UMPI film, The Proposal, premieres at Braden

A short film that had its beginnings in an UMPI course on screenwriting and filmmaking – and was completed by a Hollywood cinematographer and a nationally acclaimed writer – premiered on the big screen on Sept. 21. More than 125 University and community members attended the official film premiere of *The Proposal* at the Braden Theater. Following the premiere, filmgoers also had an opportunity to talk with the filmmakers during a lively question and answer session.

This half-hour film presentation was directed by Zoran Popovic – the cinematographer for the 2008 film *War, Inc.* – and co-directed by awardwinning writer Cathie Pelletier. Pelletier taught the UMPI screenwriting course, where the film was con-



The Braden Theater in downtown Presque Isle presented the official premiere of *The Proposal*, an UMPI short film, on Sept. 21.

ceived, and gave students in the class a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to work with Popovic and gain an understanding of what it takes to turn a screenplay into a movie.

The Proposal is a short film about a young man, played by Jason LeSaldo of Fort Kent, who wants to propose to the girl of his dreams, played by Sara Harvey who is originally from Allagash. He invites her to a fancy restaurant, where the waiter is Augusta-based actor Matt Delamater. But things don't go as planned.

The film also features some well-known Aroostook County thespians, including Cissy Libby and Rod Thompson. The making of *The Proposal* brought together a cast and crew hailing from Fort Kent to continued on page 2

Alums enjoy jam-packed Homecoming 2010

The University hosted a jam-packed Homecoming 2010 celebration from Friday, Sept. 17 to Sunday, Sept. 19, offering everything from a concert by famed interactive retro band Motor Booty Affair to athletic events, socials, alumni games and the annual Hall of Fame dinner.

Festivities kicked off on Friday, Sept. 17 with soccer games – the UMPI Men's and Women's Soccer teams hosted the University of Maine at Machias. President Don Zillman delivered the State of the University Address in Wieden Auditorium at 3 p.m., with the unveiling of the new outdoor stone sculpture *To the Other Side* immediately following near Folsom Hall. The



sculpture symbolizes the final part of the Folsom Hall renovation project.

The UMPI Baseball team faced the University of Maine at Fort Kent on the Presque Isle High School field. The annual Women's Soccer Spaghetti Supper fundraiser was held in the Campus Center. On Friday night, there was a musical performance by Revelacion Maranatha. The night capped off with an Alumni Social at the Northeastland Hotel.

On Sept. 18, the fun continued with:

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Alumni



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Constitution Day features Living History lecture

On Sept. 17, UMPI celebrated the 223rd birthday of the signing of the U.S. Constitution with a unique "Living History" lecture - Alexander Hamilton Looks Back on the Drafting and Adoption of the Constitution - delivered by UMPI political science lecturer Dr. Brent Andersen.

University and community mem-



Political science lecturer Dr. Brent Andersen portrayed Alexander Hamilton, one of the principal architects of the U.S. Constitution.

bers watched as Dr. Andersen portrayed Alexander Hamilton, one of the principal architects of the U.S. Constitution. Dressed as Hamilton, Dr. Andersen explained what happened at the 1787 convention in Philadelphia – where the Constitution was drafted – and at subsequent ratifying conferences in the 13 states that had

declared their independence from Great Britain in 1776. While telling this story, Dr. Andersen provided listeners with insights into Hamilton's own views on government, and how those views were shaped by his service during the Revolutionary War as an aide to General George Washington.

Following the prepared lecture, the audience asked questions, which Dr. Andersen answered as Hamilton. Miniature versions of the U.S. Constitution were also distributed during the event.

Congress designated September 17 as Constitution Day – a national celebration of our country's founding document – to commemorate the September 17, 1787 signing of the Constitution. In 2004, Congress passed a spending bill that included a provision requiring every school and college that receives federal money to teach about the Constitution on September 17.

In addition to this special lecture, the University installed a display on the first floor of the Library featuring information about the Constitution. Anyone logging onto the university's homepage was able to click on the Constitution Day box, which led them to www.constitutioncenter.org/constitution. The site features an interactive version of the Constitution.

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Augusta. Most of the filming was done in the basement of the University President's house, which was transformed into a fancy restaurant, "Café L'Amour," for the movie. Set design was overseen by Tom Viorikic, who has worked with Popovic on a past film project. The film features music by the Rock Dox, Travis Cyr, Carl Hileman and Shannon Ambrutis.

During the filming, UMPI students and volunteers filled in wherever help was needed: holding lights, assisting the director, fetch-

ing props, checking for continuity – everything that needed to be done on a professional movie set. The film schedule was grueling, but students said it gave them a true appreciation of all the work that has to happen to make a movie. *

at right: Filming "The Proposal" below: the question-answer period following the premiere







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UMPI honors alumni award recipients

The University honored two alumni during its Annual Alumni Luncheon and Awards Ceremony, held as part of the University's Homecoming 2010 activities.

Alumna MARJORIE QUEEN was honored with the Educator of the Year Award, presented to an alumnus/alumna who has received ongoing recognition as an outstanding educator.

Alumna SHERRY CHURCHILL received the Distinguished Alumni Award, presented to an alumnus/alumna who has made long-term contributions to the Alumni Association or the University, or who has received profes-



Marjorie Queen

sional recognition that has reflected positively on the University.

Marjorie Queen graduated from the University in 1984 with a Bachelor's degree in Physical Education. She later went on to earn her Master's degree in Kinesiology and Physical Education from the University of Maine.

Since 1984, Queen has taught at St. Mary's School in Augusta, Cape Elizabeth High School, and currently is an educator at the elementary level for Portland Schools. In addition, she has numerous years of experience working as a program develop-

er for intramural programs, as well as coaching basketball and softball. Queen is currently the President of the Maine Alliance for Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (MAHPERD), and



Sherry Churchill

was recognized in 2004 by the organization as the MAHPERD Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the Year.

Churchill graduated from the University in 1993 with a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies/ Geology, and went on to earn her Master's degree in Public Affairs from Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind., in 2001.

Since 2005, Churchill has served as the lead consultant for Savory Bay Environmental Planning and Project Management. She has worked on the planning and development of multiple community projects, including the development of nature-based tourism in the Down East region of Maine. Between 1994 and 1997, Churchill spent time in Niger, West Africa, volunteering as an agro-forester with the Peace Corps. In 2005, she received the Project of the Year award, while working as an environmental planner in Hancock County. *

UMPI VPAA serves as MSSM director

Dr. Michael Sonntag, UMPI's Vice President for Academic Affairs, is serving as the Maine School of Science and Mathematics' Acting Executive Director for the 2010-2011 school year — a part-time position — as the nationally recognized public high school conducts a

search for a permanent executive director.

Dr. Sonntag will take on top I e a d e r s h i p duties at MSSM, be its public spokesperson, and serve as its primary contact



Dr. Michael Sonntag

with relevant state officials. He will remain in his duties at UMPI as he undertakes this role.

MSSM and UMPI have partnered in many ways – UMPI faculty have taught courses at MSSM; MSSM students have taken courses at UMPI; and UMPI has provided library, cultural and recreational facilities for MSSM students. Dr. Sonntag has been a leader in many of these efforts.

The Maine School of Science and Mathematics, established 15 years ago, is Maine's first and only statewide public residential high school. Its graduates have been accepted to some of the nation's most prestigious colleges and it consistently has been ranked by *U.S. News and World Report* as among the 100 finest public high schools in the country.

MSSM officials approached the University about having Dr. Sonntag serve as the school's Acting Executive Director earlier this summer after search efforts for a permanent executive director were expected to continue into the 2010-2011 school year. Dr. Sonntag will be released from some duties at UMPI to take on the role of Acting Executive Director at MSSM during the next year.

Dr. Sonntag has served as UMPI's Vice President for Academic Affairs since 2007.

"I am honored to have been asked to serve in this leadership capacity at MSSM," Dr. Sonntag said. "Having worked closely with MSSM in the last three years to enhance collaborations between the two schools, I have a very good understanding of the school's administrative needs and how I can be most helpful moving the school forward during this temporary appointment."

Fischer delivers first Distinguished Lecture East-West Center's 2010 Jefferson The University began its 2010-2011

Distinguished Lecturer Series with a presentation by award-winning journalist Karin Fischer, a Senior Reporter for The Chronicle of Higher Education.

Fischer delivered her talk The New China: A Rising Superpower Opts for Brainpower Rather than Manpower, and Looks to U.S. Colleges to Help It Succeed on Thursday, Sept. 9. The event served as a homecoming of sorts for Fischer, who grew up in Presque Isle and is a 1992 graduate of Presque Isle High School.

In her work with The Chronicle, Fischer covers the business of international education and the globalization of higher education, including competition for foreign students, activities by American colleges overseas, policies and programs that affect the international activities of American colleges, and the internationalization of the college expe-Fischer recently traveled throughout Asia as a participant in the Fellowship program.

Fischer was hired by The Chronicle in 2004 to write about higher-education politics and policy in the states. The Chronicle of Higher Education is an independent national magazine and website that covers issues important to colleges and universities. With more than 70 full-time writers and editors, as well as 17 foreign correspondents around the world, The Chronicle is the preeminent American source for higher-education news.

Fischer has been a guest on National Public Radio and C-SPAN. She also is the recipient of the Paul Miller Washington Reporting Fellowship and a National Press Foundation fellowship on the Business of Higher Education. She is part of reporting teams that have been honored by the Education Writers Association, for articles in The Global Campus and Asia Rising/America Falling series, and by the Utne Independent of the year



Press Award for best political coverage. In 1997, she was selected for the Poynter Institute News Reporting & Writing Fellowship for College Graduates, which recognizes a dozen outstanding young journalists annually. Fischer earned her B.A. in government from Smith College in Northampton, Mass. in 1996. *

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an Alumni Baseball Game held at the PIHS field; a guided tour of the city by the Presque Isle Historical Society beginning at the Vera Estey House; a Bachelor of Social Work Alumni Brunch; Phi Eta Sigma's National Honor Society inductions; the annual "Swim and Gym" at Gentile Hall; and several varsity athletic games throughout the day.

The Annual Alumni Luncheon and Awards ceremony was held in the Campus Center. Marjorie Queen, Class of 1984, received the Educator of the Year Award, and Sherry Churchill, Class of 1993, was given the Distinguished Alumni Award. The Classes of 2000 (10 year), 1985 (25 year) and 1960 (50 year) also were honored.

That evening, during the annual Athletics Hall of Fame Dinner, three alumni were inducted into the UMPI Athletics Hall of Fame: Michelle (Davis) Morse '96, Matthew Townsend '00, and Peter Belskis '74. Immediately following the dinner, the half-hour film Wind 101 aired on WLBZ-TV. Alums and community members were invited to gather in the Whooo's Hut in

Folsom Hall to view the film. The weekend's main event took place Saturday night, when Motor Booty Affair performed in Wieden Gymnasium for a night of disco music.

The last day of Homecoming served as an Alumni Sport Day. Alumni had the opportunity to compete against students in cross country and soccer in the morning and early afternoon. The Alumni Athlete Hot Dog Roast was held at Park Family Field. *



Solar System corn maze

A 6-acre corn maze, inspired by UMPI's Maine Solar System Model, has been created at Goughan's Berry Farm in Caribou. Dr. Kevin McCartney, who coordinated the construction of the Maine Solar System Model, assisted the Goughans in the design of the solar system corn maze. The maze will be open for tours until the end of October. (photo courtesy Mark Goughan)

Faculty Noon Seminar Series returns

The University's Faculty Noon Seminar Series returns for the Fall 2010 semester with presentations on climate change in Central Asia, promoting student creativity, and even a discussion that involves a candidate in the upcoming Maine gubernatorial election.

Seminars will be held on Thursdays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Normal Hall Faculty Lounge, unless otherwise noted. Presentations will be 20-30 minutes in length with a discussion period to follow. Those attending are welcome to bring their lunches and join in the discussion.

The series will kick off with a presentation on Sept. 30 by Dave Putnam and Dr. Chunzeng Wang titled *Climate Change Research in Central Asia: Discovering New Lost Treasures of the Silk Road.* Wang and Putnam's presentation will be about their recent trip to the Tarmin Basin of Northwestern China. They will discuss the data they were able to collect during their trip and talk about the difficulties they experienced there while attempting to collect data on climate change. *This presentation will be held in Folsom Hall, room 105.*

On Oct. 28, Dr. Raymond Rice will present *How Paul LePage Serves as a Symptom of Maine's Hunger: Or, Why*

LePage would Rather be a Vampire than a Zombie. Using analogies from popular horror fiction trends, Rice will discuss how Maine gubernatorial candidate Paul LePage's popularity connects to a vision of state and federal government as held by an increasingly large percentage of the voting populace. At odds in this vision are the vampires presented in the "Twilight" series – which put forth a fantasy of the re-establishment of some "lost" social unity – and the walking dead found in recent pop-culture films and novels – which question the nostalgic motivations of such cultural fantasies.

On Nov. 18, Dr. Kimberly Sebold and Shirley Rush will deliver their presentation *Promoting Student Creativity: Using Qualitative Methods to Measure Student Knowledge of Course Content.* Sebold and Rush will discuss the challenge of effectively teaching students with different learning styles, and measuring competency in diverse assignments. During their presentation, they will share some of their students' projects that demonstrate creativity and mastery of course concepts.

For more information about the Faculty Noon Seminar Series, contact Lynn Eldershaw at 768.9749. *

UMPI offers new AA in Special Education

This fall, the University begins offering a new Associate's degree especially designed to prepare, and provide quality training opportunities for, individuals who want to work in the Special Education field as teacher aides in the State of Maine.

UMPI is offering the state's first ever Special Education Paraprofessional Associate of Arts Degree. The new degree will prepare students to work as teacher aides/educational technicians – also known as special education paraprofessionals – in K-12 classrooms throughout the state. The degree is aimed at satisfying federal mandates for "highly qualified personnel" in the field of Special Education, both under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004

"What we have heard from Special Education teacher aides throughout Maine is that there is a very real need for more focused education and training opportunities before they get into public school classrooms so that they are prepared and have the skills they need to work with students with special needs," UMPI President Don Zillman said.

Dr. William Breton, UMPI Assistant Professor of Special Education and Special Education Program Coordinator, helped to establish the Special Education Paraprofessionals degree at UMPI. The new degree will focus on how to instruct students with disabilities and other special needs, how to integrate technology in the classroom for

these students, and how to apply the principles of effective classroom management and individualized behavior interventions with these students.

Students who enter the new degree program will be able to take part in supervised field experiences so they better understand the duties of educational technicians. They also will meet the requirements for certification as an Educational Technician II from the Maine Department of Education. Students who complete the degree will be able to transfer, if they choose, into UMPI's Bachelor's degree programs in either Education or Special Education.

For more information about this new Associate's degree program, contact Dr. Breton at 768.9413. *

UMPI welcomes new employees to campus

The University is welcoming several new employees at the start of the 2010-2011 academic year, including new professors and professional staffers.

Deena Albert Parks joins the University as the Athletic Training Education Clinical Coordinator. Parks graduated from the University of Maine at Orono with a Bachelor's degree in Health and Fitness Physical Education. She then went on to get her Master's degree in Health Administration at St. Joseph's University in

Johnson earned both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Criminal Justice at California State University in Sacramento. He earned his Ph.D. at Washington State University,

Paul Johnson joins the University as a Professor of Psychology. Johnson graduated from the University of Southern Maine with not only his Bachelor's degree in and then went on to Dartmouth College in Hanover, NH, where he earned his Ph.D. in Physics and Astronomy.

Sara Martin joins the
University's Community and
Media Relations Office as
an Administrative Assistant.
Martin graduated from the
University of Maine at
Farmington with a
Bachelor's degree in
Community Health
Education, and earned an
Associate's degree from
Central Maine Community
College in Sports

Administration from the University of Akron.

Heather Craig continues her service to the University as an Administrative Assistant in the Business Office. Craig previously served as UMPI's Information Center Assistant. Craig is currently working on her Bachelor's degree in Applied Science and Management.

Kim McCrea has returned to the University as the Assistant Director of Gentile Hall and the Manager of the Outdoor Adventure Program. She previously















Philadelphia, Penn.

Charles Johnson joins the
Criminal Justice Department
as an Assistant Professor of
Criminal Justice. Johnson
received his Associate's
degree in Administration of
Justice from Los Angeles
City College. He went on to
graduate from the California
Highway Patrol Academy.

Psychology, but a Master's degree in School Psychology, and his Psy.D. in School Psychology as well.

Peng Peng Yu joins the University as a Mathematics and Physics Professor. Yu graduated from Beijing University with a Bachelor's degree in Nuclear Physics and Nuclear Technology,

Management.

April Sue Platt joins the University's Residence Life Office as the new Area Coordinator for Student Activities. Platt earned her Bachelor's degree in Psychology/Sociology from Olivet College and continued on to earn her Master's degree in Higher Education

served as UMPI's Clinical
Coordinator of Athletic
Training. McCrea graduated
from the University with
Physical Education and
Athletic Training Bachelor's
degrees. She also has a
Master's degree in
Kinesiology and Physical
Education from the
University of Maine. *

UMPI welcomes Susan Grove-Markwood

Susan Grove-Markwood, who has been a part of the Presque Isle banking community since 1988, will oversee the day-to-day operations of the Community & Media Relations Office while Rachel Rice, Office Director, is on maternity leave. Susan's banking career started at Key Bank as a Marketing Assistant from 1988 to March 1990. Prior to this, she worked in the Development Office of Bangor Theological Seminary. In March 1990, she joined the team of employees who organized and opened First Citizens Bank. She progressed from Marketing Assistant to VP of Administration and Secretary of the Corporation, with responsibility for Marketing/Communications, Stockholder Relations, HR, and Branch Administration. In 2006, she coordinated the merger of First Citizens with Gardiner Savings Institution, now Savings Bank of Maine, where she was a Senior VP/Regional Manager, with responsibility for Marketing and Communications for the Bank on a statewide basis.

Call for entries

UMPI's Reed Fine Art Gallery is sending out a call to Aroostook County artists for drawing submissions that will be considered for inclusion in a juried exhibition connected with a statewide drawing initiative.

The "Just Line" exhibition – meant to feature local talent and to be displayed in the Reed Gallery during its 2010-2011 regular season – is one of many exhibitions that will take place throughout Maine in 2011 as part of the Maine Drawing Project. More than 20 institutions are participating in the statewide project, each presenting an exhibition associated in some way with drawing. Organized by the Maine Curators Group, this is the first time a statewide initiative concerned solely with drawing has been undertaken.

While many exhibitions across the state will feature works from the permanent collections of Maine galleries and museums, the exhibition at UMPI's Reed Gallery – scheduled from April 4 to May 14, 2011 – is more community-focused. Reed Gallery Director Sandra Huck conceived the

idea of a juried exhibition so that the drawings of northern Maine artists could be fea-



From "Derrière Le Miroir" by Alberto Giacometti on display in Preble Hall, second floor

tured in the gallery as part of the statewide drawing project.

The Reed Gallery's call for entries is open to all established and emerging artists in Aroostook County as well as local college and university students. Submission deadline is Oct. 15, 2010. All drawing media will be considered. Jurors for this project will be the faculty members of UMPI's Fine Art Program. Selected artists will be notified the week of Dec. 6, 2010.

To download an entry form and detailed instructions, visit www.umpi.edu/files/home/pdf/just-line.pdf. *

Maine Woods exhibit



Camping

UMPI's Reed Fine Art Gallery is presenting the exhibition Maine Woods: Observations by Bert Lincoln Call & Henry David Thoreau from Sept. 17 through Oct. 16. The exhibit provides an up-close look at 35 photographs and quotations from the 1800s describing the Northern Maine wilderness.

The exhibit comes to the Reed Gallery courtesy of the Dexter Historical Society. This exhibit has traveled throughout the state of Maine, and consists of 35 photographs by Bert Lincoln Call and quotations from Henry David Thoreau's *The Maine Woods*.

Bert Lincoln Call (1866-1965) was born in Dexter and lived there until the 1940s. Call's photographs of the Northern Maine woods were taken only 30 years after Thoreau visited Maine and give visual documentation to Thoreau's essays.

As part of this art exhibition, the Reed Gallery will host a special presentation to provide a more in-depth look at Thoreau. UMPI Professor Dr. Deborah Hodgkins will deliver a talk about Thoreau's book *The Maine Woods* during the First Friday Art Walk on Friday, Oct. 1, 2010, at 6 p.m. in the Reed Gallery. The public is invited to attend this free lecture.

The gallery is open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The gallery is closed Sundays and university holidays. For more information, please contact Sandra Huck at 768.9611. *

Closing Reception for Senior Exhibition

The University of Maine at Presque Isle's Reed Fine Art Gallery hosted a closing reception for the 2010 Senior Thesis Exhibition on Friday, Sept 10.

The Reed Fine Art Gallery has presented an annual Senior Thesis Exhibition for the last three years as an opportunity for young and upcoming artists in northern Maine to showcase their work to the public and to provide a forum for these students to discuss their works.

The 2010 show featured the selected works of nine UMPI Fine Art students from their solo exhibitions.

Students whose works were featured in this year's exhibition included: Lulu Pelletier, Krsna-Bhava Albert, Arelis Soto De Jimenez, Jasmyn Shaw, Jennifer Molloy, Jessica Carpenter, Whitney Graham, Rachel Pinette, and Joanna R. Dumond. *

Sports! Sports! Sports!

UMPI welcomes four new coaches

The University is welcoming several new employees at the start of the 2010-2011 academic year, including four new coaches.

JAY BEAULIEU has joined the University as the new Women's Volleyball Coach. Beaulieu has served as an Education Technician/ Classroom Teacher at Circle of Learning, Inc., in Caribou, as the Varsity/Junior Varsity Volleyball and Wrestling Coach at Manchester High School in Manchester, New Hampshire, where he was also a Full-Time Public Art Educator from 2000-2007. Beaulieu graduated from Rivier College in Nashua, N.H., with a Bachelor's degree in Art Education. During his time at Rivier, Beaulieu was a member of the Men's Volleyball team. He was the recipient of the Coach's Award and Player's Award, and was also

named Rivier College's Student Athlete of the Year. **DAN WILLIAMS** joins the University as the new Women's Soccer Coach. Williams has coached with the Dutch Soccer Academy for the past five seasons, and is known for his high energy and motivational coaching style. Williams is originally from Eastbourne, England. He played for more than three years on the Hastings United Football Club in England. Williams also played for Sussex, where he was captain of the team that won two league championships. **DANIEL HOTHAM** joins the University as the new Head Golf Coach. Hotham recently retired from Northern Maine Community College, where he coached the golf team for 22 years. Hotham has a degree in Education from the University of

Maine at Machias, and a

Master's degree from Antioch New England Graduate School. He continues to play golf and has won several club champi-





onships, including the Spudland Open twice. **PAUL STONE** has joined the University as the new Nordic Ski Coach. Stone comes to the University from the University of Vermont, where he has 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. Stone qualified for the World Junior Championships in high school and went on to ski for Dartmouth, where he was named MVP and qualified to compete in the NCAA Championships four times. He is currently on the NCAA's executive com-

mittee of the Eastern

Association for Skiing. *

Intercollegiate Ski

KATI CHRISTOFFEL named Sunrise Conference Runner of the Week (Sept. 14, 2010)

Kati (Art/Athletic Training Major from Clifton Park, N.Y.) was honored after a solid performance at the University of New England Invitational. The sophomore finished the 5K race at Rotary Park in Biddeford in a time of 22:35 to finish in 13TH place out of 89 runners.

CHELSEA BOUDREAU named Sunrise
Conference Player of the Week (Sept. 7, 2010)

Senior Midfielder and Athletic Training major from Wallace, Nova Scotia, Chelsea Boudreau guided a strong defensive effort for the Owls in their season-opening 2-0 win over Unity College. Chelsea helped hold Unity to no shots on goal and not one corner kick in the first Owl win.

Sports! Sports! Sports!

Belskis, Morse, Townsend: 2010 Hall of Fame Inductees

■ he University of Maine at Presque Isle Owls' Athletic Hall of Fame inducted three new members on Saturday, Sept. 18 in a ceremony during Homecoming weekend. This year's inductees include **Peter** J. Belskis (1974), Michelle (Davis) Morse (1996), and Matthew A. Townsend (2000). Peter J. Belskis was recognized as an inductee into the **UMPI** Hall of Fame for his achievements as an Owl athlete and long-time soccer coach for Ashland Community High School. Having grown up in Rumford, Peter was a three-sport high school athlete, with a love for the game of baseball. During his time as an Owl, Peter was a member of the varsity baseball team as a utility player; he saw time at the mound, behind the plate, and in the outfield. Throughout his years at UMPI, Peter was also a proud member of the Omega Sigma Beta fraternity from 1971-1974. Michelle (Davis) Morse was an outstanding three-sport athlete during her years at the UMPI, excelling on the hardwood, soccer

field, and softball diamond. As a fouryear member of the Owls basketball team, Michelle consistently led her squad in scoring, assists, and steals. As a senior, she was twice named Maine Athletic Conference player of the week en route to being named to the MAC All-Conference 2nd team and the MAIAW All-State 2nd team following the 94-95 season. She was also selected to the MAC All-Conference team following her junior season. Michelle's dominance on the court earned her a spot on various All-Tournament teams throughout her years of play. Morse's athletic prowess didn't end on the basketball court, she was also a three-year standout goal keeper for the Owls. As a sophomore, Michelle was named to the NAIA Northeast Region All-Star Team and followed that up with a junior year selection to the MAC All-Conference Team. Amongst her accolades in goal, Michelle at one point was ranked 3rd in the nation among the NAIA for "goals against average" for soccer goalies. In the springtime,

Morse played shortstop for the Owls softball team where she was named most valuable player her junior year. Her achievements as a student-athlete were further recognized when she earned the 93-94 Outstanding Female Athlete award. Matthew A. Townsend was an exceptional twosport athlete during his time at the UMPI, excelling on the basketball court and golf course. Matt was a dynamic player who made significant contributions as a four-year point guard for the Owls basketball team, serving as team captain during his junior and senior seasons. A natural leader on the court, Matt had tremendous fundamentals as a player, he was an outstanding shooter, passer, and always played the game with passion. He is the eighth all-time leading scorer at UMPI, totaling 1,167 career points. Matthew's work ethic and dedication to the sport that he loved set an example for his teammates; he was the epitome of a student-athlete, always placing team success above personal achievement. *



Peter J. Belskis



Michelle (Davis) Morse



Matthew A. Townsend

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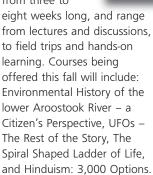
Wind 101 airs on WLBZ

Wind 101 - a film about the installation of the University's wind turbine has aired on WLBZ. On

Saturday, Sept. 18, students, faculty, staff, and community members were invited to view the short film as it aired during Homecoming Weekend. University President Don Zillman was in attendance during the viewing of the high definition film, directed by local videographer and filmmaker Frank Grant and narrated by long-time theater professor Joseph Zubrick.

SAGE courses offered again

SAGE courses are again underway. A long-standing program at the University, SAGE is designed for intellectually curious adults, age 50 and older, and offers courses that vary in length from three to



Distinguished Lecturer

ond Distinguished Lecturer of the academic year at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 21 in the Campus Center. Dr. Mark

University of Rochester Stem Cell and Regenerative Medicine Institute, will speak on "Stem Cell Biology: The Next Medical Revolution." He will discuss current stem cell research - embryonic stem cells in particular, how they are



research. Dr. Noble serves as the Co-Director of the New York State Center of Research Excellence for Spinal Injury Research and as a Professor of Neurology with the University of Rochester School of Medicine. Noble's lecture is free and the public is invited to be a part of this special event. For more information, call 768.9452.

Giles speaks on the Pacific at DFAS

Professor Andy Giles delivered a lecture on the history, culture and heritage of the Pacific Islands during a special Asian Pacific American Heritage Month presentation at DFAS in May. Giles has worked for more than 20 years to preserve the history of World War II in the Pacific through film, photographs, paintings and other collections. He has traveled to many islands in the Pacific – including Iwo Jima, Guadalcanal, and Tinian - to document historical sites and interview World War II veterans about their experiences. Professor Giles also has befriended many native Pacific Islanders during his journeys, and has documented some of their cultures and traditions. He was able to share these experiences during his talk before DFAS employees, who thoroughly enjoyed his presentation and appreciated his knowledge of and passion for the subject.

UMPI offers AMA Course

The University will offer two courses this fall beginning Tuesday, Oct. 5 and Wednesday, Oct. 20 as part of its American Management Association's certificate programs. The course registration deadline is seven days prior to each course starting date. The course What Managers Do will be held on Tuesdays from Oct. 5 to Nov. 9, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in the Campus Center, Alumni Room. Fundamentals of Human Resources is scheduled for Wednesdays from Oct. 20 through Nov. 17, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in the Campus Center. The cost is \$240 per course, and includes instruction, text and materials. Continuing Education Units are available for an additional charge. For more information or to register, contact Keith Madore at 768-9568 or keith.madore@umpi.edu.

UMPI hosts 12th semi-annual Fit

and Fun Day

The 12th semiannual Fit and Fun Day, will

be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2 in Gentile Hall. This event is sponsored by the Physical Education Majors Club and ACE Rent-a-Car. For the past several years, the Club has organized the free play day for area children in grades 1 through 5 to teach them about health and fitness in a fun environment. Activities will include parachute games, cup stacking and Frisbee. This year, the climbing wall will be open to all Fit and Fun Day participants. The swimming pool will also be open from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Each child that participates in the day's activities will receive a free prize and there will be a raffle for parents. Participants should plan to bring a jacket and their own snacks for this event. For more information, call Dr. Chris Standefer at 768-9457.

UMPI Community Band welcomes new members

The UMPI/Community Band, now in its 12th year, welcomes members of the community to join the band. Rehearsals for the fall season are held on Monday nights from

6:30 - 8:30p.m. in the Music Room in Wieden Hall on the

UMPI campus. Band Director Kevin Kinsey emphasizes there is no audition process and all with an interest in music are invited to join. "Just show up, play along, and be ready to have fun making good music," said Kinsey. The UMPI/Community Band performs on campus once every semester and occasionally at

UMPI Outdoor Adventure Program offers fall event

local events and schools by

appointment.

The UMPI Outdoor Adventure Program invites the public on an intermediate/advanced outdoor rock climbing excursion at Acadia National Park on Saturday, Oct.. 2. Lead by certified PCIA rock climbing guide Lenny Cole, the OAPI trip will explore Acadia's scenic cliffs. Some rock climbing experience is required to attend this

> event. The registration deadline is Sept. 29 by 6 p.m. and the cost for non-

UMPI students is \$45.For more information or to register, contact Kim McCrea at 768.9401.



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Student accommodation and assistive technology workshop

UMPI's Special Education Program and the Central Aroostook Council on Education sponsored a one-day education workshop on Wednesday, Sept. 22. Kathy Adams with the Maine CITE Program and Cynthia Curry with the MLTI Program presented at the event. The workshop focused on creating inclusive classrooms through student accommodations and assistive technology, and touched on topics such as: the Assistive Technology Act of 2004, IDEA requirements, assessment strategies, and funding sources. The workshop also allowed participants to take part in simulation activities.

Chamber subject of case study by UMPI professor

The Presque Isle Area Chamber of Commerce will be the subject of a business case study created by UMPI Business faculty member Professor Robert Murray that, once completed, will be able to be used around the world in the teaching of college business students. Murray's case study will look at several aspects of the chamber's functioning, such as: its geographic scope and whether

it should downsize or expand; what types of events it should promote; what mix of services would maximize member satisfaction and increase overall membership; and what role the executive director should play in strategic management. A first draft of the case study has been accepted for review at the October meeting of the North American Case Research Association in Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Diversity Committee presents lecture on living with disabilities

UMPI's Diversity Committee presented its first lecture of the year on Monday, Sept. 20. Jacquelyn Lowman delivered the talk Even with a Disability You Can Live a Productive Life highlighting her recent, two-week experience training with her service dog named Saint. Lowman discussed the process of living with a service dog, and demonstrated some of the tasks that Saint is able to help her with. The lecture also discussed how people should focus on what they can do, rather than what they can't, and wrapped up with a question and answer session.

Dorgan returns to UMPI

The University will welcome Darrell Dorgan on Oct. 3 to Oct. 7 as the 2010 - 2011 Journalist/Professional Communicator in Residence. Dorgan is an award-winning journalist, documentary filmmaker and executive director of the North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame. During his visit to Northern Maine, Dorgan will speak with the Presque Isle Rotary and Kiwanis groups, and University classes. He will also help with student media and show his newest documentary on Theodore Roosevelt. For more information, call 768.9452.

UMPI to hold blood drive

The University will hold its annual fall Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, Oct. 26, from 12 to 6 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room, Campus Center. The blood drive is sponsored by the University's Residence Life Office, the Brothers of Kappa Delta Phi and the Sisters of Kappa Delta Phi NAS. Walk-ins are welcome and door prizes will be given away during the drive. If donors wish to reserve a time in advance, they should call 1-800-GIVE-Life or log onto www.givelife.org.

UMPI thanks spring retirees for their service

The University said goodbye to a number of faculty and staff members this past spring. Their countless hours at the University have made a difference in the lives of students, faculty, and staff. UMPI extends its sincerest thank you to the following for their dedication and commitment to bettering the lives of all members of this institution: Claire Davidshofer, Instructor in French; William Davidshofer, Professor of Political Science; Helen Findlen, Assistant Director of Student Support Services; Carol Gordon, Staff Associate; Richard Kidney, HVAC Coordinator; Garnet Rochford, Building and Grounds Maintenance Crew Leader; Alice Sheppard, Professor of Psychology; Smitty Smith, Storeroom Clerk II, and Daniel Soucier, Building and Grounds Maintenance Worker.

Dean and team win golf tournament

Congratulations to Dean Chris Corsello and her teammates for winning First Place Women's Net at the KeyBank Golf Tournament held on Saturday, Aug 21. The Dean also won the longest drive contest.



Professor Jacqui Lowman and her service dog, Saint, en route to the Sept. 20 lecture.



pictured, from left: The team of Dean Chris Corsello, Joy Davis and Francine Soucy won First Place Women's Net at the 3rd Annual KeyBank Golf Event, a charity fundraiser held at the Presque Isle Country Club.

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

TUESDAYS

★ Newman Club, 7pm, CC 118 ■

Student Senate,

12:40pm, Alumni Room

Professional Business Leaders, 12:45pm,

Library, Room 201

THURSDAYS

★ Student Organization of Social Workers,

12:30pm, CC118 International

Students' Club, 6:15pm, Alumni

Room

FRIDAYS

768.9604

★ Gay-Straight Alliance, 12:30pm, Library, Room 201,

★ **OAPI**, 1pm., Gentile Hall, OAPI

SUNDAYS ★ Kappa Delta Phi,

6:30pm, Alumni

MRPA regional workshop to take place at UMPI

The University welcomes parks and recreation officials from Maine and Canada when the Northern Maine Community Recreation Association hosts the Maine Recreation and Parks Association's Regional Workshop, Oct. 21-22. More than 90 participants are expected. The two-day workshop, takes place at UMPI and at the Nordic Heritage Center. It include sessions on developing capital improvement plans, Americans with Disabilities Act compliance, low ropes initiatives for strengthening team building, and cooperative partnerships through

conservation easements. Dr. Darrell J. Burnett, a nationally recognized clinical sports psychologist and author, will serve as this year's keynote speaker. Activities get underway at UMPI with a breakfast at 7:30 a.m.; Registration is 8-8:45 a.m. Dr. Burnett's keynote address - Youth Sports Philosophy 101 - is 9-10:15 a.m. Workshop sessions will be held throughout the day and end at 3:30 p.m. For complete details, visit http://merpa.org/2010Regio nalWorkshop.aspx or contact Kathy Mazzuchelli at the Caribou Parks and Recreation Department, 493.4224. *

Ост. 1

★ Project Wild Aquatic Teacher's Workshop,

8:45am, Baxter State Park.

Free Afternoon Hike,

Aroostook State Park, 1:30pm, see Kim McCrea.

Ост. 2

★ Intermediate/

Advanced Outdoor Rock Climbing in Acadia,

768.9637. Fit and Fun

Day, 10am, Gentile Hall.

Ост. 5

★ AMA Courses Begin

What Managers Do, 6pm, Alumni Room, keith.madore@umpi.edu.

Ост. 6

★ Teddy Roosevelt Film -

Darrell Dorgan shows and discusses his film, 7pm, St. John and Aroostook Rooms - Campus Center, jaquelyn.lowman@ umpi.edu, 768.9475.

Ост. 7

★ Open Mic Night, 6pm,

Wieden Auditorium, renee.felini@umpi.edu 768.9441.

Ост. 11

★ Kathy Perez

Differentiation Workshop, 7:30am, Campus Center, MPR,

david.w.ouellette@ umpi.edu.

Oct. 13

★ Movie Night, 6:30 or 7pm depending on the movie, St. John and Aroostook Rms., Campus Center.

Ост. 18

768.9604.

★ Gay Awareness Days

Kevnote Speaker, Rev. Dr. Al Boyce, "Gay Marriage: What Every University Student Should Know: Empirical Research, Facts, Life Experience, Human Rights," Free, 7pm, Campus Center, MPR, dick.harrison2@umpi.edu,



Oct. 19

Gay Awareness Days "Gay Blue Jeans Day",

show your support for the GLBTQ community and wear blue jeans, dick.harrison2@umpi.edu,

768.9604 **Gay**

Awareness Days Movie,

"Imagine Me And You", 7pm, Wieden Aud., Free, dick.harrison2@umpi.edu, 768.9604.

Ост. 20

* AMA Course -

Fundamentals of Human Resources, 6pm, Alumni Room, keith.madore@ umpi.edu.

Ост. 21

★ Open Mic Night, 6pm, Wieden Auditorium, renee.felini@umpi.edu 768.9441. **Thursday**

Thriller Movie, 4pm, and 9pm, Folsom 105 ■ DLS

Speaker Mark Noble,

7pm, MPR, Susan Grove-Markwood, 768.9447.

Ост. 22

* Annual Maine **Recreation and Parks**

Association Meeting,

8am, Campus Center, MPR and Alumni Rooms, Anja Whittington, 768.9537.

OCT 23

★ Leadership Event for **Local High School**

National Honor Societies,

8:30am, MPR Campus Center, Jim Stepp,

768.9560 **Overnight**

backpacking trip to Gulf Hagas, Kim McCrea 768.9401, Register by

Oct 26

Oct. 20, 4 p.m.

★ Jay Mattioli, Magician,

7 pm, Wieden Auditorium, April Sue

Platt. Blood Drive,

12-6 pm, MPR, Jim Stepp, 768.9560, james.stepp@umpi.edu

Ост. 27

★ Jabali Afrika 3, time TBA, Wieden Aud., April Sue Platt. Movie

Night, 6:30 or 7pm. depending on the movie, St. John and Aroostook Rooms.

Oct. 28

Faculty Noon Seminar,

12:30pm, Faculty Lounge, Normal Hall Open Mic Night, 6pm, Wieden Auditorium. renee.felini@umpi.edu

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4pm. ★

★ Beginner's outdoor rock climbing trip to Clifton, Kim McCrea, 768.9401, register by Oct. 27,



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