



Presque Isle Rotary, UMPI celebrate World Polio Day

The Presque Isle Rotary Club and the University are joining forces to present a jam-packed World Polio Day event for the campus and community on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 23 and 24. The two days of activities, meant to raise awareness of and funding for Rotary International's efforts to eradicate polio worldwide, will include a community kick-off on Oct. 23 and the Purple Pinkie Project fundraiser on Oct. 24.

To share details with the community about Rotary's work, the Official World Polio Day Kick-Off Presentation, *End Polio Now*, will take place at 7 p.m. on Oct. 23 in the Campus Center. The presentation will include talks by a local polio

survivor, a local physician discussing polio in one of the few countries where it remains, and a Rotarian sharing details about Rotary's journey to eradicate polio. Ahead of the official program, there will be a Purple Pinkie Project station set up from 6:30-7 p.m. on the second floor of the Campus Center to give attendees the opportunity to get their pinkies painted purple a day early.

Starting as early as 7 a.m. on Oct. 24, community members can take part in the Purple Pinkie Project. Similar Purple



Pausing for a photo at a 2012 Purple Pinkie station at NMCC are, from left, Tim Lavin, Presque Isle Rotarian; Kaitlyn Wells, UMPI Education major; Hannah Cheney, NMCC Education Major; and Jennifer Flynn, Presque Isle Rotarian.

Pinkie projects have been held by Rotary Clubs around the country, with people donating \$1 to have their pinkies marked with the same purple dye used when Rotary International conducts polio immunizations. *continued on page 2*

Giant National Geographic map comes to UMPI

The University welcomes campus and community members to explore Asia in a BIG way this month—with the world's largest map of the continent. The giant National Geographic map will be on display on Wednesday, Oct. 23 from Noon to 5 p.m. in Gentile Hall. This event is sponsored by the Maine Geographic Alliance and is free. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy the interactive map.

According to Dr. Kimberly Sebold, UMPI Associate Professor of History, who was instrumental in bringing the map to Aroostook County, the interactive map measures 26 feet by 35 feet and is designed as a giant game board to introduce students to the diverse geography *continued on page 2*



Children explore one of the National Geographic giant traveling maps. The giant map of Asia will be on display in Gentile Hall on Oct. 23.

Photo courtesy of the Maine Geographic Alliance

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UMPI garners \$90,000 in EPSCoR funding

A team of UMPI professors has received \$90,000 in grant funding from the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research [EPSCoR] to assess the feasibility and sustainability of grass biomass production for central Aroostook County.

This is the fifth year in a row that the team has received funding from EPSCoR, a program under the auspices of Maine's Office of Innovation. EPSCoR grants are awarded by the National Science Foundation to states that are typically not targeted for research grants. The funding UMPI has received – which totals \$416,000 – is a part of the larger grant led by the University of Maine in Orono and the University of Southern Maine.

The UMPI research team is using the grant funding for its project *Assessing the Feasibility and Sustainability of Grass*



Biomass Production in Central Aroostook County through Research and Stakeholder Partnerships. The project area, which is the most populated region in northern Maine, encompasses the communities of Presque Isle, Caribou, Easton, and Fort Fairfield.

The work the UMPI team is doing during this grant year involves collating its findings from the previous year and creating a comprehensive assessment of the feasibility of grass biomass production in central Aroostook County. Using an analysis of historical land use patterns and current land use based on high-precision GIS mapping, the team will engage a variety of local stakeholders to think about future land use changes. Outreach will consist of public presentations and forums, conven-

ing an advisory group of important stakeholders, and a variety of smaller reports that will be made available on the University's website. A major effort will focus on completing a 12-lesson unit for K-12 teachers and working directly with a group of three to four teachers and three high school students to implement the curriculum.

This year's team is being led by Dr. Jason Johnston, UMPI Associate Professor of Wildlife Ecology, and includes Dr. Andrew Plant, Assistant Professor at the University of Maine Cooperative Extension; Dr. Kimberly Sebold, UMPI Associate Professor of History; Dr. David Vail, the Adams Catlin Professor of Economics, Emeritus, at Bowdoin College; and Dr. Chunzeng Wang, UMPI Associate Professor of Earth and Environmental Science. ★

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of Asia. The map's visit to UMPI is part of National Geographic's Giant Traveling Maps program, organized by *National Geographic Live*, the public programming division of the National Geographic Society.

The map's brightly colored, smooth vinyl surface accurately illustrates Asia's oceans, seas, rivers, mountains, countries and capitals. The map comes with a trunk full of accessories, including interactive activities, props and photo cards that teach participants about the physical characteristics of the continent as well as its rich history, wildlife, and varied cultures.

The map is being brought to schools in central Aroostook County in addition to UMPI by the Maine Geographic Alliance. The Maine Geographic Alliance's goal is to promote geographic education at all levels. Sue Lahti, Coordinator for the Maine Geographic Alliance,

will facilitate the activities that go with the map.

National Geographic's Giant Traveling Maps program was introduced in 2006 with a map of Africa, and has since expanded to include maps of Asia, North America, South America, Europe, and the Pacific Ocean. In the 2013-2014 school year, hundreds of thousands of students will interact with these maps. To learn more about the Giant Traveling Map project, visit www.nationalgeographic.com/giantmaps.

For more information about this event, please contact Dr. Sebold at 768.9721 or kimberly.sebold@umpi.edu. ★

World Polio Day

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The estimated cost to immunize one child from polio is \$1, and when each child gets immunized, Rotarians mark their pinkies with a topical purple dye to prevent double dosages.

UMPI students and staff will be on hand from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in UMPI's Owl's Nest to color the pinkies of anyone willing to donate \$1 toward Rotary International's *End Polio Now* campaign (or get multiple digits painted for \$1 each). Community members are also

encouraged to visit any of the stations that will be set up throughout the day in the community. For the full list of locations, visit www.umpi.edu/worldpolioday.

This year's event, which has grown significantly from last year, is being sponsored by TAMC, NMCC, MMG Insurance, and University Credit Union, and supported by the Aroostook Centre Mall, Graves Shop 'N Save, Bradley's Citgo, Maine Public Service Company, and Star City Coffee. For more information, call 768.9452. ★



UMPI Professor climbs Mt. Kilimanjaro

Shirley Rush, UMPI Associate Professor of Social Work, recently completed the climb of a lifetime as part of a fundraising effort to help one young man from Africa go to college. With an UMPI pennant in hand, Rush climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro in September for Daniel Mlangwa, from Moshi, Tanzania, who plans to attend UMPI in the Spring of 2014.

According to information posted on Rush's gofundme website, Mt. Kilimanjaro has 19,340 feet of elevation, is the highest free standing mountain in Africa, and is the highest point in the world that can be reached without any technical or life-supporting facilities.

Guided by Pristine Trails—which provided seven porters to pack the tents, equipment and

fresh fruit and vegetables—Rush ascended the Machame "Whiskey" Route on Sept. 2 and descended the Mweka Route, to the Mweka Gate, on Sept. 9. The trek is 47.9 miles in total. She made it to the summit, Uhuru Peak, on Sept. 7 carrying the UMPI pennant and accompanied by her licensed mountain guide, Patrick Msafiri. During the final eight-hour ascent to the peak, one of the porters, Jafari, carried an oxygen tank in case it was needed. Thankfully, Rush said, it was not needed.

While the climb has helped her to make a dent in her fundraising efforts, Rush hopes to raise a total of \$19,340 for Daniel Mlangwa's tuition. Donations can be made, and photos of her training and effort can be found, at



Shirley Rush pauses for a photo with the men who helped her climb Mt. Kilimanjaro. From left, front row: Amani and Omari; back row: Hilary, Jafari, Rush, Hemejdi and Raphael. The photo was taken by her guide Patrick Msafiri.

www.gofundme.com/3wmdrs. Rush first met Mlangwa in 2011, when she and five UMPI students traveled to Tanzania for a service learning project. Mlangwa was a local volunteer with the organization that hosted the UMPI group. Since then, Rush and Mlangwa have

remained in close contact.

"Daniel is a perfect match for this educational opportunity," Rush said. "He will be an asset to the UMPI campus while pursuing his degree and, most certainly, an asset to his community in Tanzania when he returns home." ★

Community Players Dinner Theater a success

The Campus Center was filled with the sounds of country music when the Presque Isle Community Players offered a very special Fall Dinner Theater Presentation *Country in the County* on Oct. 11, 12, 18 and 19. The dinner theater served as the fundraising kick-off for the University's Auditorium Renovation Project.

This evening of live music featured some of the area's most talented singers and musicians. Tamia Glidden served as this year's Production Director and Melbourne Smith was the Musical Director.

Proceeds from the shows – which included two sold-out performances – benefit UMPI's Auditorium Renovation Project. The Auditorium is more than 50 years

old. Renovations for the project, estimated at about \$500,000, are slated to include new seating, stage curtains, state-of-the-art sound and lighting systems; ADA accessibility improvements; and improved accessibility.

"Those who attended this year's dinner theater are helping to make these renovations a reality," Keith Madore, UMPI's Director of Development, said. "We're asking everyone—our campus and community and those who have frequented the auditorium over the years—to be a part of this special effort so the facility can once again be utilized to its full potential."

To learn more about the Auditorium Renovation Project, please visit www.umpi.edu/theater. ★

IN MEMORIUM

UMPI would like to mark the passing of a longtime member of the campus community. Mary "Mike" Carter passed away on Sept. 18. Mike was our switchboard operator for many, many years. ★

Community

UMS Chancellor to speak at APP/LEAD annual meeting

University of Maine System Chancellor James Page will deliver the keynote address at the Aroostook Partnership for Progress/LEADers Encouraging Aroostook Development annual meeting at 7:30 a.m., Oct. 31, in the Campus Center. After breakfast, the agenda will include a recap of APP and LEAD accomplishments from the previous year and a look ahead at opportunities and challenges. The presentations will be followed by the address from Chancellor Page. The breakfast is free, but pre-registration is required. To register, contact Judy Dinsmore at Northern Maine Development Commission, 498.8736 or by email at jdinsmore@nmdc.org. ★

We want to hear about your news & events!

If you would like to submit an item for the November issue, the deadline for submissions is 4:30p.m. Monday, Oct. 28. Submissions received after that date may not be included.

Email news or event information to gshaw@umpi.edu.

UMPI welcomes new employees

The University of Maine at Presque Isle is welcoming 12 new employees in the first part of the 2013-2014 academic year, including a new vice president, professor, and several professional staffers.

Marty Parsons has been hired as the new Vice President for Administration and Finance, the University's chief financial officer. Parsons, who brings with him extensive experience in financial and administrative management at the higher education level, began work on Oct. 9. Parsons has served most recently as the Senior Vice President for Administrative Services/Chief Financial Officer for NorthWest Arkansas Community College. From 2008 to 2010, he served as the Chief Operating Officer for the University of Delaware's College of Engineering. For many years before that, he was at the University of Michigan in two major financial capacities. From 1999 to 2007, he served as the Director of Budget and Administrative Manager for the Office of University Development, and from 1988 to 1999, he served

as an Assistant Financial Manager for the institution, managing the University's Accounts Payable, Travel and Procurement Card Office.

Parsons holds a Bachelor's of Business Administration in Accounting from the University of Michigan. He also has completed several National Association of College and University Business Officers [NACUBO] professional development activities. He has spoken at several national conferences on a variety of financial, procedural and organizational topics.

The University is welcoming one new faculty member to its academic team.

Wendy Ross joins the College of Education as an Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education and Director of the Early Childhood Education Program. She has served as an adjunct instructor with UMPI's College of Education for many years, and also has served as the Director of the 21st Century Community Learning Center in Washburn since 2009. She previously served as the Principal of New Sweden School and as a teacher at

Fort Fairfield Elementary School. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education in 1988 and her Master's of Education degree in 1999, both from the University of Maine. She is currently a doctoral candidate in Educational Leadership at the University of Maine.

The University also is welcoming 10 new employees to its professional staff.

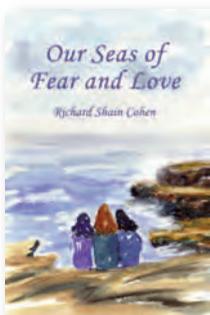
Doug Carter joins the University as the Women's Basketball Coach and Sports Information Director. He comes to UMPI from the University of the Cumberland, where he served as the first assistant women's basketball coach and recruiting coordinator. He previously has held coaching positions at the University of Virginia's College at Wise, Community College of Allegheny County-South, United States Merchant Marine Academy, and Lock Haven University. Carter earned his Bachelor's degree in Health and Physical Education in 2000 and his Master's degree with a Sports Administration concentration in 2002, both from Lock Haven University.

Jane Caulfield rejoins the University as a part-time Administrative Clerk, working in the Prometric Testing Center. Caulfield previously served as Development Director and as a freelance grant writer for UMPI. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Art with a Business minor from UMPI in 1986. She most recently served as the Economic Development Director at the Aroostook Band of Micmacs. Prior to her work there and at UMPI, she worked for more than a decade at Northern Maine Development Commission. She co-owns Morning Star Art and Framing in Presque Isle.

Nicole Fournier joins the University as Director of Career Preparation and Employer Relations in the Career Services Office. Fournier comes to the University from the Aroostook County Action Program, where she served in several different capacities, including as a teacher, Resource Development Center Coordinator, Youth Job Counselor, and, in the Health Services area, as a Community Education *continued on page 5*

Dr. Cohen to read from new novel

The latest novel by Dr. Richard Shain Cohen, UMPI Emeritus faculty member, has been published by CCB Publishing this fall. *Our Seas of Fear and Love* is available in hardback, paperback as well as an e-book. Dr. Cohen will visit UMPI for a book reading and signing on Wednesday, Oct. 30, at 2 p.m. in the UMPI Library. The community is invited to attend.



His latest book is a romance-family saga set primarily in Maine but also in Europe, Boston, and the Southwest. In *Our Seas of Fear and Love*, calm and stormy seas are emblematic of the characters, their influence upon one another and the conflicts and love expressed among the

four main characters – Bright, Deirdre, Gregory and Etienne Moreau. In the end, the effects of love triumph in contrast to vainness that damages self and others as the seas of fear and love engulf all.

Originally from Boston, Dr. Cohen holds B.S., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees. He served as editor of the journal *Husson Review* and was principal participant in a National Endowment for the Arts Grant for "Images of Aroostook" that was exhibited throughout the State of Maine. He has published several books including *Healing After Dark: Pioneering Compassionate Medicine at the Boston Evening Clinic* (2011). Dr. Cohen now resides in Cape Elizabeth with his wife Arla.

To learn more about Dr. Cohen and his books, please visit www.richardshaincohen.com. ★



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Specialist, Clinical Specialist, and Family Life Educator. Fournier earned her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from UMPI.

Nicole Like joined the University late in the Spring 2013 semester as the Administrative Specialist for the College of Arts and Sciences. She came to the University from the Crow's Nest, where she served as bookkeeper. She previously served as an account manager at ECI, a student-insurance broker, and as an administrative assistant with Specialty Sports Venture in Colorado. She brings with her a wealth of administrative, accounting and office management experience. Like holds a Bachelor's degree in Natural Resource Studies and a second Bachelor's degree in Anthropology from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Kim Masse joins the University's Physical Plant as a Mechanical Specialist. He most recently served as an area manager for Sprinkler Systems Inc. in Lewiston. He also has served as a project manager for Maine Fire Protection and as a plant fire tech-

nician at Louisiana Pacific Corporation.

Sandra McDougal joins the University as an Administrative Specialist in the Athletics Office. She most recently served as an administrative assistant at Lucerne Farms, and has past experience as an administrative assistant at L.L. Bean and S.W. Cole Engineering, Inc., and as a medical transcriptionist at St. Joseph Hospital.

Sara McPherson joins the University in two different capacities—she will be splitting her time between the Prometric Testing Center and the Residence Life Office, serving as an Administrative Clerk. She most recently served as the guidance office secretary at Presque Isle High School. She has previously worked as a Medicare insurance billing specialist at Pines Health Service and as an office assistant at Tempo Employment Services. She earned her Associate's degree in the Legal Administrative Assistant program from Northern Maine Community College in 1998.

Mike Pankow joins the University as the Baseball Coach. He comes to UMPI from Northland College in Wisconsin, where he

served as assistant baseball coach. He previously has held coaching positions at Washburn High School in Washburn, Wis., and at the White Lake School District, where he served as the Athletic Director, Head Baseball Coach, Girl's Head Basketball Coach, and Physical Education Teacher. Pankow earned his Bachelor's degree in Physical Education and a second Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education: Broad-Field Science, both from Northland College.

Jennifer Roshto joins the University as the TriO College Access Advisor for Talent Search, working from the Houlton area. She comes to the University with teaching and tutoring experience, including as a tutor for TriO/Upward Bound and an Open Learning Center tutor/teacher for Houlton/Hodgdon Adult Education.



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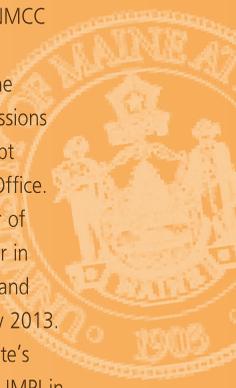
Marty Parsons

Wendy Ross

Lanette Virtanen

She earned her Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education-English from UMPI in 2013, and her Associate's degree in Accounting from NMCC in 1995.

Lanette Virtanen joins the University as a Transfer Admissions Counselor/Academic Transcript Evaluator in the Admissions Office. Virtanen earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with a minor in Professional Communication and Journalism from UMPI in May 2013. She also received her Associate's degree in Applied Arts from UMPI in 2011, and has more than 15 years of experience as a Softline supervisor and lead for Sears. ★



Reed Gallery presents *Crooked Knife*

The Reed Fine Art Gallery will exhibit *Crooked Knife: A Northern Tradition* from Oct. 21 through Nov. 23, 2013. A reception will be held in conjunction with Presque Isle's First Friday Art Walk on Friday, Nov. 1 from 5-7 p.m. with a gallery talk at 5:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Crooked Knife: A Northern Tradition is a unique exhibition exploring the traditional Maliseet and Mi'kmaq art of basket making from northern Maine and adjacent Canada. It will showcase tools, artifacts, and traditional pieces created by the hands of talented native artisans. Drawing on the knowledge and experience of local tribe members, Terry Perley and Roldena Sanipass, *Crooked Knife: A Northern Tradition* peels back the layers and allows the viewers to connect with the rich history that resides within their communities.

Traditional Mi'kmaq and Maliseet basket making begins with

the harvesting of ash, sweet grass, plants for natural dyes, and even porcupine quills. Both craft and art, Native baskets can be sturdy and utilitarian or intricate and decorative. This exhibition will provide a glimpse into that process, providing viewers with a deeper understanding of the ancient art form.

Crooked Knife is curated by Rowena Forbes with Terry Perley and Roldena Sanipass, and assisted by Dave Putnam. ★



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Dr. Bonnie Wood teaches course at STEM collaborative educators' camp

Dr. Bonnie Wood, Professor Emerita of Biology at UMPI, was an instructor at a week-long professional development opportunity for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) educators who currently work with students in grades 6 to 12. The camp was hosted by the Maine School of Science and Mathematics in Limestone. Dr. Wood's 10-hour course was entitled "Lecture-Free Teaching: A Learning Partnership between Science Educators and their Students". During her hands-on course, she described and modeled "lecture-free teaching" – a term she coined for her methods of instructing all of her classes at UMPI. Camp participants assumed the role of students during simulations of typical class meetings. Wood demonstrated how the interplay of student preparation before class, cooperative learning, and in-class formative assessments achieve course content identical to that of a lecture-based course.

UMPI presents 2nd annual Breast Cancer Awareness Week

The University presented its 2nd annual Breast Cancer Awareness Week at Gentle Hall from Monday to Wednesday, Oct. 7 to 9. The community was invited to attend and relax, learn, celebrate, be active and have fun. Activities kicked off Oct. 7 with Women's Expo Night, an evening of pampering



that included chair massages, giveaways and vendors. On Oct. 8 there was an educational night and a candlelight vigil. President Schott started off the evening with words of motivation and a brief story about her recent fight with cancer. Dr. Lisa Leduc followed with the story of her fight with breast cancer and drove home the importance of early prevention. The last speaker, Linda Mastro, CRNP, led a discussion on breast cancer prevention and education. The evening concluded with Leduc and UMPI's Relay for Life team leading a mini luminary ceremony and walk on campus to remember and honor those who have succumbed to breast cancer, and to celebrate those who have survived this disease. Oct. 9 was Women's Fit Night, where participants were able to do Fit Camp, rock climbing, Zumba, and water aerobics.

Biology professors attend scientific teaching workshop

Three UMPI Biology assistant professors were accepted to the Northeast Summer Institute for Undergraduate Education in Biology, sponsored by the National Academies and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute at Stony Brook University in Stony Brook, New York in August. Drs. Scott Dobrin, Rachael Hannah, and Judith Roe participated in the week-long workshop which included prominent guest speakers advancing "scientific teaching" methods



and other experts in the field of education research and science education. The week also included an afternoon workshop by the Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science.

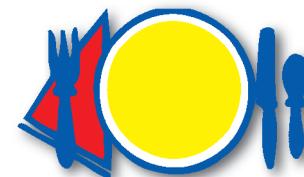
UMPI hosts annual fall blood drive

The University will host its annual fall blood drive on Tuesday, Oct. 22 from noon to 5 p.m. in the Campus Center. The blood drive is sponsored by the University's Residence Life Office, the Brothers of Kappa Delta Phi, the Sisters of Kappa Delta Phi NAS, and Phi Eta Sigma – National Honor Society. Walk-ins are welcome, and door prizes will be given away. If donors wish to reserve a time in advance, they can register on line at www.redcrossblood.org, click on "Search by Zip Code" and enter 04769. The UMPI Residence Life Office helps the Red Cross coordinate three annual blood drives on campus, summer, fall and spring. Since 1987, 4,600 pints of blood have been collected at UMPI.

14th Annual Etiquette Event

Seniors, juniors, and teacher certification students are invited to the 14th Annual Etiquette Event. This reception, dinner, and fashion show will be held on Thursday, Oct. 24, 5:30-8 p.m. in the Campus Center. Prepare for interviews and your professional career by learning the fine art of introductions, conversation, dining, and dress. This event is free but seating is limited; RSVP by calling 768.9750 or email Barbara.DeVaney@umpi.edu.

According to Bonnie DeVaney, Director of Career Services, "Studies show that 85% of the people who get jobs and suc-



ceed in their careers do so because they possess the right people skills. The other 15% is due to job qualifications. Companies know the importance of having employees who possess good client/customer relations skills, such as, proper etiquette in conversing and dining with people and wearing the appropriate attire for the right occasion. These are skills fundamental to job effectiveness. Proper etiquette expands our potential, improves our image, and strengthens relationships. The Etiquette Event is designed to give students the tools to be more successful in interviews and in their careers."

Gordon Hammond to hold book signing

UMPI will host a book signing for local author Gordon Hammond on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the UMPI Library. Hammond will read from his novel *The Orphan*. The book is about an orphan named Ezra Samuels who loses his parents at the age of eight. He is taken in by his aunt and uncle and his friendship with his cousin and mentor Lydia thrives. In 1981, Hammond established the ad agency, *Noah*. In 1988, he co-founded the magazine *Echoes* with Kathryn Olmstead, and, in





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1995, he returned to ad work focused on organic farming. Retired since 2000, he now devotes his time to writing and illustrating collections of illustrated short fiction such as *Lisa's Dream* and *Leaving Home*. For more information about Hammond's reading and book signing, please contact the UMPI Library at 768.9599.

UMPI students host Hawaiian-themed Fit and Fun Day

Physical Education majors are saying "Aloha!" to welcome kids ages 5 to 11 to Fit and Fun Day, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, in Gentile Hall. Registration begins at 9 a.m., with tropical-themed games, giveaways and activities to follow. Fit and Fun Day promotes physical activity and healthy lifestyles for local children. This is the 18th semi-annual Fit and Fun Day. Team games, tag, and cup stacking with a Hawaiian twist are just a few of the activities that are on the agenda for the day. This free event is packed full of physical fun for children in the community. FMI, call Dr. Standefer at 768.9457 or christine.standefer@umpi.edu.

Dr. Tomasz Herzog published in Polish journal

Dr. Tomasz Herzog, UMPI Associate Professor of Social Studies Education, was published in *Polish Political Science Quarterly*, a peer-reviewed journal based at Adam Mickiewicz

University that invites contributions from all the major subfields of political science, including international relations, party politics, compara-

tive politics, political theory, media and journalism studies. Herzog's article, *Empire of Illusion? America's problem with contemporary public discourse*, is among eight articles that appear in the journal. Also featured was a review he wrote about Meira Levinson's book *No Citizen Left Behind* from Harvard University Press.

UMPI offers workshop and training on bullying

The University's Student Education Association of Maine and Gay Straight Transgender Alliance groups co-sponsored a workshop and training focused on bullying. The workshop provided information, resources, and awareness about the professional obligations of faculty and staff in Maine schools to reduce bullying, comply with the new State laws, best practice guidelines, and to promote a safe learning environment for all students, especially sexual and gender minorities. The program was supported by a grant from the Maine Community Foundation to the Downeast Maine chapter of GLSEN. The trainers were Sarah Holmes, GLSEN certified trainer; Linda Gould and Lydia Kinney, current high school teachers in Maine; Peter Rees, a retired psychologist; and Kenney Miller, current co-chair of Downeast Maine GLSEN.

Professor attends two international conferences

Dr. Kevin McCartney, Geology Professor at UMPI, has returned from attending his second international scientific conference

since late August. McCartney traveled to Reston, Virginia to participate in the 14th International Nannoplankton Association conference in September. The conference was attended by 130 scientists from 25 countries and included both paleontologists and biologists, most of whom study tiny skeletons made of calcite. In August, he attended the North American Diatom Symposium in Bar Harbor, where 92 scientific participants from nine countries attended. McCartney spoke at both meetings about his current research on silicoflagellate double skeletons.

Lunch and Learn for Fall 2013

The College of Arts and Sciences held their first Lunch and Learn sessions for the Fall 2013 semester in October. The first session was *Aligning Learning Outcomes with Career Goals*, which focused on a strategy of articulating and assessing career skills gained from academic courses; the second session was



Reusable ePortfolios with Google Apps, which showed faculty how to use system-wide tools available for free to both faculty and students, that can help students make ePortfolios to showcase achievements or serve as an instructional tool. The last session was *Requiring Students to 'Click in' Increases Attention and Attendance*, with Dr. John Broida, Chair, Dept. of Psychology at USM. He discussed increasing the student's attention span and interest in class by using a clicker. Attendance went from 30-70% before clickers to 85-95% with them. Broida also brought clickers so that people who attended could see if they liked them or not.

Dorm trick or treating at UMPI

UMPI invites all children 5th grade or under to participate in the 17th annual *UMPI Trick or Treating Night* on Thursday, Oct. 24 from 6 to 7 p.m. in both Park and Merriman Halls. UMPI students will be decorating for Halloween fun and parking will be available in the Library parking lot. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact Jim Stepp at 768.9601. ★



Environmental Studies & Sustainability and Biology Lunchtime Seminar Series

... a forum to present research conducted by our students, faculty and other local and regional scientists.

THURSDAYS in 201 Folsom Hall (GIS lab) at 12:15 p.m. presentations are 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Oct. 24: *To flower or not to flower?* (in Maine), with Dr. Judith Roe, UMPI
Nov. 7: *Management of Long Lake Fisheries Resources within the Fish River Chain of Lakes*, with Frank O. Frost, Fisheries Biologist, Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Nov. 21: Chapter 587: The State of Maine's Flow Rule for Irrigation Practices, with Peter Newkirk, Engineer, Dept. of Environmental Protection

FMI: Jason Johnston, jason.johnston@umpi.edu or 768.9652.



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Oct 22

Blood Drive Noon, MPR ■ Student Senate mtg 12:40 pm, Alumni Room

Oct 23

World Polio Day Kick Off 7 pm, CC ■ CRU mtg 6:15 pm, CC118

Oct 24

Purple Pinkie Project all day, Owls' Nest ■ SEAM mtg 12:15 pm, Alumni Room ■ SOSW mtg 12:30 pm, CC118 ■ Business Club mtg 1

pm, Owl's Nest ■ Games Club mtg 6 pm, Owl's Nest

Oct 25

Mid-Term Grades Due ■ GSTA mtg 12:30 pm, Alumni Room ■ Warmachine play mtg 6:30 pm, Pullen 111

Oct 26

Live Action Role Playing 6:30 pm, Pullen 112, 113 & F105

Oct 27

Kappa Delta Phi mtg 6:30 pm, Alumni Room ■ Kappa Delta Phi NAS mtg 6:30 pm, CC118 ■ CRU Leadership 6:30 pm, Owl's Nest

Oct 29

Student Senate mtg

12:40 pm, Alumni Room

Oct 30

CRU mtg 6:15 pm, CC118

Oct 31

SEAM mtg 12:15 pm, Alumni Room ■ SOSW mtg 12:30 pm, CC118 ■ Business Club mtg 1

pm, Allagash Room ■ Games Club mtg 6 pm, Owl's Nest ■ Halloween Dance 10 pm, St. John & Aroostook Rooms

Nov 1

First Friday Art Walk 5 pm, Reed Art Gallery ■ GSTA mtg 12:30 pm, Alumni Room ■ Warmachine play mtg 6:30 pm, Pullen 111

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Nov 2

PRAXIS Testing 6:30 pm, CC

Nov 3

Kappa Delta Phi mtg 6:30 pm, Alumni Room ■ Kappa Delta Phi NAS mtg 6:30 pm, CC118 ■ CRU Leadership 6:30 pm, St. John Room

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Nov 4

Last Day to Withdraw from a class, the University or request a LOA ■

Advisement & Registration for Spring/Summer 2014 begins

Nov 5

Student Senate mtg 12:40 pm, Alumni Room

Nov 6

CRU mtg 6:15 pm, CC118

Nov 7

SEAM mtg 12:15 pm, Alumni Room ■ SOSW mtg 12:30 pm, CC118 ■ Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society mtg 12:30

pm, Library Conference Room ■ Business Club mtg 1

pm, Owl's Nest ■ Games Club mtg

6 pm, Owl's Nest ■ CRU Leadership

6:30 pm, Owl's Nest

Nov 8

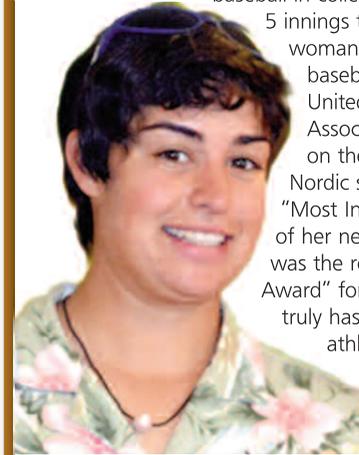
GSTA mtg 12:30 pm, Alumni Rm ■ Warmachine play mtg 6:30 pm, Pullen 111 ■ Live Action Role Playing 6:30 pm, Pullen 112, 113 & F105

Nov 10

Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society mtg 4 pm, Alumni Room ■ Kappa Delta Phi mtg 6:30 pm, Alumni Room ■ Kappa Delta Phi NAS mtg

Congratulations Ghazaleh "Oz" Sailors September Student of the Month

Ghazaleh, from Santa Barbara, California, is a junior majoring in Fitness and Wellness. Oz is an outstanding role model and an inspirational leader. She pursued her dream of playing baseball in college and started and pitched



5 innings to mark the first time a woman had been credited with a baseball win in the history of the United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA). She is also on the cross country team and Nordic ski team and was named "Most Inspirational Player" in both of her new sports. Additionally, Oz was the recipient of the "Al Arman Award" for the student-athlete that truly has made a difference within athletics and/or the campus community. Once again, congratulations to Oz!

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6:30 pm, CC118

■ CRU Leadership 6:30 pm, St. John Room

Nov 11

Veterans Day – offices closed, classes in session

Nov 12

Advisement & Registration for

Spring/Summer

2014 ends ■

Student Senate mtg 12:40 pm, Aroostook Room

Nov 13

CRU mtg 6:15 pm, CC118

Nov 14

SEAM mtg 12:15 pm, Alumni Room ■ SOSW

mtg 12:30 pm,

CC118 ■ UMPI

Games Club mtg

6 pm, Owl's Nest

■ DLS speaker

Spencer West 7

pm, MPR

Nov 15

GSTA mtg 12:30

pm, Alumni Rm ■

Warmachine play

mtg 6:30 pm,

Pullen 111 ★