Food Poisoning at Husson

Dining Commons Cited as Source of Salmonella

by Brian Wood

An outbreak of salmonella food poisoning at Husson College has affected 104 people and has definitely infected 38 according to William Shook, Bangor Health Director.

Shook said all the evidence at his disposal points to the Dickerman Dining commons, Husson's cafeteria, as the source of the contamination.

The contamination period has been narrowed to between Feb. 22 and March 6, said Shook. But health officials have not been able to pinpoint a definite source of contamination within the DDC because of the type of food service it provides, stated Shook.

Because the DDC is a cafeteria a variety of different foods are eaten, making it almost impossible to find a common denomination among contaminated people except that they all ate in the DDC.

Husson nurse, Barbara Miller, said that isolation of a source inside the DDC is made complicated because almost all students who complained of symptoms could not remember what they had eaten the week before.

All 38 people proven as infected so far have been Job Corps students. Husson students were away on vacation during the latter part of the contamination period.

d But Miller has seen 40 Husson students who have complained of symptoms and has taken cultures from 17. Health officials have not yet completed the testes to determine whether these

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Dickerman Dining Commons pointed to as source of food poisoning.

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Brennan concerned with budget cuts

by R.D. Eaton

Gov. Joseph E. Brennan voiced his concern with some of the Reagan administration's proposed budget cuts before more than 400 members of the business community Thursday at Husson College.

While expressing support for the president's efforts to cut runaway regulation and fraud in government, Brennan said, "We must make sure this state is treated fairly."

Brennan said he had concern for the proposed elimination of the Economic Development Administration that has been heavily involved in Maine. "Several proposed fish piers and the cargoport at Searsport and Portland are results of the work of this organization," Brennan said. He went on to express concern that the demise of the EDA might jeopardize these developments.

Brennan said, "Cuts of this nature puzzle me" in referring to the proposed continuation of support to tobacco farmers. Brennan said he could see no value to their product as compared to the economic value to the state could obtain from the EDA.

Brennan zeroed in on the administration's request to approve budget cuts when over $12.3 billion of the cuts had not yet been determined. "I refuse to endorse budget cuts when no one knows where those cuts will be made," Brennan said.

Brennan went on to defend some of his own cuts in the state budget and explained that they had been made only when a program was found by the State to be obsolete, unworkable or too costly. He referred to the State Student Incentive Grant program as one that is no longer affordable.

Responding to a question pertaining to Canadian potatoes entering the state Brennan said, "It is a legitimate concern, but it is a federal problem that can not be handled at the state level." He said the situation was being worked on.

Brennan restated his concern that Maine look out for its own interests and he said he would work to see that the president's goal, "to hurt no one badly but for all to feel the pinch," is met in Maine.



Gov. Joseph E. Brennan in addressing business community, said he refuses to endorse budgets cuts when no one knows where they will be made.

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Survey says students aren't worldly wise

BALTIMORE, Md. (CH) - How much do you know about the world around you?

Not much, if you're a college student, at least according to a recent Educational Testing Service survey.

The national study put 101 questions on international issues to groups of freshmen and seniors at four-year colleges and to two-year college students. Less than 10% of the freshmen and two-year students and less than 15% of the seniors could answer two-thirds of the questions correctly.

Although seniors did slightly better than freshmen and two-year students, all of those surveyed had a common body of knowledge, says Steve Klein of ETS. Questions on religion and American or world history proved particularly difficult, he says, while health questions were most often correctly answered.

Education majors ranked lowest on the spectrum, while history majors, math and engineering students topped the list.

OPINIONS

Editorial
Tough talk

The Husson Judiciary Committee has to back up its tough talk with action if the students are expected to take it seriously.

Most of the cases the committee has heard have involved minor offenses and thus have received minor sanctions.

The most widely used sanction has been disciplinary probation. To many students probation is an ambiguous term which may mean nothing more than a slap on the wrist to some.

However, it looks like being placed on probation has made student offenders think twice before breaking college rules. If they have been breaking rules they at least have learned how not to get caught at it.

We are not quite as worried over students interpretation of probation as we are with the committee's attempts at tough talk.

Two students have been suspended from school by the committee during the present academic year. One received suspension in the fall semester and the other this spring. In both cases the committee decided to suspend the suspensions and place the students on probation for the remainder of the academic year.

If the committee thought the offenses were serious enough to warrant suspension in the first place they should have followed through and carried out the punishment.

Students may look at the committee's tough talk and no action and lose any respect they have had for them.

What about the student who was sanctioned with probation for a relatively minor offense when confronted with the fact that the same sanction was ultimately placed on a student who committed a much more serious offense?

Will he feel any sense of justice?

Will the student/faculty judiciary system, which is supposed to provide equitable treatment for students accused of breaking college rules, have worked equitably for him?

No, it will not have. He will be short changed. Distinguishing between various degrees of guilt or even distinguishing between various offenses will become unnecessary.

A dangerous precedent has been set by talking tough and backing down.

Sure, suspending a student and lifting that suspension does show recognition of a serious offense, but only on paper. It doesn't mean a thing to the student who just beat the rap, but it does mean something to the student who received an equitable punishment.

It means the system has beat him.

Brian Wood

To the Editor:
Student life suppression

To The Editor:

I would like to know why the student life office has failed to deal with student interest when solving our problems. It has come to my attention that many issues concerning Husson students have been suppressed, put off and concealed. The student life office has shown little respect to our student government or its mental capacity to make decisions.

My first example deals with the drinking policy which was put into effect at the beginning of the fall semester. For some reason no notice of the change was sent out to the students and no time was given to students to adjust to the policy change without disciplinary action being taken.

Once the student population excepted the change, little compromise was offered by student life regarding parties on campus.

It may be interesting that more students were put on academic probation last semester than the previous one and at the same time more students moved off campus. The only reason Husson enrollment has increased is because of the expansion of the CEED program and commuters. This brings up an interesting question: Is the new social suppression good for a healthy education consisting of a balance between social and academic functions?

The social life at Husson has been altered. Activities offered by the social committee can be attended by Husson students and Job Corp students. Many Husson students may not have participated in social events because of the Job Corp presence.

Student Life requirements on parties in the dorms have been so suppressed that more students may be going home on weekends or off campus for entertainment. Maybe student life should evaluate the success and impact the drinking policy has had on the population of Husson College.

The next illustration deals with the grade point average a student must maintain after 15 credit hours. As stated in the Husson College 1979-82 Handbook, a student is placed on academic probation at lower than 1.5. Yet when students returned from Christmas vacation the probation level had been raised to 1.7 without any prior notification to the Husson population.

After a student got permission from the senate to call a forum to debate the unfair change, the probation level was changed back to 1.5. This immediate reaction by the student life office seemed to keep student opposition silent.

The succeeding case dealt with a traditional social event and how the student life office handled it. This was Winter Carnival which includes snow sculptures, king and queen candidates, and ends with a Winter Carnival Ball. In the past Circle K has taken care of the arrangements. This year Circle K went out of existence and the task of setting up the Winter Carnival was given to the student senate.

When the senate took over organizing it they were told that no Job Corp participation would take place. One week before the Winter Carnival began, the committee was notified by student life that they had a binding contract with Job Corp requiring participation in all aspects of Winter Carnival including king and queen campaigns. Although the committee tried to compromise by having separate campaigns for both Husson and Job Corp. the idea was turned down by student life.

No consideration was given to the time that had already been put into organizing the event or the possible impact Job Corp presence coul dhave on the outcome. The ball went over well, but the inability of student life to inform the students of the true facts almost destroyed a traditional social event. It's funny that Job Corp suddenly disappeared last October during Parent's Weekend. Was that because the administration was trying to hide something from our parents?

Student life is supposed to assist and work with the students at Husson. They should be representing and looking out for student interests which they have not done over the last year. Many policy changes taken place behind closed doors, and no notification of the changes have been given to the students until forced down their throats.

I would like to know how student life looks at the Husson student body. Over the last year they have increasingly gained control over the environment we live in. Social activities have been greatly suppressed over the last seven months.

There is no reason for the control student life has gaine. We will not be dependent on Husson College to run our lives and make our decisions in a short time. It is time for student life to respect our individuality and feelings on these issues.

The student population has compromised with student life all year. Student life should realize that the student government is quite capable of solving the issues that influence our environment.

Many issues facing us now should have more student input. These include Chief Week, evaluating the drinking policy, and next year's calendar.

Student Life should guide the student government in these decisions but not govern and dictate solutions. The final results should be announced in advance, so we are not bombarded by any more surprises.

Sincerely yours,
Bill Kelley

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Commentary:
Scholarship equalization

by Kurosh Mo'Assessi

Incomplete satements regarding scholarships for foreign students exist in the Husson College Catalog.

The purpose of this article is to enable the Husson College policy-makers to recognize that equal rights also extend to international students. It is my intent to draw intention to this unfair situation. Hopefully, the college administration will respond in a positive manner.

A number of factors need to be examined to show what impact foreign students have on Husson College. The International Center for Language Study, ICLS, has been located at Husson since April 1977.

According to Ernest J. Parkin, director of ICLS there have been 1489 students who have gone through the program. These students have come from nations throughout the world.

There are, however, a total of 35 foreign students enrolled in four year degree programs at the College. Additionally, there are eight international students pursuing degrees in the graduate school.

The contribution of the foreign student to Husson College is easily recognized. Their mere presence adds much to the academic and athletic life of the College. In addition to their tuition dollars, they definitely have a financial impact on those non-academic areas such as the dormitory, cafeteria and bookstore.

Additionally, sales and excise taxes are also paid by foreign students. Often, because of changed circumstances, the United States Immigration Office issues work permits to the foreign student, who in turn, pays state and federal taxes.

The local merchants also benefit financially from their presence.

These foreign students who are enrolled in both the undergraduate and graduate programs at Husson College are not entitled to receive any financial aid. The various federal and state grants, BEOG, SEOG, SSIG, and the College Work-Study Program, CWSP, automatically exclude the foreign student.

Many independently funded scholarships, both academic and athletic, are also often restrictive.

According to Paul Husson, admission's director, the College will attempt to increase the number of foreign students.

However, he states that "No provision is made for the instructional difficulties which foreign (non-English speaking) students present, and that should be addressed by academic departments along with handicapped and learning problems."

The need for financial assistance must also be addressed.

The college must seriously examine the needs of the foreign student. Higher education in the United States during the 1980's will see a decline in the number of students, (up to 30 percent). These empty classrooms can be readily filled by a foreign student population.

Husson College must develop supplemental programs, both academically and financially, to attract the international student.

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students actually were contaminated or not.

The outbreak is now under control said both Shook and Miller.

Shook said the contamination can be eliminated without knowing exactly what the source was. The process includes complete sterilization of all surfaces having contact with food; discarding all food which was left open; and dismissal of all food handlers until tests for contamination have been completed.

According to Shook and Bruce O'Donnell, dean for student affairs at Husson, all three steps were taken in the DDC.

Miller explained that a person positively tested as being contaminated can act as a carrier after the symptoms have disappeared and recontaminate an area. But she said that no new cases have been reported.

O'Donnell stated that if recontamination had occurred it would had to have shown up last Thursday.

The college has been "ultra-cooperative" with Bangor health officials in controlling the outbreak said O'Donnell. He cited the voluntary closing of the DDC from Friday, March 6 until Sunday, March 8 for sterilization and the availability of the school's nurse for student testing as examples of this cooperation.

A week before the outbreak of salmonella at Husson the Bangor City Council voted to cut the health departments budget, eliminating the salaries for two city inspectors.

Shook said that if an outbreak of food poisoning occurs in Bangor he will not resort to, "I told you so" tactics. He also said that an increased number of inspectors in Bangor would not have made any difference in detering the outbreak at Husson.

Nothing could have been done to detect the outbreak early, short of sheer luck on having known in advance what the source of contamination was, said Shook.

Because of the DDC's good track record there was no reason to suspect a possible outbreak, said Shook.

The Maine legislature approved a bill Friday, March 13, that would raise the license fee of eating establishments by $5.00.

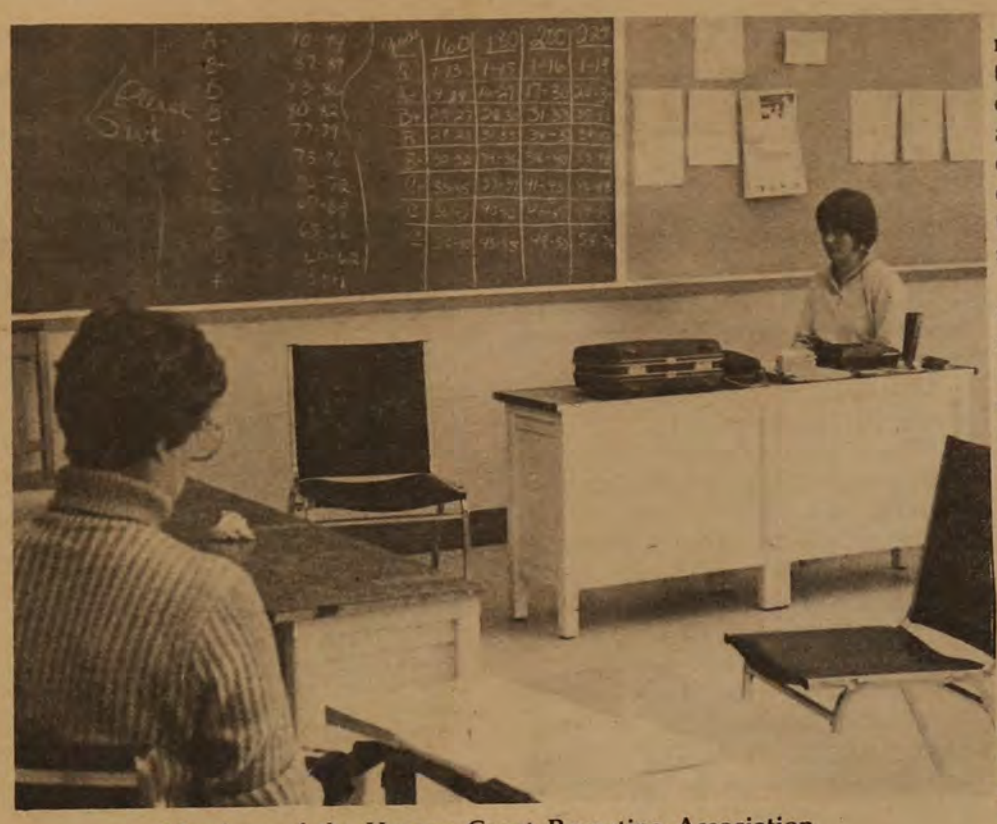
The increased fee will allow funding to continue for Department of Human Services sanitation inspectors who check the state's eating and public facilities.

The bill appeared as though it would die because of House and Senate conflict until it passed a week after the salmonella outbreak at Husson was reported.

The bill probably passed because of the Husson outbreak but it shouldn't have, said Shook. He said he does not see the connection for continued funding by a license fee raise and an outbreak of food poisoning at Husson.

Shook said it would be sheer speculation as to whether or not less inspectors would make it possible for increased food poisoning outbreaks in the state.

The fact that legislatures apparently used the Husson incident to gain passage of the bill is too bad, said O'Donnell. He said they blew the salmonella outbreak at Husson way out of proportion.



Members of the Husson Court Reporting Association.

Court Reporting - More than what meets the eye

by Diane M. Guyer

Court reporting graduates have been offered jobs with salaries of $20,000 and above.

Why are these graduates beginning at above average salaries?

Senior court reporters, Mary Benoit and Melissa Duval, say that court reporting is more than what meets the eye and requires self-discipline, motivation and determination.

The Husson student may elect to earn an Associate's degree in three years or a Bachelor's degree in four years. The difference between the two degree programs is one more year of liberal study requirements and additional speed building practice. A court reporter strives to meet the 225 words per minute (wpm) minimum requirement.

A substantial financial investment must be made by the student, said Benoit. A student needs a stenotype machine, an available typewriter, transcript paper and several reference books. She also said course requirements demand self-discipline. In addition to the 15 credit hours of courses per semester, six to twelve hours must be set aside to do lab work. The student should practice at least two hours per day.

During the third year the student should have met the 225 wpm requirement, stated Duval. An internship of 40 hours during the last semester is required. Husson students may go to the Bangor Superior Court or a district court and work on depositions. This is a three credit hour course in which a certified court reporter will sit in and evaluate the student for a grade. Before the student may begin an internship, she must be a notary public.

Benoit explained that after all educational requirements have been met, the student is prepared to take the Registered Professional Reporter (RPR) exam. This has two parts - one part of written knowledge testing and one part of speed requirement testing. This exam is only offered twice per year across the nation.

After passing the RPR exam, a reporter may choose to take the Certificate of Merit exam. Minimum speed requirement is 250 wpm and a written knowledge part is also included.

Husson senior court reporters have fared well based on placement statistics. All six seniors in the program had jobs by January of this year; Mary Benoit, Melissa Duval, Anne Akeley, Elizabeth O'Kane, Kathy Pelletier and Erin Durkin.

Mary Benoit is the only one of the six who has already begun work while still attending Husson. The other five seniors will begin their jobs upon graduation.

During their working career, Duval said court reporters must earn a certain number of credit hours per year in order to retain their RPR certification. They need to keep up-to-date on changes in the court system, may need to learn new dictation techniques or meet additional educational requirements. Court reporters need to know statutes, main rules of civil procedure and their elected state and national officials of associations.

Benoit estimated beginning salaries for Husson graduates start at $20,000. By the second year of work, an additional $5,000 may be expected, she said.

Washington gets tough:

Feds launch crackdown to help stop guaranteed student loan defaulters

By Campus Digest News Service

A crackdown on former students who refuse to repay their federally guaranteed student loans is being launched by federal officials in Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

In mid-February, 501 lawsuits were filed in Ohio alone for a total of over $600,000 over-due loans.

'No one will go to jail," according to a government spokesman, but the government is still getting tough about collecting amounts due.

"The defendants in these cases have resisted and ignored collection efforts by lenders," according to US Attorney James Cissell. "These individuals are not destitute. A brief review of their employment information reveals that they are employed by sheriffs' departments, police departments, probation departments, fire departments, newspaper and broadcast companies, telephone companies, truck companies, construction companies, utility companies" and so on.

What, no college presidents?

The trend is encouraging, however. The National Direct Student Loan program default rate fell from 17.4 percent in 1978 to 16 percent in 1979.

Defaults are still substantial, however, and totalled over $732 million dollars. That is four times the take on thefts of money during 1978, the government likes to point out.

US Attorneys are threatening to turn over names of defaulters to local media.

The government contends that colleges and universities have done little to collect the debts. Some colleges claim lack of computers to follow-up on debts. Some expressed displeasure at the thought of doing collection work.

One college administrator told the government that "it wasn't part of the image of a college to be hounding students. It's kind of like a father dunning a son."

The Education Department's loan program allows students to borrow as much as $2,500 per year and not begin repaying the money until nine months after leaving school. Even then, their payments can be stretched out over as long as 10 years.

The Veterans Administration loans money to veterans for the difference between education expenses and what the veteran can get from GI Bill benefits.

Loans of under $600 are due within 19 months of leaving school, but loans over $600 can be stretched over 10 years and 9 months.

— NOTICE —

The Maine Archeological Society will have their Spring Meeting on Sunday, April 26, 1981, in Kominsky Auditorium. Husson and ICLS students are welcome. Steve Cox will speak on the Goddard (or Norse coin) site at Blue Hill. There will be exhibits of pre-historic Maine Indian artifacts.

Wattage increase to become reality at WHSN

by Andrew Dubois

WHSN, Husson's student radio station, is in the process of having its wattage increased from 10 watts to 150 watts.

The entire project of increasing the wattage was first considered in 1978, said Stu Marckoon, WHSN Program Director. The FCC (Federal Communications Commission) had decided that there would no longer be any 10 watt stations unless such a station did one of the following three things:

1. The station could remain a 10 watt station and face the possibility of losing its frequency. "Someone else could build a 100,000 watt monster and knock us right off the air," explained Marckoon.

2. Another option was to change the frequency into a commercial band. "This option didn't look too terribly feasible because it could have cost as much as a wattage increase, and the station would still have been only 10 watts," said Marckoon.

3. WHSN took the third option. The station decided to increase the power to at least 100 watts because, "It cost us less money and it gave us a greater advantage in that more people can listen to us," stated Marckoon.

Once the decision had been made, WHSN filed an application with the FCC. To date, the station has been anxiously waiting for the increase since December of 1979, said Marckoon.

The station previously had to mail three copies of all necessary forms to the FCC. WHSN also had to take a survey in the community to see if the people actually needed the station. The survey also analyzed the station's programming to see if it met the community's needs according to FCC requirements explained Marckoon.

Because of the increase in power, Marckoon said, the station had to meet a few other specifications. WHSN had to acquire a power-amplifier (transmitter) that is FCC approved, and it must have a modulation monitor which measures how much sound the station is putting out on the air.

The final step is to obtain an emergency broadcast monitor.

"About three weeks ago, the FCC contacted me and said that they were working on our case," said Stu.

Marckoon estimates the cost of the venture at about $4,800.

"That is what we have in the budget. But because this project has been on the books since 1979, it is likely that it will be a little bit higher. The station has a built-in sum of money to help defer inflationary costs, and I am hoping that the senate will have enough money to absorb any extra cost."

Marckoon sees the increase in power as an extremely beneficial addition to the community. He said WHSN will be able to reach out to Bangor, Brewer, Bucksport, Hampden, Old Town, Orland, and Orono.

"It will stimulate a bit of competition in the area," said Marckoon.

"The trend today isn't toward more news but toward good, competent news", said Marckoon.

Though that station will be playing the same music and keeping its present programming, Marckoon hopes to see the news broadcasts "beefed up". He believes that this kind of change would help make WHSN a credible radio station while meeting the community's needs.

The staff at WHSN is anxious for the increased output, according to Marckoon.

"There is a feeling of satisfaction in being able to play the music that people want to hear. And when even more people can hear it, it's a good feeling."

Marckoon's reaction to wattage change is one of pure excitement, he said. "I'm psyched! It's been my dream since I have been here and I have worked hard for it. It's really satisfying to see it go through the students, the FCC and the community. It's actually coming to life--it's going to happen! I can't believe it!"



Husson's radio station WHSN, will be able to reach a larger audience with wattage boost.

Survey shows goal of students is money

By Campus Digest News Service

Being "well-off financially" is an important goal of 63.3% of this year's college freshmen, according to a survey by the American Council on Education and the University of Southern California at Los Angeles.

This year's freshman class is also the most heavily borrowed class ever, with over 20% of the students having federally guaranteed student loans. In 1978 the percentage was only 10.4%.

The ratio of students describing themselves as "liberals" is also declining. 60% call themselves "middle-of-the-road" in their political philosophy, another record high. Liberals amount for only 21.7%, down from the previous year's 24.5%. Conservative students are up from 17.5% to 18.3% in the same period.

Other opinion findings are:

*The government isn't protecting consumers, 75.2%.

*The government is not controlling pollution, 79.8%.

*Criminals have too many rights, 65.9%.

*The student surveyed would not obey laws that were against their own views, 32.3%.

*The death penalty should be abolished, 32.3%.

*The US needs a national health care program, 58.1%.

*The energy shortage is caused by economic depression, 87.3%.

*Abortion should be legalized, 53.6%.

*High school grading is too easy, 59.7%.

*Living together before marriage is acceptable, 43.4%.

*Raising a family is important to the student surveyed, 63.1%.

*Large families should be discouraged, 44.8%.

*The rich are not paying enough taxes, 70.32.

*Women should be treated equally in jobs, 93.3%.

*Homosexual relations should be prohibited, 48.9%.

*Students should have a role in evaluating faculty, 71.1%.

*Student publications should be regulated, 41.2%.

*Colleges should have the right to ban speakers, 26.1%.

Only 40% of the students thought it was important to keep up with political affairs, while 33.1% promoting racial understanding as a priority.

Traditionally male-dominated fields such as business, engineering, law and medicine are also being sought after by women more than ever. Over 25% of those females surveyed were planning on going into one of those areas, which is a 400% increase over 1966.



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Students forced out?

By Campus Digest News Service

The Reagan administration's budget cutting could force up to 750,000 college students out of school, according to educators testifying before Congress.

Students from middle-income families and graduate students will be the hardest hit. Private colleges will be affected because their tuitions are traditionally higher, and students may have to choose less expensive schools to attend.

As many as 750,000 more students could be forced to choose cheaper schools than they had originally planned, according to testimony.

That would bring the total of students to 1.5 million that would be forced out of school completely, or out of the school of their choice.

Reagan's plan is to aim federal aid at the "truly needy," which critics charge will severely hurt middle-income families with problems of their own.

Basically, the Reagan plan would reduce federally guaranteed loan programs.

The National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators predicted that 80-90 percent of present guaranteed loan recipients would be excluded next year if the government follows through on plans to: raise interest rates charged from 9 percent to market rates; base amounts borrowed on demonstrated financial need; and make students pay the interest on their loans while they are still enrolled in school rather than the government.

The Congressional Budget Office warned, however, that financially-needy students' aid may be in jeopardy if cuts were not aimed at students' whose families were relatively more affluent.

The Reagan administration asserts that "on occasion" students received grants even though their parents earned more than $30,000 per year.

Shifting loans to lower income students would reduce their attractiveness to banks, according to testimony, because poorer families would be weaker credit risks, and could discourage bank cooperation.

Loan money could be tightened because the administration wants to stop lending funds from the Federal Financing Bank, which used to buy up student loans from banks so that the banks would have more funds to lend.

The administration would change guidelines so they would tend to weed out more affluent families.

New guidelines would require more money from students' families, thereby reducing the amount of aid they were eligible for.

Families would have to contribute 20 percent of their disposable income towards education expenses. The old percentage requirement was 14 percent.

Students would be required to contribute $750 of their own money towards their education each year.

Families would not be able to deduct their state and local taxes in order to lower their income level for loan request purposes.

New restrictions would also limit the types of expenses that could be claimed as educational costs.

According to the administration Office of Management and Budget, a grant to a student whose family made $20,000 per year would go down from $1,011 under present formulas, to $560 under the new plan.

575,000 fewer grants would also be made in fiscal 1982 under the new criteria.

Critics argue that publicity about the proposed cuts will change many students' college plans even if cuts are not fully implemented, although they most likely will be.



Because of Reagan's cuts, Husson's financial aid office may not be able to help as many students as in the past.

Media degree okayed

The media communications program at Husson College in Bangor received a boost last week from the executive committee of the College's Board of Trustees who approved a four-year media concentration on a business administration degree.

Robert K. Diebold, chairman of the program and Head of the Liberal Studies Division, said the change means that students can now obtain a "media-oriented" degree from Husson.

"The degree remains a general business degree that includes 18 credit hours of media courses," said Diebold. "Also included are courses that apply to media that are currently in the business curriculum such as advertising and marketing."

Diebold described the media concentration as being more marketable for Husson because it results in "something that is closer to a media major" and is a better recruiting device than a media minor.

Sex bias ruling

By Campus Digest News Service

Schools' athletic programs that do not receive direct federal aid are not covered by federal anti-sex discrimination laws, a federal judge in Detroit has ruled.

The reach of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 extends only to those education programs or activities which receive direct federal financial assistance," the judge said.

The ruling also cancelled sections of regulations by HEW forcing schools to provide equal athletic opportunities to females.

The ruling could be appealed, although no decision has been reached yet.

According to National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) lawyer William C. Kramer, the decision "is consistent with our position on the law since the beginning...that the scope of Title IX's authority is limited to federally assisted programs and activities."

However, the legal director of the National Organization for Women (NOW) legal defense and education fund said "if the decision is upheld, it could undermine jTitle IX's effectiveness. The impact could go beyond athletics, so that if, for example, you have a reading program and it does not get direct federal aid, sex bias uncovered in the program would not be covered by Title IX."

Sense of humor

Campus Digest News Service

Ask anybody what quality they find most appealing in others, and they are likely to say, "a good sense of humor."

But the ability to make people laugh (and to laugh at other's jokes) can not only make you popular, but richer as well.

A recent survey reported in the Wall Street Journal found a sense of humor can be an important factor in whether or not you'll land a job. It revealed if other things were equal, over 87 percent of company heads would give preference to hiring a person with a sense of humor. Yet the majority of these same bosses believed most young people looking for work were too somber.

Of course this doesn't mean they want individuals who wear "fright" wigs, spinning bow ties, and squirting-flowers in their lapels. But it does show it doesn't hurt to loosen up a bit when being interviewed for a job. Within reason.

Husson to award scholarships to outstanding high school seniors

Husson College in Bangor is now accepting applications from high school seniors interested in participating in the College's new Academic Honors Scholarship program.

Husson will award two $1000 scholarships to two academically outstanding freshmen entering the business college in the fall 1981 semester.

According to Dr. Jay L. Fennell, Vice President and Academic Dean, the awards, the first of their kind given by Husson, will be presented based solely on academic performance in high school. Factors to be considered in selecting the scholarship recipients include high school grades, class standing, Scholastic Achievement Test scores, honor society activities, honor essays and letters of recommendation from high school teachers.

Award recipients will be announced in April. Further information and scholarship applications are available from Maine high school guidance counselors.

NewAcademic Calendar

The following calendar has been chosen by Husson's Executive Committee for the '81-'82 year

FALL SEMESTER:

September 8, 1981 - Tuesday; Student Orientation and Registration; September 9 - Wednesday - Classes Begin 8 a.m.; September 9-16 - Wednesday - Wednesday - Course Schedule Adjustment.

October 12 - Monday - Columbus Day Vacation; October 30 - Friday - Mid-Term Grade Reports Due.

November 2-10 - Monday - Tuesday - Pre-registration for Spring 1982; November 26-27 - Thursday - Friday - Thanksgiving Vacation; November 30 - Monday - Classes Resume.

December 18 - Friday - Last Day of Classes for Fall; December 19 - Saturday - Final Exam Day by Faculty, Reservation with College Registrar.

SPRING SEMESTER:

January 17, 1982 - Sunday - Student Orientation and Registration; January 18 - Monday - Classes Begin 8 a.m.; January 18-22 - Monday - Friday - Course Schedule Adjustment.

February - normal schedule.

March 8 - 12 - Monday - Friday - Vacation; March 15 - Monday - Classes Resume; March 19 - Friday - Mid-Term Grade Reports Due.

April 5-9 - Monday - Friday - Pre-registration for Summer.

May 4 - Tuesday - Last Day of Classes for Spring; May 5 - Wednesday - Final Exam Day by Faculty, Reservation with College Registrar.

May 8 - Saturday - Commencement - 2 p.m.

COMING ATTRACTIONS



Last year's successful Chief team, Bill Shciekhiemer and Sally Spofford.

Chief Week slated for April 9-13 this year

This year's Chief Week is scheduled for April 9-13.

Basically, Chief Week is a time during the school year when we remember and honor the founder of Husson College, "Chief" Chesley Husson. Chief Week is also a time to take a serious look at our college and make some improvements and changes where they are needed.

Two or more students work together as a team and campaign against other teams to win the honor of "Chief-for-a-day." Upon being elected "Chief" this person will serve in the President's Office for one day.

Students, administration and faculty may go to visit the "Chief" and offer suggestions or express gripes about the college. Taking these suggestions into consideration along with his/her own observations, the "Chief" will submit his/her proposals to the Student Government.

Chief Week is a time to get together with friands and work for your candidate. This entails long hard hours of work but offers many enjoyable moments.

It's up to the students to make the best of Chief Week. The members on the Chief Week Committee are doing their best to make this coming Chief Week one long to be remembered, and they are open to any new ideas or suggestions from the student body.

The Chief Week Committee

Book Review:

Husson trustee publishes poems

Six Hundred Acres
By Fred R. Dingley
Illustrated. 94pp. Thorndike, ME
Thorndike Press

History and poetry are brought together in Fred Dingley's recently published collection of poems entitled **Six Hundred Acres**. The history is about a wooded tract in Maine. The poetry is a sensitive appreciation and abiding love for the land and men who lived on it.

The poet, retired principal of Lee Academy and trustee of Husson College, grew up on and owns this forest land he has written about, which is located near Lincoln. One suspects these acres tell the whole story of northeastern Maine as it was inhabited generations ago, cleared for pastures, and worked for lumber by a hardy group of settlers. The poet is the storyteller, a guide who takes the reader on treks through the woods, interpreting an old cellar hole here, a pile of stones over there, a scythe blade still protruding from a tree trunk, an empty field.

Wherever one looks signs are found, hidden and nearly vanished, of past life and the eternal battle man waged against the forest. "The strife was caused by men/Who wanted farms where trees had always been," writes the poet. Time, a silent figure in these poems, is on the forest's side. Dingley strikes his principle theme in "Old Fields."

When man deserts a field, the die is cast--
The forest claims the home of trees long past;
The hard-won field goes back to wilderness.

Trees have rights is the poet's sage conclusion.

The poet is a companionable guide. He imparts his curiosity and wonder in an easy conversational style reminiscent of another New Englander, Robert Frost. Occasionally a poem such as "Deer Trails", like one of Frost's, begins in the delight of observing deer and ends in the wisdom that "the ancient paths belong to them."

Six Hundred Ares is available in the Husson library.



Date: March 27 & 29
Time: 6:30
Place: Kominsky Auditorium

Calendar of Events

FRIDAY, MARCH 20 DANCE
Featuring the band "Games" at 9:00 in Dickerman Dining Commons.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25 FILM: **KING LEAR**
This superb film from the Shakespearean play, is a totally cinematic experience. Peter Brook is the director and Paul Scofield excels in the title role.
Kominsky Auditorium 7:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26 Rob Inglis performing Tolkien's **Lord of the Rings**
Rob Inglis is very familiar with evoking fantasy in the theatre and stimulating the imaginations of his audience. He has received world-wide acclaim for his solo dramatizations. of **The Canterbury Tales**. He has acted with the Royal Shakespeare, National, and Royal Court Theatre Companies. Inglis was ten years old when he first read **The Hobbit**. He claims that he "thought it was a good story then and that now, forty-five years later, hasn't changed his mind". It is Inglis' opinion that the **Lord of the Rings** is "the greatest feat of narrative creation and sustained imagination to be written during this century."
Kominsky Auditorium 7:00 P.M.

County Down to appear

County Down is a trio of women who perform traditional, contemporary and original folk and blues.

Their repertoire includes both a capella and accompanied singing as well as instrumentals. They perform on a variety of instruments including guitar, banjo, whistle, mountain dulcimer and hammered dulcimer.

Songs of the Southern United States and songs of the British Isles are featured.

County Down will appear April 2 at 8 p.m. in the Arrowhead Lounge.

International Club

The Husson College International Club would like to invite you to our International Night at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 27th at the D.D.C Everybody is welcome. Food - Dancing - Display from 16 different countries — will be provided.

The Sports Section

Braves finish season with 20-3 record paved by Burchill, Felt's scoring

by Rich Bennoch

The Husson Braves finished the 1980-81 season with a 20-3 record and outscored their opponents by an average of 24 points a game.

Ernie Burchill led the team in scoring with 21.8 points per game and in field goal percentage at 63 percent. Ray Felt averaged 14.4 points at a 60 percent clip. Keith Ogden and Dennis Cooper also finished in double figures with 13.9 and 13.8 respectfully.

Ogden grabbed the most rebounds on the squad, getting eight per game. Felt finished with seven and Cooper had six.

Felt took the free throw title with 82 percent and Burchill tossed in 75 percent.

Joe Civiello was the team's floor leader; constantly bringing the ball upcourt against difficult presses and handing out numerous assists.





Braves lose to UMF in overtime in playoff action

by Rich Bennoch

The University of Maine at Farmington upset the Husson Braves 87-85 in overtime in the NAIA quarterfinals at the Newman Gym February 26.

Lee Gove poured in 10 points in the overtime period to pace UMF to the victory. He finished with 26 to lead all scorers and Eric Weider had 23.

Keith Osden led the Braves with 19 points, followed by Ray Felt with 16, Ernie Burchill and Dennis Cooper with 14 each and Mike Bouchard with 10.

For Norm Michael, Joe Civiello and Cooper, it was the last game of their college career.

Lady Braves downed by USM despite Pettingale's 31

by Rich Bennoch

The University of Southern Maine recorded a 57-52 victory over the Lady Braves of Husson in the Quarterfinals on March 5.

Husson had a low scoring first half and were down by nine at the break, but Joan Pettingale got the offense rolling in the second period to keep the game close for the rest of the way.

Starr McBreaity's ball handling helped to force USM into changing their press and the Lady Braves played a tight man-to-man defense to keep the scoring down.

Pettingale led the attack with 31 points and Betsy Margeson had 12.

Pettingale, Margeson and Kathy Nadeau have been nominated for All-State honors for their fine seasons said the Lady Braves coach, Pam Hennesey.



Co-ed Volleyball

Anyone who wants to participate in a co-ed volleyball tournament should get a team organized. The deadline will be posted in the near future.

SPORTS and SHORTS

Men's intramural basketball schedule

SCHEDULE INFORMATION:

NBA: Derelicts; Hoopsters; Drunk Squad; 6th Level; Kappa I; As I; JC 1.

CBA: Snatch; Mex I; Quiet Knights; TKE; Kappa II; JC 2; Staff.

Wednesday 3/11: Derelicts vs AS I; Hoopsters vs Kappa I; D.S. vs 6th Level; Snatch vs JC 2.

Thursday 3/12: Mex I vs Kappa II; Knights vs TKE; 6th Level vs Hoopsters; Kappa I vs Derelicts.

Tuesday 3/17: AS I vs JC 1; TKE vs Mex I; Kappa II vs Snatch; JC 2 vs Staff.

Thursday 3/19: Hoopsters vs JC 1; D.S. vs AS I; 6th Level vs Kappa I; Mex I vs Staff.

Tuesday 3/24: Knights vs JC 2; TKE vs Kappa II; Kappa I vs D.S.; AS 1 vs Hoopsters.

Thursday 3/26: JC 1 vs Derelicts; Kappa II vs Knights; JC 2 vs Mex I; Staff vs Snatch.

Tuesday 3/31: D.S. vs Derelicts; 6th Level vs JC 1; Kappa I vs AS I; Knights vs Snatch.

Thursday 4/2: TKE vs Staff; AS i vs 6th Level; Kappa vs Staff; JC 2 vs D.S.

Tuesday 4/7: Derelicts vs Hoopsters; JC 2 vs TKE; Staff vs Knights; Snatch vs Mex I.

Wednesday 4/8: 5:45 Snatch vs TKE; 6:30 MEX I vs Knights.

Thursday 4/9: JC I vs Kappa I; Derelicts vs 6th Level; Hoopsters vs D.S.; Staff vs Kappa II.

American Heart Fund Announcement

There will be a 10 kilometer road race April 5th starting from Benjamin's Restaurant on Franklin Street at 1:00 p.m.

Sponsored by Benjamin's and Maine Distributors, all proceeds will be donated to the Maine Chapter of the American Heart Fund.

T-Shirts and commemorative posters will be given to all entrants and prizes awarded to all division winners.

Applications and pledge forms are available at Benjamin's on Franklin Street. Entrants may register there as late as 12:45 p.m. the day of the race.

Come on out and run for your life -- and others!!

WALKERS & JOGGERS WELCOME!

Penobscot Paddle & Chowder Society

The Penobscot Paddle and Chowder Society is sponsoring a Canoe and Water Safety Show on March 29 between 12 and 4 p.m. at the UMO Fieldhouse.

Highlights: Watershow from 3-4 p.m.; New and used equipment display and sale; Demonstration of canoe rescue procedures; Autograph session with canoe book authors.

Varsity Softball

There will be a meeting at 3:30 p.m. on March 30th in the gym for all girls interested in playing varsity softball. Anyone wishing to participate should be there.

Women's intramural indoor softball

TEAMS: Red Devils; 8th Level Hart; 4th Level Hart; JC #1; Kappa; Delta; Rowdies; Order of Diana.

Monday 3/16

8:00 Red Devils vs Delta; 8:30 8th Level Hart vs Kappa; 9:00 4th Level Hart vs JC #1; 9:30 OD's vs Rowdies.

Wednesday 3/18: 8:00 JC #1 vs 8th Level Hart; 8:30 Red Devils vs Kappa; 9:00 OD's vs 4th Level Hart; 9:30 Delta vs Rowdies.

Monday 3/23: 8:00 8th Level Hart vs Rowdies; 8:30 OD's vs Red Devils; 9:00 JC #1 vs Kappa; 9:30 4th Level Hart vs Delta.

Wednesday 3/25: 8:00 OD's vs JC #1; 8:30 Delta vs 8th Level Hart; 9:00 Rowdies vs Red Devils; 9:30 Kappa vs 4th Level Hart.

Monday 3/30: 8:00 4th Level Hart vs Red Devils; 8:30 JC #1 vs Rowdies; 9:00 Delta vs Kappa; 9:30 OD's vs 8th Level Hart.

Wednesday 4/1: 8:00 Delta vs JC #1; 8:30 Rowdies vs 4th Level Hart; 9:00 OD's vs Kappa; 9:30 Red Devils vs 8th Level Hart.

Monday 4/6: 8:00 Rowdies vs Kappa; 8:30 OD's vs Delta; 9:00 8th Level Hart vs 4th Level Hart; 9:30 Red Devils vs JC #1.

Wednesday 4/8: 8:00 #1 vs #8; 8:30 #2 vs #7; 9:00 #3 vs #6; 9:30 #4 vs #5.

WINNERS: Monday 4/13: 8:00 Winners of (#1 vs #8) vs Winners of (4 vs 5); 9:00 Winners of (#2 vs #7) vs Winners of (3 vs 6)

Wednesday 4/15: 8:00 Championship.

Husson Pool & Gym Hours

by Rich Bennoch

The pool is available to Husson students, staff, Job Corps students and the Athletic Association during the following hours:

11:10 AM - 3:00 PM Monday thru Friday; 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Monday thru Friday; 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Saturday and Sunday; 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Saturday and Sunday; 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Saturday and Sunday.

This schedule is in effect for the rest of March and the first few weeks in April.

The gym is open to students and staff during the following hours:

8:00 - 3:00 Monday thru Friday; 6:00 - 8:00 Monday and Wednesday; 7:00 - 8:00 Tuesday and Thursday.

6:00 - 9:00 Friday; 1:00 - 5:00 Saturday; 1:00 - 5:00 Sunday; 7:00 - 9:00 Sunday.

Gymnastics

The Penobscot Valley School of Gymnastics is sponsoring free gymnastics instructions every Wednesday evening from 8:00 to 9:30. Transportation is provided to all men and women interested from the Newman Gym between 7:15 and 7:30.

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