

A letter from our President

Dear Alumni and Friends:

This issue of *The Bell Tower* marks the completion of another academic year here at the University of Maine at Fort Kent, and my third year as its president.

We celebrated the end of the year in fitting fashion, with the University's 131st commencement exercises on May 18. Some 180 degree candidates from across Maine and as far away as Florida, Texas and California received their degrees. So, too, did students from six international countries and seven Canadian provinces.

We honored local public service legend, former state Representative John L. Martin, for his half-century of service to Maine, the St. John Valley, and this institution, with an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree. John is widely-acknowledged throughout the state of Maine as one of the most influential public servants of the past 100 years. The University also recognized local businessman and community volunteer, Ellery "Arms" Labbe, with its Distinguished Service Award for more than 50 years service to his community. Former UMFK president, Dr. Richard W. Cost was formally installed as President Emeritus; an honor bestowed upon him by the University of Maine System Board of Trustees, last summer.

This issue of *The Bell Tower* details many exciting items of interest, chief among them, as the issue's cover story details (pages 6-7), the University's listing in *U.S. News & World Report* as the top public four-year college in the nation for graduating students with the least debt. UMFK grads have achieved that distinction as a result of the University's low-cost tuition, as well as through their own hard work.

The campus continues to move forward in its conversion to locally-sustainable biomass energy, and away from foreign fossils fuels. Our new wood-to-energy boiler at The Lodge and Sports Center already has exceeded previous expectations for energy savings, and a ground-breaking ceremony for the Pleasant Street Academy Biomass Project will have been held by the time you are reading this. Moreover, the University's Center for Rural Sustainable Development is moving ahead with a study on biograss farming in northern Maine. The study holds great potential for local farmers and



President Hess presents Ellery "Arms" Labbe, a long-time Fort Kent businessman and community volunteer, with the University's Distinguished Service Award at the 131st Commencement. Labbe was honored for his many years of service to the people of the greater Fort Kent community.

for acres of fallow land. These projects represent the campus' long-range vision to implement alternative energy throughout the campus, and for UMFK to take the lead in sustainable economic and environmental practices.

Also in this issue, the University is honored to recognize Dr. Kimberly Borges for her appointment to a University of Maine System Trustee Professorship, and for Dr. Steven Selva's selection by the UMFK Foundation to receive its Faculty Research Award. Both Drs. Borges and Selva are hugely deserving of these recognitions for their research.

This issue also reports on our Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2013 inductees, photographic montages from our Annual Foundation Dinner, Fiddlers' Jamboree, and Sucrerie, as well as providing details for this fall's Homecoming events. Thanks to everyone for making this another memorable year. I hope you enjoy this issue!

Best,

Wilson G. Hess, UMFK President

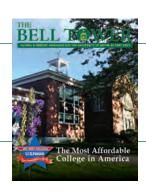
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ON THE COVER

The campus was pleased to begin the New Year as the top-rated public higher education institution on the U.S. News "Short List" of 10 Colleges Where Graduates Have the Least Debt. Recent UMFK graduates carry a miserly \$9,505 in debt, the least amount of average education debt upon graduation than any public college or university in the nation. Our cover story (pages 6-7) examines the benefits of the low debt load, and some surprising reasons why it is so low.









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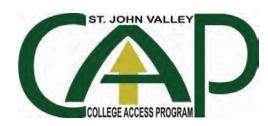


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Preparing Adult Learners

A recent report compiled and released by the Maine Department of Education and Educate Maine, indicates that participants completing the St. John Valley CAP — a partnership between UMFK, MSAD #27 Adult and Community Education; the Maine Centers for Women, Work, and Community; and the Maine **Educational Opportunity Center** — has demonstrated the secondhighest college enrollment/participation rate in the state.

According to the report, 73 learners completed the St. John Valley CAP between 2007 and 2011. Of that group, 52 enrolled in college. The 71.2 percent college enrollment/ participation rate was the second-highest in Maine. Statewide, college enrollment/ participation rates ranged from a high of 77.3 percent to 32.1 percent during the same time-



frame. The report is based upon an analysis of college enrollment data from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) produced in November 2012. The analysis returned records for students who participated in one of the state's Maine College Transitions (MCT) communities during the five-year period.

The St. John Valley CAP is a participating program within the MCT program. MCT and its 35 sites form a critical component of Maine's efforts to develop an Adult Career Pathways workforce development system. Forty-five percent of MCT participants during the 2007-2011 timeframe were between the ages of 25 and 44. One of the more unique aspects of the local CAP is students have the opportunity to complete part of their classroom learning on the UMFK campus, thus allowing them

to experience campus life and services.

MCT is offered through local adult education programs and are comprehensive programs of study leading to enrollment and success in a post-secondary institution. The program includes career planning, case management and data collection, instruction in college preparation coursework, and the development of a peer cohort and/or coaching system. MCT provides high-quality, costeffective and accessible pathways to postsecondary education for adults. Specifically, it helps adults who are studying to earn high school degrees to transition to college; provides preparatory support to adults who have a high school degree but are not academically prepared to take college courses, and provides counseling, mentoring and support services to enable those adults to successfully transition to college and earn degrees.

The NSC reports includes information on the fields of study of about two-thirds of the MCT alumni who enrolled in college. Of those with declared fields of study, the top five fields are: liberal arts, health care, business, vocational/technical, and science.

PROJECT > LOGIN

UMFK students enrolled in computer science and computer applications were provided with an opportunity to meet information technology professionals and employers at a networking video reception held on campus in mid-April. The video conference was sponsored by Project>Login, the newest program of Educate Maine—a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college and career readiness and increase education attainment.

Business representatives spoke about their company, their roles, entry level IT opportunities, IT internships, and career paths at their organizations, as well as answered questions from UMFK students. The Project>Login initiative includes internship opportunities,

resume posting for students, instructional events, educational resources, and a network of support designed to grow the computer technology workforce.

The Fort Kent video networking session was the last of a series of events held at University of Maine System campuses with computer science, computer engineering, and IT degree programs to

bring students and employers together with a goal of doubling the number of computer and technology degree graduates in Maine in four vears.

According to U.S. Department of Labor projections, the shortage of trained computer



becoming a national problem. The Department predicts that there will be 1.4 million

vacant computing jobs in the U.S. by 2018. Using current graduation rates, only 61 percent of those vacancies will be filled by U.S. computing graduates, and only 39 percent of those will be filled in the state of Maine.

RECORD AMOUNT RAISED



its eighth annual spring dinner/ performance held in April. Proceeds from the fundraising event help support endowed scholarships, faculty and student research, and special projects not budgeted for in the University's operating budget. The annual event includes a social hour and a five-course gourmet dinner catered and donated by ARAMARK food services. Following dinner, the evening's musical entertainment was provided by New York City jazz vocalist, Vicki Burns, who was accompanied by virtuoso guitarist/composer/ producer Saul "Zebulon" Rubin. The evening ended on a sweet note with a post-performance dessert and champagne reception in the Nadeau Hall Teleconference Room.

The Foundation is grateful for the support of all individuals who contributed to and/or attended the event. The Foundation also is very appreciative of all the dinner sponsors. **GOLD SPONSORS:** Acadia Federal Credit

Union; the Family of Ben A. ('67) and Nancy A. ('67) Paradis; Fieldstone Cabins & Rainbow Cove RV Park and UMFK Associate Professor of Mathematics and Business, Dr. Roger A. Roy; UMFK Associate Professor of Education Roland K. & Linda Caron; Foundation Director and UMFK Adjunct Faculty member John B. and Noreen L. Pelletier; and, UMFK President Wilson G. and Ellie Hess. SILVER **SPONSORS:** Cross Winds Residential Care and Ridgewood Estates; NorState Federal Credit Union; Fiddlehead Focus; Paradis Shop 'n Save Supermarket and Pharmacy; UMFK Vice President for Academic Affairs, Drs. Raymond T. & Rachel E. Albert, and Dean of **Enrollment Services and Student Life Ellia** Sablan-Zebedy and Jeffrey Zebedy; Northern Door Inn; Pelletier Ford; Fort Kent Rotary; John's Shurfine Food Store; and, United Insurance/Thibodeau Agency. BRONZE **SPONSORS:** Roy Auto Parts and Northern Maine Medical Center.

The UMFK Foundation supports endowed scholarships, student and faculty research, state-of-the-art technology upgrades, cultural events, new equipment, library collections, and other campus investments not budgeted for in the University's annual operating budget.



GROUNDBREAKING ON \$4 MILLION BIOMASS **PROJECT**

The University and the Maine School Administrative District #27 broke ground in mid-June on a \$4 million biomass project on the site of the former Fort Kent Armory that is expected to save the two institutions more than \$4 million in energy costs during the next 10 years. The project will provide heat and hot water to at least 12 buildings on the UMFK and Fort Kent Community High School campuses, and potentially more.

The project is largely funded through a \$2.7 million U.S. Department of Agriculture grant.

UMFK and MSAD#27 partnered together, in an extension of their joint College Community Project, to apply for, and develop, the environmentally-friendly initiative. The project involves the purchase and installation of a large biomass heating system that will be connected by means of underground hot water pipes to ten university, and two high school buildings. There exists the potential to expand the project to two additional MSAD#27 buildings.

The project will lower energy costs by installing two, multi-fuel boilers to create a shared heating plant, and connect it to the 12 project facilities to provide them with space heating and domestic hot water service. Once operational, the plant will complete the conversion of the entire campus from foreign oil to local biomass alternative fuel sources for heat and hot water.

The biomass boiler would boost the local economy by: dramatically reducing costs; supporting local landowners and natural resources-based workers; keeping dollars spent on energy in the local economy; stabilizing the heating portion of the institutions' budgets; retaining jobs through costs savings; and, creating new jobs.

The project is the second biomass project for the UMFK campus. Last May, the University opened a \$500,000 woodto-energy heating system, which provides heat for 1.75 acres of floor space at The Lodge residence hall, and at the Sports Center.

131st Commencement Celebrations

The University held its 131st Commencement on Saturday, May 18 in the University's Sports Center. UMFK President, Wilson G. Hess, presided over the day's ceremonies. More than 180 degrees were conferred during Commencement.

Former state Representative, John L. Martin, delivered the commencement address. Martin also received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

Representative Martin is widely-acknowledged throughout the state of Maine as one of the most influential public servants of the past 100 years. He first was elected to the Maine state House of Representatives in 1964 and later served an unprecedented 10 terms as Speaker of the House. He later served in the state Senate from 2000 to 2008 before returning to the House. During his years in the state legislature, Representative Martin cemented his position as a political force within Maine, and beyond. He has been an assistant professor of Political Science and Government at UMFK since 1977, and last year was named director of the University's Center for Rural Sustainable Development.

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Former President, Dr. Richard W. Cost, was invested as President Emeritus. The University of Maine System Board of Trustees awarded Dr. Cost the honorary title last July.

Dr. Cost served eight years as president from 2002 to 2010, making him the longest-serving UMFK president in a quarter century. His leadership focused the institution on meeting the challenges of rural communities and celebrating the Acadian heritage of the St. John Valley. The creation of the Center for Rural Sustainable Development and the construction of the Violette Wilderness Camp are sterling examples of this rural, community focus. During Cost's tenure, the Univeristy's regional visibility was enhanced by its inclusion and steady advancement through the rankings of U.S. News & World Report and The Princeton Review. Its athletic teams garnered regional and national attention with conference champioships and national tournament appearances. The campus' enhanced visibility also contributed to a revitalized UMFK Foundation and Alumni Association.







The Most Affordable

he year 2013 started on a bright note for UMFK when – quite unexpectedly – the University found itself atop a list issued by the nationally-recognized U.S. News & World Report: 10 Colleges Where Graduates Have the Least Debt.

UMFK was included among a *U.S. News & World Report* "Short List" of the top 10 colleges where borrowers owed an average of \$10,000, or less, at graduation. UMFK was the top-rated national four-year public institution on the list. The average debt load for a 2011 UMFK graduate was a miserly \$9,505.

The "Short List" also includes such venerable institutions as Princeton and Yale universities. You may have heard of them.

"At a time when we read about college graduates being burdened with debt, it is refreshing to see firm evidence that Maine's public universities offer affordable pathways to a bachelor's degree and economic opportunity. The low debt of UMFK graduates shows what a great value and tremendous return on investment a UMFK education is," said President Wilson G. Hess.

Nation-wide, sixty-eight percent of graduates from the class of 2011 borrowed to help pay for college, according to data reported by 1,033 ranked colleges in a 2012 *U.S. News* survey. On average, those students had \$26,220 in debt. The debt data used in these calculations

includes loans taken out by students from colleges, financial institutions, and federal, state, and local governments. It excluded any loans taken by a student's parents. A May 2013 *CNN Money* article stated that the average collegerelated debt of a 2013 graduate has increased to \$35,200 when you calculate student loans, credit cards, and money owed to family members.

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According to several recent studies, the effects of rising student debt has several consequences: fewer young people are able to afford to buy a home; many college graduates delay getting married, or are having fewer children

due to financial concerns; more young people work outside of their majors; and a growing number of graduates are moving back home to live with their parents after graduation. None of these consequences are surprising.

However, while college costs are high, most students still see a college education as a good investment, and many are willing to go into debt to obtain a college degree, if they think it will help them get ahead.

College graduates enjoy their jobs to a greater degree and find their careers to be more satisfying. According to a 2007 "College Board: Education Pays" report, graduates tend to feel a greater sense of satisfaction in their careers than those without a degree. Unemployment rates also are lower among individuals with degrees. A college education teaches students to be resourceful. College grads are better able to transfer their knowledge and skills to other types of jobs than those without a college degree.

College graduates typically make a better living than the rest of the population. A 2008 U.S. Census survey of adults 25 years of age, or older, who worked full-time, found that, on average, high school graduates made almost \$34,000 per year. Conversely, four-year college graduates averaged between \$55,500 and \$56,000 per year. The difference in yearly income between the two groups would pay for a



College in America

college education at a reasonably priced school within one to two years.

Why is it that the typical UMFK graduate carries the least amount of average education debt than any other public college or university in the nation? According to President Hess, the most obvious reason behind the low debt rate is because "UMFK works!"

"Our students reflect the values of our communities here in the St. John Valley," says Hess. "That includes the sons and daughters of the Valley in whom a strong work ethic has been instilled, but also in the students who come from elsewhere in the state of Maine, and beyond. Those students come to value and acquire the same strong work ethos that is customary to those who are born and raised here," he adds.

To back up his assessment, President Hess cites some interesting statistics contained in a National Survey for Student Engagement (NSSE) survey of undergraduate students from more than 600 colleges and universities from across the United States and Canada. The NSSE data from 2011 demonstrates that the average first-year and senior-year student at UMFK works work far more than their average national counterparts.

According to the NSSE survey results, three times as many first-year UMFK students work, as opposed to the national average. Working six to 10 hours a week, on-campus, is most typical, as is working 16 to 20 hours each week,

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off-campus. One in 10 first-year students attending UMFK work 30-plus hours each week, off-campus. The final figure ranks 83 percent above the national average.

Forty percent of UMFK senior class students already work 15 hours, or more, off-campus. Twenty-seven percent work 30 hours, or more. In each case, it is approximately 60 percent above the national average, as reported by the NSSE survey.

Another factor that account for the lowest

national student debt load is UMFK's low tuition rate among four-year public higher education institutions. Those low rates, coupled with a zero percent increase in tuition and fees in back-to-back years of 2012 and 2013, is good financial news for undergraduates. Likewise, so was the move to a block tuition fee structure during the 2012-13 academic year. Allowing students to enroll for anywhere from 12 to 18 credits for a single tuition rate, allows a motivated student to move through their chosen academic program at a faster rate, and with less debt.

The UMFK Foundation's *La Cloche de Fer Campaign* has increased the University's endowment by more than 60 percent. That historic success has led to an increase in endowed scholarship opportunities for undergraduates, thereby lightening the financial load on students and their families.

Last September, UMFK once again was ranked among the top 15 public colleges in the North, according to the 2013 edition of *U.S.*News & World Report's Best Regional Colleges.

It marked the fourth successive year of upward movement by the University in the rankings.

Says President Hess, "First came the *Best Colleges* ranking, and now comes the least debt ranking. Whether in the classroom or online, UMFK offers a complete package of quality and affordability for high school graduates or adults returning to college."



TRIO STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAM'S MAINE DAY Three students enrolled in the TRIO Student Support Services program participated in this year's Maine TRIO Day. The event was held at the Hall of Flags in the State House in Augusta with TRiO educators and students from across the State. Each student was a member of the TRIO Leadership Group, an experiential learning-based group for students in the TRiO program at UMFK. The Leadership Group focuses on skill development for TRiO students to further their skills in areas such as team building, communication, and leadership. Shown here in the Hall of Flags are: Shawn Graham ('97), TRIO Counselor; Kaprice Tompkins, a Nursing major; Ivon Portellez, an Elementary Education major, Alan Pelletier, a Computer Science major; and state Senator Troy Jackson ('01).

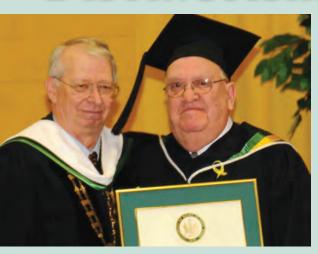


SNO POLAR BEAR RUN/WALK The UMFK Student Nurses Organization (SNO) hosted a Polar Bear 5K Run/Walk Race in mid-March to benefit the organization and a local charity. The first 100 people who registered for the race/walk received a race t-shirt. Racers competed in four different age groups: under age 18; age 18 through 29; age 30 through 44; and age 45 and up. Prizes were awarded to top finisher in each age division. SNO received donations from: Acadia Federal Credit Union: Albert's lewelry and Awards; China Garden; Daigle Oil Company; Dead River Company; Fort Kent Ski Doo; John's Shurfine Food Store; Roy Auto Parts, Paradis Shop 'n Save and Pharmacy; Pelletier Ford; Quigley's Building Supply; and Valley Auto.



STEPS DONATES TO ASSIST SEXUAL ASSAULT **SERVICES** The Student Teachers Educational Professional Society (STEPS) presented a check for \$200 to Aroostook Mental Health Center (AMHC) to assist the center in providing sexual assault services. The check's proceeds were raised during a bake sale held by the student teachers. STEPS President, Ivon Portellez (middle right), is shown presenting the check to Cara Berube, (middle left), an AMHC sexual assault specialist. The donation was presented following a presentation about the reality of sexual violence by Berube to the UMFK campus community. Also shown in the photo are STEPS members Tony Gagnon and Kristen LeClair.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



Ellery "Arms" Labbe, a long-time Fort Kent businessman and community volunteer was presented with the University's Distinguished Service Award for his years of service to the people of his community and the state.

Originally from Wallagrass, Maine, Labbe has called Fort Kent his home since graduating from high school in 1954. That same year he married Muriel Cyr. Together, they raised five

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and liquid propane gas. He sold all but the furniture and appliance portions of the business over the years, working with and teaching his sons the business. Together, they built a solid reputation for customer service around the state. Labbe passed the business to his sons, who continued to serve the public.

Labbe has been a central figure in the Fort Kent Lions Club for more than 50 years, serving as its president in 1968. He is best known for his character Ti Joe in the popular "Lions Minstrel Show."

Following his retirement, "Arms" became involved with the local Senior Citizens Club, where he chaired the membership committee. Under his leadership, the club's membership grew to more than 800 from 147 within a fouryear period. Among his other civic activities, Labbe served as the first president of the Fort Kent Senior College, and he also was chair of the Finance Board for the St. Louis church. In 2012, Labbe was named as Fort Kent's "Citizen of the Year."

Labbe still is active, filling-in for his son with his flooring business. He also enjoys golfing with friends and spending time with his grandkids.

Honorary Degree

Former state Representative John L. Martin addressed the graduates at the University's 131st Commencement. Representative Martin also received an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree during the ceremonies. Martin is widely-acknowledged throughout the state of Maine as one of the most influential public servants of the past 100 years.

Born in Eagle Lake, Martin attended local schools and received a Bachelor of Arts in History and Government from the University of Maine at Orono in 1963 where he later did graduate study in Political Science. He has been an assistant professor of Political Science and Government at UMFK since 1977. Last year, Martin was named director of the University's Center for Rural Sustainable Development.

Martin was first elected to the Maine state House of Representatives in 1964.

Among Martin's earliest political mentors and role models were his late uncle, Claude Martin, himself a state representative, and President John F. Kennedy. Martin served an unprecedented 10 terms as Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives. He later served in the state Senate from 2000 to 2008 before returning to the House.

Prior to becoming Speaker in 1975, Martin served on the Joint Standing Committees on Taxation, State Government, and Appropriations and Financial Affairs. He was elected Minority Floor Leader in 1971 and served in that position prior to becoming Speaker. He later served as the chair of the Legislative Council in 1989 and

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in 1966, which established the Allagash as America's first federally-protected, statemanaged Wild River, as among the most significant during his legislative career.

Martin's many community activities include serving as treasurer of Northern Maine General Hospital, a non-profit organization which operates the Eagle Lake Nursing Home and the Eagle Lake Boarding Home. He also is president of Ambulance Services Inc., and is president of Fish River Rural Health Centers in Eagle Lake and Fort Kent.

FACULTYHIGHLIGHTS ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

Scholars' Symposium

The fourth annual Scholars' Symposium took place in early May. The theme of this year's event was "Creativity, Technology, and the Workplace: Bridge to the Future." The two-day showcase of student academic achievement kicked off Thursday evening with a panel discussion on the role of the University in training students in the use of technology for today's careers.

On Friday, the day included a kick-off welcome from President Wilson G. Hess, followed by two engaging keynote addresses by Louis Loeffler, assistant professor of Instructional Technology at Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and by Dr. Matthew Bampton, professor of Geology at the University of Southern Maine. Loeffler works with students who wish to learn how to integrate technology into their teaching and learning. He consults with schools and businesses on the integration of technology into their training. Dr. Bampton's research centers on geographic information system education for undergraduates.

Following the opening session, various student presentations were made, simultaneously, in Fox Auditorium and in the Nadeau Hall Teleconference Room.

After lunch in Nowland Hall, the Symposium moved to the Sports Center for the hugely-popular poster and project session, where students displayed poster presentations of their research or projects, and answered onlookers' questions about their methodologies and findings.

The UMFK Scholars' Symposium fosters a community of engaged educators, researchers, and life-long learners who value academic excellence, scholarship, and intellectual curiosity. The two days of stimulating presentations and discourse focuses on issues relevant to the region and to the institution's mission, which commits to experiential learning, responsible citizenship, and environmental stewardship in its Franco-American, rural setting.

For further information about the fourth annual Symposium, please go to its website at: https://www.umfk.edu/academics/symposium/



CRSD HOLDS INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON BIOGRASS FARMING



The Center for Rural Sustainable Development held an informational meeting on campus for area farmers on biograss farming in northern Maine in late February. Keynote speaker at the meeting was Kalvin Ernst, a specialist in biograss seed selection and harvesting. Ernst also has extensive knowledge of invasive species as it pertains to seed selection.

According to Ernst, certain lowland switchgrass species are best for biomass purposes because of their upright structure, which increases the amount of plant potential per square foot and makes harvesting easier. Ernst researchers are working to improve switchgrass characteristics in order to maximize the biomass output and quality through selective breeding and improved genetics.

In recent years, this native warm season grass has attracted much attention as a potential source of alternative energy due to several reasons: it is a perennial warm season grass; it is able to thrive in marginal conditions; it has minimal input requirements; it is efficient in converting sunlight into useable biomass; and, it has soil, water, air, and wildlife benefits.

Ernst Conservation Seeds is one of the largest and most experienced switchgrass seed producers in the world. It has more than 20 years experience in establishing, managing, and harvesting switchgrass seed and biomass. Its expanded processing, treating, and storage facilities, coupled with its experience and customer service, allows Ernst to provide quality products and support. Ernst Conservation Seeds and Ernst Biomass, located in Meadville, Pennsylvania, grows and harvests nearly 400 naturalized species of seeds, as well as providing crops and agricultural supplies for various applications including wildlife habitat, wetland mitigation, and Conservation Reserve Program initiatives.

FACULTYHIGHLIGHTS ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

TRUSTEE PROFESSORSHIPS

University of Maine System
Chancellor, Dr. James H. Page, has
appointed two UMFK professors
to Trustee Professorships for the
2013-14 academic year. Associate
Professor of Environmental Studies,
Dr. Kimberly M. Borges-Therien
and Associate Professor of Biology
& Environmental Studies, Dr.
Stephen E. Hansen, received the
appointments to further their
respective research.

Dr. Borges' appointment is for her pilot study of Benthic Macroinvertebrate Diversity in a northern Maine river using DNA Barcoding Analysis. Dr. Borges' study is expected to focus on the Fish River in Fort Kent, and will involve students enrolled in a UMFK Limnology class. A benthic macroinvertibrate is an animal or insect that lives at the bottom of a river or stream, is large enough to be seen with the naked eye, but has no backbone.

Dr. Hansen's research project is to catalyze the economic recovery and development of the white-tailed deer hunting industry in northern, eastern, and western Maine. Funding from the Trustee Professorship will allow the University to match funds with Plum Creek Development to acquire 10 new GSP/Satellite collars and





continue a five-year investigation of the factors contributing to the drastic decline in the white-tailed deer population in Maine.

Trustee Professorships, approved by the UMS Board of Trustees, are devoted exclusively to honoring and supporting outstanding University of Maine System faculty already making noteworthy contributions to academic excellence on their campuses and within the System. The awards provide release time and support for faculty to undertake research and other scholarly/creative endeavors not feasible within their normal workload. The program is designed to assist UMS institutions in recognizing, rewarding, and retaining exceptional scholars, and, in so doing, promoting excellence in teaching, scholarship, and research throughout the University of Maine System.

Dr. Borges' and Dr. Hansen's appointments to the trustee professorships were recom-

mended by the UMFK Academic Council, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Rachel E. Albert, and President Wilson G. Hess.

Dr. Borges teaches courses in Environmental Science and Biology. Her research interests are in the areas of water quality and freshwater microbial ecology. She has actively been involved in studies of local lakes and streams for nutrient and fecal contamination. Dr. Hansen teaches courses in the subjects of Health Information Technology, Environmental Science, and Biology. His research provides insight into possible effects of environmental and global change on the future distribution and abundance of vertebrates, with a specific focus on energetic, genetic diversity, and population dynamics of vertebrates in relation to environmental and global changes.



DR. SELVA RECEIVES FOUNDATION'S FACULTY RESEARCH AWARD During its

annual dinner ceremonies, the UMFK Foundation presented its annual faculty research award to UMFK Professor of Biology and Environmental Studies, Dr. Steven B. Selva. Dr. Selva is a world-renowned lichenologist, who has established an active research program in lichenology since arriving on campus in 1976. Shown here celebrating the research award with Dr. Selva (center) are President Wilson G. Hess and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Rachel E. Albert.

CAMPUS WELCOMES WANETA T. BLAKE VISITING PROFESSOR, MICHAEL DOWNS

The campus welcomed the 2013 Waneta T. Blake Visiting Professor, Michael Downs, to campus on April 24 and 25. Downs presented his work to students in English 340 (Imaginative Writing), and in a public presentation for the campus and the community. Downs spoke extensively of his book The Greatest Show, a story collection inspired by the historic Hartford (Connecticut Circus Fire). Downs was born in Hartford, and the city has influenced much of his writing. He also is the author of House of Good Hope: A Promise for a Broken City, which won the 2007 River Teeth Prize for Literary Nonfiction. Downs won literary fiction fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation, and the Anderson Center for Interdisciplinary Arts. He teaches creative writing at Towson University in Maryland. For more information about Downs, please visit his website at:

http://www.michael-downs.net/





PRESIDENTIAL LECTURER

The UMFK Presidential Lecture Series presented award-winning poet and Fort Kent native, Dr. Connie Voisine, as its guest speaker in early March. Dr. Voisine spoke to a standing room only audience of students, faculty, staff, and community members about the creating writing process and her poetry. She read from her collection of poetry, as well.

Voisine's poems often feature speakers as they encounter contemporary culture in a variety of locations, including the U.S. Southwest and Mexico. Rare High Meadow of Which I Might Dream also was influenced by medieval literature and the poetry of Marie de France. Her first book, Cathedral of the North, won the Association of Writers & Writing Programs Award Series in Poetry and was released by the University of Pittsburgh Press in 2001. Her second book, Rare High Meadow of Which I Might Dream, published by the University of Chicago Press in 2008, and was a finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Award.

In addition to her two published books of poetry, Voisine also has published five poem anthologies: Love Poems Out Loud, Algonquin Books, spring 2007; French Connection, anthology on Francophone literature in the U.S., Louisiana State University Press, spring 2007; Just Outside the Frame, I Made a Book, and Prayer for New Mexico, Tres Chicas Press, fall 2005; The Maine Poets, the poems Hungry, Booming the Lake, Down East Books, 2003, paperback, 2006; and A Fine Excess, the poem Psalm, Sarabande Press, 2001.

Voisine is the winner of numerous awards and prizes, including the Pushcart Prize honoring the best poetry published by small presses, Honorable Mention, (2012); the Fulbright Award from Queen's University, Belfast, Northern Ireland (2012); and the Joseph Campbell Award in Poetry (2004). She earned a Bachelor of Arts in American Studies from Yale University (1987), completed a Masters of Fine Arts in Creative Writing at the University of California at Irvine (1994), and received a doctorate in Literature and Creative Writing from the University of Utah (2000).

Connie Voisine is an associate professor of English at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, New Mexico, where she directs the creative writing program. She graduated from Community High School in Fort Kent in 1982.

The UMFK Presidential Lecture Series was launched to provide a platform for intellectual discourse among campus community participants, as part of UMFK's Strategic Plan for Excellence. The Series, which is aimed at fostering an environment of academic inquiry and excellence, brings to campus a variety of renowned scholars, speakers, authors, and poets.

The series is supported through grants provided by the Libra Foundation.

ORNSTEIN AND MARCHAND DELIGHT AUDIENCE

Renowned fiddler, Lisa Ornstein, and guitarist, André Marchand, delighted their audience when they performed in UMFK's Fox Auditorium in mid-April.

Ornstein and Marchand both are virtuosos of Quebec's rich heritage of traditional vocal and instrumental music. The music they make is equal parts mastery and passion, mining the incredible diversity of French-Canadian and Acadian folk tradition. Lisa and André have gained international reputations as two of the most influential and admired players of their generation.

Lisa Ornstein, formerly director of UMFK's Acadian Archives Acadiennes, has the rare gift of being both a highly respected scholar and virtuoso player. She spent many years immersing herself in the study, performance, and teaching of traditional French-Canadian and Acadian fiddling, both in Quebec and internationally.



Her talent for creating compelling, informed, and inventive fiddle accompaniments for traditional Québécois songs has made her a sought-after collaborator among Quebec's finest musicians. The 2008 release of *La traverse miraculeuse*, which Lisa participated as both performer and arranger, won the 2009 Association québécoise de l'industrie du disque, du spectacle et de la video awards (Quebec's Grammy) for best traditional music album.

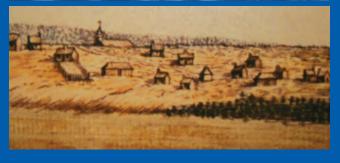
André Marchand is one of the great living legends of Québécois music. He is a founding member of Quebec's award-winning traditional music ensemble La Bottin Souriante, with whom he played from 1976 to 1990 throughout North America and Europe.

Marchand is a leading member of several of Quebec's finest folk music groups, including the province's premier a capella ensemble, Les Charboinniers de l'enfer and Les Mononcles. His irresistible voice, inspired vocal and instrumental compositions, and inventive accompaniment style on guitar and foot percussion have defined Québécois folk music for three decades.

FROM BOARD TO BOARD EXHIBIT AT ACADIAN ARCHNES







The travelling exhibition, From Board to Board: Architecture of Acadian Houses from Early Acadia until the 19th Century, a bilingual exhibition that showcases the Acadian tradition of construction that has been passed down through generations, is on display at the University of Maine at Fort Kent's Acadian Archives/Archives acadiennes through the end of the year.

The 22-board exhibition includes well-researched and well-illustrated display panels on Acadian architecture, including the Laurent Cyr house from St. Basile, New Brunswick, which was built in the 1850s. The exhibition is on loan from the Musée acadien de l'Université de Moncton.

Different construction types found in Acadia are illustrated, such as log, timber-framed, torchis, and plank construction. The typical evolution of an Acadian house, with its addition of dormers and an ell, also is shown. In addition, the exhibition presents a comparison of Acadian houses with those of the Louisiana Cajuns, the Québecois, and the Anglo-Americans.

The exhibition is enriched with a display of woodworking tools from the Archive's own special collections, and from St. John Valley residents Brian Theriault and Don Cyr. Anne Chamberland, Sue Pelletier, Willy Monthe, and Acadian Archives Director, Lise Pelletier, researched the names and uses of various woodworking tools, such as planes, saws, broad axes, crooked knives, wedges, mallets, and other pieces of architecture dating back to the early settlement of the Madawaska Territory. Of particular interest are a Ship's Knee (Québec origin) and a squared log with dove tail.

From Board to Board will be on display through December 23.

FIDDLERS' JAMBOREE February 10, 2013





Steve & Marcie Selva Retire

Dr. Steven B. Selva, professor of Biology & Environmental Studies, and the senior professor on the UMFK faculty, retired at the end of academic year. Professor Selva served the campus for 37 years. Retiring along with her husband, Marcine Selva also left campus following 30 years of service as the Natural Sciences Laboratory Manager.

Steve Selva's career at UMFK began in 1975; the same year that Vietnam fell to Communism, and the same year that Bruce Springsteen's Born to Run was the top album on the music charts. In the intervening 37 years, much has changed in the world, in music, and on campus. But through it all, Dr. Selva has provided a relaxed, yet structured, learning environment. It was a long ride for Selva and his students.

As the only botanist at UMFK, Steve has been responsible for teaching 10 different courses – four each semester – in three-year cycles. It is difficult to imagine a Biology, Applied Forest Management, or Environmental Studies graduate of UMFK during the past three decades who has not taken several course with Dr. Selva.

Throughout his career, Dr. Selva has been published extensively, and his research has been cited more than 150 times. One of Dr. Selva's earliest and most enduring legacies was his leadership in establishing the 16-acre Ray Fournier Biological Park, adjacent to the campus. The park project officially began in 1968, but it wasn't until a young Dr. Selva arrived on campus that the project really took off. The project was completed in 1980, and remains a vital part of the campus to this day.

Dr. Selva is perhaps best remembered as a renowned lichenologist. For him, the study of lichen is a vocation, an avocation, and a passion. He is a member of the American Bryological and Lichenological Society; The British Lichen Society; The International Association for Lichenology; The Josselyn Botanical Society; and The Nature Conservancy.

Dr. Selva was the recipient of the 1989 Florence M. Christie Research Fellowship sponsored by the New Brunswick Museum,



St. John, New Brunswick; and the 1990 winner of the Outstanding Contribution to Faculty Excellence Award, presented by the UMFK Faculty Senate.

On campus, Dr. Selva served as the Biology and Environmental Studies program coordinator for several years; prepared a 2011 revitalization plan for the Environmental Studies program; organized the 2011/2012 **Environmental Studies Program speakers** series' presentations; and was instrumental in implementing, along with the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, a mycophage (soil viruses) laboratory program in General Biology.

During the past several spring recesses, Steve helped lead trips to the Great Smokey Mountains. He was particularly knowledgeable of America's most-visited national park, having visited the park on several occasions for lichen research.

Dr. Selva was appointed to a 2011 University of Maine System Trustee Professorship to continue his research on old-growth northern white cedar in Quebec, Canada. He has twice been the recipient of the UMFK Foundation Faculty Research Award.

Among his many professional and civic activities. Dr. Selva has been a contributor to the Environmental Studies and Forest Technology Councils; served as curator for the UMFK Lichen Herbarium, an international lichenology index; was the manager of the UMFK greenhouse; was a member of the Research Advisory Committee for Baxter State Park, where he also reviewed research proposals for the Park; served as a manuscript reviewer for a variety of scientific journals; published several articles, field reports,

and publications; taught courses including Botany, Plant Taxonomy, Plant Morphology, Supermarket Botany, Dendrology, Lichenology, Science for elementary school teachers; performed community service with the University of Maine System, Baxter State Park, the Houlton Garden Club, the Fort Kent Cub Scouts, served on the Plants Subcommittee of the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada; and innumerable occasions of public outreach. In the true UMFK tradition, Dr. Selva also chaired and served as a member of umpteen committees throughout his tenure.

Marcie Selva has earned a well-deserved retirement, as well.

Marcie came to UMFK in the fall of 1982, teaching four Biology labs on a part-time basis. She later became a part-time Chemistry lab assistant. Ultimately, she was promoted to the position of Natural Science Laboratory Manager, where she remained until her retirement.

Marcie has been commended by the University of Maine System's safety and environmental manager for her exceptional job in maintaining the labs in Cyr Hall. She successfully reduced waste, thereby allowing the University to purchase fewer chemicals, and saving money in the process.

Her students have described Marcie as "very knowledgeable" and "patient." Her teaching style has been described as "effective," and she has been accused of "making an uninteresting topic fun."

Thank you, Steve and Marcie, for your years of dedicated service to the campus. Enjoy your retirement and visit us often.

LARGEST GIFT IN FOUNDATION HISTORY

The UMFK Foundation has received the largest financial gift in its history with the receipt of more than \$300,000 from the estate of the late Esther C. Labbee, it was announced in July. The Foundation received proceeds from the estate of Ms. Labbee, a 1949 graduate of the former Madawaska Training School. The Foundation anticipates receiving additional proceeds from Ms. Labbee's estate, which will add to her bequest to the University.

The Labbee bequest represents a major boost to the Foundation's \$3 million fundraising goal for La Cloche de Fer campaign in general, and for the campaign's Legacy Scholarship Fund initiative in particular.

Esther C. Labbee was born in November 1928 in Wallagrass, Maine. She was one of six children born to Ernest and Cecilia (Gagnon) Labbee. Following her graduation from the Madawaska Training School, a predecessor

of UMFK, she left Fort Kent to tour the country. She later earned a master's degree in Education in California.

She taught at the Buckley Elementary School in Manchester, Connecticut for more than 25 years, retiring in 1984. She made her home in nearby Willington, Connecticut. Ms. Labbee passed away at the age of 84 in November 2012.

With the receipt of the Esther C. Labbee bequest, the Foundation's La Cloche de Fer campaign is approaching its goal of raising \$750,000 within the Legacy Scholarship Fund portion of the \$3 million comprehensive campaign.

The goal of the Legacy Scholarship Fund is to double The Foundation's scholarship endowment, which in turn, will improve a student's access to college, reduce a family's reliance on loans, and provide scholarships to deserving students each year.

La Cloche de Fer is a comprehensive campaign to develop a more diverse and sustainable revenue base for the institution; integrating statewide and national foundations, corporations, and a widely-dispersed alumni population, into a multi-year fundraising effort.

The Estate of Esther C. Labbee Memorial Scholarship has been established at the University of Maine at Fort Kent on behalf



of the University of Maine at Fort Kent Foundation in her memory. Scholarships will be awarded annually from the fund under the direction of the president of the University in consultation with the Office of Student Financial Aid, to benefit the education of students enrolled at the University.



TRIO STUDENTS RECOGNIZED The TRIO Student Support Services program held its fifth annual recognition banquet on April 17, to honor students involved in the program. The Student Support Services program's focus is to insure that their participants have a realistic chance to persist in school and graduate. To help them achieve those objectives, students are provided with services that enhance their academic success, as well as their personal and social skills. TRIO Student Support Services is funded through the U.S. Department of Education. TRIO programs are designed to help low-income, first-generation, and/or disabled students, enter college, graduate, and move on to participate more fully in America's economic and social life. Shown here are the 2013 TRIO Student Support Services award winners.



MAINE BANKERS SCHOLARSHIP The Maine Higher Education Assistance Foundation (MHEAF) presented a \$1,000 scholarship to Steve Pelletier of St. John Plantation, Maine. Steve is a graduate of Community High School in Fort Kent, and graduated in May with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. Steve also recently was hired as the director of planning and economic development for the Town of Fort Kent. The scholarship is presented annually to a student in their second, third, of fourth year of study and who are Maine high school graduates majoring in a business-related program. Shown here congratulating Steve (center, with award plaque) are (L to R) his father, Reuben, daughters Blair and Meagan, his wife, Colette, Steve, MHEAF Senior Vice President Kathleen Meehan, and UMFK President Wilson G. Hess. THE BELL TOWER | 17

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The UMFK raised more than \$16,600 — a record amount — at its eighth annual spring dinner/ performance held on Saturday evening, April 13. Proceeds from the fundraising event help support endowed scholarships, faculty and student research, and special projects not budgeted for in the University's operating budget.

Musical entertainment for the evening was provided by New York City jazz vocalist, Vicki Burns, who was accompanied by virtuoso guitarist/composer/producer Saul "Zebulon" Rubin. The evening ended on a sweet note with a post-performance dessert and champagne reception in the Nadeau Hall Teleconference Room.

The Foundation is grateful for the support of all individuals who contributed to and/or attended the event. The Foundation also is very appreciative of all the dinner sponsors. GOLD SPONSORS: Acadia Federal Credit Union; the Family of Ben A. ('67) and Nancy A. ('67) Paradis; Fieldstone Cabins & Rainbow Cove RV Park and **UMFK** Associate Professor of Mathematics and Business, Dr. Roger A. Roy; UMFK Associate Professor of Education Roland K. & Linda Caron; Foundation Director and UMFK Adjunct Faculty member John B. and Noreen L. Pelletier; and, UMFK President Wilson G. and Ellie Hess. **SILVER SPONSORS:** Cross Winds Residential Care and Ridgewood Estates; NorState Federal Credit Union; Fiddlehead Focus; Paradis Shop 'n Save Supermarket and Pharmacy; UMFK Vice President for Academic Affairs, Drs. Raymond T. & Rachel E. Albert, and Dean of Enrollment Services and Student Life Ellia Sablan-Zebedy and Jeffrey Zebedy; Northern Door Inn; Pelletier Ford; Fort Kent Rotary; John's Shurfine Food Store; and, United Insurance/Thibodeau Agency. **BRONZE SPONSORS:** Roy Auto Parts and Northern Maine Medical Center.

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Shown here are: Alan Michaud, Senior Vice President and Partner, United Insurance; Donald Raymond ('75), retired UMFK Registrar; Sharon Daigle-Gerrish ('89), former marketing manager, Maine Potato Growers Division; and (not shown) Sonya Dechene, Credit and Brand Manager, Daigle Oil Company.

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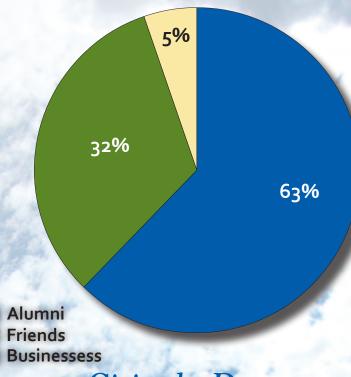
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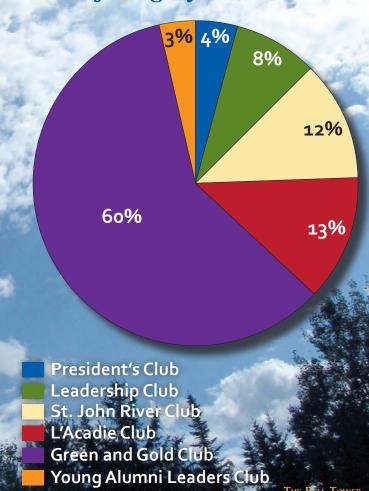
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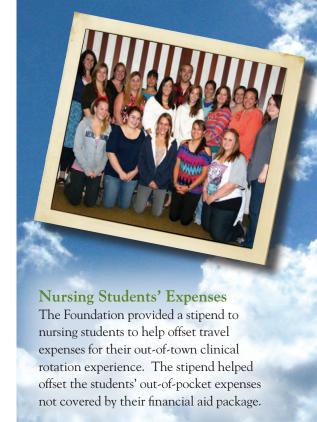
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In memory of Reynold Soucy

Michael Starr

In memory of Joseph 'Don' Morin '80

Joan T. Sylvain

In memory of Fred & Emma Blanchette

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Peg Olson Jacqueline Pauli Ritz St. Joseph Nursing Home

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Eric Werntgen

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The UMFK Athletic Hall of Fame inducted four new members at a dinner and induction ceremony on Saturday, March 23 in the UMFK Sports Center. The Class of 2013 members are: James "Pop" Hoyt '17; Melik Khoury '99; Ashley Ames '10; and Barrington Blake '11.

The UMFK Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 2008 to recognize the men and women who have distinguished themselves in athletic competition, in the classroom, after graduation, or by their meritorious service on behalf of UMFK athletics.



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ATHLETIC HALL OF F





JAMES "POP" HOYT

A long-time friend to UMFK and its athletic programs, Hoyt always was ready to assist student athletes with their housing or transportation to away games. Described as the righthand man to Lowell "Ozzie" Osgood (HOF'08). An unwavering advocate of the University, Hoyt served as president of the Alumni Association and was named the Outstanding Alumni Award recipient in 1970.







MELIK KHOURY

A four-year starter in goal for UMFK's soccer team, Khoury is noted for his acrobatic saves, and his leadership on and off the field. Twice honored as an All-American and twice as an academic All-American, Melik led his team to a berth in the NSCAA national tourney his senior year. A respected member of the Student Senate and community, he later returned as the Bengals' head soccer coach and helped establish the team's



MELIK KHO

LETIC HALL OF FAN







The all-time scoring leader for UMFK women's basketball with 1,307 points despite playing only three years. A dominant force inside, Ames earned All-Conference honors each year while leading the Lady Bengals to two Sunrise Conference championships. Named Conference Player of the Year 2006-07, Ashley led the NAIA in blocked shots with 140. Twice named an NAIA academic All-American, she was a key member of two women's volleyball teams. FORT KENT





BARRINGTON BLAKE

A four-year defensive standout on the men's soccer team, Blake led UMFK to four successive Sunrise Conference championships and a USCAA National Championship in 2010. He was named a NAIA and USCAA All-American three times. A Sunrise Conference first team member three years running, Barry also was named Defensive Player of the Year twice, and was named UMFK's Male Athlete of the Year in 2011. FORT KENT







Bengals in Action

ATHLETICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT FORT KENT

Women's Basketball Recap

The 2012-13 UMFK women's basketball team earned the program's first-ever trip to the United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA) National Championship Tournament, hosted by Penn State Fayette in Uniontown, Pennsylvania February 26 - March 2.

A USCAA Division 1 Independent, UMFK finished the regular season with 16 wins and 11 losses, and won eight of its last 11 games. Although the Lady Bengals dropped both contests they competed in at the national tournament, Head Coach Brad Holabird's entire squad will return for the 2013-14 season, having earned valuable playing experience on the national stage.

UMFK was led by junior guard, Jenn Colpitts (Scarborough, Maine), who finished just three points shy of the 1,000 career points milestone, and was named an honorable mention USCAA All-American. She was joined by fellow Maine natives Taylor Boucher (Junior) forward, Fort Kent; Samantha Carapellucci (Freshman forward, Fort Kent; Kayla Richards (Freshman) guard, Presque Isle; and Brooke Harris (Junior) guard, Lee, in the regular starting line-up.



Men's Basketball Recap





The 2012-13 UMFK men's basketball team failed to reach the post-season for the first time in the last 10 years, winning just two games. The Bengals had lost all five starters from their 2011-12 USCAA Elite Eight team, and the young squad struggled with inexperience and youth.

The Bengals finished the year at 2-23, dropping their first game of the season in overtime and struggled through a tough schedule, unable to gain momentum. Narrow first semester losses at home to in-state foes, the University of Maine at Machias and the University of Maine at Presque Isle, kept the team spiraling, but they battled and competed throughout the season. However, the results fell short and the Bengals ended their year on the outside looking in.

Four-year player, Yoshives Belizaire (Miramar, Fla.), was named an honorable mention USCAA All-American for his efforts on the year as he led the team in scoring and rebounding.

The down year has motivated Head Coach Eric Werntgen's Bengals to return to their winning tradition during the 2013-14 campaign.

Men's BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

20 OCTOBER
St. Thomas

1 PM

24-26 OCTOBER TBA Cape Breton University Invitational

15-16 NOVEMBER TBA UMPI Tip-Off Classic @ Presque isle, ME

23-24 NOVEMBER 2 PM Colby Classic @ Waterville, ME

5 DECEMBER 7:30 PM University of Maine at Machias

11 DECEMBER TBA
University of Maine at Presque Isle

13-14 DECEMBER TBA Rowan University TNT @ Glassboro, NJ

30-31 DECEMBER TBA Trinity Invitational @ Hartford, CT

4 January 6 PM Can-Am Classic vrs. Holland

5 JANUARY 4 PM Can-Am Classic vrs. UNB-SJ

8 January 7 PM Apprentice College @ Newport News, VA

9 JANUARY TBA Virginia-U-Lynchburg @ Lynchburg, VA

11 JANUARY TBA Washington Adventist @ Takoma Park, MD

17 JANUARY TBA Rochester College @ Montreal, Canada

19 January TBA SUNY Canton @ Montreal, Canada

20 January TBA Rochester College @ Montreal, Canada

24 January TBA University of Maine at Machias

1 FEBRUARY 3 PM Virginia-U-Lynchburg

5 FEBRUARY 3 PM University of Maine at Presque Isle

11 FEBRUARY TBA Berkley College (NY) @ Manhattan, NY

12 FEBRUARY TBA New Jersey IT (a) Newark, NJ

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YOUNG ('13) NAMED WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL HEAD COACH

Quintina Young ('13) has been named the next Women's Volleyball Head Coach at UMFK. A native of Portland, Maine, Young graduated from UMFK as a member of the Class of 2013. Quintina started her coaching career at UMFK as an assistant coach for the Lady Bengals basketball team during the 2012-13 season and expects to return to that role for the 2013-14 season. Young possessed great leadership qualities as a twosport star at UMFK during the 2010-11 and 2011-12 athletic seasons in volleyball and basketball. Before playing for UMFK, Young played both volleyball and basketball for the Hesser Blue Devils in Manchester, New Hampshire, where she earned MVP honors in both sports.





Volleyball Preview

UMFK is proud to announce that women's volleyball will return as a varsity sport in the fall of 2013 following a one-year hiatus. The Lady Bengals, who won the Sunrise Conference Championship in 2010, will return to action on September 13, when they host USCAA school Unity College (Unity, Maine) at 7pm in the Sports Center.

UMFK Recruiting Coordinator, Lucas Levesque, has landed the first recruit for the class of 2013, Jessany Munoz (Yreka, California). Munoz will transfer to UMFK for the fall semester following a two-year stint at Shasta College, a junior college located in Redding, California.

Munoz is a libero and defensive specialist who was a two-year defensive starter at Shasta helping to lead the team to the first round playoffs. Prior to Shasta, Munoz was a standout at Yreka High School. She holds the high school record for digs in a single season and led the 2009-11 Yreka teams in serve receive and digs. Munoz also was All-League (NAL) and the 2009 most improved player. Additionally, she played club volleyball for the Oregon mOcean Volleyball team for three years as a libero in Medford, Oregon.

Munoz will pursue a degree in Sociology/Human Behavioral Science at UMFK.

SCHEDULE SCHEDULE

13 SEPTEMBER 7 PM Unity College

15 SEPTEMBER TBA
University of Maine at Machias

15 SEPTEMBER TBA
University of Maine at Machias

18 SEPTEMBER 5:30 PM
University of Maine at Presque Isle

18 SEPTEMBER 7 PM
University of Maine at Presque Isle

21 SEPTEMBER TBA Husson University @ Bangor, Maine

22 September 12 PM Unity College @ Unity, Maine

22 September 2 PM Unity College @ Unity, Maine

29 SEPTEMBER 12 PM

Maine Maritime Academy @ Castine, Maine

5 October TBA
University of Maine at Presque Isle
@ Machias, Maine

5 October TBA University of Maine at Machias

12 OCTOBER TBA
Morrisville State College @ Canton, New York

12 OCTOBER TBA SUNY Canton @ Canton, New York

13 OCTOBER TBA
SUNY Canton @ Canton, New York

19 OCTOBER TBA
University of Maine at Presque Isle

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Men's Soccer Schedule

Women's

15-16 NOVEMBER **TBA** UMPI Classic @ Presque isle, ME

23 NOVEMBER **TBA** Pine Manor @ Chestnut Hill, MA

24 NOVEMBER **TBA** Fisher College @ Lynn, MA

5:30 PM 5 DECEMBER **University of Maine at Machias**

11 DECEMBER **TBA** University of Maine at Presque Isle

13 DECEMBER **Apprentice School**

4 JANUARY 4 PM Can-Am Classic vs. Holland

2 PM 5 JANUARY Can-Am Classic vs. UNB-SI

7 PM Apprentice College @ Newport News, VA

9 JANUARY Virginia-U-Lynchburg @ Lynchburg, VA

11 ANUARY **TBA** Briarcliffe @ New York, NY

17 JANUARY **TBA** Rochester College @ Montreal, Canada

19 JANUARY **TBA** SUNY Canton @ Montreal, Canada

20 JANUARY **TBA** Rochester College @ Montreal, Canada

24 JANUARY University of Maine at Machias

1 FEBRUARY 1 PM **Virginia-U-Lynchburg**

5 FEBRUARY 5:30 PM **University of Maine at Presque Isle**

8 FEBRUARY 1 PM Fisher College

Men's Soccer Preview

United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA) All-Americans, midfielder Kevin Dionne (Sr., St-Andre D' Argenteuil, Ouebec) and forward Kennard Brown (Jr., St. Elizabeth, Jamaica), return to the pitch in 2013 to lead the storied UMFK men's soccer program back to the USCAA National Championships.

The Bengals, who won the 2010 USCAA National Championship under Head Coach Bill Ashby, and have reached the Final Four the last two seasons, also return team Rookie-of-the-Year, midfielder Justin Soontiens (So., London, Ontario), to a deep line-up, which also will feature another large and impressive recruiting class.

The Bengals 2013 schedule will rival last year's, which was among the toughest in the school's history. Home contests versus in-state USCAA rivals University of Maine at Machias (October 9) and cross-county rivals, University of Maine at Presque Isle (October 22) sandwich a grueling eight-game road trip against top-level competition in New York City, West Virginia, Washington D.C., and New Jersey.

The USCAA Elite 8 is scheduled to battle for the National Championship in Charleston, West Virginia, October 30 through November 2, as West Virginia Tech hosts the championship tourney.



31 AUGUST **3 PM** Vermont Tech

1 SEPTEMBER **Vermont Tech @ Holland College**

2 SEPTEMBER 1 PM **Holland College**

5 SEPTEMBER **TBA** Fisher College @ Boston, MA

8 SEPTEMBER 12 PM Daemen College @ Amherst, NY

15 SEPTEMBER 1 PM **Maine Maritime**

18 SEPTEMBER **3 PM** University of Maine at Presque Isle

21 SEPTEMBER 2 PM University of Maine at Machias

4 PM 27 SEPTEMBER Vermont Tech @ Randolph, VT

29 SEPTEMBER 4 PM College of St. Joseph @ Rutland, VT

5 OCTOBER 2 PM Holland College @ PEI

6 OCTOBER 1 PM Holland College @ PEI

9 OCTOBER **3 PM University of Maine at Machias**

12 OCTOBER Berkeley College-(NY) @ Manhattan, NY

14 October 12 PM West Virginia Tech @ Charleston, WV

16 OCTOBER 3:30 PM Catholic University @ Washington, D.C.

18 OCTOBER 2 PM Washington Adventist @ Takoma Park, MD

19 OCTOBER 2 PM Berkeley College (NJ) @ Newark, NJ

2:30 PM **22 O**CTOBER **University of Maine at Presque Isle**

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Women's Soccer Preview

Head Coach Lucas Levesque's Lady Bengals have appeared in the last three United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA) National Championship games winning back-to-back titles in 2010 and 2011 and losing in last years' final, 1-0, in overtime.

In 2013, the program will feature the largest recruiting class in team history. The deep class of new recruits will join forward Katherine Ferland (So., Montreal, Quebec) and keeper Kimika Forbes (Sr., Trinidad & Tobago), both of whom were USCAA All-Americans in 2012. Ferland scored 34 goals while Forbes posted an impressive eight shutouts on the year.

The Lady Bengals schedule features a re-match of the 2012 USCAA Championship game vs. Daemen College September 7 in Amherst, New York, as well as several late-season, highcaliber road games against National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 2 and National Association of Intercollegiate Athletic schools.

The USCAA's Elite Eight will match up to battle for the National Championship in Charleston, West Virginia, October 30 through November 2. West Virginia Tech will host this year's championship tournament.



Women's CHEDULE

22 AUGUST **3 PM Ahuntsic College**

23 AUGUST **11 AM Ahuntsic College**

31 AUGUST 1 PM **Vermont Tech**

1 SEPTEMBER **11 AM Holland College**

7 SEPTEMBER **TBA** Daemen College @ Buffalo, NY

8 SEPTEMBER **TBA** Alderson Broaddus College @ Buffalo, NY

15 SEPTEMBER 11 AM **Maine Maritime Academy**

18 SEPTEMBER 1 PM University of Maine at Presque Isle

21 SEPTEMBER 12 PM University of Maine at Machias

28 SEPTEMBER **TBA** Vermont Tech @ Randolph, VT

5 OCTOBER Holland College @ PEI

6 OCTOBER Holland College @ PEI

9 OCTOBER 1 PM **University of Maine at Machias**

13 OCTOBER 4 PM Carlow University @ Pittsburgh, PA

12 PM 14 OCTOBER Point Park University @ South Park, PA

15 OCTOBER 2 PM Penn College @ Williamsport, PA

22 OCTOBER 12:30 PM **University of Maine at Presque Isle**

26 OCTOBER 2 PM Roberts Wesleyan @ Rochester, NY

27 OCTOBER 11 AM SUNY ESF* @ Syracuse, NY

*Green Bold Datesare Home Games

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1980s

Maureen Perry ('89) works as Reference & Instruction Librarian for the University of Southern Maine's Lewiston-Auburn College. She also serves on the USM Franco-American Collection's Board of Directors. In February she led a session, Beyond the container: Teaching genre awareness for digital information," at ThatCamp Libraries 2013 (Boston, Massachusetts). Maureen also performs at the Pleasant Note Coffeehouse, ushers at Community Little Theatre, and serves as a lector for Prince of Peace Parish. Her cats, Al and Sam, appeared in the February 24 Lewiston Sun-Journal.

1990s

Peter Clavette ('98) is a graduate of UMFK along with his wife, Tammy (Clements) Clavette '98. After graduation, Peter and Tammy promptly moved to Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Later, they migrated eastward and settled in Guelph, Ontario, Canada for the better part of eight years. They moved back to Peter's hometown of Madawaska in 2005. Tammy taught in the Guelph Catholic School District when they lived in Ontario, and currently is employed as a Resource and Methods teacher at St. Mary's Academy in Edmundston, NB. Peter says that UMFK has been such a great source of so many relationships and achievements in his life. From his time spent playing basketball to the professors and the many people that helped him on his journey to his most recent successes. He felt it would be nice to share this with the campus community to let everyone know that another graduate is doing well.



Ryan Pelletier ('99, '01) was named Executive Director of Leaders Encouraging Aroostook Development Inc. (LEAD) in January. LEAD is a 501C-6 nonprofit

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

DR. MELIK KHOURY ('99)

Dr. Khoury was named senior vice president for external affairs at Unity (Maine College) in January. A seasoned college administrator with a strong track record of program and resource development, Melik was tapped for the newly-created seniorlevel position.

Leading the Office of External Affairs (OEA) and overseeing the departments of Development, Enrollment, and Marketing, Khoury will develop, support, and evaluate short, mid, and long-term externallyoriented strategic goals in service to Unity College's environmental mission. The OEA is the campus epicenter for envisioning Unity's arc of development. It is focused on providing the impetus and planning to help Unity achieve the institutional goal of becoming a nationally recognized, leadingedge environmental college focused on sustainability science as the "what's next" of higher education for 21st century environmental problem solving.

Dr. Khoury's role at Unity will be critically important as it strives to reach its potential and broaden its constituency for the development of the next generation of environmental leaders. Developing strong revenue streams and increasing programming capacity for Unity's extensive physical resources also will be within Khoury's purview. Through Khoury's efforts, the college's constituents will appreciate, partner, and support its mission to attract, retain, graduate, and place, prepared environmental stewards, effective leaders, and responsible citizens into the world.

Khoury says that he was attracted to Unity College because of its sense of self-awareness and knowledge of what it wishes to become and why.

Dr. Khoury possesses extensive seniorlevel higher education experience including most recently serving as the senior vice president for strategic positioning at Upper Iowa University in Fayette, Iowa. He also has served as vice president for enrollment management and college marketing at Culver Stockton College in Canton, Missouri; vice president for enrollment management at Paul Smith's College in New York; and he was director of admis-



sions at UMFK, where he also served concurrently as an adjunct business faculty, head men's soccer coach, and assistant women's soccer coach.

Throughout his career, Khoury has guided colleges and universities through complex restructuring, international expansion, master planning, and capital campaigns. He also has streamlined operations to drive growth, implemented system-wide technology, and addressed issues relating to student enrollment, marketing, and business processes redesign.

Khoury holds a Doctorate in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix. The title of his doctoral dissertation was: Culver-Stockton College: A descriptive case study analyzing culture, leadership and change to maintain financial sustainability. He holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of Maine and a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from UMFK.

Melik was inducted into the UMFK Athletic Hall of Fame this past March as a member of the Class of 2013. A four-year starter in goal for UMFK's soccer team, Khoury is noted for his acrobatic saves, and his leadership on and off the field. Honored as an All-American player, Melik led his team to a berth in the NSCAA national tourney his senior year. Later, as the Bengal's men's head soccer coach, he led his squad to a Sunrise Conference Championship and several Potato Barrel Championship wins over cross-county rival, UMPI.

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corporation organized in 1986 to advocate on behalf of the business community in Aroostook County. LEAD has a countywide membership of businesses organizations and individuals committed to growing the county's economy and improving the business climate. Ryan works closely with the legislative delegation and congressional staffs to insure the voice of businesses are heard in Augusta and Washington D.C. In addition to this role, Ryan continues to work at Northern Maine Development Commission, where he serves as the director of economic and workforce development.

2000s



Stephanie (Boucher) MacLeod ('03) and her husband, Brian, are thrilled to announce the birth of their pride and joy, Isla Ann MacLeod. Isla was born at Mercy Hospital in Portland, Maine in January. After spending eight years in Hoboken, New Jersey, the family now resides in Falmouth, Maine.

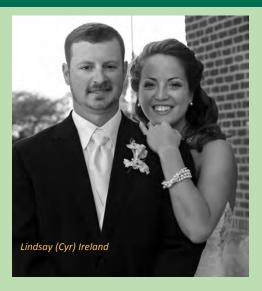
Freddie Beaulieu ('02) and his wife Christina (Gendreau) Beaulieu ('01), welcomed their beautiful daughter, Elise, in June of 2010. The couple both earned a Master of Business Administration from Curry College in Milton, Massachusetts last December. Freddie and Christina live just outside of Boston and both are executives with Target. They look forward to their career development at Target, with the help of their master's degrees.



Megan (Foreman) Barry ('05) married Craig Barry in June 2012. The couple resides in Fryeburg, Maine, where they currently are building a home. Megan teaches middle school mathematics in an environmentalbased program. She recently graduated from St. Joseph's College of Maine with a Master of Science in Education with a concentration in Educational Leadership. Megan and Craig are expecting their first child in September to the excitement of big sister, Maddison.



Douglass ('07) and Hailee Morin ('07) recently moved to Gray, Maine. Doug currently is employed as a web developer for the Communications Department at the University of New England (along with fellow UMFK graduate Neal Jandreau). Hailee recently was hired as a ninth grade English teacher at Lewiston High School. Hailee also is in the process of earning her graduate degree in Literacy Education from the University of Southern Maine. Hailee and Doug would like to say hello to the entire UMFK faculty and staff.



Lindsay (Cyr) Ireland ('10) - RN, BSN, **CCRN** been employed at The Aroostook Medical Center in Presque Isle, Maine since April 2009. For the last three years she has worked in the Critical Care Department, serving on a couple of different committees, policy and procedure, and professional nursing council. Lindsay obtained her CCRN certification in February. She also works part-time at the Presque Isle Rehab and Nursing Center. Lindsay and her husband, Shawn, were married in June 2012. They live in a home with their Basset Hound, Rissa, in Presque Isle. During our time off they enjoy camping, kayaking, gardening, and snowmobiling.

Oniqueky Samuels ('11) currently is a graduate assistant position at Union College, Barbourville, Kentucky, where he recently completed his first year toward a master's degree in Education Leadership. Oniqueky is the assistant coach for Union's men's soccer team. He also coaches ODP (Olympic Development Program) youth soccer in the Kentucky area.



Recently Deceased Alumni

The following alumni have passed away in recent months. The UMFK campus community extends our heartfelt sympathy to family and friends.

Claire Martin 1963

Kevin Kellv 1991

Barbara (Leighton) Hallowell

Vinton Pelletier 1960

Verna (Pressley) Wittman 1940

Victor Swinnen 1998

Dianne Madore 2004

Andrew Pelletier 2011

William Malloy

Roger Jacques

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Have you recently changed jobs, were married, had a child, received an honor or award, furthered your education or just want to let fellow alumni know what you are up to? We will include information sent to us in the Class Notes section of the next edition of The Bell Tower. You can keep in touch with us by e-mail. Do not forget to send us photos.

Baby Photo Policy: We love to receive photos of your children, but our policy is that an alumna/us needs to be in the photo, as well, in order for it to be published in *The* Bell Tower.

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A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Last week we lost a fellow classmate and friend, Andrew Pelletier.

Andy cracked the code that most of us spend a lifetime trying to decipher. He made his life about people. You often hear about people trying to live life as if it were their last day. Well, Andy would treat you as if it were your last day. He spent his life sowing seeds that would always become a harvest for someone else, whether it was in the form of fellowship over a cup of coffee, a friendly guitar lesson, or the sincere smile that he gave when he met you in town. How did he do it?

Most people aspire to be like presidents, great kings, or war heroes. Andy was a man of faith, and harnessed his own uniqueness, gifts and talents and became the best version of himself. He was a friend that could not be replaced, and he gave things that no one else could give.

We miss you, Andy. I'm sure you're in a better place, shooting the breeze with people you haven't seen in a while, enjoying a good cup of coffee. We are heart-broken, but blessed to have known you. It's because of the life you led, that I will spend the rest of mine, becoming the best version of myself.

Patrick Aldrich Friend and classmate May 17, 2013



2013 Outstanding Alumni Awards

The UMFK Alumni Association will honor three individuals who have made an impact on the campus, and in their community, at its annual Alumni and Friends Banquet to be held in Nowland Hall during Homecoming Weekend, September 13-15.



2013 Outstanding Alumni Donald M. Raymond ('75)

The 2013 Outstanding Alumni, Donald Maurice Raymond, hired on at the University of Maine at Fort Kent a month after graduating from the University. By the time he formally retired at the end of the fall semester in 2011, he had become an institution. Along the way he also befriended many students from across the St. John Valley, the state of Maine, and around the world. Raymond's retirement at the end of 2011 actually was his second retirement. He "officially" retired in June 2011, but agreed to stay on through the end of the year to "show the ropes" to his successor.

Raymond began his career at UMFK in June 1975 as a full-time data processing machine operator, a month after receiving a Bachelor of Science degree with high honors. Back then he worked in the basement of Cyr Hall. The following summer he became the University's director of Financial Aid and its coordinator of Computer Services. That fall, he became acting Registrar, as well. He was named UMFK's permanent Registrar in July 1977, a post he held until his retirement. Along the way he filled posts in computer services, and institu-

tional research, as well.

Don was easy to work with, knowledgeable and helpful. He possessed a positive attitude, and always seemed to find the best in any situation. He registered more students for college classes during his career at UMFK than the human mind can comprehend.

It was not uncommon for Raymond to put in 12-hours days, and 60-hour weeks. During his tenure at UMFK he prepared innumerable reports for state and federal agencies, and worked to produce the University's first statistical abstract. Throughout his career he demonstrated a faithfulness and allegiance to the institution's overall health and well-being. And through it all, he always made time for the students.



2013 Outstanding Young Alumni Justin Dubois ('05)

This year's Outstanding Young Alumni, Justin Dubois, graduated from UMFK in 2005 with a Bachelor of University Studies. He is employed as the IT Director and Director of Advertising and Sales at Quigley's Building Supply in Fort Kent.

While enrolled at UMFK, Justin was recognized in Who's Who Among American College Students, and was the recipient of the Maine Higher Education Assistance Foundation scholarship. In the short time since his graduation, Justin has been busy in the business world, as well.

He has been honored as the Young Retailer of the Year by the North American Retail Hardware Association (NRHA); received the NRHA Outstanding Achievements Award. His accomplishments through the NRHA brought Dustin recognition in the pages of the Saturday Evening Post, Hardware Retailing Magazine, and ProSales Magazine.

On the community front, Justin organized the lighting of Downtown Fort Kent for the World Cup Biathlon; he is a member of the Downtown Development Committee, serves as vice chair of the UMFK Board of Visitors, is a member of the Greater Fort Kent Chamber of Commerce, and is actively involved in many Fort Kent festivals.



2013 Outstanding Future Alumni Sierra A. Daigle ('14)

Sierra A. Daigle is the 2013 Outstanding Future Alumni. This 2014 candidate for graduation is enrolled in Business Management with a concentration in Human Resources. She has a minor in French and carries a grade point average of 3.6.

Sierra is a very active member of the UMFK Student Senate, currently serving her second year as Senate President. In that role she sits as a member of the President's Cabinet, conducts Senate elections and trains newly-elected Senators, holds a position on the Enrollment Management Committee, and serves as a liaison and representative between students and the faculty, staff and community.

Sierra has been a work study assistant within the UMFK Acadian Archives since coming to campus in September of 2009, and also worked in a work study assistant capacity for two summers with the Information Technology office.



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JOSÉE VACHON

Sunday, October 13, 2013 2-4 p.m. Fox Auditorium

Popular singer-songwriter, Josée Vachon, returns to the St. John Valley to perform her traditional and contemporary Acadian folk music. Born in Québec and raised in Maine, Josée has been sharing her Franco-American upbringing through traditional and contemporary folksongs from Québec and Acadia, as well as her own compositions.