UNH applications top 20,000 for upcoming 2016-2017 academic year

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Every year thousands of high school seniors apply to UNH, except this year the university received a record-breaking 20,000 applications for the fall 2016 semester, nearly 1,000 more than last year.

“Annual increases in applications are an affirmation that the university does many things very well that speak to prospective students and enables students to see value and benefits in a UNH education,” UNH Admissions Director Robert McGann said.

Reaching more than 20,000 applications carries more value than just being a record-breaking number; it symbolizes an increase in high school graduates in areas where UNH historically enrolls students. In addition to that, the annual increase in applications is an affirmation that UNH is appealing to prospective students, enabling them to see all the benefits and the value of an education at the university.

McGann believes that prospective students see great value in all the engaging experiences, great academic programs and extracurricular opportunities that the university has to offer, as well as the sense of community between students, faculty and staff. It is in these communities where students are not only supported and encouraged, but also challenged to do their best.

“It is these experiences that connect with future students and result in more applications being submitted to UNH each year,” McGann said.

There are several factors that could be playing a role in the reasons for the increased interest in the university. Intensifying the spotlight on UNH is its nationally ranked football team and hosting of a nationally-televised presidential primary debate in February. Additionally, UNH has renovated facilities all across campus and is in the process of renovating Hamilton Smith Hall; one of the university’s signature buildings. UNH is also opening a new football stadium, building a recreational swimming facility and expanding on fitness facilities.

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Men’s and women’s track and field both recorded first-place finishes at home meets this weekend.

Through the aid of organization Team IMPACT, UNH Volleyball welcomed its newest member Phoebe Cole to the team last Thursday.

The Wildcat Fueling Station, located in the field house, offers UNH athletes healthy snacks during their busy training days.

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The next issue of The New Hampshire will be on Thursday, April 21, 2016.
Students and faculty gathered on the lawn across from Congreve Hall at 12:30 p.m. United against violence, the participants paraded through campus equipped with cowbells as noisemakers to ensure that the sound of the walk would resonate around campus.

“The louder we are the more awareness we are spreading by making ourselves known and heard,” said SHARPP contributor Madison Lighthoof. The rally had over 60 sponsors of organizations, including the Affirmative Action and Equity Office, the Campus, the Waysmeet Center, the UNH and Durham police departments, Fraternity and Sorority life, ROTC and UNH’s Dunkin’ Donuts, just to name a few.

Alpha Xi Delta member Megan Zuliani attended the event for her second year in a row with her sorority. “I’m glad to have an opportunity to support people, you know? We work a lot with SHARPP.” Doyle said, elaborating on how SHARPP has provided her fraternity with numerous educational resources concerning consent. “We want to show that we care as much as they care and show support in however we can.” Prior to the walk there were two speakers. The first speaker was Senior Vice Provost of Student Life and Dean of Students Ted Kirkpatrick, who got Wildcats roaring.

“I have seen how this violence can be to students...it’s destructive stuff...Sexual violence has no place on any American campus and has no place on UNH campus. Do you agree?” Kirkpatrick said. He further amplified the cheers with his closing statement. “This is our house.”

Following Kirkpatrick, Ryan Grogan, the outgoing student body vice president and active member of SHARPP, gave a farewell speech saying that he is not finished with his work against violence, and will continue his efforts long after graduation.

“One day is not enough, we need to work everyday to rid the problem. We’re not asking anyone to be a superhero; just to do his or her part,” Grogan said.

Grogan ended his speech with a quote by Ronald Reagan: “We can’t help everyone, but everyone can help someone who [has] been touched.”

Hall Director Peter Wilkinson continued his efforts long after graduation. “I hope one day we all can live in a world without violence, where no one is harmed,” said Bricker-Wood.

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Swarming through campus, the participants caught the attention of many campus bystanders who didn’t attend the rally. Students halted their pickup games to watch the rally and lend their cheers. Drivers toasted their horns to support the infectious Wildcat stampede.

Although many victims keep quiet about their history with domestic violence, one attendee of the rally, Mackenzie Brown, said she had encountered victims at UNH who had utilized SHARPP’s services.

“As a Williamson RA and member of SHARPP I have met two victims who the organization has helped,” Brown said.

UNH graduate and Hetzel Hall Director Peter Wilkinson came to the event for his fourth year and noted the benefits of the Ti-Violence Walk and Rally.

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UNH athletic nutritionist Sarah Walker McLaughlin was the driving force behind what is now known as the Fueling Station, which is located just beyond the front doors of the field house and in front of the basketball court entrance. No matter the name, be it the “Fuel Zone” at Ohio State University or “Fuel Bar” at the University of Florida, colleges with Division 1 sports teams around the country are investing in providing student athletes with nutritious snacks to help maintain their energy throughout busy days.

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UNH athletic director Marty Scarano was the one who approached Walker McLaughlin about the idea of starting a fuel station. Walker McLaughlin said she took on the project because of the “value to the students who have class after practice.”

“UNH athletes are at the field house between three to five hours a day, and sometimes more, including pre-workout, practice time, post-workout recovery and lift time. Most of the time, nutrition is the last thing an athlete has time to think about, but also one of the things he or she needs the most.”

Walker McLaughlin and Scarano had to construct the Fueling Station initiative from scratch. First, they came up with a budget of about 50 cents per athlete per day. From there they decided on what ingredients and products to use and who would work the station.

Nutrition majors now voluntarily work the Fueling Station, making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and trail mix, along with buying cheaper products like oranges, apples, bananas and granola bars that are simple and nutritious.

“The best part of the program is that it doesn’t discriminate on whether or not an athlete is on scholarship,” said Michelle Bronner, the senior associate athletic director of compliance at UNH. “It still meets everyone’s needs on such a small budget,” she said.

When asked about any restrictions she comes across, Walker McLaughlin immediately mentioned the budget. While some schools work on fuel station budgets exceeding $100,000, UNH has only a fraction of that. Any initial worries about the Fueling Station not being successful were soon relieved. After just a couple tweets were sent out announcing its launch, the station gained more publicity and soon became a major success. Due to the high traffic the station began generating, the budget per athlete was raised to a dollar per day.

Walker McLaughlin’s hope for the future is for the station to get sponsored. With a sponsorship, UNH Athletic Nutrition would be able to bring in better products and more options.

With energy and enthusiasm, Walker McLaughlin said her favorite part of her job is feeding the athletes because she finds incredible satisfaction from it.

Senior football player Da-berechi Ukwanu said the Fueling Station “kept [him] from starving” during his last season, which included three-a-day practices. Although Walker McLaughlin said the station shouldn’t be used as a meal replacement, it has certainly done its job in assisting athletes during active days around campus.
At the annual Paul College Palooza last Friday, April 15, over 100 senior marketing majors showed off their semester-long team projects, which had them working with local companies and organizations. The event took place on the Scott Hall Lawn, also known as “the fishbowl” around campus. The festivities included giveaways, free food and music.

The projects presented were for a class called “Marketing Workshop,” required for all marketing majors as a hands-on senior capstone. Teams of 8 to 11 students were created, and aimed to behave like marketing companies on behalf of local organizations. The 10 organizations this year included 180 Blue Restaurant, Autoworks, Campus Recreation, Fantastic Fortune Cookies, Key Auto Group, Lamprey Health Care, Prevention Innovations Research Center, the Sexual Harassment & Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP), UNH Police Department and the US Environmental Protection Agency.

Peter Masucci is a senior lecturer in marketing and has been the instructor for this course since 2005. Based on the amount of food served, he estimated that over 500 people came to the event. Masucci believes his class is important so the students can apply their learned skills outside of the classroom.

“As they approach graduation, they’re asking themselves how they can apply these skills they’ve learned to find a job,” Masucci said. “This project gives them real experience in the field.”

“The teams work to bring awareness for the companies and to improve their marketing strategies,” Hopkins said.

Mark Lyscars, a team leader for his project, worked to raise awareness for the phone app called “USafeNH.” The app helps with reporting sexual assaults on campuses across the state. While the app is already established, the team worked to raise awareness for it and launch a new logo. Students who visited this table were able to vote on which logo they preferred.

“It’s rewarding to see a group of people come together and to be able to provide research for a real company,” Lyscars said.

Jillian Mcdonough’s team worked for the Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP). According to Mcdonough, they are still in the midst of conducting interviews and analyzing survey data for SHARPP.

“We’re finding that a lot of students don’t know about SHARPP and all of the services they offer,” Mcdonough said. “We’re hopeful that our recommendations to them will help resolve that issue.”

People who attended the event were able to see the culmination of the hard work done by these students. Hospitality major Lexie Larabee came to the event because of the “lively atmosphere” and to support her roommate’s team.

“It’s a fun event and you get to support your classmates,” Larabee said.

Each team will be represented at the Undergraduate Research Conference (URC), running from April 11 to April 23 at both the Durham and Manchester campuses. The teams will also present their research and recommendations to their organizations on May 10 in the Hudleston Ballroom; this event will be open to the public as well.
The sight of half-filled wine glasses and open wine bottles in a college classroom may seem a little strange to most, yet there are 70 students at UNH, all 21 or older, who call this their class. The course, Beverage Management/ International Wines, is one of the most popular courses within the Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics (Paul College) and on campus as a whole, and allows students to receive and experience their first true knowledge of the wine world.

Nelson Barber, the professor of the course, has been teaching this class for many years at Paul College. Nelson is not only passionate about wine, which is emitted through his lectures, but it’s more time consuming than one might think. "I hope my students gain the ability to walk into a restaurant, bar or store and state what wines they like, with confidence. I want them to understand what they like and dislike."

Throughout a class, students respond to wines with words such as “gamay,” “meaty,” “sweet” and even “bacon flavored.” Learning these terms not only helps the students know what type of food would be great to pair with that specific bottle, but it also leads them to understand what they like and dislike.

Some may think that such a class would be a breeze that consists of only tasting wine twice a week. However, that is not the case.

"The class definitely takes more time than I thought it would, but it’s more time consuming than hard," said UNH senior Ashley Doherty.

Doherty has noticed that due to the course, she now tries to have wine more often while also understanding it in a better manner. "I used to drink Moscato but now I have learned to explore different kinds of wine," she said.

In one class, Barber chose to give the first row of his class a bottle of wine that was spoiled, (better known as being “corked”) without telling the class because he wanted to see their reactions. The row finally described the wine as “corked,” after experiencing the unpleasant discovery of spoiled wine.

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Sustainability now a dual major

By GABRIELLE LAMONTAGNE

Sustainability was recently added to the UNH dual major selection and is available immediately to current undergraduate students. A dual major involves gaining only slightly more than the required number of credits for one regular major, whereas a double major involves getting the required number of credits for each major, thereby nearly doubling the credits required of the student.

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According to Colleen Flaherty, the communications and information coordinator at the Sustainability Institute, “The sustainability dual major consists of 32 credits, including core and elective courses, and a capstone experience. Students are required to take SUST 401, SUST 501 and SUST 750 respectively. They then choose elective courses to complete the remaining 20 credits. Electives do not need to be taken in any order.”

The new major will be run by the Office of the Provost, rather than being a part of any one of the existing colleges at UNH such as Paul College or the College of Liberal Arts (COLA). The assistant director of the sustainability dual major program and main contact for interested students is Dr. Vanessa Levesque, who has a diverse education, work and volunteer background in the sustainability field. The program chair is Dr. Stacy VanDeever, a political science professor.

“It is possible for students to have two majors and add the sustainability dual major, but they will need to be strategic with their class choices to graduate in four years. What’s nice about the sustainability dual major is that elective courses can often double or triple count for major requirements,” Flaherty said.

Support for the creation of this dual major came from students, faculty and the UNH Sustainability Institute.

“Faculty from all colleges and departments are currently teaching courses that count toward the sustainability dual major,” Flaherty said.

There is a long list online of electives to choose from for this dual major, which include classes under the headings of Natural Biological Systems and Social Systems & Humanities.

The website for the dual major lists some of the benefits of pursuing this program option: “Study grand challenges in a flexible format, apply your principles and passions to your academic work, add value to your primary major, work collaboratively across disciplines with students and faculty, develop skills needed to create sustainability solutions in any profession, prepare for a career in the expanding sustainability field, hone your leadership abilities to help create a better world.”

The dual major is not currently available to graduate students, though there are graduate programs that involve some experience with sustainability.

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NH Brief

Annual Campaign underway to help end hunger

CONCORD — The New Hampshire Food Bank’s annual Nothing Campaign is underway to help provide food and meals for more than 143,000 residents who don’t know where their next meal is coming from.

The fourth annual fundrais-
er runs through May. It features empty cans resembling soup cans that donors can purchase at supermarkets throughout the state for $5. The goal is to fill the cans with donations and return them to the food bank.

The can’s label depicts and empty bowl and reads, “Nothing, An Unnecessary Tradition.”

Food bank officials say the amount of food needed to stock shelves at food pantries and soup kitchens around the state keeps growing dramatically. They say they distributed more than 12 million pounds of food in 2015, an increase of more than a million pounds from 2014.

“The New Hampshire Food Bank is working tirelessly to make sure soup kitchens and food pantries are receiving the resources they need to reach the 1 in 9 people in New Hampshire who are food insecure, but the demand is relentless,” said Mel Gosselin, the food bank’s executive director.

Citizens Bank is underwrit-
ing the campaign. Bank president Joe Carelli said at the kick-off event in Londonderry last week that “hunger is an issue that touches every community.”

The food bank, in operation since 1984, is a program of Catholic Charities New Hampshire.

Arson dog training program HQ moving to NH

CONCORD — A nationally recognized program that trains arson detection dogs is relocating from Maine to New Hamp-
shire.

The State Farm Arson Training Dog Program will be headquartered at the New Hamp-
shire Fire Academy in Concord.

Since 1993, the training program has operated under the auspices of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and has put more than 350 dogs and their partners through a 200-hour training program.

Formally known as acceler-
ant detection canines, the dogs are trained to sniff out even min-
ute traces of accelerants.

The New Hampshire Fire Marshal’s office investigator Sean Plummer and his K9, Pal, graduated from the training pro-
gram last summer.

Gov. Maggie Hassan will welcome the State Farm officials and the program to New Hamp-
shire at a ceremony and canine demonstration on Monday.

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Missionary injured in attack returns to U.S.

SALT LAKE CITY — A Mormon missionary severely injured in the Brussels airport bombing arrived back home in Utah over the weekend, his family said.

 Relatives of Richard Norby said in a statement that the 66-year-old, accompanied by his wife, flew back to the U.S. on Saturday. Norby was then admitted to the University of Utah Medical Center in Salt Lake City. He will continue receiving care for burns and shrapnel wounds, the family said.

 “Elder Richard Norby has made positive strides in his recovery over the past many days,” the family said. “He is more alert and has repeatedly thanked his Belgian medical staff for their care and concern.”

 Previously in a medically-induced coma, he had a feeding tube removed in the last week. He can also eat solid foods again, the family said.

 Norby, of Lehi, was standing with three young missionaries of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints when two bombs went off, the Deseret News reported.

 The first blast broke his left fibula and left heel and sprayed shrapnel on him. Some of the debris created wounds up to 2 inches deep. He suffered second-degree burns to the face, ear, leg, back of the hands and sides of his head. While hospitalized in Brussels, he came down with a serious infection.

 The other three missionaries survived.

 Mason Wells, 19, and Joseph “Dres” Empey, 20, suffered second-degree burns and other serious injuries. Both have since returned to Utah. Neither will be able to finish their planned church mission. They also face numerous future surgeries and procedures in the near future.

 Sister Fanny Clain, 20, of Reunion Island, France, suffered second-degree burns also. She remains hospitalized in Antwerp.
A bust hits the Oil Patch as rest of nation enjoys cheap gas

By CAIN BURDEAU ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUMA, La. — It might sound strange, but the pinching folks in Louisiana’s Oil Patch can’t wait for the price of gasoline to go back up.

Cheap gas at the pump — though a welcome cash infusion for millions of American households — is in a way saying “recession” in south Louisiana, where oil wells are as common as shrimp nets and alligators.

Since 2014, Louisiana has lost about 12,000 oil and gas jobs as prices have declined, according to the Louisiana Workforce Commission. Nationwide, about 100,000 jobs related to the oil and gas industry have been lost since January 2015, the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics reports.

Many are left wondering where prices will rise again.

“Yesterday, I paid $1.87 for gas,” Patti Lafont said, shaking her head as she flipped through the tables at a restaurant in Houma, deep in the Oil Patch. “I would rather pay any day $3.87 per gallon because, over here, that’s what we live on: fishing and the oilfield.”

Hoouma is a city of about 34,000 people in the steamy Cajun swamps southwest of New Orleans. It’s transformed itself from the sleepy farming and fishing town it was in the ’30s into a bustling hub serving the needs of oil drillers in the field, whether extracting oil on land or far out in the Gulf of Mexico.

Now — as is happening in other oil-dependent states such as Texas, Wyoming, North Dakota and Alaska — Louisiana is being cloaked by an unexpected worldwide oversupply of crude oil — a glut that has wreaked havoc on those economies.

Among factors making oil so cheap: a slowing Chinese economy, Saudi Arabia’s decision to not reduce oil production and, more recently, the lifting of the embargo on Iran’s oil. Adding to the oversupply are advances in drilling techniques like hydraulic fracturing. And then there’s the growth in wind, solar and natural gas.

A barrel of Brent crude oil closed at $43.10 Friday. So far, cheap gas is considered to be helping the U.S. economy more than it is a pain in the neck.

Not here, though.

Oil-producing Louisiana, where drilling jobs are vital, has been crippled as it no longer makes sense to drill. The severe drop in oil prices has hammered a state government already struggling with budget problems and considering cutting funding for colleges, hospitals and public services to make up for lost revenues.

“Louisiana is in a recession,” said economist Walter Lane, at the University of New Orleans. “Oil prices are the primary reason.”

In Houma, the mood is grim.

“Reduced hours and layoffs are all around us,” said Greg Fakier, who runs a Main Street jeweler.

People are making comparisons with what happened in the 1980s. That infamous bust left high-rise buildings empty shells in New Orleans as people left in droves, the population about 7 percent of its population then, according to a Louisiana State University study.

“I see no light at the end of the tunnel for business to pick back up any time soon,” said Mike Moncla, head of a Lafayette-based oil services company with a fleet of barge rigs. In 2015, the company had 533 employees, while today it’s down to 270. “We are just producing too much oil.”

In Houma, workers are doing anything to make ends meet.

“People are going back to fishing,” said Roger Broussard, a 39-year-old oilfield machinist. “I got friends losing homes.”

He recently lost his job but found working change oil at a drive-thru garage. Broussard now makes about $7 an hour. At the machine shop, he earned $20 an hour. He said the salary drop hit him hard while he raises three children left to his care when his brother died.

At a nearby gas station, Douglas Randall — a fisherman-turned-oilfield truck driver — stood beside his long-idle semi-truck waiting for his next job. He’s paid per load and works for oil companies.

“Slow. That’s the only way to describe it,” said Randall, 60. “It’s off by half at least, or more. How are we helping the U.S. economy more than a state that’s been crippled as it no longer makes sense to drill.”

Fakier, the Main Street jeweler, worried about entering a new normal.

“There is going to be less dependency on oil,” Fakier mused. “You’ve got electric cars coming out like there’s no tomorrow.”

His store was empty. The phone rang once. Diamonds and topaz rings aren’t high priorities nowadays in the Oil Patch.

“So, how long does this take to heal up? It’s not going to be up in one year,” he predicted. “This is going to be slow progress.”

“It’s been several months since my dad’s a sal- ary,” said Amber Ahlf, a de- scribed “oilfield brat” born into an oil company family. “Pretty grim.”

She sat at the desk of the Coteau Baptist Church. It’s hurting, too, as offerings have dropped off.

She nodded toward the closed-up oilfield trucking indus- try service center up the road. “It’s a ghost town,” she said. “I remember when the parking lot was full.”

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Chicago union says clock has started toward teachers’ strike

CHICAGO — The Chicago Teachers Union said on Saturday that the countdown toward a possible strike has begun after it rejected the recommendation of a neutral arbitrator that it accept a contract offer from the nation’s third-largest school system.

The union said the earliest a strike could begin is May 16, about a month before the last day of school on June 21. The union also could strike in September, when school resumes for about 400,000 students.

“The clock has started,” CTU President Karen Lewis said in a statement rejecting the ar- bitrator’s recommendation. “We have no choice but to prepare ourselves for a possible strike.”

The union staged a one- day walkout on April 1 to pro- test what it says are proposals that would cut compensation for teachers and to highlight a state budget stalemate that has hurt education and social service funding.

The threat of a strike fol- lowed the release of a report ear- lier Saturday from an indepen- dent “fact finder” who looked at the positions of both sides and concluded that the union should take the system’s offer, which had already been rejected by the union’s expanded bargain- ing committee. It would have required teachers to contribute the full nine percent of each pay- check to their pensions. It also would have curred some automatic pay rises.

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CFO Forrest Claypool said Saturday that he is worried about the system’s “deteriorating fi- nances” and called on the union to reconsider its rejection of the contract offer.

“I was disappointed to hear the CTU’s president say today that this starts the clock for a strike.”

The union membership of about 27,000 teachers and sup- port personnel went on strike for about a week in September 2012.
Thousands of voters register to wrong party

By DAVID WARREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — Several recommend panel investigating the small-town Texas jail where Sandra Bland died could be difficult to implement, including a call to separate sheriff and jail operations, which may run afoul of state law.

William County would also face financial challenges to implementing other panel recommendations, such as constructing a jail better equipped for suicide prevention and hiring medically trained experts to evaluate the mental health of inmates. County officials have faced criticism for not properly monitoring Bland in jail after she acknowledged last summer that she had once tried to kill herself.

“The state has to take more responsibility in terms of overseeing jail operations, and we haven’t even discussed city jails or private jails.”

State Sen. John Whitmire
Chairman of the Senate criminal justice committee

Problems at the jail highlighted in the report released this week are common to many jails across the country, but few have been scrutinized as closely as Waller County’s. After Bland was found hanged from a cell in August, the report found that a death certificate listing suicide was issued even though officials knew Bland had been administered a sedative on the day she died.

The Los Angeles Times reported that a telephone survey of 500 members of the American Independent Party found nearly 3 of 4 people did not realize they had enrolled in a political party that opposes abortion rights and same-sex marriage and calls for building a fence along the U.S.-Mexico border.

The newspaper said voters were confused by the use of the word “independent” in the party’s name in California, voters who did not want to register with any party must check a box on a registration form for “no party preference.”

“I know it,” Deborah Silva, 64, of Point Arena in Mendocino County, told the Times. “There were a number of choices. I just checked the box that said ‘independent.’”

Of people surveyed in the Times poll, fewer than 4 percent could correctly identify their own registration as a member of the American Independent Party.

Demi Moore was among Hollywood celebrities with known Democratic leanings listed as members. She has contributed money to and campaigned for President Barack Obama. Her registration as an AIP member is wrong, a report said.

“Demi Moore is not, nor has ever been, a member of the American Independent Party,” the representative told the Times.

When Patrick Schwarzenegger, son of former Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, registered to vote in 2013, he selected the American Independent Party. A family spokesman said Schwarzenegger, 22, plans to change his registration.

According to the Secretary of State’s office, the party has about 472,000 members, or 2.7 percent of the statewide total.

The Times reported that the mistaken registration could prevent people from casting votes in the June 7 presidential primary, which is considered California’s most competitive in recent years. Voters affiliated with the American Independent Party will only be allowed to vote for candidates on the party’s ballot, the Times reported. The Republicans will have a closed primary, while the Demo- crats will allow unaffiliated voters to participate.

The deadline to register or change voter registration status for the June 7 primary is May 23.

The American Independent Party’s roots date to 1967 when George Wallace, a segregationist, launched his second run for the White House. Wallace, who had run as a Democrat in 1964, helped create the party and ran on its ticket. Today, that party exists only in California.

“We’re not segregationist anymore,” said Markiani Robin- son, who serves as vice chairman of the American Independent Party’s executive committee. “We are now a conservative, constitutionalist party.”

Some voters who mistakenly registered with the party said they found the state’s official registration materials confusing.

The survey of members of the American Independent Party was conducted by telephone Feb. 9-11. The margin of error is plus or minus 4.4 percentage points.

Changes at Texas jail where Bland died difficult to attain

“The jails are never going to be the right place to treat somebody with a mental health condition.”

Trey Duohon
County Judge

“Dealing with mental health issues in our criminal justice sys- tem continues to be a huge prob- lem, not only for Texas, but also for the country,” Duohon said. “The jails are never going to be the right place to treat somebody with a mental health condition.”

Among the report’s recom- mendations is a push to ensure that any new is planned, but says the construction schedule “should be accelerated.”

County Judge Trey Duohon, the top administrator in the coun- ty, said Waller owns 60 acres on which it’s planning to build a new jail. But he said the county will first secure $20 million to build one, which will take time. And he said even the most modern of jails might be 100 million to build one, which will take time. And he said even the most modern of jails might be

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State proposals on LGBT rights push business into spotlight

By KATHLEEN FOODY
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ATLANTA — Major corporations in Southern states have become some of the staunchest opponents of bills they consider discriminatory, facing off against Republican lawmakers eager to portray their states as the best home for global brands.

The NFL, Apple and other behemoths have coalesced Republicans into rejecting or softening bills in recent years that supporters say protect people who oppose same-sex marriage on religious grounds. Companies are speaking up loudly again this year in states where such bills have been proposed, in a backlash to the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that effectively legalized gay marriage.

“As a company that is committed to the principle that everyone deserves to live without fear of discrimination simply for who they are, becoming an employer in North Carolina, where members of our team will not have equal rights under the law, is simply untenable,” said Dan Schulman, California-based PayPal CEO.

The pushback to bills proposed in several Southern states retreats ground from a 2014 Arizona clash. That state’s legislature approved a bill allowing business owners with strongly held religious beliefs to deny service to gays and lesbians. American Airlines and Apple joined with state business groups to oppose the measure, but the NFL said it would reconsider selecting Arizona to host the next Super Bowl. Days later, then-Gov. Jan Brewer, a Republican, said the bill “could divide Arizona in ways we cannot even imagine” and vetoed it.

The pressure can run both ways. Conservative organizations including the American Family Association have urged people to cancel their PayPal accounts because of its opposition to the North Carolina law. And the Faith and Freedom Coalition, a conservative Christian organization, is asking supporters to write letters to companies opposing the law.

In Georgia, a state senator said he won’t buy tickets to or watch any Atlanta Braves baseball games this year because the team “opposed modest religious freedom laws.” The Baptist Journal joined around 500 other companies, including the NFL, Walt Disney Co. and Marvel Studios, in opposing the Georgia bill.

In 2012, Chick-fil-A CEO Danny Drew drew rebukes from gay rights advocates when he said he supports a “biblical definition of family.” But the result was an overwhelming show of support for the Georgia-based company from conservatives, who helped set a single-day sales record by visiting the chain’s locations on a “Chick-fil-A day” organized by former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, an outspoken evangelical.

More than, though, the company has steered clear of such debates and has not commented on LGBT-related legislation in Georgia or elsewhere.

In a perfect world, a company would want its stance to be the same as its customers,” said Brandon Smith, a consultant on workplace environment and a professor at Emory University.

“Bluntly, companies exist to make money for your share-owners,” he said. “And you can make more money for your share-owners if you can attract, develop and retain the best employees.”

“I am happy that we have this opportunity to be part of that conversation,” said fungus.
Opinion

From the Editor’s Desk

Keep on Keepin’ on

However, my first “from the editor’s desk” letter is specifically directed to freshmen and first-year students. In the beginning of the year we had a message welcoming you to campus, and now I want to check in. I hope you all had a great year here in Durham, but I know there is also a chance you didn’t. I want you to know that it’s okay.

At the end of my freshman year, I wanted to transfer. I was looking at schools to apply to and couldn’t wait to go home for the summer. I came to UNH knowing nobody and although I made some great friends throughout the year, it didn’t feel like home. Looking back, I know this was a completely valid emotion to feel. If any of you are feeling this way, I want to personally ask you to stay.

Don’t transfer. It is impossible to make your mark at this school in one year.

I suppose I should start off by introducing myself. Hello TNH reader, my name is Allison Bellucci and I am the new Executive Editor. Here at The New Hampshire we turn over the newspaper responsibilities to the new staff roughly a month before school ends each year. And, while that might seem like a crazy change to throw at us young journalists during one of the most stressful times of the year, on behalf of the staff, I can tell you with confidence that we are all passionate and dedicated to producing this paper.

Our staff is composed of students passionate about aspects of journalism. We have the opportunity to write about any and everything. Beginning in July, we turn over the newspaper responsibilities to the new staff. I give you my promise that every year we aim to enrich our content with new ideas and perspectives. No idea is too small or too big. At the end of the year, I want to personally ask you to...
I’m not funny how we each assume that our own way of speaking, particularly when it comes to pronunciation, is the one true “right” way? In fact, as Americans we love British accents because they sound so different and strange to our ears, whereas technically, the proper British accent should be considered as “normal” everywhere, because that’s where English was first spoken: Early Modern English, that is – I’m not going to go into all the history involved in the formation of an entire language. The problem is, that either way, the language has been so diversified and stretched, that sometimes it’s very difficult for people of different dialects to understand each other, even when they are technically speaking the same language.

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The song “Why Can’t The English?” from the “My Fair Lady” soundtrack, preferably the version sung by Rex Harrison, who performed the role of Professor Higgins both on the Broadway stage alongside Julie Andrews and in film alongside Audrey Hepburn, discusses this very problem.

Although the song is used in the musical as a comical way for a need to rant about his frustrations with this problem in order to later push the plot forward in the right direction, the problem is nonetheless important. I really love the way this song discusses language in a funny and somewhat offensive way simply in order to make a point.

The song does make up for this somewhat outdated view later by showing through other lyrics that it is simply a truth of that time period, perhaps even a criticism of that mind-set, rather than an idea the lyricists intended to spread. For instance, the generalization of the line set, “An Englishman’s way of speaking absolutely classifies him,” The moment he talks he makes some other Englishman despise him,” proves that the mindset isn’t necessarily that one class is better than the other, just that each has a different way of speaking; different slang and pronunciations.

When it comes to language education, the song compares English with various other languages. Some of which include, “Norwegian, Egyptian, Greek. The Greeks are taught their Greek.” In France every Frenchman knows his language fro “A” to “Zed” / The French never care what they do, actually, as long as they pronounce in properly... As a French major, I can say that this is partly true – but not entirely. However, this may also be an outdated mindset or opinion about French culture. The song continues, “Arabians learn Arabian with the speed of summer lightning. / And Hebrews learn it backwards, which is absolutely frightening.” This is just another silly, but true, rhyme that illuminates the comparisons between how the English language is taught and how other nations learn their national languages.

Higgins’ final rant to end the song really summarizes his entire point, “Why can’t the English, Why can’t the English learn to speak?” The unfortunate part is that since these accents have so developed and are so deeply embedded in history, it’s now preferable to preserve each dialect rather than to impose “proper” English on every district. Indeed, each dialect is now considered beautiful in its own right, the same way that “ruggedly handsome” differs from conventional beauty. Personally, I agree that these dialects should be preserved for historical and unconventional aesthetic reasons, but I see how these accents may have been considered disgraceful misrepresentations of the English language in earlier centuries.

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collegiate athletic programs with children that face serious illnesses. Through the philosophy of coming together and the power of team, Team IMPACT sets out to enrich the lives of both the children and the student-athletes, and build strong relationships amongst each other.

Phoebe’s parents, as well as UNH volleyball were notified of the opportunity and both sides quickly seized the chance to get involved.

“The team at [Phoebe’s school] guidance counselors spoke to us about it and my wife followed through with that and got in touch with the Team IMPACT crew,” Phoebe’s father Craig Cole said. “They hooked up with UNH because it’s located where we live... it was very convenient and we’re fans of UNH so it worked out pretty well.”

Once the Wildcats met Phoebe for the first time, they knew she was a perfect fit, as Hirschinger said there was “a great connection between [Phoebe] and the players.”

“She is going to have a big impact on our life,” junior setter Keelin Severtson said. “When we’re going through rough things she’s going through rough things so it’s a give and take and we’ll both get something (out of it).”

Phoebe was given a chance to spend the day with the players and explore the UNH campus before she signed her letter of commitment to the Wildcats. The day consisted of a tour of the UNH campus, a visit to the Wildcat statue and a rock-climbing adventure. Around mid-afternoon, the team and Phoebe returned to Lundholm Gymnasium where she was given her own green screen headshot and photoshoot. At around 5:15 p.m., the team, as well as other student-athletes around UNH, gathered around Phoebe and her parents to give her a nice loud welcome to UNH as she signed her letter of commitment. With all that happened leading up to the big moment, “probably the signing,” Phoebe said was the best part about the day. “It’s very impressive and [I’m] very proud of her,” Craig said. “I think it’s going to be a great mentoring experience for her to hang out with the older girls, college girls and athletes and see how it all works.”

Now that Phoebe is an official member of the UNH volleyball team, she will play a proverbial “little sister” role to the players according to Hirschinger. She will attend some team practices, participate in team events and most importantly, become an emotional supporter for the team in pursuit of its fourth consecutive America East championship.

Cole is most looking forward to “watching the team [play] and cheering for them.” Though some seniors will be leaving, standouts Demi Muses and Severtson will be returning for their senior seasons to play and cheer the team on alongside Phoebe.

Come support the team next fall as Phoebe and the Wildcats look to remain the team to beat in the America East conference.

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Loan Allen were on the winning side of both the men’s and women’s conference meet. We’re able to have the sprints, jumps, throws, and also have that strong distance group that we have. I thought we accomplished a lot this weekend,” Hoppler said on the team’s success at home. Both men’s groups performed exceptionally well this weekend also. At the Ocean State Invitational, Drew Piazza competed in the mile for a fifth-place finish and a new personal record of 4:06.25. Senior Brendan Dan McCarthy also set a new personal record in the mile of 4:16.38, which placed him in 19th. First-year student William Uhrich ran the fastest outdoors in the 800, placing in seventh and crossing the line in 1:53.63. Thomas Harter ran the same race in 1:54.70 for 13th.

“It was worth it and I think the guys today did a very good job training and racing. I think it was a good meet,” Coach Jim Boulanger said on his Ocean State Invitational competitors. In Saturday’s quad-meet back in Durham, the men’s team cut it close but was able to pull off the victory. The ‘Cats edged out Bates College by three points, 197-194. Seven first-place finishes and depth in areas helped set the ‘Cats on top. Ryan Maney and Brandon Allen were on the winning 4x100-meter relay team and placed first in their individual events. Maney won the 110 hurdles in 15.08 seconds, while Allen won the 100 for a new personal record of 10.95 seconds. Michael Shanahan remained consistent and won the hammer throw with a launch of 197-feet, 5-inches. Sophomore Alex Tamulonis cleared 14’ 5.25” in the pole vault for first place as well.

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This upcoming Wednesday and Thursday the men’s team will send Daniel Johnson and Joel Nkounkou to the Holy Cross decathlon meet. Next Saturday, both the men’s and women’s teams will compete at the UMass Lowell Invitational starting at 11 a.m.

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‘Cats struggle vs. Seawolves

BY BRIAN DUNN
SPORTS EDITOR

On Saturday, UNH and Stony Brook, two of the top teams in the America East conference went to battle. Although UNH kept the scoring to a minimum of four goals at the half-way mark, the Seawolves pulled away in latter half of the game and Stony Brook prevailed over the Wildcats by a final score of 11-4.

Both the Wildcats and the Seawolves were at the top of the America East standings at 3-0 going into Saturday’s matchup and the stakes were immensely high to claim the top spot alongside Albany in the conference standings. Stony Brook made its mark early in the contest.

Dorrien Van Dyke and Courtney Murphy gave the Seawolves an early 2-0 lead five minutes into regulation and Stony Brook seized control in the early minutes. However, UNH evened the score quickly. The senior tandem of Nicole Grote and Laura McHoul once again tag-teamed for a tally to cut the deficit in half. Minutes later Krissy Schafer recorded her 22nd goal of the season to even the score at two.

Stony Brook potted two more to regain the two-goal lead at halftime. Despite the score, UNH’s defensive prowess was present against one of the conference’s highest scoring offenses. UNH forced six Stony Brook turnovers, won the draw control battle 4-3 and only allowed nine shots on goal, UNH took minimal damage through 30 minutes of play.

In the second half, things began to go south for the Wildcats. Nicole Grote tallied her second of the afternoon at 23:17, but that would be all we saw from UNH for a while. The Seawolves went on to score six consecutive goals, as well as force UNH to commit costly turnovers. The Seawolves led 11-3 with 6:34 left in the game. McHoul got on the board to increase her season-leading point total to 42. The game finished by an 11-4 final score. Stony Brook handed the Wildcats their second straight loss.

With only two games left, the race to secure a playoff spot is tightening, and UNH’s road does not get easier. The team will welcome the 8-4 Albany Great Danes on Saturday, April 23 to Cowell Stadium. Albany is undefeated in conference play this far. Last time these two teams played, the Great Danes handed the Wildcats a 15-6 loss at Albany. Saturday’s matchup will begin at 12 p.m.

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Daniel is a junior majoring in English/journalism. He will be one of TNH’s staff columnists for the upcoming year. His column “Let’s make it Clare” is a hot take opinion piece that provides a unique perspective on the major topics and current events in professional sports including the NBA and MLB. Daniel is also featured on WUNH’s “Wildchats” on Thursdays from 6-8 p.m.

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Sam Rogers
On Saturday, Celtics guard Avery Bradley suffered a hamstring injury, and is likely to miss the rest of the first round vs. the Atlanta Hawks.

Welcome to Wildcat country

UNH Volleyball and Team IMPACT organize a signing day for Phoebe Cole, a 10-year-old fifth-grader from Hampton.

Team IMPACT and UNH Volleyball join forces to welcome Phoebe Cole to the volleyball team

By BRIAN DUNN
SPORTS EDITOR

On Thursday, April 14, the UNH volleyball team welcomed a very special member to its Wildcat family.

Phoebe Cole, a 10-year-old fifth-grader from Hampton, officially signed to become a part of the UNH volleyball team last week. With help from the efforts of the organization Team IMPACT and the UNH volleyball staff, Head coach Jill Hirschinger is happy to welcome Phoebe to the team and believes she will make a great addition to the program.

“IT’s good for all of us, it’s good for the team, it’s good for Phoebe, her family and it’s just a really special day,” Hirschinger said.

In 2014, Phoebe was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis, a disease that causes the lungs and digestive system to be congested with sticky mucus, which can cause lung infections and weight gain troubles. There is no known cure for cystic fibrosis, but there are available treatments that Phoebe frequently undergoes that can make the process easier.

The day was made possible by Team IMPACT, an organization that pairs NCAA

Purrier, ‘Cats strong in weekend meets

By RYAN PAGLIARO
STAFF WRITER

Elinor Purrier continued to establish herself as one of the most impressive athletes UNH has ever seen after her performance in Providence this weekend.

A select squad from the men and women’s track and field teams competed Friday night at Providence College for the Ocean State Invitational, where Purrier qualified for the Olympic trials in the 3,000-meter steeplechase. Purrier won the event with a time of 9 minutes, 47.17 seconds, which is 5.83 seconds faster than the Olympic-trial qualifier time. She also claimed the new school record for the event in the process.

“Only 24 people in the country are able to run in the Olympic trials, and that’s pros, college kids, everybody. That’s a really big accomplishment to qualify for that race. And to have someone who’s a sophomore eligibility wise, a junior in college, most of those people in that race are going to be pros, so for her to be running at that level here at UNH is really pretty impressive,” head coach Robert Hoppler said on his distance runner.

“She’s a kid who’s won seven consecutive America east cham-