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## Sunny weather brings forth shower of leaves



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Mike Taylor '07 showers Kristen van der Veen '07 with leaves as she tries to study on the Quad on Thursday. More nice weather is predicted this weekend, with mostly sunny skies and highs in the 60s.

## Demand strains sports trainers

*Club sports athletes say they feel slighted by varsity priority*

by Emily Guerin  
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With approximately half of the student body playing a varsity sport, the three Bowdoin athletic trainers and two interns working out of five

different locations on campus often have their hands full. According to Director of Athletic Training Dan Davies, the trainers needed more help.

"There is a growing need for care," he said.

Aside from varsity athletes, the many athletes who play club sports—crew, rugby, and ultimate Frisbee, among others—also require medical support. However, because

the trainers are already busy treating varsity athletes, they do not handle injured club players on a regular basis.

Official athletic trainer policy on the Bowdoin web site states that athletic training services are provided for Bowdoin varsity intercollegiate athletes and visiting intercollegiate teams. All other injured students

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## Profs assign own books to fill gaps, not pockets

by Will Jacob  
ORIENT STAFF

As experts in their fields, professors not only write articles and texts for their colleagues in the academic world, but some also incorporate them into the classroom as assigned or supplemental reading for their students.

However, faculty members say they do so not for quick cash, but in order to provide solid academic work to their students.

"Professors should assign readings that best meet the instructional goals of their courses, and they may well conclude that what they themselves have written on a subject best realizes that purpose," the American Association of University Professors wrote in a statement released in 2004.

"In some cases, indeed, students enroll in courses because of what

they know about the professor from his or her writings, and because they hope to engage in discussion with the professor about those writings in the classroom," the statement added.

At Bowdoin, professors often write and assign their own texts because there are limited works available in their disciplines. Some professors of science and research-intensive classes develop their own lab materials or texts to specifically focus and customize their courses.

Professor of Government Christian Potholm has written three books specializing in Maine politics, including "Maine: The Dynamics of Political Change" and "This Splendid Game: Maine Campaigns and Elections (1940-2002)."

"The simple fact is that for my class, there are no books other than the ones I've written. I ended up

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Carolyn Hricko '08 and Mike Igoe '07 play music during their radio show "The Green Room" at the WBOR studio Thursday. The station is still on the air, but is awaiting a re-licensing decision by the FCC.

## WBOR waits for ruling

by Kira Chappelle  
STAFF WRITER

Students will have to wait a little longer to find out if Bowdoin's WBOR 91.1 FM will stay on the air.

"We're treading on thin ice," said student station manager, Adam Paltrineri '07, "but it hasn't broken yet."

The ice began to thin considerably for WBOR last February when it re-applied for its broadcasting license with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). As a public service station, WBOR is required to make public service announcements (PSAs), such as Red Cross blood drives and natural disaster relief information.

## College, police troubled by OUIs

*One student measured with BAC of .22, report Brunswick police*

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

In the first month of school this year, at least three Bowdoin students were arrested for drunk driving in Brunswick. During all of last year, only two Bowdoin students were arrested for that offense.

Officially charged with operating under the influence of alcohol (OUI) by the Brunswick Police Department (BPD), the students' arrests have dismayed many in the community, including college administrators, the police, and students.

"I'm concerned that there have been three incidents," Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster wrote in an email.

"What troubles me is the poor choices people are making, especially given the transportation options that are available," he said.

With regard to the relationship between the Brunswick Police Department (BPD) and Bowdoin, BPD Commander Rick Desjardins said that "in some respects, we're doing very well." He cited good cooperation between the college houses and their neighbors regarding noise and litter. But, in an interview

### UNDER THE INFLUENCE

Three Bowdoin students have been arrested this fall for operating under the influence of alcohol. Maine's drunk-driving law is considered one of the toughest in the nation:

- Drivers can be arrested for having a blood alcohol level of .08 or higher—or for showing any degree of impairment.
- Drivers under the age of 21 can be arrested under the state's "no tolerance" law if any indication of alcohol consumption is present.

with the Orient, Desjardins said that he found the OUIs worrisome.

His specific concern is with the level of intoxication the BPD has seen in Bowdoin student OUIs, he said. Also, "the types of drunk driving that we've seen in the last few weeks are troubling."

One Bowdoin student was measured as having a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.22 (a BAC of 0.08 is the legal limit for adults, by comparison), according to Desjardins.

"A .22 on a blood alcohol level is an absolutely, unbelievably high level. I mean we're talking borderline toxic levels," he said. "When you get into the .30 range, you're talking about people dying."

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## Mills: No contact with BSG on Darfur

*Some members disagreed with resolution to create crimes committee*

by Steve Kolowich  
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There has been no formal communication between Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) and President Barry Mills since BSG passed a resolution endorsing a permanent committee to identify crimes against humanity on September 27, Mills said Thursday in an interview with the Orient.

The BSG resolution defied Mills's recommendation to the Board of Trustees that a permanent committee should not be formed.

"No one at BSG has come to talk to me," said Mills. "Accordingly, I've not changed my position, because nobody has come to me with any justification why I should."

"I have no ideas about why [BSG] disagreed with me," he said.

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