

From the President's Desk

by Meredith Strang Burgess



They say that change is inevitable and that change can be a good thing. So I hope that this adage will hold true as the Maine Cancer Foundation makes a change in leadership. I am very honored to assume the Presidency after 25 years of wonderful commitment and service by so many. Our recent president, Ronald Carroll, MD has just completed ten eventful years as our leader. During this time, the Foundation has grown in stature as well as monetarily in the size and scope of its grants. This is real core of our being. Dr. Carroll has provided a vision of how to advance the path to a cancer free future for Maine.

We are all very proud of MCF's rich heritage of helping the citizens of the State of Maine and those who have been personally touched by cancer will understand the importance of our mission. Over the next years, I will work with our talented team to continue the good work that we have begun. I will work hard to raise the awareness of the Maine Cancer Foundation to become a major force in the funding of cancer research, education and patient support services in Maine. We truly want to be a state wide Foundation.

Our mission cannot be accomplished without the help of many people, like you. We thank you for your support and encourage you to remain committed to helping us all eradicate cancer from our lives.

MISSION STATEMENT

To improve the health and well-being of Maine people by funding scientific laboratory and clinical cancer research, professional and public education and patient support programs.

2002 – 2003 THE YEAR IN REVIEW

As a grant making organization, the Foundation seeks to generate revenue each year to satisfy unmet needs for cancer research, education and patient support throughout the state. All funds raised remain in Maine as stipulated by the Foundation founders over 25 years ago. Grant Guidelines were reviewed and renewed this year and the Application revised. Requests for Proposals were issued in January with applications due April 1. The Grant Review Committee grew from 4 to six and thoughtfully reviewed each proposal keeping in mind the mission and goals of the Foundation. In all, 15 applications were received, one was withdrawn and 10 were funded either full or in part. Awards represent exciting research, meaningful professional and public education and a number of patient support programs that will touch the lives of many. Projects are occurring in Bar Harbor and Orono, central Maine and Franklin County, Scarborough and Biddeford and many points between. It is the most expansive funding cycle yet. Because of your kindness and caring, the path to a cancer free future has taken another large step forward! See pg. 3 for complete award descriptions.

While overall giving was on par with the previous year, the Maine Cancer Foundation had a banner year in terms of new contributors. Annual Events flourished. Several new events occurred that helped the financial bottom line and increased public awareness. In all, Special Event income grew by 60%. Memorial Giving declined and Annual Giving was steady. Additional revenue from Community Health Charities, designations from United Way campaigns and the Edward Clark Trust distribution were solid. No bequests were received this year. A grant from the Linda Tallen and David Paul Kane Foundation was received for cancer genetics. Proceeds of "Portraits of Courage, Visions of Hope" book and calendar sales were donated to the Foundation when the Robinov Foundation ceased operation in March. Assets will be used to support a second book, now in production, featuring 48 photographic images of cancer survivors by photographer Jerry Robinov. Look for news on an Opening Gala Celebration being planned for Spring. Investment Income took a turn for the better with Endowment funds recovering. Expenses increased 11%.

HIGHLIGHTS

The 2002 Betty Blakeman Memorial Tennis Tournament drew a full compliment of Maine's best amateur tennis players. Player fees and corporate sponsors combined to raise \$3,000 (net) an increase of nearly 60%. Thank you to Eric, Carrie and Chuck



Blakeman for organizing the event which takes place in Yarmouth during July's Clam Festival. 30 foursomes played in the **Annual Golf Classic** at the Woodlands raising nearly \$20,000 (net) in August. Also in August we were fortunate to be named beneficiary of the **Annual Rotary Bridge Race** in South Portland. Put together by the Rotary Clubs of South Portland/Cape Elizabeth and Portland, the event's unique 4-mile course

over the Casco Bay Bridge, through the Old Port and back, attracts around 300 runners. Sponsors and entry fees combined to raise \$4,500 (net). Each Rotary Club received \$500 as well. For 2003 a 2.5-mile walk along the scenic Greenbelt Trail from Mill Creek toward Bug Light is being added. Also in August, the Saco family of Elizabeth Casey organized Elizabeth's Walk in her memory. \$2,700 was raised.

September saw the introduction of a new annual event, the **Cure Breast Cancer for ME Luncheon**.

It was a wonderful affair supported by numerous corporate sponsors and attended by over 500 people. The moving program created by Lighthearted



An overwhelming turnout for the Inaugural Breast Cancer for ME Luncheon

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Productions included taped vignettes of women and men with breast cancer, live appearances by survivors, music, singing and much more! The keynote speaker was NBC Correspondent and breast cancer survivor Betty Rollin. Goodie bags, door prizes and a raffle surpassed expectations as did the nearly \$40,000 (net) raised. The event was the brainchild of board member Meredith Burgess, a breast cancer survivor.

Funds from the Luncheon were restricted to a new Women's Cancer Fund established by the board to provide funds for research, education and patient support of breast and other cancers that affect women.



Susan Rowan,
Executive Director
with volunteers at
the Q97.9 Bra's
Across the Bridge

In October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Maine Mall and Hannaford Bros. combined to present "Celebrating Courage." Activities included a bottle drive, Women's Health Expo, and WHT and Kiss radio-thon. At a culminating ceremony featuring Senator Susan Collins and attended by hundreds, Executive Director Susan Rowan was presented a check for \$13,825. Also in October, Q97.9's Morning Show launched a wacky but effective promotion called **Bra's Across the Bridge**. Listeners were asked to donate a bra, along with a

donation, until enough bras were collected to span the Casco Bay Bridge. After a marathon all-nighter the shows hosts Lori Voornas, Meredith Sheldon and Jeff Parson celebrated their success with about 40 volunteers as the bras were indeed strung end to end across the bridge. The event raised just over \$7,000! Some memorial gifts, the sale of Lucinda Breast Cancer Pins, and Portraits of Courage books combined to raise a total of \$64,000 for the Women's Cancer Fund. These funds were distributed in the grant process (see pg. 3)

Maine's largest acappella men's chorus, the **Downeasters**, dedicated their Holiday Concert in December to Maine Cancer Foundation's Womens Cancer Fund. Several Quartets and the Falmouth High School Chorus also entertained the packed house at First Parish Church, Portland.

In March the **5th Annual Mary's Walk and Kerryman Pub Road Race** was held in Saco. It beat all previous totals with 1,244 walkers, 420 runners and over \$100,000 raised! "This year's event was truly phenomenal, made possible by so many people who care enough to make a difference. In five short years, the event has grown from recognizing the life of one person, Mary Kerry Libby, to a community event where people come to honor and remember friends and family they have lost and to encourage and support those dealing with cancer," said event chair Gene Libby. It's a powerful event made possible by a dedicated organizing committee, up to 200 event day volunteers, an active corporate drive, numerous donations of goods and services, and WGME 13's Kim Block, Honorary Chair.



Sea Road School, top Mary's Walk
Community Group

In May, the Foundation presented its **Annual Symposium** for oncologists and oncology nurses. This years topic was Colon and Endometrial Cancer Risk Assessment and Hereditary Susceptibility. The speaker was Karen Rasmussen, Ph.D. of the Maine Center for Cancer Medicine. About 40 attended the Brunswick event. An October presentation is slated for Dresden, Maine in conjunction with the Northern Maine Oncology Nurse Association.

Discovery Weekend was held in January, May and September. These unique weekends gather together 15-25 cancer patients and their loved ones in a relaxed, caring atmosphere to explore new skills and insights for dealing with a cancer diagnosis. They learn new ways to cope with stress and to communicate about the uncertainties of cancer. The Foundation provides financial assistance to those unable to pay the modest cost of room and board at the conference facility. Our appreciation is extended to Dr. Jake Hannemann and his wife, Jude Hannemann who lead the weekend, and to the volunteer facilitators who provide their time and expertise.

MAINE CANCER FOUNDATION – AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Public Support and Revenue				
Gifts and Grants	\$ 90,789.00	\$ 34,102.00	\$ 936.00	\$ 125,827.00
Investment Income (Loss)	\$ 69,615.00	—	—	\$ 69,615.00
Change in Value of Beneficial Interest in Perpetual Trust	—	—	\$ (2,785.00)	\$ (2,785.00)
Special Event Revenue	\$ 151,448.00	\$ 112,274.00	—	\$ 263,722.00
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	\$ 8,226.00	—	—	\$ 8,226.00
Net Assets Released From Restrictions	\$ 146,376.00	\$ (146,376.00)	—	—
Total Public Support and Revenue	\$ 466,454.00	—	\$ (1,849.00)	\$ 464,605.00
Expenses				
Program Services	\$ 268,583.00	—	—	\$ 268,583.00
Management and General	\$ 40,984.00	—	—	\$ 40,984.00
Fundraising	\$ 112,022.00	—	—	\$ 112,022.00
Total Expenses	\$ 421,589.00	—	—	\$ 421,589.00
Excess of Public Support and Revenues	\$ 44,865.00	—	\$ (1,849.00)	\$ 43,016.00
Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle	\$ (26,323.00)	—	—	\$ (26,323.00)
Change in Net Assets	\$ 18,542.00	—	\$ (1,849.00)	\$ 16,693.00
Net Assets - June 30, 2002	\$ 1,145,648.00	—	\$ 630,282.00	\$ 1,775,930.00
Net Assets - June 30, 2003	\$ 1,164,190.00	—	\$ 628,433.00	\$ 1,792,623.00

Note: Permanently restricted net assets consist of 10% beneficial interest in a perpetual trust. The Foundation has no direct access to these assets. Annual distributions from the trust are reported as investment income and amounted to \$ in 2003. A complete financial report prepared by Smith & Associates CPA's is available at the MCF office. The Foundation adheres to the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) no. 116, Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made.

2003 GRANT AWARDS

Nearly \$180,000 was allocated to meaningful Maine-based cancer research, education and patient support in 2003. Recipients and a brief description appear here. Guidelines and Application are available on-line at www.maine-cancer.org.

RESEARCH

◆ **Examination and Characterization of the Protein Palmitoyl-CoA Transferase Family of Dictyostelium** *University of Maine, Dept. of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Molecular Biology, Orono*

In humans, 23 genes have been identified from human genome data that belong to a family of palmitoyltransferases. Members of this family may be important as a means to fighting cancer. Dr. Robert Gundersen is studying this family using a model cell, *Dictyostelium*. As part of this project, Gundersen and his colleagues have already identified 12 members to the palmitoyltransferase gene family in the *Dictyostelium* genome and begun to look at the expression pattern of these genes over the course of the organism's developmental life cycle.

◆ **Parent-of-Origin Genetics in a Model of Ovarian Granulosa Cell Tumorigenesis** *Jackson Lab, Bar Harbor*

The purpose of this research by Ann Dorward, Ph. D. is to identify the mechanism underlying paternal transmission of susceptibility in a mouse model of malignant ovarian granulosa cell (GC) tumorigenesis. The SWR mouse strain offers a spontaneous disease model for juvenile-type GC tumors of the ovary that appear most commonly in infants, children, and very young women. Understanding the genetic determinants of this ovarian tumor will lead to cellular mechanisms underlying GC tumorigenesis. The investigation will test the hypothesis that the paternal parent-of-origin effect is a result of biased X-inactivation GC cells, or alternately will produce evidence that *Gct4* is a uniquely imprinted gene on Chr. X. Ultimately, this information will lead to effective diagnostic and tumor prevention measures to avoid this cancer for young patients.

◆ **Molecular Indicators of Prognosis and Response to Therapy in Breast Cancer** *Maine Center for Cancer Medicine, Scarborough*

A continuation of Karen Rasmussen, Ph. D.'s ongoing research regarding cancer genetics, this grant explores molecular indicators of prognosis and response to therapy in breast cancer. The primary long-term goal is to identify gene expression 'signatures' for tumors based on a small number of genes. Out of our "intrinsic gene set" of 186 genes, it will be possible to identify several small subsets of 10-30 genes that identify our 5 clinical subtypes of breast cancer. These signature genes would then be considered new candidate molecular markers for clinical use. In the future, the candidate genes from the tumor genetic signatures will be investigated as potential diagnostic, prognostic and therapeutically predictive pathology tests. This will occur as a prospective study rather than a retrospective analysis.

EDUCATION

◆ **Oncology Nurse Education** *Maine Medical Center, Portland*

The field of cancer care is experiencing rapid change and advancement. These funds will support the education of Oncology Nurses by funding a development education seminar to be held in the coming year. The objective of the seminar is to prepare more nurses to become Oncology Certified.

◆ **Breast Cancer Educational Resources** *Healthy Community Coalition's Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign, Franklin County*

This grant will provide educational resources for the Coalition's Breast Cancer Awareness campaign. The campaign seeks to provide patient support for newly diagnosed breast cancer patients and their families and complements programs addressing breast health education, early detection and care coordination. Materials will be available at Franklin Memorial Hospital's new library.

◆ **Professional Training for Providers of Complete Decongestive Therapy** *Maine Lymphedema Network, Central Maine*

1-5% of women who have underarm

lymph nodes removed as part of a diagnostic or surgical workup of their breast will experience lymphedema. Lymphedema is the result of the abnormal accumulation of protein rich edema fluid in the affected area. It has complex and often debilitating pathological and clinical consequences. The Maine Lymphedema Network seeks to present affordable and accessible certification in Post Breast Cancer Lymphedema Treatment. The goal is to have more practitioners trained in Complete Decongestive Therapy and to provide a network of therapists in central Maine for consultation.

◆ **Professional Education for Radiation Therapy Students** *Southern Maine Community College, South Portland*

For over 20 years SMCC has offered an Associates in Science Degree in Radiation therapy. The education program, nationally accredited, provides the state of Maine with qualified radiation therapists to work in tandem with radiation oncologists in providing radiation therapy services. This award will provide an opportunity for several students to enhance their education by attending the Annual New England Society of Radiation Therapist Registry Review.

PATIENT SUPPORT

◆ **Cancer Support Program for Patients and Families** *Southern Maine Medical Center, Biddeford*

Nearly 350 newly diagnosed cancer patients from throughout northern and coastal York County are seen at SMMC. The purpose of the grant is to support the hospital's initiative to help cancer patients and their families better deal with this very difficult and complex diagnosis. It will enhance the array of support services currently available to include patient education, support groups and assistance with transportation to and from programs.

◆ **Cancer Patient Support Program for Patients and Families** *Cancer Community Center, South Portland*

The Maine Cancer Foundation is pleased to provide funding to ensure that the Center's cancer support and education programs remain available to anyone

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in need at no cost.

◆ **Financial Assistance for Unmet Needs of Breast Cancer Patients** *Maine Breast Cancer Coalition, Statewide*

One of the goals of the Coalition is to provide financial assistance for breast health/breast cancer related services or items for underserved women through-

out Maine. Underserved refers to patients who, due to lack of insurance, inadequate insurance, ineligibility for existing programs or geographical or cultural barriers are unable to obtain necessary services and/or items related to breast health or breast cancer. The Foundation contributed to MBCC's Support Service Fund.

IN ADDITION

The Maine Cancer Foundation provides financial support to Discovery Weekend, a retreat for cancer patients and their loved ones held three times each year, and the Annual Symposium for healthcare professionals.

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GRANT AWARD ACTIVITY

**Cancer Genetics/Familial Predisposition to Cancer Program
Report of Activity, fiscal year 2002-2003**

by *Karen Rasmussen, Ph.D., cancer geneticist*

The goal of the 2002-2003 grant funded research included several information system objectives as well as expansion of translational bench research projects aimed at improving cancer medicine. We are pleased to report significant progress in all areas.

With regard to clinical application, an additional 53 families have been entered into the Cancer Family History Database (350 families to date). The database and the associated risk assessment, prevention and genetic counseling services are gaining recognition throughout the state as a result of our physician education in the area of hereditary risk. As a result, we receive 3-6 new referrals each week. Due to this high volume, the quality of the family history information, and the availability of linked clinical data in many cases, we are exploring the possibility of entry into the national Cancer Genetics Network that seeks to create a large, diverse family history repository containing data from multiple sites throughout the U.S. As an extension of the family cancer program, several families that were found not to carry the BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutation expressed a willingness to participate in research testing for other potential hereditary breast cancer genes. We are currently enrolling these patients and families in those studies.

The primary focus of our translational research has been the large-scale analysis of gene expression in breast tumor tissue, corresponding normal tissue and metastatic tissue when available. We have acquired tissue from almost 40 breast cancer cases and were able to extract sufficient amounts of intact genetic material from all of them to move forward with gene expression profiling. We are now in the process of analyzing the expression of about 9,000 genes in these breast cancer samples. So far the analysis has revealed a subset of genes that warrant further study as prognostic indicators and possible targets for therapy. We continue to obtain additional samples for this study and are preparing to expand to some other types of cancer.

An additional part time data entry assistant has been added to keep up with the huge volume of data. Also, we have created two additional information systems: a password protected site for storage and retrieval of raw expression-profile data, and a database for managing samples and their associated clinical data. These databases allow us to manage our own data as well as the information with our collaborators at other sites. Lastly, we are collaborating with scientists at the Jackson Lab to develop programs that allow more extensive manipulation and visual representation of the data, beyond the limits of currently available commercial software.

In the second half of the grant-funded year the Familial Cancer Genetics Program has continued to expand. The number of patients/families being referred for counseling is steadily increasing, which has resulted in continued growth of the cancer family history database. Due to the increased volume of referrals for clinical genetic services we have found it necessary to hire a genetic counselor. She will begin seeing patients in July 2003 allowing the current Ph. D. geneticist, Dr. Rasmussen, to be able to focus more time on research and programmatic responsibilities.

We continue to work on linkage of family history data with DNA-based information and clinical data through a fairly complex biomedical informatics effort. Due to the ethical implications of genetic research, and new federal regulations protecting and restricting clinical and genetic data, the data-linking and data-mining aspects of our work are particularly challenging. But we

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believe we will be able to make a significant research contribution while still maintaining patient rights and confidentiality. We work closely with a biomedical ethicist and the Maine Medical Center Institutional Review Board in this regard.

One important development in our program is the addition of some new types of familial cancer to our database and to our clinical service. We recently received referrals for hereditary thyroid cancer and familial renal cancer, both previously absent from our database. As a result of these referrals, three very large families were able to receive counseling, genetic testing and preventive services (over 16 individuals per family). The two renal cancer families were also entered into an NCI (National Cancer Institute) study that provides free high-risk screening. Eight members of the thyroid cancer family received life-saving thyroidectomies—though pre-symptomatic, they were in fact en route to thyroid cancer as revealed by bloodwork, radiology, and eventually surgery after their positive genetic tests.

With the addition of the genetic counselor to our staff, we are able to begin strengthening our efforts to educate and enroll patients and families outside of the immediate Maine Medical Center and Maine Center for Cancer Medicine catchment area. We plan to begin offering cancer genetic counseling on location at other hospitals in the state in the near future. Initial steps are being taken to train staff members at each location to handle the necessary documentation and informed consent. The addition of the counselor also frees more of Dr. Rasmussen's time for physician education and for the development of support materials to facilitate the inclusion of a broader spectrum of familial cancers in our program (ex: melanoma, prostate and lung).

Over the next year we plan to resolve the technical challenges in our informatics efforts, and set up an electronic medical record system for genetics similar to that which exists for oncology. We believe this clinical tool will serve as a model for other institutions. We also will focus on establishing our clinical services at other locations in Maine and expanding our database to include a greater variety of familial cancers.

Pilot Study of Post-Breast Surgery Syndrome Treatment Activity in fiscal year 2003-2003

As reported by Mercy Hospital Breast Health staff

Mercy Hospital's Breast Health Resource and Lymphedema Center is conducting a MCF funded pilot study to compare treatment effects for Post-Breast Surgery Syndrome. The rehabilitative effectiveness of myofascial release treatment of five targeted muscles coupled with a somatics exercise program and neuromuscular re-education (identified as Post-Breast Surgery Syndrome Treatment) is being compared to instruction in arm exercises, self-care and evaluation (known as Usual and Customary Care) in relation to improvement/elimination of post-breast surgery symptoms. Symptoms include but are not limited to pain, swelling and restricted range of motion of the affected shoulder.

The study population is individuals who have undergone breast surgery/axillary node dissection presenting with post-breast surgery symptoms. For five weeks, each patient will receive either Usual and Customary Care or Post-Breast Surgery Syndrome Treatment. Outcomes will be measured and data analyzed. To date, 20 patients have been enrolled in the PBSS treatment group and an equal number to the control (Usual and Customary Care) group. With a goal of 50, the study is well on its way. Important outcome differences are being seen for patients in the study vs. the control group. The data is very clear and convincing. The study is continuing for the next several months. Upon completion, the team at Mercy is in hopes of presenting this research paper at the 2004 National Consortium of Breast Care Center's conference. The specifics of the study were introduced there in February of 2002 and received enthusiastically by over 200 physicians, nurses and therapists. An abstract is also being forwarded to the 6th National Lymphedema Network Conference in September 2004.

A PLANNED GIVING PRIMER

From an article by Erin Gorman and Nancy Ann Miller

Whether you are looking to make the world a better place or to increase your monthly dividends – or both – you can include charitable giving as part of your financial plan. Such gifts can help save on income taxes, avoid capital gain taxes, and reduce estate tax. You can benefit yourself and society as well. Below is a brief description of some options. Always consult your financial advisor to determine what is in your best interest.

Year-end Gifts and Tax Planning

The end of the year is an important time to consider a special gift to your favorite charitable organization. Gifts can reduce your income tax liability for the current calendar year.

Donations of Appreciated Stock

A gift of appreciated stock is the gift that helps you save taxes in three ways: you'll receive an income tax deduction, you'll avoid capital gain tax, and your heirs will pay less in inheritance taxes down the line.

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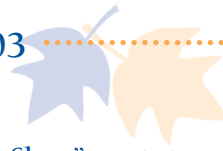
Planned giving refers to gifts or assets other than outright

cash contributions and covers everything from bequests to charitable giving annuities. Planned giving enables you to make large gifts, such as a percentage of your residual estate, to your favorite charity, and you can receive multiple tax benefits for you and your heirs.

Bequests and Wills

No matter how small your estate, a current, valid will is the most important step in careful planning for your loved ones and the charitable organizations you wish to support. A general bequest is one of the most popular ways to make a charitable gift by will. With this bequest, you simply leave specific amounts to the charities of your choice. Or instead of an exact

FALL EVENTS TO BENEFIT MCF FOR 2003



KeyBank and Designs by Lucinda Team Up to Raise Funds for MCF

During October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, KeyBank will be selling breast cancer pins to benefit the Maine Cancer Foundation's Women's Cancer Fund. Created by Lucinda Yates, founder of Designs by Lucinda, the popular ribbon-shaped pins feature female figures wearing a variety of outfits. Each pin is hand-assembled and unique in appearance.

"We're honored that Maine Cancer Foundation and Designs by Lucinda have



chosen KeyBank as a partner in this effort," said Jeff Stone, Key's senior vice president in charge of retail. "I think everyone has

been touch by breast cancer in one way or another. Selling Lucinda's pins through our KeyCenters is our small way of supporting efforts to spread the word about this terrible disease. We're thrilled that the money raised will stay in Maine, supporting efforts to treat those stricken, and working to find a cure once and for all."

Breast cancer pins will be available at all 64 KeyBank locations throughout Maine during October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The cost is just \$15 each, with proceeds benefiting MCF.

"The Q Morning Show" wants to "raise" awareness and money for the fight against breast cancer. Starting October 2nd at the Maine Mall, and continuing until they have reached their goal, the "The Q Morning Show" is literally going to raise Lori by attaching helium balloons to a chair that she is sitting in. They won't stop until she is raised off the ground...raising, along with Lori, money and awareness to fight breast cancer!



Each balloon that will be attached can be bought for a donation of 5 to 50 dollars. They are expecting anywhere from \$5-\$10,000 to be raised. All proceeds will benefit the Maine Cancer Foundation. Much like "Bras Across the Bridge" they will not stop until their goal is accomplished and will broadcast live throughout the day on October 4.

The Maine Mall teams with Hannaford for Celebrating Courage 2003!

Several activities are planned to further the fight against breast cancer. Hannaford will donate store returnables during October region wide.

On October 11 a **Women's Health Expo** will take place at Center Court from 11:00am - 2:00pm. At 2:00pm Senator Collins will host a celebration for cancer survivors and present the Maine Cancer Foundation will proceeds from activities. Music, cake and refreshments will follow.



Maine Mall Coordinates Additional Activities

The Boy Scouts of America will conduct a September 20 bottle drive in Portland, Lewiston/Auburn, Saco/Biddeford, Bath/Brunswick and Augusta. Receipts will be totaled with the highest earning troop receiving a prize compliments of the Maine Mall.

Local schools will be invited to collect penny's and other change in "Every Penny Counts." Collection will occur for four weeks with the winning class receiving a generous Maine Mall gift certificate as well as tickets to a Portland Pirates game!

Check the Maine Cancer website for updates on all these activities, www.maineccancer.org or call 773-2533. ■

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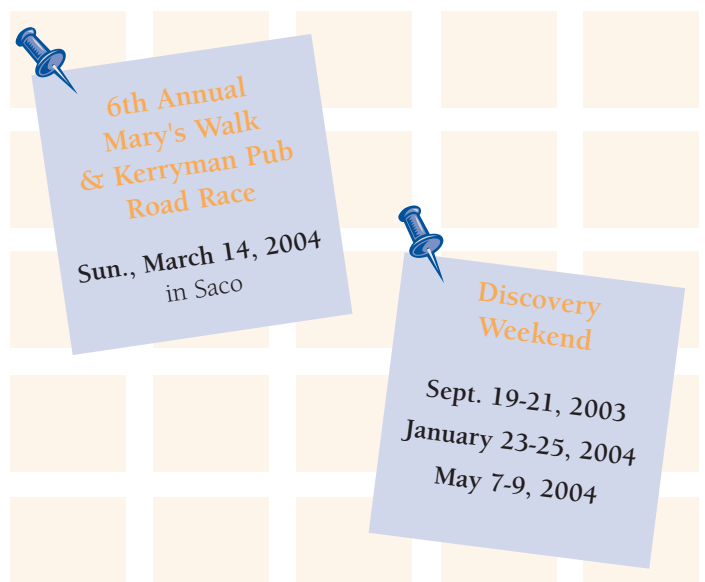
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