkham Entrance: 1-3 p.m.** - staffed by UMPI's BioMedical Club and NMCC students.

## UMPI, NMCC host presidential debate events

The University and Northern Maine Community College are marking the 2012 Presidential Election with a series of U.S. presidential debate events during the month of October to provide campus and community members with a unique educational opportunity focused on the political process and public discourse. The public is invited to attend these free events, which will include viewings of the 2012 U.S. Presidential Debates between President Barack Obama and Governor Mitt Romney, a public discussion afterward, and interactive audience polls before and after the debates.

NMCC and UMPI officials joined together to offer these evenings – on Wednesday, Oct. 3, Tuesday, Oct. 16, and Monday, Oct. 22 – for several reasons.

UMPI President Linda Schott explained, "We at UMPI felt it was very important to collaborate with NMCC on an educational

opportunity like this as the upcoming U.S. Presidential Election has a very real impact on each of us and we want to provide a forum for our community to be able to talk about it."



Each presidential debate event follows a similar structure. Attendees are encouraged to arrive by 8:45 p.m. to take part in audience polling efforts to be led

by the University Times student newspaper staff. The televised presidential debates will run from 9-10:30 p.m. and, immediately following the program, there will be a discussion led by campus officials. General impression polls will be taken again by UTimes staffers after the debate, and results will be shared with the audience.

The first presidential debate event was held on Wednesday, Oct. 3. The evening's focus was on Domestic Policy and activities were facilitated by Jim Stepp, UMPI's



Interim Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students.

The second presidential debate event is being held on Tuesday, Oct. 16, on the NMCC Campus in the Edmunds Conference Room. The evening's focus is a Town Hall Meeting and activities will be facilitated by Dr. William Egeler, NMCC Dean of Students.

The third presidential debate event will be held on Monday, Oct. 22, on the UMPI campus in Folsom Hall Room 105. The evening's focus will be on Foreign Policy and activities will be facilitated by Robyn Raymond, who serves in student affairs capacities at UMPI and NMCC. This evening is being sponsored by UMPI's Dean of Students Office, Student Activities Office, University Times, and College Democrats.

For more information about these events, contact Stepp at UMPI at 768.9560 or Robyn Raymond at NMCC at 768.9471. ★

# UMPI students host 16th Fit & Fun Day

Fit and Fun Day returns for its 16th semi-annual event designed to promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles for local children. This fall's Fit and Fun Day will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27 in Gentile Hall. Registration will begin at 9:15 a.m.; admission is free. UMPI Physical Education students will facilitate the activities and provide instruction throughout the day. The University's Athletic Training staff and students will be on site as first aid responders.

Fit and Fun Day is open to local children in grades K through 6 and will teach them about a healthy lifestyle through physical activity. Dr. Christine Standefer, Professor of Physical Education at the University, said the event is great for both elementary and college students.

"The children realize that physical activity isn't just about exercise; it can be lots of fun, too," she said. "It's about playing and just being a kid. This is a great opportunity for UMPI students to work with school-age children. The more our students get to work directly with children, the better their



will be set up around the gym for parents to watch their children participate. Coffee and tea for parents will be provided by ARAMARK Food Services. Water will be provided to the participants, but they should bring their own appropriate swim attire and snacks for this event, if desired.

This free event is packed full of physical fun for children in the community. For more information, call Dr. Chris Standefer at 768.9457. ★

teaching skills become."

Once again this year, the climbing wall and swimming pool will be open from 12-1 p.m. to all of the Fit and Fun Day participants. Parents need to sign a release form in order for their children to use the swimming pool and rock wall. Forms will be provided during registration.

The walking track will be open for parents who would like to be active while keeping an eye on their children. Chairs also

## Campus Center

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President Linda Schott said. "We encourage everyone to stop by and take some time to walk through the facility, enjoy the food and music, and celebrate this special event with us."

The Campus Center, which opened its doors in October 1992, was originally conceived as a student center with a variety of spaces to host many different types of activities, from meetings and workshops to banquets and other social gatherings. Over the years, thousands of people have utilized the facility; it has become a central location for student events, cultural activities, and state and regional meetings and conferences, and it is home to the Owl's Nest, the Reed Fine Art Gallery, the Student Senate office, a University Credit Union branch, the Campus Communications Center, the

UMPI Bookstore, a local day care center, and the campus' dining facilities.

"So much history and so many events have taken place inside the Campus Center," Mary Lawrence, UMPI's Coordinator of Conferences and Special Program, said. Lawrence has worked in the building since its opening. "We've seen state officials, astronauts, ambassadors, and international groups pass through our doors. But the really wonderful thing about the Campus Center is that we're here, day in and day out, for our students and our community so they get the meeting and event spaces they need in order to get their important work done."

The Campus Center was built with funding from three main sources: through donations from community members and businesses, through a



bond issue, and through a yearly student fee. It was connected seamlessly to the existing campus building Kelley Commons, which was built in 1967 and dedicated to the first matron of the school, Miss Mary E. Kelley.

"It's amazing how the Campus Center has been able to serve so many different groups and organizations over the years," said Charles Bonin, UMPI's Vice President for Administration and Finance. Bonin oversaw campus efforts to make the building a reality. "Not just our students, but our community and region have really embraced it and utilized it to its fullest. We'll be celebrating that on Oct. 25 and we plan to keep up that good work for the next 20 years."

For more information or to RSVP, please contact Mary Lawrence at 768.9502 or mary.l.lawrence@umpi.edu. ★

# UMPI welcomes new employees to campus

The University of Maine at Presque Isle is welcoming 17 new employees at the start of the 2012-2013 academic year, including new professors and professional staffers.

The University is welcoming five new faculty members to its College of Arts and Sciences, College of Professional Programs, and College of Education.

❖ **Dr. SCOTT DOBRIN** joins the Biology Program as an Assistant Professor of Biology, focusing on Anatomy and Physiology. He most recently served as a Visiting Assistant Professor at Wake Forest University. In addition to several conference and poster presentations, he co-authored a chapter on structural plasticity of the adult honey bee brain for the book *Cognitive Ecology II* from the University of Chicago Press. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Zoology from the University of Florida in 2003, his Master's in Zoology from North Carolina State University in 2006, and his Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Wake Forest University in 2011.

❖ **STACEY EMERY** joins the Business Program as an Assistant Professor of Accounting. She most recently served as the financial controller at Naturally Potatoes in Mars Hill. Prior to that, she served as a public accountant at the local CPA firm Chester M. Kearney and as a small business development counselor at Coastal Enterprises, Inc. Emery graduated from UMPI in 2006 with her Bachelor's degree in Business and from Husson University in 2008 with her Masters degree in Business.

❖ **SOHYUN MEACHAM** joins the Education Program as an Assistant Professor in Early Childhood and Special Education. She most recently served as a literacy coach for the Early Reading First Program at the Delaware Center for Teacher Education at the University of Delaware. She is a Ph.D. candidate

in Literacy Education at the University of Delaware. Meacham earned two Bachelor's degrees – in Early Childhood



Dr. Scott Dobrin

Education and Christian Studies – from Ewha Womans University in South Korea in 1999 and her Master's degree in Early Childhood Education from Webster University in

Missouri in 2003.

❖ **Dr. JUDITH ROE** continues her service to the University in the Biology Program as an Assistant Professor of Biology, focusing on Molecular Biology. She has served in several educational capacities in Aroostook County in the last four



Stacey Emery

years, including as an adjunct faculty member at UMPI. Prior to that, she was a research associate and an Assistant Professor of Biology at Kansas State University. She has several professional publications and two patents to her name. She earned her



Sohyun Meacham

Bachelor's degree in Biology from Vassar College in 1979, her Master's in Genetics from George Washington University in 1982, and her Ph.D. in Biological Chemistry from Johns Hopkins University in 1990.



Dr. Judith Roe

❖ **BRYAN THOMPSON** joins the Business Program as an Assistant Professor of Business, focusing on Project Management and Information Systems.



Bryan Thompson

He most recently served as Branch Chief of Accounts Payable for Defense Finance and Accounting Service in Limestone. Prior to that, between 2002 and 2010, he served as Chief of

Transportation Working Capital Fund and an Accountant at DFAS. Thompson is currently serving a term on the Caribou City Council. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Accounting from UMPI in 2003, and his Master's in Business from Husson in 2011.



Amanda Baker

The University also is welcoming 12 new employees to its professional staff.

❖ **AMANDA BAKER** rejoins the University as a Recreation Program coordinator working in Gentile Hall. Baker previously served as Assistant Director of Gentile Hall and Manager of OAPI. She earned her Associate's degree in Recreation and Leisure Services in 2001 and her Bachelor's in Educational Studies in 2003. She has worked at the Chewonki Foundation in Wiscasset as an Environmental Educator, Wilderness Trip Leader and Assistant Program Director of Environmental Education.



Brenda Ellis

❖ **BRENDA ELLIS** joins the University as a Buildings and Grounds maintenance worker. She comes to the University with experience in custodial, janitorial and grounds positions.



Sheila Blair

❖ **SHEILA BLAIR** continues her service to the University as a Student Success Specialist working for UMPI's Advising Center. She has been on campus since 2011, serving as an Administrative Assistant for Student Records and Computer Services. Blair earned an Associate's degree in Criminal Justice and Bachelor's degree in Behavioral Science – Sociology from the University.



Amanda Johnston

❖ **AMANDA JOHNSTON** joins the University as an Administrative Assistant II for Computer Services. Her work experience includes serving as a court clerk, a special education technician/brailier, a museum aide, and transcriptionist. A 2001 Presque Isle High School graduate, she earned two



Keli Marston

# UMPI welcomes new employees to campus

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Bachelor's degrees from UMPI in 2007 – in Secondary Education-Social Studies and International Studies, History.

❖ KELI MARSTON joins the University as a Fitness and Wellness Coordinator working in Gentile Hall. She most recently served as an Exercise Specialist, Personal Trainer and Group Fitness Instructor at the High Intensity Training Center of Jacksonville in Florida. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Physical Education from UMPI in 1998 and her Master's degree in Health and Physical Education from Marshall University in West Virginia in 2003.

❖ HEATHER OUELLETTE joins the University as a Student Success Specialist working for UMPI's Advising Center. She most recently served as an intern with the Carleton Project in Presque Isle, and as a research assistant here and previously in South Carolina. Ouellette earned two Bachelor's degrees from UMPI in 2008 – in Criminal Justice and Sociology – and her Master's in Criminology and Criminal Justice from the University of South Carolina in 2011.

❖ TRAVIS PARENT joins the University as its Assistant Athletic Trainer. He most recently served as Assistant Athletic Trainer at SUNY Oneonta State. He previously served in several athletic trainer positions for soccer camps in New York, and as the Head Athletic Trainer at Lee Academy in Maine. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Athletic Training from UMPI in 2007 and his Master's in Exercise Science and Health Promotion from California University of Pennsylvania in 2011.

❖ ROBYN RAYMOND joins the University as an Administrative Clerk for the Residence Life Office. Raymond also serves as a Resident Director for Northern Maine Community College. She has served in several residen-

tial life capacities at NMCC and the University of Southern Maine. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Criminology from USM in 2011 and is currently pursuing her Masters degree in Student Affairs.

❖ GAYLA SHAW rejoins the University as an Administrative Assistant with the Community and Media Relations Office. She previously served as an Administrative Assistant with the University of Maine System Office in Bangor working in external affairs and later strategic procurement, and, before that, as a Records Technician for UMPI working in the Registrar's Office. She is a 1976 Presque Isle High School graduate.

❖ LEVI SOUCIER joins the University as a Buildings and Grounds maintenance worker. He most recently served in maintenance capacities at Columbia Forest Products and, prior to that, at Portland Glass. He has experience as a glass technician.

❖ FRED THOMAS joins the University as its Coordinator of Safety and Security. He has about 33 years of experience working for the Maine State Police in Law and Liquor Enforcement. He also served as a D.A.R.E. officer (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) for several years. He is a graduate of the Maine State Police Training Academy and the Maine Criminal Justice Academy.

❖ LESLIE WILLIAMS joins the University as an Administrative Assistant with Student Affairs and Student Support. She most recently served as a Physical Therapist Aide at Northern Physical Therapy in Presque Isle. She also

has experience as a legal secretary. She earned her Associates degree in Information Technology from NMCC in 2003 and her Bachelor's in History from UMPI in 2011.

In addition to these new hires, the University is welcoming two familiar faces to lead its student affairs operations and athletics program on an interim basis.

❖ JIM STEPP is serving as UMPI's Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. Stepp has served as UMPI's Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Residence Life for many years. He previously served as Coordinator of Residence Education at Frostburg State University in Maryland. He has several publications and is a member of the American College Personnel

Association, the National Coalition Building Institute, and the national service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. Stepp earned his Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education Mathematics/Physics in 1984 and his Master's in Student Personnel Services in 1990, both from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

❖ PAUL STONE is serving as UMPI's Interim Director of Athletics from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. He has served as UMPI's Head Nordic Ski Coach since 2010. Stone came to UMPI from the University of Vermont, where he had over four years of experience and was named the NCAA Eastern Coach of the Year in 2009. Stone has also served as the Nordic Coach at Colby College, Williams College, and Southern Maine-based Coastal Nordic Ski Team. He has also been a New England Junior Olympic Coach. Stone earned his Bachelor's degree in History from Dartmouth College in 1999. He is a 1994 graduate of West Anchorage High School in Alaska. ★



Heather Ouellette



Travis Parent



Robyn Raymond



Gayla Shaw



Levi Soucier



Fred Thomas



Leslie Williams



Jim Stepp



Paul Stone



## Gentile Hall hosts Breast Cancer Awareness Week

The Gentile Hall staff is celebrating National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October with a week's worth of activities meant to educate, pamper, focus on healthy living, and celebrate life. Breast Cancer Awareness Week will be held from Oct. 15 to 18, with a different event each evening between 6 and 8 p.m. All events are free and campus and community members are invited to attend.

The week's activities are being led by Keli Marston, UMPI's Fitness and Wellness Coordinator, and Amanda Baker, UMPI's Recreation Programs Coordinator. Marston explained that the Gentile Hall staff wanted to find a way to join the community in celebrating Breast Cancer Awareness Month, as the disease has touched so many lives.

Activities began on Monday, Oct. 15,

with an Education Night. The evening included a talk by local breast cancer survivor Bridget McIntosh and a discussion with Linda Mastro on the importance of early detection and taking care of your body, yearly exams, and monthly self-exams.

On Tuesday, Oct. 16, Marston and Baker are hosting an evening of pampering with a Spa Night. Local businesswomen are offering everything from manicures and pedicures to chair massages. The event includes a "My Body is Beautiful" body painting session provided by UMPI Fine Art students. There will be giveaways for the first 50 attendees.

Fit Night on Wednesday, Oct. 17, will feature Marston leading a special Fit Camp workout session, complete with a quick 30-minute body weight

circuit. Baker will have a party waiting for people in the rock wall area. There will also be yoga demonstrations and a water aerobics session.

On Thursday, Oct. 18, all are invited to take part in a Celebration of Life Night. In conjunction with local officials with the Relay for Life, there will be a mini luminary ceremony and a candlelight walk. Candles and pink glow sticks will be distributed. UMPI Professor Lisa Leduc will tell her own story of surviving breast cancer prior to leading the walk.

The week's activities are sponsored in part by The Aroostook Medical Center, Cary Medical Center, The Total Look, Pink Aroostook, Relay for Life, Healthy You, and Graves Shop 'n Save.

For more information about Gentile Hall's Breast Cancer Awareness Week, contact Marston at 768.9773. ★

## OAPI announces slate of events for Fall 2012

UMPI's Outdoor Adventure Program International [OAPI] is offering a series of fall adventures and activities for campus and community members to enjoy, including an overnight trip to Deboullie and a caving trip to New Brunswick.

The fun began in late September with a White Water Rafting Trip with New England Outdoor Center on Sept. 22, followed by a fun hiking adventure on Oct. 14 – the Aroostook High Peaks Trifecta. This involved climbing three peaks in one day, Haystack in Mapleton,

Quaggy Jo at Aroostook State Park, and Big Rock in Mars Hill.

On Friday, Oct. 19, all are invited to attend the High Ropes Course

Open House, a chance to experience UMPI's adrenaline-rushing ropes course first-hand. This activity will be held from 1-4 p.m. Meet out at the high ropes course area on campus. Follow the bike path past the tennis courts and the course will be on your right before the railroad tracks. This event is free for everyone and no experience is required.

That weekend, from Saturday, Oct. 20 to Sunday, Oct. 21, OAPI will host a Deboullie Overnight Camping Trip. The van will depart from Gentile Hall at 8 a.m. The registration deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 17 in Gentile Hall. Cost is \$65 for UMPI students and \$80 for non-students. This fee includes transportation, gear, food, and professional guide services.

On Friday, Oct. 26, OAPI will take to the mountain bike trails at the Nordic Heritage Center in Presque Isle, for an afternoon of premium single-track riding. The van will depart from Gentile Hall at 1 p.m. Cost is \$5 for UMPI students, \$10

for non-students. Some mountain bikes are available on a first come first served basis.

Finally, OAPI will end its fall season with a Caving Trip to New Brunswick on Sunday, Nov. 4. The van will depart from Gentile Hall at 7 a.m. The registration deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 31. Cost is \$30 for UMPI students, \$40 for non-students. No experience required. Must have passport.

If you plan to head out on an adventure of your own, keep in mind that OAPI rents out gear – including snowshoes, skis, tents, sleeping bags, canoes, and kayaks – for a nominal fee, including a \$20 deposit at the time of rental. Those wishing to take advantage of OAPI rentals are advised to check on availability and reserve gear in advance through Amanda Baker, UMPI's Recreation Program Coordinator.

For more information about rentals or any of these fall events, contact Baker at 768.9401 or amanda.g.baker@umpi.edu. ★

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Reach Your Potential

C o u r s e

## Cray curates show on book arts at USM-Gorham

UMPI Senior Art Major Angel Cray has earned a lot of statewide experience in the arts over the past few years. The Presque Isle native completed the first two years of her Bachelor of Fine Art degree at UMPI, and for her junior year, she went to the University of Southern Maine to focus on advanced photography techniques. Before returning to UMPI this fall, however, she was able to add art exhibit curator to her list of accomplishments.

Her show, *Techniques from Book Arts*, was on display at the Robie Andrews Hall/Galleria on USM's Gorham campus from July 30 to Sept. 16. The exhibit featured eight artists – including faculty member Lin Lisberger, and students Jenna Larochelle, Marina Douglas, Jennifer Wolfe, Solange Kellermann, Louise Nisbet, Joanne Curtis, and Cray – and featured several different book arts techniques.



Photo by Jenna Larochelle

This cyanotype titled *Tied Up in a Daydream* was one of the pieces on display as part of the *Techniques from Book Arts* show curated by UMPI student Angel Cray. The piece is a collaboration by Lin Lisberger, Jenna Larochelle, and Cray.

Cray happened upon the idea for the show while taking part in the one-week intensive USM course *Book Arts at the Stone House*, taught by USM faculty member Rebecca Goodale. She decided a show on the arts covered in the course would make a great exhibit subject and subsequently approached USM Art's Debe Loughlin about the idea. Cray had met

Loughlin, who runs the Kidder Student Galleries on the Gorham campus, in a visiting artist photography class they both took at USM.

When the answer was 'yes,' Cray found she only had days to pull the show together before returning home to Presque Isle for the summer. A frenzy of work followed: collecting and installing about 40 pieces of art, and making a sign and a guestbook using the book art techniques that she learned from Erin Sweeney, one of the course presenters.

She hopes the show left viewers with a strong sense of the USM book arts class in which she and other artists participated.

"Before I moved to Portland, I had honestly never heard of book arts," Cray said. "So I wanted to show everyone what a great experience being in the USM Book Arts program could be." ★

## Reed Gallery presents *Of Our Elaborate Plans*

The University's Reed Fine Art Gallery presents *Of Our Elaborate Plans* by Christopher Lavery from Oct. 15 through Nov. 25, 2012. The public is invited to view the exhibition throughout the show's run and gather for a Gallery Reception, being held in conjunction with the Presque Isle First Friday Art Walk, on Nov. 2 from 5-7 P.M. Light refreshments will be served.

Christopher Lavery is a sculptor currently living in Murray, Kentucky. Formerly an Assistant Professor of Sculpture at the University of Maine at Farmington, Lavery relocated to Kentucky over the summer to join the faculty at Murray State University. He earned his BFA in Photography from the State University of New York at Fredonia in 1998 and his MFA in Sculpture from the University of Colorado at Boulder. His area(s) of concentration was in Sculpture, Installation, Video, Sound, Performance Metalworking, and Photography.

His exhibit is a unique blend of his technical experience. Mixing sculpture with video and embedded sound, Lavery's



*Can exist-being worn with confidence as a point of reference; this always held consequence in mystery.*

by Christopher Lavery

Foil tape, wood, outdoor carpet, gold fringe - 2012

show tackles mythological hoax. "Everything from science fiction romanticization of celestial beings, whether physical or imagined, to earthy beasts with slight relation to either 'us' or 'them' can fall into the context of our obsession with deconstructing the hoax," Lavery said.

*Of Our Elaborate Plans* explores everything from Bigfoot to the Loch Ness Monster.

"Lavery is an industrious artist," Gallery Director Heather Sincavage

said. "He was awarded with the Denver International Airport Emerging Public Artist Project in 2008, which is now coming to a close. He proposed, designed, and managed this more than \$120,000 project all while developing our exhibit here at the Reed. Please be sure to come out and see the exhibit. It will surely not disappoint!"

The Reed Fine Art Gallery is open Monday through Saturday, 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. The gallery is closed Sundays and University holidays. For more information about this event, please contact Sincavage at 768.9442 or heather.sincavage@umpi.edu. ★

# Sports! Sports! Sports!

## Owls place 7<sup>th</sup> at USCAA Golf Championships

Playing in their first USCAA Championship Event, the University of Maine at Presque Isle shook off some first round jitters, cut 11 strokes from its score in the 2nd round, and finished 7th overall at the event held at the Penn State Blue Course in College Station, PA. Another first time participant, Daemen College, won the event by carding a team score of 29-over par, 605 in the two-day event.

The Owls finished with a score of 91-over, 649 including rounds of 339 on Monday and 328 on Tuesday. Tuesday's score was the 6th best of the day in the 19-team field.

**Reynold Brown** (So./Essex, CT) led the Owls with rounds of 77 and 79 for a two-day tally of 156, good enough for a tie of 9th place overall. **Allen Conner** (So./Stonington, ME) shot duplicate 84s which landed him in a tie for 37th in the 108 golfer field.

**Mike Balmer** (Jr./New Smyrna Beach, FL) and **Anthony Batchelder** (Jr./West Enfield, ME) made significant improvements in their 2nd round scoring. Balmer improved 7 strokes from a 90 to an 83 (T-54th) and Batchelder went from a 92 on day one to an 82 to finish one stroke behind Balmer (174) and finish T-58th. **Eric Brown** (So./Caribou, ME) closed out the five-man team scoring with a 182 total, good enough for T-74th.

Owls' coach Dan Hotham was impressed by his team's performance on the big stage.

"To finish in 7th place in their first tournament of this magnitude is outstanding," said Hotham. "They all feel



Members of UMPI's golf team, led by Coach Dan Hotham, included Mike Balmer, Anthony Batchelder, Jordan Beaulier, Eric Brown, Reynold Brown, Kenneth Conley Jr., Allen Connor, Chris Consenze, Cody Humphrey, and Brooke Wood.

that as a team we could have scored better and are anxious to do so the next time if given the opportunity."

That opportunity would seem to be likely as all five team members to participate this year are either sophomores or juniors.

"We were honored to be given the opportunity to represent our school in a national championship tournament. It was an all-around great experience," said the Florida native Balmer.

Batchelder provided a thrill after round 1 in the USCAA's first ever "Skills

Competition". One player from each team was chosen to participate in one of the three events: longest drive, birdie ball chipping, and putting.

Batchelder took home the "gold" in the longest drive, crushing a 315-yard poke off the tee.

*Postscript* - After the conclusion of the second round, the USCAA handed out post-season awards. Balmer and (Eric) Brown were presented with "All-Academic Team" honors while Reynold Brown was named a USCAA 2nd team All-American. ★

## Community

### 3rd Annual Toast for the Animals

There will be a wine tasting and silent auction event on Friday, Nov. 9 from 6-8 p.m. at the Crow's Nest in Presque Isle to benefit the Central Aroostook Humane Society. Sample and learn about different wines and food pairings, bid on silent auction items and try your

luck with 50/50 raffle and door prize drawings! Come and enjoy a night of socializing, music and good cheer for a great cause! This event is sponsored by Friends of CAHS, Momentum Aroostook and The Crow's Nest. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door or can be purchased in advance at the Humane Society or

The Crow's Nest. FMI, call 768.9452.

### Central Aroostook Candidate Forum

Nine candidates seeking election to the Maine State House of Representatives will participate in a forum on Monday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. in the Campus Center. All parties will be represented; State Senate candidates are

not included at this forum, which will be hosted through a televised event at a different venue. This event is sponsored by LEAD (Leaders Encouraging Aroostook Development) and UMPI and is free and open to the public. FMI, contact Judy Dinsmore at 498.8736 or email at jdinsmore@nmdc.org ★



**Dr. Bonnie Wood invited presenter for Dallas County Community College District**

Dr. Bonnie Wood, recently retired biology faculty member, continues to conduct participative workshops based on her

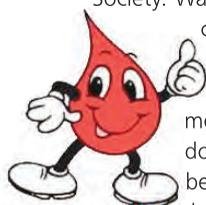
2009 book. On Sept. 14, she was in Dallas, Texas, leading an all-day workshop at Cedar Valley College entitled "Lecture-Free Teaching: A Learning Partnership between College Educators and Their Students." For this three-hour session, the instructors assumed the role of students as Dr. Wood modeled some of her methods for covering course content without lecturing. In the afternoon, science educators worked with Dr. Wood to discuss and plan reforms for their own courses. Dallas County Community College District enrolls more than 85,000 credit-seeking students and more than 24,000 continuing-education students at their seven colleges.



Dallas County Community College District

**UMPI hosts annual fall blood drive**

The University will host its annual fall blood drive on Tuesday, Oct. 23 from Noon to 5 p.m. in the Campus Center's Multi-Purpose Room. The blood drive is sponsored by the University's Residence Life Office, the Brothers of Kappa Delta Phi, the Sisters of Kappa Delta Phi NAS, and Phi Eta Sigma – National Honor



Society. Walk-ins are welcome, both campus and community members, and door prizes will be given away during the drive. If donors wish to reserve a time in advance, they should call 768.9585 between 8 a.m.

and 4:30 p.m. Each year, the UMPI Residence Life Office helps the Red Cross coordinate three blood drives on campus, one in the summer, one in the fall and one in the spring. Since 1987, 4,250 pints of blood have been collected at UMPI.

**Dorm trick or treating continues at UMPI**

UMPI will invite all children 5th grade or under to participate in the 16th annual *UMPI Trick or Treating Night* on Oct. 25 from 7 to 8 p.m. in both Park and Merriman Halls. UMPI students will be decorating for Halloween fun and parking will be available in the Library parking lot. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact Jim Stepp at 768.9560 or Jannie Durr at 768.9706.



**Staff of Upcountry, UMPI's online literary journal, hosts launch party**

The staff of *Upcountry*, the University's online literary journal, hosted a launch party and official *Upcountry* Reading to celebrate the publication of its latest issue on Oct. 3. *Upcountry*, a publication of the University's English Program, is dedicated to showcasing poems, short stories, personal essays and visual art from the campus community. It is published twice yearly. A digital version is viewable at <http://upcountryjournal.wordpress.com/>.



**DLS speaker, Dr. Michael Holick**

The University will present Dr. Michael Holick, as its third speaker in the Distinguished Lecturer Series. His talk, titled *Vitamin D: A D-Lightful Solution for Good Health*, will take place on Thursday, Nov. 8, at 7 p.m. in the Campus Center. Dr. Holick is a professor of Medicine, Physiology, and Biophysics; director of the General Clinic Research Unit; and Director of the Bone Health Care Clinic and the Director of the Vitamin D, Skin and Bone Research Laboratory at Boston University Medical Clinic. He has made numerous contributions to the field of the biochemistry, physiology, metabolism, and photobiology of Vitamin D for human nutrition. He has also written and edited a dozen books on the subject, including *The Vitamin D Solution*. He will speak about his Vitamin D research and the evidence that shows how Vitamin D reduces the risk of many chronic illnesses. This event is free and open to the public. FMI, call 768.9452.



**13th Annual Etiquette Event**

Seniors, juniors, and teacher certification students are invited to the 13th Annual Etiquette Event, reception, dinner, and fashion show on Tuesday, Oct. 30, 5:30-8 p.m. in the Campus Center. Learn how to prepare for interviews and professional careers by learning the fine art of introductions, conversation, dining, and dress. This event is free but there is limited seating so you must RSVP by calling 768.9750 or email



Barbara.DeVaney@umpi.edu. According to Bonnie DeVaney, Director of Career Services, "Studies show that 85% of the people who get jobs and succeed in their careers do so because they possess the right people skills. The other 15% is due to job qualifications. Companies know the importance of having employees who possess client/customer relations skills, know proper etiquette in conversing with people, dining, and in fashion, are fundamental to job effectiveness. Proper etiquette expands our potential, improves our image, and strengthens relationships. The Etiquette Event is designed to give students the tools to be more successful in their careers."

**Dr. Stuart Gelder involved in three international publications**

As one of the world's leading researchers on branchiobdellidan annelids (crayfish worms), Dr. Stuart R. Gelder, Emeritus Professor of Biology at UMPI, collaborates with scholars around the globe on all aspects of crayfish worm biology. Recently, this has led to three publications with co-authors in North America, Europe, and the Far East. His three co-authors are Dr. Bronwyn W. Williams, a longtime research colleague; Jean-Francois Parpet, a technician with Asconcit Consultants in France; and Professor Akifumi Ohtaka, of Hirosaki University in Japan. The paper with Williams will appear in the next issue of *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution*, the findings with



## notes

Parpet have been published in the journal, *Annals de Limnologie – International Journal of Limnology*, and finally the manuscript with Ohtaka was recently published in the *Journal of Natural History, London*.

### Dr. McCartney blogs discovery while on sabbatical

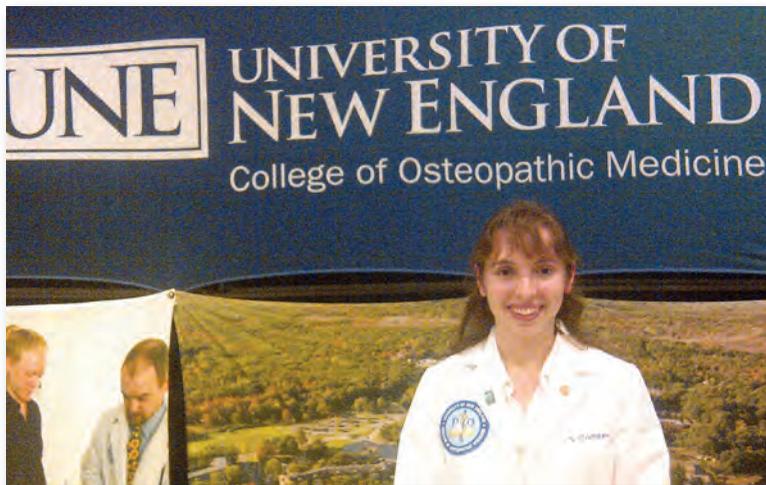
From Dr. Kevin McCartney's blog, 9/29/12:

■ Yesterday I found a new species. Actually, I was not the one to find it – my colleague Jakub called it to my attention. It is back in the weird stuff that we were working on three years ago. He saw something in his slides that I did not see in mine. It is a very pretty little thing, with three long curved

elements – it should be patented as a design for a wind turbine. But one specimen does not make a new species – except maybe in dinosaurs – you must have several to know that it is not a fluke or a freak. But today, on one slide I saw four more, all with the same curve, the same terminations, definitely different from anything else. And five specimens means there is a fair enough chance of getting one photographed on the scanning electron microscope (SEM). ■ So, what is it like to find a new species? There is no “eureka” moment. Just a “Hmm, that’s interesting, so who are you?” Then the patient look to find more, and learn more. It is interesting that I found five specimens in two slides here in

Poland when I saw none in my own slides in Nebraska. But microscope slides are interesting things; you can see three in two minutes and not see any more in the rest of the slide, and the next several after that. Maybe I did see it. I saw a lot of things, and named a half-dozen new species from this very sample three years ago. But last time I was pulling down the easy species, the ones that had specimens all over the place. There was not time for the oddballs. ■ I am actually not here on this sabbatical to find new species. I am after bigger game: a truly better understanding of my group, which is why I am looking for double skeletons, and hoping to get a better knowledge of skeletal shape and

environment. These are bigger questions, far bigger than single species. But this new one is in what has become my favorite genus – *Cornua*. That was my goal for the last sabbatical – find *Cornua*, a species that had not been seen in 50 years and had never been illustrated with a photograph. And I found it, and a lot else. And it appears there are more *Cornua* species yet to find. *Cornua* has a lot of variation, but there are patterns starting to come out of that variation, and these may be a couple of more new species. So back to the patient look to find more, and learn more. ■ To follow Dr. McCartney's blog, please visit: <http://wp.umpi.edu/kevinmccartney/>. ★



**at left, top:** **STEPHANIE CORRIVEAU**, 2012 UMPI alum, poses just after her White Coat Ceremony as a first-year medical student at the University of New England. Corriveau is one of several recent UMPI grads to head to graduate or medical school after participating in UMPI's Biology program with a pre-med concentration.



**at left, bottom:** UMPI Alum **MICHELLE PHILLIPS** recently participated in the Color Me RAD Albany 5K event, “the most colorful 5K you will ever run.” As part of the run, which benefited Special Olympics New York, racers got plastered with paint (color bombs) every 5 minutes or so. Phillips, right, is pictured here with Kathy Phillips.

**below:** UMPI President **LINDA SCHOTT** was inducted at the end of August as a member of the Presque Isle Rotary Club. Here, she stands with Past President Joe Clukey, Club President Joy Barresi Saucier, and Provost Michael Sonntag, who nominated her for membership.



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**October 17**

**Gay Straight Alliance** 1pm, Alumni Room ■ **UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, Wieden Auditorium

**October 18**

**OAPI meeting** 1pm, Gentile Hall ■ **Student Organization of Social Workers** 12:30pm, CC118

**October 19**

**International Students Club** 3pm, CC118 ■ **UMPI Games Club** 6pm, Pullen 111 ■ **4-H Achievement Award Ceremony** 6pm, Folsom 105 ■ **UDLS speaker** DR. JONATHAN BASSETT, 7pm, MPR ■ **OAPI High Ropes Course Open House** 1-4pm, 768.9401

**October 20-21**

**OAPI Deboullie Overnight Camping Trip** 768.9401

**October 21**

**Kappa Delta Phi NAS** 8:45pm, CC118

**October 22**

**UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, St. John Room

**October 24**

**Gay Straight Alliance** 1pm, Alumni Room ■ **UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, Wieden Auditorium

**October 25**

**Student Organization of Social Workers** 12:30pm, CC118

**October 26**

**International Students Club** 3pm, Alumni Room ■ **UMPI Games Club** 6pm, Pullen 111

■ **OAPI Mountain Biking**

Nordic Heritage Center, 768.9401

**October 28**

**Kappa Delta Phi NAS** 8:45pm, CC118

**October 29**

**UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, St. John Room

**October 31**

**Halloween!** ■ **Gay Straight Alliance** 1pm, Alumni Room ■ **UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, Wieden Auditorium

**November 1**

**Student Organization of Social Workers** 12:30pm, CC118 ■ **OAPI meeting** 1pm, Gentile Hall

**November 2**

**International Students Club** 3pm, Alumni Room ■ **First Friday Reception:** CHRISTOPHER LAVERY'S EXHIBITION *Of Our Elaborate Plans*, 5-7pm, Reed Gallery ■ **UMPI Games Club** 6pm, Pullen 111

**November 4**

**Kappa Delta Phi NAS** 8:45pm, CC118 ■ **OAPI Caving** in New Brunswick, 768.9401

**November 5**

**Advisement & Registration** for Spring 2013 begins ■ **UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, St. John Room



**November 6**

**Election Day -VOTE!** ■ **Last day to WITHDRAW** from a class, **WITHDRAW** from the University, or **REQUEST** Leave of Absence (with "W" grade)

**Another addition to the UMPI family!**

**James Andrew Meacham** was born on August 13, 2012. He weighed 6 lbs. and 6 oz., and was 19 in. long. Congratulations SOHYUN MEACHAM, Shuaib James Meacham and big sister Sabina Han on the new addition to your family! ★



James Andrew Meacham

**MICHELE GREEN, artist of the month at TAMC**

**MICHELE GREEN**, Administrative Assistant, TRiO College Access Services-Upward Bound/Educational Talent Search, is the featured artist at TAMC for October. She has 8 pieces, 4 of which were inspired by trees and are acrylic on canvas. Three are recycled window blinds; Michele says their size and shape suggest deep water and images of fish, one of her favorite motifs. Stop by TAMC to see her work. Congratulations, Michele!



*Fish Series I*

**November 7**

**Gay Straight Alliance** 1pm, Owls Nest ■ **UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, Wieden Auditorium

**November 8**

**Student Organization of Social Workers** 12:30pm, CC118 ■ **UDLS speaker** DR. MICHAEL HOLICK, 7pm, MPR, 768.9452

**November 9**

**International Students Club Games Club** 6pm, Pullen 111

**November 11**

**Kappa Delta Phi NAS** 8:45pm, CC118

**November 12**

**Veterans Day** - offices closed, classes in session ■ **UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, St. John Room

**November 14**

**Advisement & Registration** for Spring 2013 ends ■ **Gay Straight Alliance** 1pm, Alumni Room ■ **UMPI Dance Team** 6:30pm, Wieden Auditorium

**November 15**

**OAPI meeting** 1pm, Gentile Hall ■ **Student Organization of Social Workers** 12:30pm, CC118

**November 16**

**International Students Club** 3pm, Alumni Room ★

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