Read the campaign literature of Maine Attorney General Jim Tierney, who’s running for the 1st Congressional District seat, and you’ll find Jim fighting. When the Patten Corporation sued the town of Hartford, Jim was there. When Georgia Pacific was muscling a hostile takeover of Great Northern Nekoosa Corp., Jim was there. When there was a hazardous waste cleanup at the McKin Superfund site, Jim was there. The Tierney campaign literature boasts: “His office has recovered fines from polluters amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars.”

But the money Tierney has recovered from polluters is peanuts next to the millions of dollars that some 60-80 Portland-area investors are fighting to recover from Thomas R. Acker, a local accountant who speculated in real estate with other people’s money.

“There is no question in my mind that Thomas Acker belongs in jail,” said Dr. Joel Johnson, who thinks that he and scores of other investors were defrauded by Acker. Many of those investors have claimed that Acker misrepresented the investments, and misled them about how financially liable they would be.

For more than a year, Johnson and others have launched complaints with Tierney’s office—only to get politely brushed off. “There is no political gain in prosecuting Acker,” said Johnson. “It’s not a... hostile corporate takeover that’s going to get a lot of P.R.”

Johnson and the others who can’t interest Jim Tierney in what they claim is a multimillion dollar fraud case have begun asking... Where’s Jim?

Andy Newman’s report begins on page 7
Earth will always be here

All the hype about Earth Day is nice, but there are actions we all should adopt, at least one of 365 days a year, to respect and preserve the planet. We really need to take action, otherwise the earth will continue to lose species and become less habitable for humans.

Affordable housing

Casco Bay Weekly: Last December, I prepared a proposal that I told my landlord I understood Peter O'Donnell's reasoning. If people can't afford the rent, which is more than 50% of the low-income guideline in Portland, why can't they be in the situation of available apartments in some other location if they can't afford to live in your building?

As a return, the state of Maine expects me to find adequate housing in a 10-year period, which means it's the time when I started paying rent and the state is approximately a quarter of the state's gross domestic product of the work that we would not have a housing crisis. As a father and a father to my children, I cannot accept such a state of poverty. I'm not sure if I can pay for the housing for my mother and expect to be held to her standards.

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Portland

More gender bashing

Women are being talked about adversely, critics calling the men in their lives. The problem is not their insecurity, but lack of skills as a lover, his competitive nature, his inability to communicate, his emotional distance (assumed of course), his apparent inability to deal with females.

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"Eat my words"

Please pray for me for my personal scandal of Mike Tyson in the VIEWS section of the May 10 issue of Casco Bay Weekly. For my part, I have done nothing wrong. The fact is, there was someone of my sister, and I'm certainly not whining.

Michele Ponomova
Portland

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Greyhound stops Portland cops
Greyhound has banned the City of Portland and $50,000 is over for protection provided by city police officers, but others can.

"That's as far as it goes," said Chief John Johnson.

Johnson confirmed that the city was not aware of the ban and that Greyhound had been contacted by the company.

City Attorney David Luttrell said that Greyhound's lawyers at the Portland office did not have any information to share on the matter.

The ban is effective immediately and will remain in place until further notice.

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WHERE'S JIM?

By Andy Kresin

"Pond scheme"

In 1989, Thomas Acker started his own accounting and financial consulting firm, Acker & Associates. He had been a mid-level manager at a large accounting firm and was looking for a way to make better money.

Acker's business plan was simple: he would take money from investors, invest it in real estate, and then use the profits to pay the investors back. He promised that he would make them 10% to 20% a year.

Acker's scheme worked for a while, but eventually he ran into trouble. His investors started to demand their money back, but he didn't have enough money to pay them.

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The discussion is being led by Sarah Sherburne, director of Asian Culture at the Portland Museum and Dyer Library, 371 York St., downtown. For more information, call 799-1720.

The film, "Images: The Cathedral Chamber Singers perform their last concert of the season at 8 p.m. at St. Luke's Cathedral, 143 State St., Portland. The performance includes Benjamin Britten's "Requiem in the Land," as well as works by Mozart, Bach and various British choral composers. Tickets ($20 for adults, $15 for seniors and students, available at Amadeus Music, and the door. For more information, call 773-7800.

The Ontario Chamber performs Schumann's "Kreisleriana" major along with other shorter choral works. Peter Furness conducts the choir at 8 p.m. at St. John's Church in Brunswick. Tickets are $18 and $30 for season subscriptions. For more information, call 729-8382.

April Earth Day. Plant a tree. More than 140,000 seedling donations have been donated for distribution to Maine residents. See May 20.

The Casco Bay Weekly Calendar: 10 DAYS AND MORE WAYS TO BE INFORMED, GET STAY AMUSED.
CBW LISTINGS

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**IN CONCERT**

- **Ronnie Earl & the Broadcasters**
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- **Port City All-Stars**
  -**Saturday May 10**

- **Dirty Dozen Brass Band**
  -**Sunday May 20**

**ART OPENING**

- **Tennessee**
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- **St. George's Inlet**
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