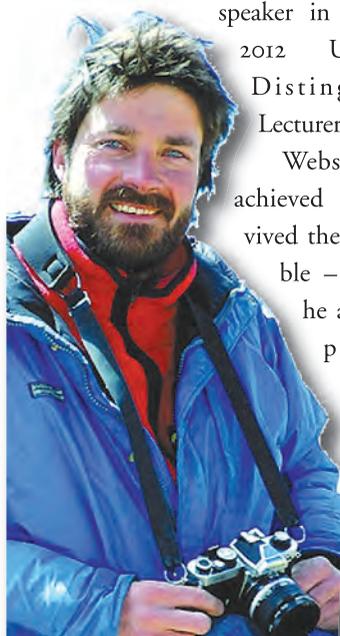




American mountaineer serves as next DLS speaker

The University will host Ed Webster – mountain climber, author, photo-journalist, and veteran of seven Himalayan expeditions – as the next speaker in its 2011-2012 University Distinguished Lecturer Series.



Ed Webster

Webster has achieved and survived the impossible – in 1988, he and three partners ascended a new, never-before-attempted route up Mt.

Everest's most dangerous, isolated side in Tibet with no sherpas, no radios and no oxygen. Webster will share his riveting tale of human endurance and remarkable teamwork, and provide a breathtaking slide show to accompany his story, during his presentation *Everest the Hard Way* on Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Campus Center. The public is invited to attend a reception and book-signing event to be held in the Alumni Room immediately following his lecture.

Webster, the only New England mountaineer who has established a new route up Mt. Everest, has been rock climbing since he was 11. He has experience at most of the major rock climbing areas in the United States, as well as significant rock climbs and first ascents in England, Wales, Scotland, France, Spain, Italy, Norway, and Sweden.

Born in 1956, Webster grew up in Lexington, Mass., and obtained a Bachelor's degree in anthropology from Colorado College in Colorado Springs in 1978. He is an acknowledged expert on the history of Mount Everest, George Mallory, and Tenzing Norgay. Now a resident of Orr's Island, Webster has lectured worldwide.

Webster has written two definitive guidebooks, *Rock Climbs in the White Mountains of New Hampshire* and *Climbing in the Magic Islands to the Lofoten Islands of Arctic Norway*. Webster's best-selling autobiography, *Snow in the Kingdom*, chronicles his experiences on Mt. Everest. Voted one of the 10 best Everest books of all time by *Outside Magazine* in May, 2003, the book is a document on modern lightweight, ethical Himalayan climbing, and a deeply personal *continued on page 2*

Nominations open for 5th Young Professionals Institute

Momentum Aroostook, MMG Insurance and the University are pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the fifth annual Young Professionals Institute, running this year on Tuesdays from March 6 to April 24. Nomination forms are available at www.umpi.edu/yip. **The nomination deadline is Monday, Feb. 13.**

The Institute provides the area's young professionals with a one-of-a-kind leadership opportunity – a professional development short course designed specifically for emerging leaders looking to refine the

skills that will bring them long-term success in their careers. Participants hone their professional skills through hands-on activities, on-the-spot public speaking assignments, and business simulation exercises.



This year's institute will focus on six skills employers are looking for in prospective employees and candidates for advancement – innovation, team work, communication, decision-making, information processing, and prioritization.

Participants will work together as a project management team to tackle new assignments each week *continued on page 4*

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Gentile Hall gets \$25,000 in new equipment

The University's Gentile Hall fitness center recently installed just under \$25,000 in new equipment, replacing three upright bicycles, two recumbent bicycles and two treadmills. In just over two years, the University has been able to complete more than \$52,000 in equipment upgrades for the nearly six-year-old fitness center.

These new pieces of equipment are the latest models from the LifeFitness Inspire Series, which offers iPod and iPhone compatibility, USB connectivity, and a virtual trainer and workout landscape perspectives. According to Dick Gardiner, Director of Gentile Hall, "Our members quickly expressed their pleasure with the new machines, enjoying the new features which are designed to keep them motivated."

Sobo-Tech out of Belgrade delivered and installed the new equipment and also loaned a StepMill machine from StairMaster. The only machine of its kind in the area has a revolving staircase with 8-inch steps and closely duplicates the workout of real stair-climbing. The machine is designed with motivating programs and includes several test features such as a nationally recognized multi-stage fitness test that gauges individual progress, and a custom firefighter test (CPAT) that could be used by area fire departments to measure cardiopulmonary endurance and muscular strength.

"We're very excited to be able to offer these new pieces of exercise equipment and to showcase this new

StepMill unit," Gardiner said. "We have been able to make important upgrades at our fitness center, but our replacement plan is only able to be implemented due to the strong community support in memberships. We are so pleased to have this support and to give back to our members by providing high-quality equipment and facilities here at Gentile Hall."

For information about Gentile Hall or memberships, call 768.9772 or visit www.umpi.edu/gentile-hall. ★

An UMPI student demonstrates how to use the new StepMill machine in Gentile Hall. The machine has a revolving staircase that closely duplicates the workout of real stair-climbing. The health and wellness facility has installed \$25,000 in new equipment in its exercise room, including new upright and recumbent bicycles and treadmills.



Boston!
Save the date

March 15, 2012
UMPI
Alumni & Friends Social

at **The Hub Pub**, 18 Province Street
Boston (Financial District) 5:30pm
appetizers | door prizes | cash bar

RSVP [alumni@umpi.edu]
by **Friday, March 9**



American mountaineer

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account of his uncharted route up Everest's most dangerous side.

Webster is the recipient of the American Mountain Foundation's 1988 Seventh Grade Award for outstanding achievements in mountaineering; the American Alpine Club's 1990 Literary Award; and American Alpine Club's 1994 David H. Soules Award, for saving the life of a fellow climber.

His photographs have been published worldwide, in publications such as *Climbing Magazine*, *Sports Illustrated*,

National Geographic, *Rock & Ice*, *Popular Mechanics*, *Rolling Stone*, and *The New York Times Sunday Magazine*.

Following his talk, Webster will sign copies of *Snow in the Kingdom* and *Rock Climbs in the White Mountains of New Hampshire*, the go-to guidebook for New Hampshire rock climbing. There also will be eight new color posters, including six portraits of Mt. Everest and the view from Mt. Everest, available for purchase. The public is invited to be a part of this free event. For more information, contact the University's Community and Media Relations Office at 768.9452. ★

Planet Head Day to raise funds for C-A-N-C-E-R

Aroostook County's 6th annual Planet Head Day will take place from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M. on Saturday, Feb. 18 in Wieden Gymnasium, during the 82ND "birthday" of the discovery of Pluto. This unique event celebrates space science while also serving as a fundraiser for C-A-N-C-E-R [Caring Area Neighbors for Cancer Education and Recovery]. To do this, participants raise money to have their heads shaved and painted as planets, dwarf planets and moons.

Each year, barber chairs are available for those who have their heads shaved, while others opt for "bald" caps. Recent Planet Head Days have had about 65 heads, with half of these being shaved.

Planet Head Day is now the most important fundraising event for C-A-N-C-E-R. Money raised goes to support area community members diagnosed with cancer.

"Our services are many and are cus-

tom designed to fit the needs of each patient," Louise Calabrese, C-A-N-C-E-R chairwoman, said. "If assistance is

Show 'em you care!

The UMPI community is being challenged to raise \$1,000 as part of this year's Planet Head Day. All are encouraged to give a donation to "sponsor" Kevin McCartney, Tomasz Herzog, John Defelice, and/or Ray Rice, who have all shaved their heads for cancer and space education at previous Planet Head Day events. Or offer to donate money if one of your colleagues/fellow students will get their head shaved and painted for this worthy cause! FMI 768.9452.

needed to pay for prescriptions, oil, electricity, food and anything else not covered by insurance, we help until other funding sources are found."

The 2011 event raised more than \$15,000, and the ambitious goal this year is to double that amount.

Planet Head Day will include an assortment of space and cancer-based dis-

plays and programs. Lynwood Winslow of Presque Isle will volunteer his laptop, camera, and printing technology to photograph each Planet Head and produce a Planet Head certificate to take home. Free pizza is provided by the Caribou and Presque Isle Pizza Huts. This year there will be two barbers from Parsons Street Barber Shop and two hair stylists from Great Beginnings Hair Boutique.

For more information about this event, contact Kevin McCartney at 768.9482. ★



photo: Bangor Daily News

University to host media experts for journalism seminar

The University will host three media experts for a journalism seminar entitled *Information Overload: How Do You Find the Truth?* at 7 P.M. on Wednesday, Feb. 15 in Wieden Auditorium. The public is invited to attend this free evening seminar, which will feature award-winning journalist and documentary filmmaker Darrell Dorgan of North Dakota and local media experts Shawn Cunningham of WAGM-TV and Jen Lynds of the *Bangor Daily News*. This event is sponsored by the Maine Press Association and the Maine Association of Broadcasters.

According to event organizer Dr. Jacqui Lowman, the seminar will focus on the changing media landscape: how people are getting their news nowadays, how that shifts and blurs the lines of what news is, and why this matters to all of us as news consumers.

The evening's media experts will discuss the impacts as they see them, why this changing media landscape is good – or bad – for us, and what they think the media are going to look like in the future.

DARRELL DORGAN, who returns to UMPI to serve as a Journalist in Residence, is the recipient of more than 50 awards for journalism excellence, including an Emmy nomination in 1992 and a National Associated Press award for Reporting Beyond Reproach.

SHAWN CUNNINGHAM has served as an anchor/reporter for WAGM-TV for 10 years. She has received a national health journalism fellowship coordinated by the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Foundation in 2010, as well as two Aegis Media Awards, three Maine Association of Broadcasters awards, and two Telly Awards.

JEN LYNDS is a journalist covering Aroostook County for the *Bangor Daily News*. A graduate of UMPI's Class of 2000, she wrote for the campus newspaper, the *University Times*, and served as editor for three years. She also worked as a freelance reporter for the *Houlton Pioneer Times* during college.

For more information, call 768.9452 or email sara.martin@umpi.edu. ★



from left: Darrell Dorgan, Shawn Cunningham, Jen Lynds

Student-Athlete Advisory Committee hosts toy drive

The University's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee [SAAC] worked to make the holiday season a little brighter for many local children by hosting a *Toys 4 Girls and Boys* toy drive. The group was able to collect more than 150 toys for area youth.

"The Toys 4 Girls and Boys toy drive was a huge success," Patrick Manifold, SAAC President, said. "Our goal was to get 100 toys but we ended up getting over 150 toys. We are very thankful for all the kind donations from UMPI student-athletes, coaches, students and members of staff, and we are so pleased that we were able to put smiles on the faces of so many children this Christmas."

Manifold said the idea for the toy drive was conceived during a SAAC meeting as a way for the group to show its support and commitment to the community. The group collected toys through mid-December. All donated toys were given to underprivileged children and their families in Presque Isle and the surrounding areas.

"We decided to try and spread the joy as far as we could by donating to a few different local worthy organizations that included the Sister Mary O'Donnell Homeless Shelter and Transitional Homes in Presque Isle, and the Hope and Justice Project and St. Mary's Catholic Church, also in Presque Isle," Manifold said. "All of them are involved with underprivileged children in the local area and were extremely grateful for our contribution." ★



UMPI's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee [SAAC] recently donated more than 150 toys for area youth as part of a toy drive they held in December. Pausing for a photo with all the toys are from left, Connie Levesque, Athletic Administrative Assistant; Chris Corsello, Athletic Director; Jim Casciano, SAAC advisor; Chelsea Boudreau, SAAC member; and Patrick Manifold, SAAC president.

Young Professionals Institute

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focused on one of these skills areas. During four classes, participants will head to area businesses and organizations throughout Aroostook County – including MMG Insurance in Presque Isle and Katahdin Trust Company in Houlton – to participate in on-site business simulation exercises.

Participants will learn innovation engineering techniques that help them to generate ideas in new ways, take part in role-playing scenarios that refine their abilities to pitch proposals and deliver presentations, conduct mock interviews that give them experience in working with the media, and network with local officials and statewide leaders. A special component of the Institute this year is a half-day Exchange event that starts at The Aroostook Medical Center and ends at Cary Medical Center. The event will provide participants with the opportunity to network with area young professionals, and give a short presentation on what they've learned to business leaders from throughout the region.

The Institute will be facilitated by University officials, members of Momentum Aroostook, several local business and community leaders, and the graduates of past Young Professionals Institutes.

There are only 12 seats available for YPI 5. Young professionals interested in taking the course must submit their name for nomination or have their business employer nominate them. The nomination deadline is Monday, Feb. 13. Selections will be announced Monday, Feb. 20. A \$150 registration fee, paid by course participants or their business sponsors, is due by Monday, March 5.

This year's YPI sessions will be held on March 6, 13, 20 and 27, and April 3, 10, 17, and 24. Most sessions will be held on Tuesdays from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Alumni Room of UMPI's Campus Center. However, times will differ during three Tuesday sessions. On March 27, the class will travel to Houlton; class time will be 3:30-6:30 p.m. On April 10, the class will take part in the half-day Exchange event; class time will be 12:45-6:30 p.m. On April 24, the class will host its final presentation; class time will be 4-7 p.m.

For more information about the short course, which is not being offered for academic credit, contact Linda McLaughlin in UMPI's College of Professional Programs at 768.9740 or e-mail linda.mclaughlin1@umpi.edu. ★

CJ students conduct study for local police department

UMPI Criminal Justice students recently completed a study for the Presque Isle Police Department on theft from motor vehicles, partnering with municipal officials to better serve the community.

Dr. Charles Johnson, UMPI Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, supervised nine Criminal Justice students on the research project, titled *Theft from Motor Vehicles: A Study in Presque Isle, Maine*. The 40-page document explores the issue of items stolen from motor vehicle in Presque Isle – typical targets include cell phones, prescription medication, and cash – in an effort to provide solutions

to the problem. “It was a great way to involve UMPI Criminal Justice students in a real-world situation tied to their area of study, and to complete work that positively impacts the local community,” Dr. Johnson said.

Student researchers who contributed to this project included Christopher M. Bessey, Jeremy Brock, Dustin Cray, Ethan Doody, Brandon Doughty, Elizabeth Flagg, Andrew Levesque, Craig Maffei and Adam Pinette.

Based on their research and survey results, the group’s recommendations were to consider adopting a ticket warning policy that educates



UMPI Criminal Justice students recently presented a study they completed on theft from motor vehicles to the Presque Isle Police Department. Taking part in the presentation are, from left, UMPI Criminal Justice Professor Charles Johnson, Criminal Justice students Adam Pinette, Andrew Levesque and Christopher Bessey, and Presque Isle Police Chief Matt Irwin.

the public about locking car doors and hiding valuables, to police “hotspots” (problems areas), and to educate the public about the connections between their routine activities and the likelihood that

they could be targeted with theft from motor vehicles.

The PIPD is reviewing the research and recommendations and has thanked the group for its hard work on the study. ★

International Students Scholarship established at UMPI

Through the dedicated efforts and donations of the University’s International Students Club, UMPI staff and friends, and a generous anonymous donor, the University’s Foundation has established an International Students Scholarship and Work Program.



Officials held a signing ceremony on Jan. 26 for the University’s newly established International Students Scholarship and Work Program. Taking part in the ceremony are, from left, front row: Brian Flewelling, President of the Foundation of the University at Presque Isle; Bonnie DeVaney, International Students Club adviser; and UMPI President Don Zillman; back row: UMPI International students Patrick Manifold, Chelsea Boudreau, Shulei Zhang, Zicong Zhou, Liron Albag, and Lijing Zhou.

The scholarship and work program were established in honor of all International students who have attended UMPI and in recognition of Emeritus faculty member Guy Gallagher, staff members John Harrington and Bonnie DeVaney, and all those who have advocated for and supported International students. Both will provide International students with financial assistance for their tuition, and the work program additionally will give these students the opportunity to gain employment experience on-campus.

The International Students Scholarship will be available to full-time, on-site International students committed to completing a degree at UMPI. Preference will be given to students who are leaders on campus and who are involved with at least one club, team or organization on campus. This scholarship is exclusively for students who are citizens of a country other than the United States and Canada.

The International Students Work Program will be available under the same criteria as the scholarship. Providing this type of financial assistance is especially important because International students are not eligible for U.S. financial aid and cannot legally work off campus without authorization.

For more information or to contribute to the fund, please contact UMPI’s Office of Development at 768.9568. ★

Aughinbaugh new Director of Facilities Management

The University has hired an experienced facilities and construction leader, planner and manager – who has worked in commercial, industrial and institutional environments – to serve as its new Director of Facilities Management.

Robert Aughinbaugh, who comes to Maine from Mentor, Ohio, and has 21 years of experience in facilities management, replaces outgoing Director of Facilities Management David St. Peter, who officially retired Jan. 20 after 24 years with the University. He and his wife Victoria will split their time

between Madawaska Lake and Florida as they enjoy their retirement.

“We’d like to thank Dave for his many years of dedicated service to campus and wish him well as he begins his retirement,” UMPI President Don Zillman said. “We were very lucky to find a highly experienced facilities manager like Bob Aughinbaugh to fill the spot Dave is leaving. Bob already has settled in nicely to campus and we look forward to working with him on many projects to come.”

Aughinbaugh has had significant success in facilities master planning, strengthening

operations, structuring high impact business plans and boosting productivity. Most recently, Aughinbaugh served as a self-employed consultant, working with companies in developing technical drawings, safety programs and writing business plans.

Prior to that, he worked for the University Hospitals Health System in Cleveland, Ohio, from 2005 to 2009, serving first as Facilities Manager for Bedford Medical Center and later as the Program Executive of Community Hospitals Construction. While there, he managed more than 55 simultaneous projects representing



\$30 million at any given time.

Earlier in his career, he served as Director of Facilities Engineering and Plant Operations at Cleveland Clinic Hospital, Director of Facilities and Plant Operations at Mary Baldwin College, and construction manager and later facilities manager at Philipsburg Area Hospital in Pennsylvania.

Aughinbaugh resides in Presque Isle with his wife Nancy. They have two grown sons and one granddaughter. ★

UMPI BioMedical Club focuses on community service

One of the University’s newest student clubs has taken community service to heart, working to help several local groups as it increases members’ awareness for careers in the biomedical and health sciences fields. So far, the club has participated in everything from volunteer activities to fundraisers for the community to educational activities with local school children.

The club was established at the beginning of the Fall 2011 semester – UMPI Biology professors Dr. Bonnie Wood and Dr. Rachael Hannah serve as club advisers – with the goals of hosting guest speakers from the biomedical field and organizing service activities. Both are meant to help club members interact with the community and gather information that will help them to choose and successfully pursue a biomedical career.

Though the club has only been around for four months, it has been able to complete quite a few service-focused projects. Members of the BioMedical Club volunteered for the Crow’s Nest Octoberfest 10K running event held in October to support the American Red Cross Disaster Fund in Aroostook County. In early November, the club helped to host a group of fourth-graders from Van Buren Elementary School taking part in an “Academic Day,” assisting Dr. Hannah in presenting a workshop on the human brain.

During the holiday season, the BioMedical Club held a raffle to

purchase and donate items to three Presque Isle charities – the Central Aroostook Humane Society, the Presque Isle Rehab Center, and the children’s unit at The Aroostook Medical Center.

“The volunteer activities have really helped members get active within the community and meet new people,” Club President Stephanie Corriveau said. “For someone interested in the biomedical field or a career in the health sciences, it’s important to become involved in community service.”

The BioMedical Club expects to be just as busy for the second half of its inaugural year and already has plans underway for the Spring 2012 semester.

To learn more about the club, contact Stephanie Corriveau at stephanie.l.corriveau@maine.edu. ★



UMPI BioMedical Club members Amy Michaud and Stephanie Corriveau volunteer during the Crow’s Nest Octoberfest 10K run, which raised money for the American Red Cross Disaster Fund in Aroostook County. The event is one of many community service-focused projects the group has taken on since its establishment in September 2011.

Reed Gallery presents Frank Sullivan's Maine



"Purple Shutters"

The Reed Fine Art Gallery will present the exhibition *Frank Sullivan's Maine* from January 17 through February 19, bringing to campus the oil paintings and pastel drawings of the artist, who hails from Massachusetts and now resides in Aroostook County.

Frank Sullivan transplanted himself and his family from Massachusetts to northern Maine in 2006, so he could devote himself full-time to painting. Sullivan said he wanted to escape the temptation of current art trends and be

able to work in relative isolation.

His studio, a converted potato storage barn, is where he works in inclement weather and where he also offers classes in drawing and painting. His preference, however, is to work outside his studio, battling black flies, sun, wind and snow.

"I don't choose subjects for my paintings at all, I simply paint whatever is around me," he said.

"Although he did not specifically move to a rural area of the country to 'become' a landscape painter, the compulsion to create, the ready access to vast northern Maine vistas and the passion for being outdoors, all came together to inspire Littleton, Maine's, most prolific landscape artist," Reed Art Gallery Director Heather Sincavage said of Sullivan's work.

Sullivan earned his Bachelor's degree in Visual Arts (Studio) from the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass., in

1986. He later attended The American University in Washington, D.C., on a graduate fellowship in printmaking, but left after one semester to pursue a career in music. He continued to draw, teach drawing and do freelance illustration during those years.

In 1998, he earned his Graphic Design Certificate at the School of the Museum of Fine Art in Boston. He then worked for seven years as a graphic designer, art director and illustrator, and then he and his family moved to northern Maine to focus on his art full-time.

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. To learn more about Sullivan and his work, visit www.rainbarrowstudio.blogspot.com/. ★

Upcountry to host February launch party

The staff of the University's online literary journal is celebrating the publication of its latest issue with an official *Upcountry* Reading and Launch Party at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 9 in the Normal Hall Faculty Lounge.

The celebration will serve as the official launch of *Upcountry's* Fall/Winter issue. The journal's student editors Mika Ouellette and Barat Qualey will be on hand, as will journal advisor Dr. Melissa Crowe. Several of this issue's 18 contributors also will be in attendance to read from their work. Paper copies of the issue will be available and refreshments will be provided. The reading and launch party is free and open to the public.

"We're very excited about the party; the Fall/Winter issue is the culmination of a lot of hard work, on the part of the student staff and the writers whose work we published, and it's wonderful to have the opportunity to celebrate that work with the community," Crowe said.

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.

For this latest issue, staffers embraced an interactive new browsable magazine format to give people easier access to the

work of the writers, poets and artist from the campus community featured in it. The digital publishing platform they used allows pages of uploaded print material to be viewed much like a traditional printed publication, with animated, flipping pages and left-to-right page viewing. The digital version is viewable at <http://upcountryjournal.wordpress.com/>.

In keeping with literary journal tradition, however, the *Upcountry* staff is hosting the launch party to give contributors and the wider community a chance to share the work in person and take home a hard copy of the Fall/Winter issue.

"The work in the issue is very good, and I hope lots of folks will come out to listen to some of that work and maybe learn a bit more about the journal—we'll be open for submissions for the Spring/Summer issue in the coming weeks," Crowe said.

For more information about the reading and launch party, please email the staff at upcountry@maine.edu. ★



Sports! Sports! Sports!

UMPI names two new coaches

Former UMPI Men's Soccer Most Valuable Player **Trevor Parent** has been named the new Head Coach of the Owls' Women's Soccer team. ■ Parent takes over for Dan Williams who stepped down after leading UMPI to a 22-8 record over his two seasons at the helm. ■ Parent was a student-athlete at UMPI playing soccer for current Men's Coach Alan Gordon. After graduating with a Physical Education degree in 2007, Parent began his soccer coaching career as an Assistant Coach at Lee Academy, helping lead the girls' program there to a Class 'C' State Runner-Up finish. ■ In 2008, Parent returned to UMPI to

join the staff in the Admissions Office. He also joined his former coach Gordon as an Assistant Coach for the Men's Soccer team. Parent believes his strong UMPI ties will help on the recruiting trail. ■ "Hopefully, after a five-minute conversation with me about UMPI, a prospective student-athlete will see how much I bleed blue and gold. This passion comes from my three years as a student-athlete, five years as an active alumni, and three years as an active employee at UMPI. " **Peter Coffin** has been named the new Head Women's Softball Coach. A native of Millinocket, Coffin is an UMPI alumnus ('86) with a degree in

Health, Physical Education, and Recreation. He has been teaching in the Presque Isle school system for the past 12 years. ■ "Peter comes to us with extensive coaching experience in a variety of sports including 14 years of softball coaching," said UMPI Athletic Director Chris Corsello. "In addition to his coaching experience, Peter brings with him a thorough understanding of the game, having served as a collegiate umpire for several years." ■ Coffin will inherit a team that completed the Spring 2011 season with a record of 14-13 and made it to the Championship of the now defunct Sunrise Conference. ★



Trevor Parent



Peter Coffin

Learn the FUNDAMENTALS of Softball

Join UMPI's **Women's Softball team** on March 3 for their **Softball Clinic** in Wieden Gymnasium. Cost: \$20. FMI 768.9506



Saucier receives Player of the Week award

Recognizes efforts of teammates

UMPI Sophomore forward **Rashell Saucier** (Washburn) was named the Association of Division III Independents Women's Basketball Player of the Week for her play over the week of Jan. 9. Saucier played four games that week and averaged 11.8 points, 11 rebounds, 1.8 assists, and two steals while leading the Owls to a 2-2 record. "I'm honored for this recognition and at the same time realize that I owe a great deal of my success to my teammates since we are constantly striving to make each other better," said Saucier.

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phone, log in and go to the Services option. Enter your validation code into the field provided online. If you have any questions, please contact the Student Affairs Office. ★



Sports! Sports! Sports!

UMPI Basketball teams watch UCONN practice



After a week-long road trip that brought the UMPI Men's and Women's Basketball teams through five states, the Owls had one more stop before making the long trip home: Gampel Pavilion to watch the UCONN Huskies Women's Basketball team practice. ■ The Owls were able to watch Head Coach Geno Auriemma as he prepared his squad for a Big East showdown at Villanova and it was certainly a practice the Owls will never forget. ■ Junior guard Emily Pelletier was one of many who appreciated the once-in-a-lifetime experience. "I could not sit still the entire time we were there. That is something I never thought I would be able to do. And to be able to shake Coach Geno's hand . . . so very cool!"



Emily Moore named Player of the Week

Senior point-guard **Emily Moore** (Lisbon) was named the Association of Division III Independents Women's Basketball Player of the Week at the end of December. Moore guided her team to a 2-1 record during the week, including a pair of wins in the Owls' first two home games. In a 66-60 win over the University of Maine at Machias, she tallied 18 points, eight rebounds and eight assists. She also scored 17 points in a 65-61 come-from-behind win over the University of Maine at Fort Kent.

Don't forget to register early for UMPI's Three-day Baseball Clinic

for ages 7-18 • Friday-Sunday March 9-11, Wieden Gymnasium

One Session \$35 • Two Sessions \$65 • All Three Sessions \$85

Session One: March 9, 6-9 p.m.

Throwing and Catching Mechanics
Fielding Ground Balls and Fly Balls
Base Running

Session Two: March 10, 1-5 p.m.

Hitting and Bunting Techniques

Session Three: March 11 1-5 p.m.

Pitching and Catching Fundamentals

Early pre-registration for this clinic is strongly suggested.

FMI contact Coach Leo Saucier at 768.9421 or

leo.saucierjr@umpi.edu.



UMPI Thinks Pink Basketball Games



Sunday, Feb. 12

Wieden Gymnasium

UMPI vs. Virginia-Lynchburg

Women at 1pm

Men at 3pm

Show your support for the Owls and the American Cancer Society at the same time!

Donations at the game will go to the UMPI Owls Relay for Life team.

Admission:

Adults \$3 / Students \$2

Children under 10 FREE

UMPI students with valid ID – FREE

notes

UMPI's Career and Job Fair scheduled

Save the date and plan to attend UMPI's Career and Job Fair on March 20 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Campus Center. Representatives of businesses and government agencies are invited to participate in this free event. The Career and Job Fair is open to all UMPI students, faculty, and staff as well as the public. FMI, contact Bonnie Devaney, Director of Career Services, at 768.9750.



5th Annual Frozen Frenzy a major hit

The UMPI Pride Committee once again pulled off a great, two-day event in celebration of winter fun. Frozen Frenzy brought in students, faculty, staff and community members to participate in a number of activities, including: dog sled rides, movies, a hockey game, snowshoeing, tubing, and of course, the Frozen Frenzy Wipe Out Course.

UMPI Dancercise sessions underway

UMPI Junior and Dance Team Vice President/Co-Captain Emily Keaton will be instructing a program similar to Zumba® – aerobics through dancing. Session one is underway right now, but there is still time to sign up for session two. Session two will begin Feb. 28 and run until March 22. Sessions will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. in Gentile Hall. The cost to participate in the eight sessions is \$25 – an incredible value! Emily has experience with dance through her 12

years at the Maine Dance Academy. She is currently choreographing the routines for the UMPI Dance Team along with the team creator, Stephanie Pemberton. To sign up for session two, a check or cash can be brought to the Student Affairs Office in South Hall by Feb. 27.

AMA courses offered

UMPI will be offering two courses this Spring as part of its American Management Association's certificate program. *Fair, Square, and Legal* will teach participants about the key aspects of employment law and how to avoid legal liability. This course will be taught by Clare Exner, Chair of the College of Professional Programs at UMPI and will be held on consecutive Mondays from Feb. 27 through March 26. *Taking Control with Time Management* will teach participants how to develop a system for managing time by using a self-audit, personal planner, and plan of action, as well as develop skills necessary to delegate in traditional work settings and team-based environments. This course will be taught by Dawn Poitras, Manager of Rehab and Therapy Services at The Aroostook Medical Center and will be held on consecutive Wednesdays from March 7 through April 11. FMI, contact Keith Madore at 768.9568.



UB Saver program appears in FAME calendar

The University's TRiO Upward Bound SAVER program – and an UMPI TRiO Upward Bound group photo – is featured in the Finance Authority of Maine's 2012 calendar. Spotlighted during September as part of College Savings

Month, the FAME calendar points out that UMPI became the first campus to launch the SAVER program in 2006 and that, in 2011, 53 percent of Upward Bound students at UMPI participated in the program. The SAVER program was established to encourage Upward Bound students to become involved in saving for their own higher education. Students enrolled in the program are named as a NextGen account beneficiary and a portion of their weekly Upward Bound stipend is deposited into their NextGen account.



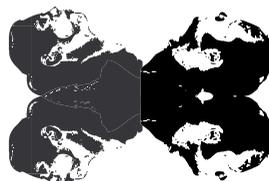
UMPI invites all to give Love for Troops

UMPI's Student Activities Office would like to invite students, faculty, staff, and the public to join them as they make cards, write letters, and assemble care packages for American troops on Feb. 14-15. *Love for Troops* will take place in the Owl's Nest and Whooo's Hut from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. FMI 768.9582.



h(2) opening reception slated

h(2) = heather sincavage hyrum benson NEW WORK is an exhibition by UMPI's two newest Fine Art Faculty members, Hyrum Benson and Heather Sincavage. On display through



April 14, the Opening Reception is March 2 at 5 p.m. in the Reed Art Gallery. Benson and Sincavage are transplants to Aroostook County. Benson is a ceramics artist originally from Idaho and Sincavage is a mixed media artist, relocating from Pennsylvania. FMI about this event or the exhibition, call 768.9442.

UMPI presents Hypnotist Michael C. Anthony

The University will host hypnotist Michael C. Anthony at 7 p.m. in Wieden Auditorium on March 5. Having hypnotized over 15,000 people, Michael C. Anthony has performed throughout the United States and internationally and continues to be one of the most sought after hypnotists in the world. Don't just SEE the show. BE the show. This event is free and open to the public. FMI, call 768.9582.



Ms. UMPI 2012 scheduled

Don't miss out as the next Ms. UMPI is crowned on March 1 in Wieden Auditorium at 7 p.m. This event is sponsored by UMPI's Senior Class. FMI 768.9568.

Movie Night to be held

Come watch a movie for FREE! Students, faculty, staff, and the public are invited to the Campus Center's Multi-Purpose Rooms Feb. 29 at 8 p.m. FMI 768.9582.

UMPI's Sincavage in numerous exhibitions

One of UMPI's newest Fine Art Faculty members will feature her work in a number of upcoming exhibitions including

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the invitational exhibition, *Homefront Heroes* at Penn State Lehigh Valley on March 2. The show is focused on women who contributed to the World War II effort and Sincavage will participate in a panel discussion; talking about her works and how this time in history pushed forward the feminist movement. She was included in Volume 15 of *Studio Visit*, an international juried exhibition in print, as well as the November issue of the *Bohemia Art and Literary Journal*. She will also be a part of the *Closer to Home* group exhibition at the *Centro de Historias de Zaragoza* from Feb. 9 through April. Congratulations to UMPI's Heather Sincavage on all of her accomplishments!

Students reflect on service learning trip

UMPI students shared their service learning reflections through slides and stories at a community presentation on Feb. 2. UMPI students traveled with Shirley Rush, Associate Professor of Social Work and Bachelor of Social Work Program Director, to Tanzania in May of 2011. During their service learning trip, students were given opportunities to work in an orphan-

Tanzania

age, assist teachers, work with people who have HIV/AIDS, work with people with disabilities, and work with women in the area of economic development. During this presentation, students gave thanks to the public and individuals who supported their fundraising efforts for this trip.

University Distinguished Lecturer Series presents Andrew Vietze

Author Andrew Vietze will serve as the University's second Distinguished Lecturer for the Spring 2012 semester as he presents at 7 p.m.



in the University's Campus Center on March 6. He will give the talk *William Sewall and Teddy Roosevelt: How a Maine Guide Inspired a Man Who Would Be President*. Andrew Vietze is a writer and a park ranger – he spends six months of each year working in the wilds of the Katahdin region, and the rest of his time penning everything from travel guides to magazine articles to his first novel. The author of



five books, Vietze will speak about his latest publication, *Becoming Teddy Roosevelt: How a Maine Guide Inspired America's 26th President*, which recently won a silver medal at the Independent Publisher Book Awards in New York and was honored by the Maine State Legislature. His book tells the story of the Aroostook County woodsman William Wingate Sewall, who became Roosevelt's mentor and life-long friend. This event is free and open to the public. FMI, call 768.9452.

Spring Blood Drive a success

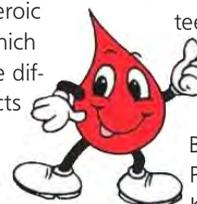
UMPI's 2012 American Red Cross Spring Blood Drive held on Feb. 1 was once again a major success. "A hero is a person who is willing to give up something to save a life,"

UMPI's Diversity Committee presents Women's History Month presentation

On March 7, Dr. John Zaborney will show excerpts and discuss *Baby Face*, a 1933 "Pre-Code" film which portrays an independent female character who possesses and utilizes power to her advantage. The historical context is the Great Depression. This presentation will be in the Alumni Room, 12-1:30 p.m. FMI: Lisa Udasco 768.9558



Jim Stepp, Director of Residence Life, said. "There are many examples of heroic behavior, some of which can prove to be quite difficult; other heroic acts can be as simple as rolling up your sleeves." ■ And



UMPI students, faculty, staff, and the community did just that. A big thank you to everyone who gave blood or volunteered at the drive, and of course to the event's sponsors: the UMPI Residence Life Office, the Brothers of Kappa Delta Phi and the Sisters of Kappa Delta Phi NAS. ★

IMPORTANT SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION 2012-2013 ACADEMIC YEAR

Applications for scholarships awarded for the new academic year are available NOW (in the Financial Aid Office, 232 Preble) or online at www.umpi.edu/scholarship-app

- print out the PDF, fill it out, and then return the form to the Financial Aid Office -

Students with a GPA of 3.0 or greater are urged to apply.

Application deadline is February 17, 2012. *Late applications will not be accepted*

Community

Choral Society begins rehearsals

The Caribou Choral Society begins rehearsals for its 34th annual Spring concerts on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m., in the Mormon Church Recreation Room (67 Paris Snow Drive, Caribou). All area residents over age 16 who are interested in singing advanced four-part music are invited to join. No auditions are required; dues are \$12 to help defray costs of new sheet music. Concerts will be May 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Caribou, and May 6 at 3 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Presque Isle. FMI call 764.1482.

Summer concert planned

The Veterans of Foreign Wars-Hayward Frazier and Ladies Auxiliary Post #2599 are planning a special Veterans Rock and Country Jamboree to salute area veterans and their families at the Northern Maine Fairgrounds from June 22-24. Nationally acclaimed country and rock bands will be showcasing their musical talents. Proceeds will benefit the Building Expansion Project for the VFW Post as well as three local non-profits: The Sister Mary O'Donnell Shelter, The Hope and Justice Project, and the Star City ATV Club. For tickets: www.veterans-rock-and-country-jamboree.com

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FEBRUARY 9

Upcountry Launch Party 7pm
Normal Hall Faculty Lounge

FEBRUARY 10

Registration Deadline for OAPI
Katahdin Winter Ascent

FEBRUARY 12

UMPI Basketball vs. Virginia
University-Lynchburg – **UMPI
Thinks Pink Basketball games** 1
& 3pm Wieden Gymnasium

FEBRUARY 13

Musician Scott Wesley 7pm Owl's Nest

FEBRUARY 14

Love For Troops 11am-2pm
Owl's Nest & Whoo's Hut

FEBRUARY 15

Love For Troops 11am-2pm
Owl's Nest & Whoo's Hut ■
Night Skiing at Big Rock 4-9pm
■ **Gay-Straight Alliance** meeting
CC 118 4:45pm ■ **Journalism
Seminar** with Darrell Dorgan,
Shawn Cunningham, and Jen
Lynds 7pm Wieden Auditorium

FEBRUARY 16

Diversity Day ■ **Valentine's Day
Dance** 10pm Campus Center

FEBRUARY 18

Planet Head Day 11am-2pm
Wieden Gymnasium

FEBRUARY 20-24

February Vacation classes
resume Monday, Feb. 27

FEBRUARY 28

Dancercise Session begins
12:30pm Gentile Hall

FEBRUARY 29

Night Skiing at Big Rock 4-9pm
■ **Gay-Straight Alliance** meeting
CC 118 4:45pm ■ **Movie Night**
8pm Campus Center

MARCH 1

Ms. UMPI 2012 7pm Wieden
Auditorium

MARCH 2

OAPI Cross Country Ski at
Aroostook State Park 1:30pm
■ **Opening Reception** for *H⁽²⁾*:
New Work by Hyrum Benson &
Heather Sincavage 5pm-7pm
Reed Art Gallery

MARCH 3

Women's Softball Clinic 9am
Wieden Gymnasium

MARCH 5

Hypnotist Michael C. Anthony
7pm Wieden Auditorium

MARCH 6

**University Distinguished Lecturer
Series** presents Andrew Vietze
7pm Campus Center

MARCH 7

Diversity Committee presents
Women's History Month film
12:15pm Campus Center

■ **Gay-Straight Alliance** meeting
CC 118 4:45pm

MARCH 9-11

Baseball Clinic - times vary
Wieden Gymnasium FMI
768.9421

MARCH 10-11

**OAPI Winter Ascent of Mt.
Katahdin** (experience required)

MARCH 14

Gay-Straight Alliance meeting
CC 118 4:45pm

MARCH 15

Comedian Anton Shuford 7pm
Wieden Auditorium ■ **UMPI
Alumni Boston Gathering** FMI
768.9568 ★

Valentine's Day sale
at the Campus Bookstore through February 14, 2012

**20% off Clothing, Novelties and Glassware
plus a chance to WIN an adorable Bear
to give to someone special!**

**Stop in - Enter your guess:
How many candies are in the jar?!**

Whoever is closest without going over will win!
Drawing will be held Monday, February 13th at 12pm.



OAPI Spring adventures

The Outdoor Adventure Program
International [OAPI] is offering a
Spring full of activities for campus
and community members.

■ **Cross-Country Ski at Aroostook
State Park** Friday, March 2; experi-
ence not required. Meet at
Gentile Hall by 1 p.m., first come,
first served; free for UMPI stu-
dents and \$5 for non-students.

■ **Winter Ascent of Mt. Katahdin**
Saturday & Sunday, March 10 &
11. This adventure requires stami-
na and determination, so partici-
pants must be in great physical
condition. Snowshoe in, stay
overnight in the lean-tos, then get
up before dawn and attempt to
reach the summit (weather per-
mitting). There will be a mandato-
ry pre-trip meeting. Bad weather
dates: March 17-18. Registration
deadline: Feb. 10. Cost: UMPI stu-
dents \$125, non-students \$155.

■ **Kayak Roll Clinic** Friday, April
13, 2 p.m. in the Gentile Hall pool.
Learn or hone kayak rolling skills in
preparation for whitewater sea-
son. Whitewater guide and UMPI
Recreation student Josh Stahl will
provide instruction. Free for UMPI
students; \$7 for non-students.

■ **Zip Line Adventure** Saturday,
April 28. See the spectacular

Grand Falls Gorge during the
spring run-off as you dangle above
it on a steel cable! Registration
deadline: Wednesday, April 25 by
4 p.m. Cost: to be determined.

■ **Outdoor Rock Climbing** in
Acadia National Park, Saturday,
May 5, with PCIA-certified climb-
ing guide Lenny Cole. Visit one of
the most scenic rock climbing
areas in the east. Some prior climb-
ing experience indoors or out-
doors is recommended. Register
by Wednesday, May 2 at 4 p.m.
Rain date is May 6. There will be a
mandatory pre-trip meeting for
this trip. Cost: \$40 for students
and \$60 for non-students.

**OAPI rents gear: snowshoes,
skis, tents, sleeping bags,
canoes, and kayaks, and more,
each for a nominal fee.**

To check on availability and reserve
gear, contact Kim McCrea,
Assistant Director of Gentile Hall &
Manager of OAPI, 768.9401, kim-
berly.mccrea@umpi.edu. Follow
OAPI on Facebook for the latest
information; visit OAPI at
www.umpi.edu/gentile-hall/oapi
to find out about the club. Meetings
are the first and third Thursday of
each month in Gentile Hall. ★

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