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RAOUL BIRON/STAFF

Scaffolding for the ongoing construction on the outer wall of around Holloway Commons.

By **RAOUL BIRON**
STAFF WRITER

Hard hats, neon vests, rubble buckets, and semi-trucks stopping traffic don't usually imply dinner, but until February, much of UNH's dinner plans will include at least a little bit of spackle or sawdust.

Working through this summer's heat waves since May, the crews from North Branch Construction, Inc. in Concord and UNH Facilities Project Management (FPM) have kept the \$10.5 million renovation of Holloway Commons (HoCo) on schedule and on budget. Projected to finish in February, it isn't just Durham's notorious winter that might make the largest of UNH's three ongoing capital projects more challenging - but hungry students.

"The unique challenge is keeping it open while under construction. We had no doubts we would succeed in that, and we've done it," supervisor Jamie Stewart said as his radio beeped and his

team moved debris.

"Things have definitely slowed down now that the students are back, but they've been great."

According to Brenda Whitmore, the FPM Director, renovating the campus' largest and most central dining hall on a scale that requires work during the semester has been incredibly challenging, but hasn't yet resulted in any surprises.

"The bulk of the work is more than halfway through. It's open and the students are eating," Stewart said.

"We're just going to continue every day as normal... You'll see that by October the front entry is going to be complete."

Returning undergraduates will have already noticed changes inside the dining hall, as hammers and buzz saws rage on outside. The changes were largely designed to alleviate points of con-

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Deflategate in the classroom

By **HADLEY BARNDOLLAR**
STAFF WRITER

On the first day of the Deflategate course at UNH, six television crews showed up to document the occasion.

"I don't think any other courses have that as a dynamic," Michael McCann, the course's professor said, referring to the media attention.

Support for Tom Brady was evident on the first day, as the infamous number 12 was plastered across the lecture hall on students' backs.

On Sept. 3, the day after the first class, Brady's four-game sus-

pension was lifted, as he beat the National Football League in what might be called the most notorious case it has ever seen.

McCann, a sports legal analyst, has written over 400 stories for *Sports Illustrated* on various controversies. His extensive knowledge of sports law had students spanning across many majors attracted to the course description.

"I definitely processed [the case] as a legal analyst and a professor," McCann said.

"You get to a point where you get somewhat detached from rooting interest. I have to look at it from a neutral viewpoint and make a legal assessment," he said.

McCann encouraged students to have an open mind as they examined both sides of the case. The class, which is majority pro-New England, will find that challenging, but engaging.

According to McCann, Tom Brady and his deflated footballs are simply a vehicle to teach sports law. The course delves into historical cases and rigorous law concepts as they pertain to the sports world.

"Some of the most significant areas of law that apply to sports can be very complex," McCann said. "Students will be surprised

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TIM DRUGAN-EPPICH/STAFF

See page 5 for a look behind the scenes at UNH's Fairchild farm.

Change in SAFC bylaws brings new votes to table

By **KYLE KITTREDGE**
STAFF WRITER

Over the summer session, bylaws were reworked so business managers (BMs) of student organizations can no longer vote during weekly meetings, changing the future of how the Student Activity Committee Fee (SAFC)

will work.

The student activity fee money that every student pays gets distributed to many organizations by SAFC, and is used to fund various organizations.

SAFC Chair and junior political science major, Abby Martinen, explained how SAFC works.

"We have 14 Student Activity Fee Organizations (SAFOs) that receive a standing budget every year and the rest of the money goes to equipment, as well as a big chunk goes to the rest of the student orgs who can apply for supplementary funds," Martinen

said.

With the new changes in place, things are a little different.

"The Student Senate felt that there needed to be more oversight over SAFC," Martinen said.

"So now the voting members on SAFC include nine staff

senators, the Office of the Student Body President, and the two chief financial officers," she said. "Nothing is changed on how we distribute money. It's just more critical of how much money

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- Museum of Art Opens Exhibition, Paul Creative Arts Center, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- EcoQuest Info - New Zealand Study Abroad, MUB, 5 - 6:30 p.m.
- UNH Traditional Jazz Series: Dick Oatts Quintet, Johnson Theatre, 8 p.m.

Sept. 16

- Museum of Art Opens Exhibition, Paul Creative Arts Center, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Free Yoga Class for Students, MUB Wildcat's Den, 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
- University Day, T Hall Lawn, 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- UNH London Program: Study Abroad Info Session, Murkland Hall 202, 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Sept. 15

- Coaching for Performance, Elizabeth Demeritt House conference room, 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- Museum of Art Opens Exhibition, Paul Creative Arts Center, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Study Abroad Fair!, MUB Stratford Room 12 - 2 p.m.
- UNH Screening of the 'Hunting Ground', MUB Theater II, 6 - 9 p.m.

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- Museum of Art Opens Exhibition, Paul Creative Arts Center, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
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gestion for the university's growing student body and to ease the transition into the new floor plan.

"It's already been quite a success. The flow is a lot better now," Bonnie Witt who works for house-keeping at HoCo said.

Perhaps surprisingly, the student reaction to the ongoing external construction on the building has been less vocal than the initial internal changes. While the dining hall fits more tables and students than ever now, the concessions made for the extra space have left

some students with mixed feelings.

"Limiting the seats in front of Dunkin' (Donuts) is bull---. Other than that the renovations haven't really bothered me," said Jack Gorham, a sophomore music performance major.

"I was definitely taken by surprise the first time I walked in, but once I went into the dining area it seemed pretty similar to how it was before. I don't feel strongly about it one way or the other but I just generally dislike all of the expanding that the university doing," Peter Kane, a ju-

nior sustainable agriculture and food systems major said.

As construction continues at a pace that allows students to weave in between electricians on ladders or skate behind a backhoe, UNH prepares to make its first payment for the construction early next year.

According to Jon Plodzick, the director of dining hall operations in an interview with TNH in Sept. 2014, the university will pay back the funds received from a Higher Education Funding Administration over the next 25-30 years.



ASHLYN CORREIA/STAFF

New food stations in the renovated Holloway Commons adjust the flow of foot traffic.

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by how much they learn."

McCann referenced labor law, antitrust law, contract law and intellectual property law as a few major concepts students will have to grasp.

"When you look further into what this course is really about, you'll see footballs and Tom Brady don't have much to do with it," Rachel Goodreau, sophomore journalism major enrolled in the course said.

"I'm proud that UNH is the only school in the country to take a nationwide controversy and develop it into a real-life course," she said.

Several television crews interviewed Goodreau on the first day of class, something many students might have found overwhelming. But as a journalism major, Goodreau took the experience as a learning tool.

"I thought the first class was great, plus it gave me my fifteen minutes of fame," Goodreau said.

UNH as the location for the

course was natural, as interest in New England is heightened.

"This is of tremendous local interest," McCann said. "The media aspect is a by-product of the social interest in the course."

Senior business management major Sean Doucet saw the class as filling a niche for his future.

"I'm personally taking the class because I plan on going to law school and would like to be a sports lawyer," Doucet said.

"Professor McCann is one of the top sports lawyers in the country so I did not want to pass on an opportunity to learn from him," he said.

McCann says the course will examine several other noteworthy cases in professional sports, including analysis of the different leagues.

"The best legally managed is the NBA, part of that has to do with the fact that the commissioner is an attorney," McCann said.

"The skillset of the NBA in resolving legal issues was very apparent last year in the Donald Sterling case. That had potential

of being a massive controversy. But the league handled it very well," he said.

McCann said the NBA has done all of the things right that the NFL has been criticized for.

"The worst and most glaring would be the NFL," McCann said.

"They lost the Tom Brady case and Adrian Peterson case. There's been a number of setbacks," he said.

But perhaps the biggest question remains, what about Deflategate merits its own course? According to McCann, it's absurdity.

"There's an absurdity to this," McCann said.

"It involves the possibility of footballs being slightly under-inflated. Also, whatever people think about the Patriots or the NFL, it involves the league's biggest player," he said.

During the Patriots' 28-21 win over the Pittsburgh Steelers on Thursday night, Brady went 25-of-32 for 288 yards. Several media sources said Brady's performance should leave the NFL "terrified."

No deflated balls this time.

SAFC

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Junior Lincoln Crutchfield, business manager of the Student Senate, gave insight on why this change occurred.

"We have been working on this since the beginning of last April," Crutchfield said.

"We looked at the system and asked, is this democratic, is this accountable and is this just? The answer was no, not really," he said.

The author of the new by-law is senior history major and Student Body Vice President, Ryan Grogan.

"We heard from people that they wanted a change in how SAFC is run. So we looked at bylaws and how to make this committee for the students," Grogan said.

"We want organizations to know it wasn't against them, and we understand their side," he said.

Crutchfield agreed with Grogan.

"It is important that people understand that the BMS' position realigned into that of more of a lobbying role. They can still make amendments, they can still raise budgets, delay votes, table things, make motions," Crutchfield said.

Due to this, students can now hold the members who are actually allocating money accountable to students whose money it is.

However, many student organizations do not see eye to eye on this change, especially because it happened during the summer.

Crutchfield explained, say-

ing, "This was a time sensitive issue, and we had to achieve this goal before the opportunity to waste money occurred again."

Robert Richard-Snipes, a senior political science and woman studies double major, and executive director of the Diversity Support Coalition (DSC), expressed concerns.

"It kind of adds to another hurdle for us to jump through," Richard-Snipes said.

"Not just for DSC, but for all student organizations, it kind of takes away from some of our agency, with spending our money," added Richard-Snipes.

"I feel like it puts further constraints on what students here are trying to do, even with the money already allotted," he said.

General Manager of WUNH Brendan Phelan is a senior business administration major with a marketing option that also commented.

"Having the power of SAFC is something that most schools don't have," Phelan said.

"...and doing this whole thing over the summer, and the fact that people noticed it and took an incentive to it, leads me to believe there should have been a discussion - whether or not it's the right one - between the full time faculty on SAFC, BMs and Student Senators," he said.

Richard-Snipes said, "I think it's really shady because it's those few people that are not representative of the student body."

A petition is being used by some organizations to rescind the bylaw change.

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UNH's a capella groups take the stage Saturday



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Members of the a capella group The Filharmonic sing on stage in the Granite State Room.

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By **ADAM COOK**
STAFF WRITER

A showcase of a capella talent was put on in the Granite State Room on Saturday night as six groups performed a handful of songs each.

The seats began filling up around 7:30 p.m. as students started pouring into the Granite State Room for the show that began at 8 p.m.

To kick off the night, the first group to perform was The New Hampshire Notables, the oldest female a capella group from UNH. Right away the crowd began clapping and stomping along to the beat of the group's songs.

Following The New Hampshire Notables, The New Hampshire Gentlemen, an all-male a capella group, took the stage. Like the Notables, the New Hampshire Gentlemen also sang two songs.

After the New Hampshire Gentlemen put on a great performance, it was Off the Clef's turn to ignite the crowd, and following them came Not Too Sharp. Both groups put on a crowd-pleasing show as the audience heavily applauded both sets.

To finish up the two song openers of the show, Alabaster Blue sang for the crowd.

"We prepared for two weeks for the event," Tyler Boutilier, a senior English major and performer in Alabaster Blue, said.

The coed group is popular among UNH students.

"I mainly feel excitement but there's always some anxiety as well," Boutilier said in regards to playing in front of a big audience.

As their second song fin-

ished the crowd showed a lot of positive energy for the main event, the group Filharmonic.

The Filharmonic is a group composed of six male members. The Fil' in their name is used because everyone in their group is Filipino.

The group has been featured on NBC's The Sing-Off and had a feature in the movie Pitch Perfect 2.

Playing a full hour-long set, The Filharmonic sang many recognizable songs as many audience members sang along with the group. During their second song, Shut Up and Dance, the entire audience had been on their feet dancing along with the group.

As the group finished their last song and began thanking the large crowd and walking off-stage. But shortly after they left, the crowd broke out into an encore chant, and instead of disappointing the chanting crowd, Filharmonic came back out to sing one last song.

As the show came to an end, the crowd gave a roaring applause to all six groups that showed off their talents.

"I come every year and each one gets better and better," senior UNH student Alanna Hays said.

Another senior, Tessa Farrell, also enjoyed the show.

"It's one of my favorite MUB events," she said. "It's a university favorite."

Each group that performed has various events throughout the school year that can be found on their respective websites and Facebook pages.



ADAM COOK/STAFF

The UNH a capella group Off The Clef sings on stage Saturday.



ADAM COOK/STAFF

The New Hampshire Gentlemen, an all-male group, sings on stage.

The staff behind the UNH Dairy Farm

By **TIM DRUGAN-EPPICH**
STAFF WRITER

Fairchild Dairy Teaching and Research Center, the University of New Hampshire's dairy farm, is a productive establishment. It churns out high quality products year-round while both breeding and feeding the cattle on site. As expected, the operation is not a simple venture and it takes a dedicated and knowledgeable staff to

“I guess some students don't realize what a physical job it is. Cows weigh 1,500 to 1,800 pounds, and they have to be able to move them around.”

ing been there 31 years this December, he knows the farm back to front after working long hours there.

“I betcha 80,” Whitehouse said when asked how long he thought he had worked in a week. “Starting on Sunday, by Tuesday I had 40 hours,” he said.

There is a reason Whitehouse needs to sometimes put in such long hours. He knows how things work better than anyone else.

Jon Whitehouse
Manager of Dairy Farm

That is other than John Weeks, the only other full-time employee on the farm.

“John Weeks has been here 40 years now,” Whitehouse said. “We're the dinosaurs.”

Whitehouse faces a challenge

at the beginning of every school year in the hiring of new staff. This staff consists mostly of students. The students often come from areas that are leading to veterinary school, and working with the cows is good practice. Most of the students love the work, but sometimes it is too much for them.

Whitehouse spoke of a year when a student just walked off the farm mid shift.

“All of a sudden I just saw them walking up the road,” he said. “I guess some students don't realize what a physical job it is. Cows weigh 1,500 to 1,800 pounds, and they have to be able to move them around.”

Also you have to be all right with getting a little dirty.

“You're gonna get some manure on you,” he said.

But Whitehouse is not worried about the group he just hired. Despite having lost a huge portion of his staff to graduating seniors, he thinks he will be just fine with the new students.

“I picked a good bunch,” he said. “They're picking up on things pretty quick.”

And that is definitely a good thing for Whitehouse, whose hardest part of the year is after his summer crew leaves and before the new hires have a handle on the job. This means he has to put in longer hours than normal teaching them the intricacies of the milking process and other aspects of working on the farm.

Also it is essential to get the students to work so he can take care of other upkeep.

“The best description of my job is jack of all trades master of none,” he said.

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Jon Whitehouse
Manager of Dairy Farm

A normal day for Whitehouse includes working on various machinery that needs fixing, managing students, scheduling, looking

after sick cows and more.

“Every day is a little different,” he said.

But does he like his job?

“I must like it, I've been here 31 years,” he said. “There are definitely parts I hate, like scheduling. But in April, when I'm on a tractor tending to the feed just as the sun comes up, well, that's tough to beat.”

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Fitness programs help campus rabbis to slim down

By **HOLLY RAMER**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD — As an Orthodox Jew, Rabbi Moshe Gray may not need a cross. But CrossFit? That's another story.

Gray, the director of a Jewish center at Dartmouth College, hits the high-intensity core strength and conditioning program five days a week. And he's not the only campus rabbi getting in shape as he shores up spirits.

At Gray's urging, an international outreach organization for Jewish students launched a pilot program last fall to help campus rabbis and their wives get in shape. The 30 participants started by getting medical checkups and creating fitness goals, and Chabad on Campus offered online support groups and subsidized half the cost of a personal trainer for six months. Altogether, the participants lost 667 pounds, or an average of 22 pounds each.

Gray, 36, actually has gained weight — in the form of muscle — since his rising cholesterol levels prompted him to start working out a few years ago. Becoming a self-described “fitness freak” after years of inactivity wasn't easy: When his trainer challenged him to do 96 burpees in eight minutes, Gray managed 27 of the squatting and jumping exercises before he vomited. But that was a turning point.

“I said to myself, ‘I am in such bad shape that if I can't do 27 burpees and not throw up, I need this more than I ever thought I needed this,’” he said.

It was actually Gray's trainer who sparked the idea for the fitness pilot program. Curious about Chabad-Lubavitch — a Hasidic

movement within Orthodox Judaism — he looked it up online and noticed image after image of overweight rabbis.

“You guys are really doing God's work,” he told Gray, “But how are you effective doing this work while neglecting your bodies?”

Repeated research has shown that clergy members of all faiths are at a higher risk for obesity and other health ailments than other Americans. A study published in January in the journal “Social Science Research” identified several factors, including stress, long hours and low pay. Chabad on Campus rabbis have the added stress of having to fund-raise their own budgets, and many have large families.

That's certainly the experience of Rabbi Yosef Kulek, who has seven children and at least that many job descriptions leading Chabad at the University of Hartford in Connecticut.

“You're really a jack-of-all-trades. When I have to fill out what my job description is, is it rabbi? Is it executive director? Is it program director?” he said. “There's definitely a lot of stress in what we do, and you can definitely see it in my receding hairline and the gray in my beard.”

Kulek, 38, had gained about 60 pounds since getting married and starting his career, and walking up a flight of stairs was enough to leave him winded. He eagerly signed up for the pilot program, and kept up with his workouts even after the six-month subsidy ended. In one year, he lost 22 pounds and dropped six pants sizes.

“What people don't quite realize right away is that Judaism

and the Torah put a strong emphasis on taking care of your body and taking care of the gifts God gave us in this world,” he said. “As clergy, it's important for us to lead by example.”

Rabbis aren't the only ones looking to get into a shape that's a little less round.

Launched in 2007, the Duke Clergy Health Initiative is an \$18 million, 10-year program to assess and improve the health and well-being of United Methodist clergy in North Carolina. After an initial survey found 41 percent of those clergy members were obese, compared to 29 percent in the state's overall population, the initiative created a two-year program that provides \$500 grants, health coaching by phone and online help with stress management and weight loss.

The 1,100 participants were assigned to groups that started the program in 2011, 2012 and 2013. Researchers are still assessing the results, but in general, every group saw a decrease in risk factors associated with heart attacks and heart disease, stroke, diabetes, according to Rachel Meyer, the initiative's director for program development and operations.

“They were grateful just to feel like someone cared,” she said. “They're often giving out, giving out, giving out, but their social relationships aren't always such that they're being given to, and if they are, it's probably in the form of a casserole or a pie, that isn't going to help their waistline.”

This story has been corrected to show that Yosef Kulek is 38 years old, not 37.

NH Brief

Presidential candidates flock to the north

CONCORD — South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham, Ohio Gov. John Kasich and Carly Fiorina are campaigning in New Hampshire this weekend at several of the same events.

Graham's packed schedule includes nine stops between Saturday and Sunday, with Sen. John McCain, the GOP's 2008 presidential nominee, joining on Saturday. The two will host a series of meet and greets and attend a pic-

nic hosted by U.S. Sen. Kelly Ayotte, their close ally in the Senate. One stop is a College Republicans conference in Manchester, which Kasich will also attend.

Kasich will then run into Fiorina at party events in Stratham and Dover after hosting a town hall in Raymond.

Fiorina, who landed a coveted spot in CNN's prime-time debate next week, is scheduled to appear in Alton, Glen and Pembroke on Sunday.



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Checking in with Student Body President Cameron Cook

By TYLER KENNEDY
STAFF WRITER

Staying true to the remarks he made at the end of last semester, Student Body President Cameron Cook spent much of the summer in the Durham area. A native of Springfield, Massachusetts, Cook worked roughly 40 hours a week doing business related to his position along with Ryan Grogan, who serves as his vice president.

On Aug. 31, Cook sent out an email to the student body detailing all the updates that occurred to the university during the summer months.

"One thing I have done is that I decided early on that I wanted to get involved with town affairs, which is something that student senate hasn't had in a while," Cook said.

After meeting with Todd Selig, who serves as town administrator for Durham, Cook was encouraged to join the Durham Energy Committee.

From there he learned about the plans to create a charging station for electric cars in the Pettee Brook parking lot.

"The logic behind that is twofold," Cook said. "One, because UNH is working to become more a more energy-efficient and sustainable campus, the town figured there would be interest on the UNH side of getting something like this so we could encourage more students to use electric cars..."

"On the other side, the town is more interested because there's a bunch of residents in the town of Durham who use electric cars," he added.

"It's a renewed effort to make UNH a leader in helping to develop students in a way that they can come out (of college) and get a job."

The station, which opens on Sept. 20, was a project that the university worked closely with the town to develop.

"It's basically a 50/50 project. The town of Durham is paying for half and UNH is paying for half. We also got a grant to cover some of the difference from the state," Cook said.

The logistics are still being configured, but Cook was clear and upfront about his wish to make the charging station free for students.

"I really want to make this a free service. At the minimum, it will be a discount. I will guarantee you that," he said.

"I'm very excited about this because I'm very big into energy efficiency and seeing UNH become more efficient as a whole," Cook said. "I know this is a good step forward."

On the topic of 'going green', Cook also made notice of his and Grogan's potential plans

to increase bike lanes throughout both campus and the town of Durham.

"I just want to see a continued new effort to see more bik-

ing on campus. Especially with how many more non-resident students are moving into town and these off-campus apartments," he said.

"I just want to see a continued new effort to see more biking on campus."

Cameron Cook
UNH Student Body President

appoints me," Cook said.

"I know University Edge is compensating them for that... which in reality is putting a band-aid on a wound, in my

Cameron Cook
UNH Student Body President

opinion. To my understanding, those updates that will need to happen for those students to move in will be done within the next week or two," he said.

In regards to the renovation of Holloway Commons, Cook maintains that the project is currently still on schedule for completion in January.

"I'm very excited to see it expand, and I think it's becoming a crown jewel on campus," Cook said.

Cook also discussed how the student activity fee will be increased starting next year to pay for the expansions to the Hamel Recreation Center. Within the next month or so, Cook and Grogan plan to pass a new resolution that sets the exact number that next year's students will be paying. According to Cook, students can expect the increase to be around \$200 a semester.

Not mentioned in the email sent out by Cook was the newly-formed 'Professional Success Strategic Planning Task Force'. According to Cook, it was formed with the goal to completely revamp the way UNH deals with professional success, or what used to be known as career services.

"It's a renewed effort to make UNH a leader in helping to develop students in a way that they can come out (of college) and get a job," he said.

Cook also expressed that there will be an effort made by all of student government to have a complete examination of the Students Rights, Rules, and Responsibilities document.

"There are policies in there that be to be recodified, and in general, we feel we need to revamp the document and make it more student readable," Cook said.

You can expect more from Cook on these matters as the semester goes on. He is readily available at his office in the MUB or by email.

NE cottontail to be taken off list of species under protection as growth occurs

STAFF REPORT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DOVER — Public and private conservation efforts have helped the New England cottontail rebound to the point where it can be taken off the list of species under consideration for protection, the federal government said Friday.

The small, brown rabbit has been threatened by a loss of habitat throughout its range in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and New York. It's vanished from Vermont. It's endangered in

Maine and New Hampshire, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service had been studying whether to list it under the federal Endangered Species Act.

The cottontail does best in tangled, low-growing shrubs in younger forests. The rabbit's habitat is destroyed when forests mature and large trees replace small ones. Habitats also have been lost to development. Since the 1960s, the rabbit's range contracted by 86 percent.

The New England cottontail is the only rabbit native to New England and east of the Hudson River in New York. It was named

a candidate for Endangered Species Act protection in 2006 and, in 2008, state and federal biologists began working on conservation efforts.

The Fish and Wildlife Service estimates 10,500 New England cottontails now live in the area; the goal is 13,500 cottontails in healthy, young forests by 2030.

During the past three years, federal officials worked with private landowners to restore more than 4,400 acres of habitat by removing trees and invasive species, planting native shrubs and creating brush piles. To date, state, federal and private entities

have spent \$33 million for land management and acquisition, research, monitoring and outreach to protect the cottontail. The project is expected to cost \$66 million by the time it ends in 2030.

The decision to delist the rabbit, the first time a species has come off the list in New England, means the agency has a "high certainty" that conservation programs would be successful and the species will recover without formal protections.

Mollie Matteson, a senior scientist at the Center for Biological Diversity, is disappointed with the decision because it doesn't

give the cottontail the full protections afforded to species listed as endangered. While she applauds the efforts made so far, she worries that there won't be a long-term commitment to protecting the cottontail.

"The law provides that legal safeguard," she said.

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Registration starts for 2016 high school 'Poetry Out Loud' annual competition where over 10,000 students compete

CONCORD — The New Hampshire Council on the Arts is now accepting registrations for the 2016 high school Poetry Out Loud competition.

The 11th annual competition features students competing at four regional semi-final competitions, with winners advancing to the state championship in March. The state champion will travel

to Washington for the national finals, with more than \$50,000 in scholarships and prizes being awarded to the top finishers.

Competitors memorize and recite poems — choosing from hundreds identified by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation as representing great poems. Participants are judged on presenta-

tion, accuracy reciting the poem and the poem's degree of difficulty.

About 10,000 students from 37 New Hampshire high schools participated in this year's competition.

Registration is open to up to 40 New Hampshire high schools. Home-schooled students can participate through their local

school or by creating a regional group.

Organizers say Poetry Out Loud competitions help students master public speaking skills and learn about literary heritage while building self-confidence.

New Hampshire's Poetry Out Loud program is managed by the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts with the sup-

port of the Putnam Foundation - a donor-advised fund of the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation - and the New Hampshire Writers Project. Other partners include Opus Advisors, the Poetry Society of New Hampshire, the Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire, the New Hampshire Institute of Art and the Frost Place.

Man charged with starting fires in 3 towns that killed 4 dogs, charged with insurance fraud, and witness tampering

BRENTWOOD — A New Hampshire man has been charged with setting fires in Stratham, Raymond and Epping that killed four dogs.

A grand jury indicted

28-year-old Gregory Bruno Thursday on 13 charges, including multiple counts of arson and animal cruelty.

The Raymond man was arrested in May in connection with

an April 4 car fire in Stratham that police say burned a dog alive.

Police say another fire happened in January at a Raymond home in which three dogs were

killed. Bruno is also accused of feeding a knife blade to a dog, insurance fraud and witness tampering.

Rockingham County Attorney Pat Conway says she could

not comment on a possible motive.

Bruno is being held on bail at Rockingham County Jail. It was unclear Friday whether he has an attorney.

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& V8.

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Add and drop process change makes life easier for students

By **LIZ HAAS**
STAFF WRITER

A partial online add-drop period debuted this semester allowing all undergraduate students to make changes to their schedules online using their Registration Access Code (RAC) numbers to change their schedules instead of filling out the traditional paper forms for the first six days of the semester.

"We've caught up," said Assistant Registrar Wendy Rappa.

"We better meet the expectations of our current students who are very techno-savy," she said.

In previous years, sophomore, juniors and seniors were able to use their RAC number to add and drop available courses throughout the summer, but beginning the first day of classes they had to fill out a paper add-drop form, which involved getting both the professors of the classes and their advisors' signatures. This year, all undergraduates were able to use their RAC numbers to change their schedule online until Sept. 8, the second Tuesday of the semester. Undergraduates can add classes until Sept. 18 and drop them until Oct. 12 using the original paper method.

The process for adding closed, restricted and permission only classes remained the same, requiring a permission slip or override form.

"It is going very, very well," Rappa said. "We expected there would be more confusion, but students are comfortable with how online systems work."

Rappa said the majority of

feedback so far has been positive. Students wishing to add a fifth class—undergraduates can only sign up for 18 credits before the semester begins—are now able to access their added courses on blackboard more quickly since they don't have to set up a meeting to get their advisor's signature before they can enroll.

"It was easy just going online, not grabbing the sheet and getting it signed," said senior Michael Joyce, who used the extended online add-drop period.

Joyce said he understood the reasoning behind getting an advisor's approval for class changes, but he says that he always thought students in good academic standing shouldn't have to do so.

Rappa said she doesn't miss the chaos of previous add-drop periods, with lines of students in the registrar's office after every class.

"Hopefully we won't see lines ever again," she said.

The faculty senate voted for an online add-drop period two years ago, but the issue was tabled last year due to concerns about how freshman might alter their schedules. The senate will gather feedback from faculty, departments and advisors after the full add-drop period ends to decide whether to continue the online period.

"I would have expected it to be online in general," freshman Emily Perrone said. "It makes more sense and is more organized. I don't know why it's on paper for the rest of the [add-drop period]."

NH Brief

Dartmouth professor part of major discovery

HANOVER — One of the newest professors at Dartmouth College is playing a role in a very old mystery.

Jeremy DeSilva, a paleoanthropologist who joined the Dartmouth faculty in July, is part of the team of researchers who said Thursday they had discovered a previously unknown relative of humans: *Homo naledi* (nah-LEH-dee). Based on bones found deep in a South African cave, researchers say *naledi*'s anatomy suggest that it arose some 2.5 million to 2.8 million years ago, though just how old the bones are remains a mystery.

Other puzzling questions include how the bones got into the cave, which is reachable only by a complicated pathway that includes passages as narrow as 7-

inches.

"This could be the earliest evidence of deliberate disposal of the dead," said DeSilva, whose role in the research included involved analyzing the creature's feet and legs. He will continue to collaborate with the team while working at Dartmouth.

"His participation in the Rising Star Expedition represents a significant contribution to the chronicling of evolutionary history, expanding the breadth and depth of knowledge about our early human ancestors and the human condition," said Sienna Craig, chair of the Department of Anthropology. "Jerry's collaborative efforts as part of Rising Star will also allow him to bring this work to life, in real time, with our students."

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Governor Hassan, GOP leaders push for budget deal for the Granite State

By **KATHLEEN RONAYNE**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD — Nearly three months into the state's budget stalemate, Democratic Gov. Maggie Hassan and top Republican lawmakers are trying to forge a compromise before legislators return Wednesday to try to override several vetoes.

The Republican-controlled Legislature will take up 10 vetoed bills, with all eyes on the two budget bills. Hassan vetoed the Legislature's \$11.3 billion, two-year plan in late June, and a short-term spending plan on budget levels is causing difficulties for state agencies and leaving social service programs without expected increases.

Republicans don't have the necessary votes — two-thirds in both chambers — to override Hassan's veto, forcing both sides to seek a deal.

"We know we have to accomplish a budget for the state of New Hampshire, and we're working to get one," Republican Senate President Chuck Morse said.

Business tax cuts remain the focal point of the dispute. The Legislature's budget cuts the rate of the business enterprise and business profits taxes, two major drivers of state revenue, over a number of years. The goal is to bring the business profits tax, now at 8.5 percent, down to 7.9 percent, below the rate in neighbor-

ing — and competing — Massachusetts.

Republicans say the cuts will make New Hampshire more business friendly, but Democrats worry the cuts will lead to major revenue losses in future budgets.

Hassan's office says her primary opposition to the proposed tax cuts is that they are "unpaid for."

"We're 100 percent behind the governor's position," said Senate Democratic Leader Jeff Woodburn.

Hassan has offered to cut the tax to 7.9 percent in 2016 in exchange for raising the cigarette tax and car registration fees, among other changes. Republicans say raising taxes is a nonstarter, but they have proposed restoring a pay raise for state employees that had been in Hassan's original budget plan.

Neither offer prompted agreement. Other proposals on the table include cutting the tax rates marginally in this budget and letting future legislatures cut it further, or including a "sunset provision" that would allow the tax cuts to expire in several years.

If a deal is reached by Wednesday, House and Senate leaders must then sell it to their members. Republican House Speaker Shawn Jasper, who won the speakership with support from Democrats, may have trouble convincing more conservative mem-

bers of his caucus to back a deal.

If no plan emerges, lawmakers will face another looming deadline of Jan. 1, when the short-term spending plan stops.

On both sides, leaders say they're hopeful the stalemate will end Wednesday.

"Deadlines do create pressure," Woodburn said.

BEYOND THE BUDGET

Gun rights activists want to overturn Hassan's veto of a bill eliminating the licensing requirement to carry concealed guns. Advocates say removing the license will create a fairer and safer system, while opponents say the license provides an extra check to keep dangerous individuals from carrying hidden weapons.

Another vetoed bill creates a 30-day residency requirement for voting. Republicans backing the bill say it will help prevent voter fraud, but Democrats contend the requirement unnecessarily restricts the right to vote.

Other vetoed bills center on the common core education standards and a tax law change sought by gym company Planet Fitness.

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Bystanders in fact do help bully victims

DURHAM — Youth victims of in-person and online bullying say bystanders tried to help them in most cases, according to a University of New Hampshire study.

The study by the Crimes Against Children Research Center at UNH found that bystanders are present for 80 percent of harassment incidents. In about 70 percent of the cases, victims report that a bystander tried to make them feel better. Negative reactions from bystanders, though considerably less frequent, still happened in nearly a quarter of incidents. They also were associated with a significantly higher negative impact on the victim.

The research is reported in the article, "Victim Reports of Bystander Reactions to In-Person and Online Peer Harassment: A National Survey of Adolescents," in the Journal of Youth and Adolescence.

"While it is good news that

most of the time kids are trying to help victims, it isn't clear what kinds of support helps them most," said Lisa Jones, lead author of the study. "Unfortunately, our data show that it is negative behaviors by bystanders such as joining in or laughing that has the biggest impact and really makes things feel worse for victims."

The authors call for broadening the definition of bystander to include any person, peer or adult who becomes aware of the harassment and has an opportunity to help. The survey data showed that in 78 percent of the harassment incidents, the victim told someone about the incident. The authors stress the importance of these "secondary" bystanders.

The study, funded by the National Institute of Justice, surveyed a national sample 791 people ages 10-20 interviewed by phone from December 2013 to March 2014.

No human EEE cases this year in VT, NH, ME

DOVER — New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont so far this year have had no reported human cases of West Nile or eastern equine encephalitis, according to data from two federal agencies.

Foster's Daily Democrat reports that Massachusetts has had two reported human cases of West Nile this year.

In Maine and New Hampshire, no mosquitoes or animals have tested positive for either virus, while mosquitoes in counties in Massachusetts and Vermont have tested positive for the West Nile virus.

EEE is the more deadly of the two viruses, proving fatal to about 33 percent of humans who get the rare virus, according to the U.S. Center for Disease Control.

The best precaution against either virus is taking measures to avoid mosquito bites.

University of New Hampshire Extension Service entomologist Alan Eaton says if conditions remain as cool and dry as they have been as fall approaches, it's possible New England may see no cases of EEE virus this year.

Eaton said the riskiest part of the season is late summer and early fall — prior to the first frost that mosquitoes.

"This year looks pretty good," Eaton said. "I'm pleased that the risk is rather low."

New Hampshire had three cases of EEE last year, including two that proved fatal.

Police say driver killed in 2-car crash in NH

NEW DURHAM — New Hampshire state police say a driver was pronounced dead at the scene and his passenger was airlifted to a Maine hospital after a head-on crash in New Durham.

Authorities say 21-year-old Christopher Riley of Abington, Massachusetts, was driving his pick-up truck east on Route 11 when he crossed the center line and crashed into a Ford Fusion at about 9 a.m. Saturday.

Killed in the crash was 83-year-old Lynwood Carter of

Dover. Police say his passenger — 80-year-old Sally Carter of Dover — was airlifted to Maine Medical Center with life-threatening injuries and remains in critical condition.

Police say Riley was transported by ambulance to Maine Medical with serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

The accident remains under investigation. Police say it's unclear why Riley crossed the center line.

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Damaged bridge to be removed

STAFF REPORT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LINCOLN — The National Forest Service’s proposal to take down a damaged bridge over the North Fork of the Pemigewasset River has caused concern among hikers and policymakers alike.

The 60-foot-long Thoreau Falls Bridge was damaged during Tropical Storm Irene in 2011 and since then, the National Forest Service has posted signs warning hikers to go over it one at a time. The bridge, built in 1962, is part of the 5.1-mile Thoreau Falls Trail in the Pemigewasset Wilderness area in the White Mountain National Forest.

“The bridge itself is not sound,” said Dan Abbe of the Forest Service.

Abbe said engineers have determined the log span can’t be repaired, leaving as the only options removal, replacement or leaving it there and hoping nobody gets hurt

if it collapses. Federal rules make it hard to put man-made structures in wilderness areas so officials would have to justify building a new bridge, Abbe said.

U.S. Sen. Kelly Ayotte said she’s heard from hikers who are urging the service to repair or replace the bridge.

“Removal of the Thoreau Falls Bridge could result in a higher rate of safety challenges and rescue operations,” Ayotte wrote in a Sept. 8 letter to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. “Recreationists often utilize the same guide books and maps for many years and will not have updated information if a trail or bridge on their planned journey has been altered. As a result, should the bridge be removed, a hiker may attempt a dangerous and potentially fatal water crossing.”

State Sen. Jeb Bradley, a Wolfeboro Republican and avid hiker, said in a letter asking Ayotte to intervene that removing the

bridge would hurt tourism by cutting access to the wilderness from the popular Lincoln Woods lot on the Kancamagus Highway. Bradley said removing another bridge over the Pemigewasset in 2009 cost more than it would have to repair it and he wants the Forest Service to do a cost analysis of both options.

Abbe said the service received 60 to 70 comments — from both sides of the issue — during the five-week public comment period that ended on Sept. 9.

“We have a legal mandate, because it’s wilderness, to try to manage that in a particular way,” Abbe said. “The concerns about safety are totally valid and if we can honestly say that bridge is needed for safety reasons and we have specific things that point to that, there’s going to be a higher possibility that it would be replaced.”

A decision could come in November.

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Conservationists push for chance to have Atlantic's 1st national monument

By **JENNIFER McDERMOTT**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Undersea ravines deeper than the Grand Canyon, submerged mountains rising thousands of feet from the ocean floor and forests of kelp and coral would become the first marine national monument in the Atlantic if conservationists have their way.

The proposal to protect a pristine ecosystem undamaged by heavy fishing and pollution in the Gulf of Maine and canyons and peaks off Cape Cod — where vivid coral has grown to the size of small trees over thousands of years — would mirror the massive conservation efforts that have already taken place in the Pacific Ocean.

“We have an opportunity to permanently protect two of our nation’s greatest ocean treasures, right off our coast,” said Priscilla Brooks, the Conservation Law Foundation’s director of ocean conservation.

Environmental groups want President Barack Obama to per-

manently protect Cashes Ledge, the underwater mountain and offshore ecosystem in the Gulf of Maine, and the New England Coral Canyons and Seamounts, the chain of undersea formations about 150 miles off the coast of Massachusetts.

But Maine Gov. Paul LePage and others oppose the effort to protect the two sites, together totaling about 6,000 square miles, because of the potential impact on fishermen.

LePage, a Republican, also takes issue with the president’s authority under the Antiquities Act to designate monuments, calling it a sweeping power that provides few procedural protections to those who are most likely to be affected.

“These National Marine Monuments serve only one purpose— excluding commercial fishing activity from certain segments of the ocean,” he wrote in a letter to Obama last month. He also urged the president to consult with fishermen who make their living in the Gulf of Maine.

Four existing marine monuments — a designation applied

only to areas of outstanding scientific, cultural, conservation and aesthetic value — were established by President George W. Bush. Obama expanded one, the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument, last year.

The Pacific monuments cover more than 330,000 square miles of ocean, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The rules for each differ slightly, though typically commercial fishing and resource extraction such as drilling and mining are prohibited, NOAA said.

NOAA plans to hold a town hall meeting in Providence on Tuesday to discuss possible protections for three of the deep-sea canyons and four seamounts, which it says “create unique habitats supporting tremendous biodiversity and fragile ecosystems.”

There are two more canyons that are not contiguous to the three mentioned by NOAA. Conservationists and other supporters plan to attend the meeting at the Providence Marriott Downtown to press for all five canyons, the four nearby sea-

mounts and Cashes Ledge to be included, said Roger Fleming, a staff attorney at Earthjustice. The Conservation Law Foundation, National Geographic Society, the Pew Charitable Trusts, Natural Resources Defense Council, and other groups support the proposal.

“These are some of the last places that haven’t been spoiled by fishing and human development,” said Peter Baker, who directs U.S. Oceans, Northeast for Pew. “We’re hopeful this is the right time, for the right places, for the right reasons.”

Groups representing the fishing industry have taken issue with the project as a whole, but there appears to be more opposition to protecting Cashes Ledge than the more remote canyons and seamounts.

Robert Vanasse, executive director of the fishing advocacy group Saving Seafood, said the monument proposal overlooks existing protections for Cashes Ledge and would remove local and expert input from the process. Bottom trawling and dredging have been banned there for

more than a decade.

“There shouldn’t be a couple of people sitting around a table in the West Wing deciding this kind of thing,” Vanasse said.

Drew Minkiewicz, an attorney for a scallop industry trade organization, the Fisheries Survival Fund, also said that using an executive action is the “wrong way” to protect these areas because there is already a democratic process in place, and he worries about the precedent it would set.

Federal fishery regulators already voted in June to keep Cashes Ledge mostly closed to fishing. And the New England Fishery Management Council also plans to discuss protecting deep-sea corals from fishing gear at a meeting this month.

But conservationists argue that both sites deserve permanent, comprehensive protections before it’s too late, rather than temporary safeguards.

Brooks, of CLF, called such temporary safeguards “tenuous at best.”

“There are some places that need to be protected forever,” she said.

Miss America suspends spray tan company after complaints

By **JOSH CORNFIELD**
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Philadelphia — The Miss America Organization has suspended the credentials of its official spray tanning partner ahead of Sunday night’s pageant as it investigates allegations made by women across the country that they paid the tanning company, but weren’t allowed to take part in events in Atlantic City.

A group of 20 women were in Atlantic City this week to work with Kelly Richardson’s B.Bronz, but others have complained they paid \$499 to \$1,000 but were later told they couldn’t participate. Richardson told The Associated Press that she will refund money to “anybody that’s due a refund legally,” but the women say they’ve

started to bring their allegations to law enforcement.

“Integrity is a core value of the Miss America Organization. Consequently, the organization took these allegations very seriously and is undergoing a thorough investigation and will act on findings accordingly,” Miss America spokeswoman Chelsea Mineur said in a statement Saturday.

Richardson was convicted in Sonoma County, California, in 2003 of identity theft, burglary and counterfeiting. Police said she was driving a Ford Mustang that had been purchased using a stolen identity.

She maintains that nothing was done illegally in this instance and that some of the women weren’t able to participate be-

cause the company received less space than it anticipated for a pop-up tanning salon. She said that others didn’t pass required background checks that she said were required. Mineur declined to comment on Miss America’s role with Richardson beyond the statement.

“Our contract has been suspended, it’s not canceled, as per the Miss America Organization. We’re working with them to resolve these issues,” Richardson said. “On a personal level, the choices that I made as a young person don’t define who I am today.”

The story was first reported by The Trentonian newspaper in Trenton, New Jersey.

Miss America named the company its official spray tanning partner in January. The company

has photos of current Miss America Kira Kazantsev on its website and also promotes a Miss America-themed line of spray tanning products. Richardson owns a spray tan salon in California, but its business license has been suspended over tax issues. Richardson said her accountant died last year and she is dealing with that issue.

Jennifer Kidd, who lives outside of Toronto, said that she paid \$1,000 to be part of a “pro team” of spray tanners for Richardson. But she was told the night before her flight to Atlantic City that there was a problem with a background check. She said that Richardson wouldn’t answer her questions about the issue after she arrived.

“Some people did get an ex-

perience that she promised, but I do believe that she had every intention of a lot more people not getting that experience, of denying people that,” Kidd said. “It feels like Kelly Richardson has essentially used Miss America, a nonprofit organization focused on charity and education and empowering women and she has done just the opposite.”

Richardson said Saturday evening that she issued refunds to four people out of 12 she says may be owed money before PayPal froze her account following multiple complaints from the women.

This story has been corrected to show that Richardson owns one spray tan salon in California, not two.

Subway: Review finds ‘serious’ complaint about Jared Fogle

STAFF REPORT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — The Subway restaurant chain said it received a “serious” complaint about Jared Fogle when he was the company’s spokesman but that the complaint did not imply any criminal sexual activity.

The company issued a statement Friday saying it has completed an internal investigation into whether it was alerted to concerns about Fogle, who agreed last month to plead guilty to having paid for sex acts with girls as young as 16 and having received child pornography. The company has severed its ties to him.

Subway’s investigation in-

cluded a review of more than a million online comments and interviews with past and present employees and managers of the company and an advertising fund, the statement said.

Subway spokeswoman Kristen McMahon said the company received the “serious” complaint in 2011 from Rochelle Herman-Walrond, a former journalist from Florida who revealed publicly to WWSB-TV in Sarasota last month that she also took her concerns to the FBI and secretly recorded her phone conversations with Fogle for more than four years to assist the agency’s investigation.

McMahon said the 2011 complaint “expressed concerns about Mr. Fogle,” but included

“nothing that implied anything about sexual behavior or criminal activity involving Mr. Fogle.” She declined to elaborate on the nature of the complaint.

Nevertheless, the company said in its statement that it regrets that the complaint was “not properly escalated or acted upon.”

“It is important to note that the investigation found no further evidence of any other complaints of any kind regarding Mr. Fogle that were submitted to or shared with SUBWAY,” the company said.

Neither Herman-Walrond nor Fogle’s lawyers responded to phone message left Friday night seeking comment.

Herman-Walrond told

WWSB-TV in July that she first spoke to Fogle about 10 years ago during one of his many trips to the Sarasota area for events like the American Heart Association Walk. She said Fogle often made surprising and inappropriate remarks when she spoke, including that he thought “middle school girls were hot.”

Authorities in Indiana, where Fogle lives, would not say whether Herman-Walrond was part of their investigation into him. But Fogle’s plea agreement mentions that witnesses in Florida, Georgia and Washington state provided recordings and information it says show Fogle “repeatedly discussed with them his interest in engaging in commercial sex acts with minors or

stated that he has done so in the past.”

Separately, a lawyer for former Subway franchisee Cindy Mills said she alerted an executive in charge of the company’s advertising in 2008 after Fogle began talking to her about paying for sex with minors. The attorney said Mills also shared her concerns with a regional Subway contact in Florida, where she is based.

The executive, Jeff Moody, has denied being aware of Fogle’s criminal sexual conduct. The company has said it does not have a record of any complaints by the former franchisee.

Attempts to reach Mills’ attorney on Friday were unsuccessful.

Kentucky clerk case divides religious liberty advocates

By **TRAVIS LOLLER**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Kentucky clerk Kim Davis has become a hero to many conservative Christians who see her refusal to issue marriage licenses after the Supreme Court effectively legalized same-sex marriage as a litmus test for religious liberty in an increasingly secular culture.

But lost in the uproar are the voices of Christians, some equally conservative, who disagree with Davis' stance and worry that holding her out as a martyr will ultimately hurt the cause of religious liberty.

"I think she's wrong on the merits, wrong theologically and her stance is harmful to Christians both in the religious liberty debate and in trying to present Christianity to the watching world," said Peter Wehner, a Christian commentator who served in the last three Republican presidential administrations.

Many religious conservatives have shifted their focus in recent years from trying to stop

the legalization of same-sex marriage to carving out protections for those who object to it on religious grounds. A Washington florist who was fined over her refusal to provide flowers for a same-sex wedding is celebrated by conservative Christian leaders across the U.S. who point to her story as an example of government overreach they fear will only grow.

But Davis' position as a government official has some of those same conservative leaders warning that she may not be the ideal figure to rally around. As Rod Dreher, a senior editor at "The American Conservative," put it in a recent essay, Davis' case is "not the hill to die on." Rather, a line in the sand should be drawn "when they start trying to tell us how to run our own religious institutions - churches, schools, hospitals, and the like - and trying to close them or otherwise destroy them for refusing to accept LGBT ideology."

Both Dreher and Wehner have expressed concerns that Davis' case will drive away support for religious liberty by stirring up anger at a public servant who re-

fuses to do her job, let a subordinate do it, or resign.

There is no one Christian response to Davis' situation. Faced with having to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples in Tennessee, the clerk of Decatur County resigned in July along with two employees in her office. Elsewhere, Christian clerks with religious objections to gay marriage have found ways to reconcile their faith with their duties.

Brenda Wynn, the clerk of Davidson County in Nashville, looks to Romans 13:1 for guidance: "Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established."

"I'm obliged to follow the law of the land," Wynn said. "I love the Lord, but I must follow the law."

In federal court, Davis testified that her objection to issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples was not based on any sin she thinks the couple might commit. She said it was based on the Biblical definition of marriage as "a union between one man and

one woman."

That's different from giving licenses to people who have been divorced, she said. The Bible prohibits divorce in most cases, but Davis said, "That's between them and God."

Asked in court why she doesn't resign her position Davis said, "Because if I resign, that leaves my deputies to deal with this."

Before she was jailed for five days for disobeying a court order, Davis refused to let anyone in her office issue marriage licenses. In court she pleaded for an accommodation, changing the licenses so that they do not bear her name.

"There is a solution out there that everybody can be happy, and it can be done so that nobody has to be compromised in any way," she said.

North Carolina has attempted to accommodate officials like Davis, allowing some register of deeds workers who assemble marriage licenses and magistrates who solemnize civil marriages to recuse themselves. No similar accommodation is likely in Ken-

tucky before January, when the legislature goes back into session. That could be too late for Davis, who says she will return to work Monday but has not said what she will do.

Southern Baptist Convention leader Russell Moore recently helped put together a legal guide for churches called "Protecting Your Ministry from Sexual Orientation Gender Identity Lawsuits."

He shares the concern of some other conservative Christians that the religious liberty rights of a government official should not be conflated with that of a private citizen. But he also believes the entire conflict with Davis could have been avoided.

"I hope that what comes out of the Kim Davis case is that we agree to sit down and find a way to protect the consciences of people when it comes to issues they cannot morally endorse," he said. "The state of Kentucky so far doesn't have much of an answer besides jailing people."

Challenging Clinton, Sanders seeks black support in South

BILL BARROW
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SUMTER, S.C. — The Bernie Sanders phenomenon has been driven almost entirely by white supporters. Now the Vermont senator is out to overcome hurdles with prospective black voters who are still learning about him and could shape whether his underdog campaign for the 2016 Democratic nomination can last.

Sanders, who organized sit-ins over segregated housing as a college student during the civil rights movement, must cut into Hillary Rodham Clinton's advantage with African-Americans if he's to do well in South Carolina's February primary, where more than half the voters are expected to be black, and in other Southern states that follow in March.

Polls find the independent Vermont senator building a lead over Clinton in New Hampshire and closing the gap in Iowa, two mainly white states very much unlike the more diverse Super Tuesday states of Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia and others.

The independent Vermont senator and his advisers say his

policies and personal story can resonate among black voters — if the campaign can reach them. He says he plans to emphasize his personal efforts more as he campaigns, beginning this weekend with a swing through Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina.

"I believe when the African-American community in South Carolina and around the country understands that I have one of the strongest civil rights records in Congress and was involved in the civil rights movement for many years before I went to Congress, they will respond," Sanders said in an interview.

That would mark a shift from recent months. At several appearances in South Carolina in August, he drew overwhelmingly white audiences, and he hasn't talked much about his civil rights past.

He's been linking his policy proposals to challenges in the African-American community, citing dire economic statistics for blacks, blasting private, for-profit prisons and their role in incarceration of young black males, and bemoaning "institutional racism" and militarization of local police

forces.

He stuck to that script Friday evening at an Atlanta fundraiser, his first event of a busy weekend schedule.

Sanders said emphasis on policy over his biography has been intentional.

Recounting his involvement with the Congress of Racial Equality and his arrest for protesting segregated housing at the University of Chicago in the 1960s, Sanders said he was "proud of the work" he did but "it's not anything I like to brag about."

"It's much more important for me to tell people what I will do as president and how it affects them," he said.

Still, he acknowledged that Clinton and her husband, former President Bill Clinton, have a long history with black voters, while Sanders has built his career in Vermont, where 95 percent of the population is white.

Clinton, who also has outlined proposals to address what she sees as the over-incarceration of black men, economic inequality and problems with access to voting, has already picked up support from top South Carolina Democrats, including two former

governors and many black leaders.

One of them, 2014 Senate nominee Joyce Dickerson, argued that Sanders is too far behind to catch up.

"I called Bernie Sanders after my race, and no one ever called me back at all," said Dickerson, a longtime councilwoman in Richland County, home to the state capital of Columbia. "I got more than 400,000 votes. If he's not interested in my thoughts, in my list of voters, why should I be interested in him?"

Said Sanders: "We have a lot of work to do."

The senator has emphasized his connections to black leaders in recent weeks and plans to campaign with the academic and civil rights leader Cornel West. Sanders met last month in Chicago with the Rev. Jesse Jackson, whom he twice endorsed for president in the 1980s.

Chris Covert, Sanders' state director in South Carolina, said the campaign has 15 full-time staff members on the ground, with offices in Columbia and Charleston. More offices will be opening soon, advisers say.

"It's not that the message

isn't resonating with the African-American community," Covert said. "It's that we haven't communicated with them yet."

After a rally in Sumter in August, Sanders backer Calvin Bennett, 44, said the candidate simply isn't known.

"The African-American community, institutionally, has just been a part of the Democratic Party machinery for so long," he said, explaining why he thinks Clinton, who is more closely connected with that machinery, has an advantage.

But Muhiyidin d'Baha, a lead organizer in Black Lives Matter of Charleston, praised Sanders for "his evolution" in how he talks about economic and social inequities. His group has no interest in endorsements, d'Baha said, but he argued that Sanders has an edge over Clinton.

"She is hopelessly compromised from years in this system," d'Baha said, while Sanders, despite decades in public office, talks openly of "a political revolution."

Thomas reported from Washington.

Missing 4-year-old boy's body found in San Diego bay

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SAN DIEGO — The body of a 4-year-old boy who vanished during his first beach outing was found in the waters in San Diego's Mission Bay on Sunday, police said.

Divers recovered Wesley Hilaire's body about 100 yards offshore, hours after police issued an Amber Alert for him amid fear that he had been abducted while

at the beach.

Wesley's aunt, Damiaka White, told the San Diego Union-Tribune she took her nephew to the beach for the first time Saturday when a friend who has children suggested they all go to the bay. White said the group was getting ready to leave about 6:50 p.m. when they noticed him missing.

Wesley's disappearance set off a frantic, night-long search for him on land and in the water.

Police investigated his disappearance as a possible kidnapping after someone reported seeing suspicious activity between a man and a child near a restroom in the area.

Police believe the drowning was accidental and don't suspect the witness' report was related to the case, Sgt. Cory Mapston said.

Medical examiners will determine the boy's cause of death.

Wesley's mother spent the night passing out fliers for

searchers. When she learned of his death, she collapsed and was taken away on a gurney, the newspaper reported.

Wesley's father is deployed with the U.S. Navy on the USS George Washington. His mother works part time at a Navy base. The couple also has 6-year-old twin boys.

During the search, divers also found the body of an adult drowning victim.





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Opinion

Calling all candidates

Exploring why UNH should be on every serious candidate's list of stops in NH

New Hampshire voters taking part in the 2016 primary election will hit the polls on Feb. 9 of next year. Although that's still several months away—precisely 147 days—candidates are already beginning to step up their campaigns in the Granite State.

Donald Trump, Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders all have trips to New Hampshire scheduled for the coming week, according to NECN.com. However, Hillary Clinton is the only candidate with an event scheduled here at UNH so far, which is a serious oversight. This is especially the case considering that such an event would give candidates a chance to connect with a sizeable amount of the 14,000 potential student voters here in Durham.

As Clinton's staff probably realized, UNH is an ideal spot for a candidate to host an event on the seacoast. The adjacent towns of Portsmouth, Exeter, Rochester and Dover are a quick commute for non-students interested in attending an event on campus. The Memorial Union Building's Strafford and Granite State Rooms are well suit-

ed for hosting large-scale speaker events. The very efficient and hardworking MUB staff members would be able to work with guest speakers and their managers to the set up the stage to the speaker's preferred specificities.

Contrary to what seems to be popular opinion, students on this campus are very engaged in the election process. An abundance of comments about politics and candidates can be heard throughout campus among students. Last October, Republican candidate for governor Walt Havenstein hosted a small event at Libby's Bar and Grill. The event was relatively well attended considering the fact that it was held on a Friday night. Students asked Havenstein thoughtful questions, and he was able to connect with the much younger crowd. When Sanders came during that same month, he hadn't yet declared candidacy. Nonetheless, a crowd of 200 showed up to the event. Considering that Sanders has gained a significant amount of prominence nationally since October, it seems reasonable to assume that a much higher number of students would

attend such an event.

On campus, candidates have the chance to address issues that are relevant to voters who will soon be in the workforce and have an impact on our economy. Most importantly, students will appreciate having the opportunity to see and hear candidates in person. There is a connection that is made when a candidate meets a voter in person. For college students, it can be difficult to connect to a wealthy man or woman who was born some 40-odd years ago without ever seeing the candidate in person. But when a candidate shows up in person, he or she becomes more real to the student. Eliminating this perceived sense of polarity between candidates and college students may prove crucial in winning the New Hampshire primary come February.

UNH plays host to an articulate, civically-engaged student body interested in hearing what its nation's leaders have to offer. Moreover, the location in Durham and the state of the art facilities at hand make UNH a must-stop for serious candidates looking to win the New Hampshire primary.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A Word on the Language Guide

This past July, a *Campus Reform* web post that highlighted a "Bias-Free Language Guide" on UNH's website quickly entered the national news cycle.

That week, I was embarrassed to be a Wildcat. I was not embarrassed by *Campus Reform's* story. *Campus Reform's* founder and president promotes right-wing orthodoxy. He has expressed solidarity with organizations that believe only Christians should be able to hold public office and that support discrimination against gay individuals.

I was embarrassed by our university's official response. President Huddleston joined conservative pundits in lambasting the guide. Huddleston removed the guide from UNH's website and declared that speech guides have no place at UNH. His statement was noticeably missing any mention regarding the importance of addressing microaggressions on our campus or of fostering inclusive language and

discourse.

Language and behavior can reproduce social inequalities and devalue people. Last year I witnessed white students casually calling each other *n-----r* and a swastika painted on a campus building. I heard stories from other Wildcats of rape jokes and disparaging remarks about transgender persons and persons of varying ethnicities. I also heard more subtle put-downs, some of which were likely made by individuals who were not even aware that their language was exclusive or stigmatizing. As someone who endorses UNH's goal of striving towards "a culture of inclusion and diversity" (one of UNH's six "Visions and Values" in our strategic plan), I appreciated having a toolkit that encourages thoughtful expression that upholds and affirms the diversity present within our community.

President Huddleston's statement also bought into the right-wing framing of the language guide as being about free speech. These charges were associated with misleading headlines like "[UNH] Bans Word 'American.'" The guide, however,

was not in a policy handbook; it was on UNH's *Inclusive Excellence* page under a section entitled *Resources*. The guide explicitly states that it is about "starting a conversation about word choice" and encouraging critical and reflective thinking, and that it is "not meant to censor... [or] represent absolute requirements."

Should our administration be taking cues regarding how to realize our vision from *Campus Reform*? Or should our administration take its cues from the students and community members who are on the receiving end of microaggressions, and from the researchers and practitioners on our campus who understand these issues and are on the front lines of working for a campus climate that engenders inclusive excellence?

President Huddleston, whose side are you on?

In the coming months I will look to the UNH administration's actions for an answer to that question.

Ezra Temko
 Graduate Student Body
 President

LETTERS POLICY

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Analyzing SAFC's bylaw change

This summer the undergraduate Student Senate took a step to enhance accountability for how your Student Activity Fee dollars are spent. The Student Activity Fee Committee (SAFC) is the committee within Student Senate that allocates the Student Activity Fee (SAF)-roughly 1.2 million dollars of student programming money. The committee is composed of senators, the OSIL Coordinator, the SAF Financial Consultant, and Business Managers (BMs), who represent the organizations which receive an annual budget (Student Activity Fee Organizations-SAFOs). All committee members' work and efforts are certainly appreciated, and I personally value many of the wonderful organizations and their services funded by our SAF.

Ryan Grogan, student body vice president, came to an important realization about the process. In the past, Business Managers – who represent the organizations with annual funding – made up nearly sixty-percent of voting SAFC membership. Thus, decisions on how to spend student funds were being made by a body consisting primarily of students who were not elected by the undergraduate student body as a whole, appointed by the undergraduate student senate, or even part of a governance organization. This was certainly an oversight. It is vital that undergraduate students have the democratic means to select and unselect those who

From the Trustee

Lincoln Crutchfield

are representing them and making decisions on their behalf about their Student Activity Fee monies.

While I am honored and humbled to serve as your Student Trustee this year, last year I was on SAFC and I was proud to work with Ryan to begin reforms on this issue. Business Managers and their organizations were in no way targeted by these changes. The SAF process was flawed, not our dedicated Business Managers who sacrifice so much for all of us. We have always valued and continue to value the perspectives and work of Business Managers and their respective organizations. The necessary democratic changes made to SAFC reflect this commitment. BMs are still members of SAFC; they may discuss all issues, make motions, and do everything they could before with one exception – they no longer have a vote. Both the OSIL Coordinator and the SAF Financial Consultant are no longer voting members either. Now, a total of nine senators and the Student Body President are able to vote on the allocation of undergraduate Student Activity Fee.

The undergraduate Student Senate exists as a governance organization for the undergraduate Student Body, with a constitutionally mandated responsibility, granted by the President of

the University and the “consent of the governed”, to “develop, implement, and monitor the budget and use of the Student Activity Fee.” The good government reforms taken by the Senate are democratic in nature. They directly benefit student voice – ensuring the students making decisions on your behalf about your money are elected by you and that, through democratic processes, are accountable to you.

Student Senate, as the body ultimately responsible for the Student Activity Fee and the Student Activity Fee Committee, took the lead over the summer to make these changes. The argument was made by the author and supporters of the bill that these changes were time sensitive and must be seen during summer quorum. Senate agreed and felt it necessary to adopt and implement these changes at that time because to do otherwise would have started off the 2015-2016 year with an undemocratic fee allocation process.

As Trustee I concern myself with matters of fairness. While I would not typically get involved in writing an editorial like this one, I feel strongly about the democratic and accountability changes Senate has been hard at work making. I fully support these reforms and hope you will do so as well.

Lincoln Crutchfield is the Student Body Trustee.

Iran deal lacks common sense

Senate Democrats reached their magic number of votes to filibuster bringing up any vote on Obama's Iran Deal. Although, it is not clear that all 41 democrats will stick together to filibuster the vote, it is probably likely. The vote could still be disapproved by congress, but the president certainly has enough votes to sustain a veto. Meanwhile, public opinion still overwhelmingly disapproves of the deal. President Obama and Secretary Kerry announced the deal in July, when they seemed absolutely desperate to get a deal done. Even though they know Iran has not seemed to change their tune on taking over the middle east and even further destabilizing the area. This is the same regime who proudly states that their goal is to end the way of life of western civilization and wipe Israel and the Jewish people off the planet. There are some Democrats who have showed their disapproval of the dangerous deal. Chuck Schumer (D-NY), Bob Menendez(D-NJ) are two of four Senate Democrats to realize this is a bad deal for America and the world. The over \$100 billion the Iranian government will receive in sanction relief will be used in part to fund terrorism in the region.

From the Right

Peter Hinman

Sen. Joe Manchin (D-W.V.) said in his opposition to the deal on tuesday.

It is true that Iran is the world leader in funding terrorism. It is true that during the negotiations, the Iranian regime was chanting “death to America” while President Obama and Secretary Kerry were working on a diplomatic approach to resolving the situation. Now does that sound like a place the United States should be trying to appease, or even negotiate with? Of course, the terminal goal of the deal was to do one thing, stop Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon. However, the United States is not in charge in inspecting Iran's nuclear facilities. At the same time Iran is not subject to anytime anywhere inspections, meaning notice would have to be given before any inspection by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). Congress will also not be presented with the agreement between the IAEA and Iran. This raises red flags everywhere, Iran also could outsource their nuclear plan to their buddies in North Korea at anytime. Democrats in

congress are not only ignoring the voters in their home states who put them in office in the first place, but also are putting a false narrative in their head that peace with Iran is obtainable with a pen.

Don't think the deal will matter in the end anyways? In 1994, President Bill Clinton worked on a similar deal to end North Korea's nuclear aspirations. In exchange for sanction relief and diplomatic trade relations, with the United States and the rest of the world. Clinton also put his trust in the I.A.E.A stating “Compliance will be certified by the International Atomic Energy Agency.” A dozen years later, North Korea exploded an atomic bomb underground in their nuclear facility and proudly announced they have also acquired Intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) that could strike California.

Many democrats in congress have admitted they have not read the deal, but just trust the president's instinct. Congress must not forget that their first job is being loyal to their constituency first, not a president who is determined to leave a legacy even if it completely backfires. That does not sound like common sense politics to me.

Peter Hinman is a senior majoring in political science.

Thumbs Up Thumbs Down



Thumbs up to HoCo renovations.



Thumbs down to waiting in long lines for food.



Thumbs up to weekends.



Thumbs down to Mondays.



Thumbs up to enjoying a fine cigar.



Thumbs down to lip leaves.



Thumbs up to the Baltimore Ravens losing.



Thumbs down to Peyton Manning winning.



Thumbs up to the Miss America Pageant and Sunday Night Football.



Thumbs down to having to choose which one to watch.



Thumbs up to responsibly drinking wine.



Thumbs down to wine headaches.



Thumbs up to fast service.



Thumbs down to empty bars.



Thumbs up to buying new rainboots.



Thumbs down to rainy weather.

The Thumbs Up/Thumbs Down section represents the collective opinion of *The New Hampshire's* staff and does not necessarily represent the opinion of the student body. But it more than likely does.

FOOTBALL

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for 27 yards and threw an interception.

Colgate did not score until early in the fourth quarter when quarterback Jake Melville completed a 13-yard touchdown pass to Alex Greenawalt to cut UNH's lead to 23-8.

The Wildcats' defense held the Raiders scoreless for the rest of the game. Christian Breda later booted a 35-yard field goal with 2:04 remaining to seal the 26-8 win. Breda also hit a 44-yarder in the third quarter that boosted the Wildcats' lead to 23-0.

Last week against San Jose State, UNH gained 139 rushing yards and just 60 total passing yards. But UNH stepped up its running game in a big way against Colgate, thrashing the Raiders with 218 yards on the ground. The Wildcats also gained 193 yards through the air Saturday night with an improved passing attack.

Dalton Crossan and Trevon Bryant steered the Wildcats' rushing attack against Colgate.

Crossan gained a team-high 96 rushing yards and a touchdown on 21 carries. His 4-yard touch-

down run with 4:55 left in the second quarter extended UNH's lead to 14-0.

"Dalton [Crossan] is a force every time he's out there," Goldrich said. "He's always capable of making a big play whenever he touches the ball."

Bryant dashed for 70 yards and a touchdown on just 10 attempts, averaging a whopping seven yards per carry. The sophomore opened the scoring for UNH with his one-yard touchdown in the first quarter to give his team a 7-0 advantage.

Goldrich spoke following the win about Bryant's ability to change the game with his speed and quickness.

"Trevon [Bryant] is another guy who we always have confidence giving the ball to," Goldrich said. "He's very explosive."

The Wildcats stepped things up on defense as well. A week after allowing the San Jose Spartans to gain 707 yards of total offense, the 'Cats defensive unit held a shutout for three full quarters. Colgate managed 336 total yards of offense—195 in the air and 141 on the ground.

Daniel Rowe and DeVaughn Chollete spearheaded the effort, with eight tackles each. Rowe also



ANDREW YOURELL/STAFF

Runningback Trevon Bryant (8) sheds a Colgate defender. The sophomore rushed for 70 yards and a touchdown on 10 carries as the Wildcats took down the Raiders 26-8 on Saturday.

forced a fumble for the 'Cats. Cornerback Casey DeAndrade logged three tackles and four pass break-ups, three of which came consecutively, with the Raiders in Wildcat

territory in the fourth quarter.

The Wildcats next head to Stony Brook on Saturday, Sept. 19 to take on their Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) rivals. UNH

looks to start its conference record at 1-0 before returning to Durham for its home opener on Sept. 26 when it faces Central Connecticut State University.

CROSS COUNTRY

Donegan wins Wolfie Invitational

By **GREG LAUDANI**
STAFF WRITER

Laura Rose Donegan made a splash right away in her season debut.

The senior finished first in 18:57.29 to guide the UNH women's cross country team to its first victory of 2015 at Stony Brook University's Wolfie Invitational on Saturday morning. In addition to Stony Brook, the Wildcats also outraced the University of Maryland, Baltimore County and Binghamton University.

UNH scored 30 points in the victory. UMBC scored 47, Stony Brook 64, and Binghamton 93.

Donegan did not race in the season opener last weekend for training reasons. She returned Saturday for her first-ever race at Stony Brook to earn her first career cross-country victory.

"It was nice to get a win here and I think we are looking really good as we head toward the conference meet," Donegan said.

The Wildcats' co-captain said her first race of the season is always a good test to see where she and her team are in their preparation for the fast-approaching and highly coveted America East Championships on Oct. 31.

UNH also received strong efforts from runners behind Donegan. In her second collegiate meet, freshman Shannon Murdock finished second for the Wildcats and fifth overall. Then a pack of Wildcats came after Murdock.

Senior Brianna Boden, juniors Sarah Keiran and Alexandra Giese came in seventh, eighth and ninth, respectively.

Donegan said she was happy with the way her teammates grouped together on Saturday.

"Everyone worked together really well and I think we made

a lot of improvements from last week," she said. "We had more runners staying together and finishing together, and that's what you need to win cross country meets."

The Wildcats return to Stony Brook on Oct. 31, for the America East title meet, where they seek to win their third straight conference crown. After running the course on a hot September day on Saturday, Donegan said the conditions are going to be more ideal when the weather is cooler in late October.

"I think coming down here will help us for when we come back, for sure," Donegan said. "Having that experience of being on the course will help prepare us for what we're going to face."

UNH head coach Robert Hoppler is excited about his team's mix of promising underclassmen with the established upperclassmen. He said he plans to use the next meet at the University of Maine to continue developing the younger runners.

And against a historically tough conference opponent in Maine, Hoppler said the competitive environment is going to be key in giving younger runners valuable meet experience.

"For teams to get better, they have to be asked to win meets," he said. "That will help our younger runners get better. We're looking to do that next week."

UNH's top five runners will likely sit out the Maine meet, including Donegan and co-captain Elinor Purrier, according to Hoppler. Purrier has yet to race this season as the team continues to prepare its veteran runners for the conference title meet.

The Wildcats take on their conference rival Black Bears at 3 p.m. next Friday, Sept. 18.

In Brief

UNH drops heartbreaker to Lafayette

Senior Gabrielle Sloan recorded her first goal of the season in the 35th minute, but Lafayette College defeated the University of New Hampshire women's soccer team, 2-1, in overtime, Sunday afternoon at Bremner Field.

UNH drops its second consecutive loss as its record stands at 2-3-3 overall. Lafayette has improved its record to 5-1 overall.

Sloan notched her second career goal on a header from inside the box that pinballed off defenders and into the net. Sophomore Jackie Feraco recorded an assist on the play, off a free kick from 40 yards out.

Sophomore Brooke Murphy paced the 'Cats with four shots.

Senior Caroline Murray totaled three shots, two on net. In net, junior Mimi Borkan recorded two saves on the afternoon.

Lafayette junior Kaelin King scored two goals on the day, connecting on both shot attempts, and Kelly O'Brien recorded two saves off the bench for the Leopards' win.

The first half was all Wildcats as they recorded an 8-1 shot advantage and a 4-1 corner kick lead going into the break up 1-0.

The Leopards upped their pressure in the second half, outshooting the Wildcats 5-3 in the second frame.

In the 66th minute, King ripped a shot from the left side,

just outside of the goalie box, which ricocheted off a Wildcat defender and into the net to even the score at 1-1.

New Hampshire created opportunities with three corner kicks and two second-half shots but was unable to capitalize on its chances. The match headed into OT tied at 1-1. King made quick use of the overtime period as she tallied her second goal, just 22 seconds in, from the left side of the box for the victory.

The Wildcats will travel to Harvard University on Thursday, Sept. 17 at 7 p.m. and then close out non-conference play when they host Northeastern University on Sunday, Sept. 20 at 2 p.m.

'Cats keep unbeaten streak alive

Senior forward Ben Ramin scored twice as the University of New Hampshire men's soccer team defeated the University of North Carolina at Asheville by a score of 2-0 Sunday. The game took place at the University of Vermont.

The Wildcats improve to 4-0-1 on the year while the Bulldogs record now stands at 2-2-1. It was the second game of the Peter Baldwin Memorial Classic presented by Morgan Stanley and The Windjammer.

New Hampshire threatened early as senior Jimmy Petrucci fired a corner kick into the box. Senior Connor Pauley connected with the service and sent a shot on net, but it was saved by Bulldog keeper Zak Davis. Freshman Chris Arling ripped a shot on net in the 19th minute of play, but it too was saved by Davis.

Ramin broke the 0-0 tie in the 30th minute of play as he scored his first goal of the game and his second of the season. Senior Lukas Goerigk fired a long pass that Ramin corralled and then fired into the corner of the net.

At the end of the first half, the Wildcats held a 1-0 advantage. UNH fired eight shots in the first stanza as Asheville was limited to just one.

In the 53rd minute of play, senior A.J. Albers nearly got a second goal for UNH as he fired a shot on net, but Davis made the save. In the 67th minute, Ramin notched his second goal of the game and third of the season with a blast into the right side of the net. Pauley played a short pass to Ramin in front of the goal to set up the play. Ramin nearly registered a hat trick in the 76th minute of play with a rocket on net, but Davis

thwarted the attempt.

Sophomore keeper Andrew Pesci made his first collegiate start and did not face a shot. His record now stands at 1-0-0. Davis received the loss for the Bulldogs as he made eight saves on 10 shots faced. UNH outshot UNC 17-1, with 10 shots on net.

The 'Cats return home for the first time since Aug. 28, as they host the University of Massachusetts on Saturday, Sept. 19. Kick-off is set for 7 p.m.

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VOLLEYBALL

Wildcats drop 3 matches in Holly Young Invitational

By **ANDREW YOURELL**
SPORTS EDITOR

It was a tough weekend for the Wildcats' volleyball team, which failed to win a set en route to three losses in the Holly Young Invitational in the Lundholm Gymnasium.

On Friday night, the team lost to the University of Delaware Blue Hens 3-0 (18-25, 21-25, 13-25), then lost to the highly touted Michigan State Spartans 3-0 (23-25, 9-25, 15-25) on Saturday afternoon. The tournament ended with a 3-0 (16-25, 17-25, 16-25) loss to the Boston College Eagles on Saturday night.

"We scheduled a really tough tournament and brought some great volleyball here, and I saw my team do some really good things," head coach Jill Hirschinger said, when asked about trying to find some positives in the tournament.

UNH entered the weekend riding a six-game win streak and an overall record of 6-2. The two-time defending America East champions were off to one of the hottest starts in Hirschinger's 20-year tenure at UNH.

One of the biggest issues that Hirschinger saw with her team throughout the course of the weekend was a lack of chemistry and an inability to focus for the entire set, which allowed the three opponents to make some big runs that the 'Cats couldn't come back from.

"I thought we didn't play well as a team," Hirschinger said. "The communication really broke down...that's what pressure does, is make your systems break down."

On Friday night, against the Blue Hens, the Wildcats opened the first set with a series of long volleys, but Delaware opened up a big lead that UNH couldn't come back from to claim the

first set. In the second set, the two teams battled for supremacy, with nine lead changes and 17 tie scores, before Delaware took advantage of holes in the UNH defense, taking four straight points after tying it up at 21-21, winning the second set. In the third set, Delaware launched out to an 8-2 lead early, building its momentum to a 21-8 lead late in the final set. The 'Cats clawed their way back as well as they could, but it was too little too late, and they dropped the third set as well, 25-13.

In the first match, Demi Muses led the team with nine kills, falling just short of a double-double, as she also tallied 12 digs. Senior co-captain Tori Forrest logged a season-high 18 digs of her own, to go along with seven kills. Junior setter Keelin Severtson led the team with 23 assists in the contest.

On Saturday, at 12:30 p.m., the 'Cats took on Michigan State, which has been ranked as high as No. 19 in the NCAA this season. The Spartans had already claimed a three set victory over the Eagles in the first matchup of the tournament on Friday afternoon.

In the first set, UNH quickly fell behind, 11-16. But a kill by Muses gave UNH the serve, and the junior quickly added two aces, then a dig that led to another UNH point, and the match was nearly knotted up, 15-16. The 'Cats would earn a tie at 18 points, then get two more aces, this time from Forrest, to catapult to a 20-18 lead. From there, however, it was back and forth, with Michigan State finally prevailing, winning the first set by two points.

In the second set, MSU jumped out to an early 9-1 lead, before Abby Brinkman, ended the run after subbing in. The respite didn't last long, however, as the Spartans claimed the next

point to regain the serve and a 10-2 lead. From there, it was all Michigan State. Despite tough play from the Wildcats, it seemed as though nearly every volley ended with Michigan State powering the ball to holes in the UNH defense. The set eventually ended in a loss for the Wildcats, 9-25.

In the third set, the Wildcats fought hard to keep it close early, but Michigan State was able to make runs that allowed them to jump out to another large lead, one that they would hold onto. UNH battled out of each stoppage in play, scoring points off almost all of their timeouts in the match, but were ultimately unable to string points together to make any runs of their own.

"When you call timeout, you want to get your team refocused, and I think that's what they did, they got refocused," Hirschinger said. "You don't have to say much, you just give them a little break, gather them, and come up with a strategy or something for them to focus on."

The team leaders in the second match were Forrest, with seven kills and nine digs, Muses, who notched a career-high four service aces to go along with six kills, and senior co-captain and defensive specialist Madison Lightfoot, with 19 digs. Severtson again led the team in assists, this time with 12.

In the "Pack the Arena" matchup against Boston College, the 'Cats came out of the gates well, but again were unable to string together long sets of points. The team managed some consistency, and the communication that Hirschinger noted as a weakness all weekend seemed better against the Eagles, but ultimately they dropped each set, 16-25, 17-25, 16-25.

Against the Eagles, some new players stepped up to lead the team. Brinkman led the team with



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Madison Lightfoot led the team in digs over the weekend with 44.

eight kills, several of them coming at key points in the matchup, and Gabri Olhava added a few kills, along with two huge blocks that gave the 'Cats some momentum throughout the night. Severtson dominated the assists again, dishing out 18 of the team's 23 in the game. Lightfoot, who was the lone UNH representative on the All-Tournament team, patrolled the backcourt with another 15 digs.

The Wildcats don't have long before they're back in action, as

the team travels south on Tuesday, Sept. 15, to take on Harvard University at 7 p.m. The team then looks towards defending its conference crown when the University of Hartford comes to Durham on Friday, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m. The Hartford game will mark UNH's first conference match for the 'Cats in 2015.

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'perfect' play in the circle."

The adjustments worked, and the team came out in the second half putting the pressure on the Northeastern defense. Northeastern logged only one shot in the second half, while UNH piled 10 shots on goal to lift its game total to 13.

Balducci said that she wasn't surprised her team only tallied one goal, despite taking 13 shots. She admitted the team missed some open nets, and expressed some disappointment in the team's opportunities on corner shots. But she knew coming into the game that it would require a lot of shots to come away with a win.

"We knew Northeastern's goalkeeper," she said. "She was light's out last year. We couldn't get a ball by her last year. She was standing on her head against us, and so really that was our gameplan, is that we needed to

pepper her. Otherwise, you're not going to score."

Despite the flaws, Balducci was happy with the team's performance, and the win that brings UNH's record on the season up to 2-3. The team will take a road trip to the south this week, with matchups against William and Mary on Friday, Sept. 18, and No. 8 University of Maryland on Sept. 20. The matchup with Maryland will be the fourth game the 'Cats play this season against a top-25 opponent; they opened the season with a loss at No. 20 Boston University by a score of 4-3, followed by a 4-3 win against No. 18 UMass. The No. 1 University of Connecticut Huskies beat UNH on Friday by a score of 5-0.

The tough matchups have been especially helpful in getting Rize up to speed this season, Balducci said.

"It's hard to get some traction," she said. "We opened the season against some big opponents for a young keeper to have to manage...we didn't really allow her to get traction, to kind of

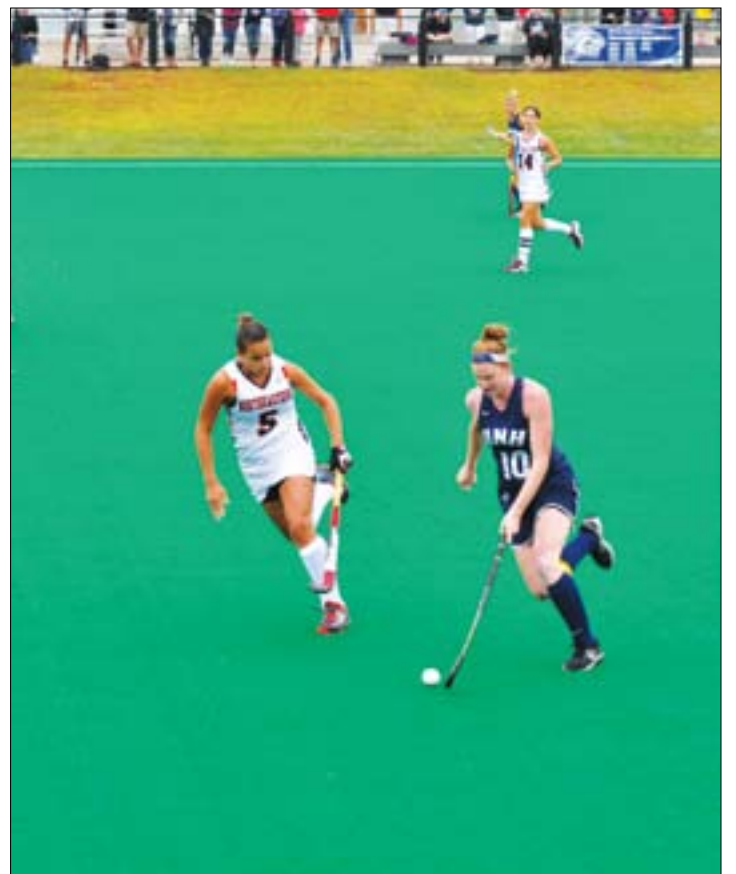
settle in. Then she's been gaining confidence and she's been able to settle."

Rize was a big question mark coming into the season, as she looked to replace a four-year starter in Carlie Tarbell.

"I came in, I redshirted my freshman year," Rize said. "I got to learn a lot from Carlie Tarbell...she's awesome. She's an amazing teacher, super helpful."

The lessons have been working so far, keeping UNH competitive against some of the nation's top teams. But the defense will look to make sure that Rize doesn't need to repeat her back-to-back career high save efforts in their upcoming games.

UNH will return to action at home with a Sept. 25, matchup with Providence College, before taking on their first America East opponent of the season, UMass Lowell, on Sept. 26. The games will start at 3 p.m. and 2 p.m. respectively. With the defense starting to find its stride and the offense executing crisply, the future looks bright for the conference portion of the season.



ANDREW YOURELL/STAFF

Meg Flatley takes the ball up the left wing against Northeastern.



SPORTS



Tom Brady and the Patriots had Sunday off after Thursday's 28-21 win over Pittsburgh. Brady relaxed while watching the Colts take on the Bills.

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FOOTBALL

'Cats brush off Colgate

By **GREG LAUDANI**
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The UNH football team needed a fast start on Saturday night at Colgate University after a potentially demoralizing loss at San Jose State in the season opener.

And that's exactly what UNH did.

The Wildcats controlled the game right from the get-go against Colgate, earning a convincing 26-8 road victory for their first win of the season. UNH improved its record to 1-1 in 2015.

"It felt great to get that first win," UNH quarterback Sean Goldrich said. "This win was good for us because it was the next one [after opener loss] and we needed this to get our confidence going. I think overall we played great and this game got us going."

UNH seized a 20-0 lead with 1:13 to play in the second quarter after quarterback Sean Goldrich connected with receiver Jared Allison on a 12-yard touchdown pass. The score, which came right before halftime, solidified the Wildcats' lead and provided the team with the confidence they lacked after losing its first game.



Dalton Crossan rushes past defenders in the Wildcats first FCS matchup of the season at Colgate.

"We needed this as a boost to get us going," Goldrich said. "We were moving the ball really well out there and there was a lot of great energy around our team."

Goldrich completed 17 of 23 passes for 166 yards and a touchdown. He did not play in the fourth quarter after tweaking his ankle

late in the third. But Goldrich said he does not believe the injury will keep him out of next weekend's matchup with Stony Brook University. Chris McCormick filled in for Goldrich and completed four of 10 passes

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FIELD HOCKEY

Defense pushes UNH to win

By **ANDREW YOURELL**
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In her last two games, UNH field hockey's goalkeeper Melissa Rize has recorded career-highs in saves. On Sunday, the defense tried to give her the day off, allowing only three shots in a 1-0 win over Northeastern.

"I thought our backs were outstanding today," head coach Robin Balducci said. "It's not anything that I think that they couldn't do. I think they were just a little more tentative than they needed to be in the last couple of games."

In the team's game against Dartmouth last weekend, Rize faced 12 shots, stopping eight of them en route to a 4-2 loss. On Friday, in a matchup with the No. 1 UConn Huskies, Rize stopped another eight shots, but the team lost 5-0. Northeastern was unable to get much started, though, with a stifling defensive effort from Chandler Giese and Jackie Hozza.

"We felt really strong today," Rize said. "We've been working to tactically stick to our game."

Balducci agreed with her goalkeeper's sentiment, noting a big improvement in her defense, but also lauding the second half effort of her offensive unit. Freshman Katie Audino

broke the tie in the 61st minute, when she took a pass from Meg Flatley and shot it past Northeastern's Becky Garner.

"It was a great setup," Balducci said. "Flat [Flatley] with her breakaway speed had them [Northeastern] on their heels and Katie Audino was the recipient of being able to be open and finish."

Audino, a freshman, also received praise from her coach for her ability to remain calm and composed in the circle, which allowed her to corral Flatley's pass and direct a sure shot.

In the first half of the game, the 'Cats controlled the tempo, but were unable to make their three shots count. Balducci said that some of their strengths in the first half—the possession advantage, ability to pass well and to evade the defense—were discussed at half time to make adjustments that helped win the game.

"We had so much possession in the first half, that that's what we talked about at half time, was like 'look, we're possessing the ball so well in the midfield. We've got to look at what we're doing to build it into the circle,'" Balducci said. "We talked about having a few more circle entries and putting them back on their heels a little bit, trying not to set up the

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ANDREW YOURELL/STAFF
GK Melissa Rize faced three shots Saturday.

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FOOTBALL (1-1)

26 8

UNH Colgate
Saturday, Hamilton, N.Y.

VOLLEYBALL (6-5)

3 0

BC UNH
Saturday, Durham, N.H.

Also: L, 0-3 vs. Mich. St.
Also: L, 0-3 vs. Delaware

FIELD HOCKEY (2-3)

1 0

UNH Northeastern
Sunday, Durham, N.H.

Also: L, 0-5 vs. UConn

MEN'S SOCCER (4-0-1)

2 0

UNH Siena
Sunday, Burlington, Vt.

Also: W, 2-0 vs. CCSU

WOMEN'S SOCCER (2-3-3)

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Lafayette UNH
Sunday, Durham, N.H.

Also: L, 0-4 vs. Temple

STAT of the WEEK

218 Rushing yards for UNH football in their win against Colgate.

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