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I pulled out a book the other day and it was great, it had a cover of, you know, like those lurid paperback covers, and [it was] on true stories of the Maine State Police ... so yeah, we collect everything."

Nancy Noble, 29, is a special collections librarian at the Maine Women Writers Collection and the dental history collection.

The dental history collection, what does that contain?
I guess since they teach dental hygiene here they started over pretty early. I don't know if you want to talk about that. It's pretty interesting.

Is it like old teeth and stuff?
Old dental manuals. I guess it's pretty cool, it goes back pretty early... I don't know if it's pictures, but it's got a lot of info. But that's all the focus of the collection. Most of my job does have to do with the Maine Women Writers Collection.

How do you get stuff for the collection?
People give it to us, and then through book dealers... I work through book dealers and they send me lists, and I buy them all. But a lot of the things are already here; it's pretty interesting.

We collect everything except for textbooks and cookbooks. And there's actually a broad definition of what a Maine woman writer is, it's a lot of them who came only for the summer, and others, like Avis Doono, who went to Deering High School and is considered one of our women writers but then was a Vermont writer. We also have archives -- primary sources, which is like photographs, correspondence, diaries.

Who are your favorite authors in the collection?
I haven't read too many, but I want to, it's definitely a goal. There are some authors who I don't want to read, but some I do just to see what the big deal is. It's funny when I say this and we're talking about all these books and I'm telling you I haven't read that, I haven't read that... but when do you start? Do you start making the chances, or the latest medical thriller? Give me a couple more years.

Interview by Nikki Moreau; photo by Colm Moynihan

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I do not know how to describe the feeling of getting a new computer and not knowing what to expect. For the first week, I was excited to try out new programs and new features. However, as time went on, I started to feel panicked. In fact, I think I uttered something like a computer geek, offered his expert assistance.

My friend, who happens to be a computer expert, offered his expert assistance. He suggested that I should go to a computer repair shop and have it fixed. I tried to fix it myself, but I had not been able to.

The next day, I took it to the repair shop. The technician suggested that I should take it to a dealer. I did not want to do that, but I had no other choice. So I took it to a dealer.

The dealer suggested that I should buy a new computer. I was not happy with that, but I did not have any other choice. So I bought a new computer.

I made the mistake of ordering my new computer while my old one was in earshot. It croaked on the day the new one was due to arrive.

The hands above my lips were trembling uncontrollably. I was in a state of panic. My fingers were wagging on the keyboard. I was ready to cry.

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The repair shop told me that it was a hardware failure. They replaced it and it worked fine. I was relieved.

I learned that the key to having a computer is to know when to give up and when to keep trying.

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Best bread: Big Sky

Best lunch for $5 or less: Brick

Best Environmental Medicine

Best Antiques

National Museum of Antiques

Best Food & Drink

Best beer

Best brunch

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Best Maine microbrew:

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Best place to wait for a take-out order:

Rudy's
Rudy's is located on Congress Street, just a short walk from the heart of Portland. It's the perfect spot to grab a quick bite to eat before heading out for a night on the town.

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Best laundromat: Soap Bubble
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Best jeweler: D. Cole
Once again, D. Cole on Exchange Street whips up the competition in the beautiful bauble sweepstakes. It isn't just the baubles that keep D. Cole customers flocking back to Cole. Though the service is informed but low-key, the sales staff will go as much time showing you the goods as you need, whether it's a pair of diamond earrings or a more involved selection like wedding bands. Last year Cole won "least votes than the next four entries combined; the

Best fishmonger: Harbor Fish
A new vote for Chad's favorite Tony Anastasio notwithstanding, CSW remains head for Harbor Fish on Congress Street which they think "worth the wait." Whether it's haddock, striped or
crustacean, Harbor's vast array of finned, shelled or
tentacled, Harbor's vast array of salmon and cusk? Yup. Herring in dill sauce? Oh, yeah. Smoked trout , whole or

Best tailor: Donatelli's Custom Tailor Shop
Faustino Donatelli at the bench: For a good life, get the best tailor. PHOTO/TONEE HARBERT

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Individual's Custom Tailor Shop
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Evangelista Donatelli in 1972, is
becoming a personal favorite of CSW editors. Evangelista started learning his craft when he was a teen, and, in
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Best place to go for a manicure: Ludivia's. The owner was amazing, accurate, a Scrantonian who cut my hair and nails with ease and assured me I would never ever go anywhere else again.

Best place to get a haircut: The Head Shed. The woman who cut my hair was also the one who cut my nails and it was like a dream come true.

Best corner store: Anania's. Best in Portland.

Best florist: I Love Flowers. Maybe it's part of the Congress Street renaissance. A competitor in the same location for 23 years or so, and it clearly won this place quite a following. It could be the prime location (28 Market St.), or it could be the care they put in the ballots, it's more than just a good location. Thank you.

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Best places to meet people:
The Maine Mall

A ha, this proves it. Folks are always running around here. They buy clothes and books, but somehow they keep finding themselves here. It seems that there are others here as well. That was the key to the West End neighborhood? Orange Island's "Victoria's Secret"? The seashore kind.

Best protection:
The Bank of America

In this era of low-fat desserts and a national food store on every corner, it's OK. This place has managed to be the only place in Portland to serve gourmet food and keep a consistent quality. It's the perfect place to eat when you're tired of the usual fare.

Best neighborhood:
West End

There are all kinds of people here. Some are artsy, others are hipsters, and still others are just looking for a place to call home. Even though it's hard to describe this neighborhood, it somehow works. The people here are friendly, and the area is safe.

Best company to work for:
Unum

The company's culture is very friendly and supportive. They care about their employees and try to make sure everyone feels valued. The benefits are also very good, with a strong focus on work-life balance.

Best smell:
Nissen Bakery

The aroma of fresh bread fills the air throughout the day. It's the perfect smell to wake up to, and it sets the tone for the rest of the day. The bakery has a great selection of pastries and bread, and the staff is always friendly.

Best beach:
Crescent Beach

This beach is the perfect combination of natural beauty and convenience. It's close to downtown, but it feels like you're in the middle of nowhere. The beach is clean and well-maintained, with plenty of sand and shade. It's a great place to spend a sunny day with friends or family.
The best of all possible worlds

What’s so great about Portland? As evidenced by this issue, lots of stuff. We’ve got good restaurants, good theater, good places to get into nature, good people.

But a lot of what’s best about the city doesn’t get reflected in the babbling for the “best of Portland” issue. Not everything that makes a city work is presentable. There are some good things about Portland that didn’t make more traditional measures of “beauty,” but still make this one of the best of all possible worlds.

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John & Kirstie & me
In which our intrepid reporter explores the belly of the Scientology beast

By William

I'd been trying to pull the leash back on the anxiety, the one that characterized me during my childhood and youth. It seemed to be a constant companion, a person who was always there, always available. As a child, the only way I knew how to cope with it was to shut it out, to ignore it, to pretend it wasn't there. But now, as an adult, I was beginning to realize that it was time to face it, to deal with it, to understand it. I was ready to face my demons, to conquer my fears, to overcome my anxiety. And I was ready to do it on my own terms.

But first, I needed to find a way to get there. I knew that I couldn't do it alone. I needed help, support, guidance. And that's when I heard about Scientology. I had heard about it before, of course. I had heard about the famous scientists who had founded it, the famous people who had joined it, the famous discoveries that had been made there. But I had never really taken the time to investigate it, to learn about it, to understand it. And now, with my anxiety, I knew that I needed to.

I contacted the Church of Scientology and arranged for a meeting with one of their representatives. I was a little nervous, a little apprehensive, but I knew that I needed to do this. I needed to face my anxiety, to conquer it, to overcome it. And I knew that the Church of Scientology could help me.

When I arrived at the meeting, I was greeted by a friendly, welcoming staff member. She took me to a comfortable chair and offered me a drink. I accepted, and we talked. She asked me about my anxiety, about how it had begun, about how it had affected my life. And I told her everything. I told her about my childhood, about my teenage years, about my adult life. I told her about the things that had caused my anxiety, about the things that made it worse, about the things that helped.

And then, she took me to a room where I could take a test. The test was called the Dianetics I.Q. test. It was designed to measure the intelligence of a person with anxiety. And I took it, and I scored a 137. I was surprised, but I was happy. I knew that I had taken a step forward, that I had begun to conquer my anxiety.

But I knew that I needed more. I needed more help, more guidance, more support. And that's when I became a member of the Church of Scientology. I joined, and I began to attend classes. I learned about the principles of Dianetics, about how to use them to overcome my anxiety. I learned about the tools necessary to solve all my problems. I learned about the techniques necessary to solve all my problems.

And then, I began to feel better. I began to feel more in control. I began to feel more confident. I began to feel more secure. And I knew that I had found the solution to my anxiety. I had found the answer to my problems. I had found the Church of Scientology.

And so, I continued to attend classes. I continued to learn. I continued to grow. And I continued to conquer my anxiety. I continued to be a member of the Church of Scientology. I continued to be happy.
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Auditions for Portland Stage Company's production of "The Odd Couple" will be held on March 18 & 19 at 799 Congress St, Portland. For more information, call 779-5606.


Mountains and Memories: Portland Musical Theatre Company performs "Fiddler on the Roof." At Tullie Road Methodist Church, 52 Tuttle Rd, Portland, March 15, 8 pm. Tix: $15 ($10 students). 769-3920.

Auditions for the 1997 CASCO BAY WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL will be held on March 21-22, at 7 pm. At Portland High School, Portland. For more information, call 859-1637.

The National Endowment for the Arts presents "The Eagle's Nest," a play about a young girl who discovers a nest of eagles in the forest. At Portland High School, March 15, 8 pm. Tix: $10 ($5 students). 846-5923.

Concerts

previews

Easy to be green

The last time the Irish band Salas came to town was in August, when they played at a full house at Gerry's. The quartet, led by guitarist Doyle, and vocalist John O'Doherty, come to Portland to play at the Casco Bay Movers on March 22.

The music of Salas is traditional, but there is an energy to the singing of these young musicians, their voices full of youth and vitality. At Casco Bay Movers, March 22, at 8 pm. Tix: $15 ($10 students). 362-4884.

Hillside Concerts presents "The Music of the First Parish Church of Boston." At First Parish Church, 425 Congress St, Portland, at 7:30 pm. Tix: $15 ($10 students). 769-5218.


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Greek girls

The men are gone — but not forgotten — in PSC’s “Iphigenia and Other Daughters”

By MARY STAMATEL

“Iphigenia and Other Daughters,”
the latest offering at Portland Stage Company, is a melding of the traditional Atreus family of the Trojan War — Agamemnon, Clytemnestra, Eumenides and Electra — to some extent reshelved to focus on the women. The ending is the much talked about Chorus of the Furies, who take their revenge upon the Atreus family by ensuring that Clytemnestra ultimately slays her own son to atone for the earlier murder of her husband. Gesta, was originally a statue of Artemis and brought to Greece. The statue is tended by his sacrificed sister Iphigenia, who helps him sail away from Greece. The statue is used in a series of vignettes that are presented by the women of the Atreus family, including Clytemnestra, Electra and Iphigenia. The play coasts along on its symmetrical finish, nicely putting their world on stage.

The grudgeless, gardening Chrysothemis isn’t held up as the Martha Stewart type. So we wait for Orestes to show up to the party in his (Rebecca McDonnell’s) suit and get us out of there. That middle shows Clytemnestra at home with Electra and her sister Chrysothemis (Jane Nichols). Electra is the dominant presence here, and McDonnell plays her shrill and over the top. She curses her mother and digs around the property in search of her father’s bones. We can’t quite sympathize with Electra and her 20-year grudge. (All the grudges related to this story are in fact, part of the Balkans.)

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The toast of queer Portland

To an incurable optimist that Portland has to offer. I would have reason if I didn’t have the opportunity to consider the very best qualities of queer Portland. But no consideration of what makes something the best, you want to contrast it to its opposite. You want to find the best of a category. And the reason is that you hate to lose. You hate to lose. The search for the best can be addictive. For instance, you really tend to have experienced some pretty good chocolates in order to give a new one a chance, thus heightening your appreciation.

Similarly, to acknowledge that there is no such thing, or not one such thing, is the best offering to the local queer community, you need to contrast it to the alternatives. In other words, we need to talk about just about anything we can think of as a "best of." "Don’t ask, don’t tell," for example, purports to benefit but so legally recognized marriage for queer couples, and equal rights ordinances that extend to just one sexuality in a very large state immediately come to mind.

But if there is such a thing, and it may live in a world of daily assaults on my individual rights, liberties, sensibilities and emotions as a queer man, there are a few islands of reprieve that I can count on in this home I call Portland.

Here is my collection — culled as well from a sampling of other queer opinions — of some of the best Portland has to offer the gay community. It’s a really class-conscious list, but then, I’m a very class-conscious guy.

Best spot for a night out: Katahdin

Wherever your queer spaces used to be, if it’s mallside in South Portland. Secondly, it’s got a great view (if you’re into that sort of thing) of the Macaroni Grill and a set of looks like a Bad Lobster/Oliver Garden knock-off. I expected dialectical, and I’m happy I did — the bartender joke at the bar and back in the visual, as well as demographics and people being drawn service-oriented, and it’s an establishment that caters to the same sense of neighborliness and community. Sure, some scenes include a bit of the mainstream from the place, but when I hear queer in Boston talking about "that great little restaurant in Portland," I know exactly what they’re talking about. Thanks, Gamblers and everyone at Katahdin. And best appetizer.

Custard waitstaff (plus) Walter’s

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Best local spot in recent memory: Garrity vs. Geraghty

For the first time ever, two openly queer individuals are running for the same seat on the City Council, to represent the West End/Parkside communities: David Garrity, longtime activist for queer issues, and Karen Geraghty, former president of the Maine Pride Political Action Committee. Garrity/Geraghty won’t claim to be gay, but at this point it probably can’t hurt. The Garrity/Geraghty race is cutest waitstaff (gals): Walter’s

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The following is an original review of coffee new and old—call it an existential guide to Portland cafes.

Portland is a city of contrasts, where urban decay and modern hipness coexist. In the midst of this duality, cafes offer a refuge from the daily grind. Some are as old as the city itself, while others are the latest innovations in culinary trends.

### Windwood Cafe

**Location:** Historic Old Port, 160 Commercial St.

**Description:** This spacious European-style coffeehouse is located near the waterfront with a great view of Harbor Fish. First-rate coffee, good pastries, and a comfortable ambiance make it a favorite for both locals and tourists.

### Annie's

**Location:** On the Bowery, 111 Commercial St.

**Description:** Annie's is a double-French-roast-paced jive joint with a game shelf, chess, and occasional live music downstairs in the funky basement. It's a great spot for coffee and conversation.

### JJ's

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