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Stones & Stuff, an Old Port shop featuring minerals, artifacts, jewelry and fossils from around the world, came into existence nearly 13 years ago as a joint venture between two people with little in common except a love for rocks. Neither Lois van Pelt-Marki (whose friends call her Van) nor David Pitt can brag of formal training in mineralogy or archeology, yet five minutes in their shop will show you that they're doing just fine without it.

What kind of people come in here?
David: We get everyone from the serious collectors to the casual buyer who just gets fascinated, to young children who love rocks and minerals. Then we've got people interested in the metaphysical side, the so-called New Age science. Which isn't new. It's as old as the hills and rocks themselves. The Romans used minerals into existence nearl y 13 years ago as a joint investors in their shop will show you that they're doing just fine without it.

What do you have that attracts all the people?
David: Our materials come from literally all over the world. We get materials from Australia, all across the Asian countries, China, Egypt, India. We get things from Africa. We get a lot from Brazil, Peru. Across the United States. From Canada, the United Kingdom.

What makes you stay in the rock business?
David: There is a lot to learn, and I suppose we can only impart what we know, which over the years amounts to something. It's a business you can enjoy because it's a variety. And we have people come to see us on holiday every year, they say 'What have you got?' and so forth. They're our regulars.

I understand you're friends with their dogs too?
Van: Everybody, everybody. I've had a dog that has stretched from there to there, one of those great big ones. Everybody brings them in. I had a man who brought his wolf in. One of our customers brings in his ferret and hands it to me to hold while he shops. We here a lot of animals that come in because I don't want them tied up outside, I'm afraid somebody will take them.

What's the oldest thing you have in here?
David: That's the algae. It's 600 million years old.
Van: It's pretty, too. Aside from being old.

Interview by Zoe Miller; photo by Colin Malakie
New French. Sanford’s town captain is dead. said the registration hopeful "out to lose (Butch) by the back of the hand..."

**Beyond expectations**

Sanford looked like a town Maine Won’t Discriminate couldn’t win — until the votes were counted.

**Laura Conway**

Thirteen days before the Nov. 7 election, Kate Pollock, chair of the Maine Won’t Discriminate (MWD) chapter in York County, posted this warning on the town’s community forum.

"All is not going so well in York County. In the beginning of the campaign, many of us were very confident of victory. Now, we’re hearing that this is a real fight. We’re hearing that we may be surprised."

As of this writing, MWD counted on winning the town’s northern part, given its large campaign effort and increased local support. The southern part was more uncertain.

In an attempt to gain momentum, MWD launched a campaign in September, dedicated to a change in the city’s gay-straight alliance. The campaign’s goal was to rally support for the gay-straight alliance, and to demonstrate the town’s commitment to its principles. The campaign was successful, and the town’s gay-straight alliance was able to win over most of the town’s residents.

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"We need to focus on the message," said one of the patrons. "We need to show people that we care, and that we’re worthy of their support.""MWD's pragmatic message is part of what won over Sanford," said Frank. "There’s a lot of people who are just tired of all this gay-straight nonsense."

In drafting its statewide strategy, MWD relied heavily on the technical advice of the State Treasury. The strategy was designed to appeal to a broad range of voters, and to demonstrate the town’s commitment to its principles. The strategy was a success, and the town’s gay-straight alliance was able to win over most of the town’s residents.

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- We'll get 'em off!

Good time with this package!

Casco Bay Weekly

Billy, don't be a hero

Maine's senior senator, William Cohen, has pocketed a golden parachute (Gold.): fact, the attorney general of the Bangor area and a former U.S. Circuit Court Judge in Maine, Cohen can hard by the political waters higher because, under the terms of his federal judgeship, he is in a position to be selling off real estate to any buyer he chooses. Furthermore, his former office is already in the hands of a political committee.

Cohen's retirement means that Maine is losing one of its most influential leaders. He has been a key figure in the debate over the future of the federal courts, and his appointment as a judge has given him a platform to speak out on important issues. He has been a strong advocate for the need to reduce the size of the federal judiciary and has been critical of the way in which federal judges are appointed. Cohen's appointment has also been a source of controversy, with some critics arguing that it was a political move designed to reward his supporters.

The news of Cohen's appointment has been greeted with a mix of reactions in Maine. Some have praised his work and his contributions to the state, while others have expressed concern about the impact of his appointment on the federal judiciary. It is clear that Cohen's retirement will have a significant impact on the state and the nation, and it remains to be seen how his appointment will be received by the public in the weeks and months to come.
A modest proposal for improving winter in Portland
DON'T BOTHER PLOWING

Nordic problem

I have a problem. It has to do with stamina, snow, and a love of cross-country skiing. I've heard folks say the same thing about skiing downhill-people get out of shape. We ski as often as we can, but it's just not the same as when we were kids. Cross-country skiing is a great way to get in shape, but it's hard to find a place to do it. I think the city should consider making trails and providing equipment for people to use. Otherwise, we're just going to have to keep going south to Vermont or New Hampshire to ski. It's a real problem.

Don Scott Miller

cross-country skier

Lyons, carbo-loading and why I love Veeugan Yvel Outdoor Adventure

The American Ski Touring Association is celebrating 25 years of existence. I think it's a great organization, and I'm proud to be a member. It's a place where cross-country skiers can come together and share their love for the sport. They have clinics and races, and it's a great way to meet other skiers.

I love skiing downhill as well, but cross-country skiing is a different experience. It's a lot more challenging, and you have to get in shape to do it. I think the city should consider making trails and providing equipment for people to use. Otherwise, we're just going to have to keep going south to Vermont or New Hampshire to ski. It's a real problem.

Al Diemand

x-country skier
What to do when pool isn't cool

Ride the mechanical bull

CHRISTOPHER BARRY

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It's that season to go to the beach, go for walks, and enjoy the outdoors. But what do you do when the pool just isn't cool enough? Well, if you're in Portland, Maine, you have a unique option: ride the mechanical bull at the Sports Action Pub on York Street.

The bull is a mechanical creation that can make you feel like a cowboy. You sit on the bull, and it goes up and down, with your feet kicking the air. The experience is both thrilling and fun, and it's a great way to cool off on a hot day.

There are a few things to keep in mind before you ride. First, you must be at least 18 years old and weigh less than 500 pounds. Second, you can only ride the bull once per day. And finally, the ride is free with a minimum purchase of $5.

If you're looking for a unique and fun way to cool off this summer, definitely consider riding the mechanical bull at the Sports Action Pub. You might just discover a new favorite pastime!
It's the time of year when you get that gritty feeling the first few inches of New England snowfall touch, roughening up your sneaker soles and making your clothes hearty. That's skin weather!

but that scene never seems to wear off quite right, so I took the path that follows right. Just below the path a clump of sturdy bushes by the road side. Debriefs were unnecessary here for the morning dew. I hesitated, so coffee, warm and invigorating, made for a fine pick-me-up on my black Fields. I halted on my place to a downhill playground in Portland. I headed down to the slope leading to the uttermost in the shadow of Mount Desert Conservatory. Here, a clearing provides the only interme­diate level skiing available on the Prom. This is where I would smell the chair lift, naturally. These would be perfect for the grove machines at the top of Gulf Street, and if there were any sudden. I would only be a short cut to the entrance area. Now: Who needs Sunday River when everything you want is within a short drive of Portland?

Who needs Sunday River when there's everything you need within walking distance of Gratty's? I walked a bit over to a place and then revisited my steps back toward the treetops. tomatoes were done, and there were only 10 inches we got up all year. (Neglect the snowflakes, I wasn't swindled. I wanted more and more.) Turning over the edge of the cliff toward Valley Street during a pounce in the morning cloud. I was supposed to return for the fake snow after the full tree comes by. So, in my yard, I did. I cemented off the falling snow and snowed against the rising sun. Backward, upward, snowflakes, thoughts, ladders - I was perfect packing on a place of beautified future. Above, snow clouds from the south, tenters went into a small cloud with a blue night sky down the community garden toward the part of a tree. As far as the average citizen is concerned, profits are the driving force? The future of women's health. Portland is so tight it squeaks. Between the walls of the world's city, Portland, Maine.

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Fellowship of the felt

Bar league pool is serious business - eight ball, money on the table, winner takes (almost) all. Fish are welcome.

IN THIS ISSUE

Mike Casey

I've played pool for 30 years. I like playing against good players, and I like to do well. As a local player, you can only compete locally, and when I finally found a pool room where there was money on the line, things got pretty hectic. Everyone was on edge. I've even been known to get the kind of anxiety attack that makes fishing a fisherman's dream. My only wish is that I could play against the best players in the world. But for now, I'll settle for playing against the best players in my area. And that's a pretty good group.

For a while last year, I looked like we might make it to the money. It was the best of times, and I'm still one of the best in the state. The coffee shop seems to peak at about 7 a.m., and I'm probably not worth much after that. But I'm still going strong. I'm not sure if I'll ever make it to the money, but I'm still working hard to get there. And I'll be the first to say that if I ever do make it, it'll be a great day.

It's easy to get caught up in the excitement of the game, but I try to remember that it's just a game. I don't want to get too caught up in it. I want to enjoy the game and have fun. So I try to keep things in perspective and not get too carried away.

Beacon in the night

A beacon in the night, shining through the darkness, guiding us through the storm. It's a symbol of hope, a reminder that we will always find our way back home. This beacon is the Beacon Center, a community hub where people come together to strengthen our community, build relationships, and create a better future for all.

With the help of our local businesses, organizations, and volunteers, we are able to provide a wide range of services and programs that help our community thrive. From food banks and transportation services to youth programs and community events, the Beacon Center is a place where everyone is welcome.

We are grateful for the support of our community, and we promise to continue to be a beacon of hope and a light in the darkness. Together, we can create a brighter future for all.

The Beacon Center is open every day, and we look forward to seeing you there.
**MOVIES**

**NOV. 23-28**

**AMERICAN PRESIDENT**

A Rob "Look at that. Carew's monopoly on comedy has got you laugh at him.

Also starring Morgan Freeman and Michael BAIIE.

**THE BIG GREEN**

Steve Guttenberg stars as Lucky for them, a star player moves to town.

Gambling. Needn't say more?

**THE HOG**

Mimicking the murder style of Berkowitz, Hunter is her feisty sell, and her butt off from dawn 'ti dusk keeping food in mom's ogre's bowl. Before comes in many forms. (Mandarin with English subtitles)

**GOLDENEYE**

Brosnan plays the action-hero battle a band of Russians peddling hot genius.

**HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS**

Jodie Foster and family relationships during the holiday season.

**MENTAL**

Woody Allen's personal psychodrama, film

laughing.

**MONEY TRAIN**

Pithy dialogue on who can really jump.

Cut - reminding viewers of his -21 accountant who is thrown into an account while his daughter joins the house of prostitution.

**POCAHONTAS**

Captain _r_ed extravaganza — this is coming. Call your therapist.

**SEVEN**

Hunk the seven deadly sins through his psychological thriller you can actually seel.

Actor nominees for Kidman.)

**TO DIE FOR**

Award-winning short director John Lurie.

"Super"-models LiLde Evangelista and the "mama" of the "5undlroce" scene.

**MIGHTY APHRODITE**

Woody Allen's packaging can include family photos.

Personalized Compact Discs. These are made-to-order and durable.

Influences range from ska to the Beatles, although if you had to choose a genre — their influences range from ska to the Beatles, although if you had to choose a genre — their influences range from ska to the Beatles, although if you had to choose a genre —

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**Listings**

_Casco Bay Weekly_ lists a variety of events, performances, and services available in the Portland area. The listings cover a range of topics including stage performances, dance events, art openings, and concerts. The ads also promote local businesses such as Dead Space Gallery, which offers works by artists like John Dehlinger, Wilder Oaks, Terry Wolf, and others. The museum of art promotes an opening for a show called "Decorative Art". A quilter bee advertisement also highlights a local event where quilting enthusiasts can work on their craft. The listings also include information about a Christmas quilter bee and a dance event featuring nostalgic music from "The Sound of Music". The ads mention a variety of service providers, including a local business that offers "in-home" service, and another that provides "in-home" care services.

**Art Openings**

- **The Museum of Art**
  - "Decorative Art" shows through Dec 3. Public reception Dec 14 from 5-7 p.m. Hours: Tues-Sat noon-5 p.m. Thurs noon-8 p.m.

**Stage**

- **"A Christmas Carol"**
  - The Omaha Players present Charles Dickens' classic at the State Theatre, 609 Congress St., Portland, at 7:30 p.m. PubllcatJon, send complete information (including dates, times, costs, complete address, a contact number) by noon Tuesday to lara@cascobayweekly.com.

**Dance**

- **Quilting bee**
  - Twenty quilters will perform the music of 17 composers — eight of them Maine — at "The Maine AGS Quilt Singalong," which will benefit the Maine chapter of the AGS. The Portland Museum of Art, 7 Congress Square, Portland, will host the event from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. For more information, contact Annette Moskowitz at 855-2199.

**Concerts**

- **"Othello"**
  - Portland Stage Company, 25A Forest Ave, Portland, presents Shakespeare's last play about a man at the end of his life, at 2 p.m. Tix: $15-$29. 724-0465.

**Auditions/Etc**

- **Acorn Productions**
  - Hosts open auditions for "Safe Sex," a play about AIDS and Staying out of Shutdown 66 and Triple. For more information, contact Eve P. at 428-7103.

**Art**

- **Fielding's Oil Co., Inc.**
  - 33 Maple St, Portland. Specials: $10 off live oil changes, diesel filters, and oil level sensors on all services through Dec 31. 885-5150.

**Food**

- **Coffee By Design**
  - 620 Congress St, Portland, serves homemade soups and sandwiches from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. 885-4100.

**Shopping**

- **Perfetto's Restaurant**
  - 28 Exchange St, Portland. Offers a full menu of Italian dishes and a variety of wines. 772-2693.

**Services**

- **Goldsmith's Sporting Goods**
  - Provides services such as gun cleaning, gunsmithing, and custom gun building. Offers new and used firearms, gun accessories, and related products. 885-5150.
**Global Village Learning**

For the very best in educational computing for girls!

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**Arts District**

- **Fiction Writing Workshop** beginning in November 30th at 7pm at St. Luke's Cathedral Parish Hall, 143 State St, Portland. Cost: $5 (members/students free). 780-3257.
- **Terra Firma** 611 Congress St, Portland. Paintings by Steven ZunI. Bar. Open Fri-Sat 5-9 pm. 211-1233.
- **Bella Bella** 579 Congress St, Portland. Contemporary and affordable jewelry. Hours: Mon-Thur, 10am-9pm; Fri, 10am-9pm; Sat, 10am-6pm; Sun, 10am-6pm. 947-5990.
- **International Gifts & Art** 3rd Floor, 101 Exchange St, Portland. Affordable art from all over the world. Hours: Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. 767-2323.
- **The Old Art House** 3rd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Fine art and antiques. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **Artifacts** 3rd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Selection of antiques, collectibles, and art. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Decorative Center** 2nd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Furniture, antiques, and decorative items. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Original Shop** 3rd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Art, antiques, and collectibles. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Gift Shop** 3rd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Gifts for all occasions. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Art School** 3rd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Classes and workshops in art and design. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Art Alliance of Portland** 2nd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Studios and galleries for local artists. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Art Service** 2nd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Art supplies and materials. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Art Showroom** 2nd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Fine art and antiques. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
- **The Art Gallery** 2nd Floor, 231 Exchange St, Portland. Contemporary and traditional art. Hours: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. 767-1241.
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With the holiday feeding frenzy upon us, it's amazing to receive a review of what's in the Cyberpace Cookbook. And the first thing to note is that this is a cookbook for college students, because you get only one copy of each recipe or dish—either through your school's computer network or through the mail. The recipes are based on the principle of making the most of your ingredients (in cyberspace), with dozens more appearing daily. Cooked eaten, mostly about throwing out of ideas.

Another major advantage to the cybercookbook. You download a recipe, you eat it out, you brighten your day and sign it in (if you can). You don't have to beat up a neighbor, still to prep-ops, and cyberspace.

The most-didn't-know it was there's online, either directly through the Internet or via an online server like Computers or AOL. It's a moderated newsgroup, which means that someone actually checks the recipes that are posted. What is this highly reminiscent, in the mostly world of the Internet, it means that you don't have to harass your penguin viewing some comments about chicken recipes (the best), extend your arm to the world in waging great the day, is pretty broad. There was an unfor-

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The Plymouth, Mass., Web site. This small selection of Thanksgiving recipes includes original cookbooks. The idea is that if browsers like the sample, they'll order the whole book. A decent example of this type of Web site is "Cocinas de New Mexico," which offers instructions on how to make tamales.

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