Moving up the ranks

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Student Senate Update

New student senate speaker elected, resolutions on fraternity and sorority GPA requirements, UNH gun policy passed.

BY TYLER KENNEDY CONTENT EDITOR

With the decision by the members of Student Senate on Sunday evening to select sophomore political science and justice studies dual major Brennan Pouliot as the next student senate speaker, the head leadership of student governance at UNH for next year is now open knowledge to the public.

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By Colleen Irvine

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Together with the Iranian Association of New Hampshire, UNH’s International Student Organization (ISO) hosted a conversation on Iranian culture in Memorial Union Building room 330.

By Jocelyn Van Saun

STAFF WRITER

The results of the student body elections were announced on Sunday at precisely 4 p.m. Presidential and vice presidential candidates Carley Rotenberg and Alexandra Burroughs won the general student election for their respective positions, and Christian Merheb won the election for student board representative running as the only official candidate on the ballot.

By AARON RAGO CONTRIBUTING WRITER

On Sunday afternoon, around 30 individuals gathered in the Governance Associations Complex within the Memorial Union Building to hear the results of the student body general election. The student body elections were announced on Sunday at precisely 4 p.m. Presidential and vice presidential candidates Carley Rotenberg and Alexandra Burroughs won the general student election for their respective positions, and Christian Merheb won the election for student board representative running as the only official candidate on the ballot.

On Sunday, April 2, 2017, Alex Burroughs (left) and Carley Rotenberg (right) elected as 2017–18 student body vice president and president.

By Alex LaRoza

STAFF WRITER

The ISO is a fairly new organization, having been founded within the past year. At the time, ISO president, Shrimika Madhavan, said, “So we wanted to bring all the cultures and organizations together, because we didn’t have that.”

By ALEX LAROZA STAFF WRITER

Looking at the total vote count, the student participation increased from last year. “We were happy to see that the election turnout was higher than the years prior. We attribute that to multiple candidates and their campaigns. We look forward to looking into how we can increase the turnout and reach more people next time around,” Fries said in response to the election results.

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A medley of plants were sold in the MUB on Thursday, March 30, by Xi Sigma Pi along with the UNH Thompson School greenhouses.

The women’s lacrosse team captured its first win of the season on Saturday by defeating the Vermont Catamounts 12–11 in Burlington, Vermont.

An anti-sexual harassment exhibit by SHARPP was posted in the MUB on March 17, and was then swiftly taken down. The UNH community has voiced displeasure with the situation.

Check out the Newsroom Poll for this issue! The question: what is your favorite emoji?
neering student and former mem-
ber of the Iranian Association of New Hampshire, Shokoufeh Zarger, said. “There is so much variety, even in a country that is as small as the state of Texas.”

“I was always talking with a speech by Farzaneh Shirazi, the president of the Iranian Association of New Hampshire, along with an accompanying slideshow. Shirazi spoke about the variety of clothing and style options that Iranian women have, as well as the role that women now play in Iranian society.

“Women are half of the Iranian society, and 60 percent of the university students are female,” Shirazi said. “Unlike the pre-revolutionary culture in many Iran women work outside of the house, have families and have a signifi-
cant presence in the society.”

The hijab itself was another prominent discussion topic. As a rule, girls in Iran have to start wearing the hijab at age 9, but they are expected to start wearing it around age 12.

“So the thing is based on Islam, a woman needs to cover their hair, which is their face, and only their hands and their faces are allowed to be shown,” Zarger said. “We each feel like either one of my country, that’s the basis of the rules, people are trying to be fash-
onable. So they’re trying to play around with the colors, with the fabrics, the style, so that they can express themselves.”

After Shirazi’s presentation, Zargar proceeded to answer ques-
tions from students, as well as speak about the importance of supporting Iranian culture. A common theme throughout was how diverse a nation Iran is regarding fashion, architecture, art and food. Iran has a total of 31, however, makes known its own set of customs and culture, and Captus Structure Chair spoke throughout the nation.

One student asked Zargar whether younger people in Iran had started protesting the dress codes. Zargar responded by say-
ing that while there is a protest movement, it is mostly coming from Iranians outside of the coun-
try, rather than inside.

The remainder of the conver-
sation focused on the impressi-
ve diversity of Iranian architectural styles, as well as the persis-
tine and music. Throughout the event, a vegetarian soup known as fesenjou was passed around. Food was the feature of the Iranian soci-
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no time in congratulating and showing their support and respect for Carley. Of course everyone is happy with the results of the elec-
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ment, and it showed. I think [Ro-

tenberg and Burroughs] will do an

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Earlier in the day, the results of this week’s student body elec-
tions were released. Carley Ro-

tenberg for student body presi-
dent, Alexandra Burroughs for student body vice president and vice for the president-elect?

I was a representative for the yearbook would stay around. TNH: Have you thought about where you’d like to apply to?

Dean: Yeah, I’m going to apply to a couple schools in the Boston area. I don’t think I’ll go much further than Pennsylvania, so I’ll apply to [the University of Pennsylvania]. If that doesn’t work out, I’ll also apply to University School of Law.

TNH: What kind of law would you like to practice?

Dean: Well, because of my minor in [health manage-
manship]. Law school doesn’t seem like so much in health law. But, I’ve got some prosecutor in my blood, so might go down that route too.

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solved that the senate “support the real time traffic analysis project conducted by the Con-
nections Research Center and the Department of Transporta-
tion that will provide greater service to the driving commu-
nity.”

Furthermore, this resolu-
tion urges the UNH Admin-
istration to finalize the provi-
dence of Campus Planning and other re-
ated departments to “continue investing in this technology in order to improve on campus traffic flu-
ting.” Like the previous resolution, Resolution 31 also passed with a total of 2,951 points with unof-

TNH: Do you have any ad-
vise for those who are running for the first time?

Dean: Try to sleep more? No, I don’t know. I think to remember that you’re not the only student body president is really viewed with a lot of importance to not just the Durham community, but the whole world, so you need to con-
improve the week you’re running on, but when you’re running you have to be on track. So, it’s important to remember that when you take a position like this, you’re not going to be 
lonely anymore. People rec-
ognize you. Overall [remember that it’s important] to work hard, but also take care of yourself.

TNH: What was the biggest challenge you faced as student body president?

Dean: I don’t know the ex-
act amount, but I’m responsible for being the student voice for your work of 50 something com-
mittees. May 1, you take over and immediately have your cabinet in place. You’re probably getting 50-100 emails a day of all a sudden. It be-
comes a lot of work, but I’m doing it very quickly and if you don’t set yourself up and delegate tasks and really mentally prepare yourself for that, it will be overwhelming. So, the biggest challenge is just setting yourself up in a way that will still be successful, but you’re not getting overwhelmed, but the student voice is still being heard everywhere.

TNH: What’s the biggest ‘take away’ you’ve come out of this position with?

Dean: Being on a tough ques-
tion, but I’ll take away the experi-
ence of having to manage a team and understand the managing the planning. No one’s per-
fected, but you make decisions correctly, but in the end, you make mistakes and you do your best. So, you learn how to solve problems, but you also learn how to learn from the mistakes and come back from those mis-
takes. [What matters] at the end of the day is how you look back and say you did everything for the right reasons and that you’re doing the best to represent them.

TNH: With graduation just over a month away, do you have any long term plans?

Dean: I’m planning on at-

tending law school. I’m going to take a gap year because I think it’s important to look back, look back and say you did everything for the right reasons and that you’re doing the best to represent them.

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A major topic of discus-
sion at Sunday’s meeting was one regarding a decision made by SAC of the Arts and Sciences, to allocate $22,500 from the reserve pool to the student group Trash to Treasure (TTT). After a dis-
cussion that lasted more than a half hour, the senate decided on Sunday to increase that funding to $30,000. Prior to the meeting, TTT was not going to be funded through the student activity fee as a project that fell under the budget for the Student Environmental Ac-

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Greenhouse open house showcases local plant research

BY ZERINA BAJRAMOVIC  STAFF WRITER

The UNH Macfarlane Research Greenhouses provided a warm and lush escape from the spring snow showers outside on Friday and Saturday during the annual Spring Greenhouse Open House.

On Friday, March 31, researchers with the New Hampshire Agricultural Experiment Station discussed their research at the Macfarlane Greenhouse from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Saturday’s snow did not stop the open house from staying open to the public. Though the bus for the high tunnels tour was unavailable, those with their own transportation were still invited to come by for the tour.

Presenters lined the inside of the greenhouse with flyers, posters and plenty of greenery, showcasing their research and findings.

Along with the educational displays, lectures were held in Putnam Hall, across the street from the greenhouse.

Dr. Todd Goerdat, an assistant professor of civil and environmental engineering, held a workshop on How to Make your Own Aquaponic System. The hands-on activity was geared towards children of all ages.

In addition to all of the educational resources about local agriculture and aesthetically pleasing landscape displays, the greenhouse included the Greenhouse Café. The café offered drinks, snacks and small lunches at a low cost.

The event proved to be popular for people of all ages and members of the community, including researchers, faculty and local farmers, as well as students from UNH and those passionate about agriculture.

Some of the day’s research presentations included: kiwiberry development in New England, plant improvement in the three major economically important species of squash and pumpkin, and controlled environment agriculture systems. There were over a dozen different presentations to choose from as you made your way through the greenhouse.

With native species and invasive species, breeding Asian strawberries and genetic mechanisms of resistance of wheat stem rust in barley.

“It was wicked cool. I had no idea that there was that much at the greenhouse. It was beautiful. I personally am not really into agriculture or anything, but it was fun to just walk around and see everything,” UNH student Katelyn Caswell said.

“I think it’s important to see the hard work that the UNH agriculture students put into their classes and work in the greenhouse,” Caswell said.

2017 has been named the “year of the Brassica,” according to The National Garden Bureau. Brassica plants include cabbage, turnip, kale and broccoli. These particular plants were displayed and admired by many of the visitors during the event.

The 25,000 square feet greenhouse is dedicated to research and teaching associated with the New Hampshire Agricultural Experiment Station and the UNH College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, and includes the Thompson School of Applied Science greenhouses as well.

During the open house, the Thompson School of Applied Science had plants for sale for the public, including the popular air plants, which do not need soil to thrive.

Formal tours of the greenhouse are offered annually during the Spring Open House. During other times, individuals and groups of up to five people can visit the greenhouse any time during regular hours.

The hours of operation are: Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The greenhouse is closed on Sundays.

Business leaders share experience at annual conference

BY KATHERINE LENSKY CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics was teeming with professionals and business students on Friday, March 31, as the UNH Women in Business organization held its second annual conference.

Smiling, excited faces of members of the organization greeted registered guests with gift bags, name tags and offers of assistance finding the rooms attendees were going to.

The event kicked off with a keynote speaker, Cathy Saunders, who discussed finding one’s “true north,” in reference to one’s desires and passions.

After the keynote, there were several breakout sessions—three of which were panel discussions centered around real estate, emerging industries and negotiations and mentorship. The fourth was a professional and speed mentoring session hosted by TD Bank. The whirlwind of networking, presentations and advice continued with an executive panel that included Nancy Targett, provost of UNH, and Deborah Merrill-Sands, the dean of Paul College, as the moderator. A networking lunch took place from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. to end the busy morning and early afternoon.

The Emerging Industries panel was comprised of three successful keynote speakers in the business world. It featured Lauren Kane, the chief operating officer of nonprofit scientific publisher BioOne, Mark Kilens of HubSpot Academy and Annie Spano, the founder of Style Collective. Questions submitted by students and other guests were posed to the trio regarding their journeys to reach their current careers and advice they’d give to those who also want to find success. Stories were told about times of difficulty that brought these professionals to where they are today. Spano told the nearly full lecture hall of an old job in which she worked for a boss who belittled her and several coworkers, repeatedly saying that Spano would never be able to advance in her career.

Kane also told the audience about hardships she faced in the publishing industry. Overall, on the topic of hard times, she said, “you are going through this for a reason,” and “if you are not challenging yourself, you’re not trying hard enough.” They were then asked how they would define an “emerging industry,” and Kilens began with “the power of this thing called the internet.”

Spano and Kane also gave credit to the internet for the emergence of not only their businesses, but for the growth of the business world as well. Kane is the chief operating officer for a business started out of the desire for scientists to have somewhere online, accessible to the public, to publish their findings. Spano’s business is an online fashion blog.

These three are parts of businesses that could not have existed even 20 years ago, and Kilens’ advice about getting there was simply “be patient, be persistent” and “never give up.”

The breakout session presentations and speed networking with TD Bank was given by Celeste On, the vice president of the segment risk lead/operational risk management, Diane DiCicco, the vice president and senior manager HR advice channel for the bank, and Beth Pollard, the bank’s regional retail operations director for northern New England and up-state New York. The presentation focused on finding a good mentor and how to be as professional in an interview or work setting.

“It’s always a good move to get more experience,” Orr said. The three also discussed the value in “lateral moves” rather than always trying to move up the corporate ladder. After the presentation was over, businesspeople from all sessions broke out into small groups with students and guests to practice networking and getting to know each other.

While all speakers and special guests had unique experiences that got them to where they are professionally, one thing is common. Kilens summed it up quite nicely, and that is to “always be learning.”
Significance of the naked female body within protests discussed in COLA lecture

FAIRBANKS, Alaska – A 4-year-old girl was buried by 5 feet (1.5 meters) of snow in an Alaska town after snow slid off a roof, seriously injuring the child, authorities said.

Emergency workers went to the home in the Fairbanks suburb of North Pole after a woman said Saturday afternoon that she could not find her granddaughter after snow slid off the metal roof, Wells told the News-Miner.

The storm door leading to the back porch area opens outward, and the door was jammed because of the snow, he said. "They had to kick out the glass (of the storm door) to get outside," Wells told the newspaper. "Calling 911 without deixing the house' was buried. It was a large area we were searching. The whole deck' the whole back side of the house was buried. It was immediately," Wells said Sunday.

Shortly after 1 p.m., the family was about to leave the house together and the child went out side first, he said. The parents then heard the snow crashing down from the metal roof, Wells told the News-Miner.

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Students and faculty were invited to the Memorial Union Building (MUB) on Thursday, March 30, to read pieces of literature from any point in history that spoke to the ideals of democracy.

The event was called Write Your Democracy: A Humanities Read-In on Free Expression. While the event was sponsored by the UNH Center for the Humanities, the turnout brought together many inspiring pieces of literature from several different time periods and writers, shared by the professors of many departments.

The chair of the English department at UNH, Rachel Trubowitz, first brought this idea up to Holly Cashman, an associate professor of Spanish, and Stephen Trzaskoma, a professor of classics, who both immediately jumped on the interesting idea.

“As departments that teach language I felt that we should work together,” Trubowitz said. “We wanted to create a way to get meaningful contact between students and staff – with no titles [of participants].”

Although there were no students in the group of 14 who chose to read their pieces of literature, the hope is that events like this will bring together students and faculty to express their ideas freely and have an open discussion together as a community. Trubowitz, Cashman and Trzaskoma all hoped for another opportunity to have another event similar to this, in the hopes of having a bigger turnout from the UNH student body.

Stories ranged everywhere from poetry to TED Talks, from 17th century to present day, in a variety of languages including English, Spanish and even German in one case. Although the languages and time periods varied a lot, all of the pieces dealt with defending free expression, rejecting hatred and upholding the truth.

When creating this event, there wasn’t a very specific set of guidelines for participants, but the underlying tone of democracy could be heard in almost every piece of literature presented. The main focus of this event was to bring the community together to share and discuss freedom of expression.

“We wanted to bring people together who are interested in talking about freedom of expression rather than reacting to a specific event, we wanted to be more proactive and specifically bring in texts from different cultures and people to offer different views,” Cashman said.

The speakers, who had different ethnicities and genders, offered different points of view on what democracy means to them. Trzaskoma, one of the faculty members who created this event had only one regret after helping create this read-in with his two colleagues.

“We have mostly faculty speakers, my one regret is not having as many students participate,” Trzaskoma said. He then went on to explain how undergraduates reacting to each speaker is just one beneficial part to having them, the other being having young adults bringing their life view to other adults not in the same sphere of influence.

The Write Your Democracy read-in event that occurred on Thursday is just one example of how the UNH community is being brought together to share ideas and express opinions in an effort to ensure that freedom of expression remains at the university.
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Health Services and Nourish UNH team up for annual nutrition expo

By Gabrielle Lamontagne
Staff Writer

The aroma of homemade snacks and fruit floated in the lobby of the Hamel Recreation Center on Thursday, March 30, as the Nutrition Expo, put on by Health Services and Nourish UNH, featured a theme of, “Put Your Best Fork Forward.”

“It’s been a lot of work, but really fun,” she said. We actually started working on this last semester. We reach out to different vendors, student orgs and businesses that are local that have promotion for health and wellness,” said junior nutrition dietetics major and Nourish UNH member Emily Bukovich.

Some of the vendors, besides student organizations and UNH Dining, included Lamey & La Cafe, Wildcat Fitness and a smoothie bar. Bukovich said the purpose of the fair was to promote health and wellness education.

According to Bukovich, this is the fourth occurrence of the annual expo and the organizers wanted to make the day a celebration of nutrition and health, as well as to highlight that March is National Nutrition Month.

“We wanted to have a place where students could go to learn more about health and wellness. Last year, we had 300 students that came. From the looks of it right now, we are probably going to exceed that. So, it’s been a great success so far,” Bukovich said.

The expo had plenty to attract students, ranging from snacks provided from the clubs in attendance, to informative posters about different food issues and advice. Bukovich also spoke on the “What’s Cooking Wednesday?” program that Health Services puts on every Wednesday in the Hamel Rec Center.

“It’s a cooking class at the brand new demo kitchen here at Hamel Rec,” she said. “One of the things we made is our white bean avocado hummus. We also made our no-bake cereal bars.”

Also featured at the expo was a raffle, and in order to be entered, visitors had to visit at least five tables and have a form stamped.

The expo was held in one of the basketball courts, right beside the lobby—a spot the organizers reserved months ago.

“We feel like this is a prime location. People are coming in and out of workouts and class if they hear about it. Our whole team worked so hard on this so our hard work is paying off,” Bukovich said.

Nourish UNH has a small team right now, but they’re currently recruiting future volunteers through Health Services. These new members will be able to help plan next year’s expo: something well worth looking forward to.

Comedian Eliot Chang tackles race with comedy

By Brendan Luke
Contributing Writer

The United Asian Coalition (UAC) hosted their annual East Meets West event on Friday, March 31, in an effort to explore and bring together eastern and western cultures through guest speakers, performances, comedy shows, panels and various other fun and engaging ways.

This year the UAC brought Eliot Chang, a stand-up comedian who has made various television appearances including Comedy Central and “Chelsea Lately.”

“We are making sure Eliot Chang gets here smoothly. We almost canceled due to snow, but he assured us that there was no need to cancel and that he will be here tonight,” said Audrien Monareh, president of the UAC, prior to the event. “We’ve advertised all over the campus; on the boards, academic halls, and throughout the Memorial Union Building (MUB). We submitted table tents (MUB). We submitted table tents throughout the Memorial Union Building (MUB). We submitted table tents on OrcaTV displayed throughout the campus. We’ve advertised on our website, and our ads have been running almost as much laughter as the standup portion of his show. Questions are shown to please all men expected.

Chang then went on to offer his phone number to the audience so they could text him anonymous questions for a Q&A at the very end of his show. Questions varied from dating advice to his personal sex life, which generated almost as much laughter as the standup portion of his show.

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On Asians in the media and how he believes that the Asian youth doesn’t really have a positive role model in American media.

“Asian women in American media are either displayed as a sex object or a b----,” Chang said. He went on to argue that you al |

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Xi Sigma Pi teams with Thompson School greenhouses for plant sale

BY SAMANTHA LABRECQUE
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Xi Sigma Pi, the National Forestry Honor Society, partnered with UNH Thompson School Greenhouses on Thursday, March 30, for a plant sale collaboration that featured a variety of plants.

While the Thompson school sells plants every spring semester out of the greenhouses, this is the first time Xi Sigma Pi has teamed up with them to sell them in the Memorial Union Building (MUB). The idea came from the fact that there isn’t much awareness about the plants that are being sold at the greenhouses each year. By bringing the plants to the MUB, the honor society was hoping to help the greenhouses reach out to students, as well as make it more convenient for students to buy the dorm plants and support the work that the greenhouses do.

According to Kimberly Lavoie, president of Xi Sigma Pi, the partnership for Xi Sigma Pi and the greenhouses work as the horticultural program and students grow the plants yearly. Xi Sigma Pi rents the table in the MUB, and is in charge of transporting and keeping track of the plants during and after the sale. The honor society then returns what wasn’t sold to the greenhouses.

"...a very generous 50 percent of the money we make off the plants are given to the organization, while the rest is given to the greenhouses."

KIMBERLY LAVOIE
PRESIDENT OF XI SIGMA PI

The UNH Thompson School Greenhouses were having trouble selling plants at their annual plant sales, so on Thursday, March 30, they partnered with Xi Sigma Pi to sell their plants in the MUB.

Ultimately, the event acts as a fundraiser in which the money will be used for multiple organization related things, such as future events, and the Natural Resources and the Environment Barbecue at the end of the year.

Junior Meg Falcone, who was eating lunch in Union Court, stopped by the table. “I haven’t seen anything like this in Union before, so it was cool that they had something different,” Falcone said. “I just think it is a great idea to sell plants from the greenhouses, because I didn’t know they were available to students.”

Although the greenhouses themselves sell a wide arrangement of flowers, the table had an array of multiple species of succulents including cacti, as well as several species of flowering plants and even some orchids.

When asked if she would buy a plant, Falcone said that she was interested in getting a cactus because they are easy to take care of.

As spring approaches, the Greenhouses are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Lal explores the Nepali language with engaging discussion in Cultural Connections

By Nick D’Aloia
Contribution Writer

Ashnav Lal, UNH sophomore from Nepal, explored the many intricacies of the Nepali language at an event, “Cultural Connections” event presented by the Memorial Union Building (MUB) and the Office of International Students and Scholars. Friday, March 31, in the Entertainment Center of the MUB.

Lal discussed his overall experience with languages growing up in southern Nepal but ultimately tightened the focus around Nepali, the oldest language in his home country.

“There are around 125 languages spoken in Nepal,” Lal said. “There are so many ethnic communities that each one has its own variation of the Nepali language depending on where you are from.”

The family on Lal’s father’s side originates from Nepal, while family on his mother’s side hails from India. The diversity within Lal’s family resulted in him acquiring the languages of Nepal, Hindi, Maithili and English at a very young age.

“I worked with him to prepare this presentation and I knew how excited this made him,” said Gigi Green of the Office of International Students and Scholars. “Since British-English was emphasized so much throughout Ashnav’s education, teaching an audience about Nepal is a great opportunity for him to reconnect with his roots.”

Lal engaged the audience with fun exercises centered on the Nepali language. Each table in the room was equipped with a cup of markers and a blank paper for audience members to take a stab at writing the Nepali vowels and consonants. Once Lal briefly taught everyone the sounds associated with the language, he then encouraged members of the crowd to guess the Nepali words as he spelled them out on a white board.

“I do things like this so I don’t forget my culture,” Lal said. “When I am presenting, I feel so proud and happy to be from Nepal. Teaching people about my culture makes me feel closer to it and I want people to know about the millions of languages and cultures out there in the world other than their own.”

Lal looked like a natural on stage, calling on audience members at random to comically attempt to pronounce the difficult Nepal language. His personal charisma and charm made him an engaging speaker and his open-minded attitude toward the Nepali language is something he is very passionate about.

“Cinderella,” Assaf Benchetrit, co-producer, said at the conclusion of the event. “I really think that if more people attend these types of events, people would become more aware and open-minded toward other cultures and languages that they know nothing about, like Nepali.”

The UNH Dance Company performs “Cinderella” in the Johnson Theatre as part of their annual concert.

DANCE

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son Theatre, and used movement to portray two drastically different tales.

The ballet company opened the show with the classic, rag’s to riches Disney tale of the woman whose shoe found her true love.

Assistant Professor of Theatre and Dance and director of “Cinderella,” Assaf Benchetrit, said that he originally didn’t want to do this show due to its “superficial” nature, but ultimately chose it due to his lack of male dancers, as the piece is a female-oriented show.

“In the beginning I wanted to play with the story, maybe create some kind of interaction between them before they fall in love,” Benchetrit said. “Then I realized that slowly but slowly, I was telling a different story, so I realized, ‘you know what just leave it alone.’”

Though the plot remained the same, Benchetrit decided to add a twist as the characters of the two evil stepisters were played by males, juniors Liam Tanner and Ryan Leney. This artistic choice added comedic relief to the love story and had the audience erupting in laughter.

The leads were split between four dancers, each getting to perform for two out of the four shows. Prince Charming was played by sophomore Logan Hales and junior Ben Hanley, while Cinderella was played by freshman Audrey Eastman and junior Driss Dallahi’s pretzel-like flexibility on the silks and plastics boxes and metal rings while others tapped, stamped and high kicked in flashy costumes with intensity.

Showstoppers included junior Ahigail White’s tap skills, senior Driss Dallahi’s pretzel-like flexibility on the silks and juniors Marissa and Miranda Parker’s aerial duet, all of which gained numerous amounts of applause.

In an interview after the show, Nardone commented on her theme of class division by saying that she found it evolve into a story due to the current political climate in the United States. This was illustrated through varying costumes and the dancers portraying the “poor” performing onstage for the “rich.”

Nardone emphasized that her message of the show was one “poor” performing onstage for the “rich.”

“Keeping people down, it’s a way to keep people down,” Nardone said. “But I wanted to show that it really fun to listen to.”

The event came to an end as Lal called to audience members to spell out names, proving he was successful in teaching the incredibly unique language of Nepali.

“Thank you to the Office of International Students and Scholars for helping me so much,” Lal said at the conclusion of the event. “I really think that if more people attend these types of events, people would become more aware and open-minded toward other cultures and languages that they know nothing about, like Nepali.”

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TNH Photo Album UNH Dance Company Concert

This past weekend, the UNH Dance Company held its annual two-act dance performance featuring the classic ballet, “Cinderella,” and the Jazz Tap Aerial (JTA) show, “Ooh, La Paree!” Check out some photos from the show!

Photos Courtesy of Huy Le ’18, UNH Communications and Public Affairs

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From darkness to the spotlight...

What started as a murmur turned into a full community buzz this past week as word of the Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP) street harassment awareness wall getting torn down by the MUB and UNH administration spread like wildfire. From letters in The New Hampshire to coverage in The Huffington Post, the community has been discussing topics of street harassment and the public awareness of the “tough” topics.

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.” This quote by Martin Luther King Jr. seems to fit this situation perfectly. It states a simple observation that darkness is a lack of light and darkness cannot make anything less dark, only light can accomplish that. Similarly, the quote explains that hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that. This quote by Martin Luther King Jr. seems to fit this situation perfectly. It states a simple observation that darkness is a lack of light and darkness cannot make anything less dark, only light can accomplish that.

For the students who created the project, the bright light brought to the situation and the true discussion that has been facilitated by an action that could have put these words, problems and victims in the dark.

To me, this sequence of events has not only opened my eyes to how strong a community can be and how much of a difference one person can make, but how “normal” we can become normalized and shoved away with a satisfying reaction. It’s absurd that a such profane language has been termed as “social media talk” and not looked at as what it truly is. It’s absurd that such profane language has been normalized and shoved away with a satisfying reaction. It’s absurd that what I have done, too. If someone makes an inappropriate remark, it has always seemed easier to pretend it was never said and not look back, not give this person the satisfaction of a reaction. It’s absurd that such profane language has been normalized and shoved away with a satisfying reaction.

Now, as one, we are bringing this issue into light. I have often felt proud of our unique community vibes here in Durham, but over the past three years, I have never seen such an effort by so many to start discussion. Although my time here is close to ending, as it is for many of us Wildcats, I think that we can all take this situation as a positive learning experience that has shown us how powerful simply talking about an issue is.

Change doesn’t happen overnight, we can’t make every person on campus aware of a campaign for change from one bulletin board, but we can make an impact by starting a conversation.

Allison Bellucci
Executive Editor
Letters to the Editor

AAUP-UNH and UNH LU-AAUP statement on UNH censorship of SHARPP exhibit

UNH's two faculty unions—the American Association of University Professors (AAUP-UNH) and UNH Lecturers United-AAUP (UNHLU)—condemn the university’s recent removal of students’ anti-sexual harassment exhibit from the Memorial Union Building (MUB).

A threat to anyone’s academic freedom is a threat to everyone’s academic freedom. Our students are exercising their academic freedom to call attention to a clump of sexual harassment. The university has not only denied them this right, they have denied the right of intellectual freedom to the university community and have assumed the role of public censors. The university’s action is not just about the denial of the students’ right to post but the public’s right to know. Censorship is never honest.

On March 17, students working with the Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP) created an exhibit quoting actual statements shouted at students on campus. These are hard, crude and violent statements to read; that was precisely the point of the exhibit. But the display was removed in a matter of hours.

In taking the exhibit down, the university invoked section 8.03 of the MUB’s policy manual: “Any poster with ‘hate speech’ as defined in the Students’ Rights, Rules and Responsibilities will not be posted. Any poster/flyer containing profane/vulgar language is prohibited.” The administration’s interpretation, evident ly, is that the exhibit itself, and not the behavior it promotes, is “profane/vulgar.” We might ask, invoking Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., “Isn’t this like condemning a robber? Isn’t this like condemning Socrates because his possession of money precipitated the evil act of robbery? Isn’t this like condemning philosophers because their unswerving commitment to truth and his philosophical inquiries precipitated the act by the misguided populace in which they made him drink hemlock?” The students who made this exhibit are not engaging in hate speech. They are fighting hate speech. If these statements are so shocking that they cannot be on the walls of the MUB in the light of day, imagine the impact of these statements when they are screamed from a moving car or uttered by passersby under the cover of darkness.

Like many universities nationwide, UNH is attempting to address the problem of campus sexual violence through increased bureaucracy, including the blanket assigning of mandatory reporter status to all professors. AAUP is concerned that, among other problems, this mandate opens the door to future suppression of free speech around the issue of sexual violence (for instance, by requiring professors to report a delicate personal experience to the university police). And indeed, this case, the university seems to have done just what the AAUP fears. They have shut down a desperately needed conversation and creative response to campus sexual violence.

The removal of this exhibit is an infringement of the academic freedom that is so vital to students’ education. The AAUP-affiliated faculty unions stand in support of student academic freedom and inquiry, however uncomfortable it may be.

The Faculty and Staff of the UNH Women’s Studies Program

The Women’s Studies Program strongly condemns the censorship of the anti-sexual harassment exhibit posted in the MUB.

We stand in support of the students who worked with the Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention Program (SHARPP) to stage this creative and brave response to sexual violence on university campuses. The students solicited actual epithets that have been hurled at members of our campus community and replicated these on the wall outside the MUB’s main offices. Within only hours of the exhibit’s appearance on March 17, the university took it down.

The administration justifies its decision by citing the MUB policy manual (section 8.03): “Any poster with ‘hate speech’ as defined in the Students’ Rights, Rules and Responsibilities will not be posted. Any poster/flyer containing profane/vulgar language is prohibited.” But this was not a “poster,” it was an exhibit. And the language it contained is, indeed, much more than “profane” and “vulgar”: it is real, and it is violent.

By invoking, interpreting and enforcing the MUB policy manual in this way, the university has shut this conversation down, and has done great damage to student and staff attempts to address campus sexual harassment and violence. The university has invested a great deal of resources on public relations campaigns to present itself as taking action on this problem. It would do well to let the people who understand the issue best—SHARPP, and the students who live with and experience the harassment and violence—to have a voice.

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BRIAN DUNN
-SPORTS EDITOR

Thumbs up to Red Sox opening day today.
Thumbs down to the New York Yankees #Soxinsix.

Thumbs up to the UNH Dance Company.
Thumbs down to having two left feet.

Thumbs up to electing a new student body president.
Thumbs down to Jon Dean leaving office.

Thumbs up to cultural connections.
Thumbs down to cultural divides.

Thumbs up to women’s lacrosse winning its first game.
Thumbs down to it being this late in the season.

Thumbs up to National Autism Awareness Day.
Thumbs down to not having blue clothing to represent with.

Thumbs up to eating healthy.
Thumbs down to broccoli not tasting like pizza.

Thumbs up to warm weather coming this week.
Thumbs down still seeing snow on the ground.
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**Gymnastics**

In second place at the Eastern Atlantic Gymnastics League (EAGL) Championships on March 18, UNH entered the meet as the fourth seed, but finished in last as Missouri took third place, Penn State finished in fourth and EAGL member North Carolina finished just ahead of the Wildcats in fifth. The ’Cats received quality performances from senior co-captain Meghan Pflieger and sophomore Danielle Doolin.

Doolin led the Wildcats in the floor exercise, scoring a 9.825, and the all-around with a score of 38.800. The sophomore’s all-around score was good for 11th overall at the meet. Pflieger finished with an all-around score of 38.600 and scored a team-high 9.825 on the balance beam and 9.750 on the uneven bars. Saturday marked the fifth straight meet in which Pflieger led her team in multiple events.

Sophomore Danielle Mulligan had her lowest scoring output on the uneven bars all season as she scored a 9.725, still good for second on the team. Mulligan also was substituted out of the balance beam during pre-meet warmups because she was battling a bad cold. Sophomore Brittany Capozzi replaced her on the balance beam during Saturday’s competition.

The women’s team had very successful meet with four top-5 finishes. Sophomore Shannon Murdock captured second in the 3,000m (9:40.18) and senior Jeannette Mara leapt her way to a fifth-place finish in the high jump, tying her personal record at 5-feet, 7-inches.

The Colonials Relays proved to be a very successful meet, thanks to many individual and group performances. The high points of the three-day meet came in the form of the men’s distance medley relay (DMR) team, the women’s 4x1,500m relay team and Purrier’s new school record in the 1,500m. Both relay teams collected an impressive first place out of 26 teams after qualifying for the finals, while Purrier finished first by more than a second.

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**WLAX**

Tied up at 11-11 with 4:52 remaining in the game, it came down to junior midfielder Carly Wooters to lift UNH over Vermont and give the Wildcats a win they have been desperately waiting for.

The winning goal came off a forced turnover, which led to a ground ball with 45 seconds left in regulation. From there, UNH controlled possession and secured its first win of the season.

Wooters would net two goals in Saturday’s win over Vermont, as well as an assist. The goals marked her 15th and 16th on the season.

UNH made an impressive comeback to win Saturday afternoon, and it started with 7:22 left in the game. Devon Croke netted an unassisted goal to put UNH within two, followed by Hope Kissick scoring her own unassisted goal to cut the deficit to 11-10. With 6:13 left, Rylee Leonard tied the game at 11 with an assist from Michele Smith.

Wooters would do the rest for the ‘Cats, and led UNH to the win they have been searching for all season long.

Cox also competed in the 400m and the 4x400m relay team. Others on the relay team include Andrew McFarland, Ross Hardy and Brandon Allen. All four pulled together for a 1:35.41 victory, which was a time of 3:19.18. McFarland placed well in the 400m hurdles, coming in 12th (55.41).

Overall, the men’s team finished 21st after the three-day meet came to an end, with 17 points.

Next up: The ‘Cats will host Holy Cross and Maine at the Reggie Atkins Track & Field Facility Saturday, April 8 for a home meet. Events start at 11 a.m.

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Red Sox season preview

With Opening Day at Fenway Park against the Pittsburgh Pirates on April 3, our staff breaks down the 2017 season for the Boston Red Sox.

BY SAM ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

As this Red Sox season begins, a lot of story lines swirl around this team that exceeded expectations in the regular season but failed to meet the expectations set for the playoffs. David Price’s career might be the key. This Red Sox of a three-headed monster of starting pitchers with Rick Porcello and Chris Sale. Without everyone else in the rotation, someone has to step up in the hitting department and Hanley Ramirez, the existing DH, looks to fill those shoes after a terrific season that people tend to forget. Mookie Betts, Jackie Bradley Jr. and Andrew Benintendi looked poised to hold down the outfield as Dustin Pedroia and newcomer Mitch Moreland lead the infield. This team has a ton of talent in the lineup but, their pitcher is definitely not post-season material. Last year everyone saw how weak the pitching staff was, and to advance in October having solid starting pitchers and guys pitching shut down innings out of the bullpen is the key. This Red Sox team will make the playoffs again this season and if the pitchers figure it out, another World Series run is possible.

BY BRETT Belden
STAFF WRITER

Claims like, “the Red Sox are the Golden State Warriors of baseball,” have been tossed around since Dave Dombrowski acquired ace Chris Sale at the deadline this winter. I find it alarming and forgetful of Boston sports fans to assume this is an easy ride.

The competition is not bad enough to count out. The AL East is shaping up to be a dangerous division, with New York’s pitching depth and Boston’s offense (Alex Rodriguez is already at bat) will be very good with us) and Baltimore’s all-around talent. Expect a tougher race to the division title than you would think.

Last year’s signing of David Price raised concerns, but not until he struggled through June and finished the season with a 3.99 ERA and 1.204 WHIP. Before then, the only issue was his enormous paycheck. He was praised. Let’s pump the brakes before we overplay this rotation, considering its depth depends on an injured Price, a questionable knuckleballer and the wrong side of an Anderson Espinoza trade.

BY ZACK HOLLER
SPORTS EDITOR

The Red Sox are entering this season with a lot of hype after adding starting pitcher Chris Sale. They have no history of the Red Sox being a three-headed monster of starting pitchers and the team is coming off a World Series run. Can the team come back and be the ace this team has been searching for, but this team isn’t guaranteed a spot in October. David Price will enter the season on the disabled list (DL) with a lingering elbow injury that I don’t see going away anytime soon.

If Price has to miss an extended period of time, Boston’s rotation is all of a sudden not much better than last year’s. If you throw in the massive hole that the retirement of Ortiz created, and David Ortiz leaves in the middle of the batting order, the Red Sox have plenty of problems entering Opening Day. Newly-acquired relief pitcher, Tyler Thornburg, will also be on the 15-day DL to start the season for the Sox and the bullpen showed last season that it is anything but reliable.

This is still arguably the most talented team in the American League, but I don’t see a playoff berth as a given for Boston.

By Brian Dunn
SPORTS EDITOR

It seems like every year for the past couple of seasons the Red Sox have had a pitching issue, even with the addition of the new ace Chris Sale. However, the most exciting part about this campaign is how electric this outfield is going to be on both sides of the plate. Jackie Bradley Jr., Andrew Benintendi and Mookie Betts are going to light up this league and Betts is already a front-runner for American League MVP I expect an AL East division title and hopefully, if the bullpen stays healthy, we’ll be talking about an ALCS appearance in October. For now, enjoy the game and enjoy the season, Go Sox.

BY RYAN PAGLIARO
STAFF WRITER

I picture the Red Sox season going much like the 2017 Super Bowl did for the Patriots. Get schooled at the end of January, when you count them out, they come back from a 25-point deficit, win the game and take over the dynasty. Terry Francona and Andrew Benintendi have had a chance at their moment and I think they would take the chance to shine.

BY BEN TAYLOR
RELIEF PITCHER

It seems like every year the Red Sox have an issue, but this year it is the bullpen. I trust Craig Kimbrel because he intimidates me with his fire instincts and gin bottle, but his control was bad last season and he needs to be lights out now that Koji Uehara is gone. Adding Tyler Thornburg is going to help, but still they need work. Fernando Abad is not the answer folks.

If the Red Sox stay healthy and rely on their offense then the sky’s the limit. The team looks solid on paper, but will they smoothly move on from David Ortiz? It will be an adjustment. I still see them winning 90 games at least and winning the AL East again. Yet, getting to the World Series will be hard. For now, I have them mak- ing it to the ALCS. Go Sox.

Win, dance, repeat: Sky’s the limit for 2017 Red Sox

Chris Sale
Starting pitcher
Career ERA: 3.00
70–75 record over last five seasons

Tyler Thornburg
Relief pitcher
Career ERA: 2.87 Career batting average: .213

Steve Selsky
Right fielder
Batted .314 in 24 games in 2016 for the Cincinnati Reds

Mitch Moreland
First baseman
Career batting average: .296
22 home runs in 2016

Ben Taylor
Relief pitcher
2015 seventh-round draft pick

Newly acquired Red Sox players to watch

Rough seas are on the horizon for the Boston Red Sox this season. Newly acquired Red Sox players to watch and the key to the 2017 season for the Boston Red Sox.

No Nonsense
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Speaking of defense, Sandy Leon will have help behind the plate with Christian Vasquez being fully healthy and Blake Swihart returning to his original position after the outfield experiment failed. Xander Bogaerts will be the best shortstop in the American League this season and do not ever question Dustin Pedroia’s ability, even at age 33. Pedroia is the longest active Red Sox player now, and with Ortiz gone, and his work ethic will drive the team as long as he stays healthy.

Now, the question that everyone is asking is about pitching. Adding ace Chris Sale into the mix with Cy Young award winner Rick Porcello (who will start the opener) is exciting. It should re- lieve pressure off of David Price, who is already starting 2017 on a bad note with an elbow injury. With Eduardo Rodriguez, Steven Wright and Drew Pomeranz at the back end of the rotation, the starters look equipped to win a lot of games, if healthy. Yet, when the players come around, do you re- ally trust any of them? Not me. Clay Buchholz is gone as well and he was the only starter last year with any playoff success, which was not a lot. We’ll see how this unfolds in 2017.

Finally, the bullpen quite frankly is still a mess. I trust Craig Kimbrel because he intimidates me with his fire instincts and gin bottle, but his control was bad last season and he needs to be lights out now that Koji Uehara is gone. Adding Tyler Thornburg is going to help, but still they need work. Fernando Abad is not the answer folks.

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Racing herself
PURRIER BREAKS HER OWN PROGRAM RECORD IN 1,500-METER RUN

By RYAN PAGLIARO
STAFF WRITER

The ‘Cats are outside now, and that is very good news for Elinor Purrier and her teammates. While the outdoor season has officially started, it was not without delays as the competitors who traveled to Orono, Maine were forced to wait an extra day due to inclement weather.

To start things off with a bang, several men and women with the track team traveled down to Williamsburg, Virginia to compete in the Colonial Relays meet.

On Friday, Purrier broke her own 1,500-meter record with her 4-minutes, 14.48-seconds finish, besting her old record of 4:18.59. On the next day, Purrier was asked to race in the 4x1,500-meter relay. Purrier, Shannon Murdock, Sarah Keiran and Danielle Gajewski collaborated for a first-place effort. Their time of 18:19.46 broke...